

July 29, 2020

Honorable Tyisha Walker-Myers, President

New Haven Board of Alders

City of New Haven

165 Church Street

New Haven, CT 06510

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 PRESERVATION CONNECTICUT GRANT: VIBRANT COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE

Dear Honorable President Walker-Myers:

I am pleased to submit for your consideration a grant application and resolution for the Preservation Connecticut grant: Vibrant Communities Initiative. The City Plan Department is submitting this application to Preservation Connecticut for a grant of up to \$27,000.00. The exact budget is to be determined. This grant does not require a match. The grant seeks to fund an adaptive reuse study for the former Strong School building at 69 Grand Avenue. The site, a beautiful early-20th century school, has been the focus of a great deal of community organization over the past decade, as it is seen as a possible anchor for the surrounding neighborhood. The deliverable is a feasibility study for reuse possibilities, based on criteria established by community members, which may be applied to similar sites across the city.

Please let me know if I can provide you with any additional information or if you have any questions. I look forward to presenting this grant application to the Board of Alders.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Aicha Woods".

Aicha Woods

Exec Dir City Plan

cc. Mike Piscitelli, Economic Development Administrator