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INTERIM MINUTES OF 10/07/2025

Technical Advisory Group Meeting (TAG)

1 Riverside Rd, Sandy Hook, CT 06482 475-323-2070 via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89531093509>

- Bethel Absent
- Bridgewater Absent
- Brookfield Community Development Specialist Greg Dembowski
- Danbury Traffic Engineer Veera Karukonda
- Darien Director of Planning and Zoning Jeremy Ginsberg
- Greenwich Civil Engineer Finton Sweeney
- New Canaan Director of Public works Tiger Mann
- New Fairfield Absent
- New Milford Director of Public Works Jack Healy
- Newtown Absent
- Norwalk Norwalk Dir. of Transportation, Mobility and Parking Jim Travers
- Redding Absent
- Ridgefield Absent
- Sherman Absent
- Stamford Traffic Engineer Jianhong Wang
- Weston Absent
- Westport Deputy Town Engineer Matt Niski
- Wilton Absent
- Transit Representative SWR NTD Director of Service Planning Richard Schreiner
- Transit Representative HV Acting HARTransit CEO Bob Yastremski

Others Attending: Danbury Project Engineer Tom Altermatt, Danbury Planning Director Waleed Albakry, FHWA Transportation Planner Jennifer Brady, CT DEMHS Regional Coordinator Chris Bernier, Meg Haffner and Mike D’Elia from the Kennedy Collective.

WestCOG Staff Members: Kristin Hadjstylianos, Kevin Mahoney, Kristin Floberg, Todd Fontanella, Mike Wilson, Amal Malik and Cricket Carpenter.

MEETING CALL TO ORDER: WestCOG Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.

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

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Update – ADA Transition Plan Assistance Project

WestCOG Senior Planner Mike Wilson provided an update.

2025 LOTCIP Project Solicitation

WestCOG Program Manager Kevin Mahoney provided an update.

Task-Based Transportation Engineering Consultants

WestCOG’s Kevin Mahoney provided an update.

CTDEEP Recreational Trails Grant Program

WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Floberg provided an update.

CTDOT Active Transportation Plan Open Houses

WestCOG’s Kristin Floberg provided an update.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of the September 2025 meeting minutes

After review and on a motion made by Danbury Traffic Engineer Veera Karukonda and seconded by New Canaan Director of Public works Tiger Mann the minutes of the September 2025 meeting were unanimously approved.

2026 Proposed Meeting dates

WestCOG’s Kristin Hadjstylianos provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Brookfield Community Development Specialist Greg Dembowski and seconded by New Milford Director of Public Works Jack Healy the Meeting dates for 2026 were unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS Jim Travers raised the issue of spalling concrete. We’ve recently installed sidewalks that are spalling after their first year. After speaking with contractors, Jim learned that this is a widespread issue. Stay tuned for a survey that will be sent out to TAG members to better understand the levity of his concern.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

MPO/COG Thursday, October 16th, 2025, 2025

TAG Meeting **Wednesday, November 12, 2025

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion duly made, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

INTERIM MINUTES SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL BY THE TAG MEMBERS