

NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACCEPT FUNDING FROM THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION (CTDEEP) AND SIGN ANY ASSOCIATED STATE AGREEMENTS, AGREEMENTS WITH CONTRACTORS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS THAT MAY BE DESIRABLE OR NECESSARY, INCLUDING ANY SUBSEQUENT AMENDMENTS TO AGREEMENTS, REGARDING REPAIRS TO THE QUINNIPIAC AV/CLIFTON ST CANOE LAUNCH
Submitted by: Giovanni Zinn, City Engineer

REPORT: 1611-08

ADVICE: Approve.

BACKGROUND

By act of the State Legislature, the Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental is offering the City a grant in the amount of \$250,000 (from State ARPA funds) for the rehabilitation and restoration of the Clifton St Canoe Launch. The original canoe launch was constructed 20-30 years ago, and has experienced significant erosion and deterioration. It is located at the end of Clifton St and along the coastal access easement at 3 Clifton St. It is anticipated that the improvements will be in both of these areas, and may necessitate a memorandum of understanding from the property owner acknowledging that the improvements on the coastal access easement would need to remain and be maintained.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

In accordance with Title I, Article XIII, Section 2(A) of the New Haven Code of Ordinances states, **"Every Ordinance or Resolution of the Board of Alders relating to the location and use of any street, bridge, boulevard, esplanade, square, park, playground, playfield, aviation field, parking space, public building, [grant funding], the facilities or terminals of any public utility, or the establishment or change in the boundaries of or regulations concerning zoning, shall be at once referred to the City Planning Commission and final action shall not be taken on any such Ordinance or Resolution until the commission shall have reported thereon, provided that the Board of Alders may establish by ordinance a period of not less than sixty (60) Days within which the commission shall file its report with the City Clerk and if no report is filed within such period the approval of the commission shall be presumed."** Accordingly, the Board of Alders seeks guidance regarding the proposed amendment.

The Board of Alder seeks guidance as to:

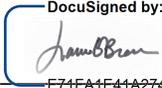
- Whether the proposal is aligned with the City's Comprehensive Plan.
- The City's Comprehensive Plan states, as a goal, to **"Connect residents to quality outdoor recreation."**

ADVICE

The proposal is aligned with the City's Comprehensive Plan because it:

- Improves outdoor recreation space
- Repairs deteriorated infrastructure
- Connects residents to the waterfront

ADOPTED: June 15, 2022
Leslie Radcliffe
Chair

ATTEST: 

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Laura E Brown
Executive Director, City Plan Department