

**Housatonic Valley & South Western Region
Metropolitan Planning Organizations**

**May 20, 2021 at 12:00 pm
Videoconference**

Call-in Information: 929-436-2866, Meeting Id: 632 336 1237

Agenda

1. Meeting Call to Order:
2. Public Participation:
3. Information Items:
 - a. CTDOT's Public Hearings and Public Comment on Rail Service and Fare Changes. Attachment 3a, pp.1-3
 - b. Member-directed Community Project Funding Requests
4. Action Items:
 - a. Approval of April 22nd, 2021 Meeting Minutes (HV & SWR) Attachment 4a, pp. 4-9
 - b. 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program Attachment 4b, pp. 10-12
 - c. Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for FY 22 and 23 Attachment 4c, pp. 13-15
5. Other Business:
6. Next Meeting: June 17th, 2021
7. Adjournment:

**Separate votes are taken by HV and SWR MPOs*

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STATE OF CONNECTICUT

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

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Notice of Public Hearings

The Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) will conduct virtual public hearings on rail service and fare changes that were previously made in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, as well as the proposed elimination of the Mail & Ride fare media. The hearings will also cover proposed service changes to CT*transit* bus service and minor fare changes on two CT*transit* Express bus routes.

Service changes to the New Haven Line, New Canaan Line, Danbury Line, Waterbury Line, Shore Line East, and Hartford Line were previously implemented on an emergency basis. No further reductions in rail service are expected. Proposed bus changes include service changes to CT*transit* Express bus service to/from Hartford and CT*transit* New Haven local service; and minor fare changes for Hartford Express routes 950 and 912.

At these hearings, CTDOT will provide information and accept public comments on the service and fare proposals and the Service and Fare Equity (SAFE) analysis. The SAFE analysis evaluates the proposed changes to determine if they will cause a disparate impact to minority persons or a disproportionate burden to people with low incomes, as defined by the FTA Title VI circular. **The proposed service and fare changes may be viewed on the Department's website at www.ct.gov/dot/proposedtransitchanges** and will be available as of Thursday, April 29, 2021. The public comment period will run from April 29 to May 28, 2021.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the hearings will be conducted virtually via Zoom's online platform and toll-free conference call feature. The public hearings will also be live streamed via Microsoft Teams Live Event and YouTube. All public hearings will be recorded and published online for later viewing.

DATE	TIME
Tuesday, May 18, 2021	6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Wednesday, May 19, 2021	6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 20, 2021	12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Tuesday, May 25, 2021	12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

For more information on how to attend the public hearings, information on the proposed changes, and to access the SAFE analysis please visit: www.ct.gov/dot/proposedtransitchanges.

To request a copy of the SAFE analysis by mail, please email us at dot.proposedtransitchanges@ct.gov or by leaving a voicemail at (860) 597-8226. Please allow one week for processing and delivery. If your organization

would like to request a virtual presentation of the SAFE analysis, please email or call using the contact information listed above. The CTDOT will make every effort to accommodate your request.

How to participate in the virtual public hearings:

- **Registration is encouraged; however, it is only required for those would wish to provide a comment during the hearing.** To register, please visit www.ct.gov/dot/proposedtransitchanges or call (860) 597-8226 and leave a voicemail with your full name and contact information. Registration will be accepted up to the day of the hearing and will remain open for the duration of the hearing.
- A link to attend the public hearings and public information sessions will be posted on www.ct.gov/dot/proposedtransitchanges.
- Individuals can listen to the meeting by calling Toll Free **833-548-0282** and entering the Participant Code for the select date when prompted at the time of the hearing.

DATE	Participant Code
Tuesday, May 18, 2021	868 0548 0237
Wednesday, May 19, 2021	825 8388 4604
Thursday, May 20, 2021	828 3539 6183
Tuesday, May 25, 2021	889 8536 0541

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Recordings of the hearings and formal presentation will be posted to YouTube with closed captioning, including non-English translation options. Links will be provided at www.ct.gov/dot/proposedtransitchanges.

How to submit comments:

- **You may make a comment at any time from April 29th to May 28th, 2021** by email, phone, US Mail or the local libraries, using the information below.
- **To make a comment during a public hearing:** Register for the hearing at www.ct.gov/dot/proposedtransitchanges or by calling 860-597-8226.
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- US Mail: COMMENT ON PROPOSED FARE AND SERVICE CHANGES, Bureau of Public Transportation, P.O. Box 317546, Newington, CT 06131-7546.

A copy of the SAFE analysis will be available at the following public libraries. Written comments will also be accepted at these locations:

- Waterbury’s Silas Bronson Library, Main Branch, 267 Grand Street, Waterbury
- New Haven Free Public Library, Ives Main Library, 133 Elm Street, New Haven
- The Public Library of New London, 63 Huntington Street, New London
- Hartford Public Library, Downtown Branch, 500 Main Street, Hartford
- Stamford’s Ferguson Library, Main Library, Dimattia Building, One Public Library Plaza, Stamford

For general questions please email us dot.proposedtransitchanges@ct.gov or call (860) 597-8226.



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South Western Region
Metropolitan Planning Organization

INTERIM SWRMPO MINUTES

For the 04/22/2021 Meeting

Held via videoconference

Chairman Jeremy Ginsberg (Proxy) - Vice Chairman James Marpe

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Darien	Jeremy Ginsberg Planning and Zoning Director
Greenwich	Absent
New Canaan	First Selectman Kevin Moynihan
Norwalk	Absent
Transit Representative	CEO Kim Morton
Stamford	Mayor David Martin
Weston	First Selectman Chris Spaulding
Westport	First Selectman James Marpe
Wilton	First Selectman Lynne Vanderslice
CTDOT	Transportation Planning Supervisor Kathryn Faraci
MPO Staff	Executive Director Francis Pickering (non-voting)

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Ridgefield First Selectman Rudy Marconi, Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker, Bridgewater First Selectman Curtis Read, Brookfield First Selectman Steve Dunn, New Fairfield First Selectman Pat Del Monaco, New Milford Mayor Pete Bass, Newtown First Selectman Dan Rosenthal, Redding First Selectman Julia Pemberton, and Sherman First Selectman Don Lowe were in attendance. WestCOG staff members in attendance were Mike Towle, Kristin Hadjstylianos, Todd Fontanella, Nicole Sullivan, Kristin Floberg, Kevin Mahoney, Charles Vidich, Victoria Ricks, and Cricket Carpenter. Rick Schreiner and Alex Dashev from HARtransit, Meg Haffner from the Kennedy Center, Tracey Alston and Samantha LaBonne from Eversource, Ellen Graham from Senator Blumenthal’s office, Greenwich Planning & Zoning Commission chair Margarita Alban, Stamford Mayor’s Chief of Staff Mike Pollard, Westport Operations Director Sara Harris, Bridget Boucaud from VN Engineers, Steve O’Neill and Eric Tang from VHB were also in attendance.

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman James Marpe called the meeting to order at 12:03 pm

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

FEATURED PRESENTATION:

Bridget Boucaud from VN Engineers along with Eric Tang and Steve O'Neill from VHB gave a presentation on the WestCOG Regional Transportation Safety Plan 2021. Comments will be accepted by the Municipalities through May 7th. Any questions should be directed to WestCOG Associate Planner Nicole Sullivan at: nsullivan@westcog.org

INFORMATION ITEMS

Unified Planning Work Program: WestCOG Principal Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an update on the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for Fiscal Year 22 and 23. The draft has been completed for both the SWRMPO and the HVMPO and sent to the CTDOT. WestCOG will review comments update the work program. The final version will be shared with the TAG and MPO members for endorsement at the May meetings. Please contact WestCOG staff if you have any questions.

USDOT Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity Grant Program: WestCOG Principal Planner Kristin Hadjstylianos gave an overview of the RAISE program. USDOT will be hosting a series of webinars to discuss the application process. Applications are due on July 12th and are to be submitted though the Grants.GOV portal. Please contact WestCOG staff if you have any questions.

CTDOT Corridor Study Solicitation: WestCOG Senior Planner Todd Fontanella gave an update on the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) Corridor Study Solicitation. All municipalities in the WestCOG region are eligible to submit a corridor study concept. Applications along with a letter of commitment signed by their municipal office, are to be submitted to WestCOG by April 30th, 2021. WestCOG will review and prioritize the applications in May. The findings will be presented at the June meeting. WestCOG will be able to submit up to three (3) applications to the CTDOT in July 2021. Digital copies may be sent to Todd Fontanella at: tfontanell@westcog.org

State Matching Grant Program: WestCOG Planner Todd Fontanella gave an overview on the State Matching Grant Program. The purpose of the program is to provide funding to enhance mobility for seniors and persons with disabilities. The required materials are due to WestCOG and CTDOT by May 3rd. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Todd.

ACTION ITEMS

SWRMPO Approval of 03/18/2021 Meeting Minutes: After review and on a motion made by Weston First Selectman Chris Spaulding and seconded by New Canaan First Selectman Kevin Moynihan, the minutes of the 03/18/2021 meeting were unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

The next MPO meeting will be held on Thursday, May 20th, 2021. On a motion duly made by Jeremy Ginsberg and seconded by Sherman First Selectman Don Lowe it was voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:44 pm.

INTERIM MINUTES SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL BY SWRMPO MEMBERS

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Chairman Rudolph Marconi - Vice Chairman Julia Pemberton

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Bethel	First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker
Bridgewater	First Selectman Curtis Read
Brookfield	First Selectman Steve Dunn
Danbury	Absent
New Fairfield	First Selectman Pat Del Monaco
New Milford	Mayor Pete Bass
Newtown	First Selectman Dan Rosenthal
Redding	First Selectman Julia Pemberton
Ridgefield	First Selectman Rudy Marconi
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CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Rudy Marconi called the meeting to order at 12:03.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

FEATURED PRESENTATION:

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ACTION ITEMS

HVMPO Approval of 03/18/2021 Meeting Minutes: After review and on a motion made by Newtown First Selectman Dan Rosenthal and seconded by Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker, the minutes of the 03/18/2021 meeting were unanimously approved.

2021-2024 HV Transportation Improvement Program:

After a review by WestCOG Associate Planner Nicole Sullivan, a motion was made by New Milford First Selectman Pete Bass and seconded by Bethel First Selectman Matt Knickerbocker to unanimously approve the HVMPO TIP Amendment for Project #0034-0354 Replace stone box culvert on South Street in Danbury under Rte. 53 with a new culvert approximately 200 feet west of Town Hill Ave. Project #0116-0135 Replace bridge 01015 over Saugatuck Reservoir in Redding. Project #0174-0443 Traffic signal LED re-lamping in district four.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business discussed.

ADJOURNMENT

The next MPO meeting will be held on Thursday, May 20th, 2021. On a motion duly made by Jeremy Ginsberg and seconded by Sherman First Selectman Don Lowe it was voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:44 pm.

INTERIM MINUTES SUBJECT TO FINAL APPROVAL BY HVMPO MEMBERS

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DATE: May 5, 2021

SWRMPO FFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

Background: The FFY2021-2024 South Western Region TIP was endorsed by the MPO on October 15, 2020. The TIP was incorporated into the larger Statewide TIP, which was approved by USDOT and EPA on January 26, 2021.

TAG Action Requested: Review and support TIP amendment endorsement by MPO.

Amendments #2021-0520

0301-0195: New Haven Line- Station Improvement Program- Darien Station

The CTDOT-requested amendment would add a new project to the TIP in the Town of Darien. Improvement to the Darien Station on the New Haven Line would include construction of new platform sections, ADA platform upgrades and routing signage, as well as replacement of the grounding and bonding system. Construction for this project is scheduled for 2021. The project total is approximately \$45 million with no local match.

Region	FA Code	Proj #	AQ Cd	Rte/Sys	Town	Description	Phase	Year	Tot\$ (000)	Fed\$ (000)	Sta\$ (000)	Loc\$ (000)
01	5337	0301-0195	X6	NHL-ML	Darien	NHL - STATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM - DARIEN STATION	CON	2021	45,000	36,000	9,000	0

0300-0196: New Haven Line- Scour Rehabilitation Project

The CTDOT-requested amendment would provide funding for rehabilitation activities for Bridge 08022R in Darien and Bridge 08207R in Wilton along the New Haven Line in the SWRMPO, as well as Bridge 08086R in Milford and Bridge 08268R in Seymour. Scour is erosion of the soil at or near the substructure. To rehabilitate the bridge's scour mitigation, CTDOT will be performing full repairs of the structures to raise the condition rating to a state of good repair. Construction for this project is scheduled for 2021. The project total is approximately \$8 million with no local match.

Region	FA Code	Proj #	AQ Cd	Rte/Sys	Town	Description	Phase	Year	Tot\$ (000)	Fed\$ (000)	Sta\$ (000)	Loc\$ (000)
1,5,7,8	5337	0300-0196	X6	NHL-ML	Various	NHL - SCOUR REHABILITATION PROJECT	CON	2021	8,000	6,400	1,600	0

0400-XXXX: CTTransit Systemwide Admin Capital/ Miscellaneous Support FY21

The CTDOT-requested amendment would add a new project to the TIP for CTTransit. Funding is provided under Fiscal Year 2021 and would enable the replacement of equipment that requires updating, such as; computer hardware, computer software, maintenance equipment, office equipment, and support vehicles. The project total is approximately \$1.05 million with no local match.

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1,5,8, 10,11	5339	0400-XXXX	X6	CTTRANSIT	VARIOUS	CTTRANSIT SYSTEMWIDE ADMIN CAPITAL/MISC SUPPORT FY 21	OTH	2021	1,051	841	210	0

0170-3605: Statewide Transportation Demand Management (NY-NJ-CT Moderate)

The CTDOT-requested amendment would add a new project to the TIP for the TDM program known as CTRides. The project would provide funds for Fiscal Year 2021 and enables CTDOT to market and educate employers in support of the program. The program aims to reduce the number of employee work trips and decrease traffic congestion by helping to form carpools as well as implement teleworking programs. The project total is approximately \$3.35 million with no local match.

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75	CMAQ	0170-3605	X6	VARIOUS	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE TDM (NY-NJ-CT MODERATE)	OTH	2021	3,355	2,684	671	0

0102-0368: Resurfacing, Bridge & Safety Improvements, Main Ave to Newtown Turnpike

The CTDOT-requested amendment would roll over project#0102-0368 from the 2018-2021 TIP into the current 2021-2024 TIP for this upcoming period of time. The project will take place in the towns of Norwalk and Westport in Fiscal Year 2021 for the Merritt Parkway. AC Entry and AC Conversion in this construction phase provides flexibility at the time of authorization.

Region	FA Code	Proj #	AQ Cd	Rte/ Sys	Town	Description	Phase	Year	Tot\$ (ooo)	Fed\$ (ooo)	Sta\$ (ooo)	Loc\$ (ooo)
01	NH PP	0102 - 0368	X6	CT 15	NORWALK/ WESTPORT	RESURFACING, BRIDGE & SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS, MAIN AVE TO NEWTOWN TPK (B/O of 102-296) - AC ENTRY	CON	2021	0	0	0	0
01	NH PP	0102 - 0368	X6	CT 15	NORWALK/ WESTPORT	RESURFACING, BRIDGE & SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS, MAIN AVE TO NEWTOWN TPK (B/O of 102-296) - AC CONVERSION	CON	2021	10,132	8,105	2,026	0

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TAG Action Requested: Review and support TIP amendment endorsement by MPO.

Amendments #2021-0520

0170-3605: Statewide Transportation Demand Management (NY-NJ-CT Moderate)

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75	CMAQ	0170-3605	X6	VARIOUS	STATEWIDE	STATEWIDE TDM (NY-NJ-CT MODERATE)	OTH	2021	3,355	2,684	671	0

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TO: HVMPO and SWRMPO Members
 FROM: Kristin Hadjstylianos, Principal Planner
 DATE: May 14, 2021

RE: Approval of Unified Planning Work Programs (UPWP)

MPO Action Requested: review and endorse FY2022 and FY2023 UPWPs for HVMPO and SWRMPO, contingent upon administrative and technical adjustments to address any remaining CTDOT and USDOT comments. Draft copies have previously been circulated to MPO and TAG members for review on March 16th and May 14th.

Overview: An UPWP is a federal requirement for MPOs, outlining planning priorities and activities to be carried out during a defined period of time, in this case for a two-year period beginning July 1, 2021. A USDOT and CTDOT approved UPWP allows the MPOs to receive funding to carry out the transportation planning process and remain eligible for receipt of federal-aid project funding in the region's municipalities.

The UPWP includes a mix of administrative and technical activities, addressing both federal requirements and areas of regional interest. Administrative examples include processing Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) amendments, meeting preparation and financial grant management, whereas technical activities may include data analyses as well as support for corridor studies.

Work Program Components: CTDOT's guidance identified the core requirements and activities, many of which are similar to the previous UPWPs, endorsed by both MPOs in May of 2019.

This includes federal emphasis areas such as compliance with MAP-21 and the FAST Act provisions. These are authorizing legislation for federal transportation programs and funding, which contain specific requirements that must be adhered to.

Planning activities continue to include efforts to transition to performance-based planning. Other activities include: completing an update of the Long-Range Transportation Plan; updating the Public Participation Plan; promoting cooperation and coordination across MPO and state boundaries; continuing the region's Congestion Management Process (CMP) analyses; management of the TIP; and continuing tasks related to transit planning, multi-modal mobility and connectivity, and freight planning.

**SOUTH WESTERN REGION
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RESOLUTION #2021-004

**Resolution of Endorsement for the FY22 and FY23
SWRMPO Unified Planning Work Program**

WHEREAS, the South Western Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (SWRMPO), in cooperation with the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT), the Federal Highway Administration, the Federal Transit Administration, and the Western Connecticut Council of Governments (WestCOG), is responsible for carrying out the urban transportation planning process for the South Western Region;

WHEREAS, the voting board of the SWRMPO comprises the two mayors and six first selectmen of the area, which includes Darien, Greenwich, New Canaan, Norwalk, Stamford, Weston, Westport and Wilton, CT, as well as the chief executive officer of the Norwalk Transit District;

WHEREAS, a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) to guide the planning process is developed in cooperation with CTDOT, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT), and transportation stakeholders to serve as the grant application for funds to conduct SWRMPO transportation planning;

WHEREAS, SWRMPO, in cooperation with CTDOT is responsible for adopting the FY22 and FY23 Unified Planning Work Program for the South Western Region;

WHEREAS, WestCOG, as the Hosting Agency for the SWRMPO, will contract to receive and disperse planning funds to carry out the adopted UPWP;

RESOLVED, that the SWRMPO hereby endorses the FY22 and FY23 UPWP, contingent upon administrative and technical adjustments prescribed by the CTDOT and USDOT.

This resolution is in full force and effect as of **May 20, 2021**

May 20, 2021

Jayme Stevenson, Chairman

**HOUSATONIC VALLEY
METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION**

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NEW MILFORD•NEWTOWN•REDDING•RIDGEFIELD•SHERMAN

**RESOLUTION #2021-004 Resolution of Endorsement for the FY22 and FY23
HVMPO Unified Planning Work Program**

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WHEREAS, the voting board of the HVMPO comprises the two mayors and eight first selectmen of the area, which includes Bethel, Bridgewater, Brookfield, Danbury, New Fairfield, New Milford, Newtown, Redding, Ridgefield and Sherman, CT, as well as the chief executive officer of the Housatonic Area Regional Transit District;

WHEREAS, a Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) to guide the planning process is developed in cooperation with CTDOT, the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT), and transportation stakeholders to serve as the grant application for funds to conduct HVMPO transportation planning;

WHEREAS, HVMPO, in cooperation with CTDOT is responsible for adopting the FY22 and FY23 Unified Planning Work Program for the Housatonic Valley Region;

WHEREAS, WestCOG, as the Hosting Agency for the HVMPO, will contract to receive and disperse planning funds to carry out the adopted UPWP;

RESOLVED, that the HVMPO hereby endorses the FY22 and FY23 UPWP, contingent upon administrative and technical adjustments prescribed by the CTDOT and USDOT.

This resolution is in full force and effect as of **May 20, 2021**

May 20, 2021

Rudy Marconi, Chairman