

RESOLUTION NO. _____
AUTHORIZING THE ACQUISITION
BY NEGOTIATION OR EMINENT DOMAIN
OF RIGHTS OF WAY FOR THE ATLANTIC STREET
& HENRY STREET INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City of Stamford has recognized that there is a need for intersection reconstruction at the Atlantic Street and Henry Street intersection which includes realignment and widening of the intersection; replacement of sidewalks and pedestrian ramps on each corner of the intersection; full depth pavement reconstruction; drainage improvements; and complete replacement of traffic signal equipment (the "Project"); and

WHEREAS, the City has recognized that the Project will require property acquisition including (1) full take acquisition (740 Atlantic Street) and (1) partial take acquisition (745 Atlantic Street); and temporary construction easements; and

WHEREAS, the City of Stamford has received State funding of \$1,113,970 as capital assistance for the Project, in addition to total private contributions of \$975,000; and

WHEREAS, after newspaper notices published in the local newspapers, the City conducted Public Information Meetings on January 8, 2013; June 25, 2013 and August 8, 2013 to explain the goals of the Project, including to improve safety, improve traffic operations and increase traffic capacity, and the impact upon two parcels located at the intersection and the one business relocation that has been identified; and

WHEREAS, the Engineering Bureau has prepared or caused to be prepared preliminary taking maps for the two parcels required for the Project right of way; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Representatives has held a public hearing on _____ after publication in the local newspaper on _____, to authorize the acquisition or condemnation of the parcels necessary for the Project; and

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board of Representatives hereby declares pursuant to Charter Sections 1-50-1 and 8-60-1 and 8-60-3 that the public necessity, safety, health and welfare require that the Project go forward; and

THAT the Mayor, Office of Operations and Director of Administration are hereby instructed to prepare a report pursuant to Charter Sections 8-60-3, 8-60-4 and 8-60-5; and

THAT such report include engineering, surveys, plans, profiles, specifications, cost estimates, estimates of the value of any land proposed to be taken and the amount of damages which should be assessed in favor of each piece of property affected; and

THAT such report shall be filed for public inspection, mailed to all interested persons and that all interested persons be provided with notice of a time and place to be heard in respect to the price of any land proposed to be taken or acquired or in respect to the assessment of damages; and

THAT the Director of Administration shall make a final report to the Board of Representatives pursuant to Charter Sec. 8-60-5 concerning the amounts that should be paid for each of the properties and the cost of the Project.