NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE: QUINNIPIAC AVENUE SIDEWALKS, Foxon Boulevard (Route 80) to Foxon Hill

Road, Authorization for infill and installation of new sidewalks where needed (City

Engineer).

REPORT: ADVICE:

1443-09 Approval

BACKGROUND

Richard Miller, City Engineer, has requested authorization by the Board of Aldermen to install new sidewalks where there are currently none and to restore damaged sidewalks along Quinnipiac Avenue north of Foxon Boulevard (Route 80) to Foxon Hill Road. Aldermanic authorization is required under Code of Ordinances Section 27-102 where the City is obligated to notify affected property owners and schedule a public meeting. Included in this year's sidewalks budget, the proposal will infill sidewalks where they are non existent as well as correct defects in existing sidewalk conditions to make safe pedestrian passage possible.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Quinnipiac Avenue has become more heavily traveled by vehicles and pedestrians in recent years and now with the new Bishop Woods School in operation, it has become more evident that safety of pedestrians, particularly students walking to school, must be addressed. A public meeting was held on June 15, 2010, and plans have been prepared for the construction project expected to cost approximately \$500,000. Accessibility will be maintained, drainage issues will be addressed, and as Quinnipiac Avenue is a State highway in this vicinity, appropriate State permits will be secured.

ADVICE

The Commission concurs that this section of Quinnipiac Avenue is sorely in need of improved pedestrian access and recommends approval.

ADOPTED: August 18, 2010

Edward Mattison

Chair

ATTEST: Joy W. Ford