

To: CRCOG Transportation Committee
CRCOG Policy Board

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cc: Rob Aloise, Director of Planning
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Date: October 19, 2020

Subject: Route 4 Transportation Safety & Improvements Study – Farmington, CT
Endorsement

The Final Report for CRCOG’s Route 4 Transportation Safety & Improvements Study – Farmington, CT was distributed to the Study Advisory Committee for review and approval on May 18, 2020. The Advisory Committee includes representation from Town of Farmington, Connecticut Department of Transportation, UConn Health Campus, UConn Storrs Campus Transportation Planning Department, local business owners, and CRCOG staff. In addition to meetings and review by the Study Advisory Committee, outreach initiatives for this study included Public Information Meetings conducted on December 14, 2016 and September 26, 2018.

The Town of Farmington Town Council approved the Route 4 Transportation Safety and Improvement Study, May 2020 Final Report unanimously at their September 8, 2020 Regular Town Council Meeting.

The Final Study Report is posted on the CRCOG website at:

<https://crcog.org/2016/10/farmington-and-hartford-transportation-safety-and-improvement-study/>

CRCOG staff is seeking endorsement of the Final Report of the Route 4 Transportation Safety & Improvements Study – Farmington, CT, dated May 2020 by the Transportation Committee at its October 26th meeting; and endorsement by the Policy Board at its October 28th meeting. Once endorsed, the report documents will be considered final, and the recommendations therein can be incorporated into future updates of CRCOG’s Metropolitan Transportation Plan and other planning documents.

**RESOLUTION
FOR ENDORSEMENT OF THE
Route 4 Transportation Safety & Improvements Study
Farmington, CT**

WHEREAS, the Capitol Region Council of Governments worked with an Advisory Committee, consisting of the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT), Town of Farmington, UConn Health Campus Farmington, UConn Storrs Campus Transportation Planning Department, and other local businesses to conduct a comprehensive transportation and transit planning assessment of the Route 4 corridor and other roadways surrounding the UConn Health campus in Farmington; and

WHEREAS, investments by the State of Connecticut, private sector, and UConn in the areas surrounding the UConn Health Center in Farmington created the need to study the surrounding transportation networks to support this growth in a sustainable manner; and

WHEREAS, the study area surrounding the UConn Health Campus included a land area of approximately 990 acres; and roadway segments of Route 4 (Farmington Avenue), Colt Highway, South Road, State Route 549 (Birdseye Road), Middle Road, Munson Road, and other local roads at intersections within the study area; and

WHEREAS, the study objectives included assessing existing and future traffic and safety operations, improving travel safety and mitigating traffic congestion with multi-modal transportation options, reviewing existing and future land uses and transportation projects, and developing implementable planning-level projects; and

WHEREAS, the public had numerous opportunities to offer input via the CRCOG website, two public information meetings, public feedback survey, and newsletters; and

WHEREAS, the CRCOG Transportation Committee has reviewed the study, has found its recommendations to be reasonable, and has endorsed the effort;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Capitol Region Council of Governments does hereby endorse the recommendations of the Route 4 Final Report dated May 2020, and study recommendations may henceforth be marked as final and incorporated into agency planning documents.

CERTIFICATE

I certify the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Policy Board at its meeting held on October 28, 2020.

BY: _____ DATE: _____
Lori L. Spielman, Secretary