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The Honorable Tyisha Walker-Myers
President, Board of Alders
City of New Haven
165 Church Street
New Haven, CT 06510

Dear Alder President Walker-Myers,

I am writing to respectfully request the approval of the Honorable Board of Alders to enter into a four year contract with ShotSpotter for gunfire detection system/software subscription for a coverage area of 7.06 mi². This contract renews the existing annual contract which includes a 5.5 mi² coverage area and expands coverage by 1.56 mi². The 4-year contract period is estimated to be January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2025, depending on the timing of Board of Alder review and approval locks in the pricing for each year of the term. The 4-year contract cost is \$1,676,919. The City of New Haven has submitted a proposal to use \$1,200,000 of American Rescue Plan Act funds on this expanded ShotSpotter contract.

Homicides, shootings, and shots fired incidents have all increased in the City of New Haven since the onset of the COVID-19 Pandemic. The ShotSpotter gunfire detection system provides gunshot detection, alert, and analysis services that quickly direct officers to the location of the gunfire and provides information such as number of shots fired which aids in evidence collection. Improving response time and evidence collection helps to solve cases and deter crime overall.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter. Please contact me at 203-946-6333 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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