

Western Connecticut COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS



Housatonic Valley
Metropolitan Planning Organization
APPROVED 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	HARtransit 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 Tooker, and Wilton First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice. Kimberly Morton from Norwalk Transit, WestCOG staff members in attendance were Mike Towle, Kristin Hadjstylianos, 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.

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 PRESENTAION

MPO Primer and Infrastructure Bill Update: WestCOG Executive Director Francis Pickering and Principal Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos 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 Hadjstylianos 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.