

NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE: WEBSTER and WINTER STREETS (corner), Designation as “The Reverend E. R. Davis Corner” (Alderman Douglass for Mt. Bethel Missionary Baptist Church).

REPORT: 1469-13

ADVICE: Approval

BACKGROUND

In behalf of the Mount Bethel Missionary Baptist Church Congregation, Alderman Frank E. Douglass, Jr., 2nd Ward, has proposed that the corner of Webster and Winter Streets be named to honor the late Reverend E.R. Davis, former pastor of the church at 100 Webster Street and a long standing and well respected spiritual leader in the Dixwell community.

Street corners may be named in accord with Section 18-2 of the Code of Ordinances where a procedure is defined, including submission of a site plan showing location of all structures and street features, a plan for the sign drawn to scale, a petition of at least 250 city resident signatures (of which 2/3 must be neighborhood residents), and a fee paid (\$250).

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS


Commission staff observes that there are 409 signatures on the petition supporting the designation of the corner of Webster and Winter Streets as “Reverend E.R. Davis Corner” and that at least two-thirds of the signatures appear to be of neighborhood residents. Staff believes this is sufficient to comply with Section 18-2 of the Code of Ordinances. A fee of \$250 has been paid to cover costs of creating and installing the sign.

The Commission believes it is fully appropriate to name the corner in the Dixwell neighborhood after this devoted citizen. The involved parties should work with the Department of Traffic, Transportation and Parking (TTP) on a site plan and wording for the sign which should easily fit on a standard sign block. Since TTP is responsible for creating, installing and maintaining such signs, it is important that a final design is developed in consultation with TTP.

ADVICE

Approval with Department of Traffic, Transportation and Parking to approve final sign design, location and installation.

ADOPTED: September 18, 2012
Edward Mattison
Chair

ATTEST: 
Karyn M. Gilvarg, AIA
Executive Director