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To: Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee
From: William Dickinson, Chairman, Transportation Committee
Date: July 7, 2021
Subject: Wednesday, July 14, 2021 Meeting of the Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee to be held @ 12:00 Noon in the offices of SCRCOG and via Zoom.

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Action Items:
1. Meeting Minutes of June 9, 2021
2. 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Seven Recommend to SCRCOG adoption of Resolution- James Rode
3. Discussion and Possible Action on New LOTCIP Program Priorities- Stephen Dudley

Informational Items:
4. Regional Transportation Safety Plan(RTSP) Discussion- Stephen Dudley
5. Other Business

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Transportation Committee Minutes – June 9, 2021

Transportation Committee Members
Wallingford, Mayor William Dickinson, Chairman
Branford, FS James Cosgrove
Guilford, FS Matthew Hoey
Madison, FS Peggy Lyons
Milford, Justin Rosen Proxy for Mayor Blake
North Haven, Andrew Bevilacqua Proxy for FS Freda

Guests
Erik Shortell, FHWA
Sara Radisi, CTDOT
Mario Marrero, GNHTD
Michael Dion, BL

Transportation Technical Committee
Branford, John Hoefferle
Guilford, Janice Plaziak
Hamden, Mark Austin
Madison, John Iennaco
Meriden, Howard Weissberg
New Haven, Giovanni Zinn
Orange, Bob Brinton
Wallingford, Alison Kapushinski
West Haven, Abdul Quadir

SCRCOG
James Rode, Stephen Dudley, Rebecca Andreucci, Andy Cirioli

Mayor William Dickinson called the meeting to order at 12:03 PM

Action Item #1: Meeting Minutes of May 12, 2021
FS Hoey made a motion to approve the Minutes of the May 12, 2021 meeting. J. Hoefferle seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Action Item #2: 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Six
J. Rode introduced Amendment 6, which included nine project changes. FS Hoey made a motion to recommend approval. FS Cosgrove seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Action Item #3: Update of the New Haven Urbanized Area MOU
J. Rode introduced the new Draft MOU for the New Haven Urbanized Area. FS Hoey made a motion to recommend approval of the MOU. FS Lyons seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Action Item #4: Discussion and Possible Action on New LOTCIP Program Priorities
S. Dudley presented the latest list of LOTCIP projects for review. Those present reviewed the list and offered their input. S. Dudley will develop a final updated list to be presented in July.

Information Item #7: Other Business
S. Dudley reviewed information on the Regional Safety Plan that had been shared with the committee. CTDOT sent a letter in response to concerns the Committee had with the plan and were looking for Board approval. There was some discussion on whether the concerns were adequately addressed. S Radisi suggested that the Committee could choose to accept the plan, rather than endorse it with a board resolution. Those present felt that might be a viable option. S Dudley offered to draft a letter for the committee to review.

S. Dudley discussed an upcoming meeting regarding CTDOT’s FY2022 Highway Safety Improvement Plan Implementation Plan. While there was not much information to share, there was a discussion of what type of projects could be included from the towns for funding.

J. Plaziak made and a motion to adjourn. J Hoefferle seconded and the meeting adjourned at 12:40PM.
South Central Regional Council of Governments
2021-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
Amendment Number 7

Project 0059-0168  2019-A12-1  Pedestrian Sidewalk Improvements  Page 6
Changes Amendment 7 increases estimate. CON is phase financed over 2 years.
Reason Action is necessary based on a revised schedule

Project 0106-0130  2019-A14-2  Interchange 57/58 Improvements at CT34  Page 7
Changes Amendment 7 adds an AC Entry and updates funding.
Reason Action is necessary based on latest cost estimate

Project 0402-XXXX  2021-A7-1  CTTRANSIT NH bus service expansion  Page 8
Changes Amendment 7 adds new project
Reason CTDOT has proposed a Demonstration project to expand CTTRANSIT Bus Service in the New Haven service area. This project will expand hours of service and provide PM bus service throughout the region.

In order to fund this program, CTDOT proposes using a portion of the state’s CMAQ funding. FHWA-CMAQ funding will be transferred to FTA-Section 5307 over 4 years 2021-2024 in order to cover the added cost for operations.

The recommendation for the service came from the MOVE New Haven Transit Study.

Service is expected to begin on August 23, 2021
**Project Name**: Pedestrian Sidewalk Improvements

**Description**: Sidewalk safety improvement project to construct a 2,000 linear foot, 5’ wide concrete sidewalk along Route 77 from the Adams Middle School to the art, sports, and public safety facilities north of I-95.

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### Amendment Notes

FY18 TIP Amend 12 adds new project. FY18 TIP Amend 26 increases CON phase funding. FY21 Amend 7 increases estimate. CON is phase financed over 2 years.
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### Amendment Notes

Fy 18 Amend 14 Introduces Project. FY21 TIP Amend 5 adjusts funding. FY21 TIP Amend 7 adds AC and updates estimate.
South Central Regional Council of Governments
FFY2021-FFY2024 Transportation Improvement Program
Amendment 7

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**Project Name**: CTTRANSIT NH bus service expansion- FHWA - FTA5307

**Description**: Action proposes 4 years of funding for a Demonstration project to expand CTTransit Bus Service in the New Haven service area. This funding is FHWA-CMAQ transferred to FTA-Section 5307 over 4 yrs 2021-2024

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**Amendment Notes**
FY21 TIP Amend 7 adds new project
Resolution
Fiscal Year 2021-Fiscal Year 2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Seven

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 2021-Fiscal Year 2024 Transportation Improvement Program on September 23, 2020, 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 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program and the Region’s Metropolitan Transportation Plans—2019 to 2045, (April, 2019); and

Whereas: The Council, on September 23, 2020, indicated that periodic Program adjustment or amendment was possible; and

Whereas: Projects referenced in the Program amendment (below) are consistent with the region’s metropolitan transportation plan Metropolitan Transportation Plans—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.
Resolution
Fiscal Year 2021-Fiscal Year 2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Seven
(Continued)

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

The Program Amendment Seven 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 **July 28, 2021**

Date July 28, 2021

By: ______________________________

First Selectman James Zeoli, Secretary
South Central Regional Council of Governments
Proposed LOTCIP Multi-year Plan – Draft 6-1-21, revised 7-6-21

Due to the slow delivery of LOTCIP projects, SCRCOG has a significant amount of LOTCIP funding available for utilization.

Currently, SCRCOG has $68 million available for LOTCIP, with anticipated allocations for FY22 and FY 23 of approximately $11 million more proposed to be authorized each fiscal year. Much of this will need Bond Commission authorization once projects are in place submitted to CTDOT for commitment to fund letters.

We currently have projects under review that total approximately $25.1 million, which would draw down from the amounts above once commitment to fund letters are issued.

The projects listed below and those under review total approximately $105 million. As of July 1, 2022, the total available to SCRCOG would be $90 million, based upon the above assumptions. Given past slow project development, it would be prudent to have more projects in the queue to be over programmed, rather than under programmed.

The goal of the program is to undertake and complete municipal projects. Our initial process was to limit the project size to insure that each municipality would have fair access to the LOTCIP funding. In practice, this has worked reasonably well, but, as the delivery of projects is the responsibility of municipal staff, the distribution has not been as even as anticipated. Projects continue to advance, but at a slower pace than is desirable for robust utilization of the available funding.

Our region needs to utilize LOTCIP funds to demonstrate the importance of the program to the Legislature as they review and budget LOTCIP funding.

To that end, it is suggested that the LOTCIP process be revised to become a first come, first served method of funding utilization, all within the requested proposed municipal projects received from our member municipalities on the list below. It is further suggested that the project costs be no more than $4 million. An additional list of those under review follows the proposed projects.

The following is the list, by municipality with anticipated costs, of identified LOTCIP candidate projects:
Town of Branford – Meadow Street  
Estimated construction cost - $2,300,000

Town of East Haven – West End Phase VI  
Estimated Cost - $1,500,000

Town of Guilford – Falcon Road Seawall  
Estimated Construction Cost - $2,400,000

Town of Guilford – Goose Lane  
Estimated construction cost - $2,200,000

Town of Hamden – Armory Street Reconstruction and Complete Streets  
Estimated Construction Cost - $3,800,000

Town of Hamden – Goodrich and Newhall  
Estimated construction cost - $1,700,000

Town of Hamden – Hartford Turnpike  
Estimated construction cost - $1,700,000

Town of Hamden – Mix Ave  
Estimated Construction Cost - $2,772,000

Town of Hamden – Morse Street  
Estimated construction cost - $1,600,000

Town of Hamden – West Woods Clear Zone and Drainage  
Estimated Construction Cost - $725,000

Town of Hamden – Woodin Street Two Bridge and Complete Streets  
Estimated Bridge Construction Cost - $2,900,000  
Estimated Complete Streets Construction Cost - $2,700,000

Town of Madison – Warpas Road and Copse Road  
Estimated construction cost - $2,600,000

City of Meriden – Camp Street Sidewalk  
Estimated Construction Cost - $2,500,000

City of Meriden – Route 5 Intersection Improvements  
Estimated Construction Cost - $600,000

City of Milford - Meadows End Road  
Estimated construction cost - $2,700,000

City of Milford – Welches Point Road  
Estimated construction cost - $2,700,000
City of Milford – Buckingham Av/ New Haven Ave
   Estimated Cost - $2,800,000

City of Milford – New Haven Ave.
   Estimated Cost - $2,900,000

City of Milford – East Broadway
   Estimated Cost - $3,000,000

City of Milford – Housatonic Drive
   Estimated Cost - $2,800,000

City of New Haven – Downtown Complete Streets Safety Upgrades
   Estimated Construction Cost - $3,000,000

City of New Haven – Ferry Street
   Estimated Construction Cost - $2,800,000

City of New Haven – Howard Avenue
   Estimated Construction Cost - $2,600,000

City of New Haven Grand Ave/Dixwell Ave
   Estimated Construction Cost - $1,500,000

City of New Haven – Quinnipiac Avenue phase 3
   Estimated construction cost - $2,800,000

City of New Haven – Sherman Parkway
   Estimated Construction Cost - $2,000,000

City of New Haven – State Street
   Estimated Construction Cost - $3,000,000

City of New Haven – Union Avenue
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City of New Haven – Whalley, Dixwell, Grand Safety/Streetscape
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City of New Haven – Whalley Avenue
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City of New Haven – Whalley Ave. Phase 2
   Estimated Construction Cost - $2,500,000

City of New Haven – Whitney Avenue
   Estimated Construction Cost - $2,700,000

City of New Haven – Winchester Ave.
   Estimated Construction Cost - $2,000,000
Town of North Branford – Sea Hill Road Pavement Rehabilitation
Estimated Construction Cost - $1,000,000

Town of North Branford – Twin Lakes Road Pavement Rehab
Estimated construction cost - $750,000

Town of North Branford – Woods Hill Road Reconstruction
Estimated construction cost - $750,000

Town of Orange – Grannis Road and Cummings Drive paving
Estimated Construction Cost - $1,110,000

Town of Orange – Pine Tree Drive paving
Estimated Construction Cost - $460,000

Town of Wallingford – Toelles Road Bridge Rehabilitation project
Estimated construction cost - $2,900,000

Town of Wallingford – Toelles Road Reconstruction
Estimated Construction Cost - $1,400,000

Town of Wallingford – Traffic Signal Upgrades
Estimated Construction Cost - $2,900,000

City of West Haven – Front Avenue
Estimated construction cost - $1,400,000

City of West Haven – Spring Street Culvert
Estimated construction cost - $2,977,000

Town of Woodbridge – Amity Road Pedestrian Improvements
Estimated Cost - $800,000

Total Estimated Cost of above - $98,000,000

Projects under review at CTDOT

Town of Branford – Main Street
Estimated Cost - $2,500,000

Town of East Haven – West End Phase IV
Estimated Cost - $635,000 – Commitment to Fund issued 5-4-21

Town of East Haven – West End Phase V
Estimated Cost - $660,000

Town of Guilford – Nut Plains Road
Estimated Cost - $1,700,000

Town of Hamden – Mather, Waite Street
   Estimated Cost - $5,400,000

Town of Hamden – Mix Street Traffic Signal
   Estimated Cost - $400,000

City of Meriden – Cedar Street Bridge
   Estimated Cost - $4,600,000

City of Meriden – Downtown Paving
   Estimated Cost - $2,300,000 – Commitment to Fund issued

City of New Haven – Downtown Crossing
   Estimated Cost - $4,700,000

Town of Wallingford - Northford Road Bridge
   Estimated Cost - $2,100,000 – Commitment to Fund Sent 4-22-21

Total Estimated Cost of above - $25,100,000