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AUTHORIZATION FOR THE MAYOR TO SIGN A PROJECT AUTHORIZATION LETTER (PAL) FOR THE WATER STREET CYCLE TRACK PROJECT UTILIZING LOCAL TRANSPORTATION CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (LOTICIP) FUNDING

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Whereas, the proposed Water Street cycle track will provide a crucial link between two other multi-use paths currently in construction: Farmington Canal Phase IV and Downtown Crossing Phase 2. Connecting these two paths from Union Avenue/State Street to Olive Street will facilitate safe, off-road bicycle access between Union Station, Long Wharf, Orange Street, and all the towns that the Farmington Canal trail services in both Connecticut and Massachusetts; and,

Whereas, examples of contemplated work include improving bike/pedestrian safety through the addition of 12-foot wide, approximately 1000-foot-long bi-directional cycle track between Union Avenue/State Street and Olive Street bike lanes, improved pedestrian lighting and traffic signals; and,

Whereas, the Water Street Cycle Track project was designed by the City and accepted by the South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG) as a candidate for the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP) at a 100% funding level for construction and inspection services; and,

Whereas: The project will be administered by the City of New Haven and upon approval by the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation of the lowest responsible bidder a grant payment will be made to the City of New Haven for the total amount; and,

Whereas: The Board of Alders previously authorized the Mayor to sign Project Authorization Letters (PALs) under the Master Municipal Agreement by resolution in September 2013 (LM-2013-0206);

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor is Authorized to accept funding under the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP), and to sign any associated agreements with the State of Connecticut, Contractors, subsequent amendments, and other documents, any of which may include indemnification provisions, and which may have a term of longer than one year, that the Mayor deems necessary or desirable regarding the Water Street Cycle Track Project