

Executive Committee Notes  
for the 11/9/2022 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 and Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos

The meeting began at: 11:09

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

- **Metropolitan Transportation Plan** – Staff are continuing to work on the plan update. Pop-up outreach events were held in Stamford and Danbury and additional virtual events will be held in November. Updates will be provided at upcoming TAG and MPO meetings.
- **Public Involvement Plan** – The draft plan has been released for a public comment period.
- **LOTICIP Solicitation** – WestCOG reviewed the LOTICIP proposals with the TAG members and will present the TAG’s recommendation to the COG board this month for endorsement.
- **Transportation Rural Improvement Program (TRIP)** – This is a new grant program managed by CTDOT. WestCOG staff will coordinate with the municipalities that are eligible to apply to this program.
- **Transportation Studies:**
  - **BUILD** – WestCOG will be interviewing consultants next week.
  - **Quiet Zone** - WestCOG is continuing fee negotiations and drafting contract documents with the selected consultant.
  - **Norwalk Route 1** – WestCOG staff will be working on solicitation process for this study.
- **Highway Safety Performance Measures** – CTDOT has established safety targets for the next year, staff are reviewing these and will present information to the MPO next month.
- **Municipal ADA Transition Plans** – WestCOG is preparing a grant application seeking funds to develop plans for the region.
- **Discretionary Grants (IJA and IRA)** – Update on grant programs with open solicitations.

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

- **Regional Firearms Training Facility** – WestCOG was awarded the grant and staff will be overseeing the project.
- **Broadband** – Update on project coordination and status.
- **Flood Mitigation** – WestCOG held a workshop on October 27<sup>th</sup> with property owners and will be applying for additional grant funding for this program.
- **CEDS** – A draft has been released for public comment.
- **Cyber Security Grant** – WestCOG will identify funding available to conduct cyber security audits for the municipalities.
- **Municipal Land Use Commissioner** – WestCOG will assist with coordinating training opportunities.
- **IIJA Funding Cost Share** - WestCOG needs additional funds to provide the nonfederal match for the increase in transportation planning funds from IIJA.
- **Municipal Dues** – There was discussion on revenue adjustments to cover cost share requirements.
- **2023 Proposed Meeting Dates** – Next year’s meeting schedule will be shared at the November COG/MPO meeting.

- **Upcoming meetings**

MPO/COG November 30<sup>th</sup> 2022

TAG Meeting: December 13<sup>th</sup> 2022