

**Capitol Region Council of Governments**  
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**Policy Board Meeting**  
**Wednesday, March 24, 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/policy-board-28/>**

**Members and Alternates**

Eric Anderson  
Chris Edge  
Jon Colman  
Sandra Pierog  
Mark Walter  
John Elsesser  
James M. Hayden  
Marcia Leclerc  
Lori L. Spielman  
Chip Beckett  
Scott Shanley  
Antonia Moran  
Brock Weber  
David Nagel  
Robert E. Lee  
John Mehr  
Maria Capriola  
Mark Sciota  
Melissa Mack  
Michael Rosen  
Shari Cantor  
Matt Hart  
Peter Souza  
Chris Kervick

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Windsor  
Windsor Locks

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**Guests**

Courtney Hendricson

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Grayson Wright  
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Matt Pafford  
Kathie Lutz  
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### **1. Call to Order and Roll Call:**

Chairperson Mayor Marcia Leclerc called the meeting to order at 12:01 pm.

### **2. Public Comment:**

On March 17, 2021, John Ward, Town Manager and Alternate for Granby, passed away. Chairperson Leclerc thanked John for the character and the resilience that he brought to his profession and position on the Policy Board and his many years of service. A moment of silence was held in his honor.

### **3. Approval of Minutes from February 24, 2021:**

Chairperson Mayor Marcia Leclerc requested a motion to adopt the minutes.

**Jon Colman made a motion to approve the Policy Board Meeting minutes from February 24, 2021. Lori Spielman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

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

#### **a. ACIR Testimony in Support of H.B. 6448**

H.B. 6448 is a Governor's Bill that will reshape the Regional Incentive Performance Program. The Bill aims to place money from the Regional Incentive Performance Program into a larger scale regional service sharing effort. It received a favorable response from the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations that provided testimony in support of the Bill.

#### **b. "Realigning Hartford's Highways", Article by Tom Condon and "Countdown to Hartford 400" Video**

On November 18, 2020 the Policy Board received a briefing on the Hartford 400 infrastructure. An article by Tom Condon has been published in the CT Mirror and will be republished in the Hartford Courant. The article as it appears in the CT Mirror can be [found by clicking here](#).

There is also a video entitled "Countdown to Hartford 400" displaying the visualization and explaining the process [which can be found here](#). The video is a 12-minute overview of The Hartford 400 vision for a river-centered Connecticut Valley and Capital City. This includes Hartford's history, investments in infrastructure, and three transformative projects: River Road, Midtown, and the Hartline.

### **5. MONTHLY REPORTS: - LINKS**

#### **a. Chair and [Executive Director](#)**

Dr. Wray reported that a US Department of Treasury Guidance Memo will be released within 60 days of the federal \$1.9 trillion federal relief program. The memo should answer questions about

and elaborate on eligibility of funding. When the memorandum becomes available, CRCOG, CCM, COST, and others will determine the implications and what that means for our organization(s).

CRCOG is currently planning the annual meeting to be held on June 2, 2021 virtually. Suggestions for a keynote speaker are welcome. The meeting will highlight how our region has stepped up, responded to, and moved beyond the challenges of the past year. If you have suggestions for presenters, please let CRCOG know.

## **b. Opportunities and Resources**

### **c. Municipal Services and Purchasing Council**

### **d. Policy and Planning**

### **e. Public Safety and Homeland Security**

### **f. Transportation Committee**

### **g. MetroHartford Alliance (Tentative)**

No report was offered.

### **h. Capital Workforce Partners (Tentative)**

No report was offered.

## **6. PRESENTATION/UPDATES**

The scheduled presenter was unable to join the meeting, so Chairperson Leclerc moved to the Action Items.

### **ACTION ITEMS:**

#### **7. Action: Resolution Authorizing CRCOG to Commission a Bike Share Feasibility Study Update**

**Jon Colman made a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing CRCOG to Commission a Bike Share Feasibility Study Update. Dr. Chip Beckett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

During the discussion, it was proposed to amend the language from “Agency Funds” to say “Regional Services Grant” or “Agency Regional Program Fund” so it’s more specific.

**Jon Colman made a motion amend the language in the clause beginning with “Now Therefore it is Resolved...” from “Agency Funds” to “Regional Services Grant” or “Agency Regional Program Fund”. Dr. Chip Beckett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

Chairperson Mayor Marcia Leclerc requested a motion to approve the original motion as amended.

**Dr. Chip Beckett made a motion to approve the original motion as amended. Jon Colman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

**8. Action: Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Subcontractor Agreement Between CRCOG and the CT Department of Public Health**

**Jon Colman made a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Subcontractor Agreement Between CRCOG and the CT Department of Public Health. Dr. Chip Beckett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

**9. Action: Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Master Software Services Agreement with Urban Footprint**

**Jon Colman made a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Master Software Services Agreement with Urban Footprint. Dr. Chip Beckett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

**10. Action: Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with Sustainable CT**

**Dr. Chip Beckett made a motion to approve the Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with Sustainable CT. Jon Colman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

**11. Action/Discussion: CRCOG Role in the Future of Solid Waste**

**The Policy Board discussed what CRCOG can do regarding solid waste.**

**12. Action: Capitol Partnership Dissolution**

The Policy Board discussed the dissolution of a bank account established ca. 2003. This was an informal partnership born of the 1999/2000 Millennium Project. The bank account has been dormant for more than ten years and CRCOG seeks to dissolve the partnership and return the remaining funds in equal amounts to invoice paying members or offer the option of a donation of said funds to the update of the Regional Economic Development Strategy.

Chairperson Mayor Leclerc entertained a motion directing CRCOG staff to communicate with the participants in the Capitol Partnership and offer them the option of either returning their share of the balance or donating their share to the update of the Regional Economic Development Strategy and officially recognizing the participant as a contributor.

**Dr. Chip Beckett made a motion to approve CRCOG staff communicating with Capitol Partnership participants regarding the dissolution. Jon Colman seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

## **METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

### **13. Action: TIP Amendments (tentative)**

It was recommended that the Policy Board defer action on TIP Amendment 10C.

**Jon Colman made a motion to approve the TIP Amendments with the exception of item 10C. Dr. Chip Beckett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

### **14. Memo: Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Program – Project Rankings**

**Jon Colman made a motion to authorize sending project rankings to the Department of Transportation. Dr. Chip Beckett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**

## **INFORMATION/OPPORTUNITY/RESOURCES**

### **15. Legislative Update**

Kathie Lutz provided a brief Legislative Update.

### **16. Other Business**

No other business.

### **17. Adjournment**

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

**Jon Colman moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:56. Dr. Chip Beckett seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.**