

CRCOG Transportation Committee Meeting
Monday, January 24, 2022
12:00 PM
Meeting held remotely via Zoom

Name

Larry Baril
 Chris Edge
 Jon Colman
 Patrice Carson
 Neil Pade
 Todd Penney
 Doug Wilson
 Donald Nunes
 Russell Arnold
 Daniel Pennington
 Kirk Severance
 Kevin Kelly
 Jeff LaMalva
 John Carrington
 Peter Hughes
 Rob Trottier
 John Bossi
 Tom Roy
 Todd Rolland
 Jeffrey Doolittle
 Annette Turnquist
 Devin Cowperthwaite
 Karen Isherwood
 David Corcoran
 David Smith
 Duane Martin
 Derrick Gregor
 Troy Sposato
 Adam Kessler
 Jennifer Rodriguez
 Paul McNamara

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the Committee

Guests

Grayson Wright
 Jennifer Carrier
 Mary Deppe
 Joseph Balskus
 James Kulpa
 Matt Hart
 Greg Sommer
 Jay Stange

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CRCOG Staff

Rob Aloise, Mike Cipriano, Ryan Faulkner, Norell Ferguson (Intern) Roger Krahn, Tim Malone, Aaliyah Miller, Sotoria Montanari, Pramod Pandey, Cara Radzins, Karen Stewartson, Terri Thompson, Pauline Yoder, Dr. Lyle Wray (Emeritus)

The record below includes a brief description of each agenda item as well as the timestamp of the beginning of that discussion. The audio recording for this meeting is available at: <https://crcog.org/event/transportation-committee-meeting-53/>

- 1. Roll Call – 0:00** –The meeting was called to order at 12:00 pm by the Chair Jon Colman from the Town of Bloomfield.
- 2. Public Forum – 3:52** – No one chose to speak.
- 3. Adoption of Meeting Minutes from December 13, 2021 – 4:01** – A motion was made by Patrice Carson from the Town of Bolton, seconded by Chris Edge from the Town of Berlin, to accept the minutes from December 13, 2022. This motion was passed unanimously with one (1) abstention by David Smith from the Town of Vernon.
- 4. Staff Report**
 - **New CRCOG Executive Director and Policy Board Officers – 4:52** – Mr. Jon Colman welcomed Mr. Matt Hart who has been selected as CRCOG’s new Executive Director. Mr. Hart will begin his duties with CRCOG on February 28, 2022. Mr. Colman also shared the list of new Policy Board officers.
 - **60 Seconds for Safety – 7:49** – Mr. Roger Krahn shared materials from USDOT’s National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) related to the “Fans Don’t Let Fans Drive Drunk” campaign surrounding the Super Bowl.
 - **Commissioner Boughton Presentation to Policy Board on IIJA Funding – 9:27** – Ms. Cara Radzins shared that Mark Boughton, Commissioner of the Department of Revenue Services and Governor Lamont’s Senior Advisor on Infrastructure, will be presenting to the Policy Board on January 26, 2022 about the new federal infrastructure bill and how funding will be deployed in Connecticut.
 - **FFY2021 Obligated Projects List – 10:33** – Ms. Cara Radzins shared information about the FFY2021 Obligated Projects List.
 - **Possible Future Bridge Funding: LOTCIP or New Federal Programs – 11:48** – Mr. Rob Aloise shared information about the potential for future funding opportunities related to bridges. Mr. Aloise noted that staff intends to share additional timeline information in February or March.
 - **LOTCIP Solicitation Update – 15:15** – Ms. Sotoria Montanari updated the Committee on the recent LOTCIP Solicitation, noting that 23 projects had been received from 19 Towns for a total of \$42 million.
 - **LOTCIP On-Call Consultant RFQ: Schedule and Selection Panel – 16:15** – Ms. Sotoria Montanari discussed the upcoming LOTCIP On-Call Consultant RFQ and the need to assemble a Selection Panel. There was discussion about the scopes of work for each on-call list. Ms. Montanari noted that a resolution related to this RFQ appeared later on the agenda. A motion was made by Patrice Carson from the Town of Bolton, seconded by David Smith from the Town of Vernon, to take Agenda

Item #7¹ out of order to act on the LOTCIP Program Administration resolution. This motion was passed unanimously. A motion was made by Patrice Carson from the Town of Bolton, seconded by Chris Edge from the Town of Berlin, to Authorize the Execution of Agreements for Administration of the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program. This motion was passed unanimously.

- **LOTICIP Quarterly Report – 22:34** – Ms. Sotoria Montanari provided highlights of the LOTICIP Quarterly report for Quarter 2 of FY2022. To date, the total amount of project awards in FY2022 is over \$10 million. Schedule updates from Avon, Hebron, Rocky Hill, and Simsbury were discussed.
- **CTDOT Capital Plan: CRCOG Comment Letter – 30:11** – Mr. Rob Aloise shared the staff-level comment letter that CRCOG submitted to CTDOT regarding the Draft FY2022-2026 Capital Plan. There was discussion related to how future funding levels could impact programming within the Plan.
- **Car Share – 37:34** – Mr. Tim Malone shared that Advance CT, an economic development group that works closely with the State, reached out to CROCG about potential opportunities for partnering with municipalities on car share. Mr. Malone asked interested Towns to contact him via e-mail at tmalone@crcog.org.
- **Other – 38:56** – Dr. Lyle Wray shared an update on Hartford, Springfield, Boston rail. Mr. Matt Hart thanked the Committee for the warm welcome and noted that he is excited for the opportunity to be joining a great team.

5. TIP Amendments – 41:05 – Mr. Rob Aloise reviewed the TIP Amendments. A motion was made by Patrice Carson from the Town of Bolton, seconded by Chris Edge from the Town of Berlin, to approve the TIP Amendments. This motion was passed unanimously.

- Glastonbury – CT Route 2 – Improve Lane Continuity Eastbound
- District 4 – Replace Traffic Control Signals at Various Locations, Move to FY22
- District 2 – Replace Traffic Signal Controllers & Cabinets at Various Locations

6. LOTICIP Funding Increase/Scope Modification Requests – 44:40 – Ms. Sotoria Montanari reviewed one (1) LOTICIP funding increase request. A motion was made by Patrice Carson from the Town of Bolton, seconded by Chris Edge from the Town of Berlin, to approve the increase. This motion was passed unanimously.

- Hartford – Traffic Signals, Road Diet and Timing Optimization (L063-0003): Funding increase of \$961,080 from \$2,806,920 to \$3,768,000 (34.2% increase)

7. Authorizing Resolution: LOTICIP Program Administration – 48:16 – This item was taken out of order and acted under Item #4.

8. Other Business – 48:18 – Mr. Jon Colman reminded the Committee about Commissioner Boughton’s upcoming presentation to the Policy Board. Mr. Chris Edge from the Town of Berlin thanked the Search Committee on doing a great job of selecting a new Executive Director for CRCOG.

9. Adjourn – 48:46 – The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 pm via a motion by Patrice Carson from the Town of Bolton, seconded by Chris Edge from the Town of Berlin.

¹ During this discussion, Mr. Jon Colman and Ms. Patrice Bolton mistakenly referenced “Item #6.” Mr. Colman later (44:40) noted that he misspoke and had intended to reference Item #7. The minutes above reflect this correction.