

**NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT**

**RE:** **BROOKSIDE AVENUE at Wintergreen Brook**, Authorization for Mayor to sign agreements and any subsequent amendments with the Connecticut Department of Transportation's State Local Bridge Program for the Design, Inspection and Construction Phases of the Brookside Avenue Bridge over Wintergreen Brook (City Engineer).

**REPORT:**1469-14

**ADVICE:** Approval

**BACKGROUND**

Before the Board is a request from the City Engineer to authorize the Mayor to sign agreements and any subsequent amendments with the State Department of Transportation to replace the Brookside Avenue Bridge over Wintergreen Brook (Bridge #092002). Funding is available through the State Local Bridge Program for the design, inspection and construction of a new bridge. The Brookside Bridge has recently been determined to be in poor condition warranting complete replacement. ConnDOT has approved the grant application where the State pays 32.85% share and the City pays 67.15% of the cost.

**PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS**

Brookside Avenue east of Wilmot Road serves as primary vehicular and pedestrian access route to the new West Rock development. It also serves as a public transit route (Z line) for CT Transit to access this section of the City. A new bridge is certainly in the City's best interest, provided its construction be accomplished while maintaining through traffic during the project. Sewer lines are already being relocated in preparation for the project. The City's share of the project cost will be \$961,567.88 available in capital funds.

The design phase of the project is expected to be completed by August 2012 with the construction phase to begin in late fall 2012, anticipated to be complete by fall 2013.

**ADVICE**

Approval.

**ADOPTED:** September 18, 2012  
Edward Mattison  
Chair

**ATTEST:**   
Karyn M. Gilvarg, AIA  
Executive Director