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AD HOC REPORT
Berkley Holdings Corporation
Reference #3 – May 2008

Acting Chair, Curran called the meeting to order at 6:30PM on May 27, 2009. In attendance was committee member Councilman Visconti. Mayor Mark Boughton; Atty. Laszlo Pinter, Corporation Counsel; Paul Estefan, Airport Administrator; Atty. Paul Jaber, representing Berkley Holdings Corp.; Bruce Weiser and Joshua Polan of Berkley Holdings Corp. and members of the public were also in attendance. Councilman Calandrino, Chair of the Ad Hoc Committee, was absent.

Councilman Curran stated that the call of the meeting was to discuss the request from Berkley Holdings Corp. to have access to the new gate at the Reserve in order to have emergency access to their property.

Mayor Boughton gave a brief overview of the request. He stated that Berkley, a Fortune 500 company, purchased a plot of land for a data and storage center. Berkley's business is in insurance and related products. They applied for a zoning permit for a helipad on the site, but neighboring residents were opposed to the proposal. A compromise was reached by allowing Berkley Holdings Corporation 24/7 access to the airport by providing access to the site at the Jenny Drive gate, eliminating their need for a helipad. This compromise addresses the concerns of the neighbors. Berkley Holdings would only utilize the entrance for emergency purposes.

Councilmen Curran and Visconti discussed the use of the entrance by emergency vehicles.

It was also stated that Berkley Holdings Corporation personnel would only enter by motor vehicle.

Airport Administrator Estefan stated that he had no problem with the arrangement and would provide access at the site upon need.

Atty. Pinter advised that the Mayor's letter would serve as a letter of agreement for this purpose. It would be amended to reflect that the square footage would be up to 200,000 square feet, Berkley would reserve the right to receive tax deferral benefits and the terms of this agreement would be in effect for as long as they own property on the Reserve premises.

Councilman Visconti **moved to accept the letter of agreement and the language that would be added by the Corporation Counsel for final approval to the Berkley Corporation.**

Second by Councilman Curran. Discussion followed with Mayor Boughton stating that a public record of the agreement was in order to provide transparency for all parties concerned. ***Motion passed by unanimous vote.***

Councilman Visconti **moved to adjourn at 6:45PM.** Second by Councilman Curran. ***Motion passed by unanimous vote.***

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Calandrino, Chair

Phil Curran, Acting Chair

Fred Visconti



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REVISED

Honorable Members of the Common Council
155 Deer Hill Avenue
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Re: Berkley Holdings Corp.
Briar Ridge Road/Reserve

Dear Members of the Common Council:

As many of you may already know, Berkley Holdings Corp., a member company of W. R. Berkley Corporation (NYSE:WRB), is actively seeking location of its information technology and storage facility here in Danbury. Berkley brings with them an infusion of tax dollars, strong business and corporate excellence to provide Danbury with sustained growth and corporate presence. As Berkley takes the steps necessary to begin its land use approval and development processes, I have been discussing with Berkley management the concept of providing Berkley direct and expedient access for its top management personnel from the Danbury Municipal Airport to the Berkley site at the Reserve. Previously, and as you know, there was some earlier opposition from neighbors to Berkley's request to be able to use its future site for direct helicopter arrival and departure to allow its key personnel rapid access to its facility. As an alternative and in order to resolve these concerns and to provide them with timely and proper access to their site, I have proposed the following to Berkley, and now to you:

- The Danbury Airport ("DXR") will provide 24/7 landing and takeoff capability in a location in close proximity to the Airport tower for Berkley aircraft as needed. I have discussed this with the Airport Administrator;
- Berkley will be provided key access to the eastern DXR gate for ingress/egress;
- In order to properly and timely access its facility at the Reserve, Berkley will also be provided keyed access for ingress/egress through the emergency vehicle gate at the junction of Jenny Drive and Briar Ridge Road, adjacent to the Boehringer Ingelheim facility;
- These rights of access are intended to be permanent, and subject to any potential improved and more direct access in the future, if such becomes available.

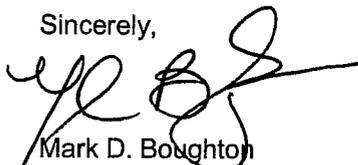
I wanted to also bring the following points to your attention:

- Berkley may bring up to 100,000 square feet of information technology and storage facilities to Danbury;
- Berkley expects a limited use of this access availability to approximately 90, plus or minus trips per year;
- Berkley's access in the fashion described is necessary for limited transport of high level officials for purposes of data recovery and processing in this highly specialized field;
- The terms of this Agreement will be in effect as long as Berkley owns premises within The Reserve.

I bring this proposal between Danbury and Berkley Holding Corp. to you, as I think you will see, based upon what this future Danbury corporate citizen offers us and what we can offer to Berkley, this limited scale proposal for access is a very small step we can take to bring Berkley and its business excellence to our City for many future years.

Please call me with any questions you may have regarding this proposal.

Sincerely,



Mark D. Boughton
Mayor

cc: Paul Jaber, Esquire
Dennis I. Elpern, Planning Director
Paul D. Estefan, Airport Administrator