

**Cost Review Sub-Committee Meeting**  
**CRCOG, 241 Main Street, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Hartford, CT 06106**  
**Monday February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020**  
**11:30 AM**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization</u>
Larry Baril	Avon
Chris Edge	Berlin
Jon Colman	Bloomfield
Patrice Carson	Bolton
Todd Penney	Coventry
Doug Wilson	East Hartford
Tim Webb	Ellington
Donald Nunes	Enfield
Russ Arnold	Farmington
Kirk Severance	Granby
Frank Dellaripa	Hartford
Sandy Fry	Hartford
Kevin Kelly	Hebron
Jeff LaMalva	Manchester
Peter Hughes	Marlborough
Rob Trottier	New Britain
John Bossi	Plainville
Jim Sollmi	Rocky Hill
Tom Roy	Simsbury
Jeff Bord	Somers
Keith Hayden	Southington
Jeffrey Doolittle	South Windsor
Devin Cowperthwaite	Stafford
Greg Sommer	West Hartford
Derrick Gregor	Wethersfield
Rick Baldwin	CCEJ

<u>Guests</u>	
Jennifer Carrier	FHWA
Kurt Salmoiragi	FHWA
Carl Sferrazza	Enfield

<u>Staff</u>	
Roger Krahn	CRCOG
Sotoria Montanari	CRCOG
Karen Stewartson	CRCOG

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 Endorsed by  
 the  
 Committee**

1. **Roll Call** – Mr. Jon Colman called the meeting to order at 11:30 am
2. **Public Forum** – There was no public comment.

**3. Adoption of January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Subcommittee Meeting Minutes** – A motion was made by Patrice Carson from the Town of Bolton, seconded by Jeffrey Doolittle from the Town of South Windsor to accept the January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020 Subcommittee Meeting Minutes. This motion was passed unanimously with one (1) abstention made by Keith Hayden from the Town of Southington.

**4. LOTCIP Project Funding Increase Requests**

- Stafford Leonard Road Bridge Replacement- Ms. Sotoria Montanari reviewed the LOTCIP funding increase request for the Town of Stafford-Leonard Road Bridge Replacement Project. Ms. Montanari mentioned that based on the most recent engineering estimate, the Town of Stafford is requesting a LOTCIP funding increase of \$1,217,000 from \$1,200,000 to \$2,417,000 (101% increase). The bridge has been closed to vehicular due to its poor load rating and sufficiency rating of 32.8%. To re-open the bridge, this project was initially approved in September 2018 by the Transportation Committee as an emergency rehabilitation project for \$1,200,000. At that time, funding was made up of the following transfers and approvals:
  - The transfer of \$570,000 of LOTCIP funding previously awarded for South Road Bridge improvements under CRCOG's 2017 Bridge Solicitation
  - Reimbursement of \$200,000 of AARA funding of that Stafford provided to CRCOG (prior to Stafford joining CRCOG)
  - An additional \$430,000 in supplemental LOTCIP funding to allow for completion of the necessary emergency bridge repairs to re-open the bridge.

Ms. Montanari reported that the Town completed a Structure Type Study identifying three structure types, which also incorporated a Geotechnical Study with extensive efforts to investigate subsurface conditions. Ms. Montanari reported that the Structure Type Study determined it was necessary to replace existing superstructure and abutments because the abutments cannot adequately support a new superstructure. One of CRCOG's on-call consultants reviewed the information and substantiated the results.

There were discussions and several comments from the Committee, specifically the Committee questioned why the Town didn't realize abutments were sub-standard when the application was submitted. The Town assumed the existing abutments were adequate at the time of the application submittal. After the completion of the investigative studies, it was determined that they were not adequate. Mr. Jon Colman said he appreciated the Town making concessions. Mr. Peter Hughes from the Town of Marlborough, seconded by Tim Webb from the Town of Ellington made a motion to consider an additional \$1,217,000 of LOTCIP funding for the Stafford (L134-0002) project, increasing the funding approval from \$1,200,000 to \$2,417,000. This motion was passed unanimously. Due to the project's history and cost increases, as a condition of an approval CRCOG staff suggested that the Town consider the offering concessions in the upcoming LOTCIP solicitation. The Town agreed to reducing the maximum amount of potential LOTCIP funding in the January 2020 Solicitation (\$3,000,000) by an amount equal to this increase (\$1,217,000).

- Farmington Colt Highway South Road Roundabout- Ms. Sotoria Montanari reviewed the Roundabout at Colt Highway and South Road Project in Farmington (L051-0003). Ms. Montanari mentioned that this project, currently in the application phase, was approved by the Transportation Committee in July of 2019 as a LOTCIP project funding transfer of \$955,200 from a previously awarded 2015 LOTCIP Solicitation project (Colt Highway Improvements). Based on the most recent engineering estimate, the Town of Farmington is requesting a LOTCIP funding increase of \$565,200 from \$955,200 to \$1,520,400 (59% increase). The increase to the overall project cost incorporates Complete Streets components, granite curbing and channelization as a result of an application review process by the Town's consultant and affirmed by CRCOG's on-board consultant. Mr. Rick Baldwin of CCEJ , stated his concern that roundabouts do not provide good accommodation for bikes and pedestrians, and he preferred signalization. A motion was made by Peter Hughes from the Town of Marlborough, seconded by Jim Sollmi form the Town of Rocky Hill to approve an additional \$565, 200 of LOTCIP funding for the Farmington (L051-0003) project, increasing the funding approval from \$995,200 to \$1,520,400. This motion was passed unanimously.

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

**6. Adjourn –** The meeting was adjourned at 11:57 am