NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE: **RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS** Approving the Parks Commission to accept a donation of in-kind improvements from the Shwartzman Center and the It Could Be Fund for a skatepark at Scantlebury Park and for the City to execute any necessary documents. (Rebecca Bombero of the Department of Parks, Recreation, and Trees)

REPORT: 1559-11
ADVICE: Approval

BACKGROUND

A group of active users of the Edgewood Skate Park and others involved in the Yale and New Haven Dixwell and Newhallville communities have secured funding commitments to construct a skate park at Scantlebury Park. The Parks Department, local Alders, and residents have reviewed the proposal and approved the concept. The Parks Commission will review and approve final designs before construction begins. The Schwartzman Center at Yale has committed to serve as a fiduciary for the project and to oversee the implementation of the project. The Director of Parks, Recreation, and Trees is requesting that the Board of Alders approve the Parks Commission to accept funding from the Schwartzman Center and the It Could Be Fund for the installation of the skate park.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

The acceptance of a donation of in-kind infrastructure improvements from the Shwartzman Center and the It Could Be will help the City achieve New Haven Vision 2025 goals of preserving, maintaining and enhancing parks parcels. Residents of New Haven and the region will significantly benefit from the in-kind donations used to complete the installation of a skate park at Scantlebury Park.

ADVICE

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

ADOPTED: July 17, 2019
Ed Mattison
Chair

ATTEST: Aicha Woods
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Executive Director, City Plan Department