

NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE: CONGRESS AVENUE AND HALLOCK STREET (Corner),
Designation as "Bishop Clinton and Pastor Julia McCarter Corner"
(Aldерwoman Jacqueline James).

REPORT: 1467-10

ADVICE: Approval

BACKGROUND

Aldерwoman Jacqueline James, 3rd Ward, has proposed that the corner of Congress Avenue and Hallock Street be named to honor Bishop Clinton McCarter and his wife Pastor Julia McCarter, a couple devoted to their spiritual community for more than 30 years serving the Fair Haven and Hill neighborhoods. Together they founded the Deliverance Temple Pentecostal Church at 584 Congress Avenue as well as a transition house known as Clinton House on East Pearl Street to help rehabilitate substance abusers and ex-offenders. Later they developed an outreach ministry center at 574 Congress Avenue.

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

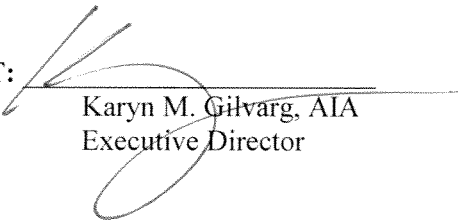
Commission staff observes that there are exactly 250 signatures on the petition supporting the designation of the corner of Congress Avenue and Hallock Street as "Bishop Clinton and Pastor Julia McCarter Corner" and that at least two-thirds of the signatures appear to be of neighborhood residents. Staff believes this is sufficient to comply with the requirements of Section 18-2 of the Code of Ordinances. Staff is unaware if the fee has been paid.

The Commission believes it is fully appropriate to name the corner of Congress and Hallock after these stellar citizens. 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: June 20, 2012
Edward Mattison
Chair

ATTEST: 
Karyn M. Gilvarg, AIA
Executive Director