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INTERIM MINUTES OF 10/30/2018

Technical Advisory Group (TAG)

Held at 11am at the Comstock Community Center
180 School Road, Wilton, Ct 06897

• Bethel	Director of Public Works Douglas Arndt
• Bridgewater	Absent
• Brookfield	Absent
• Danbury	Absent
• Darien	Absent
• Greenwich	Senior Civil Engineer Jason Kaufman
• HARTransit	Planner Alex Dasher
• New Canaan	Director of Public Works Tiger Mann
• New Fairfield	Absent
• New Milford	Town Engineer Daniel Stanton
• Newtown	Absent
• Norwalk	Assistant Principal Engineer Michael Yeosock
• Norwalk TD	Chief Executive Kim Morton
• Redding	Absent
• Ridgefield	Absent
• Sherman	Absent
• Stamford	Transportation Bureau Chief Jim Travers
• Weston	Absent
• Westport	Director of Public Works Pete Ratkiewich
• Wilton	Absent

Also in Attendance:

WestCOG staff members; Kristin Hadjstylianos, Jamie Bastian, Kevin Mahoney, Nicole Sullivan, and Victoria Ricks were in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER/ PUBLIC COMMENT

The meeting was called to order at 11:04am by Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos. There were no public comments made.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

MS4 Update: Associate Planner Jamie Bastian provided an update on MS4 permit requirements.

Air Quality Monitoring Program: Associate Planner Jamie Bastian provided an update on a new regional service for air quality monitoring. WestCOG staff will be working with UConn to set up air quality monitoring stations in the region.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of 09/12/2018 Minutes: After review and on a motion made by Assistant Principal Engineer Mike Yeosock and seconded by Stamford Transportation Bureau Chief Jim Travers the minutes of the September 12th meeting were unanimously approved, except with abstentions made by New Milford Town Engineer Daniel Stanton and Westport Public Works Director Pete Ratkiewich.

2019 TAG Meeting Schedule: After review and on a motion made by Stamford Transportation Bureau Chief Jim Travers and seconded by Westport Public Works Director Pete Ratkiewich the 2019 TAG Meeting Schedule was unanimously approved.

LOTICIP Adjustments: Senior Project Manager Kevin Mahoney presented a request by Westport for the TAG's consideration of a LOTICIP adjustment for the Riverside Avenue Roadway and Sidewalk Improvement Project. Following discussion and on a motion made by New Milford New Milford Town Engineer Daniel Stanton and seconded by New Canaan Director of Public Works Tiger Mann the TAG unanimously recommended to approve the requested \$925,200 adjustment.

Transportation Improvement Program: Associate Planner Nicole Sullivan lead a review and requested support for a TIP amendment to add a project for bicycle and pedestrian improvements along Route 7 and Aspertuck Avenue in New Milford. On a motion made by Westport Public Works Director Pete Ratkiewich and seconded by Bethel Director of Public Works Douglas Arndt the proposed TIP Amendment was unanimously recommended.

Performance Measures: Kristin Hadjstylianos give an update on a memo relating to CTDOT targets for performance measurement and how they relate to our region for pavement conditions, bridge conditions, system reliability, freight movement and air quality. On a motion made by Norwalk Assistant Principal Engineer Mike Yeosock and seconded by Westport Director of Public Works Pete Ratkiewich the TAG unanimously recommended to endorse CTDOT's performance targets and bring forth to the next MPO/COG meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS

Discussion Items as Raised by the TAG: There was a brief discussion led by Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos.

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

UPCOMING MEETINGS/ ADJOURNMENT

The next MPO and COG meetings will be tentatively held on November 15th. The next TAG meeting will be held on November 27th. On a motion duly made and seconded the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 12:02pm.