NEW HAVEN CITY PLAN COMMISSION ADVISORY REPORT

RE: RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF ALDERS Authorizing the Mayor of the City of

New Haven to execute encroachment permits, maintenance agreements, and other paperwork for a public mural in the 1-91 underpass at the intersection of State Street and Bradley Street, in accordance with the 2019 DOT Public Art Policy. (Submitted by:

Alder Roth, Alder Festa, Alder Cupo, and Alder Decker)

REPORT: 1567-10 ADVICE: Approve

BACKGROUND

The installation and maintenance of a public mural in the underpass at State Street and Bradley Street will be managed by a third party at no cost to the City, based on support from community members, the Upper State St Merchants Association, and the Could Be Fund of the Elm City Innovation Collaborative. At Bradley Street, community members have repeatedly shared their desire for an improvement to the 1-91 underpass at the intersection of State Street and Bradley Street and the team that has designed this mural has built support from a wide group of stakeholders. Designed by Arts for Learning CT, the mural features a streetscape inspired by the houses and buildings along State St, continuing the feeling of the street for pedestrians and drivers as they pass through the underpass.

PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Authorizing the Mayor of the City of New Haven to execute encroachment permits, maintenance agreements, and other paperwork for a public mural in the 1-91 underpass at the intersection of State Street and Bradley Street, in accordance with the 2019 DOT Public Art Policy complies with the City's Comprehensive Plan:

New Haven Vision 2025, Section V-12(c):

"Promote safe, efficient, reliable, and accessible public transit system throughout the city to connect residents to jobs, services, and their community. Consider placemaking as a strategy beyond traffic for transportation improvements..."

ADVICE

The Commission finds the Order in the best interest of the City and recommends approval.

ADOPTED: March 25, 2020

Edward Mattison Aïcha Wood

Chair Executive Director, City Plan Department

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