

**Transportation Committee Meeting**  
**Monday, January 23, 2023**  
**12:00 PM**  
***Meeting Held Remotely Via Zoom***

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**Until Endorsed**  
**by Committee**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Organization</u></b>
Larry Baril	Avon
Chris Edge	Berlin
Jon Colman	Bloomfield
Patrice Carson	Bolton
Todd Penney	Coventry
Doug Wilson	East Hartford
Len Norton	East Windsor
Donald Nunes	Enfield
Russ Arnold	Farmington
Daniel Pennington	Glastonbury
Kirk Severance	Granby
Frank Dellaripa	Hartford
Owen Deutsch	Hartford
Matt Bordeaux	Hebron
Kevin Kelly	Hebron
John Carrington	Mansfield
Peter Hughes	Marlborough
Mark Moriarty	New Britain
John Bossi	Plainville
Steve Sopolak	Rocky Hill
Adam Kessler	Simsbury
Todd Rolland	Somers
Jeff Doolittle	South Windsor
Annette Turnquist	Southington
Devin Cowperthwaite	Stafford
Karen Isherwood	Suffield
Greg Sommer	West Hartford
Derrick Gregor	Wethersfield
Bob Jarvis	Windsor
Paul McNamara	GHTD

<b><u>Guests</u></b>	
Michael Ahern	Berlin
Mike Fisher	BL Companies
Jonathan Thiesse	Bloomfield
Grayson Wright	CTDOT
Jennifer Carrier	FHWA
Chuck Harlow	Fuss & O'Neill
Mary Bujeaud	GHTD
Erika Lindeberg	Jacobs

CJ Gandza  
Rob Trottier  
Don Costello  
James Kulpa

New Britain  
New Britain  
PRIME AE Group  
VHB

**CRCOG Staff**

Mike Cipriano, Ryan Faulkner, Maureen Goulet, Chris Henchey, Roger Krahn, Devon Lechtenberg, Aaliyah Miller, Sotoria Montanari, Cara Radzins, Laura Rosenbluth, Elizabeth Sanderson, Kyle Shiel, Karen Stewartson, Terri Thompson

*The record below includes a brief description of each agenda item as well as the timestamp for the beginning of that discussion. The audio recording for this meeting is available at [www.crcog.org](http://www.crcog.org).*

- 1. Roll Call** – The meeting was called to order at 12:01 pm by the Chair Jon Colman from the Town of Bloomfield. Karen Stewartson conducted the roll call.
- 2. Public Forum – 7:17** – No one chose to speak.
- 3. Adoption of Meeting Minutes from December 19, 2022 – 7:27** – A motion was made by Patrice Carson from the Town of Bolton, seconded by Devin Cowperthwaite from the Town of Stafford, to accept the Transportation Committee minutes from the meeting on December 19, 2022. This motion was passed unanimously with two (2) abstentions made by Larry Baril from the Town of Avon and Karen Isherwood from the Town of Suffield.
- 4. Staff Report**
  - **60 Seconds for Safety: Nighttime Visibility – 8:48** – Roger Krahn discussed nighttime visibility and higher nighttime fatality rates. He mentioned several countermeasures that are available to improve visibility and reduce fatalities. Doug Wilson from the Town of East Hartford mentioned that he was saddened because of a recent pedestrian fatality on their Main Street in a well-lit area with newly installed safety enhancements.
  - **Regional Roundabouts Screening Update – Workshop on 2/14/22 at 11am – 12:19** – Roger Krahn shared that a workshop will be held on February 14, 2023 at 11:00 am during the usual Cost Review Sub-Committee timeslot. This workshop will allow Committee members to discuss the initial findings of the ongoing Regional Roundabouts Screening. More information will follow.
  - **Bipartisan Infrastructure Law (BIL) Updates – 13:17** – Kyle Shiel provided a brief update on the RAISE Discretionary Grant Program for FY2023. He mentioned that the deadline is February 28, 2023. Awards will be announced, by late June 2023. Elizabeth Sanderson provided an overall summary of upcoming Notices of Funding Opportunity (NOFOs) anticipated from the U.S. Department of Transportation. A complete list of programs, links to program websites/fact sheets, and anticipated opening/closing dates can be found on the [USDOT website](#).
  - **LOTICIP Quarterly Report – 24:02** – Sotoria Montanari provided highlights of the LOTICIP Quarterly Report for Quarter 2 of FY2023.

- **FFY2022 Obligated Projects List – 26:54** – Ms. Radzins stated that \$318 million in federal funding for transportation projects was obligated within the Capitol Region in FFY2022. This is an increase over previous years. She noted that the three largest projects were multi-region guiderail beam end repairs on bridges, CTtransit bus replacements, and rehabilitation of the Dexter Coffin Bridge in Windsor Locks. A complete list of projects is posted on CRCOG’s website.
  - **Executive Director Update – 28:56** – No update was given, as Matt Hart was in Washington, DC for the 2023 National Conference of Regions.
  - **Other – 29:04** – Cara Radzins mentioned that the new CRCOG website went live the previous week. She stated that Committee members should contact CRCOG staff if they have any challenges locating information on the new website.
- 5. TIP Amendments – 29:41** – There were no TIP amendments for action.
- 6. 2023 Annual Safety Performance Targets – 29:50** – Roger Krahn presented CRCOG’s annual regional Safety Performance Targets for the calendar year 2023. The CRCOG staff recommended the Transportation Committee endorsement and the Policy Board approval of the attached resolution supporting the 2023 Safety Targets. A motion was made by Patrice Carson from the Town of Bolton, seconded by Larry Baril from the Town of Avon to support the 2023 Targets for Safety Performance Measures. This motion was passed unanimously.
- 7. 2023 LOTCIP Funding Increase/Scope Modification Requests – 31:55**
- Bloomfield Woodland Avenue – Sotoria Montanari reviewed the scope modification request. Jonathan Thiesse from the Town of Bloomfield provided additional information. A motion was made by Peter Hughes from the Town of Marlborough, seconded by Chris Edge from the Town of Berlin, to approve this scope modification. This motion was passed unanimously.
  - New Britain John Downey Drive Safety Improvements (Lo88-0004) – Sotoria Montanari reviewed the funding increase request. Mark Moriarty and Rob Trottier from the City of New Britain provided additional information. A motion was made by Russ Arnold from the Town of Farmington, seconded by Steve Sopolak from the Town of Rocky Hill, to approve the funding increase. This motion was passed unanimously.
- 8. Other Business – 47:17** – Cara Radzins reminded attendees that the next Transportation Committee meeting is scheduled virtually for noon on Tuesday, February 14, 2023, with a Cost Review Sub-Committee meeting preceding it at 11:00 am. She noted that the February meeting schedule is atypical due to Lincoln’s Birthday and Presidents’ Day falling on consecutive Mondays.
- 9. Adjourn – 48:01** – The meeting was adjourned at 12:46 pm via a motion by Patrice Carson from the Town of Bolton, seconded by Devin Cowperthwaite from the Town of Stafford.