NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE: RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS Granting the request of the New Haven

Lions Club to accept the donation of two (2) new park benches for the City of New Haven and the relocation of the existing granite bench to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial on Long Wharf.

(Submitted by: Jamene Farrell, President of the New Haven Lions Club)

REPORT: 1570-04 ADVICE: Approval

BACKGROUND

The members of the New Haven Lions Club, a long-standing civic organization in the City of New Haven, have voted to approve the purchase of two new park benches for the benefit of the residents of the City of New Haven in recognition of the Lions Club celebration of more than 100 years of service, and ask that the New Haven Board of Alders accept the donation of the two new park benches. Also, The New Haven Lion Club wishes to relocate a granite bench previously donated to the City, from its current location across from the Post Office on Brewery Street to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial on Long Wharf. The bench is mostly unused as the location is out of sight and not in the path of pedestrian traffic, and it would serve the residents of the City of New Haven better if it was moved to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Adding two new park benched and relocating an existing bench into a more suitable, pedestrian friendly location, complies with the City's Comprehensive Plan goals of preserving, maintaining and enhancing parks, dedicated open space, and active recreational spaces throughout the city.

New Haven Vision 2025, Section VII-30:

"Grow the image of all city parks to make them accessible, inviting, exciting, and well maintained through landscape improvements, turf renovations, new signage and site furniture."

ADVICE

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

ADOPTED: June 17, 2020 ATTEST: ________

Ed Mattison Aïcha Woods

Chair Executive Director, City Plan Department