

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

FOR EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH FHI STUDIO FOR THE EAST COAST GREENWAY GAP CLOSURE STUDY

WHEREAS, the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG), as the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Hartford metropolitan area, is required by federal regulations to conduct a continuing and comprehensive transportation planning program, and

WHEREAS, the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration provide funds for CRCOG to conduct such a program, and

WHEREAS, the Federal funds are made available through the Connecticut Department of Transportation, and

WHEREAS, CRCOG identified the East Coast Greenway (ECG) Gap Closure Study within its Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for FY2022-2023, and

WHEREAS, CRCOG will provide the additional funds for the necessary 20 percent local match to conduct the Study, and

WHEREAS, CRCOG has conducted a qualifications-based selection process and found the consulting firm FHI Studio to be the most qualified firm to assist CRCOG in the development of the ECG Gap Closure Study;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, that CRCOG's Executive Director, or the individual authorized to act in that capacity, 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 consulting firm FHI Studio for the purpose of completing the ECG Gap Closure Study.

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I certify the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Policy Board at its meeting held on February 23, 2022.

Jason E. Bowsza, Secretary

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING NEWLY APPOINTED EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, MATTHEW HART, WITH THE SAME AUTHORITY PREVIOUSLY GIVEN TO LYLE WRAY AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

WHEREAS CRCOG's most recent Executive Director, Lyle Wray, retired on August 31, 2021;

WHEREAS the Policy Board appointed Matthew Hart as its Executive Director at a special meeting on December 21, 2021;

WHEREAS Matthew Hart begins his term as Executive Director on February 28th, 2022;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, effective February 28th, 2022, Matthew Hart, as Executive Director is authorized with the same authority previously given to Lyle Wray as Executive Director.

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RESOLUTION FOR SUPPORT OF CTDOT 2022 HIGHWAY SAFETY LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL TO ALLOW VARIABLE SPEED LIMITS ON LIMITED ACCESS HIGHWAYS

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) has prepared legislative proposals for highway safety to be considered by the Connecticut General Assembly in 2022, that include allowing CTDOT authority to change speed limits on limited access highways during weather events and emergencies, and

WHEREAS, the CRCOG Policy Board has previously adopted resolutions supporting the CTDOT targets for five safety performance measures, with the goal of reducing highway fatalities and serious injuries, and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Transportation National Roadway Safety Strategy, January 2022, includes "safer speeds" as one of five objectives to the Safe System Approach to roadway safety, and

WHERAS, CTDOT reports that Variable Speed Limit Systems (VSL) utilize information on traffic speed, weather, and road surface conditions to determine the appropriate speeds at which drivers should be traveling, and

WHERAS, CRCOG's Transportation Committee recommends that the Policy Board's support is contingent upon clear communication of the revised speed limit to the traveling public (e.g., using variable message signs).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, provided the VSL clearly informs the traveling public, the CRCOG Policy Board supports CTDOT's proposal to the Connecticut General Assembly to allow CTDOT the authority to change the speed limits on limited access highways during a weather-related event or emergency incident.

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF CONTRACT FOR DIVERSITY, EQUITY, AND INCLUSION (DEI) TRAINING SERVICES

WHEREAS, CRCOG and some of its member towns are in need of DEI Training Services; and

WHEREAS, CRCOG conducted a competitive Request for Proposals for DEI Training Services; and

WHEREAS, an evaluation committee unanimously selected Daniel Penn and Associates as a firm with excellent qualifications for DEI Training Services; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that CRCOG's Executive Director, or the individual authorized to act in that capacity, 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 Daniel Penn and Associates for the purposes of offering DEI Training Services.

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The undersigned duly qualified CRCOG Board Member certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by the voting members of the CRCOG Policy Board on February 23, 2022.

Jason E. Bowsza, Secretary

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RESOLUTION FOR SUPPORT OF CTDOT 2022 HIGHWAY SAFETY LEGISLATIVE PROPOSAL TO PROHIBIT OPEN ALCOHOL BEVERAGE CONTAINERS IN VEHICLE PASSENGER COMPARTMENTS

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) has prepared legislative proposals for highway safety to be considered by the Connecticut General Assembly in 2022, that include prohibiting open alcohol beverage containers in the passenger compartment of motor vehicles, and

WHEREAS, the CRCOG Policy Board has previously adopted resolutions supporting the CTDOT targets for five safety performance measures, with the goal of reducing highway fatalities and serious injuries, and

WHEREAS, federal regulations require that states that have not enacted a law by October 1, 2020, making it illegal for the driver or passengers to possess or consume from any open alcoholic beverage container in the passenger area of a motor vehicle, face a penalty of transferring funds from the National Highway Performance Program (NHPP) and Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP), into the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP), and

WHERAS, the CTDOT reports that, to date, Connecticut's penalty amount for noncompliance exceeds \$163,000,000 and enacting open container legislation would allow CTDOT to use these transferred funds for their intended purpose of infrastructure improvements, and

WHEREAS, Connecticut is one of only 12 states that have yet to enact an open container law,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the CRCOG Policy Board supports CTDOT's proposal to the Connecticut General Assembly to prohibit open alcohol beverage containers in the passenger compartment of motor vehicles.

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF INTERGOVERNMENTAL SUPPORT AGREEMENT (IGSA) BETWEEN CRCOG AND THE NAVAL SUBMARINE BASE NEW LONDON (NSBNL) FOR ACCESS TO STATE CONTRACTS FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF SERVICES AND PRODUCTS

WHEREAS, the NSBNL is requesting access and use of state contracts for procurement services and products via execution of an IGSA with CRCOG;

WHEREAS, the NSBNL will utilize certain pre-bid contracts from the State of Connecticut and other CRCOG contracts and bids to meet the needs and requirements for goods and services; and

WHEREAS, NSBNL will provide CRCOG with purchase orders that will include definitive descriptions of the various goods and services to NSBNL, quantities, and other pertinent information that fulfills CRCOG purchasing requirements; and

WHEREAS, CRCOG will function as both a supplemental procurement office for NSBNL and as a central clearinghouse for the collection and distribution of purchasing-related information and expertise; and

WHEREAS, CRCOG Apply an 8% Administrative Fee from NSBNL to administratively manage this partnership contract; and

WHEREAS, NSBNL will pay CRCOG promptly upon receipt of monthly invoices for services rendered and accepted by the NSBNL and in accordance with any specific or supplemental procedures described in the Order; and

WHEREAS, both parties will act in an independent capacity, and neither is to be considered the officer, agent, or employee of the other. Each Party is responsible for all costs of its personnel and contractors, including pay and benefits, support, and travel. Neither Party shall provide, without the prior written consent of the other Party, any contractor or employee with a release that waives or purports to waive any right a Party may have to seek relief or redress against that contractor or employee.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that CRCOG's Executive Director, 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 NSBNL.

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