

Agenda Item Summary

To: Policy Board; Transportation Committee

From: Cara Radzins, Deputy Director of Transportation Planning

CC: Matt Hart, Executive Director; Rob Aloise, Director of Transportation Planning

Meeting Date: May 24, 2023 (Transportation Committee: May 22, 2023)

Subject: FY2024 and FY2025 CTDOT Planning Agreement

Background: As the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) for the Metro Hartford area, CRCOG is required by federal regulations to conduct a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive (3C) transportation planning program. Every two years, CRCOG must prepare a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) that identifies activities associated with this transportation planning program. Federal funds for these activities are provided by the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration, and the funds are made available through the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT). With each UPWP, CRCOG must enter into an agreement with CTDOT related to the use and transfer of federal transportation planning funds.

Benefit to Member Towns/CRCOG: The UPWP identifies transportation planning activities that CRCOG staff will undertake on behalf of its member municipalities. The associated agreement with CTDOT allows CRCOG access to the funding necessary to undertake these activities.

Financial/Operational Impact: An agreement with CTDOT is necessary to allow CRCOG access to its allocated federal transportation planning funds.

Project Schedule: The UPWP and associated planning agreement cover the period of July 1, 2023 – June 30, 2025.

Recommendation: CRCOG Staff recommends approval. The Transportation Committee will provide a recommendation at their meeting on May 22, 2023.

Attachments:

- Authorizing Resolution: Execution of an Agreement with the Connecticut Department of Transportation for CRCOG's FY2024 and FY2025 Transportation Planning Program

AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION

FOR EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CONNECTICUT DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR CRCOG'S FY2024 AND FY2025 TRANSPORTATION PLANNING PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Capitol Region Council of Governments (CRCOG), as the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the Hartford metropolitan area, is required by federal regulations to conduct a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive (3C) transportation planning program, and

WHEREAS, federal funds are provided by the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration for CRCOG to conduct such a program, and

WHEREAS, the federal funds are made available through the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT),

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that CRCOG's Executive Director be and hereby is authorized to act on behalf of the CRCOG in negotiating and executing all appropriate and necessary contractual instruments with the CTDOT for the purpose of obtaining financial assistance to carry on a mutually agreed upon program of transportation planning in the Capitol Region in cooperation with CTDOT for the period July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025.

CERTIFICATE

I certify the above is a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Policy Board at its meeting held on May 24, 2023.

BY: _____ DATE: _____
Jason Bowsza, Secretary