



NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN DEPARTMENT
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November 12, 2020

Hon. Tyisha Walker
President, New Haven Board of Alders
165 Church Street
New Haven, CT 06510-2010

Dear President Walker,

We are pleased to submit this resolution which updates and replaces a Resolution that came before you previously and was approved by the Board of Alders in April of 2020. This Resolution is to support the installation of a public mural in the underpass at State Street and Bradley Street. The resolution would allow the Mayor to execute maintenance agreements with the Connecticut Department of Transportation in accordance with their new policies for artwork on DOT infrastructure, released in late 2019. There is a clause regarding indemnification in the agreement template between the State and the City that was not addressed in prior order and requires board of Alder Approval.

For the new mural, the installation and maintenance of the mural will be managed by a third party at no cost to the City, based on support from community members, the Upper State St Merchants Association, and the Could Be Fund of the Elm City Innovation Collaborative.

At Bradley Street, members of our community have repeatedly shared their desire for an improvement to this underpass and the team that has designed this mural has built support from a wide group of stakeholders. Designed by Arts for Learning CT, the mural features a streetscape inspired by the houses and buildings along State St, continuing the feeling of the street for pedestrians and drivers as they pass through the underpass.

We are proud of the work done by the Bradley Street Bicycle Cooperative and others to raise support for this project, including community meetings and personal outreach. This fall, merchants up and down State Street donated food to a community fundraiser in support.

This project is made possible by a matching grant from the Could Be Fund of the Elm City Innovation Collaborative, a recipient of the CTNext Innovation Places grant. This project is an example of the Fund's goal to use public space improvements to improve the connections between communities.

Therefore, we are submitting this and respectfully ask for the full Board's support of this resolution.

Sincerely,

Aicha Woods
Executive Director

CHECK LIST FOR ALDERMANIC SUBMISSIONS

X	Cover Letter
X	Resolutions/ Orders/ Ordinances
X	Prior Notification Form
X	Fiscal Impact Statement - Should include comprehensive budget
X	Supporting Documentation
X	Disk or E-mailed Cover letter & Order
	IN ADDITION IF A GRANT:
	Notice of Intent
	Grant Summary
	Executive Summary (not longer than 5 pages without an explanation)

Date Submitted: November 12, 2020 _____

Meeting Submitted For: November 16, 2020 _____

Regular or Suspension Agenda: _____ Regular

Submitted By: _____ City Plan Department

Title of Legislation:

RE: RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NEW HAVEN TO EXECUTE ENCROACHMENT PERMITS, MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS, AND OTHER PAPERWORK FOR A PUBLIC MURAL IN THE I-91 UNDERPASS AT THE INTERSECTION OF STATE STREET AND BRADLEY STREET, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2019 DOT PUBLIC ART POLICY.

Comments: _____

Coordinator's Signature: MPL

Controller's Signature (if grant): _____

Mayor's Office Signature: _____

Call 946-6308 with any questions.

PLEASE NOTE CLEARLY IF UC (UNANIMOUS CONSENT) IS REQUESTED

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WHEREAS, public murals and artwork benefit the public by beautifying public spaces, encouraging pedestrian activity, building community, and celebrating local artists; and,

WHEREAS, the State Department of Transportation released “Guidelines for Aesthetic Objects and Treatments within CTDOT ROW” in late 2019 to streamline the process for permitting public art on underpasses and other infrastructure; and,

WHEREAS, the State Department of Transportation released a revised agreement template in 2020 to streamline the process for permitting public art on CT DOT underpasses and other CT DOT infrastructure; and,

WHEREAS, the I-91 underpass at State Street and Bradley Street is a barrier to the walk appeal of State Street, separating two neighborhoods; and,

WHEREAS, a mural design has been developed that would improve the experience of the underpass and celebrate the historic buildings in the neighborhood; and,

WHEREAS, the mural design has been supported by the Community Management Team and at other public events; and,

WHEREAS, the mural design was selected for a matching grant from the Could Be Fund of the Elm City Innovation Collaborative, a recipient of the CTNext Innovation Places grant; and,

WHEREAS, in conjunction with the Upper State Street Merchants Association, neighbors and neighboring businesses raised the matching amount for the cost of the mural; and,

WHEREAS, the mural has a proposed maintenance fund managed by Arts for Learning Connecticut to support the ongoing care and correction of these murals when defaced, without cost to the City, meeting the DOT’s requirements for maintenance and care; and,

WHEREAS, in the case that these funds are exhausted and not replenished by fundraising, the DOT maintenance agreement’s obligation is only to return the wall to a flat color, at incidental cost to the City; and,

WHEREAS, continued support for this mural on DOT infrastructure would be a positive benefit for the residents of New Haven;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED/ORDERED by the Board of Alders of the City of New Haven that the Mayor of the City of New Haven is hereby authorized to execute and deliver such Encroachment Permits, Multi-Year Maintenance Agreements and other such documentation as may be required by the State and/or the DOT and/or any other interested agency of the State (collectively, the “State Agencies”) for the purposes of the Bradley Street Mural Project or as otherwise may be deemed necessary or desirable in order to effect the

purposes of this Order (the “Bradley Street Mural Project Documentation”) which the Bradley Street Mural Project Documentation may contain indemnifications by the City of the State or State Agencies involved.

PRIOR NOTIFICATION FORM

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

TO (list applicable alders):

**Ward 7 Alder Abby Roth
Ward 8 Alder Ellen Cupo
Ward 9 Alder Charles Decker
Ward 10 Alder Anna Festa**

DATE: **11/12/2020**

FROM: Department/Office City Plan
Person Aicha Woods , Executive Director Telephone 946-6308

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

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

FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

DATE: November 12, 2020
FROM (Dept.): City Plan
CONTACT: Aicha Woods PHONE: 946-6308

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
A. Personnel	N/A			N/A
1. Initial start up	0			
2. One-time	0			
3. Annual	N/A			
B. Non-personnel				
1. Initial start up	N/A			
2. One-time	0			
3. Annual	0			

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"/>

Other Comments:

\$1,000 per mural would be available for maintenance.

February 18, 2020

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Ward 7, Alder

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Ward 10, Alder

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Ward 9, Alder

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NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Alders of the City of New Haven authorizes the Mayor of the City of New Haven to execute an encroachment permit, multi-year maintenance agreement, and other paperwork to support the installation of a public mural in the underpass at the intersection of State Street and Bradley Street.