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Housatonic Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization

INTERIM HVMPO MINUTES
For the 12/15/2021 Special Meeting
Ridgefield Annex
66 Prospect Street, Ridgefield, CT 06877

Chairman Rudolph Marconi – Vice Chairman Julia Pemberton

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE
Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker
Bridgewater First Selectman Curtis Read
Brookfield First Selectman Tara Carr
Danbury Absent
New Fairfield Pat Del Monaco
New Milford Mayor Pete Bass
Newtown First Selectman Dan Rosenthal
Redding First Selectman Julia Pemberton
Ridgefield First Selectman Rudy Marconi
Sherman First Selectman Don Lowe
Transit Representative HART Transit CEO Rick Schreiner
CTDOT Kathryn Faraci (non-voting)
MPO Staff Executive Director Francis Pickering (non-voting)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE
Darien First Selectman Monica McNally, Greenwich Selectman Lauren Rabin, New Canaan First Selectman Kevin Moynihan, Weston First Selectman Samantha Nestor, Westport First Selectman Jennifer Tucker, and Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice. Kimberly Morton from Norwalk Transit, WestCOG staff members in attendance were Mike Towle, Kristin Hadjistylianos, Todd Fontanella, Nick Trabka, Kristin Floberg, Nicole Sullivan, Betsy Paynter, Victoria Ricks, and Cricket Carpenter. Also in attendance were Pippa Bell Ader from Westport, Tracey Alston from Eversource, Meg Haffner & April Chaplin from the Kennedy Center, Jenny Larkin from Greenwich, Travonn Diaz from Senator Murphy’s office, Jim Murray from Brookfield, Martin Henry-CPA from Henry, Raymond & Thompson LLC, Jennifer Johnson from Westport, and James Root from the Danbury Sierra Club.

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CALL TO ORDER
Chairman Rudy Marconi called the meeting to order at 10:48 am

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:
No members of the public identified themselves as present or spoke when invited to do so.

FEATURED PRESENTATION
MPO Primer and Infrastructure Bill Update: WestCOG Executive Director Francis Pickering and Principal Planner Kristin Hadjystylianos provided an update.

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

CTDOT Section 5310 Program- Traditional Application Awards: WestCOG Senior Planner Todd Fontanella provided an update.

CTrides Aira Program: Kristen Hadjystylianos provided an overview.

ACTION ITEMS
HVMPO Approval of 11/18/2021 Meeting Minutes: After review and on a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by Bridgewater First Selectman Curtis Read, the minutes of the 11/18/21 meeting were unanimously approved.

2022 Proposed Meeting Dates: Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker and seconded by Bridgewater First Selectman Curtis Read, the 2022 Meeting Dates were unanimously approved.

Transportation Improvement Program: Nicole Sullivan provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Ridgefield First Selectman Rudy Marconi and seconded by Redding First Selectman Julia Pemberton the Transportation Improvement Program was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS: There was no other business discussed.

ADJOURNMENT:
The next meeting is scheduled for January 20th. On a motion duly made and seconded it was voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 pm.