

**Meeting of the  
WestCOG Technical Advisory Group (TAG)**

**July 31, 2018 at 11:00 am**

**1 Riverside Road, Sandy Hook, CT, 06482**

**Call-in Information: 515-739-1034, Access Code: 500386#**

**Agenda**

1. **MEETING CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
3. **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**
  - a. LOTCIP Update
4. **ACTION ITEMS**
  - a. Approval of July 2, 2018 Minutes
5. **OTHER BUSINESS**
  - a. Discussion Items as Raised by the TAG
  - b. Future Presentations & Items of Interest
6. **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

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7. **ADJOURNMENT**

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## COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS



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## INTERIM MINUTES OF 07/02/2018

### Technical Advisory Group (TAG)

Held at 11am via teleconference, located at  
1 Riverside Rd, Sandy Hook, CT 06482

• Bethel	Absent
• Bridgewater	Absent
• Brookfield	Director of Public Works Ralph Tedesco
• Danbury	Absent
• Darien	Absent
• Greenwich	Deputy Commissioner of Public Works James Michel
• HARTransit	Transportation Planner Harrison Wenchell
• New Canaan	Director of Public Works Tiger Mann
• New Fairfield	Absent
• New Milford	Grants Coordinator Tammy Reardon
• Newtown	Director of Public Works Fred Hurley
• Norwalk	Assistant Principal Engineer Michael Yeosock
• Norwalk TD	Absent
• Redding	Absent
• Ridgefield	Absent
• Sherman	Absent
• Stamford	Transportation Bureau Chief James Travers
• Weston	Land Use Director Tracy Kulikowski
• Westport	Town Engineer Peter Ratkiewich
• Wilton	Absent

#### Also in Attendance:

WestCOG staff members; Kristin Hadjstylianos, Nicole Sullivan, Jamie Bastian, Kevin Mahoney, and Victoria Ricks were in attendance. Traffic Engineer Garrett Bolella of the City of Stamford, Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn, Transportation Planning Supervisor Kathryn Faraci of CTDOT, Transportation Planner Ken Shooshan-Stoller of FHWA, and Alec Slatky of AAA Northeast were in attendance.

#### CALL TO ORDER/ PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting was called to order at 11:03am by Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos. She welcomed Senior Project Manager Kevin Mahoney to the meeting. There was no public comment made.

## INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

**WestCOG Turning Movement Counts:** The deadline to submit requests for the program is July 6, 2018.

**Long Range Transportation Plan Meetings:** WestCOG staff members are working to update the plan with data analysis and other information. WestCOG staff will be scheduling meetings with each municipality throughout July to discuss transportation concerns and long-term projects.

## ACTION ITEMS

**Approval of 06/5/2018 Minutes:** After review and on a motion made by Land Use Director Tracy Kulikowski and seconded by Assistant Principal Engineer Michael Yeosock, the minutes of the June 5th meeting were unanimously approved, except with abstentions made by Town Engineer Peter Ratkiewich.

**Transportation Improvement Program Amendments:** There was discussion regarding HVMPO TIP amendments for project #0117-0159: Intersection Improvements on Main St. Between Prospect and Governor Streets, Ridgefield, as seen in the CTDOT provided table below.

Region	FACode	Proj#	AQCd	Rte/Sys	Town	Description	Phase	Year	Tot\$(000)	Fed\$(000)	Sta\$(000)	Loc\$(000)	Comments
02	STPO	0117-0159	X7	CT 35 (MAIN ST)	RIDGEFIELD	INT. IMPR. ON MAIN ST. PROSPECT & GOVERNOR ST	ROW	2018	25	20	5	0	DECREASE EST FROM FED \$112K AND CHANGE SCOPE
02	STPO	0117-0159	X7	CT 35 (MAIN ST)	RIDGEFIELD	INT. IMPR. ON MAIN ST. PROSPECT & GOVERNOR ST	CON	2020	3,150	2,520	630	0	MOVE FROM FFY'18 TO FFY'20 AND CHANGE SCOPE

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On a motion made by Director of Public Works Fred Hurley and seconded by Director of Public Works Ralph Tedesco the TIP amendments were unanimously recommended to the HVMPO for endorsement.

**LOTICIP Adjustments:** The recommended LOTICIP adjustments presented to the COG at the June meeting were revisited by the TAG. The proposed adjustments include, "removing internal sub-allocation of LOTICIP funds, instating project milestone deadlines, instating requirements for program eligibility, and adjusting prioritized projects to close out Fiscal Year 2014" (RE: LOTICIP Adjustments, 6/26/2018). There was discussion. On a motion made by Town Engineer Peter Ratkiewich and seconded by Transportation Bureau Chief James Travers the proposed LOTICIP adjustments were unanimously recommended to the COG for endorsement.

## OTHER BUSINESS

**Discussion Items as Raised by the TAG:** Associate Planner Jamie Bastian discussed the impact of salt on water quality with the TAG members.

**Future Presentations & Items of Interest:** There was none stated.

## UPCOMING MEETINGS/ ADJOURNMENT

The next MPO and COG meetings will be held on July 19th. The next TAG meeting will be tentatively held on July 31st. On a motion duly made and seconded the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 11:26am.