NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE:

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION, Agreement in the amount

of \$163,713 between the City of New Haven and the South Central Connecticut

Regional Water Authority (Director of Public Works).

REPORT:

1450-07

ADVICE:

Approval

BACKGROUND

The Director of Public Works requests aldermanic approval of a three-year Agreement between the City and the South Central Regional Water Authority to operate the household hazardous waste collection center on the premises of the Regional Water Authority (RWA) at 90 Sargent Drive. The RWA acts as the agent for the South Central Regional Council of Governments and participating municipalities in the HazWaste Central Project and operates the regional collection facility.

The Agreement, which is an extension of an existing Agreement, has a three year term (July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014) at a total cost to the City of \$163,713 for the life of the three-year agreement. The Authority is responsible for obtaining, maintaining and compliance with all necessary permits, operating and maintaining the facility, and for overseeing the services of a qualified waste disposal contractor to remove the waste material from the facility. The Commission has previously approved two such three-year Agreements on June 19, 2002 (CPC 1321-01) and February 20, 2008 (CPC 1413-06).

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

The Household Hazardous Waste Collection Center has been in operation since 1990 and has a proven track record in its location at the Regional Water Authority. The Center operates from May through November on Saturday mornings from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. The City and other participating municipalities are held harmless from any and all injuries to persons and/or property, as well as from any actions, suits, or liabilities arising from the waste material after the waste contractor assumes responsibility for it.

This cost effective regional program has shown a rise in participation over the years. HazWaste Central reports volume is calculated in 15-gallon increments and is as follows for New Haven residents:

FY 2010 - 786 participants at 15 gallons = 11,790 gallons

FY 2009 - 658 participants at 15 gallons = 9,870 gallons

FY 2008 - 606 participants at 15 gallons = 9,090 gallons

ADVICE

The Commission believes that the Agreement is in the best interest of the City and its residents and recommends approval to the Board.

ADOPTED: March 16, 2011

Edward Mattison

Chair

ATTEST:

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