

## Executive Committee Notes

Wednesday January 3rd, at 2:00 p.m.

The Ridgefield Town Hall Annex

66 Prospect Street, Ridgefield, CT 06877

### MEMBERS ATTENDING

Bethel	First Selectman Dan Carter
Darien	First Selectman Jon Zagrodzky
Redding	First Selectman Julia Pemberton
Ridgefield	First Selectman Rudy Marconi
Wilton	First Selectman Toni Boucher

**OTHERS ATTENDING:** WestCOG Staff: Executive Director Francis Pickering, Deputy Director Michael Towle, and Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstilianos.

**The meeting began at: 2:03**

### Executive Session

First Selectman Rudy Marconi made a motion to open an Executive Session for the purpose of discussing Legal Strategy at 2:06, First Selectman Steve Dunn seconded and the motion was unanimously approved. The Executive Session concluded at 2:21 and there were no votes taken.

### Transportation

**Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant** – USDOT awarded WestCOG’s Implementation Grant.

**RAISE Grant** – WestCOG is working on grant agreement requirements.

**Norwalk Route 1** – WestCOG is negotiating with consultants this month.

**Traffic Calming and Complete Streets Best Practices Toolbox** – WestCOG received approval from CTDOT to move forward with the study and are planning for the solicitation to be released in mid-January.

**Quiet Zone Study** – Consultant is meeting with municipalities and preparing for upcoming public engagement.

**ADA Transition Plans** – CTDOT is planning to provide resources and assistance to municipalities for the development of plans.

**Transportation Improvement Program FY25-28** – CTDOT is performing air quality modeling on projects, expect the results to be finalized in February at which time the Draft FY25-28 TIP will be released for public comment.

### Regional Planning/Services Project Updates

**Farm Viability Grant** – WestCOG expects to execute a contract with a consultant this month.

**SAID Project** – WestCOG is waiting on data available from the state’s flyover.

**Drone Program** – There was a discussion of WestCOG’s program and the different uses for the drone.

**Public Safety Training Facility** – There was a discussion on the public safety training facility and work to narrow down the proposed location of the facility.

**Affordable Housing Financing Study** – Consultants are preparing a draft of the report and tool.

**Climate Pollution Reduction Grant** – The Priority Climate Action Plan is under development with a consultant and is expected to be completed in March. WestCOG will work with municipalities on future grant opportunities.

### **Budget/Finance**

There was a brief discussion on Regional Services Grant funding.

### **Upcoming meetings**

**TAG** – Tuesday January 9<sup>th</sup>

**MPO/COG/Legislative Reception** - Thursday, January 18<sup>th</sup> 2024

The meeting concluded at: 3:35