

**Capitol Region Council of Governments**  
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**CRCOG Executive Committee Minutes**  
**Wednesday, May 12, 2021**  
**12:00 pm**  
**DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED**

**Meeting access was remote only, consistent with provisions specified in CT Governor Executive Order No. 7B. This meeting was recorded.**

**Audio may be found here: <https://crcog.org/event/finance-and-personnel-sub-committee-4>**

**Attendance**

Jon Colman  
Jim Hayden  
Marcia Leclerc  
Lori Spielman  
Chip Beckett  
Randal Davis  
Scott Shanley  
Ed Ford  
Bob Lee  
Michael Rosen  
Mark Sciota  
Chris Kervick

**Town/Organization**

Bloomfield  
East Granby  
East Hartford  
Ellington  
Glastonbury  
Hartford  
Manchester  
New Britain  
Plainville  
Tolland  
Southington  
Windsor Locks

**Staff**

Rob Aloise  
Cheryl Assis  
Laura Quintiliani  
Pauline Yoder  
Lyle Wray

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**Guests:**

Kathie Lutz

Rome Smith Lutz

**1. Call to Order**

Chairperson Mayor Marcia Leclerc called the meeting to order at 12:05 pm.

**2. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

### **3. Approval of August 12, 2020 Minutes**

**Dr. Chip Beckett moved to approve August 12, 2020 Minutes. Lori Spielman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

### **4. Correspondence/Handouts**

There were none.

### **5. Chair and Executive Director Remarks and Report**

Dr. Wray reported that a letter was drafted and sent to Congressman Larson regarding the Hartford 400 infrastructure projects.

The Boston Rail Economic Impact Study was launched in conjunction with Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC). There is an almost ten to one payback for investing in a Hartford-Boston-Springfield rail line. A briefing will be held shortly with Congressman Markey from Western Massachusetts. Various media outlets have been reporting on the rail line progress and all coverage has been positive.

### **6. Presentation of Budget Highlights**

Pauline Yoder presented the highlights of the budget to the Executive Committee. She noted that due to the COVID-19 pandemic, there will be no increase in local dues.

Revenue assigned to several projects were previously deferred, and those sums will be recognized this fiscal year. The Finance and Personnel Sub-Committee met in April and recommended setting the Municipal Services fund to \$100,000 and moving the remainder of that funding to the Regional Program Fund. The Sub-Committee also recommended moving the money in the E-Government Fund to the Regional Program Fund. This is reflected in the current budget.

Regional Service Grant funding has been stable for the last five years and, depending on legislative action, staff anticipates continual stability for the next five years.

Discussion followed.

### **7. Action: Approval of 2021-2022 Annual Budget**

**Jon Colman moved to approve the CRCOG 2021-2022 Annual Budget. Lori Spielman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

### **8. Executive Session Personnel Meeting**

**The Executive Committee entered a Breakout Room for an Executive Session. CRCOG staff members and Ed Ford, representative from New Britain, remained in the main room.**

### **5. Other Business**

Kathie Lutz provided a brief legislative update to the Executive Committee.

## **6. Adjournment**

With no further business, Chairperson Mayor Marcia Leclerc requested a motion to adjourn.

**Jon Colman made a motion to adjourn at 12:31 pm. Dr. Chip Beckett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**