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SCRCOG SPECIAL MEETING NOTICE & AGENDA

February 26, 2020 – 9:00 A.M.

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

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1. Call to Order and Introductions – *First Selectwoman Beth Heller, Chair*
2. Adoption of 1/22/20 SCRCOG Meeting Minutes – *First Selectman Matthew Hoey, Secretary* Pages 2-4
3. Treasurer’s Report for month ending 1/31/20 – *First Selectman James Zeoli, Treasurer* Pages 5, 6
4. Transportation Committee Report – *Mayor William Dickinson, Committee Chair* Pages 7-19
 - a) Adopt Resolution to Approve FY 2018-2021 TIP Amendment Twenty Pages 9,10
 - b) Adopt Resolution to endorse targets for safety performance measures as established by CTDOT Pages 11,19
5. Adoption of Affirmative Action Policy Resolution (annual renewal) Pages 20-22
6. Approval of Annual SCRCOG Self-Certification Pages 23,24
7. REX Development Report – *Ginny Kozlowski, Executive Director, REX Development* Pages 25,26
8. DESPP/DEMHS Report – *Jacob Manke, Region 2 Coordinator*
9. Regional Planning Commission February Action Tables Pages 27
10. Adjournment

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TO: **SCRCOG Board Members**
FROM: **First Selectman Beth Heller, Chair and Acting Secretary**
DATE: **February 19, 2020**
SUBJECT: **SCRCOG Meeting Minutes of January 22, 2020**

Present:

Bethany	First Selectman Paula Cofrancesco
Branford	First Selectman James Cosgrove
East Haven	Mayor Joseph Carfora
Hamden	Walter Morton, <i>proxy for Mayor Curt Leng</i>
Madison	First Selectman Peggy Lyons
Milford	Julie Nash, <i>proxy for Mayor Benjamin Blake</i>
New Haven	Mayor Justin Elicker
North Branford	Michael Paulhus, <i>proxy for Mayor Bob Viglione</i>
North Haven	First Selectman Michael Freda, Vice Chair
Orange	First Selectman James Zeoli, Treasurer
West Haven	Louis Esposito, <i>proxy for Mayor Nancy Rossi</i>
Woodbridge	First Selectman Beth Heller, Chair

SCRCOG Staff Carl Amento, Stephen Dudley, James Rode, Eugene Livshits, Christopher Rappa, Rebecca Andreucci, Adriano Cirioli, Chidi Nwuneli

Guests: Miriam Brody, *Hamden-North Haven League of Women Voters*; Mary Bigelow, *Greater New Haven Transit District*; Lori Vitagliano, *Regional Water Authority*; Ginny Kozlowski and Barbara Malmberg, *REX Development*; Kevin Alvarez, *City of New Haven*; Richard LoPresti, *Town of North Haven*; Louis Mangini, *Office of U.S. Representative Rosa DeLauro*; David Tusio, *Office of U.S. Senator Christopher Murphy*; Ellen Graham, *Office of U.S. Senator Richard Blumenthal*; Nan Birdwhistell, *Murtha Cullina Law Firm*; William Villano, *Workforce Alliance*; Jacob Manke, *DEMHS*; Michael Muszynski, *Connecticut Conference of Municipalities*; Anne Benowitz, *Greater New Haven Chamber of Commerce*; Mark Zaretsky, *New Haven Register*.

1. Call to order and Introductions

Acting Chair Heller called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m. All present introduced themselves.

2. Approval of November 20, 2019 SCRCOG Meeting minutes

First Selectman Freda presented the Minutes of the SCRCOG Meeting of November 20, 2019, which were included in the agenda packet at pages 2-4. First Selectman Cosgrove moved for their approval. First Selectman Cofrancesco seconded the motion, with all voting in favor.

3. Treasurer's Report for Month Ending December 31, 2019

First Selectman Freda presented the Treasurer's Report for the month ending December 31, 2019, which was included in the agenda packet at pages 5-6. The Balance Sheet shows that SCRCOG has total assets of \$1,386,000 with \$1,229,000 of that in cash and investments. There is also \$95,000 due from CTDOT. Expenses for the month were in order. First Selectman Zeoli moved for acceptance of the Treasurer's Report. First Selectman Cofrancesco seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

4. Transportation Committee Report

First Selectman Cosgrove presented the Transportation Committee Report, found on pages 7-10 of the agenda packet. Resolutions were found on pages 9 and 10 of the agenda packet.

Adopt Resolution Approving Amendment 19:

First Selectman Freda moved for adoption. First Selectman Cofrancesco seconded. All were in favor.

5. Nominating Committee Report for Calendar Year 2020 Officers and Committees

First Selectman Freda reported for the Nominating Committee, which also included First Selectman Cosgrove and Mayor Blake. The proposed slate of officers is: Chair: First Selectman Heller; Vice-Chair: First Selectman Freda; Secretary: First Selectman Hoey, and; Treasurer: First Selectman Zeoli. The proposed Executive Committee would consist of the 4 officers noted above plus: Mayor Blake, Mayor Elicker, Mayor Dickinson, and First Selectman Cosgrove. Nominees for the Transportation Committee were: Mayor Dickinson, Mayor Elicker, Mayor Blake, First Selectman Hoey, First Selectman Cosgrove and First Selectman Freda. The Nominating Committees Report was at Page 11 of the agenda packet.

6. Election of Officers and Appointment of Committees

Acting Chair Heller called for a vote on the nominees put forth by the Nominating Committee. First Selectman Cosgrove moved for election and appointment of the nominees put forth by the Nominating Committee. First Selectman Cofrancesco seconded. The nominees were approved unanimously.

7. Acceptance of Gavel by New Chair

Executive Director Amento presented the Chair's gavel to new Chair Beth Heller. Chairman Heller pledged herself to leading SCRCOG with honor and dedication in the upcoming year.

8. Adopt Resolution to appoint SCRCOG Bank Signatories

Executive Director Amento pointed out that the election of new SCRCOG officers will require a change in our authorized bank signatories. The Resolution is at Page 12 of the agenda packet. First Selectman Zeoli moved for approval of the resolution. First Selectman Cofrancesco seconded, and all were in favor.

9. Adoption Resolution authorizing the Executive Director to sign agreements with CTDOT

This Resolution is required annually by CTDOT. It is described on Page 13 of the agenda packet. Chairman Heller motioned for approval of the Resolution. First Selectman Cofrancesco seconded the motion. All were in favor.

10. Adopt Resolution Endorsing, Authorizing Applications, and the Entering into Agreements by South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG) for Regional Performance Incentive Program (RPIP) Grants for a Regional Cybersecurity Initiative and a School Food Waste Diversion Pilot Program

Executive Director Amento provided an overview of the two RPIP grant applications that were submitted to the Office of Policy and Management. Chairman Heller moved for the approval of the resolution. First Selectman Cofrancesco seconded. All voted in favor.

11. Adopt Resolution Approving Revision to Regional Services Grant (RSG) Spending Plan

Executive Director Amento made note of the revised RSG spending plan found on pages 15-18 of the agenda packet. First Selectman Cofrancesco made a motion to adopt. Walter Morton seconded, with all voting in favor.

12. Congressional Reports

Louis Mangini from Congresswoman DeLauro's office stated that the FEMA Hazard Mitigation grants are now open. He also announced that a Census job fair will be held on January 22. Ellen Graham from Senator

Blumenthal's office stated that the federal budget was successfully passed. David Tusio from Senator Murphy's office informed the group about an upcoming webinar on nonprofit security hosted by FEMA. He also stated that the USMCA trade agreement passed the senate.

13. State Legislative Reports

Michael Muszynski from CCM stated that they are looking into police officer and first responder training programs. They are currently working on their legislative program before the legislative session opens in two weeks. CCM will be preparing a budget analysis for each town.

14. SCRCOG Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Amento introduced Chidi Nwuneli from Quinnipiac University as SCRCOG's newest intern, and gave a brief overview of current shared services initiatives.

15. Grant Opportunities and Upcoming Events

Executive Director Amento reviewed several grant opportunities and upcoming events.

16. REX Development Report

Ginny Kozlowski of REX Development noted that the deadline for CEDS updates is June 1. REX is currently scheduling meetings with the region's municipalities. She also stated that next month they will be providing the schedule for upcoming trade shows.

17. DESPP/DEMHS Report

Jacob Manke from DEMHS noted that cybersecurity and emergency plans are the department's current priorities. DESPP is going through the process of receiving national accreditation. He noted REPT Region 2 will be creating a cybersecurity working group. A written report on page 21 of the agenda packet was reviewed.

18. Regional Planning Commission December and January Action Tables

The Action Tables on Pages 22-24 were reviewed.

19. Regional Cooperation/Other Business

First Selectman Freda announced he is the incoming president of CCM. He noted there will be a focus on encouraging, but not requiring, intermunicipal consolidation. Specifically, they will be looking into consolidating Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs).

Mayor Elicker introduced himself to the group and stated he looked forward to working with the COG.

20. Adjournment

First Selectman Cofrancesco motioned to adjourn; Town Manager Paulhus seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 11:08 am.

Respectfully submitted,

First Selectman Beth Heller, *Chair and Acting Secretary*

Balance Sheet

South Central Regional Council of Governments

As of period 01/31/2020

Assets

Cash and Investments

Key Bank - Checking Account	586,764.72
State of CT - Short-Term Investment Fund	595,630.47
Start Community Bank	105,933.60

Accounts Receivable

CT Department of Transportation	102,346.12
Other State Grants (Dept. of Ag.)	15,539.65

Other Assets

Prepaid Expense (UConn MPA Intern)	6,055.16
Accrued Leave & Security Deposit	26,337.95
Furniture & Equipment	12,367.86

Total Assets	1,450,975.53
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Liabilities

Deferred Revenue - Municipal	136,369.65
Deferred Revenue - OPM	120,492.84
Deferred Revenue - LOTCIP	211,569.42
Deferred Rev. - Other (Election Monitor)	3,690.77
Deferred Revenue - Special Assessment	10,826.63

Total Liabilities	482,949.31
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Fund Balance

Fund Balance	935,047.91
Amount for Accrued Leave	14,675.03
Investment in Equipment	12,367.84
Change in Fund Balance	5,935.44

Total Fund Balance	968,026.22
Total Liabilities and Fund Balance	1,450,975.53

Statement of Resources and Expenditures

South Central Regional Council of Governments

As of period 01/31/2020

	Current	Year-to-Date	Budget
Resources			
Municipal - Revenue	12,647.48	57,430.35	193,800.00
Municipal - Special Assessment			10,827.00
CT OPM - Regional Planning	41,762.42	249,570.31	493,418.00
CTDOT - Transportation Planning	51,100.55	322,342.73	1,327,709.00
CTDOT - LOTCIP	52.20	1,414.68	212,264.00
CT SotS - Regional Election Monitor		450.00	4,397.00
CT DoAg - Farm Viability Grant			26,000.00
Miscellaneous		.52	
Interest - Revenue	856.59	7,360.04	8,000.00
Total Resources	106,419.24	638,568.63	2,276,415.00

Direct Expenses			
Transportation Planning Consultants	1,850.00	5,000.00	719,500.00
Land-Use Planning Consultants	2,000.00	37,010.00	57,750.00
Other Consultants	5,189.02	48,694.84	146,200.00
Travel	1,723.72	3,115.38	10,300.00
Data Processing	3,070.00	9,103.00	3,800.00
Commercial Printing		299.67	1,200.00
Subscriptions and Books	1,480.00	2,275.71	3,450.00
Meeting Expenses and Advertising	1,673.57	6,276.03	15,800.00
Capital	5,359.18	10,718.36	45,000.00
Miscellaneous		436.00	353.00
Transportation - Reserved			90,339.00
LOTCIP - Reserved			199,162.00
Hazard Mitigation Grant - Reserved			10,827.00
Total Direct Expenses	22,345.49	122,928.99	1,303,681.00

Direct Labor			
Direct Labor - Employees	36,511.29	213,931.38	418,803.00

Overhead			
Indirect Labor - Employees	14,757.86	102,566.35	173,835.00
Employee Benefits	15,616.92	106,404.95	207,896.00
Travel			200.00
Data Processing	461.92	2,858.48	12,200.00
Rent	9,021.12	63,058.19	108,000.00
Telephone and Internet	1,264.44	3,724.96	7,400.00
Office Supplies	149.81	1,934.95	3,500.00
Equipment Maintenance	879.20	5,638.72	17,400.00
Subscriptions and Books			200.00
Insurance and Professional Services	508.95	9,072.95	20,800.00
Meeting Expenses and Advertising	99.33	99.33	1,800.00
Miscellaneous	53.53	413.94	700.00
Total Overhead	42,813.08	295,772.82	553,931.00
Total Operating Expenses	101,669.86	632,633.19	2,276,415.00

South Central Regional Council of Governments
2015-2018 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
Amendment Number 20

Project **0059-0164 2016-A19-1 Intersection Improvements at US 1 & CT 22**

Changes Amendment 20 increases cost estimate and moves CON phase to current fiscal year

Reason Project Construction Phase is moved to FY20 and funding is increased based on an updated schedule and latest cost estimate. Project is scheduled to be advertised 4/15/20

South Central Regional Council of Governments
 FFY2018-FFY2021 Transportation Improvement Program
 Amendment 20

State Project #0059-0164
Municipality Guilford

SCRCOG # 2016-A19-1
AQ Code X7

Proposed

Project Name Intersection Improvements at US 1 & CT 22

Description project to construct a modern roundabout at the intersection of US 1 and CT 22, with approaches in North Branford. Modifications include removing a bypass spur to the west and reconfiguring a driveway.

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>		<i>Prior</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>	<i>2020</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>FYI</i>
STPA	PD	Federal	320					
		State	80					
	FD	Federal			280			
		State		70				
STPNH	ROW	Federal			40			
		State			10			
	CON	Federal			1,280			
		State			320			
Total Cost	\$2,400		400	70	1,930	0	0	0

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>		<i>Prior</i>	<i>2018</i>	<i>2019</i>	<i>2020</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>FYI</i>
STPA	PD	Federal	320					
		State	80					
	FD	Federal			280			
		State			70			
STPNH	ROW	Federal			40			
		State			10			
	CON	Federal				3,440		
		State				860		
TIP Funds	\$5,100		400	0	400	4,300	0	0

Amendment Notes

FY15 TIP Amend 19 adds a new project FY18 TIP Amend 9 Adjusts funding FY 18 TIP Amend 10 changes funding source. FY18 TIP Amend 20 increases estimate



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Resolution

Fiscal Year 2018-Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Twenty

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 2018-Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Improvement Program* on July 26, 2017, 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 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program* and the Region’s *Metropolitan Transportation Plans—2019 to 2045, (April, 2019)*; and

Whereas: The Council, on *July 26, 2017*, 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 Metropolitan Transportation Plan—2019 to 2045, (April, 2019)*); 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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Resolution

Fiscal Year 2018-Fiscal Year 2021 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Twenty (continued)

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

The Program *Amendment Twenty* 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 **February 26, 2020**

Date February 26, 2020

By: _____
First Selectman Matthew Hoey, *Secretary*
South Central Regional Council of Governments

Introduction

The U.S. DOT requires that State Departments of Transportation work collaboratively to establish data-driven performance targets. These shared targets are submitted to and tracked by the U.S. DOT through the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). Targets need to be Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Realistic and Time-Bound (SMART). Federal Regulations require that states must meet a threshold when achieving targets or risk penalties applied to Federal Highway Funds.

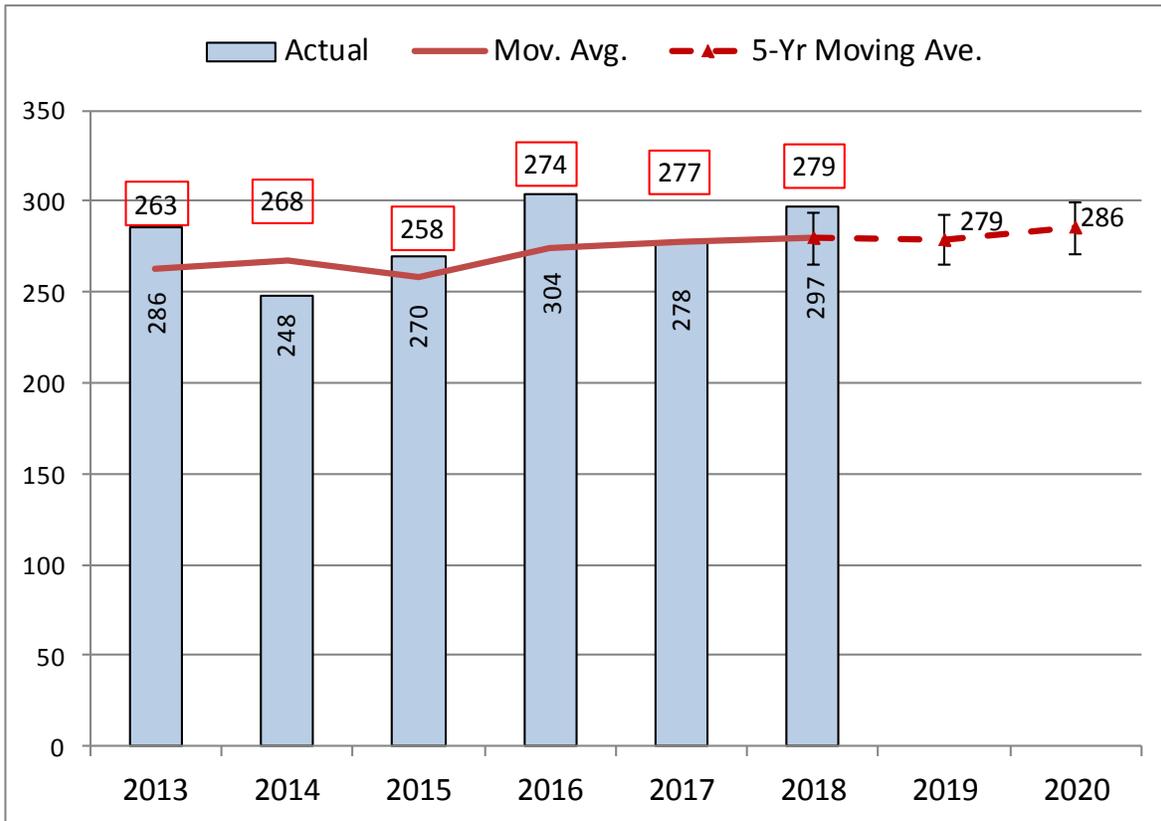
The DOT tries to balance setting targets that impact safety programing in a way that accomplishes the overall goal of reducing injuries and fatalities on the State's roadways while still being achievable. Both state and national trends have shown increasing roadway fatalities and injuries in recent years. Here in Connecticut, these trends are especially concerning when looking at increases in pedestrian and alcohol-impaired driving fatalities. Five-year moving averages are used to normalize data over time to prevent spikes or sudden decreases from influencing year-to-year target setting.

While the current levels of roadway fatalities and serious injuries are unacceptable, the Federal requirement to set data-driven, achievable targets necessitates conservative and realistic and target setting. For this reason, DOT has chosen to set targets that maintain the current levels of roadway fatalities and injuries (and their rates) to prevent further increases in the face of consistently rising trends.

Summary Table
Safety Performance Targets for 2020
(for federal reporting purposes)

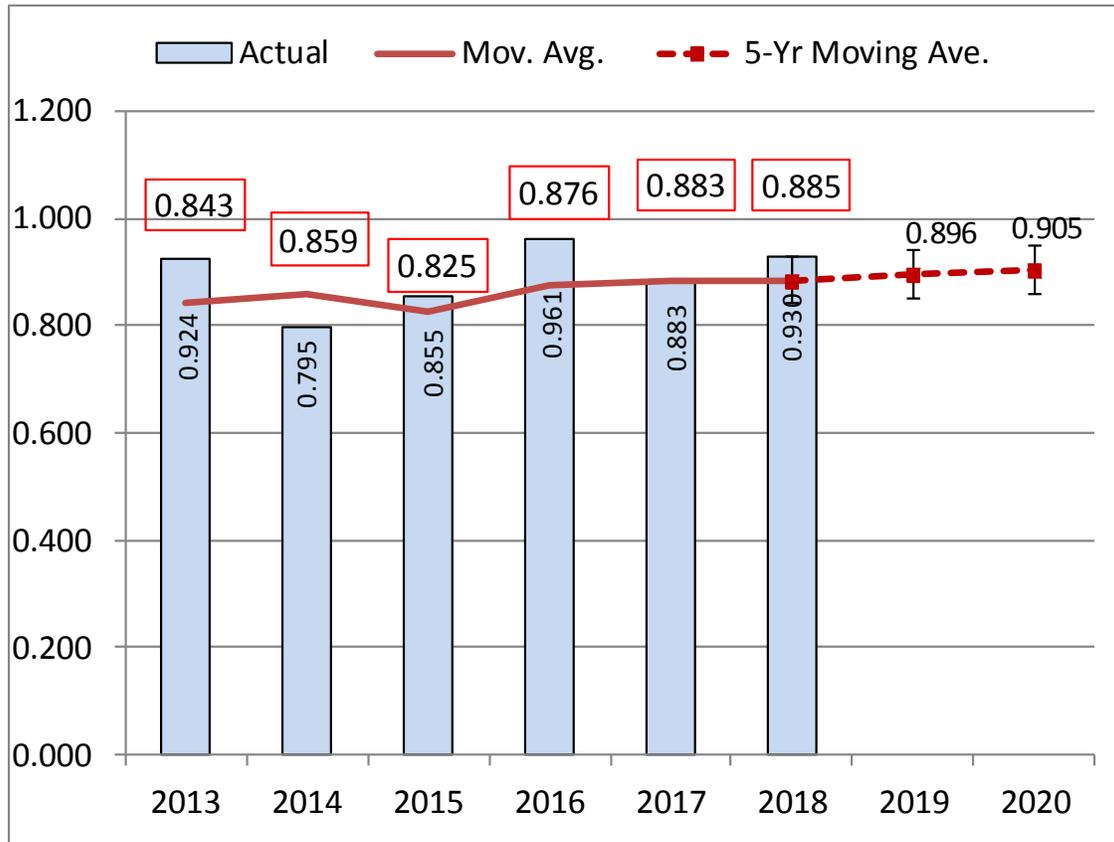
Measure	Target	Numeric Target for 2020
Fatalities	Maintain 5-yr average	277 per year
Fatality Rate	Maintain 5-yr average	0.883 per 100 million VMT
Serious Injuries	Maintain 5-yr average	1,547 per year
Serious Injury Rate	Maintain 5-yr average	4.93 per 100 million VMT
Non-Motorist Fatalities & Serious Injuries	Maintain 5-yr average	307 per year

Fatalities 2013-2018



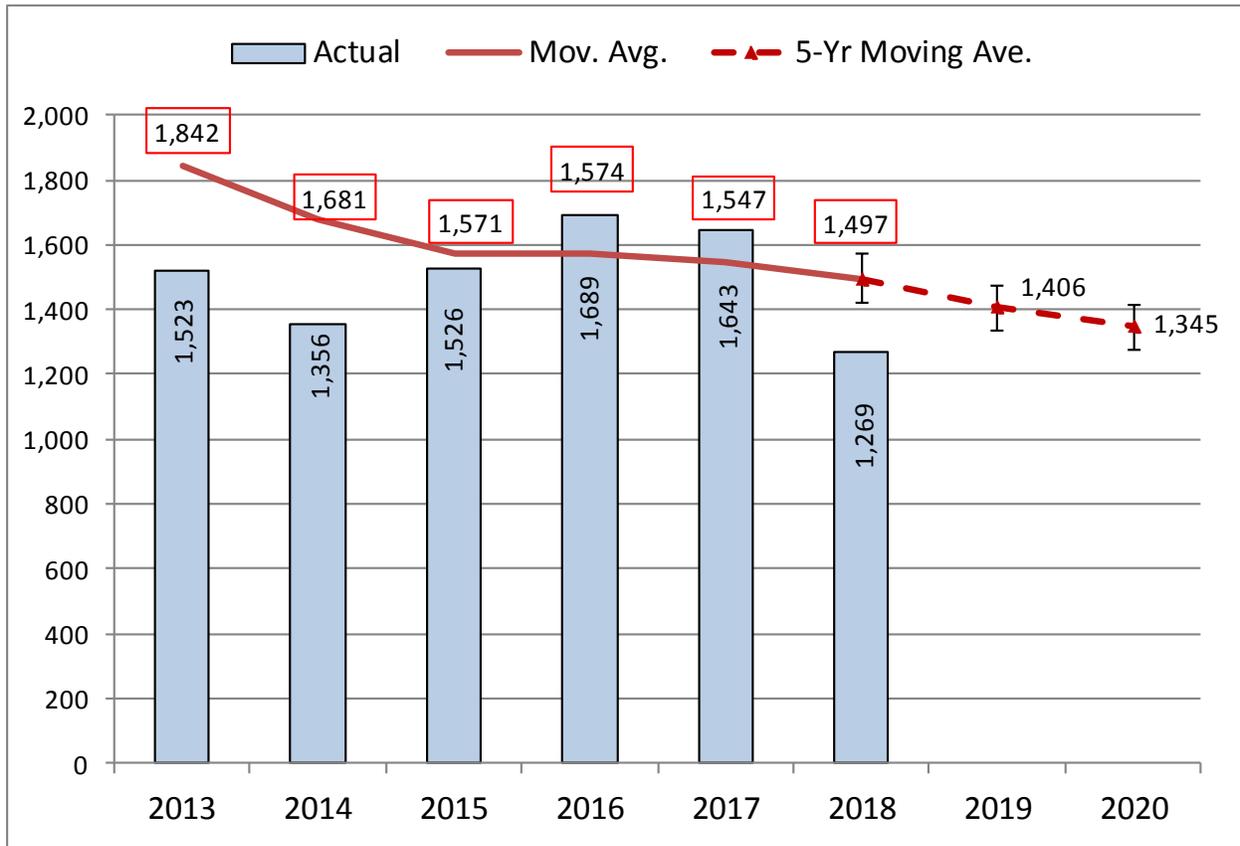
- There were 278 Fatalities in 2017, a single year decrease from the 304 recorded in 2016.
- Although the single year fatality total decreased, the five-year average continued to rise to 277 in 2017.
- The most current preliminary data show there were 297 Fatalities in 2018, a single year increase from the 278 recorded in 2017. The 2018 five-year moving average value of 279 also represents an increase from the previous year. This figure is also the highest five-year moving average recorded during the reporting period.
- The projected five-year moving average predicts an increase in fatalities for the period for which this target will be set.
- **TARGET:** Based on the recent and projected increases in fatalities, Connecticut chooses to set a target to maintain the five-year moving average of 277 for the 2020 HSP planning period.

Fatality Rate per 100M VMT 2013-2018



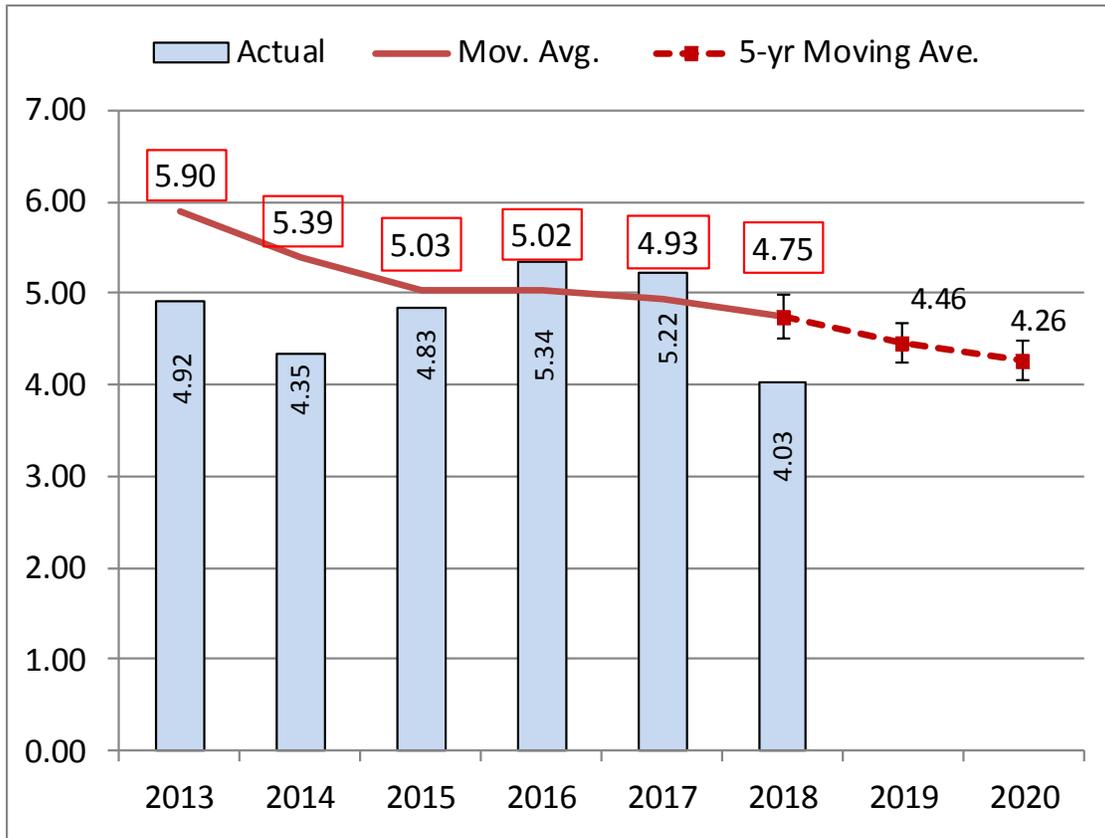
- There were 0.883 Fatalities per 100M VMT in 2017, a single year decrease from the 0.961 recorded in 2016.
- Although the single year fatality rate decreased, the five-year average continued to rise to 0.883 in 2017.
- The most current preliminary data show the fatality rate of .930 for 2018, a single year increase from the .883 recorded in 2017. The 2018 five-year moving average value of 0.885 also represents an increase from the previous year. This figure is also the highest five-year moving average recorded during the reporting period. These rate projections are based on 2017 VMT data.
- The projected five-year moving average predicts an increase in the fatality rate per 100M VMT for the period for which this target will be set.
- **TARGET:** Based on the recent and projected increases in fatalities, Connecticut chooses to set a target to maintain the five-year moving average of .883 Fatalities per 100M VMT for the 2020 HSP planning period.

Serious (A) Injuries 2013-2018



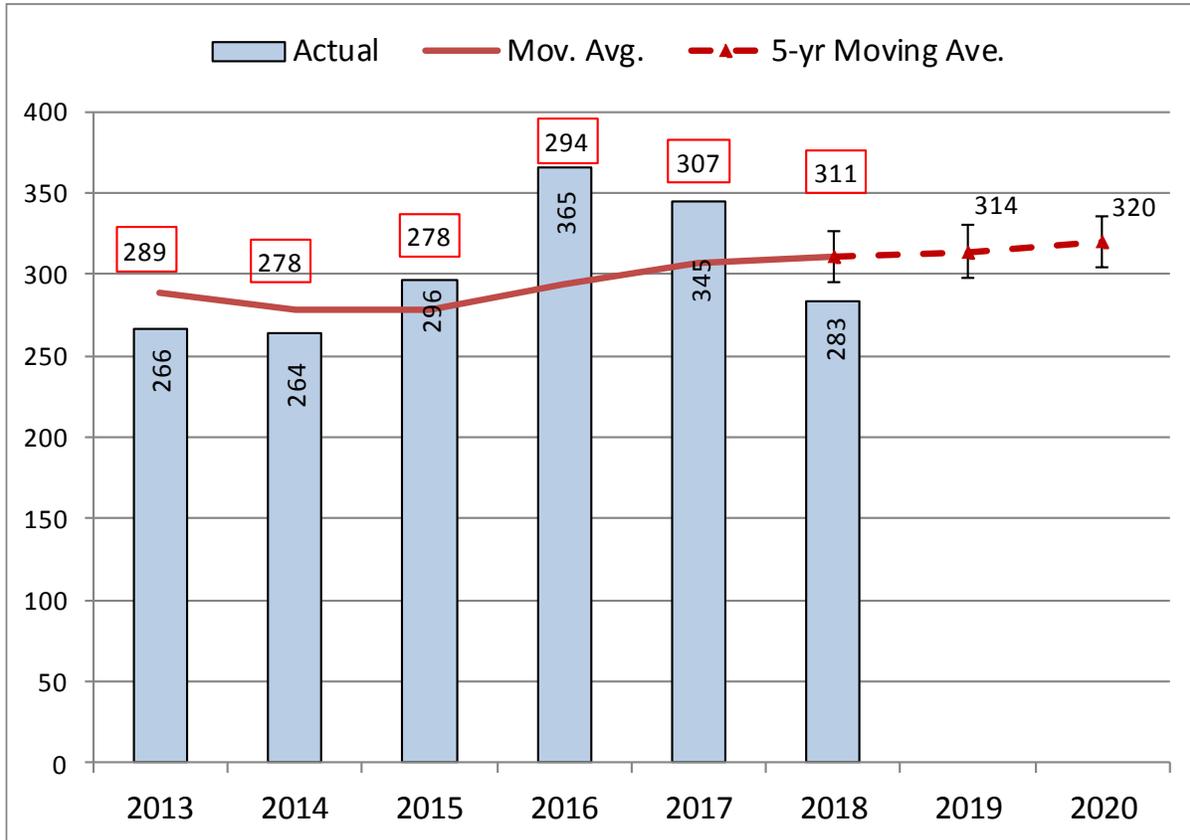
- There were 1,643 Serious (A) Injuries in 2017, a single year decrease from the 1,689 recorded in 2016.
- The 2017 five-year moving average of 1,547 Serious (A) Injuries in 2017 also decreased from the 1,574 recorded in 2016.
- The most current preliminary data show there were 1,269 Serious (A) Injuries in 2018, a single year decrease from the 1,643 recorded in 2017. The 2018 Serious (A) Injury total could be an anomaly, based on recent single year totals and trends. It is the lowest single year value recorded during the reporting period. The 2018 five-year moving average value of 1,497 also represents a decrease from the previous year and is the lowest recorded during the reporting period.
- The projected five-year moving average projects a decrease in Serious (A) Injuries for the period for which this target will be set.
- **TARGET:** Although there have been recent decreases in Serious (A) injuries, the preliminary 2018 figure and projected moving average may be an anomaly. Based on current data, Connecticut chooses to set a target to **maintain the five-year moving average** of 1,547 Serious (A) Injuries for the 2020 HSP planning period.

Serious (A) Injuries per 100M VMT



- There were 5.22 Serious (A) Injuries per 100M VMT in 2017, a single year decrease from the rate of 5.34 recorded in 2016.
- The 2017 five-year moving average of 4.93 Serious (A) Injuries per 100M VMT in 2017 also decreased from the 5.02 recorded in 2016.
- The most current preliminary data show a rate of 4.03 Serious (A) Injuries per 100 M VMT in 2018, a single year decrease from the 5.22 recorded in 2017. The 2018 Serious (A) Injury total and rate could be an anomaly, based on recent single year totals and trends. It is the lowest single year rate recorded during the reporting period. The 2018 five-year moving average value of 4.75 also represents a decrease from the previous year and is the lowest recorded during the reporting period.
- The projected five-year moving average projects a decrease in Serious (A) Injuries for the period for which this target will be set.
- **TARGET:** Although there have been recent decreases in Serious (A) injuries, the preliminary 2018 figure and projected moving average may be an anomaly. Based on current data, Connecticut chooses to set a target to **maintain the five-year moving average** of 4.93 Serious (A) Injuries per 100M VMT for the 2020 HSP planning period.

Non-Motorist Fatalities and Serious (A) Injuries 2013-2018



- There were 345 Fatalities and Serious (A) Injuries in 2017, a single year decrease from 365 recorded in 2016.
- The 2017 five-year moving average of 307 Fatalities and Serious (A) Injuries in 2017 increased from the 294 average number in 2016.
- The most current preliminary data show 283 Fatalities and Serious (A) Injuries in 2018, a single year decrease from the 345 recorded in 2017. The 2018 five-year moving average value of 311 represents an increase from the previous year. This figure is also the highest five-year moving average recorded during the reporting period.
- The projected five-year moving average for 2013-2017 predicts an increase in Fatalities and Serious (A) Injuries for the period for which this target will be set.
- **TARGET:** Based on the trend line, the five-year moving average of non-motorist fatalities and serious (A) injuries is expected to remain relatively the same or increase slightly. The new target is proposed to **maintain the current five-year moving average** of 307 Fatalities and Serious (A) Injuries for the 2020 HSP planning period.



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RESOLUTION FOR ENDORSEMENT OF TARGETS FOR SAFETY PERFORMANCE MEASURES ESTABLISHED BY CTDOT

WHEREAS, the South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG) has been designated by the Governor of the State of Connecticut as the Metropolitan Planning Organization responsible, together with the State, for the comprehensive, continuing, and cooperative transportation planning process for South Central Region; and

WHEREAS the Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) final rule (23 CFR Part 490) requires States to set targets for five safety performance measures by August 31, 2018, and

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) has established targets for five performance measures based on five year rolling averages for:

- (1) Number of Fatalities,
- (2) Rate of Fatalities per 100 million Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT),
- (3) Number of Serious Injuries,
- (4) Rate of Serious Injuries per 100 million VMT, and
- (5) Number of Non-Motorized Fatalities and Non-motorized Serious Injuries, and

WHEREAS, the CTDOT coordinated the establishment of safety targets with the 8 Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) in Connecticut at the June 2019 COG Coordination meeting, and

WHEREAS, the CTDOT has officially adopted the safety targets in the Highway Safety Improvement Program annual report dated August 31, 2019, and the Highway Safety Plan dated July 1, 2019 and

WHEREAS the SCRCOG may establish safety targets by agreeing to plan and program projects that contribute toward the accomplishment of the aforementioned State's targets, or establish its own target within 180 days of the State establishing and reporting its safety targets,



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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the SCRCOG has agreed to support CTDOT's 2020 targets for the five safety performance targets as attached herein, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the SCRCOG will plan and program projects that contribute to the accomplishment of said targets.

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 Council of Governments on February 26, 2020

Date February 26, 2020

By: _____
First Selectman Matthew Hoey, *Secretary*
South Central Regional Council of Governments



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AFFIRMATIVE ACTION POLICY STATEMENT

It is the policy of SCRCOG (“the agency”) to assure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to an individual’s race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age or disability. Such action shall include; employment; upgrading, demotion or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship, pre-apprenticeship, and/or on-the-job training.

This agency will implement, monitor, enforce and achieve full compliance with this Affirmative Action Policy Statement in conjunction with the applicable Federal and State laws, regulations, executive orders and contract provisions, including but not limited to those listed below:

Dissemination of Policy:

All members of the agency who are authorized to hire, supervise, promote, and discharge employees, or who recommend such action, or who are substantially involved in such action, will be made fully cognizant of, and will implement, this agency’s Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) policy and contractual responsibilities to provide EEO in each grade and classification of employment. These actions shall include:

1. Periodic meetings of supervisory and personnel office employees will be conducted before the start of work and then not less often than once every year, at which time the agency’s EEO policy and its implementation will be reviewed. These meetings will be conducted by the EEO officer.
2. All new supervisory or personnel office employees will be given a thorough indoctrination by the EEO Officer, covering all major aspects of the agency’s EEO obligations within thirty days following their reporting for duty.
3. All personnel who are engaged in direct recruitment for the agency will be instructed by the EEO Officer of the agency’s procedures for locating and hiring minority group employees.
4. Notices and posters setting forth the agency’s EEO policy will be placed in areas readily accessible to employees, applicants for employment and potential employees.
5. The agency’s EEO policy and the procedures to implement such policy will be brought to the attention of employees by means of meetings, employee handbooks, or other appropriate means.
6. Sexual Harassment Prevention Resources including training and remedies must be available to all employees. See Connecticut General Assembly Public Acts 19–16 and 19–93.

Recruitment:

When advertising for employees, the agency will include in all advertisements the notation; “An Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.” All such advertisements will be placed in publications having a large circulation among minority groups in the area where the work force would normally be derived.

1. The agency will, unless precluded by a valid bargaining agreement, conduct systematic and direct recruitment through public and private employee referral sources likely to yield qualified minority and female applicants. To meet this requirement, the agency will identify referral sources and establish procedures for recruitment to obtain the referral of minority and female applicants.

2. The agency will encourage their present employees to refer minority group applicants for employment. Information and procedures with regard to referring minority group applicants will be discussed with employees.

Personnel Actions:

Wages, working conditions, and employee benefits shall be established and administered, and personnel actions of every type, including hiring, upgrading, promotion, transfer, demotion, layoff, and termination, shall be taken without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age or disability. The following procedures shall be followed:

- The agency will promptly investigate all complaints of alleged discrimination made to the agency, and will take appropriate corrective action within a reasonable time. If the investigation indicates that the discrimination may affect persons other than the complainant, such corrective actions shall include such other persons. Upon completion of each investigation, the agency will inform every complainant of all of their avenues of appeal.

Training and Promotion:

The agency will assist in locating, qualifying, and increasing the skills of minority group and women employees, and applicants for employment. The agency will utilize the following tools to identify training and promotional opportunities in the firm:

1. The agency will advise employees and applicants for employment of available training programs and the entrance requirements.
2. The agency will encourage minority group and women employees to apply for such training and promotion.

Selection of Contractors:

The agency will not discriminate on the grounds race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, national origin, age or disability in the selection and retention of contractors, including procurement of materials and leases of equipment.

1. The agency shall use their best efforts to ensure contractor/consultant compliance with Federal and State Equal Opportunity (EO) and EEO requirements.

Records and Reports:

The agency and any contractor/consultant shall keep records as necessary to document compliance with EO/EEO requirements. Such reports shall be retained for a period of three years following completion of the contract/consultant work and shall be available at reasonable times and places for inspection by authorized representatives of CTDOT and/or the United States Department of Transportation. The following records should be maintained:

1. The number of minority and non-minority group members and women employed in each work classification;
2. The progress and efforts being made in locating, hiring, training, qualifying, and upgrading minority and female employees;
3. Complaints of Discrimination; and
4. Information required for your Affirmative Action Plan Update.

In implementing this policy and ensuring that affirmative action is being provided, each time a hiring opportunity occurs this agency will contact and request referrals from minority and female organizations, referral sources, and media sources. All advertising will emphasize that the agency is "An Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer."

In order to substantiate this agency's efforts and affirmative actions to provide equal opportunity, the agency will maintain and submit, as requested, documentation such as referral request correspondence, copies of advertisements utilized and follow-up documentation to substantiate that efforts were made in good faith. This

agency will maintain the necessary internal audit procedures and record keeping systems to report the agency's affirmative action efforts.

It is understood by me, my Equal Employment Opportunity Officer and my supervisory and managerial personnel that failure to effectively implement, monitor and enforce this agency's affirmative action program and/or failure to adequately document the affirmative actions taken and efforts made to recruit and hire minority and female applicants, in accordance with our affirmative action program in each instance of hire, will result in this agency being required to recommit itself to a more stringent affirmative action program. This plan, in addition to CTDOT's EO/EEO contract provisions and requirements, shall constitute our Affirmative Action Program.

The Executive Director has designated a responsible official to monitor all employment related activity to ensure that the agency's EEO policy is being implemented. The equal opportunity officer (hereinafter referred to as the EEO Officer) shall have the responsibility for and must be capable of effectively administering and promoting an active program of equal employment opportunity and is assigned adequate authority and responsibility to do so.

It is fully understood by this agency that the ultimate responsibility for the full implementation of this agency's Affirmative Action Program rests with Executive Director of the agency.

Carl Amento

Name of Executive Director

Signature of Executive Director

Date

Christopher Rappa, Finance Director

Name and Title of Appointed EEO Officer

Signature of EEO Officer

Date



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MPO PLANNING CERTIFICATION

WHEREAS, the South Central Regional Council of Governments (SCRCOG) has been designated by the Governor of the State Connecticut as the Metropolitan Planning Organization responsible, together with the State, for the comprehensive, continuing, and cooperative transportation planning process for South Central Region and

WHEREAS, SCRCOG conducts the transportation planning process in accordance with the regulations promulgated by the US Department of Transportation by preparing a Unified Planning Work Program, preparing, maintaining and amending the endorsed Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), preparing and updating the endorsed Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP), assessing the air quality impacts of the proposed transportation improvement projects included in the TIP and MTP, and proactively involving the public in the metropolitan transportation planning process.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the South Central Regional Council of Governments hereby certifies that the metropolitan transportation planning process is being carried out in accordance with all applicable requirements of:

- (1) 23 U.S.C. 134, 49 U.S.C. 5303, and this subpart;
- (2) In nonattainment and maintenance areas, sections 174 and 176(c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506(c) and (d)) and 40 CFR part 93;
- (3) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1) and 49 CFR part 21;
- (4) 49 U.S.C. 5332, prohibiting discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity;
- (5) Section 1101(b) of the FAST Act (Pub. L. 114-357) and 49 CFR part 26 regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in DOT funded projects;
- (6) 23 CFR part 230, regarding the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts;

(7) The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq.) and 49 CFR parts 27, 37, and 38;

(8) The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6101), prohibiting discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving Federal financial assistance;

(9) Section 324 of title 23 U.S.C. regarding the prohibition of discrimination based on gender; and

(10) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and 49 CFR part 27 regarding discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT FEBRUARY 2020 Ginny Kozlowski



Business Development & Retention

North Branford Business Breakfast

Neuroscience Opportunities Meeting

Connecticut Restaurant Association Restaurant Wage & Compliance Seminar

Presented at Greater New Haven Agriculture Forum

Bio Caucus meeting at the Capitol

Canal Dock event operations support

Site visit to Retreat Behavioral Health

Source NHV meeting

Made in New Haven meeting

Entrepreneurs & Startups

Provided ECIC implementation support

Logistical support for ECIC event at the Yale Innovation Summit

CEDS 2020

Municipal Outreach Meetings

- North Haven
- Wallingford
- Guilford
- Hamden
- Woodbridge
- Branford

Advocacy

Presentation for the GNHCC's Legislative Breakfast

REDFO

February 28: TBA

Visitor Newsletter Features

Valentine's Getaways

Black History Month

Lunarfest 2020

CT Winter Wine Trail

Flights of Fancy

Housing

SCRCOG Housing Committee Meeting

Workforce

READY CT Workforce meeting

Workforce Alliance Planning Meeting

Introductory meeting with Porter & Chester

Tourism

Central Regional Tourism District monthly report

CRTD Board of Directors Meeting

Marketing meeting with International Festival of Arts & Ideas and Yale University

Hotel site visits in Milford, Meriden & Orange

Airbnb regulatory meeting—New Haven

Tourism Caucus meeting at the Capitol

Connecticut Lodging Association

CLA Board of Directors meeting

Human Anti-trafficking Response Team Meeting

Meeting with OYO

Marketing, Communications & Stakeholder Education

Promoting Connecticut Conference on Tourism, April 29

Media Inquiries & Hits

Real Deal Magazine

New Haven Register

Community Outreach

Presentation for the GNHCC's Executive Orientation Program

Census 2020—New Haven Complete Counts meeting

Waterbury Chamber of Commerce Economic Development Breakfast

Regional Collaboration

Canal Dock Boathouse
Board of Directors
Meeting

Town Green Special
Services District Board
of Directors Meeting

Greater New Haven
Chamber of Commerce
Board of Directors
Meeting

New Haven Sister Cities

Union Station 100th
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February 2020 Action Table

Ref. #	Received	Description	Adjacent RPC Towns	Abridged RPC Action
2.1	1/8/2020	Town of Orange: Proposed Zoning Map Amendment - (48 Boston Post Rd) Commercial (C-1) to Light Industrial (LI-1)	Milford, New Haven, West Haven, Woodbridge	By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed zoning map amendment does not appear to cause inter-municipal impacts to the towns in the South Central Region if the setback from the residential district boundary in West Haven is applicable. There does not appear to be any impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound.
2.2	1/17/2020	City of West Haven: Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments pertaining to Active Adult Communities	Milford, New Haven, Orange	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 in the South Central Region nor do there appear to be any impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound.
2.3	1/27/2020	Town of North Haven: Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments pertaining to Mixed-Uses in the Commercial (CN) Districts	East Haven, Hamden, New Haven, North Branford, Wallingford	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 in the South Central Region nor do there appear to be any impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound.