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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MEETING NOTICE & AGENDA
Wednesday, July 26, 2023 – 9:00 A.M.

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

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1. Call to Order – *First Selectman James Zeoli, Chair*
2. Adopt Minutes of June 28, 2023 Executive Committee Meeting – *First Selectwoman Peggy Lyons, Secretary* Pages 2,3
3. Resolution Authorizing the Executive Director to Execute Agreement for Acceptance of 2023-24 Regional Services Grant Page 4
4. Discussion of Office Expansion Proposals
5. Executive Director Administrative Report
6. Other Business
7. Adjournment

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TO: **SCRCOG Executive Committee Members**
FROM: **First Selectwoman Peggy Lyons, Secretary**
DATE: **July 19, 2023**
SUBJECT: **SCRCOG Executive Committee Meeting Minutes of June 28, 2023**

Present

Bethany	First Selectman Paula Cofrancesco, <i>Vice Chair</i>
Guilford	First Selectman Matthew Hoey, <i>Immediate Past Chair</i>
Hamden	Mayor Lauren Garrett, <i>Treasurer</i>
Madison	First Selectman Peggy Lyons, <i>Secretary</i>
New Haven	Joseline Tlacomulco, <i>proxy for Mayor Justin Elicker</i>
Orange	First Selectman James Zeoli
Wallingford	Mayor William Dickinson

SCRCOG Staff Carl Amento, Laura Francis, Christopher Rappa, Rebecca Andreucci

NOTE: The June SCRCOG Executive Committee meeting was a hybrid meeting.

1. Call to order

Chairman Zeoli called the meeting to order at 9:14 a.m.

2. Adopt Minutes of May 24, 2023 SCRCOG Executive Committee Meeting

Chairman Zeoli presented the Minutes of the SCRCOG Executive Committee of May 24, 2023 which were included in the agenda packet on pages 2-3. First Selectwoman Lyons moved for their approval. Mayor Garrett seconded the motion, which passed with all in favor.

3. Recommend Approval of the Revised FY2023-24 Regional Services Grant (RSG) Spending Plan

Executive Director Amento presented the RSG Spending Plan, which was included as an attachment to the agenda packet. He noted that the General Assembly on its last day in session had increased RSG funding for all the COGs by \$3million. The increase in funding for SCRCOG was in the amount of \$375,071, from \$573,431 in the current year to \$948,502 for the next fiscal year. Staff are proposing the expansion of core municipal services programs including housing, cybersecurity, grants, and solid waste & recycling. Funding will also be allocated towards updating the tree canopy data, the recreational trail brochures, and creating a data dashboard for the SCRCOG municipalities. Funding will be directed to reviving the SCRCOG Regional Purchasing Consortium which was not active this past year. A new program will be initiated for Risk Management. Chairman Zeoli asked if SCRCOG would be required to go out to bid for its RSG consultants. Executive Director Amento responded that new consultants will be solicited competitively for purchasing and risk management, however, the four core programs have utilized the same consultants successfully for four to five years each, and it was felt that a change of those consultants would hurt the continuity of those programs. First Selectman Hoey made a motion to approve, and First Selectman Cofrancesco seconded. The vote was unanimous.

4. Recommend Approval of SCRCOG FY 2023-24 Budget Revision #1

Finance Director Christopher Rappa presented the FY 23-24 Budget Revision #1 which is on pages 4-6 of the agenda packet. He stated that the Budget Revision reflects the increased RSG funding and the new funding resulting from the EPA Climate Pollution Reduction Grant grant. First Selectman Hoey made a motion to approve, and First Selectman Cofrancesco seconded. The motion passed.

5. Resolution Authorizing the Executive Director to enter into Agreements for FY 2023-24 Regional Services Grand-funded Consultant Services

Executive Director Amento presented the resolution on pages 7-8 of the agenda packet. The Resolution allowed the existing RSG consultants to continue their work in the areas of housing, cybersecurity, grants and solid waste & recycling. First Selectman Hoey made a motion to add the University of Vermont and University of Massachusetts to the list of consultants who would be selected without going out to bid. First Selectman Cofrancesco seconded the motion to revise the resolution. All voted in favor.

First Selectman Hoey made a motion to approve the revised resolution. First Selectman Cofrancesco seconded. The vote was unanimous.

6. Other Business

There was no other business.

7. Adjournment

First Selectman Cofrancesco moved to adjourn. First Selectman Hoey seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
First Selectwoman Peggy Lyons, *Secretary*



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***Resolution Authorizing Executive Director to Execute Agreement
for Acceptance of 2023-24 Regional Services Grant***

Whereas: SCRCOG has been awarded \$948,501.80 for the 2023-24 Regional Services Grant for Councils of Governments from the Connecticut Office of Policy and Management; and

Whereas: The Office of Policy and Management requires an adopted resolution by the SCRCOG Board.

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

That SCRCOG execute and deliver to the State of Connecticut a Notice of Grant Award (the “Agreement”) in the amount of \$948,501.80 for the 2023-24 Regional Services Grant; and

Be It Further Resolved:

That Carl Amento, as Executive Director of SCRCOG, is directed to execute and deliver the Agreement on behalf of SCRCOG and to do all things necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of the Agreement, including executing and delivering all agreements and documents contemplated by the Agreement.

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 Council of Governments on July 26, 2023.

Date: July 26, 2023

By:

First Selectman Peggy Lyons Secretary
South Central Regional Council of Governments