NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS Approving participation by the City of New

Haven in the Sustainable CT Municipal Certification Program. (City Engineer)

REPORT: 1540-09
ADVICE: Approval

BACKGROUND

RE:

The City is submitting an order to the Board of Alders to approve participation by the City of New Haven in the Sustainable CT Municipal Certification Program. Sustainable CT is a voluntary certification program of Connecticut municipalities that tracks various voluntary metrics related to sustainability and resiliency. The certification program assigns point values to various actions around sustainability in a multitude of areas including Thriving Local Economies, Well-Stewarded Land and Natural Resources, Vibrant and Creative Cultural Ecosystems, Dynamic and Resilient Planning, Clean and Diverse Transportation Systems and Choices, Efficient Physical Infrastructure and Operations, Strategic and Inclusive Public Services, Healthy, Efficient, and Diverse Housing, Inclusive and Equitable Community Impacts, and Innovative Action.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Participation in the Sustainable CT program will complement the plans already developed by the City of New Haven, such as Vision 2025 and the Climate and Sustainability Framework. It will also allow the city to benchmark its sustainability activities against the rest of the State, help set goals for its sustainability activities, and engage the community around these issues. Participating in the Sustainable CT Municipal Certification Program requires a manageable amount of reporting from the Mayor and/or designee on existing municipal sustainability activities.

ADVICE

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

ADOPTED: January

January 17, 2018

Edward Mattison

Chair

ATTEST: V

Michael Piscitelli, AICP

Deputy Economic Development Administrator