

NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE: **ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS** approving the disposal of a portion of the parcel of land known as 20 Thompson Avenue East Haven, which is currently a part of Tweed New Haven Airport to Robert Celentano and to acquire from Robert Celentano a portion of the parcel of land known as 12 Washington Avenue, East Haven to be used for the purposes of the Tweed New Haven Airport.
(Submitted by; Michael Piscitelli, Economic Development Administrator)

REPORT: **1574-03**

ADVICE: **Approve**

BACKGROUND

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) has notified the Tweed New Haven Airport Authority that the airport's taxiways have to be brought into compliance with FAA regulations concerning separations between taxiways and main runways. In order to accomplish the taxiway separation project at the north end of the main runway, the Tweed New Haven Air Port Authority needs to acquire portions of land owned by two abutters in East Haven, one of them is Robert Celentano- the owner of 12 Washington Ave. Mr. Celentano 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. A swap agreement with Mr. Celentano was reviewed and approved by the FAA.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

There is currently insufficient space within the boundaries of the airport property to implement the taxiway separation project. Thus a land swap is needed to ensure the Tweed Airport is in compliance with FAA regulations concerning separations between taxiways and main runways.

The land swap agreement that will make possible the taxiway separations project at the Tweed New Haven Airport complies with the City's Comprehensive Plan that calls to:

New Haven Vision, 2025, Sec. V-17:

"Promote safety and service improvements at Tweed New Haven airport."

ADVICE

The Commission finds the Order in the best interest of the City and recommends approval.

ADOPTED: November 4, 2020
Ed Mattison
Chair

ATTEST: 
Aicha Woods
Executive Director, City Plan Department