## Western Connecticut COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS



## **Executive Committee Notes**

for the 09/13/2022 Meeting

## MEMBERS ATTENDING

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

The meeting began at: 1:00

WestCOG Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos provided updates on the following Transportation items:

- Congestion Performance Measures The Performance Measures are required in Bridgeport-Stamford urbanized area. The DOT will present on the data analysis at the September COG meeting.
- LOTCIP Solicitation-The solicitation is open and will be accepting proposals from municipalities through October 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Discretionary Grant Applications
  - SS4A- The Safe Streets for All grant program application is currently being worked on by WestCOG staff and will be submitted later this week.
  - o Reconnecting Communities Request for Letter of Support PROTECT-The city of Norwalk is interesting in applying to the Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost Saving Transportation grant program. A letter of Support will be drafted for the September COG meeting.
  - THRIVE- DOT is establishing a Thriving Communities Initiative to provide technical assistance and capacity building resources to improve and foster thriving communities through transportation improvements.
- Transportation Studies
  - Quiet Zone Study- WestCOG is working on signing the contracts with the selected consultant.
  - o **BUILD Grant**-The Regional Value Capture Feasibility Study RFP was released on September 12<sup>th</sup>. Proposals will be accepted through October 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022.
  - Congestion Reduction Study- WestCOG is working on signing the contracts with the selected consultant.

- CTDOT Municipality ADA Compliance Assessment-There is a meeting on September 19<sup>th</sup> for Municipalities and Chief Elected Officials.
- Metropolitan Transportation Plan-WestCOG staff is working on updating the document.
- Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for Greenhouse Gas Emissions-A draft letter is currently being prepared and will be included at the September COG meeting.

WestCOG Executive Director Francis Pickering provided updates on the following Regional Planning/Services Project Updates, and Policy items:

- Annual Report-The Annual Report will be coming out by October 1st and will be reviewed at the October COG meeting.
- **Broadband Study**-WestCOG is looking for communities to volunteer to participate in pilot studies.
- Legislative Committee-Francis provided a brief update.
- OTHER BUSINESS:
- Upcoming meetings

TAG Special Meeting September 20th, 2022 MPO/COG September 22<sup>nd</sup> 2022