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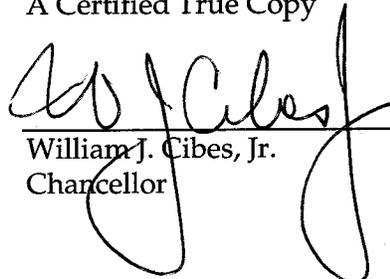
concerning

A ROADWAY EASEMENT TO THE TOWN OF MANSFIELD
AT THE MANSFIELD CAMPUS OF EASTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

October 1, 1998

- WHEREAS, The Connecticut State University System acquired a 73 acre parcel of property in Mansfield, CT for athletic fields for ECSU in 1992, and
- WHEREAS, The Town of Mansfield needs access to a parcel of property located adjacent to the Mansfield Campus of ECSU, and
- WHEREAS, During the Environmental Assessment Evaluation of the 1993 Master Plan, ECSU and CSU agreed to negotiate an easement to access this parcel of property, and
- WHEREAS, The Town of Mansfield has agreed to develop and maintain the road at no expense to the State, therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That the Board of Trustees for the Connecticut State University System grant a roadway easement to the Town of Mansfield at the Mansfield Campus of Eastern Connecticut State University, and be it further
- RESOLVED, That upon further development of the parcel of land adjacent to the Mansfield Campus of ECSU, another easement will be required to traverse the wetlands, and be it further
- RESOLVED, That at the appropriate time, the Board of Trustees will consider the additional easement to the Town of Mansfield.

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 William J. Cibes, Jr.
 Chancellor

STAFF REPORT FINANCE, ADMINISTRATION & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

ITEM

Grant an easement to the Town of Mansfield to provide access to a parcel of land directly adjacent to the Mansfield Campus of Eastern Connecticut State University.

BACKGROUND

In 1992, 73 acres of land were purchased for ECSU in Mansfield, CT, approximately one mile north of the main campus. The 1993 Master Plan for ECSU provided for the development of the newly purchased land as athletic fields. Subsequent to the purchase, it was determined that the non-state land zoned as industrial, located directly behind the 73 acres, was not accessible by the town roadway system. ECSU, in consultation with the Town of Mansfield during the development of an Environmental Impact Evaluation process, agreed to provide an easement for access to the industrially zoned land. In 1994, a State Traffic Commission (STC) permit was obtained as part of the development of the Master Plan Phase I projects at ECSU. One condition of the permit requires a permanent easement be granted to the Town for access to the property zoned for industrial use.

ANALYSIS

Over the last several months, Eastern has been in negotiation with the Department of Public Works and the Town of Mansfield to resolve the location of the roadway easement. Eastern has determined that the easement will be located on the Northern portion of the property boundary which compliments the requirements of the STC certificate. Presently, the Baseball Complex, a multipurpose field and adjacent parking have been constructed on the ECSU 73 acre site. The remainder of the property contains random patches of wetland soils. In order to reach the industrial land, traversing the wetlands will be required. Future development plans for the non-state industrial land have not yet occurred. It is proposed that until the Town develops a plan for the industrial property, the easement will only extend to the edge of the wetlands. At that time, another easement will be negotiated to provide access to the park through ECSU's campus. Development and maintenance of an access road will be the responsibility of the Town.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

Approve granting a permanent easement to the Town of Mansfield for roadway access to a parcel of land directly adjacent to ECSU's campus in Mansfield.