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Date Submitted: February 9th, 2023

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Regular or Suspension Agenda: Regular

Submitted By: Jacob Robison, City Plan

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Comments: Legistar File ID: LM-2023-0085

Coordinator's Signature:

→ See electronically signed copy

Controller's Signature (if grant):

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Mayor's Office Signature:



Call (203) 946-7670 with any questions.

bmontalvo@newhavenct.gov

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NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN DEPARTMENT
165 CHURCH STREET, NEW HAVEN, CT 06510
TEL (203) 946-6378 FAX (203) 946-7815

February 9th, 2023

The Honorable Alder Tyisha Walker-Myers
President, New Haven Board of Alders
City of New Haven
165 Church Street
New Haven, CT 06510

RE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO APPLY FOR, EXECUTE, ACKNOWLEDGE, IMPLEMENT AND DELIVER ANY AND ALL DOCUMENTS AS MAY BE CONSIDERED NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE FOR THE CONNECTICUT RECREATIONAL TRAILS GRANT FROM THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION FOR THE MILL RIVER TRAIL

Dear President Walker-Myers:

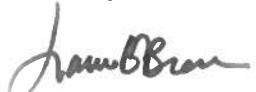
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City Plan seeks Board of Alders authorization for the Mayor to execute contracts and other documents relevant to this grant.

Sincerely,



Laura Brown
Executive Director
City Plan Department

..TITLE

ORDER AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT THE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE GRANT AWARD FROM UNITED ILLUMINATING TO INCREASE PARTICIPATION IN ENERGY EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMS.

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WHEREAS, deep energy efficiency improvements are shown to lower energy bills, improve the health of residents, and strengthen the resilience and increase the comfort of homes;

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut has set a goal of weatherizing 80% of homes by 2030 and as of 2020 only 23% of New Haven households have participated in weatherization programs;

WHEREAS, low-income participation in energy efficiency improvement programs has declined in the last decade;

WHEREAS, residential buildings of one to four families in neighborhoods of need present the greatest opportunity for increased cost-saving, health, and resiliency benefits;

WHEREAS, more than half of New Haven households are energy cost-burdened, spending more than 6% of their income on energy bills, and the burden falls most severely on environmental justice neighborhoods like Newhallville, Fair Haven, and Dwight;

WHEREAS, the recently-passed Inflation Reduction Act contains a variety of rebates and tax credits to help homeowners, property owners, and renters afford investments in energy efficiency improvements;

WHEREAS, the New Haven Office of Climate and Sustainability recognizes the need to increase community awareness of and access to available incentives and programs for improving energy efficiency;

WHEREAS, the Neighborhood Housing Services' I Heart My Home program has assisted hundreds of Connecticut residents in accessing all of the energy efficiency benefits they are eligible to receive;

WHEREAS, the City of New Haven will, in partnership with Neighborhood Housing Services, apply for funding from United Illuminating; and upon receipt of such grant, Neighborhood Housing Services will act as the fiduciary of funds and accept said grant in its entirety;

WHEREAS, the United Illuminating has issued a request for proposals, entitled the Community Partnership Initiative, intended to drive participation in energy efficiency improvement programs, with key objectives including reaching income-eligible residents, renters, and residents with limited English language proficiency;

WHEREAS, the Community Partnership Initiative grant program requires municipalities to partner with local nonprofits;

WHEREAS: the New Haven Board of Alders fully supports the further development and improvement of the Mill River Trail;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT: the Board of Alders authorizes the Mayor, Justin Elicker, to apply for, execute, acknowledge, implement and deliver any and all documents as may be considered necessary or appropriate for the Connecticut Recreational Trails grant; which documents may include indemnifications of the federal or state agencies involved in the funding, to the extent necessary in order to obtain the same; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: the Mayor may enter into such agreements for Connecticut Recreational Trails grant funding for lesser amounts, in the event the City is awarded a grant at a lower funding level, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT: the Mayor may enter into subsequent agreements with the State or other entities in a manner consistent with Connecticut Recreational Trails program regulations.

PRIOR NOTIFICATION FORM

**NOTICE OF MATTER TO BE SUBMITTED TO
THE BOARD OF ALDERS**

TO (list applicable alders of):

Alder Cupo, Alder Herrera

WARD # **8, 9**

DATE: **February 9th, 2023**

FROM: Department/Office City Plan
Person Jacob Robison Telephone 203-314-3263
jrobison@newhavenct.gov

This is to inform you that the following matter affecting your ward(s) will be submitted to the Board of Alders in the near future:

Title of the Legislation

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Check one if this an appointment to a commission

Democrat

Republican

Unaffiliated/Independent/Other _____

INSTRUCTIONS TO DEPARTMENTS

1. Departments are responsible for sending this form to the alder(s) affected by the item.
2. This form must be sent (or delivered) directly to the alder(s) before it is submitted to the Legislative Services Office for the Board of Alders agenda.
3. The date entry must be completed with the date this form was sent the alder(s).
4. Copies to: alder(s); sponsoring department; attached to submission to Board of Alders.

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

DATE: February 9th, 2023
FROM (Dept.): City Plan
CONTACT: Jacob Robison, Senior Project Manager PHONE 203-314-3263

SUBMISSION ITEM (Title of Legislation):

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List Cost: Describe in as much detail as possible both personnel and non-personnel costs; general, capital or special funds; and source of funds currently budgeted for this purpose.

	GENERAL	SPECIAL	BOND	CAPITAL/LINE ITEM/DEPT/ACT/OBJ CODE
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A. Personnel

1. Initial start up
2. One-time
3. Annual

B. Non-personnel

1. Initial start up
2. One-time \$70,000 \$280,000
3. Annual

List Revenues: Will this item result in any revenues for the City? If Yes, please list amount and type.

NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
YES	<input type="checkbox"/>

1. One-time
2. Annual

Other Comments: Prospective grant fund, will determine fund source if/when awarded

<i>MRT 2023 Budget</i>	Phase Sum	Local (20% Participating)	Grant (80% Participating)
Land Purchase + Fees	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 32,000.00
Planning	\$ 50,000.00	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 40,000.00
Design	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 24,000.00
Construction Inspection	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 24,000.00
Construction	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 40,000.00	\$ 160,000.00
Project Sum	\$ 350,000.00	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 280,000.00

NOTICE OF INTENT

**NOTIFICATION TO THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN REGARDING PROPOSED
GRANT AND CONTRACT APPLICATIONS TO BE MADE BY THE CITY OF
NEW HAVEN DURING THE PERIOD:** March 2023

PROGRAM NAME: CT Recreational Trails Grants Program

(X) NEW () CONTINUATION
(Check One of the Above)

FUNDING LEVEL AVAILABLE TO PROJECT: Application for **\$280,000**

FUNDING SOURCE: State of Connecticut Department of Energy and
Environmental Protection

PURPOSE OF PROGRAM: Provide funding to any private nonprofit organizations, municipalities, state departments and tribal governments in support of trail projects.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF CITY'S PROPOSAL: The City proposes to utilize funding to forward the Mill River Trail. This includes purchasing a small portion of privately owned land that separates the northern and southern legs and converting this into a trail segment, establishing sidewalk along roadside segments of trail, creating safer road crossings, and implementing new clear trail marking signage.

MATCH REQUIREMENT FROM GENERAL FUND (if any): 20% of project budget - **\$70,000** mix of in-kind and cash

ALLOWABLE INDIRECT COST: none

DEPARTMENT SUBMITTING APPLICATION: City Plan

CONTACT PERSON: Jacob Robison 203-314-3263

DATE: 2/9/2023

GRANT SUMMARY	
Grant Title:	CT Recreational Trails Grants Program
MUNIS #:	TBD
City Department:	City Plan
City Contact Person & Phone:	Jacob Robison 203-314-3263
Funding Level:	-
Funding Period:	March 1, 2023 – December 31 st , 2024
Funding Source:	State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
Funding Source Contact Person & Phone	Kimberly Bradley – 860-424-3938
Purpose of Program:	Provide funding to any private nonprofit organizations, municipalities, state departments and tribal governments in support of trail projects
Personnel (salary):	0
Personnel (Worker's Comp):	0
Personnel (Med. Benefit):	0
Non-Personnel (total):	\$350,000
Non-Personnel (M & U):	0
New or Renewal?	New
Limits on spending (e.g., Admin. Cap)?	Cap – Project total
Reporting requirements: Fiscal	Quarterly
Reporting requirements: Programmatic	Quarterly
Due date of first report:	TBC
Audit Requirements:	TBC

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

CT Recreational Trails Grants Program

New Haven City Plan

February 9th, 2023

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