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RE: **DOCKET NO. 426** - Third Taxing District Electric Department Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of an electric substation located at 6 Fitch Street, Norwalk, Connecticut. Landscaping Plan.

Dear Mr. Cristino:

At a public meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) held on November 14, 2013, the Council considered and approved the landscaping component of the Development and Management (D&M) Plan. This approval applies only to the landscape design, submitted to the Council on October 23, 2013. The Council previously approved the D&M Plan for other portions of the project on June 13, 2013.

Any changes to the approved D&M Plan, including landscaping, require advance Council notification and approval. Furthermore, the Certificate Holder is responsible for reporting requirements pursuant to Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies Section 16-50j-62.

Please be advised that changes that deviations from this plan are enforceable under the provisions of the Connecticut General Statutes § 16-50u. Enclosed is a copy of the staff report regarding the landscape design, dated November 14, 2013.

Thank you for your attention and cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Robert Stein
Chairman

RS/RDM/laf

Enclosure: Staff Report, dated November 14, 2013

c: Parties and Intervenors
The Honorable Richard Moccia, Mayor, City of Norwalk
Michael Greene, Director of Planning and Zoning, City of Norwalk

Docket No. 426
Third Taxing District Electric Department
Fitch Street Substation, Norwalk, Connecticut

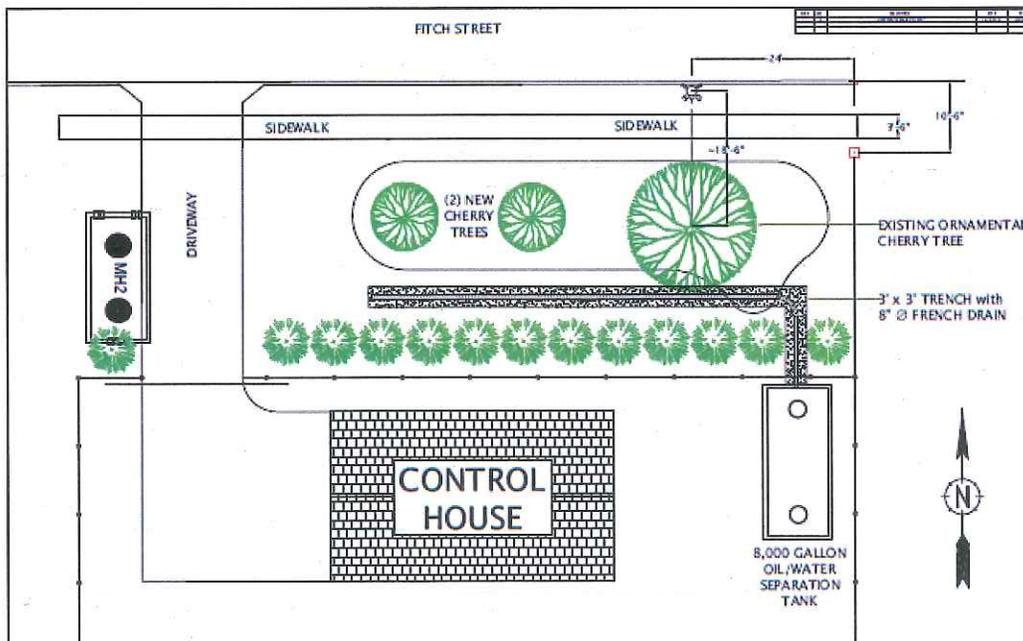
Development and Management Plan - Landscaping
Staff Report
November 14, 2013

On August 9, 2012, the Connecticut Siting Council (Council) issued a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need to the Third Taxing District Electric Department of Norwalk (TTD) for the construction, operation, and maintenance of a new 115-kV to 27.6-kV substation located at 6 Fitch Street in Norwalk, Connecticut. As required in the Council's Decision and Order, TTD submitted a Development and Management (D&M) Plan for this project on April 16, 2013. The Council approved the D&M Plan on June 13, 2013, except for the final landscaping design. TTD submitted the landscape design to the Council on October 23, 2013.

TTD originally intended to install a rain garden in the northeast corner of the site, with appropriate wetland plants. However, upon investigation of site soil conditions and consultation with the City of Norwalk, TTD will instead install a slightly depressed infiltration basin in this area to control overland runoff. The infiltration basin will contain one existing cherry tree and two new cherry trees. No drain piping to city sewer is necessary as the gravelly, underlying soil drains quickly.

The Control House is designed as a wood frame building. It will be screened from direct views from Fitch Street by a row of arborvitae plantings.

The City of Norwalk approved the infiltration basin /landscape design. The infiltration basin/landscape design is consistent with the Council's Decision and Order. Staff recommends approval.



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