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Western Connecticut COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

South Western Region Metropolitan Planning Organization

APPROVED SWRMPO MINUTES

For the 10/21/2021

Held via videoconference

Chairman Jayme Stevenson-Vice Chairman James Marpe

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Darien First Selectman Jayme Stevenson

Greenwich Selectman Lauren Rabin

New Canaan First Selectman Kevin Moynihan

Norwalk Absent Stamford Absent

Weston First Selectman Samantha Nestor
Westport First Selectman James Marpe
Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice

CTDOT Absent (non-voting)

Transit Representative Absent

MPO Staff Executive Director Francis Pickering (non-voting)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Ridgefield First Selectman Rudy Marconi, 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, and Sherman First Selectman Don Lowe, were in attendance. WestCOG staff members in attendance were Mike Towle, Kristin Hadjstylianos, Kevin Mahoney, Nicole Sullivan, Victoria Ricks, and Cricket Carpenter. - Also in attendance were Paul Chenard, Manager of Transportation Planning & Marketing at Norwalk Transit District, Carly Kramer from Norwalk Redevelopment, Robert Hendrick from Ridgefield Planning & Zoning, James Root from the Danbury Sierra Club.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Jayme Stevenson called the meeting to order at 12:09 pm

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: No members of the public identified themselves or offered comment when invited to do so.

INFORMATION ITEM

Winter Maintenance Training Video: WestCOG Deputy Director Mike Towle gave an overview.

Central Business District Tolling Program: WestCOG Executive Director Francis Pickering and Principal Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an overview.

ACTION ITEMS

SWRMPO Approval of 09/23/2021 Meeting Minutes: After review and on a motion made by Westport First Selectman James Marpe and seconded by New Canaan First Selectman Kevin Moynihan the minutes of the 09/23/21 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

2021–2024 Transportation Improvement Summary (SWR) WestCOG Planner Nicole Sullivan provided an overview of Amendment #0161–0145 Rehab of Bridge 04981 carrying Cannon Road over the Norwalk River in Wilton, #0173–0510 Replace Traffic Control Signals in various locations, #0056–0315 Signal Optimization and Intersection Improvements in Greenwich. After review and on a motion made by Westport First Selectman Jim Marpe and seconded by Greenwich Selectman Lauren Rabin, the TIP Amendments were unanimously approved.

SWRMPO Election of Officers: WestCOG Principal Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave a review of the need to select new MPO Officers following the retirement of Chairman Jayme Stevenson and Vice-Chairman Jim Marpe. Newly elected officers will serve on a temporary basis for the months of November, December, and January effective November 3rd. The nominations of Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice as Chair and New Canaan First Selectman Kevin Moynihan as Vice Chair were announced. On a motion made by Westport First Selectman Jim Marpe and Seconded by Darien First Selectman Jayme Stevenson, the Election of the SWRMPO Officers was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS: They Bylaws will be discussed at a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The next MPO meeting will be held on Thursday, November 18th, 2021. On a motion duly made and seconded it was voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:40 pm.