

City of New Haven Office Of Management and Budget Justin M. Elicker, Mayor Michael Gormany, City Budget Director

September 15, 2020

Alder Tyisha Walker President, Board of Alders 23rd Ward Board of Alders 165 Church Street New Haven, CT 06510

RE: Acceptance of Connecticut Funding for PPE the General Elections

Dear Honorable President Walker-Myers:

As per by City Charter and General Code of Ordinances, I am submitting a grant request to the Board of Alders, for consideration for of Unanimous Consent. The grant is for acceptance of Connecticut Funding for PPE for the upcoming General Elections.

The City received notification from CT Secretary of the State Office on September 08, 2020; New Haven would receive funds in the amount of \$107,517. The funding is part of Secretary Merrill initiative to provide Safe Polls Grants to towns to cover additional election costs related to COVID-19. The New Haven submitted a Safe Polls Plan along with other cities and towns, enabling them to receive Safe Poll Grants to pay for their COVID-19-related election expenses. The plan includes approving towns' plans for polling place locations and layouts, staffing levels, emergency plans, and cleaning and safety materials needed.

The Office, through the Safe Polls grant program, will be able to provide the resources necessary to secure the cleaning and safety equipment, as well as cleaning the polling places themselves and hiring additional poll workers, that will keep our voters and our poll workers safe.

If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 946-6413. I thank you and hope for your favorable consideration of this item.

Michael Gormany

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City Budget Director

City Acting Controller