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To: Mayor Mark D. Boughton
Members of Common Council

From: Dennis I. Elpern, Executive Director RDA

Re: Request to Rescind the "Main Street North Redevelopment Plan"

At its November 7, 2002 meeting, Common Council approved the proposed "Main Street North Redevelopment Plan," as referred to it from the City of Danbury Redevelopment Agency. The RDA then approved the Plan resolution on January 23, 2003.

The Plan determined that eight properties on Main Street from E. Franklin Street to Laurel Gardens were in a deteriorated or blighted state, and established the eight properties as a Redevelopment Area for clearance and ultimate conveyance to a redeveloper for housing. The City proceeded to acquire all eight properties. Later, two adjacent parcels, the former sites of Precision Laminates and Amphenol, became available for purchase.

As you well know, the City has for a number of years been searching for a suitable site for a new police station, for the existing facility at Boughton and Main Streets has long been inadequate to house the growing needs of the Police Department and to provide sufficient on-site parking. Common Council determined that the Precision Laminates and Amphenol sites, when combined with the eight RDA properties constituting the Redevelopment Area, would be of sufficient size and adequate location for a new police station. The voters passed a \$ 33,750,000 bond for its design and construction and additional funds of about \$ 4,000,000 were later appropriated for environmental remediation and other related costs. The new site consists of ten lots totaling 6.68 acres.

The RDA unanimously voted to rescinded the Plan at their December 12, 2006 meeting.

However, Common Council must also rescind their November 7, 2002 approval of the Plan. Consequently, the RDA requests such action to allow construction of the new police station to proceed.

c: Laszlo Pinter