## NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

**RE:** ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS Accepting the List of Program Proposals

Applying for Eligibility to receive Donations under the State of Connecticut 2025

Neighborhood Assistance Act. (Submitted by: Arlevia T. Samuel)

**REPORT:** 1666-06 ADVICE: Approval

## **BACKGROUND**

Livable City Initiative has submitted a list of non-profit organizations applying for eligibility to receive donations under the State of Connecticut 2025 Neighborhood Assistance Act. In accordance with Chapter 228a of the General Statutes of Connecticut, this list must be presented to the Board of Alders prior to submission to the State of Connecticut's Commissioner of Revenue Services. The deadline to submit the proposals to the Department of Revenue Services is July 1, 2025.

The Neighborhood Assistance Act is a program of the State of Connecticut Department of Revenue Services. The City of New Haven acts as a liaison between the non-profit organizations and the State of Connecticut. The program is a tax credit program for corporations to donate funding to the community programs and receive a tax credit from the State of Connecticut for said donations. The list of organizations proposed for the 2025 program is included in the submitted materials.

## PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Accepting and approving the list of proposals complies with the City's Comprehensive Plan:

- Promote diverse housing stock suitable for people of all ages and incomes;
- Improve housing affordability;
- Enhance the quality of the housing stock;
- Secure additional funding through state- and federally-operated financial programs aiming at moderate-income (workforce) households
- Encourage enhanced before and after school care programming and programming of other community-based facilities and provide vocational training opportunities for local youth to further promote community building and economic development;
- Grow public spaces by repairing deteriorated infrastructure such as bulkheads; parking lots; roadways; irrigation systems; tennis, basketball, and bocce courts; splash pads; and other support amenities:
- Prioritize public health and safety in planning decisions "Partner with local private institutions,
  major employers, arts organizations, and other non-profit organizations to increase programming,
  marketing, and funding opportunities for arts and cultural events in New Haven and further
  stabilize New Haven's positioning as a regional, as well as, world-class destination for arts and
  entertainment.

All proposals have been inspected by Livable City Initiative to ensure that every question is specifically answered to provide the complete disclosure of information appropriate to meet the expectations of the Board of Alders including, but not limited to: providing the tax-exempt number, a description of the organization if it is not a tax exempt or a municipal agency, and the percentage of the people directly served by the population who are under 150% of the poverty level.

## **ADVICE**

The Commission finds the Order in the best interest of the City and recommends approval.

**ADOPTED:** May 21, 2025

Ernest Pagan

Chair

ATTEST: Lawa E. Brown

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