

**Cost Review Sub-Committee Meeting
MIRA Trash Museum, 211 Murphy Road
Monday November 14th, 2106**

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Endorsed by
the
Committee

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization</u>
Larry Baril	Avon
Jon Colman	Bloomfield
Patrice Carson	Bolton
Denise Horan	East Hartford
Timothy Webb	Ellington
John Cabibbo	Enfield
Russ Arnold	Farmington
Kirk Severance	Granby
Jim Ford	Hartford
Kevin Kelly	Hebron
Jeff LaMalva	Manchester
Peter Hughes	Marlborough
Rob Trottier	New Britain
John Bossi	Plainville
Stephen Sopelak	Rocky Hill
Jeff Shea	Simsbury
Jeffrey Doolittle	South Windsor
Rick Zulick	Stafford
David Smith	Vernon
Duane Martin	West Hartford
Derrick Gregor	Wethersfield
Bob Jarvis	Windsor

<u>Guests</u>	
Member of the Public	Windsor

<u>Staff</u>	
Jennifer Carrier	CRCOG
Rob Aloise	CRCOG
Mike Cipriano	CRCOG
Sotora Montanari	CRCOG
Karen Stewartson	CRCOG

1. **Roll Call** – Mr. Jon Colman called the meeting to order at 11:30 AM
2. **Public Forum**- No one chose to speak

3. **Adoption of October 17th, 2016 Subcommittee Meeting Minutes** - A motion was made by Russ Arnold of Farmington, seconded by Rob Trottier of New Britain, to accept the minutes from the October 17th, 2016 subcommittee meeting. This motion was passed unanimously.

4. **LOTICIP Funding Increase Request Memo**

Ms. Sotoria Montanari introduced a LOTICIP Funding Increase Request for South Main Street, Marlborough Project. Ms. Montanari indicated that the Town of Marlborough requested a LOTICIP funding increase of \$174,000, from \$916,800 to \$1,090,800 (19% increase). After the project progressed through the preliminary design review, the need for the cost increase was reported as three-fold, addressing additional needs that were identified regarding the pavement design, drainage, and maintenance and protection of traffic.

Ms. Montanari reported that based on CTDOT's recommendation, the Town provided an updated pavement investigation that was reviewed with the preliminary design plans. As a result an additional (1") of HMA was proposed, increasing the cost of the pavement by approximately \$40,000. Secondly, the updated pavement investigation indicated high ground water and severe alligator cracking, necessitating the installation of underdrains at an additional expense of \$60,000.

Thirdly, a review of the preliminary design revealed the need for additional maintenance and protection of traffic measures during construction. Most notable was the identification of the need for temporary signalization to maintain and protect traffic during repair work on a bridge, amounting to an additional cost of \$51,000.

A motion was made by Patrice Carson of Bolton, seconded by Rob Trottier of New Britain to approve the funding increase from \$916,800 to \$1,090,800 for LOTICIP Project L078-0001, South Main Street Pavement Rehabilitation in Marlborough. This motion was passed unanimously.

5. **Request to Allocate Funding**

Mr. Rob Aloise introduced the requests to utilize up to \$3,132,250 of LOTICIP funding for the Furnace Avenue Reconstruction Project in Stafford. Mr. Aloise reported the recommendation of the funding allocation from the following funds that CRCOG has approved for the town:

- \$250,000 from funding set-aside for a project to be determined. This set-aside was reserved for the town in exchange for CRCOG's use of its AARA funding (prior to Stafford joining CRCOG)
- \$2,882,250 from the Reconstruction of Gulf Road/Burbank Road project which was approved as part of the 2015 LOTICIP Solicitation. CTDOT has ruled that the project is ineligible due to its inconsistency with recent federal STP-Urban eligibility guidelines (which LOTICIP eligibility mirrors)

Mr. Aloise reported that the Furnace Avenue Reconstruction Project was proposed to address safety (horizontal/vertical curvature), access, pavement, drainage, bike, and pedestrian deficiencies along the length of Furnace Avenue from its intersection with State Route 190 in Stafford Springs Center north to Route 319 (approx. 2 miles). Reconstruction of this route has long been identified as priority for the Town, and the October 6th, 2016 FHWA approval of its reclassification to an Urban Collector recently qualified it for LOTCIP funding. Additionally, the roadway's regional significance, evident by the connectivity it provides between major roadways (Route 190 is a Minor Arterial and Route 319 is a Major Collector), downtown Stafford Spring, and various public institutions including the municipal complex on Levinthal Run making it an ideal candidate for CRCOG support.

A motion was made by Peter Hughes of Marlborough, seconded by Timothy Webb of Ellington to approve the re-allocation of \$3,132,250 of LOTCIP funding to the Furnace Avenue Reconstruction Project from Stafford's LOTCIP approved \$250,000 set-aside and LOTCIP approved \$2,882,250 Reconstruction of Gulf Road/Burbank Road Project. This motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Jon Colman recommended that staff further confer with CTDOT towards a goal of making LOTCIP funding eligibility more flexible, including potentially expanding eligibility beyond the current STP-Urban criteria to also allow projects that are STP-Rural eligible.

6. **Other Business-** There was no other business discussed.

The next Cost Review Subcommittee is tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 5, 2016 at 11:30 am.

7. **Adjourn-** The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 AM