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South Western Region  
Metropolitan Planning Organization  
**INTERIM SWRMPO MINUTES**  
For the 5/16/2019 Meeting  
Held via Teleconference  
Chairman Jayme Stevenson - Vice Chairman James Marpe

#### MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Darien	First Selectman Jayme Stevenson
Greenwich	First Selectman Peter Tesei
New Canaan	First Selectman Kevin Moynihan
Norwalk	Absent
Stamford	Absent
Weston	First Selectman Chris Spaulding
Westport	First Selectman James Marpe
Wilton	First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice
Transit	Chief Executive Officer Kimberly Morton
CTDOT	Transportation Planning Supervisor Kathryn Faraci
MPO Staff	Executive Director Francis Pickering (non-voting)

#### OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker, Bridgewater First Selectman Curtis Read, Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn, 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, and HARTransit Development Director Rick Schreiner were in attendance. WestCOG staff members in attendance were Kristin Hadjstylianos, Victoria Ricks, and Kevin Mahoney. Ken Shooshan-Stoller of FHWA was also in attendance.

#### CALL TO ORDER

SWRMPO Vice Chairman James Marpe called the meeting to order at 11:06am.

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

#### INFORMATION ITEMS

**USDOT BUILD Grant Program:** Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an update on the USDOT BUILD Grant, which provides funds for investments in surface transportation infrastructure

such as roads, bridges, transit, rail, ports and intermodal transportation. Applications must be submitted through the Grants.gov website by July 15<sup>th</sup>.

**National Park Service River, Trail and Conservation Assistance Program:** Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an update on the RTCA program, which aids in designing trails and parks, conserving and improving access to rivers and creating recreational opportunities. Applications are due by June 30<sup>th</sup>.

#### ACTION ITEMS

**SWRMPO Approval of 4/18/2019 Meeting Minutes:** After review and on a motion made by Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice and seconded by Darien First Selectman Jayme Stevenson, the minutes of the 4/18/2019 meeting were unanimously approved.

**Section 5310 Priorities:** Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos reviewed the SWRMPO project priorities for the 5310 Grant funding applications. On a motion made by Darien First Selectman Jayme Stevenson and seconded by Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice the project priorities for the SWRMPO were unanimously approved.

**Transportation Improvement Program:** Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos reviewed the amendment to project #0170-3532: *Highway Sign Inventory* and amendment #0135-0334; *NHS - Rehabilitation of Bridge No. 00032 in the City of Stamford*. On a motion made by Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice and seconded by Weston First Selectman Chris Spaulding the TIP Amendments were unanimously approved.

**Unified Planning Work Program:** Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos reviewed the Resolution #2019-005 *Resolution of Endorsement for the FY20 and FY21 SWRMPO Unified Planning Work Program*. On a motion made by Darien First Selectman Jayme Stevenson and seconded by Greenwich First Selectman Peter Tesei the resolution was unanimously approved.

**Transportation Alternative Program Priorities:** Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos reviewed Resolution #2019-006 *Resolution to Endorse the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Project Proposal Rankings* for the SWRMPO. On a motion made by Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice and seconded by Greenwich First Selectman Peter Tesei the resolution was unanimously approved.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business discussed.

#### ADJOURNMENT

The next MPO meeting will be held on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019. On a motion duly made and seconded it was voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:28am.