NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE: WOODLAND AND TILTON STREETS, Authorization for Residential Parking Zone

(Alderwoman Jones)

REPORT: 1437-16

ADVICE: Leave to Withdraw

BACKGROUND

In behalf of her constituents living in the vicinity of Woodland and Tilton Streets, Alderwoman Katrina Jones (Ward 21) has petitioned the Board of Aldermen to designate a Residential Parking Zone. The Winchester Residential Parking Zone (RPZ #7) was originally approved by the Board of Aldermen in 1996 (see CPC Report 1205-01, 05/15/96) and was amended to include the north side of Compton Street in 2003 (see CPC Report 1334-08, 03/19/03), and again in 2004 (1359-02, 11/17/04) to have a northern boundary of Munson Street and a southern boundary of Sachem Street. Residential parking zones are permitted under Section 29-55 of the Code of Ordinances when a majority of residents on a block petition the Board of Aldermen to resolve a parking problem in a residential neighborhood. The Board of Aldermen is empowered to designate a zone for residential parking, but it is ultimately up to the Traffic Authority to post streets within the zone.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Alderwoman Jones notes in her Order that ongoing and upcoming projects by Yale University have prompted Yale Employees and construction workers to park on nearby residential streets where there are no restrictions. The Commission is sympathetic with the residents who have petitioned the Board of Aldermen but notes that the area which they request to be designated a residential parking zone already has such status. The Department of Transportation, Traffic and Parking concurs with Alderwoman Jones and will proceed to prepare an application to the New Haven Traffic Authority to post Tilton and Woodland Streets for residential parking.

ADVICE

As the area proposed for residential parking is already part of RPZ #7, the Commission recommends Leave to Withdraw of the request.

ADOPTED: February 17, 2010

Edward Mattison

Chair

ATTEST:

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Executive Director