

APPROVED MINUTES OF 04/12/2022
Technical Advisory Group (TAG)

Held via Zoom webinar

• Bethel	Absent
• Bridgewater	Absent
• Brookfield	Director of Public Works Ralph Tedesco
• Danbury	City of Danbury Traffic Engineer Verra Karukonda
• Darien	Director of Public Works Ed Gentile
• Greenwich	Deputy Commissioner of Public Works James Michel
• Transit Representative – HV	HARtransit Chief Executive Officer Rick Schreiner
• New Canaan	New Canaan Town Engineer Maria Coplit
• New Fairfield	Absent
• New Milford	Public Works Director Jack Healy
• Newtown	Absent
• Norwalk	Director of Transportation, Mobility and Parking, Jim Travers
• Transit Representative – SWR	Absent
• Redding	Absent
• Ridgefield	Absent
• Sherman	Absent
• Stamford	Transportation Bureau Chief Frank Petise
• Weston	Town Administrator Jonathan Luiz
• Westport	Town Engineer Keith Wilberg
• Wilton	Director of Public Works/Town Engineer Frank Smeriglio

Also, in Attendance: Brookfield Project Manager Greg Dembowski, Project Engineer Tom Altermatt, New Milford Grants and Compliance Specialist Tammy Reardon, Wilton Director of Planning & Land Use Michael Wrinn, FHWA Transportation Planner Jennifer Carrier, and Sara Radacsi from CTDOT COG Coordination Unit. WestCOG staff members, Kristin Hadjstylianos, Mike Towle, Kevin Mahoney, Todd Fontanella, Nicole Sullivan, Betsy Paynter, Cricket Carpenter, and Executive Director Francis Pickering. Also in attendance were Meg Haffner from the Kennedy Center, Michael Fisher from BL Companies, and Jennifer Johnson.

CALL TO ORDER/ PUBLIC COMMENT:

The meeting was called to order at 11:03 a.m. by WestCOG Principal Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos. There were no public comments.

FEDERAL CERIFICATION REVIEW

Jennifer Carrier from The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA and Federal Transit Administration (FTA) presented the Transportation Management Area Certification Review. Public comment will be accepted until April 22nd.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy update: WestCOG ARPA Manager Betsy Paynter provided an overview. Please contact Betsy with any questions at: Bpaynter@westcog.org

FY 2023 Matching Grant Program: WestCOG Senior Planner Todd Fontanella provided an overview. Please contact Todd with any questions at: tfontanella@westcog.org

USDOT Multimodal Projects Discretionary Grants: WestCOG Principal Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos provided an overview.

Member-Directed Community Project Funding: Kristin Hadjstylianos provided an overview

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of March 8th 2022, Minutes: After review and on a motion made by Westport Town Engineer Keith Wilberg and seconded by Deputy Commissioner of Public Works James Michel the minutes of the March 8th 2022, meeting were unanimously approved.

LOTICIP Adjustments: WestCOG Senior Project Manager Kevin Mahoney provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Brookfield Project Manager Greg Dembowski and seconded by Stamford Transportation Bureau Chief Frank Petise the LOTICIP Adjustments were unanimously approved.

2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program: WestCOG Planner Nicole Sullivan provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Greenwich Deputy Commissioner of Public Works James Michel and seconded by New Milford Public Works Director Jack Healy the 2021-2024 TIP amendments were unanimously approved.

CTDOR Air Quality Conformity: WestCOG Planner Nicole Sullivan provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Norwalk Director of Transportation Jim Travers and seconded by Westport Town Engineer Keith Wilberg the CTDOR Air Quality Conformity Determinations was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS and ITEMS OF INTEREST:

No other business was discussed.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

WCEDD Meeting: 04/14/22

MPO/COG/: 04/21/2022

TAG: 05/10/2022

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion duly made, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 11:50 a.m.