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To: Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee
From: William Dickinson, Chairman, Transportation Committee
Date: September 6, 2023
Subject: Wednesday, September 13, 2023, 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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Meeting ID: 818 5503 5822

Discussion:

1. Meeting with Regional Legislators Serving on the Transportation Committee. Page 2
Senator Christine Cohen -Chair
Representative Roland Lemar – Co Chair
Senator Jorge Cabrera, Member
Representative Frank Smith Member

Action Items:

2. Meeting Minutes of August 9, 2023, Page 3
3. 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Thirty Pages 4-9
Recommend SCRCOG adoption of Resolution- James Rode

Informational Items:

4. LOTICIP Update
James Rode
5. UPWP FY2024 Municipal Studies
Laura Francis
6. Other Business

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9/6/23

To: Transportation Committee Members

From: Laura Francis

Re: Discussion with Legislators

The following is a list of discussion items that you and some members of the policy board would like to discuss with the region's legislators attending the Transportation Committee Meeting later this month. If you have identified any other projects, concepts, legislation or policies related to transportation, please contact me as soon as possible. This list will be shared with the legislators and the DOT Commissioner who will be presenting at the September board meeting.

- PEL Study – 1-95 Exits 56, 59 and 60 are concerning, half exits cause local problems.
- New Haven – Downtown Crossings – Phase 4 inclusion in the STIF
- Move New Haven BRT Project – additional funding strategy and phase 2 to Hamden Plaza
- RT 15 – Exits 60 and 61 improvements.
- Heroes Tunnel Improvements.
- Shoreline East service cuts, parking lot counts show decline because of schedule, not meeting commuter needs.
- Red light implementation/guidance – workshop
- 2024 Legislative priorities

Thank you for your input. We look forward to a lively discussion.



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Transportation Committee Minutes – August 9, 2023

Transportation Committee Members

Wallingford, Mayor William Dickinson, Chairman
Branford, FS Jamie Cosgrove
Guilford, FS Matthew Hoey
Hamden, Mayor Lauren Garrett
North Haven, Andrew Bevilacqua, Proxy for FS Freda

Guests

Jennifer Pacacha, CTDOT
Kevin Ortiz, Branford
Erik Shortell, FHWA
Bijan Notghi, New Haven
Brian McLaughlin, CTRANSIT
Jim Mesner, Hamden
Mike Kurker, BL

Transportation Technical Committee

Branford, John Hoefflerle
Guilford, Janice Plaziak
Madison, John Iennaco
Meriden, Emile Pierides
New Haven, Giovanni Zinn
Wallingford, Alison Kapushinski
West Haven, Abdul Quadir

SCRCOG

Laura Francis, James Rode, Rebecca
Andreucci, Jonathon Schachter

Mayor Dickinson called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM.

Action Item #1: Meeting Minutes of July 12, 2023

FS Hoey made a motion to approve the Minutes of the July 12, 2023, meeting; FS Cosgrove seconded the motion, which passed with one abstention.

Action Item #2: 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Twenty- Nine

J. Rode introduced the 2 project changes in Amendment 29. Mayor Garrett made a motion to recommend approval. FS Hoey seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Action Item #3: LOTCIP Discussion and Possible Action on Changes to The Guidelines

J. Rode gave a recap of the discussion from last month. He reported that he continues to work with the consultant on an updated agreement and will report back to the committee next month.

Information Item #4: UPWP FY2024 Municipal Studies

L. Francis updated the committee on municipal studies program and reminded those present that the applications are due on September 11, 2023.

Information Item #5: Meeting with Regional Legislators on the Transportation Committee

L Francis announced that State legislators have been invited to attend the transportation committee meeting in September to discuss the transportation related needs of the region.

Other Business J Plaziak made and a motion and the meeting adjourned at 12:43PM.

South Central Regional Council of Governments
2021-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
Amendment Number 30

Project 0079-0246 2022-A22-1 Interchange Improvements I-91NB,I-691WB, Rte 15 NB

Changes Amendment 30 increases funding

Reason Action is necessary based on a revised cost estimate.

Project 0083-0268 2022_A12_5 REHAB BR 06798 (CULVERT) o/ STUBBY PLAIN

Changes Amendment 30 increases funding

Reason Action is necessary based on a revised cost estimate.

Project 0170-5041 2023-A30-1 I-91 Bridges Concrete Sealer

Changes Amendment 30 adds a new project.

Reason This concrete sealing program includes approximately 156 NBI bridges either carrying or spanning over I-91 NB & SB. This project will be part of a statewide concrete sealing program, in an effort to specifically extend the service life of existing concrete structural elements of a bridge exposed to deicing salts by applying this penetrating concrete sealer to exposed concrete of highway bridges. Bridges that carry I-91 will have the sealer applied to the parapet and median. Bridges spanning over I-91 will have the sealer applied to abutments, piers, and other concrete bridge elements located within the salt spray zone as a result of snow and ice clearing operations.

Project 0300-0214 2023-A30-2 NHL - TIME PHASE 1

Changes Amendment 30 adds a new project.

Reason This phase 1 project. includes upgrading infrastructure (track and catenary) and making clearance improvements to six rail bridges, one road bridge (Longbrook Avenue), and stormwater and utility improvements. This project will provide the infrastructure to meet Mobility goals of 90 MPH, improve corridor deficiencies, improve safety and reduce bridge strikes.

Project 0300-XXXX 2021-A0 NHL-STATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Changes Amendment 30 reduces funding.

Reason Action is necessary to maintain fiscal constraint. The project has sufficient funding to continue the design phase.

South Central Regional Council of Governments
 FFY2021-FFY2024 Transportation Improvement Program
 Amendment 30

State Project #0079-0246
Municipality Meriden

SCRCOG # 2022-A22-1
AQ Code CC
 Proposed

Project Name Interchange Improvements I-91NB,I-691WB, Rte 15 NB

Description The purpose of this project is to address traffic operational and safety concerns associated with capacity, congestion and weaving along Rte 15 and I-91 in the NB direction, as well as capacity deficiencies on the Route 15 NB off-ramp to I-691 WB

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>	<i>Prior</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>FYI</i>
NFRP	CON AC-Entry				0		
	Federal					17,412	87,059
	State					4,353	21,765
NHPP	AC-Entry				0		
	Federal				5,000	20,000	42,530
	State				1,250	5,000	10,632
Total Cost	\$215,001	0	0	0	6,250	46,765	161,986

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>	<i>Prior</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>FYI</i>
NFRP	CON AC-Entry				0		
	Federal					17,412	69,647
	State					4,353	17,412
NHPP	AC-Entry				0		
	Federal				5,000	28,000	80,300
	State				1,250	7,000	20,075
TIP Funds	\$250,449	0	0	0	6,250	56,765	187,434

Amendment Notes

FY21 TIP Amend 22 adds a new project, FY21 TIP Amend 30 increases funding

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 FFY2021-FFY2024 Transportation Improvement Program
 Amendment 30

State Project #0083-0268

SCRCOG # 2022_A12_5

Municipality Milford

AQ Code X6

Proposed

Project Name REHAB BR 06798 (CULVERT) o/ STUBBY PLAIN BROOK

Description Project for the rehab/relining of the culvert #06798 which carries I-95 over the Stubby Plain Brook in Milford

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>	<i>Prior</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>FYI</i>
STPNH	CON	Federal				1,260	
		State				140	
Total Cost	\$1,400		0	0	0	1,400	0

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>	<i>Prior</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>FYI</i>
STPNH	CON	Federal				2,700	
		State				300	
TIP Funds	\$3,000		0	0	0	3,000	0

Amendment Notes

FY21 TIP Amend 12 adds a new project. FY21 TIP Amend 24 moves CON to FY24.
 FY21 TIP Amend 30 increases funding

State Project #0170-5041

SCRCOG # 2023-A30-1

Municipality Statewide

AQ Code X6

Proposed

Project Name I-91 Bridges Concrete Sealer

Description Concrete Sealer Program to seal approximately 156 NBI bridges either carrying or spanning over I-91 Northbound and Southbound from New Haven to the Massachusetts state border.

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>	<i>Prior</i>	<i>2021</i>	<i>2022</i>	<i>2023</i>	<i>2024</i>	<i>FYI</i>
BRFP	CON	Federal				3,040	
		State				760	
TIP Funds	\$3,800		0	0	0	3,800	0

Amendment Notes

FY21 TIP Amend 30 adds a new project

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 FFY2021-FFY2024 Transportation Improvement Program
 Amendment 30

State Project #0300-0214
Municipality Regional

SCRCOG # 2023-A30-2
AQ Code X6
 Proposed

Project Name NHL - TIME PHASE 1

Description Project includes upgrading infrastructure (track and catenary) and making clearance improvements to six railbridges, one roadbridge (Longbrook Avenue), and stormwater and utility improvements.

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)

Funding	Phase	Prior	2021	2022	2023	2024	FYI
5307P	CON	Federal				80,000	
		State				20,000	
TIP Funds	\$100,000		0	0	0	100,000	0

Amendment Notes

FY21 TIP Amend 30 adds a new project

State Project #0300-XXXX
Municipality Statewide

SCRCOG # 2021-A0
AQ Code X6
 Proposed

Project Name NHL-STATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Description

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

Funding	Phase	Prior	2021	2022	2023	2024	FYI
5307C	PD	Federal	14,000	13,500			
		State	3,500	3,375			
	CON	Federal				42,000	
		State				10,500	
Total Cost	\$86,875		17,500	16,875	0	52,500	0

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)

Funding	Phase	Prior	2021	2022	2023	2024	FYI
5307C	PD	Federal	14,000	13,500			
		State	3,500	3,375			
TIP Funds	\$34,375		17,500	16,875	0	0	0

Amendment Notes

FY21 TIP Adds New Project. FY21 TIP Amend 30 reduces funding



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Resolution

Fiscal Year 2021-Fiscal Year 2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Thirty

- 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—2023 to 2050, (April, 2023)*; 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—2023 to 2050, (April, 2023)*; 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 2021-Fiscal Year 2024 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Thirty
(Continued)***

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

The Program Amendment *Thirty* 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 **September 27, 2023**

Date September 27, 2023

By: _____
First Selectwoman Peggy Lyons *Secretary*
South Central Regional Council of Governments