

## Executive Committee Notes

Wednesday October 1st at 2:00 p.m.

The Ridgefield Town Hall Annex

66 Prospect Street, Ridgefield, CT 06877

### MEMBERS ATTENDING

Bethel	First Selectman Dan Carter
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
Wilton	First Selectman Toni Boucher

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

The meeting began at: 2:01

### COG Agenda Review

Review of existing draft agenda items and discussion of upcoming presentations.

### Executive Updates

**Annual Dues** – Discussion on dues increases and the formula.

**Annual Report** – Review of Annual Report highlighting WestCOG’s activities and projects over the last year.

### 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.

**Traffic Calming Plan** – Project Advisory Committee meeting this week.

**Norwalk Route 1** – CTDOT is reviewing the draft concepts.

**Congestion Reduction Project Scopes** – Municipalities are reviewing the draft concepts.

**Quiet Zone** – Coordinating with CTDOT on scope review.

**Microgrants** – Submitted two grants to CTDOT this round.

**LOTCHIP** – Accepting proposals through November 14<sup>th</sup>.

## Regional Planning/Services Project Updates

**ADA Transition Plans** – Consultant is continuing municipal site visits and presenting draft report at municipal meetings.

**Firearms Training Facility** – Plan to reconvene with the CEOs and Police Chiefs to discuss path forward.

**Economic Development** – Debrief on the Economic Development Directors networking event hosted by WestCOG in Redding.

**Flood Assistance Program** – WestCOG is hosting a webinar this week on how to deal with municipal flooding through zoning and land use.

**Stormwater**– WestCOG is working with other COGs on how to coordinate and support work with municipalities.

## Pending Grant Applications

**CTDEEP Recreational Trails Grant Program** – WestCOG will be resubmitting last year's application for the East-West Trail Study.

**HMGP Grant (for HMP)** WestCOG is modifying contracts with Dewberry to initiate the HMP while WestCOG submits for FEMA funding.

## Upcoming meetings

**TAG** – Tuesday, October 7, 2025

**MPO/COG**– Thursday, October 16, 2025

**Executive Committee** – Wednesday November 5, 2025

The meeting concluded at: 2:41