

NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE: **STATE STREET BRIDGE OVER THE MILL RIVER.** Board of Alders referral: Resolution authorizing Mayor to sign agreements for Construction Administration, Design and Review services during Construction (City Engineer)

REPORT: 1500-02

ADVICE: Approval

BACKGROUND

The State Street Bridge over the Mill River is a City bridge. It was found to be in deteriorating condition due to routine bridge inspections in 2001 or earlier, the bridge's timber piles dated from 1887, and the steel girders from 1920. Funding was sought and obtained from the State using transportation funds and design was undertaken and completed in 2005. The design was 70% complete when the Commission saw it for Site Plan and Coastal Site Plan review as CPC 1370-07 in mid-2005. Construction was initially started mid-2009. Construction has been delayed by discovery of a series of previously unknown or unforeseen conditions including utility and regulatory (DEEP) concerns, resulting in amendments to the Agreements in 2010 to increase it to \$515,081. The City Engineer's letter provides a list of some of the design changes needed; and the current construction status. The current resolution increases the total amount of the agreement to \$700,000 (which includes the previous \$515,081).

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

The Resolution authorizes the Mayor to sign a routine Agreement for services of a design professional during construction. These services are necessary to ensure the bridge is constructed in accordance with the design drawings and project manual; the agreement and any subsequent amendments are critical to completion of the bridge.

ADVICE

The Commission finds the Authorization to extend and sign the Agreement in the best interest of the City and recommends approval.

ADOPTED: December 17, 2014
 Edward Mattison
 Chair

ATTEST: 
 Karyn M. Gilyarg, AIA
 Executive Director