



September 18, 2020

Honorable President Tyisha Walker-Myers  
Board of Alders  
City of New Haven  
165 Church Street  
New Haven, CT 06510

***Re: Tweed New Haven Airport Authority***

Dear Honorable President Walker-Myers:

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has notified the Tweed New Haven Airport Authority (the Authority) that we have until 2021 to bring our taxiways into compliance with FAA Regulation concerning separation between the taxiways and main runway. As you know the City owns all of the land that constitutes the airport and has leased that land to the Authority by means of a Lease and Operating Agreement between the City and the Authority dated July 1, 1988. In order to accomplish the taxiway separation project at the north end of the main runway 02/20 we need to acquire portions of land owned by two abutters in East Haven. One of the abutters is Robert Celentano who owns 12 Washington Avenue. He is willing to convey the necessary land to the City in exchange for airport land conveyed from the City that the FAA has stated is no longer needed for aviation purposes.

We have a land swap agreement with Mr. Celentano that the FAA has approved. We are presenting to the Board that agreement for consideration and approval. It will not only be necessary for the City to approve the conveyance of City land to Mr. Celentano but also acceptance by the City of a parcel of comparable size and value from Mr. Celentano, a parcel that will become part of the Airport Layout Plan under the regulatory authority of the FAA. Two appraisals have been performed of the parcels subject to the land swap confirming that the parcels are, indeed, of comparable value. They are also of comparable size. We have previously sent to the City the agreement among the Authority, City and Mr. Celentano which we believe is a part of the submission from the Economic Development Administration.

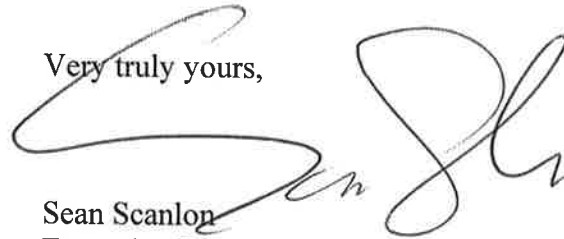
In addition to completing this land swap, it is necessary for the Board to memorialize the transaction in an amendment to the Lease and Operating Agreement between the City and the Authority. In that regard we have submitted Amendment No. 1 to that Agreement which adds

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the parcel received from Mr. Celentano to the properties being leased to the Authority and releases from the lease the parcel the City is transferring to Mr. Celentano.

As stated at the outset, we are up against a federal deadline and will greatly appreciate your help in facilitating the processing of this request. Please give me a call if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sean Scanlon', written over a horizontal line.

Sean Scanlon  
Executive Director  
Tweed New Haven Airport Authority

cc. Michael Piscitelli, Development Administrator, City of New Haven  
John Picard, Chair of the Board of Director, Tweed New Haven Airport Authority  
Hugh Manke, General Counsel, Updike, Kelly & Spellacy