# **Capitol Region Council of Governments**

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# Municipal Services Committee Meeting Tuesday, January 19, 2021 12 Noon

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### DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED

Members and Alternates	<b>Town/Organization</b>
Peter Souza, Chair	Windsor
Josh Kelly	Bolton
Robert Skinner	Canton
John Elsesser	Coventry
Lori Spielman	Ellington
Kayla Reasco	Hartford
Robert Lee	Plainville
Melissa Appleby	Simsbury
Mike Rosen	Tolland
CRCOG Staff Kimberly Bona Aaliyah Miller Lyle Wray Pauline Yoder	CRCOG CRCOG CRCOG CRCOG
Guests	
Stefanie Boles	United Way
Paula Gilberto	United Way

Chairperson Mr. Peter Souza called the meeting to order at 12:01 pm.

## 1. Adoption of Minutes: December 8, 2020

Mr. Souza requested a motion to adopt the minutes. Robert Lee made a motion to adopt the December 8, 2020 Municipal Service Committee minutes as presented. Mike Rosen seconded the motion and the motion carried.

#### 2. Public Comment

Pauline Yoder introduced CRCOG's Communications Manager, Aaliyah Miller, to the committee members. Peter Souza welcomed Aaliyah on behalf on the committee members.

# 3. ALICE Presentation by United Way

Paula Gilberto gave an informative presentation to the committee on Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed (ALICE).

Links to the presentation may be found at:

- alice.ctunitedway.org
- <u>public.tableau.com/profile/united.way.og.connecticut#!/vizhome/AliceDashboard/</u> Municipality

### 4. COVID Recovery Unmet Needs Form

Pauline Yoder shared the <u>Regional Unmet Needs Form</u> with the committee. She stated that this form is not for individual use.

#### 5. COVID Information Sharing

FEMA COVID-19 LTR Funding Opportunities

Peter Souza asked if any towns were providing loans, grants, funding, etc. to small and local businesses within their municipality.

Robert Lee explained Plainville's Economic Development Authority (EDA) has had a revolving fund loan program in place for some time. The EDA provides grants, etc. for those in need.

Discussion followed.

Peter Souza asked if there were any updates as to how municipalities were handling leave time with respect to COVID.

Tolland and Canton have extended the Federal Leave Program until the end of March.

Robert Lee stated Plainville has done the same, however, potential COVID exposure must be related to work, otherwise the extension does not apply.

Discussion ensued regarding COVID vaccinations.

John Elsesser asked how other towns were handling transportation i.e., Dial A Ride, senior rides to medical appointments for drive thru vaccinations.

Towns have limited their Dial-a-Ride to smaller number of riders and Windsor is doing only in-town rides. No town has been doing rides to vaccination sites because of the lack of efficiency of the low number of riders.

Discussion followed.

#### 6. Status Reports

Kim Bona reminded members to submit quantities for the upcoming fuel bid if they have not already done so, as this is not a bid that towns may not piggyback on. This bid will be issued to vendors on January 27<sup>th</sup>.

She stated the CRPC will be collecting quantities for Swimming Pool Chemicals and Water Treatment as well as Bituminous Curb Mix Class 1 and 2. in the next week or so.

## 7. Municipal Information Sharing

Pauline Yoder explained that Mayor Leclerc inquired about the possibility of CRCOG implementing an applicant tracking or sharing system and asked for input from members. Discussion followed and response was positive.

Pauline spoke about the OPM Secretary's request for a CRCOG Plan for PSAP consolidation and phased-in Regional Function on Assessments. CTCOG met to form a unified response which will be shared with the MSC members at the next meeting.

#### 8. Adjournment

With no further business, Chairman Peter Souza motioned to adjourn at 1:04pm. Motion carried unanimously.

The next meeting of the Municipal Services Committee will be Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

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