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INTERIM MINUTES OF 12/8/2021
Technical Advisory Group (TAG)
Held via Zoom videoconference

• Bethel
  Director of Public Works Eric Swenson
• Bridgewater
  Absent
• Brookfield
  Absent
• Danbury
  Traffic Engineer Abdul Mohamed
• Darien
  Director of P & Z Jeremy Ginsberg
• Greenwich
  Deputy Commissioner of Public Works James Michel
• Transit Representative – HV
  HAR Transit Transit Operations Planner Guyauth Gabbidon
• New Canaan
  Town Engineer Maria Coplit
• New Fairfield
  Absent
• New Milford
  Public Works Director Jack Healy
• Newtown
  Public Works Director Fred Hurley
• Norwalk
  Director of Transportation, Mobility and Parking, Jim Travers
• Transit Representative – SWR
  NTD Manager of Transportation & Planning Paul Chenard
• Redding
  Absent
• Ridgefield
  Absent
• Sherman
  Absent
• Stamford
  Absent
• Weston
  Land Use Director Tracy Kulikowski
• Westport
  Town Engineer Keith Wilberg
• Wilton
  Assistant Director of Public Works Frank Smeriglio

Also, in Attendance: Kathryn Faraci from CTDOT, Wilton Town Planner Michael Wrinn, Norwalk Principal Engineer Mike Yeosock, Ridgefield P & Z Commissioner Robert Hendrick, Jennifer Carrier from FHWA, Meg Haffner from the Kennedy Center, Veera Karukonda from Stamford, WestCOG staff members, Michael Towle, Kristin Hadjistylianos, Kevin Mahoney, Todd Fontanella, Nicole Sullivan, Tucker Beckett, and Cricket Carpenter.
CALL TO ORDER/ PUBLIC COMMENT:
The meeting was called to order at 11:01am by WestCOG Principal Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos There were no public comments.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM
Annual Report: WestCOG Deputy Director Mike Towle gave an update. The Annual Report may be accessed on the WestCOG website https://westcog.org/

Regional Open Space Inventory: WestCOG GIS Analyst Tucker Beckett gave an overview and a demonstration of the interactive web map. The map may be viewed by visiting the WestCOG website.

Construction Contract General Requirements Template: WestCOG Senior Project Manager Kevin Mahoney gave an overview.

2022 CTDOT Safety Performance Measures: WestCOG Planner Nicole Sullivan provided an overview.

CTDOT Section 5310 Program Traditional Application Awards: WestCOG Senior Planner Todd Fontanalla provided an overview.

CTrides Aira Program: WestCOG Principal Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos provided an overview. For more information please visit: https://ctrides.com/aira-en/

Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act: Kristin provided an overview.

ACTION ITEMS
Approval of the November 9th, 2021, Minutes: After review and on a motion made by New Milford Public Works Director Jack Healy and seconded by Newtown Public Works Director Fred Hurley the minutes of the November 9th, 2021, meeting were unanimously approved.

2022 Meetings: After review and on a motion made by New Milford Public Works Director Jack Healy and seconded by Newtown Public Works Director Fred Hurley the 2022 Meeting date were unanimously approved.

2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program WestCOG Planner Nicole Sullivan provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Weston Land Use Director Tracy Kulikowski and seconded by Westport Town Engineer Keith Wilberg, the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS and ITEMS OF INTEREST:

UPCOMING MEETINGS:
MPO/COG: 01/20/2022
TAG: 01/11/2022

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion duly made, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 11:41 am.