Western Connecticut COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS



South Western Region Metropolitan Planning Organization

APPROVED SWRMPO MINUTES

For the 4/18/2019 Meeting

Held at the Ridgefield Visiting Nurse Association 27 Governor Street, Ridgefield, Connecticut Chairman Jayme Stevenson - Vice Chairman James Marpe

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Darien First Selectman Jayme Stevenson
Greenwich First Selectman Peter Tesei

New Canaan CFO Sandy Dennies

Norwalk Absent

Stamford Transportation Bureau Chief Jim Travers

Weston First Selectman Chris Spaulding Westport Finance Chair Jeff Wieser

Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice
Transit Chief Operating Officer Britt Liotta

CTDOT Transportation Planning Supervisor Kathryn Faraci
MPO Staff Executive Director Francis Pickering (non-voting)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Bridgewater First Selectman Curtis Read, Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn, Danbury Mayor Mark Boughton, New Fairfield First Selectman Pat Del Monaco, New Milford Mayor Pete Bass, Newtown First Selectman Dan Rosenthal, Redding First Selectman Julia Pemberton, Ridgefield First Selectman Rudy Marconi, Sherman First Selectman Don Lowe, and HARTransit Development Director Rick Schreiner were in attendance. WestCOG staff members in attendance were Kristin Hadjstylianos, Nicole Sullivan, and Patty Payne. Ali Mohseni of NYMTC-MHSTCC, Ken Shooshan-Stoller of FHWA, James Root of the CT Sierra Club, Alex Dashev of HARTransit, Dan Guingi of CCM, John Field of CT DEMHS, as well as Sam Sojka and Tracy Alston of Eversource were in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER

SWRMPO Chairman Jayme Stevenson called the meeting to order at 11:38am.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

INFORMATION ITEMS

State Matching Grant Program (MGP) for Elderly and Demand Response Transportation: Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an update on the 2020-2022 application process for the MGP, which provides matching funds for transportation services for seniors and persons with disabilities to each municipality. Applications are due to WestCOG by May 3rd.

Draft Unified Planning Work Program Update: WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an update on the draft for Transportation planning, which were provided to the municipalities last week for review. The draft has also been sent to CTDOT, FHWA and FTA for review.

ACTION ITEMS

SWRMPO Approval of 3/21/2019 Meeting Minutes: On a motion made by Stamford Transportation Bureau Chief Jim Travers and seconded by New Canaan CFO Sandy Dennies, the minutes of the 3/21/2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

SWRMPO Long-Range Transportation Plan 2019-2045: WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos reviewed the 3 Resolutions provided and comments received on the plan. On a motion made Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice and seconded by Stamford Transportation Bureau Chief Jim Travers the 2019-2045 MTP Resolution was unanimously approved contingent on incorporating the modifications discussed regarding the plan. On a motion made by Stamford Transportation Bureau Chief Jim Travers and seconded by Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice the PM 2.5 Air Quality Conformity Resolution and The Ozone Air Conformity (NY-NJ-CT) Resolution were unanimously approved.

Transportation Improvement Program: Associate Planner Nicole Sullivan reviewed the amendment to project#0170-3528: *Statewide Transportation Demand Management for NY-NJ-CT Moderate Portion.* On a motion made by Stamford Transportation Bureau Chief Jim Travers and seconded by New Canaan CFO Sandy Dennies the TIP Amendment was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

The next MPO meeting will be held on May 16th, 2019. On a motion duly made and seconded it was voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:20pm.