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INTERIM MINUTES

Council/Housatonic Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization/South Western Region Metropolitan Planning Organization

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for the 06/20/2024 Meeting

The Ridgefield Town Hall Annex 66 Prospect Street, Ridgefield, CT 06877

COG Chairman Rudolph Marconi / Vice Chair- Dan Carter

Treasurer - Jon Zagrodzky / Secretary Julia Pemberton

HVMPO Chairman Julia Pemberton / Vice Chairman Dan Carter

SWRMPO Chairman Toni Boucher/ Vice Chairman Jon Zagrodzky

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Bethel..... First Selectman Dan Carter COG/HVMPO
Bridgewater..... Absent
Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn COG/HVMPO
Danbury Absent-COG/HVMPO
Darien First Selectman Jon Zagrodzky COG/SWRMPO
Greenwich..... Selectwoman Lauren Rabin COG/SWRMPO
New Canaan..... First Selectman Dionna Carlson COG/SWRMPO
New Fairfield First Selectman Melissa Lindsey COG/HVMPO
New Milford..... Mayor Pete Bass COG/HVMPO
Newtown First Selectman Jeff Capeci COG/HVMPO
Norwalk..... Absent COG/SWRMPO
Redding..... First Selectwoman Julia Pemberton COG/HVMPO
Ridgefield..... First Selectman Rudy Marconi COG/HVMPO
Sherman..... absent
Stamford..... Chief of Staff Bridget Fox SWRMPO
Weston..... First Selectwoman Samantha Nestor COG/SWRMPO
Westport..... First Selectwoman Jen Tooker COG/SWRMPO
Wilton First Selectman Toni Boucher COG/SWRMPO
Transit Representative..... Absent-HVMPO
Transit Representative..... Absent-SWRMPO
CTDOT Transportation Planner Jane Dunbar (Non-voting MPO member)
MPO Staff..... Francis Pickering (Non-voting MPO member)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

WestCOG Staff: Mike Towle, Kristin Hadjstylianos, Charles Vidich, Todd Fontanella, Kristin Floberg, Nicole Sullivan, Vicky Ricks, Cricket Carpenter, Princeton Intern Adem Aricanli, Summer Fellows Dylan Steer and Ella Burns-DeMelo. Also in attendance were: Meg Haffner from the Kennedy Collective, and Rachel Gonzalez, Cyndi Tolosa, and Pamela Wright from America|250

The COG meeting was to order at 12:15 p.m. by Chairman Rudy Marconi.

The HVMPO meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m. by Chairwoman Julia Pemberton

The SWRMPO meeting was called to order at 12:15 p.m. by Chairman Toni Boucher

Public Participation: No member of the public spoke when asked to do so.

Featured Presentation

America 250 | CT- Cyndi Tolosa from Connecticut Humanities presented on the upcoming 2026 commemoration.

COG Action Items

Approval of 05/16/2024 COG Meeting Minutes: After review and on a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Dan Carter and seconded by Darien First Selectman Jon Zagrodzky the minutes of the May 16th 2024 meeting were unanimously approved.

State POCD Comments: WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Floberg provided the review. After review and on a motion made by Darien First Selectman Jon Zagrodzky and seconded by Bethel First Selectman Dan Carter the State POCD Comments were unanimously approved.

Transportation Alternatives Program East West Trail Project Application: Kristin Floberg provided the overview. After review and on a motion made by Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn and seconded by Bethel First Selectman Dan Carter the Transportation Alternatives Program East West Trail Project Application was unanimously approved.

Regional Waste Authority Study Resolution: WestCOG Principal Planner Todd Fontanella provided the overview. After review and on a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Dan Carter and seconded by Wilton First Selectman Toni Boucher the Regional Waste Authority Study Resolution was unanimously approved.

Resolution Authorizing the pass-through of funds for the Blickensderfer Brownfield Remediation: WestCOG Executive Director Francis Pickering provided the review. After review and on a motion made by Newtown First Selectman Jeff Capeci and seconded by Darien First Selectman Jon Zagrodzky the Resolution Authorizing the pass-through of funds for the Blickensderfer Brownfield Remediation was unanimously approved.

FY 2025 Regional Services Grant Spending Plan and Authorizing Resolution: Francis Pickering provided the overview. After review and on a motion made by Newtown First Selectman Jeff Capeci and seconded by

Darien First Selectman Jon Zagrodzky the FY 2025 Regional Services Grant Spending Plan and Authorizing Resolution was unanimously approved.

FY 2025 Agency Budget: Francis Pickering provided the overview. After review and on a motion made by Darien First Selectman Jon Zagrodzky and seconded by Wilton First Selectman Toni Boucher the FY 2025 Agency Budget was unanimously approved.

MPO Action Items

Approval of SWRMPO/HVMPO 05/16/2024 Meeting Minutes: After review and on a motion made by Toni Boucher and seconded by New Canaan First Selectman Dionna Carlson the minutes of the May 16th 2024 SWRMPO meeting was unanimously approved. After review and on a motion made by Bethel First Selectman Dan Carter and seconded by Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn the minutes of the May 16th 2024 HVMPO was unanimously approved.

Transportation Alternatives Program HV Priorities: WestCOG's Kristin Floberg provided the review. After review and on a motion made by Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn and seconded by Bethel First Selectman Dan Carter the Transportation Alternatives Program HV Priorities were unanimously approved.

2021-2024 SWR Transportation Improvement Program: WestCOG Planner Nicole Sullivan provided the overview. After review and on a motion made by Darien First Selectman Jon Zagrodzky and seconded by Greenwich Selectwoman Lauren Rabin the 2021-2024 SWR Transportation Improvement Program Amendments were unanimously approved.

COG Information Items

Flood Assistance Program: WestCOG Deputy Director Mike Towle provided the review.

PICS Intern: Mike Towle provided the review.

Sustainable CT Fellows: Mike Towle provided the review.

MPO Information Items

USDOT Charging and Fueling infrastructure (CFI): WestCOG's Todd Fontanella provided the overview.

Other Business: There was no other business discussed.

Next meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 18th, 2024.

Adjournment: On a motion duly made the meeting was adjourned at 1:37p.m.