

**APPROVED MINUTES OF 4/8/2020**

**Technical Advisory Group (TAG)**

Held via Zoom videoconference

• Bethel	Director of Public Utilities Tom Villa
• Bridgewater	Absent
• Brookfield	Director of Public Works Ralph Tedesco
• Danbury	City Traffic Engineer Abdul Barry Mohamed
• Darien	Absent
• Greenwich	Project Engineer Jason Kaufman
• Transit Representative – HV	Transportation Planner Alex Dashev
• New Canaan	Director of Public Works Tiger Mann
• New Fairfield	Absent
• New Milford	Road Design Engineer Mark Rosa
• Newtown	Director of Public Works Fred Hurley
• Norwalk	Assistant Principal Engineer Michael Yeosock
• Transit Representative - SWR	Absent
• Redding	Absent
• Ridgefield	Absent
• Sherman	Absent
• Stamford	Traffic Engineer Frank Petise
• Weston	Director of Land Use Tracey Kulikowski
• Westport	Town Engineer Keith Wilberg
• Wilton	Assistant Director of Public Works Frank Smeriglio

**Also in Attendance:**

Jennifer Carrier from FHWA, Kathryn Faraci from CTDOT, Paige Lawrence from CTrides, Brookfield Project Manager Greg Dembowski, Danbury Project Engineer Tom Altermatt, New Canaan Town Engineer Maria Coplit, and New Milford Compliance Specialist Tammy Reardon. WestCOG staff members: Kristin Hadjstylianos, Nicole Sullivan, Kevin Mahoney, Mike Towle, Paula Burton and Victoria Ricks were also in attendance.

**CALL TO ORDER/ PUBLIC COMMENT**

The meeting was called to order at 11:03am by Senior Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos. There were no public comments made.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**LOPCIP Proposal Deadline:** WestCOG Senior Project Manager Kevin Mahoney presented a reminder of the LOTCIP project proposal deadline of April 16<sup>th</sup> has been extended to May 14<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Kevin Mahoney if you have any questions.

**Regional GIS Viewer:** WestCOG Deputy Director Mike Towle gave an update on the Regional Parcel Viewer usage and recommended municipalities host a link on their website to increase use.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

**Approval of 3/10/2020 Minutes:** After review and on a motion made by Weston Director of Land Use Tracey Kulikowski and seconded by Newtown Director of Public Works Fred Hurley, the minutes of the March 10th meeting were unanimously approved.

**2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program:** After a review by WestCOG Assistant Planner Nicole Sullivan and on a motion made by Newtown Director of Public Works Fred Hurley and seconded by Brookfield Project Manager Greg Dembowski, the HVMPO and SWRMPO TIP amendments were unanimously approved as presented in the memo.

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

**Discussion Items as Raised by the TAG:** WestCOG Deputy Director Mike Towle informed TAG members of a request from the Emergency Management team for WestCOG staff to work on a regional inventory of our transit resources for Covid-19 emergency response planning. Newtown Public Works Director Fred Hurley discussed the value and use of 3D printers during this pandemic to make needed parts. He is currently looking into the cost of purchasing these printers and if any other municipality is interested, please contact Fred for the information.

**Future Presentations & Items of Interest:** There were none stated.

## **UPCOMING MEETINGS/ ADJOURNMENT**

The next MPO and COG meetings will be held on April 23<sup>rd</sup>. The next TAG meeting will be held on May 12<sup>th</sup>. There is a Planners Lunch scheduled on April 28<sup>th</sup> to discuss the planning and zoning issues that have emerged related to the Covid-19 pandemic. On a motion duly made the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 11:18am.