# Western Connecticut COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS



## **Executive Committee Notes**

for the 05/11/2022 Meeting

#### MEMBERS ATTENDING

Darien	First Selectman Monica McNally
New Canaan	First Selectman Kevin Moynihan
Redding	First Selectman Julia Pemberton
Ridgefield	First Selectman Rudy Marconi
Wilton	First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice

**OTHERS ATTENDING:** WestCOG Staff- Executive Director Francis Pickering, Principal Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos, and Office Manager Cricket Carpenter

The meeting began at: 2:00 p.m.

WestCOG Principal Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos provided updates on the following Transportation items:

- Quiet Zone Study
- Congestion Study
- Norwalk Route 1 Study
- Traffic Calming Plan and Design Guidelines Study

#### IIJA:

- Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Program
- PL under IIJA

Lean Process - This is a weeklong event that will take place at CTDOT the first week of June.

WestCOG Executive Director Francis Pickering provided updates on the following projects:

- Regional Fee Schedule -To view the fee schedules see: <a href="https://westcog.org/regional-services/fees/">https://westcog.org/regional-services/fees/</a>
- Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy
- Regional Broadband Study
- Long Island Sound Grant Application National Fish and Wildlife Federation (NFWF)
- Resilient CT Endorsement of Phase II Report
- RPIP Projects Applications are due August 1st 2022.
- IIJA Grant Assistance

- Land Use Commissioner Training UConn CLEAR is developing training; COGs may also have a role.
- Regional Affordable Housing Plan and Affordable Housing Finance Study An updated version will be available later this month.
- Regional Flood Management Assistance The selection committee will include WestCOG Executive Director Francis Pickering; Marc McEwan, Darien Deputy FM/EMD; Erin McKenna, Stamford Principal Planner, and Paul Hearn.
- DEEP Straw Proposal

Finance and operations that were discussed by the committee:

- Regional Services Grant Spending Plan, agency budget
- Auditor selection The committee decided to recommend continuing with the firm Henry, Raymond, & Thompson, LLC
- Cybersecurity and IT
- **Meeting arrangements** The committee decided to continue with the current meeting arrangements.
- Federal and state affairs

### Upcoming Meetings:

- MPO & COG Special Meeting: 05/31/2022
- Executive Committee Meeting: 06/01/2022