

CRCOG POLICY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
DRAFT UNTIL APPROVED

Wednesday, October 25, 2023

12:00 NOON

This was a virtual meeting.

For more information, email or call Laura Rosenbluth at 860-724-4283

Attendance

Eric Anderson
Jon Colman
Jim Rupert
Mark Walter
Jason Bowsza
Matthew Reed
Lori Spielman
Ellen Zoppo-Sassou
Jonathan Luiz
Randal Davis
Raúl De Jesús
Andy Tierney
Steve Stephanou
Ryan Aylesworth
Toni Moran
David Nagel
Mike Paulhus
Wendy Mackstutis
Mark Sciota
Colin Moll
Steve Jones
Rick Ledwith
Michael Rell
Peter Souza

Town/Organization

Andover
Bloomfield
Bolton
Columbia
East Windsor
Ellington
Ellington
Enfield
Glastonbury
Hartford
Hartford
Hebron
Manchester
Mansfield
Mansfield
Newington
Plainville
Simsbury
Southington
Suffield
Tolland
West Hartford
Wethersfield
Windsor

Staff

Kyle Shiel
Pramod Pandey
Elizabeth Sanderson

CRCOG
CRCOG
CRCOG

Aaliyah Miller	CRCOG
Sotoria Montanari	CRCOG
Michael Cipriano	CRCOG
Cara Razins	CRCOG
Roger Krahn	CRCOG
Chris Seeger	CRCOG
Rob Aloise	CRCOG
Pauline Yoder	CRCOG
Matt Hart	CRCOG
Laura Rosenbluth	CRCOG
Caitlin Pamler	CRCOG

Guests

Lisa Mercurio	AdvanceCT
Cathy Scangarella	AdvanceCT
Garrett Eucalitto	CTDOT
Kafi Rouse	CTDOT
Nilesh Patel	CTDOT
Kevin Burnham	CTDOT
Pam Sucato - ConnDOT	CTDOT
Grayson Wright	CTDOT
Casey Hardin	CTDOT - GHMS
Douglas R. Wilson, P.E.	East Hartford
Jonathan Ferrigno	Eversource
Jennifer Carrier	FHWA
Chris Smith	Rome, Smith, Lutz, Kowalski
John Harkins	Rome, Smith, Lutz, Kowalski

1. **Call to Order**

Lori Spielman called meeting to order at 12:04 PM

2. **Public Comment**

No Public comment was offered.

3. **Approval of Minutes from October 11, 2023**

Jon Colman made a motion to approve the minutes of September 27, 2023 as presented. Steve Stephanou seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

4. **MONTHLY REPORTS**

- a. **Chair and Executive Director** - Mr. Hart provided an overview of his report. [Mr. Hart's full report](#) can be found [HERE](#)
- b. BIL/IIJA Update
- c. Municipal Services and Purchasing Council

- d. Planning - Transportation
- e. Public Safety Homeland Security
- f. Planning - Community Development

5. **Legislative Update**

Chris Smith presented an overview of the FY 2023 budget and gave a preview of the upcoming 2024 mid-term session, which will address adjustments to the adopted budget. During short sessions, legislators will be limited to submitting budget-related bills only. The Governor is expected to release budget adjustments in the first week of February, and hearings will begin immediately. After the session ends, the election season for the General Assembly will begin. Statewide officers will not be on the ballot next fall. (Information regarding state budget balances can be found at the 59-minute mark.)

6. **Presentations**

- a. Commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Transportation, Garrett Eucalitto presented his vision for CTDOT. His presentation can be found: [HERE](#)
- b. The Greater Hartford Mobility Study was presented by Nilesh Patel and Casey Hardin. (The presentation begins at the 35 minute mark.)

ACTION ITEMS

7. **Approval of CRCOG Vision Zero Task Force Charter**

Roger Krahn presented the proposed Vision Zero Task Force. The task force will be responsible for working with CRCOG staff to update and implement the Regional Transportation Safety Plan. Jon Colman reported that the Transportation Committee has endorsed the Charter and made a motion to approve. Peter Souza seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

8. **Approval of 2024 Executive Committee and Policy Board Meeting Dates**

Matt Hart requested approval of the 2024 meetings schedule. Jon Colman moved approval of both schedules. Peter Souza seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

9. **Appointment of Nominating Committee (CRCOG bylaws pg.21)**

Matt Hart explained that Jon Colman will chair the nominating committee and is seeking additional volunteers. Matt Hart noted that a quorum was no longer sustained. Toni Moran and Lori Spielman volunteered to join the committee.

10. **Correspondence/ Handouts**

Mr. Hart highlighted CRCOG's latest letters of support and the CRCOG Connection.

11. **Other Business**

No other business was reported.

12. **Adjournment**

Lori Spielman adjourned the meeting at 1:18pm due to not having enough members online to represent a quorum. The TIP amendments will be considered at next month's Policy Board meeting.

DRAFT