

To: Transportation Committee
From: Robert Aloise, Principal Transportation Engineer
Date: April 13, 2018
c: Policy Board
Jennifer Carrier, Director of Transportation Planning
Subject: Update to CRCOG's Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP)

In April, staff will be seeking the Policy Board's approval of a resolution enabling CRCOG to contract with a consultant to assist in the preparation of the region's Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). Federal Code requires Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) such as CRCOG prepare and maintain an LRTP to accomplish the objectives outlined by the MPO, the state, and the public transportation providers with respect to the development of the metropolitan area's transportation network. This plan must identify how the metropolitan area will manage and operate a multi-modal transportation system (including transit, highway, bicycle, pedestrian, and accessible transportation) to meet the region's economic, transportation, development and sustainability goals for at least a 20-year planning horizon. The plan must be updated at least every 4 years and remain fiscally constrained.

CRCOG and Central Connecticut Regional Planning Agency (CCRPA) prepared minor LRTP updates in 2015, and another update is required on or before May 2019. Some of the major initiatives for this LRTP update include:

- Conforming with federal regulations including:
 - Performance Measures
 - Performance Based Planning and Programming
- Amending the planning horizon year (to 2045)
- Updating financial projections and fiscal constraint
- Updating communications, public outreach, and branding efforts
- Incorporation of the larger CRCOG boundary (38 municipalities)

Tasks scoped for the consulting team mainly involve assistance with public involvement and communication (including focus groups meetings, website assistance), LRTP branding, assessing baseline transportation conditions, and facilitating the identification of goals and objectives. Additional tasks relating to performance measures and final report production may also be assigned. We will be looking for your consideration of the attached resolution this month.

**Resolution Authorizing Execution of an Agreement with
AECOM, Inc. for Long Range Transportation Plan Update Assistance**

WHEREAS, the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG) is required to maintain a Long Range Transportation Plan for the Capitol Region; and

WHEREAS, federal requirements mandate that an updated version of the Capitol Region's Long Range Transportation Plan be completed on or before May of 2019; and

WHEREAS, CRCOG has conducted a quality based selection process and found the consulting firm AECOM, Inc. to be the most qualified firm for providing CRCOG with Long Range Transportation Plan Update Assistance; and

WHEREAS, CRCOG has negotiated a scope and completed fee negotiations with AECOM, Inc., which has been approved by CTDOT;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Agency's Executive Director Lyle D. Wray, is authorized to act on behalf of the Capitol Region Council of Governments in negotiating, executing, and amending all appropriate and necessary contractual instruments with the selected firm for the purposes of providing Long Range Transportation Plan Update Assistance to CRCOG.

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Capitol Region Council of Governments certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Capitol Region Council of Governments Policy Board on April 25, 2018.

By: 
Lori Spielman, Secretary

Date: 4-25-18