

## Transportation Committee Meeting

**Committee Members are requested to join remotely:**  
**Via Web:**<https://zoom.us/j/860522217>  
**Or by phone:1-646-876-9923; Meeting ID: 860-522-2217**

**Monday July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021**  
**12 Noon**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization</u>
Larry Baril	Avon
Jonathan Thiesse	Bloomfield
Patrice Carson	Bolton
Len Norton	East Windsor
Lori Spielman	Ellington
Daniel Pennington	Glastonbury
Kirk Severance	Granby
Frank Dellaripa	Hartford
Randall Davis	Hartford
Nat Gale	Hartford
Jeff LaMalva	Manchester
John Carrington	Mansfield
Rob Trottier	New Britain
Gary Fuerstenberg	Newington
John Bossi	Plainville
Jeffrey Doolittle	South Windsor
Devin Cowperthwaite	Stafford
Karen Isherwood	Suffield
David Corcoran	Tolland
David Smith	Vernon
Duane Martin	West Hartford
Derrick Gregor	Wethersfield
Troy Sposato	Willington
Adam Kessler	Windsor
Paul McNamara	GHTD

### Guests

Jennifer Carrier	FHWA
Michael Ahern	Berlin
LaShuanda Drake	GHTD
Erik Jarboe	AI Engineers
Maribeth Wojenski	CTDOT
James Kulpa	VHB
CT-N	Broadcast Purposes

**DRAFT until**  
**Endorsed by**  
**the**  
**Committee**

**Staff**

Robert Aloise	CRCOG
Stephanie Camp	CRCOG
Mike Cipriano	CRCOG
Ryan Faulkner	CRCOG
Tim Malone	CRCOG
Aaliyah Miller	CRCOG
Roger Krahn	CRCOG
Anirea Ortiz	CRCOG
Tracey Malenfant	CRCOG
Sotoria Montanari	CRCOG
Karen Stewartson	CRCOG
Terri Thompson	CRCOG
Pauline Yoder	CRCOG
Thomas Bonitz	CRCOG Sustainable CT Rep
Sean Roach	CRCOG Sustainable CT Rep

- 1. Roll Call** – Alphabetically by Member Municipality, then others. The meeting was called to order at 12:02 pm by the chair Patrice Carson from the Town of Bolton.
- 2. Public Forum** – No one choose to speak.
- 3. Adoption of Meeting Minutes from June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2021** - A motion was made by Patrice Carson from the Town of Bolton, seconded by Duane Martin form the Town of West Hartford to approve the meeting minutes from the June 28<sup>th</sup> meeting. This motion was passed unanimously with **six (6)** abstentions made by Devin Cowperthwaite from the Town of Stafford, David Smith from the Town of Vernon, Tom Roy from the Town of Simsbury, Chris Edge from the Town of Berlin, Larry Baril from the Town of Avon, and Nat Gale from the City of Hartford.
- 4. Staff Reports**
  - 60 Seconds of Safety-** Mr. Roger Krahn reviewed provided documents detailing statewide and CRCOG-specific historical crash safety data. Statewide between the years 2018 to 2020 there were 4259 crashes resulting in serious injuries or fatalities. Of these crashes 1929 were located on municipal roadways. Mr. Krahn also highlighted the provided percent of each crashes type, for both those that occurred at Intersections and on Roadway Segments. These statistics were again presented for the CRCOG region only. Mr. Nat Gale from the City of Hartford asked if there were any crash statistics as trends over a 3–5-year period. Mr. Krahn indicated that the data is readily available and that he would send the information to the City.
  - LOTICIP-Quarterly Report-**Ms. Sotoria Montanari provided highlights on the LOTICIP Quarterly Report, FY2021 Quarter 4. Ms. Montanari mentioned that CTDOT issued an Authorization to Award Letter in the amount of \$932,934 for

one (1) project (South Windsor Avery Street 5) which is now in the construction phase. Ms. Montanari also stated that the total amount of project expenditures for FY2021 is \$5,930,707, however in quarter 4 FY2021, one (1) project (City of Hartford Boce Barlow Bridge/Main Street) received an Authorization to Advertise Letter for \$1,938,000 and five (5) project final design submissions (Suffield Route 168 Mountain Road Multi-use Trail, Stafford Leonard Road Bridge Replacement, Coventry Swamp Road Intersection, Plainville Town Line Road reconstruction and Newington Robbins/Maple Hill Complete Streets) have pending Authorization to Advertise letters totaling \$9,718,654. Ms. Montanari also mentioned that CRCOG received eight (8) Quarter 4 design submissions and CRCOG anticipates receipt of eighteen (18) design submissions in quarter 1 of FY2022 Specifically, Ms. Montanari stated CRCOG was scheduled to receive four (4) preliminary design submissions, seven (7) 90% design submissions and seven (7) final design submissions). Forty-one (41) Projects have been awarded or completed construction since the program inception and CTDOT issued three (3) Commitment to Fund Letters (Ellington West Street Route 83 Stand-Alone sidewalk Project, Simsbury Hopmeadow, route 10/202 Stand-alone Sidewalk Project and Windsor International Drive (N) Project Reconstruction. Ms. Montanari submitted four (4) applications to CTDOT. She mentioned two municipalities were required to report scheduling updates. A representative from the Town of Southington was not at the meeting, but Ms. Montanari stated that they were some slight adjustments with the ROW. Mr. Rob Trottier from the City of New Britain stated that there would a minor delay of 3-months for the project design submission re-scheduled for September 1, 2021.

- **LOTICIP CTDOT Coordination Follow-Up-** Mr. Robert Aloise reminded the committee that CRCOG has been coordinating with CTDOT to try to make the LOTICIP Program more efficient and gave an update on those efforts. At the last Transportation Committee meeting, Mr. Jon Colman suggested elevating CRCOG's issues with the program to a higher CTDOT level, but first directed staff to coordinate internally to come up with an appropriate plan. CRCOG staff met internally and determined a plan. First, the staff would complete their initiated staff level coordination with CTDOT, and documenting CTDOT responses to CRCOG's concerns. Then, following review of these meeting outcomes, CRCOG would develop a list of requests that could be brought to CTDOT, potentially at a higher-level meeting. Mr. Aloise stated that since the last Transportation Committee meeting CRCOG has again met with CTDOT's LOTICIP and Pavement Units, and that some progress had been made - which will be detailed at CRCOG transportation committee meetings this fall. Progress most relevant to the upcoming CRCOG solicitation involved pavement service life. Previously CTDOT's was contemplating a minimum 20-year service life for pavement rehabilitation projects. Now, although a 20-year service life is preferred by CTDOT, a 15 year-service life is expected to still be deemed acceptable for pavement rehabilitation type projects. Mr. Aloise stated they are still coordinating

with CTDOT units regarding a number of LOTCIP issues and making sure that positions are fully understood and documented before moving forward further.

- **Other-**Mr. Robert Aloise mentioned that they are still monitoring progress towards passing a new Federal Transportation Bill, which appears to be close to being agreed upon.

- 5. TIP Amendments-** East Hartford-CT 2 Resurfacing & Median Replacement-Mr. Robert Aloise reviewed the TIP Amendments. A motion was made by Chris Edge from the Town of Berlin, seconded by Randall Davis to accept the TIP amendments. This motion was passed unanimously.
- 6. 2022 LOTCIP Solicitation: Project Selection Policy-**Ms. Sotoria Montanari stated the Selection Policy was thoroughly reviewed and discussed at the June Sub-Committee meeting and there were no major revisions. A motion was made by Chris Edge from the Town of Berlin seconded by Rob Trottier from the City of New Britain to accept the DRAFT 2022 Solicitation Project Selection Policy. This motion was passed unanimously.
- 7. Resolution: TOD roles, Visioning, Viability, and Tools Analysis Study-**Mr. Tim Malone presented a resolution to the Committee authorizing the negotiating, executing, and amending all appropriate and necessary contractual instruments with the consulting firm WSP for the purpose of developing a TOD Roles, Visioning, Viability & Tools Analysis Study. A motion was made by Chris Edge from the Town of Berlin to Execute an Agreement with WSP for the Development of a TOD Roles, Visioning, Viability & Analysis Study. This motion was passed unanimously.
- 8. Resolution: to Accept the Regional Services Grant-** A motion was made by Tom Roy from the Town of Simsbury, seconded by Chris Edge from the Town of Berlin to accept the Resolution to accept Regional Services Grant funds. This motion was passed unanimously.
- 9. Resolution: To Designate Greater Hartford Arts Council (GHAC) as the Region's Local Arts Agency -** A motion was made by Nat Gale from the City of Hartford seconded by Randall Davis from the City of Hartford to Designate greater Hartford Arts Council (GHAC) as the Region's Local Arts Agency. This motion was passed unanimously.
- 10. Other Business-**Mr. Robert Aloise mentioned that there is not a meeting scheduled for August. However, one will be scheduled **if** needed.
- 11. Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 12:37 pm via motion by Paul McNamara from GHTD, seconded by Chris Edge from the Town of Berlin.