

**APPROVED MINUTES OF 11/08/2022**

**Technical Advisory Group Meeting (TAG)**

Held at: The Comstock Community Center- 180 School Rd, Wilton, CT 06897

• Bethel	Director of Public Works Eric Swenson
• Bridgewater	Absent
• Brookfield	Project Manager Greg Dembowski
• Danbury	Traffic Engineer Veera Karukonda
• Darien	Director of Land Use Jeremy Ginsberg
• Greenwich	Deputy Commissioner of Public Works James Michel
• Transit Representative - HV	HARtransit Chief Executive Officer Rick Schreiner
• New Canaan	Director of Public Works Tiger Mann
• New Fairfield	Absent
• New Milford	Absent
• Newtown	Absent
• Norwalk	Director of Transportation, Mobility and Parking, Jim Travers
• Transit Representative-SWR	Absent
• Redding	Director of Public Works James Gracy
• Ridgefield	Absent
• Sherman	Absent
• Stamford	Transportation Bureau Chief Frank Petise
• Weston	Absent
• Westport	Town Engineer Keith Wilberg
• Wilton	Director of Public Works/Town Engineer Frank Smeriglio

**Others Attending:** Danbury Project Engineer Tom Altermatt, New Canaan Town Engineer Maria Coplit, Assistant Director of Transportation Services Garrett Bolella, Norwalk City Traffic Engineer Fred Eshraghi, Kevin Tedesco from CTDOT, and Ali Mohseni from the Mid-Hudson South Transportation Coordinating Committee (MHSTCC), WestCOG staff members Kristin Hadjstylianos, Kevin Mahoney, Todd Fontanella, Nicole Sullivan, Kristin Floberg, and Cricket Carpenter.

**CALL TO ORDER/ PUBLIC COMMENT**

The meeting was called to order at 11:05 a.m. by WestCOG Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos. There were no public comments.

**FEATURED PRESENTATION: Metropolitan Transportation Plan Stakeholder Workshop**  
WestCOG Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos and WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Floberg conducted the workshop and received feedback from TAG members regarding transportation needs and opportunities in the region.

## **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

**2023 Proposed Meeting Dates:** WestCOG's Kristin Hadjstylianos provided an overview.

**Transportation Rural Improvement Program (TRIP):** Kristin provided an overview. The eligible towns are Redding, Ridgefield, and Sherman.

**Municipal ADA Transition Plans:** Kristin provided an overview. CTDOT distributed a survey for municipalities to complete. The deadline for the survey has been extended so municipalities who have not already done so are encouraged to participate.

**Draft Public Involvement Plan – Public Comments:** WestCOG Planner Nicole Sullivan provided an overview. The 45-day public comment is currently underway.

**Hazard Mitigation Plan:** Nicole Sullivan provided an overview. FEMA requires that a document be filled out by any towns that have taken actions that are not in the HMP. Any questions should be directed to Nicole at: [nsullivan@wesstcog.org](mailto:nsullivan@wesstcog.org)

## **ACTION ITEMS**

**Approval of October 11<sup>th</sup> 2022 Meeting Minutes:** After review, it was noted that the October 11<sup>th</sup> Interim Minutes erroneously list Jeremy Ginsberg as the representative for the town of Darien and Ed Gentile for the town of Greenwich. With the revisions of Ed Gentile listed as the representative for the town of Darien, and James Michel as the representative for the town of Greenwich, and on a motion made by Jim Travers and seconded by Jim Michel the meeting minutes of the October 11<sup>th</sup> 2022 meeting were unanimously approved.

**2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (SWR):** WestCOG's Nicole Sullivan provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Westport Town Engineer Keith Wilberg and seconded by Stamford Transportation Bureau Chief Frank Petise the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program amendments (SWR) were unanimously approved.

**LOTICIP Adjustments (New Projects):** WestCOG Senior Project Manager Kevin Mahoney provided an update. After review and on a motion made by Darien Director of Land Use Jeremy Ginsberg and seconded by Danbury Traffic Engineer Veera Karukonda LOTICIP Adjustments (New Projects) were unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS and ITEMS OF INTEREST: There was no other business discussed.

UPCOMING MEETINGS:

MPO/COG: 11/30/2022 \*\* Please note this meeting date reflects a change

TAG: 12/13/2022

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion duly made, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 12:04PM.