

NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE: **ORDINANCE AMENDMENT TO APPROPRIATING ORDINANCE #3**, Ordinance authorizing issuance of general obligation bonds FY2009-2010 for a new appropriation of \$3.5 million for the Yale New Haven Hospital Signalization Project (Mayor).

REPORT: 1433-12

ADVICE: Approval

BACKGROUND

In behalf of the Department of Transportation, Traffic and Parking Mayor DeStefano has submitted an amendment to the Fiscal Year 2010 Capital Budget for a new appropriation of \$3.5 million for a signalization project in the vicinity of Yale New Haven Hospital. These funds will be used for construction of twelve traffic signals and related safety improvements at intersections around the medical campus, including replacement of existing equipment, installation of new mast arms, signal heads, pedestrian signals, traffic control signs, pavement markings, detection equipment and controls. As an obligation of the Development Agreement with Yale New Haven Hospital, the City agreed to seek funds and arrange for these signalization improvements. YNH in turn agreed to put up \$1.2 million towards the cost. The Capital Projects Committee approved the amendment on August 19, 2009.

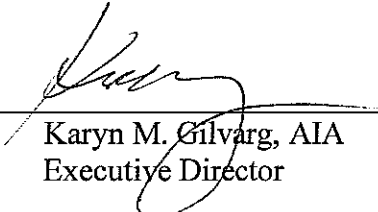
PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

The medical district has been the location of numerous recent development projects including the Smilow Cancer Center, the new laboratory building at 55 Park Street, and the new mixed use facility at 2 Howe Street including a new 845 space garage. In addition Yale University is constructing a new co-generation plant at 309 Congress. All of these coupled with potential development on Route 34 and development in the downtown have triggered the need for the signalization improvements to promote safety, improve traffic flow and operation of the corridor in a manner consistent with the regulations of the State Traffic Commission, in accord with the Development Agreement.

ADVICE

Approval.

ADOPTED: October 21, 2009
 Edward Mattison
 Chair

ATTEST: 
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 Executive Director