

Executive Committee Notes

Wednesday October 4th, 2023, at 2:00 p.m.

The Ridgefield Town Hall Annex

66 Prospect Street, Ridgefield, CT 06877

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Darien	First Selectman Monica McNally
Redding	First Selectman Julia Pemberton
Ridgefield	First Selectman Rudy Marconi
Wilton	First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice

OTHERS ATTENDING: WestCOG Staff: Executive Director Francis Pickering, Deputy Director Mike Towle, and Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos

The meeting began at: 2:08

Transportation

Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhood Access & Equity grant – WestCOG submitted the regional transit study application.

Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) – WestCOG is re-submitting last year's application and has coordinated with stakeholders on topic.

USDOT Electric Vehicle Charger Reliability and Accessibility Accelerator – New grant program for repairing or replacing existing EV charging infrastructure that is inoperable.

BUILD Study – Consultant held an advisory committee meeting to go over existing conditions, the next meeting will go over legal/governance analysis.

Quiet Zone Study – Consultant held an advisory committee meeting and shared information on safety infrastructure scenarios.

RAISE Grant – Staff held a kick-off meeting with FHWA to go over grant agreement requirements.

Congestion Analysis – Consultant received feedback from municipalities on the data analysis findings.

HARTransit Planning Agreement – Discussion on planning process and coordination.

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Regional Planning/Services Project Updates

Stormwater Mapper – Staff provided an update on tasks and will work on sharing information on a new webpage.

Regional Firearms Training Facility – Discussion on RFQ, project management and an upcoming meeting.

WCEDD – There will be a meeting in November and staff are doing additional outreach to municipalities to share information on support for grants.

Map Viewer – Discussion on how the Map Viewer can be of value to the municipalities, how to increase usage, and opportunities for training.

CPRG Program – Discussion on RFQ process and meetings with the state to support regional coordination.

Radios Study– Discussion on project need.

Finance and Grant Update

There was a discussion on 2023 AMPO Conference, grant programs, and non-federal matches needed for awarded projects.

Policy

Dues – Discussion on increase.

Procurement Policy – Discussion on drafting new policy for federal grant requirements.

DBE Policy – Discussion on drafting new policy for federal grant requirements.

Conflict of COST event with COG meeting on Oct. 19th – Discussion that the scheduled COG meeting will not be rescheduled.

Continuity through Elections – Discussion on upcoming meetings.

LOTICIP Support Services – Discussion on opportunities to provide municipal support for LOTICIP projects.

Upcoming meetings

TAG- October 10th, 2023

MPO/COG- Thursday, October 19, 2023

The meeting concluded at: 3:25