

**Housatonic Valley & South Western Region
Metropolitan Planning Organizations**

June 25, 2019 at 11:30 am

Location: Ridgefield Visiting Nurse Association

27 Governor Street, Ridgefield, CT 06877

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

Agenda

1. Meeting Call to Order:
2. Featured Presentation
 - a. Stamford East Bus Service Technical Evaluation; Chris Henry and Michael Ahillen, FHI
3. Public Participation:
4. Information Items:
 - a. Title VI Review
 - b. State Transportation Improvement Program Attachment 4b, p. 1
5. Action Items:
 - a. Approval of May 16, 2019 Meeting Minutes (HV & SWR) Attachment 5a pp. 2-5
 - b. 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (HV & SWR) Attachment 5b pp. 6-8
6. Other Business:
7. Next Meeting: Friday, July 19th 2019 beginning at 11:00 am
8. Adjournment:

**Separate votes are taken by HV and SWR MPOs*

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2021-2024 DRAFT STIP SCHEDULE		
DATE	EXPECTATION	ACTION
Second Week of June	Send List of Projects to MPO/COG	Send reviewed and Processed list of 2021-2024 projects and available Back Up sheets, to MPO/COG for their review and input.
First Week of July	Receive the list back from MPO/COG	Reviewing, addressing and processing the suggested changes and comments from the MPO/COG
Third Week in July	Updating the 2021-2024 List	Apply all MPO/COG recommendations to the list
3rd Week in July 2019	STIP Unit/Capital Services (CS)	Review and address any noted fiscal constraint issues as well
First Week of August	Communicate final Update to MPO/COG	Any area of disagreement will be communicated to the MPO/COG
Last Week of August to First Week in October	Final draft 2021-2024 STIP Updated list will be sent to CS	Give MPO/COGs a week to provide final feedback then send the list to CS for their FINAL Update. (Giving them till First week of October to respond so that they can include any previous year project not obligated and move to future year)
From 1st Week in October to 3rd Week in November	Prepare List of Projects for Air Quality	STIP unit prepares the List of 2021-2024 Projects to send to TD/AQ unit for Air Quality
Last Week of November	Send to TD/AQ Unit	Send to TD/AQ Unit for Air Quality Assessment
First Week in December to First Week in April 2020	Air Quality Modeling	Transmit the draft 2021-2024 list of projects to Travel Demand/Air Quality Modeling Unit (TD/AQ Unit) for Air Quality Conformity determination.
Travel Demand/Air Quality Modeling Unit (TD/AQ Unit)	Air Quality Modeling	Hold an Interagency consultation meeting.
First Week of February 2020	Send final List of Projects with AQCode to MPO/COG	After Interagency Consultation meeting is held, send List of ALL THE Projects that are reviewed for AQCode to MPO/COG to be used in producing their respective TIPS
2nd Week in April 2020	AQC Reports (Ozone and PM2.5)	Send completed Air Quality Conformity Report to MPO/COGs for their Public Meetings, FHWA & FTA . Public Involvement can not be initiated until these documents are received by the MPO
From the 2nd Week in April to Last Week in June 2020	MPO/COG TIP Approval	MPO/COGs Public Comment Period, Public Information period and Board approval of the MPO/COG TIPS. Include review of STIP in Public review
From First Week in July to First Week in August 2020	Compilation of Final 2021-2024 STIP	Receiving, reviewing and compiling the MPOs' approved TIP and Air Quality conformity
MID AUGUST	Final 2021-2024 STIP update completed	STIP unit sends the Final Draft 2021-2024 STIP to FHWA/FTA for approval
FIRST Week SEPTEMBER	Approved 2021-2024 STIP	Anticipated approval of the Final 2021-2024 STIP Document.

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Housatonic Valley
Metropolitan Planning Organization
INTERIM HVMPO MINUTES
For the 5/16/2019 Meeting
Held via teleconference
Chairman Rudolph Marconi - Vice Chairman Julia Pemberton

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Bethel	First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker
Bridgewater	First Selectman Curtis Read
Brookfield	First Selectman Steve Dunn
Danbury	Absent
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	Absent
HARTtransit	Development Director Rick Schreiner
CTDOT	Transportation Planning Supervisor Kathryn Faraci
MPO Staff	Executive Director Francis Pickering (non-voting)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Darien First Selectman Jayme Stevenson, Greenwich First Selectman Peter Tesei, New Canaan First Selectman Kevin Moynihan, Weston First Selectman Chris Spaulding, Westport First Selectman James Marpe, and Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice, Norwalk Transit District CEO Kimberlee Morton 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

HVMPO Chairman Rudy Marconi 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 15th.

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

ACTION ITEMS

HVMPO Approval of 4/18/2019 Meeting Minutes: After review and on a motion made by Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn and seconded by Redding First Selectman Julia Pemberton, 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 Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by New Milford Mayor Pete Bass, the project priorities for the HVMPO were unanimously approved.

Transportation Improvement Program: Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos reviewed the amendment to project #0170-3532: *Highway Sign Inventory*. On a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by New Milford Mayor Pete Bass the TIP Amendment was unanimously approved.

Unified Planning Work Program: Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos reviewed the Resolution #2019-006 *Resolution of Endorsement for the FY20 and FY21 HVMPO Unified Planning Work Program*. On a motion made by Bridgewater First Selectman Curtis Read and seconded by Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker the resolution was unanimously approved.

Transportation Alternative Program Priorities: Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos reviewed Resolution #2019-007 *Resolution to Endorse the Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Project Proposal Rankings* for the HVMPO. On a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn the resolution was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

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

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Stamford	Absent
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Transit	Chief Executive Officer Kimberly Morton
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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.

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Western Connecticut

COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS



DATE: June 18, 2019

HVMPO FFY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Background: The FFY2018-2021 Housatonic Valley TIP was endorsed by the MPO on August 17, 2017. The TIP was incorporated into the larger Statewide TIP, which was approved by USDOT and EPA on October 19, 2017.

MPO Action Requested: Review and support TIP amendment endorsement.

Amendment #2019-0620:

0416-XXXX: HART- Facility Improvements FY19

This CTDOT-requested amendment is intended to remove project 0416-XXXX: *HART- Facility Improvements FY19* from the TIP. Funded through FTA's Capital Funding Programs, the project totals approximately \$1.25 million.

Region	FACode	Proj#	AQ Cd	Rte/Sys	Town	Description	Phase	Year	Tot\$(000)	Fed\$(000)	Sta\$(000)	Loc\$(000)
02	5307C	0416-XXXX	X6	HART	DANBURY	HART - FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS FY 19	CON	2019	1,250	1,000	250	0

0170-3382: Load Ratings for Bridges-NHS Roads (1/1/16-12/31/20)

0170-3383: Load Ratings for Bridges- Non-NHS Roads (1/1/16-12/31/20)

The CTDOT-requested amendments are intended to increase the federal share for project# 0170-3382 and #0170-3383 for both the HVMPO and SWRMPO. Project #0170-3382 is funded through the NHPP Bridge on System Program and the amendment would increase the project total to approximately \$6 million for NHS Roads. Project # 0170-3383 is funded through the STPA Bridge on System Program and the amendment would increase the project total to approximately \$4.52 million. The cost increase is associated with SH20 and HL93 vehicles carrying additional weight within the federal metrics and FHWA's national requirement to load rate all bridges for Specialized Hauling Vehicles and Emergency Vehicles.

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70	NHPP-BRX	0170-3382	X6	VARIOUS	STATEWIDE	LOAD RATINGS FOR BRIDGES - NHS ROADS (1/1/16-12/31/20) - AC CONVERSION	OTH	2020	6,000	4,800	1,200	0
70	STPA-BRX	0170-3383	X6	VARIOUS	STATEWIDE	LOAD RATINGS FOR BRIDGES - NON-NHS ROADS (1/1/16-12/31/20) - AC CONVERSION	OTH	2020	4,520	3,616	9,040	0

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MPO Action Requested: Review and support TIP amendment endorsement.

Amendment #2019-0620:

0412-XXXX: Norwalk TD- Paratransit Vehicles FY19: This CTDOT-requested amendment is intended to increase the project by \$250,000 total to provide additional funding for Norwalk Transit District's (NTD) replacement of ten paratransit vehicles which have reached the end of their useful life.

0412-XXXX: Norwalk TD- Facility Improvements FY18: This amendment would reduce FTA Section 5307 funds for NTD's facility improvements by approximately \$3.75 million. NTD has received a discretionary grant that will contribute toward the rehabilitation and expansion of the bus administration and maintenance facility. The project remains within the estimated budget.

0412-XXXX: Norwalk TD- Admin Capital/ Support Equip/ SCV Program FY 19

This amendment would increase the project by \$325,000 total to provide additional funding for NTD's administrative capital needs and the purchase of miscellaneous support equipment.

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01	5307C	0412-XXXX	X6	NORWALK TD	NORWALK	NORWALK TD - FACILITY IMPROVEMENTS FY 18	ALL	2019	8,750	7,000	1,750	0
01	5307C	0412-XXXX	X6	NORWALK TD	NORWALK	NORWALK TD - ADMIN CAPITAL/SUPPORT EQUIP/SCV PROGRAM FY 19	OTH	2019	1,000	800	200	0

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