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To: Mayor David Martin  
Theresa Dell, Chair Person, Planning Board  
John Louizos, Chairman, Board of Finance  
Randall Sklgen, President, Board of Representatives

FROM: Mani Poola  
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RE: **ACQUISITION OF RIGHTS OF WAY, TO INCLUDE FULL  
TAKING OF 740 ATLANTIC STREET AND PARTIAL TAKING  
OF 745 ATLANTIC STREET; HENRY STREET @ ATLANTIC  
STREET INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS; STATE PROJECT  
# 135-320**

This Memo explains the request for Board approvals of the acquisition of 740 Atlantic Street, and partial acquisition or easement of 745 Atlantic Street, to comply with Charter Section C1-50-3 and Section 9-7.1 of the Code of Ordinances.

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Atlantic Street @ Henry Street Improvement Project will realign the eastbound approach of Henry Street with the westbound approach to improve pedestrian and traffic safety, flow and operations in the project area. The proposed project will include Intersection Improvements to enhance safety and improve traffic flow by providing continuous through lanes and left-turn lanes on all approaches at the Atlantic Street and Henry

Street Intersection. It is anticipated that a full depth reconstruction of the project area.

The horizontal and vertical geometry of Henry Street and Atlantic Avenue will be adjusted to match the existing alignment and grades on all approaches to the Intersection. New storm drainage consisting of new catch basins, manholes and piping will be provided where the existing system is inadequate.

Safety Improvements include the construction of non-mountable granite stone curbing throughout the project to better define the travel way and to protect pedestrians. To improve the street appearance, the area between the curb line and sidewalk will be constructed with brick pavers. The sidewalk will be reconstructed on both sides of Atlantic Street and Henry Street within the project area. The traffic signal at this location will be replaced with new equipment along with changes to signal operation to improve pedestrian safety and traffic operations.

The existing roadway will remain open during the reconstruction of the project. All access to businesses and residential homes will be provided and maintained at all times.

#### **PUBLIC OUT REACH:**

The City conducted Public Information Meetings on January 8, 2013; June 25, 2013 and August 8, 2013 to explain the design goals of the project; improve safety; improve traffic operations and increase traffic capacity; discussed the Impact upon two parcels located at the intersection and the (1) business relocation that has been identified. There has been a significant neighborhood support for the proposed Inter section improvements.

#### **PROJECT FUNDING:**

the City of Stamford has received Connecticut State Bonding of \$1,113,970 toward construction of the project as capital assistance for the Project, in addition to total private contributions of \$975,000 (Harbor Point Development \$500,000 and Metrogreen Development (\$475,000).

### **PROJECT SCHEDULE:**

Final design will be completed by the Fall of 2015 for the construction to start in the Spring of 2016 & the project will be completed by the Fall of 2016.