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Hi Barbara-

Please add the following to the Steering Committee agenda for the Fiscal Committee-

Project: 001461 Stamford Harbor Boat Launch Feasibility Study Phase; to complete site evaluations and preliminary boat launch design for a potential public boat launching facility on the Stamford Harbor shoreline

We are bringing this back from F32.082 to potentially take a redo vote due to the unaddressed safety needs of the city for this boat ramp.

Thanks,
Cara

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Madame Chair and esteemed Steering Committee Members,

I am writing you today to ask you to reconsider F32.082 Project: 001461 Stamford Harbor Boat Launch Feasibility Study Phase; to complete site evaluations and preliminary boat launch design for a potential public boat launching facility on the Stamford Harbor shoreline.

As you know Mayor Simmons submitted the item April 28th, 2026 for review. On May 5th, 2026 Chair Godzeno of the Planning Board transmitted a letter of unanimous approval for the project. It was later reviewed and approved by the

BoR Fiscal Committee on May 19th. Unfortunately, it failed at the June 1st, 2026 Board of Reps meeting. Having watched the discussion there were clearly questions that still surround the item that I was unfortunately not there to address. I would like to have the opportunity to help inform your board members so that they can come to see this phase of the project as something in the best interest of Stamford. In light of that I would ask that the item be reconsidered and I will make myself available to answer questions and defend what has been a significant safety and access priority of the SHM&SC, Harbor Master, Marine Fire/Rescue, and Marine Police for many years.

Yours in health,
Dr. Damian Ortell

Chairman Stamford Harbor Management & Shellfish Commission

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