

## NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

**RE:** **ORDER OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS** Authorizing the filing of an application with the State of Connecticut for and acceptance of a \$935,000 grant application to support a Long Wharf District responsible growth plan. (Deputy Economic Development Administrator)

**REPORT:** 1515-09

**ADVICE:** Approval

### BACKGROUND

The City of New Haven is seeking \$935,000 in grant assistance from the State of Connecticut Office of Policy and Management to support the Long Wharf District Responsible Growth Plan, a comprehensive set of projects and planning initiatives in the Long Wharf/Union Station section of New Haven. The effort would be administered in partnership with Engineering; the Livable City Initiative; Parks, Recreation, and Trees; City Plan; and Transportation as all of these departments have involvement with Long Wharf in some fashion.

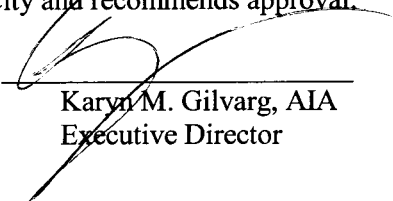
### PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

The grant is intended to address five key needs: (1) a strategic economic plan for infill and redevelopment; (2) streetscape; (3) traffic/transportation planning; (4) aesthetic and mobility improvements; and (5) urban park planning. By addressing these needs, the City will create a stronger economy in a mixed-use environment with dramatically enhanced bike, pedestrian, and transit connections. This application builds upon current work, including the City's coastal resiliency planning to address the convergence of inland flooding and coastal storm surge. In addition, this application is leveraged by significant State transportation investment in passenger rail and highway systems in the District, including the leave-behind conditions associated with the I-95 project. The plan would help the City to achieve recommendations included in the *Vision 2025* Comprehensive Plan, including building transit-oriented developments, building mixed-use commercial developments in Long Wharf and enhancing waterfront access, and building a multi-modal transportation network, among others.

### ADVICE

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

**ADOPTED:** February 17, 2016  
Edward Mattison  
Chair

**ATTEST:**   
Karyn M. Gilvarg, AIA  
Executive Director