

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 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICES GRANT: HISTORIC PRESERVATION ENHANCEMENT GRANT

WHEREAS: The **Historic Preservation Enhancement Grant (the “HPEG”)** opportunity was announced by the State Historic Preservation Office (the “SHPO”) and the City of New Haven (the “City”) worked to develop applications in a manner consistent with the foundation grant requirements; and

WHEREAS: the City has highlighted the need for adaptive reuse and flood mitigation in its Climate and Sustainability Framework Plan (2018) and Comprehensive Plan Update, Vision 2025 (2015); and

WHEREAS: the City’s historic resources are a valuable cultural and economic asset which must be leveraged to foster inclusive growth; and

WHEREAS: the SHPO **Historic Preservation Enhancement Grant** seeks to fund projects that benefit the cultural resources of a municipality; and

WHEREAS: the HPEG may be used to fund adaptive reuse studies for historic resources; and

WHEREAS: the SHPO seeks to fund projects that promote “Shared Stewardship” of historic resources; and

WHEREAS: an adaptive reuse of the River Street district will be designed with inclusive engagement from community stakeholders;

WHEREAS: recognizing the highly competitive nature of the HPEG grant program, the City is making application for up to \$20,000 funding, with

WHEREAS: the grant activities would contribute to the environmental justice by providing greater access to the waterfront and flood risk mitigation to Fair Haven; and

WHEREAS: the grant activities will be overseen by the City Plan Department and builds on existing programs and initiatives within City Plan and Economic Development Administration; and

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 Historic Preservation Enhancement 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 the HPEG 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 partner organizations or other entities in a manner consistent with the HPEG program regulations.