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CITY OF DANBURY

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COMMON COUNCIL

REPORT

July 7, 2004

Mayor Mark D. Boughton
Members of the Common Council

Re: **Earth to Kids Program Van**

The Common Council Committee appointed to review the request for the donation of a van to the "Earth to Kids" Program met on June 7, 2004 at 7:00 P.M. in the Third Floor Caucus Room in City Hall. In attendance were committee members Teicholz, Seabury and Barry. Also in attendance were Director of Public Works William Buckley, Assistant Director of Finance Dan Garrick and Kathy Gleason from the Weston Woods Institute.

Ms. Teicholz asked Mr. Buckley for an overview of the request. Mr. Buckley said when the city had a landfill, the State came out with a recycling mandate. The city purchased a recycling van and an educational van as required by the State. The educational van went to HRRA. They were running the educational programs until their budget and staff were reduced. We took the van back and have been discussing about the best way to put it to good use.

We have this request to give the van to the Weston Woods Institute at a dollar value of \$15,000. They would be the owner of the van and in exchange they would run educational programs on the environment. Municipalities will be charged 10% for the van to come out. If the cost were \$1,000, each would pay \$100. Danbury would be exempt until we use up our \$15,000. Mr. Buckley said a contract would be negotiated and brought back to the Common Council. Ms. Gleason said she has found a need for this vehicle to be out in the community and HRRA cannot provide this service.

Mr. Barry made a motion to recommend conveyance of the van to the Weston Woods Institute and authorize the Director of Public Works and the Corporation Counsel to prepare the necessary documents. Seconded by Mr. Seabury. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

GREGG SEABURY

MARY TEICHOLZ, Chairman

KEVIN BARRY