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INTERIM MINUTES OF 2/10/2026 Technical Advisory Group Meeting (TAG)

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

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| • Bethel | Absent |
| • Bridgewater | Absent |
| • Brookfield | Community Development Specialist Greg Dembowski |
| • Danbury | Traffic Engineer Veera Karukonda |
| • Darien | Director of Public Works Ed Gentile |
| • Greenwich | Commissioner of Public Works James Michel |
| • New Canaan | Director of Public Works Tiger Mann |
| • New Fairfield | Absent |
| • New Milford | Director of Public Works Jack Healy |
| • Newtown | Absent |
| • Norwalk | Absent |
| • Redding | Absent |
| • Ridgefield | Absent |
| • Sherman | Absent |
| • Stamford | Senior Transportation Planner Luke Bittenwieser |
| • Weston | Absent |
| • Westport | Town Engineer Keith Wilberg |
| • Wilton | Director of Public Works/Town Engineer Frank Smeriglio |
| • Transit Representative SWR | Absent |
| • Transit Representative HV | Absent |

Others Attending: Danbury Project Engineer Tom Altermatt, Stamford Traffic Engineer Jianhong Wang, New Canaan Town Engineer Maria Coplit, New Milford Engineer Chuck Ballard, CTDOT Transportation Planner II Matthew Abbott, and Meg Haffner from the Kennedy Collective.

WestCOG Staff Members: Kristin Hadjstylianos, Kevin Mahoney, Todd Fontanella, Kristin Floberg, 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

2026 Active Transportation Microgrants Program

WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Floberg provided an overview and reminded TAG members of the March 13th deadline.

2027-2055 Metropolitan Transportation Plan Project Solicitation

WestCOG Senior Planner Kristin Floberg provided an overview of the upcoming solicitation and will demo the submission form at the April meeting.

Transportation Funding Programs

WestCOG Transportation Director Kristin Hadjstylianos provided an overview of federal funding programs.

Transit Safety Performance Targets

WestCOG Principal Planner Todd Fontanella provided an overview of the new safety targets which will be presented for endorsement at next month's meeting.

ADA Transition Plan Assistance Project

WestCOG Senior Planner Mike Wilson provided an update on the project tasks and upcoming municipal trainings.

Traffic Calming and Complete Streets Best Practices Toolbox

WestCOG Senior Planner Mike Wilson provided an update on the project tasks and the consultant will be presenting the final recommendations at the February COG meeting.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of the January 2026 meeting minutes

After review and on a motion made by New Milford Director of Public Works Jack Healy and seconded by Westport Town Engineer Keith Wilberg the minutes of the January 2026 meeting were unanimously approved.

FY25-FY28 Transportation Improvement Program

SWRMPO - #0173-0560, Various; #0499-2024BS, Various. HVMPO - #0096-0212, Newtown; #0499-2024UR, Various.

WestCOG Associate Planner Amal Malik provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Danbury Traffic Engineer Veera Karukonda and seconded by New Milford Director of Public Works Jack Healy the FY25-FY28 Transportation Improvement Program Amendments were unanimously approved.

New LOTCIP Projects

WestCOG Program Director Kevin Mahoney provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Brookfield Community Development Specialist Greg Dembowski and seconded by Danbury Traffic Engineer Veera Karukonda the New LOTCIP Projects were unanimously approved.

LOTICIP Adjustments

WestCOG Program Director Kevin Mahoney provided an overview. After review and on a motion made by Westport Town Engineer Keith Wilberg and seconded by Greenwich Commissioner of Public Works James Michel the LOTICIP Adjustments were unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

UPCOMING MEETINGS

MPO/COG - Thursday, February 19th 2026 @ 12:00, Lunch @ 11:30

TAG Meeting Tuesday, March 10th, 2026

ADJOURNMENT: On a motion duly made, the meeting was unanimously adjourned at 11:32 a.m.