

SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl Amento Executive Director

To: Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee

From: William Dickinson Chairman, Transportation Committee

Date: May 31, 2011

Subject: Wednesday, June 8, 2011

Meeting of the Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee at

12:00, in the offices of SCRCOG

Agenda

Action Items:

1) Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2011 Pages 4-5

2) <u>2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Seventeen</u> Recommend to SCRCOG adoption of Amendment 17 James Rode

Pages 6-9

3) 2011 Transit Enhancement Program Recommend to SCRCOG for adoption James Rode Pages 10-22

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Informational Items:

- 4) New Haven-Meriden STP-Urban Program Monthly Review James Rode
- 5) Other Business

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SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Minutes Transportation Committee May 11, 2011

Transportation Committee members

Transportation Technical CommitteeGuilford, Jim Portley

Wallingford, Mayor William Dickinson, Chair North Haven, First Selectman Michael Freda Branford, Janice Plaziak proxy for First Selectman

Anthony DaRos

Hamden, Robert Brinton, proxy for Mayor

Scott Jackson

New Haven, Richard Miller, proxy for Mayor John

DeStefano

Milford, Gary Wassmer, Proxy for Mayor Richetelli

Guests

Jean Stimolo, Rideworks Lori Richards, GNHTD Phil Moberg, ConnDOT Ernie Anderson

SCRCOG

James Rode, Stephen Dudley,

North Branford, Kurt Weiss

Wallingford, John Thompson

West Haven, Abdul Quadir

Madison, Michael Ott

Action Item #1

Mayor Dickinson began the meeting at 12:20 PM.

Minutes of the April 13, 2011 meeting were adopted on a motion by J. Portley seconded by K. Weiss

Action Item #2

J. Rode presented the FY2010 –FY2013 TIP Amendment 16 which included 8 projects 1 project was added as a supplement to the amendment. This was project #0079-0231 Streetscape from Cook Ave to North Second St TCSP funds were increased and to prevent delays CDOT asked that we include this project in Amendment 16. After a brief discussion J. Portley made the motion to approve FY10 TIP Amendment 16, FS, M. Freda seconded, and motion was approved.

Action Item #3

J Rode reported on the Section 5310 program. This year 6 applications for the purchase of 8 vehicles were received. Based on criteria provided by ConnDOT and with the support of the Evaluation Panel, a list of recommended regional priorities was presented. J Portley made a Motion to accept the recommendation, P. Blanchet seconded; motion carried unanimously.

Informational Item #1

S Dudley began the discussion of project requirements. D. Miller had submitted a memo suggesting ways to simplify the processing of smaller projects. There was a long discussion. It was suggested that a workshop could be set up with CTDOT to find ways to streamline the process. It was decided to focus on two areas; these were the Rights of Way process and the processing of pavement projects. S. Dudley volunteered to put a framework together for discussion at the next meeting.

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SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Minutes Transportation Committee May 11, 2011

Informational Item #2

J. Rode presented an updated STP-Urban program summary based on the ConnDOT schedule. The program for FFY2011 appears to be fully programmed; FFY2012 includes 2 large projects that could be problematic if their schedules slip. S. Dudley stated that program needs projects especially smaller projects to fill gaps. M. Ott stated that Madison may have projects to include and some others thought they may have some as well. J rode volunteered to email the STP-Urban packet out to assist committee members interested in applying.

Informational Item #3

Jeffery Parker from CHA was on hand to discuss the Road Classification Study that he is working on for SCRCOG as part of the UPWP. The study will review existing functional classifications and propose recommended changes for ConnDOT and FHWA approval. . He asked those present to review their information and submit any addition candidate roadways for review

J. Plaziak made a motion to adjourn meeting, J. Portley seconded. The meeting adjourned at 1:40PM.

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South Central Regional Council of Governments

2010-2013 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Amendment Number 17

Project ENH-TXXX 2001-037 Various Transit Enhancement Improvements

Changes Amendment 17 moves the balance of 5307 (R) funds to FY11 and adds the new apportionment

of 5307 (E) funds to the program.

Reason The balance of FY08 funds (\$36,252 Fed) and FY09 funds (\$194,216 Fed) are moved from

FY10 to FY11. At the same time the FY10 funds (\$194,216 Fed) are added to allow for the

funds to be obligated

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

Amendment Number 17

State Project ENH-TXXX

SCRCOG # 2001-037

Municipality Regional

Proposed

Project Name Various Transit Enhancement Improvements

Description 5307 Transit Enhancement fund allotments from FFY08 through FFY11 for several projects to be completed throughout the region.

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)								
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
5307R	CON	Federal		705				
		Local		176				
Total Cost	\$881		0	881	0	0	0	0
Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)								
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
5307E	CON	Federal			194			
		Local			49			
5307R		Federal			230			
		Local			58			
TIP Funds	\$531		0	0	531	0	0	0

Amendment Notes

FY10 TIP Amend 5 introduces project and adds Carryover Transit Enhancement Funds from FFY 06-FFY09. FFY06 Fed = 165K, LOC=41K, FFY07 Fed=169K,LOC=42K, FFY08 Fed = 182K, LOC=46K, FFY09 Fed = 189K, LOC=47K. FY10 TIP Amend 17 moves carry over amount of 230 Fed and add 2011 amount of 194 fed.



SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl Amento Executive Director

Resolution

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

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—2011 to 2040, (April, 2011)); 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—2011 to 2040, (April, 2011); 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 2010-Fiscal Year 2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Seventeen (Continued)

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

The *Program Amendment Seventeen* 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 **June 22, 2011**.

Date: June 22, 2011.	By:	
	•	John Picard, Secretary
		South Central Regional Council of Governments

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SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl Amento, Executive Director

Date: January 12, 2011

Subject: Application for Transit Enhancement Projects

SAFETEA-LU stipulates that the designated recipient for the New Haven-Meriden Urbanized Area must certify to FTA that they have used 1% of the region's Section 5307 allocation for Transit Enhancement projects. The Greater New Haven Transit District as the region's designated recipient manages this program. We have a balance of approximately \$388,000 in federal funding available at this time.

At the beginning of January 2011 we put out a request for projects. We originally hoped to complete project solicitation at the end of February. That deadline was extended to allow for more time for applications to be completed. In the end 2 completed applications were submitted these have been reviewed by both GNHTD and SCRCOG staff and are included here for your review.

Proposed Projects in 2011

Municipality	Project Title	Cost	Federal
Guilford	Pedestrian Access to Guilford Train Station	\$53,900	\$ 43,120
West Haven	Campbell Avenue Streetscape Project	\$251,324	\$201,059
		\$305,224	\$244,179
Total amount	of funding included in TIP Amendment 17	\$531,000	\$424,000
Balance of Fl	FY10 funds available	\$225,776	\$179,821

Guilford Pedestrian Access to Guilford Train Station

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Guilford has proposed a project to improve pedestrian access to the train station. The project will provide new handicap accessible ramps and brick paver crosswalks to facilitate pedestrian and handicap access from the west side of Whitfield Street. The application is attached

West Haven Campbell Avenue Streetscape Project

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West Haven has proposed a project to improve pedestrian access to public bus services along Campbell Ave. Pedestrian enhancements on Campbell Avenue include new sidewalks, benches, trees, trash receptacles and ADA compliant ramps. The application is attached

FTA Transit Enhancement Program Application

- 1. Applicant: Town of Guilford
- 2. Handicap Access Sidewalk & Crosswalk Improvements. Whitfield Street & Old Whitfield Street Intersection
- 3. See Attached Project Location Map.
- 4. There are no right-of-way needs. All improvement will be within the existing rights-of-way.
- 5. Project Description.

Pedestrian access to Guilford's train station is limited. There is no direct pedestrian handicap access from the west side of Whitfield Street to the station. The station when constructed was designed with an elevator and is in full compliance with ADA requirements but pedestrian access via Guilford's sidewalk system needs to be upgraded.

The project as designed will provide new handicap ramps and brick paver cross walks to facilitate pedestrian and handicap access from the west side of Whitfield Street to the Old Whitfield Street sidewalk that provides direct pedestrian access to the train station.

An island of refuge is also proposed on Whitfield Street to "calm traffic" and provide a safe stopping point on this heavily trafficked street. This feature is especially important during commuting hours when motorists are rushing to or from the train station with little regard for posted speed limits.

- 6. Preliminary Project Plans. See Attached
- 7. Cost Estimate Attached Project Schedule is pending availability of FTA funds.
- 8. Letter of Commitment from First Selectman Joseph Mazza attached.



THE OLD STONE HOUSE

TOWN OF GUILFORD

31 Park Street
GUILFORD, CONNECTICUT 06437
SETTLED IN 1639

Joseph S. Mazza First Selectman

TELEPHONE (203) 453-8015 FAX (203) 453-8467

March 8, 2011

Carl Amento SCRCOG Executive Director 127 Washington, Avenue – 4th Floor West North Haven, CT 06473-1715

Dear Carl:

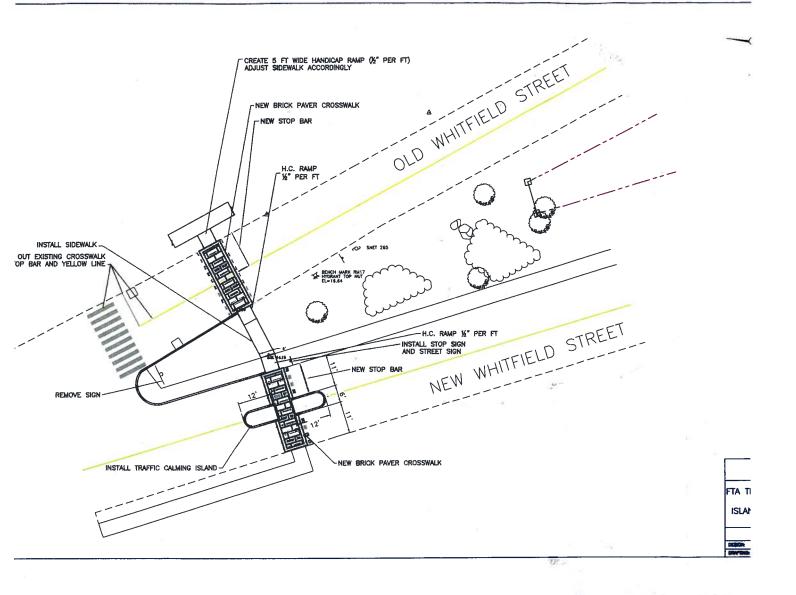
At the March 7, 2011 Board of Selectmen meeting, the board voted to file a FTA Transit Enhancement Application to install handicap ramps, new brick paver crosswalks and an island of refuge at the north Whitfield Street/Old Whitfield Street intersection. The estimated total cost of the project is \$53,900 and it is understood that the town would be responsible for 20 percent of the cost, including some in-kind services.

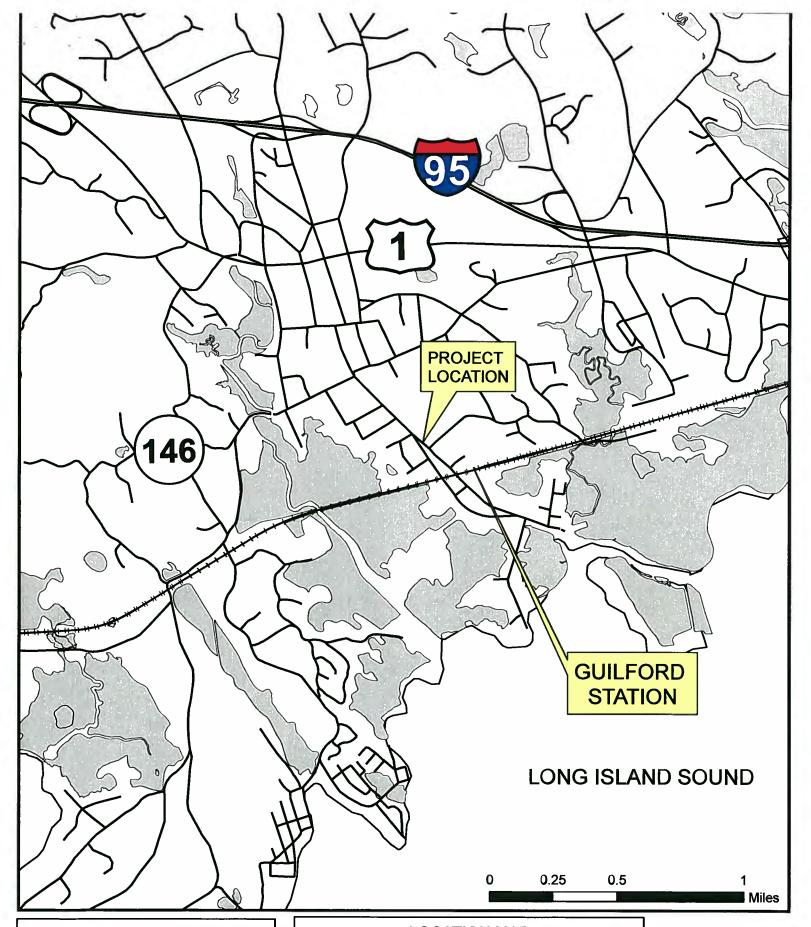
Thank you for consideration of our application.

Sincerely,

Joseph S. Mazza First Selectman

cc: Jim Portley, Town Engineer





TOWN OF GUILFORD

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LOCATION MAP
FTA TRANSIT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM
GUILFORD, CONNECTICUT

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PROJECT:	FTA TRANSIT ENHANC	EMENT PROGRA	λM		
				UNIT	315
ITEM	DESCRIPTION	UNIT OF MONUMENT	QUANTITY	COST	COST
1	Brick Paver Crosswalk	SF	300	\$60.00	\$18,000
2	Concrete Handicap Ramp	SF	75	\$30.00	\$1,500
3	Concrete Sidewalk	SF	150	\$10.00	\$1,200
4	Granite Curb	LF	70'	\$50/LF	\$3,500
5	Traffic Island Landscapping	LS			\$2,500
6	Pavement Markings & Signage	E LS			\$1,500
7	Traffic Control				\$6,000
	Subtotal				\$37,700
	Contingency 30%				\$11,300
	Administration 10%				\$49,000 \$4,900
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DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

City of West Haven 355 Main Street West Haven, CT 06516 (203) 937-3580



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Eileen Buckheit Commissioner

John M. Picard

Mayor

FTA Transit Enhancement Program Application

- 1. Municipality: City of West Haven
- 2. Project Title: Campbell Avenue Streetscape Project
- 3. **Project Location**: Approximately 1,300-foot section of Campbell Avenue from 1st Avenue to Smith Court
- 4. Right-of-Way Needs: The City of West Haven owns the property on which construction is to take place.
- 5. Written Description and Justification of Proposed Project:

The City of West Haven seeks funding for streetscaping enhancements on Campbell Avenue, one of the City's main commercial corridors. The project area runs from First Avenue to Smith Court and includes new sidewalks, street paving, curbing, stenciled benches, crosswalks, and bump-outs improvements to handicap access, landscaping and other scenic beautification, and trash receptacles. The heavily traveled road is in dire need of these infrastructure improvements, not only for the safety of drivers and pedestrians, but for the benefit of the small businesses that are located along Campbell Avenue.

6. Preliminary Project Plans:

Concept plans under development by Diversified Technology Consultants of New Haven. Project is at 60 percent design.

7. Cost Estimates and Proposed Schedule

Cost Estimate

See attached. Total cost of project is \$251,324. Twenty percent match (\$50,265) will be provided as in-kind services by the University of New Haven.

Proposed Schedule

Project is at 60 percent design. The project will be construction-ready by the time funds are awarded and work will commence at that time.

- 8. Commitment of Non-Federal Funding Match
 Letter of Commitment of the non-federal match is required.
 See attached.
- General Information See attached.

10. Project Eligibility for FTA Funding.

Please check the FTA-eligible items that are addressed by the project:

- a. Historic preservation, rehabilitation, and operation of historic mass transportation building, structures, and facilities (including historic bus and railroad facilities);
- b. Bus shelters;



- c. Landscaping and other scenic beautification, including tables, benches, trash receptacles, and street lights;
- d. Public art;



- e. Pedestrian access and walkways;
- f. Bicycle access, including bicycle storage facilities and installing equipment for transporting bicycles on mass transportation vehicles;
- g. Transit connections to parks within the recipient's transit service area;
- h. Signage



Enhanced access for persons with disabilities to mass transportation.

11. Project Contact

Name: Abdul Quadir Title: City Engineer

Address: 355 Main Street

Phone Number: 203-937-3577 Fax Number: 203-937-3514

Email: Quadir@westhaven-ct.gov



Office of the Vice President for Finance

February 9, 2011

Ms. Eileen Buckheit Commissioner Planning and Development 3rd Floor City of West Haven Municipal Building West Haven, CT 06516

Re:

University of New Haven Funding Commitment

FTA Transit Enhancement Program

Dear Ms. Buckheit;

The University of New Haven is committed to participating in the improvement of the surrounding neighborhoods to our main West Haven campus.

As a testament to this, the University is committed to funding up to 20%, or \$50,265 of the improvements related to the streetscaping project on Campbell Avenue from First Avenue to Smith Court.

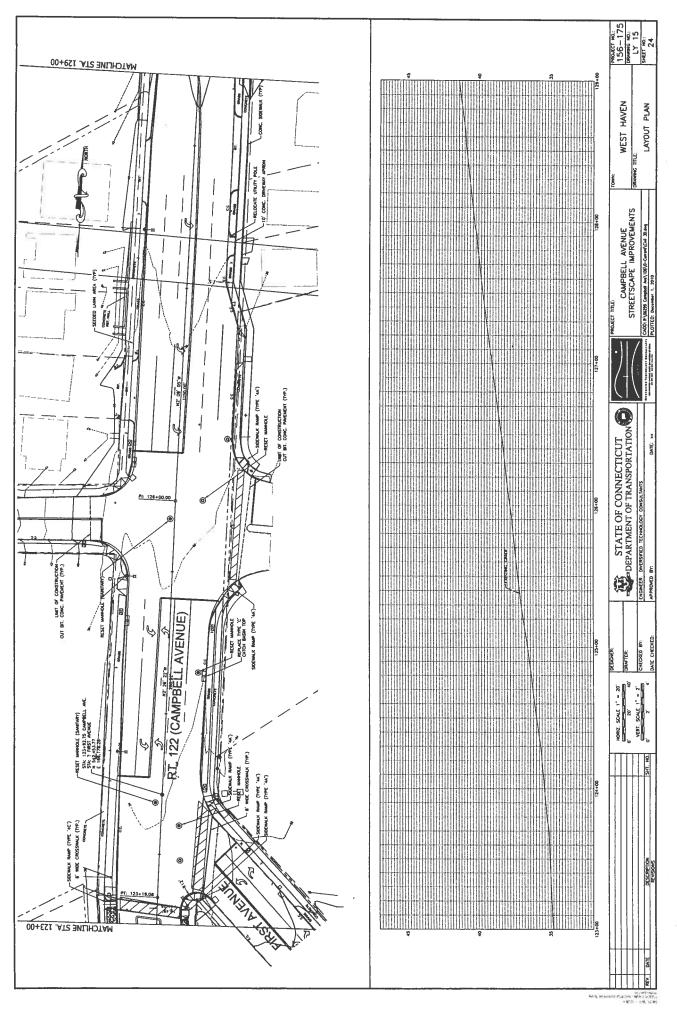
Please don't hesitate to call on me if you have any questions or need any additional information.

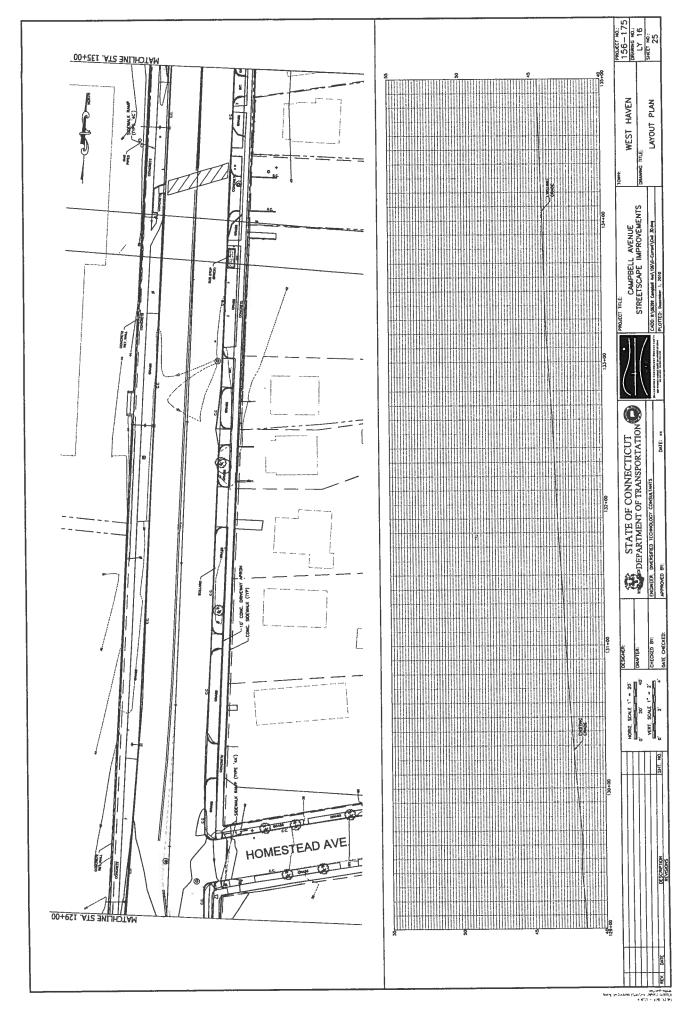
Regards,

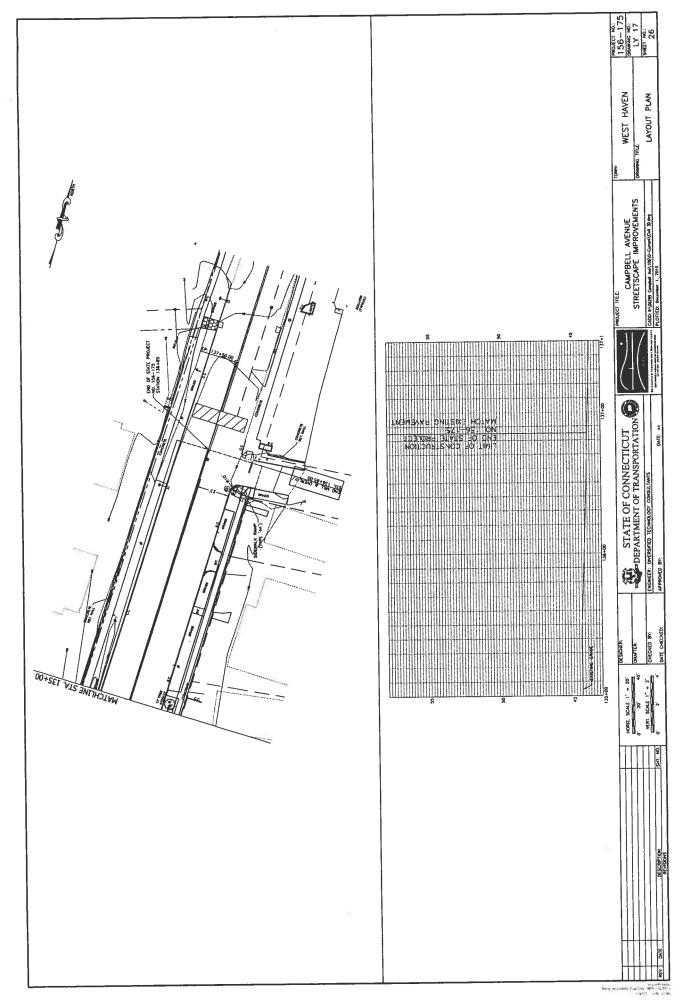
George S. Synodi

Vice President for Finance

cc: Dr. Kaplan, President







Campbell Avenue, from First Avenue to Smith Court (both sides) City of West Haven
Streetscape Project Estimate

	Admin. Costs (10%)	Trash Receptacles	Trees	Benches	Concrete Sidewalk	DESCRIPTION
		10	14	ω	9600	QUANTITY
		Each	Each	Each	Sq. Feet	TIND
TOTAL		\$1000	\$1650	\$1120	\$12	UNIT PRICE
•	5	\$1,507	\$2,486	\$1,687	\$18	UNIT PRICE X 1.5065*
\$251,324	\$22,848	\$15,065	\$34,800	\$5,062	\$173,549	AMOUNT

*To include minor construction incidentals and contingencies