Western Connecticut COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS



Housatonic Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization

APPROVED HVMPO MINUTES

For the 01/18/2018 Meeting

Held at the Ridgefield Visiting Nurse Association 27 Governor Street, Ridgefield, CT 06877

Chairman Rudolph Marconi - Vice Chairman Julia Pemberton

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker

Bridgewater Absent

Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn

Danbury Absent

New Fairfield First Selectman Pat Del Monaco

New Milford Mayor Pete Bass

Newtown
 Redding
 Rist Selectman Julia Pemberton
 Ridgefield
 First Selectman Rudy Marconi
 Sherman
 First Selectman Don Lowe

HARTransit Development Director Richard Schreiner

CTDOT Transportation Supervising Planner Kerry Ross (non-voting)

MPO Staff Executive Director Francis Pickering (non-voting)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

WestCOG staff members in attendance were Robert Sachnin, Patricia Payne, Kristin Hadjstylianos, Jamie Bastian, Mike Towle, Mike Sullivan, William Kenny, Kristin Floberg, Nicole Sullivan, Bob Brinton, Elizabeth Esposito, and Carl Zimmerman. Harrison Wenchell of HARTransit, Dan Giungi of CCM, Stamford Chief of Staff Michael Pollard, Ellen Graham of Senator Blumenthal's office, Jeff Wieser of Westport, Kimberlee Morton of Norwalk Transit, Sara Harris of Westport, resident of Ridgefield Steve Lyonse, Tracey Alston of Eversource, Joseph Dolan of Redding, Cathy Lezan of Eversource, Sherri Vogt of Congresswoman Esty's office, Betsy Gara of COST, and Daphne Dixon of Live Green CT were also in attendance. Darien First Selectman Jayme Stevenson, Greenwich First Selectman Peter Tesei, New Canaan First Selectman Kevin Moynihan, Norwalk Mayor Harry Rilling, Stamford Mayor David Martin, Weston First Selectman Chris Spaulding, and Westport First Selectman James Marpe attended.

CALL TO ORDER

HVMPO Chairman Rudy Marconi called the meeting to order at 8:14am.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

First Selectman Jim Marpe introduced Alternate Jeff Wieser of Westport RTM. Daphne Dixon spoke regarding Live Green CT.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

FTA 5310 Funding Solicitation: Principal Planner Robert Sachnin noted that Associate Planner William Kenny will be the WestCOG staff lead on the Section 5310 grant program, which seeks to broaden transportation options for seniors and individuals with disabilities.

FHWA Safety Performance Measures: Principal Planner Robert Sachnin discussed this topic. MPO Action is required at the February meeting.

Draft CTDOT 2018-2050 Long Range Transportation Plan: Director Pickering provided an overview of the 32-year long Draft CTDOT transportation plan, including comments from the Region.

ACTION ITEMS

HVMPO Approval of 12/14/2017 Meeting Minutes: After review and on a motion made by First Selectman Steve Dunn and seconded by First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker, the minutes of the meeting of 12/14/2017 were unanimously approved.

HVMPO 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (if needed): There was no action needed.

HVMPO Election of Officers: Nominations for First Selectman Rudy Marconi as Chairman and First Selectman Julia Pemberton as Vice Chairman were made by the HVMPO floor. On a motion made by First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by First Selectman Steve Dunn, First Selectman Rudy Marconi was unanimously elected Chairman of the HVMPO. On a motion made by First Selectman Steve Dunn and seconded by Mayor Pete Bass, First Selectman Julia Pemberton was unanimously elected Vice Chairman of the HVMPO.

OTHER BUSINESS

First Selectman Jayme Stevenson thanked WestCOG staff for their thorough efforts on various projects.

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion duly made and seconded it was voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 8:35am.