

## Executive Committee Notes

Wednesday January 31st, 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, Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos, and Financial Director Victoria Ricks.

The meeting began at: 2:01

### Transportation

**Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant** – WestCOG is coordinating with FHWA on the grant administration process.

**RAISE Grant** – WestCOG is working on grant agreement requirements, has convened a working group and will host a kick-off meeting in February.

**Norwalk Route 1** – WestCOG completed negotiations with the consultant, received approval from CTDOT and are working on executing a contract.

**Traffic Calming and Complete Streets Best Practices Toolbox** – WestCOG posted the RFQ on January 12<sup>th</sup>, submissions are due on February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

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

**Transportation Improvement Program FY25-28** – WestCOG is coordinating the schedule for the public comment period, likely to begin in March and will have public information meetings.

### Regional Planning/Services Project Updates

**Regional Projects** – WestCOG provided an overview of the major regional projects in development.

**Farm Viability Grant** – WestCOG is finalizing the contract.

**Public Safety Training Facility** – WestCOG will be working with Newtown on a site location.

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

**Climate Pollution Reduction Grant** – WestCOG is preparing its “letter of intent to apply” for projects exploring zoning and permitting solutions to reduce GHG pollution. WestCOG will keep communities up to date on activities.

**EPA Procurement Policy Appendix** – Following a discussion on the draft appendix and on a motion made by Darien First Selectman Jon Zagrodzky and seconded by Bethel First Selectman Dan Carter, the EPA Procurement Policy Appendix was unanimously approved.

### **Upcoming meetings**

**TAG** – Wednesday February 7<sup>th</sup>

**MPO/COG Meeting** - Thursday, February 15<sup>th</sup> 2024

The meeting concluded at: 3:02