



RESOLUTION

concerning

THE ACCEPTANCE OF PROPERTY
AND
RESERVATION OF PROPERTY
IN
NEW BRITAIN, CONNECTICUT

November 7, 2002

WHEREAS, The Connecticut Department of Transportation ("CTDOT") owns a parcel of property at the intersection of Wells and East Streets in New Britain currently being utilized as a commuter lot, and

WHEREAS, CTDOT is willing to transfer the parcel to the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System ("BOT"), at no cost to CSU, and

WHEREAS, CTDOT is willing to relocate the commuter lot at no cost, and

WHEREAS, Central Connecticut State University intends to construct a new police station at this site, and

WHEREAS, CTDOT has requested that the BOT reserve a portion of the 1285 East Street parcel for future use as part of the New Britain-Hartford Busway, therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System accept the transfer of approximately 1.14 acres of land from the Connecticut Department of Transportation, and be it further

RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System reserve a segment of the eastern portion of the 1285 East Street parcel for future use by the Connecticut Department of Transportation as a bus station and parking lot.

A Certified True Copy:

William J. Cibes, Jr.
Chancellor

ITEM

The acceptance of property and reservation of property in New Britain, Connecticut

BACKGROUND

The Connecticut Department of Transportation ("CTDOT") owns property at the intersection of Wells and East Streets in New Britain, currently utilized as a commuter lot. This property was originally purchased by CTDOT in conjunction with the development and construction of the Central Connecticut Expressway (Route 9).

ANALYSIS

The CTDOT is willing to transfer 1.14 acres of land to the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System ("BOT") for no monetary consideration and in addition will relocate the existing commuter parking to another site at no cost. CTDOT has obtained approval of the Federal Highway Administration (FHA) for the permanent transfer of the site to the BOT. The FHA has agreed to waive the federal buy back requirements for the site, as it was originally obtained as part of the Route 9 project. CTDOT has requested Central to provide public notice that the commuter lot will no longer be available for use and provide directions to a newly constructed lot. Central intends to site their new police station on this parcel.

The only stipulation made by CTDOT regarding the transfer requires that a portion of the recently acquired property at 1285 East Street be made available for use as a bus station and parking lot for the New Britain-Hartford Busway. The remaining portion of 1285 East Street is in the process of being developed for use as a daycare center. Renovation of the existing facility is nearly complete and will be occupied by Central's Early Childhood DayCare Program. There is sufficient land and building to accommodate the needs of the daycare program without being adversely impacted by the proposed New Britain-Hartford Busway project.

CTDOT is in the process of upgrading Route 175 (East Street) and will be installing curb cuts, sidewalks and a new driveway to access the newly acquired property at no cost to Central. They have also agreed to install underground conduits for the telecommunications system under portions of East Street during its renovation.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

Approve the transfer of land totaling approximately 1.14 acres from the Connecticut Department of Transportation to the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System as well as reservation of a portion of the 1285 East Street parcel for future use by the Connecticut Department of Transportation for the New Britain-Hartford Busway.