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Honorable Tyisha Walker-Myers
President, Board of Alders
City of New Haven
165 Church St
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RE: ORDER OF THE NEW HAVEN BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ENTER INTO A MULTIYEAR ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATION SITE HOST AGREEMENT WITH VOLTPOST, INC.

Dear President Walker-Myers:

I am pleased to submit the above referenced order for your consideration and action.

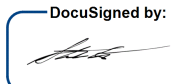
As part of the City's commitment to expanding access to increasingly affordable electric and plug-in hybrid vehicles, the City is partnering with Voltpost to bring pole-mounted electric vehicle charging stations to City-owned facilities and spaces within the public right-of-way. This partnership will begin as a pilot program funded by the state's Public Utilities Regulatory Authority (PURA) but has the potential to expand in the long term to additional locations throughout the City.

While the federal administration's elimination of electric vehicle tax credit has temporarily depressed demand for plug-in vehicles, the growth of plug-in vehicle registrations in New Haven shows that these vehicles are growing in popularity: total registrations were roughly 400 vehicles in 2022, roughly 800 vehicles in 2024, and roughly 1,300 vehicles year-to-date in 2026. While a growing number of used vehicles and new models make plug-in vehicles increasingly affordable, access to charging remains a hurdle for residents who might be interested in purchasing a plug-in vehicle but lack off street parking.

With the goal of providing widespread and affordable charging for electric vehicles, PURA selected Voltpost for grant funding through its Innovative Energy Solutions program. Voltpost's chargers can be attached to a utility pole or street lamp, utilizing ready access to overhead wires or existing conduit. This allows Voltpost to quickly deploy new chargers, which Voltpost will install, own, and maintain. Entering into a multiyear site hosting agreement with Voltpost will enable the City to deploy these chargers at City-owned facilities, such as Parks parking lots, and at select on-street locations.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (475) 331-3769.

Respectfully submitted,


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Executive Director