Western Connecticut COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS



Executive Committee Notes

Wednesday September 3rd at 2:00 p.m. The Ridgefield Town Hall Annex 66 Prospect Street, Ridgefield, CT 06877

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn
Darien First Selectman Jon Zagrodzky
Newtown First Selectman Jeff Capeci
Redding First Selectman Julia Pemberton
Ridgefield First Selectman Rudy Marconi

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

The meeting began at: 2:05

COG Agenda Review

Review of existing draft agenda items and discussion of presentation.

Executive Updates

Housing Bill – Discussion on upcoming legislative session(s).

Recruitment - Update on staffing.

PURA - Discussion on Aquarion.

Transportation

RAISE (Western CT Trail Bicycle and Pedestrian Project) - In negotiations.

SS4A (Regional Safety Improvements) – Waiting for FHWA to execute contract.

Regional Transit Study - Met with CTDOT to discuss options.

LOTCIP – Discussion about upcoming solicitation.

Title VI and Language Assistance Documents - Discussion on updates to documents.

Regional Planning/Services Project Updates

ADA Transition Plans – Held ADA trainings for municipal staff in July. Draft report template is being edited and will be shared with municipalities.

Firearms Training Facility - Discussion of a COG Action Item to return funds. Additional discussion on next steps.

Regional Waste Authority - Update on progress.

Branchville/Georgetown Sewer Study - Discussion on municipal coordination.

Parcel CAMA – Discussed action item for Resolution to enter vendor contracts on behalf of communities for parcel CAMA updates.

Pending Grant Applications

HMGP Grant (for HMP) – Discussed grant funding available to update the HMP which will be an action item at this month's COG meeting.

Policy

2026 Meeting Schedules - Shared dates.

Upcoming meetings

TAG - Tuesday, September 9th 2025

MPO/COG- Thursday, September 24th 2025

1. State Comptroller to discuss property tax.

Executive Committee - Wednesday October 1, 2025

The meeting concluded at: 3:10