

NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE: 133 ELM STREET, Authorization to apply for and accept \$318,524 Library Capital Grant and Enter into an Agreement with the State of Connecticut (New Haven Free Public Library).
REPORT: 1456-12
ADVICE: Approval

BACKGROUND

Before the Board is an authorization for the Mayor to apply for Accept and execute an Agreement and any subsequent amendments with the State of Connecticut Library Capital grant for the Ives Library at 133 Elm Street. Such grant would restore funding to complete the second phase of renovations which includes updates and upgrades to interior facilities and programs and may include the performance/presentation center, program room #2, the Audio visual office and repair facility, ADA required toilet rooms, public art gallery breakout space, 50+ transition center, young adults/afterschool resource center, information resource center and public conference room. Phase I was completed and opened to the public in May 2011.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

\$318,524 represents approximately one third of the project cost. If achieved, the State Grant would have a two year cycle, and the balance of the funds would originate from the Library's fiscal capital request and funds raised by the Friends of the Library.


As the project is subject to review under Section 8-24 of the Connecticut General Statutes, the Commission looks forward to seeing plans for the Library project.

ADVICE

The Commission is pleased to support the Grant application which would reduce the need for use of City capital resources and recommends approval.

ADOPTED: September 21, 2011
Edward Mattison
Chair

ATTEST:


Karyn M. Gilvarg, AIA
Executive Director