

CITY OF STAMFORD, CONNECTICUT INTER-OFFICE CORRESPONDENCE

June 4, 2019

To:

David R. Martin, Mayor

From: Chris Dellaselva, Assistant Corporation Counsel

Re:

Amended and Restated Lease

SoundWaters, Inc. at Boccuzzi Park

Dear Mayor Martin,

Following this cover is a copy of the proposed lease of portions of Boccuzzi Park to SoundWaters, Inc. for the operation of a not-for-profit marina facility and an educational center. A Lease Summary also follows.

If agreeable, please forward this Lease to the Harbor Management Commission, Parks and Recreation Commission, Planning Board, Board of Finance and the Board of Representatives for approval. The Harbor Commission should receive a copy at least 35 days prior to any action taken by the Planning Board (Code Sec. 6-62).

Please note that this Lease involves over 60,000 square feet of City park land. City Charter Sec. C6-120-3 requires a public referendum if more than 20,000 square feet of City park land is "sold or otherwise transferred..." This Department has previously opined that a lease is not a transfer as contemplated in that Section (See attached 8/4/2017 Opinion from Assistant Corporation Counsel Mike Toma) and, therefore, a public referendum is not required in this case.

Thank you in advance for your prompt attention to this matter. You may, of course, contact me at your convenience if I may be of any further assistance to you.

Sincerely,

Chris Dellaselva

Assistant Corporation Counsel