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SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl J. Amento, Executive Director

SCRCOG MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA

May 26, 2010 – 10:00 AM

Location: 127 Washington Avenue, 4th Floor West, North Haven, CT 06473

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1. Presentation by Richard Porth, President and CEO, re United Way of Connecticut's 2-1-1 System
2. Presentation by Mary Ann Emswiler re Community Leadership Program
3. Legislative Reports:
 - a) State Legislation – Executive Director Carl Amento Attached
 - b) Congressional Report - Louis Mangini
4. Adoption of April 28, 2010 SCRCOG Minutes Pages 2-7
First Selectman Anthony DaRos, Secretary
5. Treasurer's Report for month ending April 30, 2010 - Mayor John Picard, Treasurer Pages 8-9
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Adopt 2010-2013 TIP Amendment 6 Pages 14-15
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Presentation by York & Chapel re branding and logo
12. Adopt Resolution of Support for Economic Development District Designation for Region Page 26
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14. Roy Piper - DEMHS Region 2 Coordinator
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16. Regional Cooperation/Other Business
17. Adjournment

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TO: **SCRCOG Board**
FROM: **First Selectman Anthony DaRos, SCRCOG Secretary**
DATE: **April 30, 2010**
SUBJECT: **DRAFT SCRCOG Minutes of April 28, 2010**

Present:

Bethany First Selectwoman Derrylyn Gorski
Branford First Selectman Anthony DaRos - *Secretary*
Guilford First Selectman Joseph S. Mazza
Hamden Mayor Scott Jackson
Madison First Selectman Fillmore McPherson
Meriden Peggy Brennan, Economic Development Director / Proxy for Mayor Michael Rohde
Milford Lisa Bull DiLullo, Assistant to the Mayor, / Proxy for Mayor James Richetelli, Jr.
New Haven Mayor John DeStefano, Jr.
North Haven First Selectman Michael Freda
Orange First Selectman James Zeoli - *Chairman*
Wallingford Mayor William Dickinson, Jr.
West Haven Mayor John Picard - *Treasurer*
Woodbridge Anthony Genovese, Finance Director / Proxy for FS Edward Sheehy - *Vice Chair*
SCRCOG Staff Carl J. Amento – *Executive Director*
Albert Ruggiero, Stephen Dudley, Mona Beavis, James Rode, and Eugene Livshits

Guest Presenters:

Louis Mangini, Legislative Aide to Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro; *Ginny Kozlowski*, Executive Director of Regional Growth Partnership; and *Roy Piper*, DEMHS Region 2 Coordinator

Other Guests:

William Villano, Executive Director of Workforce Alliance; *Shelly Saczynski*, UI Holdings Corporation; *Jean T. Stimolo*, Executive Director of Rideworks; *Nan Birdwhistell, Esq.*, Murtha Cullina, LLP; *Barbara Malmberg*, Director of Marketing at Regional Growth Partnership; and *Phillip Moberg*, Supervisor, CT Dept. of Transportation (Bureau of Policy and Planning).

The April 28, 2010 Board Meeting of the South Central Regional Council of Governments convened at *FOUR POINTS* by Sheraton in Meriden, Connecticut. At 11:22 A.M. Chairman Zeoli called the meeting to order and commenced with the agenda.

ITEM 1 – Legislative Reports

a. State Legislation Tracking

House and Senate Bills recently tracked for SCRCOG were distributed. Executive Director Amento addressed the substitute Raised HB-5483, “*Act Concerning A Regional Hotel Tax.*” The passage of this bill will increase the hotel tax from twelve percent to fifteen percent and will apportion one percent to host communities of hotels and two percent to the regional body. The language, in terms of what may be done with the two percent the regional entity receives, was changed to read: “*Money received by a regional planning organization, under this section (Section 2 c), shall be used to promote property tax relief through regionalism initiatives, including but not limited to regional economic development and educational cooperative programs and agreements.*”

Although several bills being tracked for SCRCOG had failed, Executive Director Amento noted the possibility that failed bills could still be tacked on as amendments to other bills.

b. Federal Report

Louis Mangini, Legislative Aide to Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro, stated that Congresswoman DeLauro had the Secretary of the U. S. Dept. of Transportation and representatives from the Connecticut Department of Transportation enjoyed a train ride from New Haven to Hartford to highlight the proposed high-speed rail plan. Forty million dollars in federal funds was awarded Connecticut in January to initiate this project. Once the New Haven-Hartford-Springfield high-speed rail becomes operational (2014-2016), concentration will then focus on economic development opportunities along that corridor.

ITEM 2 – SCRCOG Minutes of March 24, 2010

The location of the *SCRCOG Minutes of March 24* (page 28 in the agenda packet) was referenced by the SCRCOG Secretary. First Selectman DaRos offered a motion to adopt the *Minutes of March 24, 2010*, as presented. Mayor Dickson seconded. Upon majority vote of the Board, the motion passed. Since Mayor Jackson and First Selectman McPherson were not in attendance at the last SCRCOG meeting, they abstained.

ITEM 3- Treasurer’s Report for the month ending March 31, 2010

The *Treasurer’s Report for the month ending March 31, 2010* (pages 28 and 29 in the agenda packet) was presented by SCRCOG Treasurer, Mayor Picard. He stated that \$609,834 was in cash and investments and \$210,387 was due from the Connecticut Department of Transportation, half of which had been collected this month. Among the expenses incurred this month, \$58,155 was directed to transportation planning consultants for several planned projects.

Mayor Picard offered a motion, seconded by Mayor Jackson, to adopt the *Treasurer’s Report for the month ending March 31, 2010*. Upon unanimous vote, the motion passed.

ITEM 4 – Transportation Committee Report

a. 2010-2013 TIP Amendment Five

- **State Project: 0092-0531** (SCRCOG No. 1999-009)
(New Haven) Reconstruct I-95/I-91/Route 34 Interchange to accommodate a new 10-lane Quinnipiac River Bridge and reconfigure Northbound I-95 to the Route 34 ramp as a "right-hand take off" (post FY-05 construction), with Surface Transportation Program statewide and National Highway System Support.

- **State Project: 0092-0627 – Contract B2** (SCRCOG No. 2010-001)
(New Haven) Construction of the I-95 SB West approach and river piers to the new Pearl Harbor Memorial Bridge.
- **State Project: ENH-TXX** (SCRCOG No. 2001-037)
(Regional) Engages 5307 Transit Enhancement Fund Allotments from FFY-05 to FFY-09 for several regional transit enhancement projects.

The Transportation Committee Chairman, Mayor Dickinson, offered a motion to adopt *FY-2010 – FY-2013 TIP Amendment Five*. First Selectman DaRos seconded. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

b. Adopt Resolution Recommending FTA Section 5310 Program Priorities

Mayor Dickinson, reported that the SCRCOG's Transportation Committee recommended approval of a resolution calling upon the Connecticut Department of Transportation to consider the requests for a bus by the Easter Seals Goodwill Industries, Inc., Milford Council on Aging, Marrakech, Inc., and the Mary Wade Home when Section 5310 state-wide program priorities are determined.

A motion to adopt the *Resolution for FY 2010 Federal Transit Administration Capital Support for Non-Profit Organizations* was presented by Mayor Dickinson and seconded by First Selectwoman Gorski. Upon unanimous vote by the Board, the motion was adopted.

c. Adopt Resolution to Approve Amendment of Adopted Draft FY-2011 and 2012 Unified Planning Work Program

Mayor Dickinson informed the officials that on March 24, 2010, SCRCOG adopted the *Draft Fiscal Year 2011 and 2012 Unified Planning Work Program*. Desiring to make programming adjustments to this *UPWP Draft*, the Council's Transportation Committee recommends approval of an amendment adding a *Transit Bus Ridership and Routing Study* requested by Wallingford to the first year of the program (2011) and moving Wallingford's *Traffic Signal Study* out to the second year of the study (2012).

A motion to adopt the *Resolution to approve the amendment of the adopted Draft Fiscal Year 2011 and 2012 Unified Planning Work Program* was offered by the Transportation Committee Chairman, Mayor Dickinson, and seconded by Mayor DeStefano. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM 5 – SCRCOG's Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Amento advised the board that his report (page 41 in the agenda packet) was available for reading. He requested the Chairman's permission to continue, in sequence, with agenda items 6, 7, and 8.

ITEM 6 – Proposed Amendments to SCRCOG By-laws

Executive Amento explained that *SCRCOG By-laws*, require proposed amendments be presented at one meeting and then acted upon at another. Executive Director Amento addressed three proposed types of changes to the *SCRCOG By-laws*.

(1) SCCOG By-Laws re Call of Meetings

Executive Director Amento explained that notices to regular meetings, as stated in the current *SCRCOG By-Laws*, are mailed "*ten days prior to the meeting date*" with the hope they are received seven days before. Noting that postage could be saved and more certainty as to the receipt date of notices by representatives could be ascertained, Executive Director Amento recommended the *By-laws* be amended to state that meeting notices be either hand delivered, faxed, or e-mailed "*seven days prior to a meeting date.*"

(2) SCRCOG By-Laws re Processing of Payroll Checks Issued by the Council

Payroll checks are currently signed by two people. Executive Director Amento recommended that the *SCRCOG By-Laws* be revised to allow electronic processing for the *direct deposit of weekly* payroll checks. This item was discussed in Executive Session and will be revisited at the next meeting.

(3) SCRCOG By-Laws re Annual Audit

Executive Director Amento reported that the financial audit report of SCRCOG's affairs is currently submitted by October. The auditor has requested an extension to November, noting that state law permits the audit to be completed by December. Since the December Board meeting is held early in the month and is a holiday party, it would not be prudent to extend the audit completion date to December. Executive Director Amento advised the board that this item would be taken up at the next meeting.

ITEM 7 – Approval of Resolution Authorizing Change in Employee Health Plan and Funding of Health Savings Accounts (HSAs)

Executive Director Amento announced that SCRCOG is changing the Anthem health insurance plan it currently offers their employees to an Aetna health plan having a high annual deductible—for single employees the deductible is \$2,200 and \$4,400 for married employees. The deductible will be funded with individual health savings accounts for the employees. Participant's co-payments for insurance premiums will increase from seven percent to ten percent and they will be required to manage their own health savings accounts. Employees will also have to contribute 10% of their health savings accounts. The new Aetna health plan will have co-pays of \$15/\$25/\$40 for prescription drugs, as opposed to the current plan co-pays of \$3/\$6. The new plan will also include a dental plan for the employees. Executive Director Amento noted that a survey of the other Regional Planning Organizations in the state indicated that they all offered dental plans to their employees.

To obtain a more favorable rate, Executive Director Amento announced that the changes will take effect June 1, 2010. SCRCOG will save approximately \$100,000 over the \$212,000 annual cost had it remained with Anthem Blue Cross and Blue Shield. Noting the prior approval of the new plan by the Executive Committee, Executive Director Amento requested the Board's permission to fund the employees' health insurance savings accounts at 90% out of this year's budget. SCRCOG's budget for next year includes funding of the HSAs for next year.

Upon a motion by Mayor DeStefano, and seconded by First Selectman DaRos, the Board unanimously voted to approve the *Resolution* authorizing the funding of SCRCOG Employee Health Savings Accounts by June 1, 2010.

ITEM 8 – Resolution re \$100 Million Sustainable Communities Planning Grant

Executive Director Amento explained that the federal government has announced a *Sustainable Communities Planning Grant* funded by \$100 million from HUD. The competitive grant is for regional planning from a comprehensive perspective involving transportation, economic development, environment, and housing. The grant is to be offered at two levels. Regions having populations over five hundred thousand may apply for grants of up to \$5 million, and regions with populations below 500,000 may apply for grants up to \$2 million. The SCRCOG region has a population of 560,000, and the grant encourages inter-regional cooperation. SCRCOG is currently investigating possible groupings of applicants along the I-95 corridor to Springfield and along the I-95 corridor to and including New York City and northern New Jersey. The SCRCOG's partners in this grant application will be determined by the Executive Committee. The official Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) is expected sometime in May, so that the application date could come up quickly.

Executive Director Amento reviewed the *Resolution*, which was recommended by the Executive Committee, that up to \$15,000 from SCRCOG's reserve account be used to hire a consultant to coordinate a joint or a combined grant application.

Upon the motion presented by First Selectman DaRos, and seconded by Mayor DeStefano, the Board unanimously voted to approve the *Resolution* authorizing the Executive Director to apply for a *Sustainable Communities Planning Grant*.

ITEM 9 – Adoption of SCRCOG Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Budget

Executive Director Amento advised the Board that a summary of SCRCOG's budget for fiscal year 2010-2011 was on page 48 in the agenda packet. SCRCOG will be receiving a \$25,000 reimbursement from Regional Growth Partnership for services we had provided. Executive Director Amento explained that operating expenses were reduced from \$863,000 to \$802,616, primarily through the change to a less expensive health insurance policy, liability insurance policy, and rent negotiations resulting in a reduced rental charge. The budget contains a "Reserve for Salary Adjustments" of \$31,316 which would be used, or not used, depending on the future determination of the Executive Committee.

A motion was offered by Mayor Jackson, seconded by First Selectman Mazza, to adopt the *SCRCOG Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Budget*, as presented. The motion passed with all in favor, except Mayor Dickinson who voted in opposition.

ITEM 10 – Regional Growth Partnership Report

RGP Executive Director, Ginny Kozlowski, announced that the monthly *Executive Director's Report for April 28, 2010* was in the agenda packet. This report outlines several initiatives RGP has been working on since the last meeting, including a more detailed "goals and objective document" about future plans and how to achieve them.

Ms. Kozlowski stated that on Friday, April 30 – 5:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M., *FOX 61* is going to present a live four-hour broadcast from Union Station in New Haven highlighting the assets of the region. The new Gateway Community College Project, 360 State Street Residential Project, and a number of other initiatives will be discussed. Ms. Kozlowski indicated that the *Today Show* recently offered RGP a segment, EATS and TWEETS, to air on May 6. This is a program RGP initiated using social media. Every Friday two people will win a free dinner and then will TWEET about it.

RGP's regional tourist publication, *Greater New Haven Visitors Guide* was distributed. Those who may have questions or comments were advised to contact Barbara Malmberg at RGP. Even in these hard economic time, Ms. Kozlowski added that RGP had sold two and half more pages of advertising this year over last year.

Mr. Kozlowski announced that RGP recently hired YORK & CHAPEL, a Milford-based ad agency with economic development experience. Ms. Kozlowski stated that at the next RGP's board meeting, May 14, a new name, logo, and campaign will be introduced.

ITEM 11 – DEMHS Region 2 Report

Mr. Roy Piper, DEMHS Region 2 Coordinator, reported that reminders of the quarterly Region 2 REPT Meeting, scheduled this Monday at 9:30 A.M. at the Guilford Fire Headquarter, were e-mailed yesterday. He recommended members designate a proxy if they are unable to attend.

Friday of last week, FEMA and the President authorized public assistance approval to Fairfield, Middlesex, and New London Counties. Based on the numbers, however, New Haven County was not included in the public assistance portion of the grant. FEMA personnel will be setting up a joint field office for that declaration in Wallingford. The location is to be announced.

Mr. Piper reported that kick-off meetings are being scheduled next week for public assistance. The President denied individual assistance to homeowners and small businesses for those in the four counties along the coastline and Windham County. The Governor of Connecticut is proposing to appeal that decision.

Mr. Piper made the following announcements:

- On **May 11, 2010** - *CCM Conference* in Cromwell.
- On **May 19, 2010** - *Senior Officials Workshop for All Hazards Preparedness* at the Guilford Fire Headquarters, 390 Church Street, Guilford, CT. This is an all-day workshop-- 9:30 A.M. to 3:30 P.M. The purpose is to provide a forum to discuss strategic and executive-level issues related to disaster preparedness, share proven strategies and best practice, and enhance coordination among officials responsible for emergency response to a disaster.

ITEM 12

A. Regional Planning Commission Action Table (no action)

April 2010 RPC Action Table is located on page 54 in the agenda packet.

B. Regional Cooperation / Other Business

(none)

ITEM 13 - Adjournment

Upon a motion made by Mayor Picard and seconded by First Selectman Mazza, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Anthony DaRos, SCRCOG Secretary
First Selectman of Branford

AD:MB/SCRCOG

BALANCE SHEET - April, 2010

ASSETS	
Cash and Investments	
Bank of America	27,757
Connecticut Short-Term Investment Fund - SCRCOG	423,284
STIF - Shoreline Greenways Trail	71,049
STIF - Economic Development Web Portal Development	44,205
Total Cash and Investments	566,295
Accounts Receivable	
Connecticut Department of Transportation	226,541
DEMHS - Homeland Security Planning	7,774
Safe Routes to School	14
Shoreline Greenways Trail - Federal Share	32,787
Amount for Accrued Leave	8,652
Pre-Paid Expense & Other Receivables	13,322
Total Accounts Receivable	289,091
Property and Equipment	
COG Equipment	122,503
Less, Accumulated Depreciation	-110,870
Total Property & Equipment	11,633
TOTAL ASSETS	867,019

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
Liabilities	
Deferred Revenue - Municipal	25,183
RPI Grant - Economic Development Web Portal	2,660
Shoreline Greenways Trail - Municipal Share - H075(1)	42,259
Shoreline Greenways Trail - Municipal Share - H103(1)	12,632
Total Current Liabilities	82,735
Fund Balance	
Fund Balance - July 1, 2009	794,585
Amount for Accrued Leave	8,652
Investment in Equipment	11,633
Fund Change	-30,586
Fund Balance - April 30, 2010	784,284
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	867,019

Statement of Resources and Expenditures - April, 2010

Resources	FY 10 Budget	Month of Apr, 2010	To Date
Municipal Contribution	151,100	12,592	125,917
ConnDOT - Transportation Planning			
U.S. Dept of Transportation	994,429	68,778	515,424
Transportation -- ConnDOT	122,556	11,399	64,428
Connecticut Office of Policy & Management			
RPI Grant - Econ. Dev. Web Portal	42,624	7,608	41,502
Emergency Response Planning			
DEMHS - FY 07 NHASH Grant	39,895	932	7,669
Shoreline Greenway Trails Planning Study			
U.S. Department of Transportation # H074	212,976	21,569	65,510
U.S. Department of Transportation # H103	70,992	4,610	20,464
Municipal Share	70,993	6,545	21,494
Interest	15,000	108	1,573
TOTAL	1,720,565	134,141	863,981

Expenses	FY 10 Budget	Month of Apr, 2010	To Date
Labor & Benefits	645,700		521,774
Salaries		46,367	331,073
Fringe Benefits		36,619	190,701
Print & Reproduction	2,900	0	1,452
Travel	14,300	368	3,816
Data Process	32,700	241	8,093
General Operations	167,400		124,873
Rent	99,100	16,427	90,743
Postage & Telephone	8,500	653	3,836
Office Supplies	4,100	82	1,799
Equipment Maintenance	18,400	819	6,837
Publications	900	0	635
Insurance	13,100	0	12,100
Professional Services	14,200	0	3,505
Meeting Expenses & Advertising	8,800	712	5,197
Miscellaneous & Equipment Use	300	28	220
Consultant	404,500	23,969	95,092
Capital Purchase	1,000	0	0
NHASH Grant	39,895	0	5,745
RPI Grant - Web Portal	42,624	5,920	33,693
Shoreline Greenway Trail	354,961	31,479	100,031
Contingencies	14,585	0	0
TOTAL	1,720,565	163,684	894,569

South Central Regional Council of Governments
2010-2013 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
Amendment Number 6

- Project** **0059-0158** **2010-A2-1** **Guilford Pavement Preservation**
- Changes** Amendment 6 increases ARRA funding by \$85,000 and removes local funding
- Reason** This action is necessary based on low bid. A portion of unexpended ARRA funds will be used.
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- Project** **0092-0532** **1999-002** **I-95: Quinnipiac River Bridge Construction B**
- Changes** Amendment 6 will increase FFY2010 Bridge System funds (BRXZ) from \$65 million to \$95 million. And decrease FFY2011 Bridge System funds (BRXZ) from \$125 million to \$67 million
- Reason** Adjustments to the phase financing in FY10 & 11 are based on projected expenditures and fiscal constraint, the overall project cost has not changed. Adjustments to FY12-13 and FYI will be made as we approach those years.
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- Project** **0171-0350** **2010-A6-1** **Epoxy Pavement Markings on Interstate Routes**
- Changes** Amendment 6 introduces a new ARRA funded project
- Reason** This action is necessary to reobligated unexpended ARRA funding balances from FY10 pavement markings program - prior to the 9/30/2010 deadline

**South Central Regional Council of Governments
FFY2010-FFY2013 Transportation Improvement Program
Amendment Number 6**

State Project 0059-0158

SCRCOG #2010-A2_1

Municipality Guilford

Proposed

Project Name Guilford Pavement Preservation

Description Pavement Preservation of Stepstone Hill Rd from Rte 77 to Valley Shores Rd with an Approximate project length of 4,200 ft.

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>	<i>Prior</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2012</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>FYI</i>
STPRR	CON	Federal	550				
		Local	3				
Total Cost	\$553		553	0	0	0	0

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>	<i>Prior</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2012</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>FYI</i>
STPRR	CON	Federal	635				
TIP Funds	\$635		635	0	0	0	0

Amendment Notes

FY10 Amendment 2 introduces new Project. FY10 TIP increases ARRA funds \$85K removes local \$\$

South Central Regional Council of Governments
FFY2010-FFY2013 Transportation Improvement Program
Amendment Number 6

State Project 0092-0532

SCRCOG #1999-002

Municipality New Haven

Proposed

Project Name I-95: Quinnipiac River Bridge Construction B

Description Construct a new 10-lane bridge across New Haven Harbor between Route 34/I-91 interchange and Stiles Street

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>	<i>Prior</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2012</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>FYI</i>	
117	CON	Federal	1,968					
BRXZ	AC-Entry		0					
		Federal	56,367	108,393	54,854	58,734	143,648	
		State	8,423	16,197	8,197	8,776	21,465	
HPP		Federal	9,920					
		State	2,480					
IBR		Federal	255					
TI		Federal	42,735					
		State	6,386					
Total Cost	\$548,798		63,744	64,790	124,590	63,051	67,510	165,113

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>	<i>Prior</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2012</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>FYI</i>	
117	CON	Federal	1,968					
BRXZ	AC-Entry		0					
		Federal	82,740	58,290	54,854	58,734	143,648	
		State	12,363	8,710	8,197	8,776	21,465	
HPP		Federal	9,920					
		State	2,480					
IBR		Federal	255					
TI		Federal	42,735					
		State	6,386					
TIP Funds	\$521,521		63,744	95,103	67,000	63,051	67,510	165,113

Amendment Notes

FY07TIP Amendment 1 accurately displayed Q Bridge project FY07 TIP Amendment 4 moves 52.7M from FFY 05,06 into FFY07. FY07 TIP Amend 5 moves IMD & SEC117 Funds From FY05 TIP into FY07 TIP. FY07 TIP Amend 9 reduces funds as 92-613, 92-617 are added to TIP as breakout projects. The project cost is decreased FY07 TIP Amend 11 redistributes funds as breakout Projects # 092-618 is added to the TIP Project cost is increased. FY07 TIP Amend 14 NCIIP funds moved to #92-618. FY07 TIP Amend 23 shifts all unobligated funds from FFY08 to FFY09 as project is ADV 2/4/09. Bridge funds increased by \$60M for FFY10. Project moved into FY10 TIP FY10 TIP Amend 6 increases FFY10 funds & Decreases FFY11 Funds

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FFY2010-FFY2013 Transportation Improvement Program
Amendment Number 6

State Project 0171-0350

SCRCOG #2010-A6-1

Municipality District 1

Proposed

Project Name Epoxy Pavement Markings on Interstate Routes

Description Project is for installation of epoxy markings on interstate routes

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>	<i>Prior</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2012</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>FYI</i>
RR	CON	Federal	0				
Total Cost	\$0		0	0	0	0	0

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>	<i>Prior</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2012</i>	<i>2013</i>	<i>FYI</i>
RR	CON	Federal	263				
TIP Funds	\$263		0	263	0	0	0

Amendment Notes

FY10 TIP Amend 6 introduces new project



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Carl Amento Executive Director

Resolution

Fiscal Year 2010-Fiscal Year 2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Six

- Whereas:* U.S. Department of Transportation “Metropolitan Planning Regulations” (23 *CFR* 450) prescribe that each metropolitan planning organization maintain a financially constrained multi-modal transportation improvement program consistent with a *State Implementation Plan for Air Quality (SIP)* conforming to both U.S. Environmental Protection Administration-established air quality guidelines and *SIP*-established mobile source emissions budgets; and
- Whereas:* The Council, per 23 *CFR* 450.324 and in cooperation with the Connecticut Department of Transportation (ConnDOT) and public transit operators and relying upon financial constraints offered by ConnDOT, adopted a *Fiscal Year 2010-Fiscal Year 2013 Transportation Improvement Program* on October 28, 2009, after finding the *Program* conforming per U.S. Environmental Protection Administration (U.S. EPA) final conformity rule (40 *CFR* 51 and 93) and relevant Connecticut Department of Transportation air quality conformity determinations: *Air Quality Conformity Reports: Fiscal Year 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program* and the Region’s *Long-Range Transportation Plans, May, 2007*); and
- Whereas:* The Council, on October 28, 2009, indicated that periodic *Program* adjustment or amendment was possible; and
- Whereas:* Projects referenced in the *Program* amendment (below) are consistent with the region’s long-range transportation plan (*South Central Regional Long Range Transportation Plan—2007 to 2035, (May, 2007)*); and
- Whereas:* Council *Public Participation Guidelines: Transportation Planning* have been observed during the development of the proposed *Program* amendment (below); and
- Whereas:* By agreement between the Council and the Connecticut Department of Transportation, public involvement activities carried out by the South Central Regional Council of Governments in response to U.S. Department of Transportation metropolitan planning requirements are intended to satisfy the requirements associated with development of a *Statewide Transportation Improvement Program* and/or its amendment; and
- Whereas:* Council of Governments’ review of transportation goals, projects and opportunities may result in further adjustment or amendment of the *Program*.



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SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl Amento Executive Director

Resolution

Fiscal Year 2010-Fiscal Year 2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Six (Continued)

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved By the Council of Governments

The *Program Amendment Six* shall be transmitted to the Connecticut Department of Transportation, for inclusion in the *State Transportation Improvement Program*

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the South Central Regional Council of Governments certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the South Central Regional Council of Governments on **May 26, 2010**.

Date: May 26, 2010

Anthony DaRos
Secretary



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SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
Draft Minutes Transportation Committee May 12, 2010

Transportation Committee members

Wallingford, Mayor William Dickinson, Chair
 North Haven, First Selectman Michael Freda.
 Branford, Janice Plaziak proxy for First Selectman
 Anthony DaRos
 Hamden, Bob Brinton Proxy for Mayor Scott Jackson
 New Haven, Mike Piscitelli proxy for Mayor John
 DeStefano

Transportation Technical Committee

East Haven, James Staunton
 Guilford, Jim Portley
 Meriden, Pierre Blanchet
 New Haven, Dick Miller
 North Branford, Kurt Weiss
 North Haven, John Bodwell
 Wallingford, John Thompson
 West Haven, Abdul Quadir

Guests

Jean Stimolo, Rideworks
 Karen Gilvarg, New Haven
 Lori Richards, GNHTD
 Vic Marques, CTTRANSIT
 Lou Mangini, Congresswoman DeLauro's Office

Anstress Farwell, New Haven Urban League
 Gene Festa
 Tokunbo Anifalaje
SCRCOG
 Carl Amento, James Rode, Stephen Dudley,

Mayor Dickinson began the meeting at 12:08 PM.

Item #1

Minutes of the April 14, 2010 meeting were unanimously adopted on a motion by J. Portley/ J. Plaziak.

Item #2

FY2010 –FY2013 TIP Amendment 6 included #0059-0158 *Guilford Pavement Preservation*. Amendment 6 increased ARRA funding by \$85,000 based on the low bid. Adjustments to the phase financing for # 0092-0532 *I-95: Quinnipiac River Bridge Construction B* in FY10 & 11 were made based on projected expenditures and fiscal constraint. And a new project # 0171-0350 *Epoxy Pavement Markings on Interstate Routes* was added to reobligated unexpended ARRA funding balances from FY10 pavement markings program. J. Portley made the motion to approve FY10 TIP Amendment 5, P. Blanchett seconded motion was approved.

Item #3

J. Rode presented the status on current urban projects included in the agenda package. Those present provided additional information on the progress of their individual projects. S Dudley provided a handout and gave an update on the status of the ARRA funded projects. It is anticipated that all projects can be completed with available funding and that any surplus funding can be used for the pavement project in North Haven. There follow some discussion of the Pavement Preservation Projects. A full update on both the ARRA and STP-Urban project priorities will be presented next month.

Item #4

C. Amento spoke about a meeting that was held to update the region on the New Haven Hartford Springfield High Speed Rail project. ConnDOT intends to meet with municipal officials from town along the route and a public meeting will be held in the region. A handout from the meeting was made available.

Item #6

J. Plaziak made a motion to adjourn meeting, J. Portley seconded. The meeting adjourned at 1:00 PM.



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SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl J. Amento, Executive Director

INCUMBENCY CERTIFICATE

The undersigned, **James Zeoli**, hereby certifies that the undersigned is the duly appointed, qualified, and acting **Chairman of the South Central Regional Council of Governments**, a Connecticut Regional Planning Organization; and that as such Chairman, the undersigned is familiar with its officers.

The undersigned further certifies that the person named below now holds the respective office, set out to the right of their name, and that he has held the office since the corresponding and respective date.

NAME	TITLE	DATE
Carl J. Amento	Executive Director	January 27, 2010

Dated at North Haven, Connecticut, this 26th day of May, 2010.

*James Zeoli, SCRCOG Chairman
First Selectman of Orange*

The undersigned, **Anthony DaRos**, hereby certifies that the undersigned is the duly appointed, qualified, and acting **Secretary of the South Central Regional Council of Governments**, a Connecticut Regional Planning Organization; and that as such Secretary, the undersigned is familiar with its officers.

The undersigned further certifies that the aforementioned **Carl Amento** is the duly appointed, qualified, and acting **Executive Director of the South Central Regional Council of Governments**, a Connecticut Regional Planning Organization, and that *Carl Amento* now holds that office and has held that office since January 27, 2010.

Dated at North Haven, Connecticut, this 26th day of May, 2010.

*Anthony DaRos, SCRCOG Secretary
First Selectman of Branford*

Carl Amento

Executive Director Report

May 26, 2010

1. Sustainable Communities Planning Grant

Planning Consultant Philip Michalowski of Milone & MacBroom, Inc. was engaged by SCRCOG to assist us with an application for the federal Sustainable Communities Planning Grant. Mr. Michalowski and I have been attending weekly meetings of the Tri-State Metropolitan Sustainable Communities Initiative consisting of representatives from the New York-New Jersey-Connecticut Metropolitan region.

The Hartford –Springfield team has been preparing application materials, but has not yet begun to meet. We are monitoring the materials they are generating. The Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) has been delayed further and may not be issued until June.

We will continue to participate in the preparations being made by both application teams.

When a decision needs to be made as to which application or applications SCRCOG should join, the advice of the Executive Committee will be sought.

2. Appointment to Tweed-New Haven Airport Authority

SCRCOG has a vacancy to fill in one of its appointments to the Airport Authority as of July 1st. Filling the vacancy can be accomplished this month or next month. Until recently, SCRCOG had three appointments to the 15-member Authority. Public Act 09-7 amended the Tweed enabling statute to reflect the memorandum of Agreement signed by the Mayors of New Haven and East Haven and the Authority. The new law reduces the number of SCRCOG appointments from three to two members. The SCRCOG appointees must reside in any of the cities and towns in the region except New Haven and East Haven: SCRCOG's recent appointees on the Authority were: Thomas Scarpati of Madison whose term does not expire until 6/30/11; Sal Catardi of Guilford who sadly passed away on 4/28/10; and Diane Wishnafski of Wallingford whose term expires on 6/30/10 and who does not wish to serve again. Thomas Scarpati will continue to serve his unexpired term, and SCRCOG needs to fill Diane Wishnafski's position as of 7/1/10

3. Proposed change to employees health insurance plan

SCRCOG is preparing for a changeover to the new benefit structure on June 1st. The new plan will replace the current Anthem Century Preferred Plan with a high-deductible Aetna plan. The employee contribution has been increased from 7 to 10%. The deductibles of \$2200 for an individual and \$4400 for a couple or family will be funded at 90% by SCRCOG and 10% by employees with the funds deposited in Health Savings Accounts (HSA). We are adding a Dental Insurance Plan for the employees. The savings to SCRCOG amount to over \$90,000 as against next year's projected costs. Longevity pay will be discontinued in the future, except for the two employees currently receiving it. We are proposing direct deposit of employees' paychecks beginning in July.

4. Fit out of SCRCOG offices to accommodate 4 RGP employees to be completed by July 1st

SCRCOG's landlord will be framing three new enclosed offices in our current rental space. The three new offices plus the small conference room will be occupied by RGP staff by July 1st. The fit out of the offices will be performed without cost to SCRCOG. We negotiated a reduced overall rent for our office space when our lease renews in December of 2010.

5. Graduate student summer intern starts work on June 1st

Christopher Rappa of Ansonia, a graduate student in Geography at UConn, will begin work at SCRCOG as a summer intern on June 1st. Chris graduated from UConn with a joint B.A./B.S. degree in Business Administration and Geography with a 3.99 grade point average in 2009. Chris has experience with ArcGIS and TRANSCAD software and will assist us with mapping and archiving projects. Chris will work on an unpaid basis in June and will be paid a modest amount for his work in July and August.

Proposed Amendments To SCRCOG By-Laws

Amendments to the SCRCOG By-Laws are governed by Article XIII of the By-laws which reads:

“These *By-Laws* may be amended by a vote of a majority of the representatives of the members of the Council at any regular or special meeting of the Council. Any proposed amendment to these *By-Laws* shall first be submitted to any regular or special meeting of the Council for preliminary consideration and only then, if preliminarily approved, placed on the agenda of the next succeeding regular or special meeting of the Council for formal adoption. Notice of any amendment shall be sent to all representatives of the Council.”

(1) Proposed Amendment to Article VI. *Representation and Meetings, Section B. 4*

The section currently reads:

“***Call of Meeting.*** Each representative shall be sent notices of regular meetings in writing, postmarked at least ten (10) days before the meeting date. The notices shall include the place and time of the meeting and an agenda for the meeting. Only items included in the agenda shall be acted upon at such meeting other than routine ministerial and administrative matters, except by the unanimous approval of all representatives present and constituting a quorum. Notices of special meetings shall be sent in writing postmarked at least five (5) days before the meeting date provided that notice may be supplemented by fax and, in that case, the effective date of notification shall be considered the date of successful electronic transmission.”

Proposed new section:

“***Call of meeting.*** Each representative shall be sent notices of regular meetings in writing by **hand-delivery, or by electronic or facsimile transmission, to be received by the representative at least seven (7) days before the meeting date.** The notices shall include the place and time of the meeting and an agenda for the meeting. Only items included in the agenda shall be acted upon at such meeting other than routine ministerial and administrative matters, except by the unanimous approval of all representatives present and constituting a quorum. Notices of special meetings shall be sent in writing **by hand-delivery, or by electronic or facsimile transmission, to be received by the representative at least three (3) days before the meeting date.**”

Reason for Proposed Amendment: Amended provision will save on mailing costs and provide more certainty as to when notices are actually received.

(2) Proposed Amendment to Article VII. *Officers, Section B*

The section currently reads:

“***Election of Officers.*** A Nominating Committee of three (3) members shall be appointed by the Council at the November meeting of the Council and shall serve until a succeeding Nominating Committee is appointed. The Nominating Committee shall mail to the members of the Council, at least ten (10) days prior to the annual meeting, its proposed slate of officers and members of the Executive Committee. The slate of officers and Executive Committee members shall be elected by a two-thirds (2/3) majority vote of those present.”

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Reason for Proposed Amendment: Amended provision will save on mailing costs and provide more certainty as to when notices are actually received.

(3) Proposed Amendment to Article VII. Executive Committee, second paragraph

The section currently reads:

“The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the Chairman(woman) provided there shall be ten (10) days written notice of a meeting and shall have such powers and duties as are granted to it by the Council.”

Proposed new section:

“The Executive Committee shall meet at the call of the Chairman(woman) provided there shall be written notice of a **meeting sent by hand-delivery, or by electronic or facsimile transmission, to be received by the members at least seven (7) days before the meeting** and shall have such powers and duties as are granted to it by the Council. “

Reason for Proposed Amendment: Amended provision will save on mailing costs and provide more certainty as to when notices are actually received.

(4) Proposed Amendment to Article VII. Executive Committee, Section A

The section currently reads:

“The Executive Committee shall supervise the annual audit of the books of the Council and employ auditors approved by the State Office of Policy and Management in connection therewith. The annual audit shall be made available for Executive Committee review no later than the second Wednesday in September following the end of the fiscal year and shall be reviewed for acceptance by a majority of the Executive Committee at the first Executive Committee meeting following receipt of the audit.”

Proposed new section:

“The Executive Committee shall supervise the annual audit of the books of the Council and employ auditors approved by the State Office of Policy and Management in connection therewith. The annual audit shall be made available for Executive Committee review no later than the second Wednesday in **December** following the end of the fiscal year and shall be reviewed for acceptance by a majority of the Executive Committee at the first Executive Committee meeting following receipt of the audit.”

Reason for Proposed Amendment: The auditor has pointed out that the second Wednesday in December is what the statutes provide, and he has requested this change.

(5) Proposed Amendment to Article IX. Executive Director, Section C (5)

The section currently reads:

“The Executive Director shall countersign with the Treasurer, or other designated officers, all checks issued by the Council. The Executive Director shall prepare and administer a system of internal control over all cash disbursements that is consistent with appropriate state and/or federal guidelines.”

Proposed new section:

“The Executive Director shall countersign with the Treasurer, or other designated officers, all checks issued by the Council, **except that payroll checks may be processed electronically for direct deposit.** The Executive Director shall prepare and administer a system of internal control over all cash disbursements that is consistent with appropriate state and/or federal guidelines.”

Reason for Proposed Amendment: Amendment will allow for the electronic processing of payroll checks for direct deposit.

(6) Proposed Amendment to Article X. Regional Planning Commission, Section J

The section currently reads:

Call of Meeting. Each representative shall be sent notices of regular meetings in writing, postmarked at least ten (10) days before the meeting date. The notices shall include the place and time of the meetings and an agenda for the meeting. Notices of each meeting shall also be sent to representatives to the Council. All items included in the agenda shall be acted upon at such meeting other than routine ministerial and administrative matters, except by the unanimous approval of all representatives present and constituting a quorum. Notices of special meetings shall be sent in writing postmarked at least five (5) days before the meeting date provided that notice may be supplemented by fax, and in that case, the effective date of notification shall be considered the date of electronic notice. “

Proposed new section:

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Reason for Proposed Amendment: Amended provision will save on mailing costs and provide more certainty as to when notices are actually received.

(7) Proposed Amendment to Article XI. Fiscal Management, Section D, second paragraph

The section currently reads:

“Each check shall be signed by the Executive Director and countersigned by the Treasurer. In the absence of the Executive Director or Treasurer, or in the event of their inability to sign, checks may be signed or countersigned by the Chairman or Vice Chairman or an alternate member appointed by the Council. Facsimile signatures of the Executive Director or Treasurer may be used to sign and countersign checks, subject to policies approved by the Executive Committee.”

Proposed new section:

“Each check shall be signed by the Executive Director and countersigned by the Treasurer, **except that payroll checks may be processed electronically for direct deposit..** In the absence of the Executive Director or Treasurer, or in the event of their inability to sign, checks may be signed or countersigned by the Chairman or Vice Chairman or an alternate member appointed by the Council. Facsimile signatures of the Executive Director or Treasurer may be used to sign and countersign checks, subject to policies approved by the Executive Committee.”

Reason for Proposed Amendment: Amendment will allow for the electronic processing of payroll checks for direct deposit.

(8) Proposed Amendment to Article XI. Fiscal Management, Section G.

The section currently reads:

“**Annual Audit.** In accordance with Article VIII, Section B and under the direction of the Executive Committee, the Council shall contract with an independent certified public accountant to prepare a complete financial audit of its affairs under the provisions of the “Municipal Auditing Act” of the Connecticut *General Statutes*, as amended, and the U.S. Office of Management and Budget’s Circular A-128 or its successor. Such audit shall be received by the Executive Committee not later than the second Wednesday in September following the close of the previous fiscal year and reviewed for acceptance by the Executive Committee at the first Executive Committee meeting following receipt of the audit and, upon acceptance, shared with representatives.”

Proposed new section:

“**Annual Audit.** In accordance with Article VIII, Section B and under the direction of the Executive Committee, the Council shall contract with an independent certified public accountant to prepare a complete financial audit of its affairs under the provisions of the “Municipal Auditing Act” of the Connecticut *General Statutes*, as amended, and the U.S. Office of Management and Budget’s Circular A-128 or its successor. Such audit shall be received by the Executive Committee not later than the second Wednesday in **December** following the close of the previous fiscal year and reviewed for acceptance by the Executive Committee at the first Executive Committee meeting following receipt of the audit and, upon acceptance, shared with representatives.”

Reason for Proposed Amendment: The auditor has pointed out that the second Wednesday in December is what the statutes provide, and he has requested this change.

Regional Growth Partnership
Executive Director's Report – May 13, 2010
Ginny Kozlowski

Brownfield Projects

- RLF EPA extension required to complete the Goodrich/Daisy Street remediation prior to 9/30.
- LPL Properties commenced the Petroleum Assessment Phase I - Meriden
- 195 Front Street – Fereshteh Bekhrad's 195 Front Street project meets EPA qualifications, Bekhrad's needs to submitted completed application to move project forward.
- Preparation of the Quarterly Reports for EPA
- 400 Goodrich Street/Daisy Street is 3 weeks ahead of schedule – EPA completed their clean-up on April 9. The Phase I, Phase II, Phase III and RAP will be completed by June 15 by FSS. The anticipated start date of the remediation is July 1.

Business Development

- Selected York & Chapel as the Marketing Agency for RGP
- Followed up with Ned Moore, DECD
 - Meeting with Peter Simmons, 6/2
- The Strategic Planning Committee met on March 31 and April 29 to coordinate the Economic Development District Designation/Annual Update of the CEDS

Marketing

- SCRCOG/RGP Web Site Review
 - Received revised website from Perry & Banks – 4/26/2010
- Attended National Association of Sports Commission
- Attended the Discover New England Tourism Summit
- Coordinated with **Fox61** to air their 4 hour morning show on April 30 from Union Station, segments included 360 State Street, Gateway Community College, Peabody Museum and other highlights about the region
- **NBC Today Show** will include RGP's Eats and Tweets promotion on 5/14
- Completed Visitor Guide Production
- To maintain market share, distributing weekly consumer topical e-blasts, refreshing visitNewHaven website and updating social media daily
- Brought co-op opportunity through a partnership with Connecticut Magazine
- Distributed 7 hotel leads for 584 rooms
 - Events being held in West Haven, Guilford, Hamden, Madison, North Branford, East Shore, New Haven

Legislative Update

- House Bill 5208 - An Act Concerning Expedited Permitting For Economic Development –passed
- House Bill 5483 - An Act Concerning A Regional Hotel Tax – passed the house, not heard by the senate
- House Bill 5383 – An Act Concerning Regional Economic Development - passed
- State Funding for Tweed Airport was not reduced

Revenue Opportunities

- Renewed service agreement with Central Regional Tourism District in the amount of \$80,000 for fiscal year 2011

Action Items

- Strategic Planning Committee Meeting – May 21, 2010
- Continue meetings with regional stakeholders and constituents
- Sustainability Grant Collaboration Submission with SCRCOG



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SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl J. Amento, Executive Director

RESOLUTION

**Support for the Regional Growth Partnership's Application
For an Economic Development District Designation**

WHEREAS: The Regional Growth Partnership is applying for the designation of our region as an Economic Development District;

WHEREAS: Such designation will allow the region to access state and federal funding to successfully execute the economic development programs identified in the South Central Region's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS);

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the South Central Regional Council of Governments that:
The South Central Regional Council of Governments hereby expresses its support for the Regional Growth Partnership's application for an Economic Development District Designation.

Certificate:

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the South Central Regional Council of Governments certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Executive Committee of the South Central Regional Council of Governments on May 26, 2010.

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SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl J. Amento, Executive Director

RESOLUTION

Support for the City of West Haven's Application for a Federal Economic Development Administration Grant to replace a bulkhead along the West River Area of New Haven Harbor

WHEREAS: The City of West Haven is applying for a grant from the Federal Economic Development Administration to replace a bulkhead along the West River Area of New Haven Harbor;

WHEREAS: Replacement of the bulkhead will make 15 to 20 acres of prime waterfront property ready for redevelopment for attractive commercial, retail, and recreational uses;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the South Central Regional Council of Governments that:

The South Central Regional Council of Governments hereby expresses its support for the City of West Haven's application for a federal Economic Development Administration Grant to replace a bulkhead along the West River Area of New Haven Harbor.

Certificate:

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May 2010 Regional Planning Commission (RPC) Action Table				
Ref. #	Received	Description	Adjacent RPC Towns	Abridged RPC Action
2.1	4/26/2010	Town of Branford: Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection Open Space Grant Application for the acquisition of 99 Laurel Hill Rd.	East Haven Guilford North Branford	By resolution, the RPC has determined that the application for the acquisition of 99 Laurel Hill Rd is consistent with and meets the important goals of the Regional Plan of Conservation and Development of maintaining comprehensive sustainable local habitat and ecosystems, expanding existing preserved open space and protecting the water quality of the State's lakes, rivers and coastal waters. In addition, the preservation of the property will contribute to the development of existing regional trails.
2.2	4/27/2010	City of Meriden: Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection Open Space Grant Application for the acquisition of 628 Finch Ave.	Wallingford	By resolution, the RPC has determined that the application for the acquisition of 628 Finch Ave, a 2.54 acre parcel is consistent with and meets important goals of Regional Plan of Conservation and Development of providing connections between protected open space and enhancing regional trails. In addition, the preservation of site will contribute to the protection of environmentally sensitive lands and waterways.
2.3	4/20/2010	Town of Madison: Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection Open Space Grant Application for the acquisition of the Griswold Airport Property	Guilford	By resolution, the RPC has determined that the application for the acquisition of the Griswold Airport Property is consistent with and meets important goals of the Regional Plan of Conservation and Development of maintaining comprehensive sustainable local habitats and ecosystems, protecting and preserving environmentally sensitive lands and the water quality of the Long Island Sound and creating connections between existing open spaces.
2.4	4/20/2010	Town of Madison: Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection Open Space Grant Application for the acquisition of 80 acres of land at the northeast corner of Route 80 and Summer Hill Rd.	Guilford	By resolution, the RPC has determined that the application for the acquisition of approximately 80 acres of land at the northeast corner of Route 80 and Summer Hill Road is consistent with and meets important goals of the Regional Plan of Conservation and Development of maintaining comprehensive sustainable local habitats and ecosystems and enhancing connectivity between protected open spaces.

2.5	4/12/2010	Town of Orange: Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendment to permit an Affordable Single Family Design District	Milford West Haven Woodbridge	<p>By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments may cause negative inter-municipal impacts due to the potential scale of the development. The proposed text limits the authority of the Orange Planning and Zoning Commission to deny the application even if the proposal would have adverse inter-municipal impacts.</p> <p>In addition, the procedural provisions which authorize the change of zone without a public hearing may be in violation of the Connecticut General Statutes. The proposed regulations state that a public hearing is optional for future zone changes which may not provide the Regional Planning Commission an opportunity to review potential developments that can occur within 500' of a municipality in the South Central Region. There may be potential impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound if development occurs on wetlands which drain into waterways that are tributary to Long Island Sound.</p>
2.6	4/12/2010	Town of Orange: Proposed Zoning Map Amendment for an Affordable Single Family Design District	Milford West Haven Woodbridge	<p>By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed Zoning Map Amendment for an Affordable Single Family Design District accompanied by a conceptual site plan may cause negative inter-municipal impacts due to the potential scale of development and lack of requirements for environmental and traffic studies prior to approval. The proposed site has no sewer service and contains inland-wetlands, which may not be suitable for large scale development. There may be potential impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound if development occurs near inland-wetlands which drain into waterways that are tributary to Long Island Sound. In addition, see comments regarding proposed Affordable Single Family Design District.</p>
2.7	4/14/2010	Town of Bethany: Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments to Bethany's Flood Plain Management Regulations	Hamden Woodbridge	<p>By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments do not appear to cause any negative inter-municipal impacts to the Towns of the South Central Region nor do there appear to be any negative impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound.</p>
2.8	5/4/2010	Town of Woodbridge: Proposed Zoning Regulation Revisions to the Flood Hazard Area Regulations	Bethany Hamden New Haven Orange West Haven	<p>By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments do not appear to cause any negative inter-municipal impacts to the Towns of the South Central Region nor do there appear to be any negative impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound.</p>
2.9	5/4/2010	Town of Woodbridge: Proposed Zoning Regulation Revisions to the Sign and Artificial Lighting Regulations	Bethany Hamden New Haven Orange West Haven	<p>By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments do not appear to cause any negative inter-municipal impacts to the Towns of the South Central Region nor do there appear to be any negative impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound.</p>

<p>2.10</p>	<p>4/26/2010</p>	<p>City of Shelton: Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments to Section- 49 Distributed Wind Energy Facilities</p>	<p>Milford Orange</p>	<p>By resolution, the RPC supports regulations which encourage the use of wind energy; however, the proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments may cause negative inter-municipal impacts due to insufficient setback requirements from public ways and overhead utility lines, which may create safety hazards. In addition the minimum setback requirements may be subject to a 50% reduction. There do not appear to be any negative impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound.</p>
<p>2.11</p>	<p>4/28/2010</p>	<p>Town of Durham: Proposed Zoning Amendments to the Home Occupation Zoning Regulations</p>	<p>Guilford Madison North Branford Wallingford</p>	<p>By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments do not appear to cause any negative inter-municipal impacts to the Towns of the South Central Region nor do there appear to be any negative impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound.</p>
<p>2.12</p>	<p>5/6/2010</p>	<p>Town of Clinton: Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments to the Incentive Housing Zone Regulations</p>	<p>Madison</p>	<p>By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments do not appear to cause any negative inter-municipal impacts to the Towns of the South Central Region nor do there appear to be any negative impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound.</p>