# Western Connecticut COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS



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South Western Region Metropolitan Planning Organization

## INTERIM SWRMPO MINUTES

For the 2/28/2019 Meeting

APROVILLA SURING MEMBERS Held at the Capitol Building Room #310 210 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut Chairman Jayme Stevenson - Vice Chairman James Marpe

#### MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Darien First Selectman Jayme Stevenson

Greenwich

New Canaan First Selectman Kevin Moynihan

Norwalk Absent

Stamford Chief of Staff Mike Pollard

Weston Absent

First Selectman James Marpe Westport First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice Wilton

Transit Absent

**CTDOT** Transportation Planning Supervisor Kathryn Faraci (non-voting)

MPO Staff Executive Director Francis Pickering (non-voting)

#### OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker, Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn, Danbury Mayor Mark Boughton, New Fairfield First Selectman Pat Del Monaco, Newtown First Selectman Dan Rosenthal, Ridgefield First Selectman Rudy Marconi, Sherman First Selectman Don Lowe, Kristyn Gorton from CT Rides, and Sam Sojka and Tracy Alston from Eversource were in attendance. WestCOG staff members in attendance were Kristin Hadjstylianos, Victoria Ricks, Patty Payne, Mike Towle, Charles Vidich, Kevin Mahoney, and Jamie Bastian.

#### CALL TO ORDER

SWRMPO Chairman Jayme Stevenson called the meeting to order at 1:06pm.

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no public participation.

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

**Transportation Alternative Programs:** WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an update on the status of the Transportation Alternative Programs. WestCOG will be sharing more information about this solicitation as soon as we receive more information from CT DOT.

Section 5310 Grant Programs: WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an update on the new application cycle for the 5310 Grant Program. This program is intended to improve mobility for seniors and individuals with disabilities. WestCOG staff will provide technical assistance; eligible applicants who would like staff to review their application for completeness must submit their materials to WestCOG by April 5<sup>th</sup>. Applications are due to CT DOT by April 12<sup>th</sup>.

Unified Planning Work Program Update: WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an update on the outline for Transportation planning for the next 2 years. The draft will be shared with CT DOT on March 11<sup>th</sup> for review.

MOU for Transportation Planning and Funding: WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an update on the Memorandum of Understanding for Transportation and Funding between the South Western Region Valley MPO with the Greater Bridgeport Valley MPO and Central Naugatuck Valley MPO. The WestCOG staff are currently in the process of updating the MOU and will provide a draft at the next MPO meeting.

#### **ACTION ITEMS**

SWRMPO Approval of 1/17/2019 Meeting Minutes: On a motion made by Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice and seconded by New Canaan First Selectman Kevin Moniyhan, the minutes of the meeting on 1/17/2019 were unanimously approved.

**Transportation Improvement Program**: After a review by Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos, a motion was made by Stamford Chief of Staff Mike Pollard and seconded by Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice, the TIP Amendment was unanimously approved.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business discussed.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The next MPÖ meeting will be held on March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019. On a motion duly made and seconded it was voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 1:18pm.