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Carl J. Amento, Executive Director

**To:** Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee

From: William Dickinson Chairman, Transportation Committee

**Date:** July 6, 2015

**Subject:** Wednesday, July 8, 2015

Meeting of the Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee at

12:00, in the offices of SCRCOG

# Revised-Agenda

# Action Items:

Meeting Minutes of June 10, 2015
 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Eight
 Recommend to SCRCOG adoption of Resolution – James Rode

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# Informational Items:

- 3. New Haven-Meriden STP-Urban Program and LOTCIP James Rode
- 4. Regional Mobility Management Program Status Report Page 15
- 5. Other Business

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### Transportation Committee Minutes – June 10, 2015

# **Transportation Committee Members**

Wallingford, Mayor William Dickinson, Chair Guilford, FS Joseph Mazza Branford, Janice Plaziak Proxy for FS James Cosgrove New Haven, Giovanni Zinn Proxy for Mayor Harp

#### Guests

Kim Dunham, Lori Richards, GNHTD
Edgar Wynkoop, CTDOT
Christine Maguire, Kennedy Center
Scott Willis, CTTRANSIT
Louis Mangini, Congresswoman DeLauro's Office
Douglas Hausladen, Josh Lecar, City of New Haven

# **Transportation Technical Committee**

East Haven, Kevin White Guilford, James Portley Hamden, Bob Brinton Meriden, Bob Bass Milford, Gary Wassmer North Branford, Kurt Weiss North Haven, Jonathon Bodwell Orange, Robert Hiza Wallingford, John Thompson West Haven Abdul Quadir

### **SCRCOG**

Carl Amento, Stephen Dudley, James Rode Christopher Rappa, Andy Cirioli (intern)

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

### Action Item #1: Meeting Minutes of May 13, 2015

FS Mazza made a motion to approve the Minutes of the May 13, 2015 meeting. G. Wassmer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

# Action Item #2: 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Seven

J. Rode first presented project # 0079-XXXX *Multi-Modal Roadway Improvements for TOD*. Meriden is applying for a TIGER grant for this project and one of the requirements is that the project be included in the TIP. J. Rode then presented the remaining projects in Amendment 7. The amendment included project #171-0375 Replace VMS: I-91, 84, 384, CT2, 5, 15, 20. FS Mazza made a motion to recommend approval of Amendment 7. G. Zinn seconded motion, which passed on a majority. Mayor Dickinson voted against.

# Action Item #3: Discussion and Possible action on LOTCIP Priorities

S. Dudley provided two handouts to the group with updated information for the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTCIP). The first document spelled out procedures for LOTCIP. Those present asked questions and made comments. The second was a proposed prioritized list of projects submitted as part of the last solicitation for FY 16, FY 17, FY 18, FY 19. S. Dudley gave a detailed account of how the projects were ranked. Those present asked questions. All agreed that the proposed priorities as presented were fair. The general consensus was that procedures would work and the priorities seemed fair. J. Bodwell made a motion to recommend approval of the procedures for the LOTCIP and the prioritized list of projects for FY 16, FY 17, FY 18, and FY 19. J. Portley seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

# Informational Item #4: New Haven-Meriden STP-Urban Program and LOTCIP

This discussion item was addressed during Action Item #3.



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# **Informational Item #5: Regional Mobility Management Program Status Report**The Report was made available and C. Maguire was on hand to answer any questions.

J. Plaziak made a motion to adjourn. J. Portley seconded. The meeting adjourned at 12:50 PM.

# **South Central Regional Council of Governments**

# 2015-2018 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Amendment Number 8

**Project** 0059-0162 2012-A12-2 Shoreline Greenway Guilford Page 7 Changes Amendment 8 moves Con to FY16 Reason Action is necessary based on revised schedule **Project** 0092-0531 1999-009 I-95/I-91/Rt 34 Interchange Reconstruction E Page 8 **Changes** Amendment 8 adjusts funding. Action is necessary to fully obligate available SAFTEA-LU funding. Reason **Project** 0167-0108 2015-A8-1 **Tunnel Improvement on Route 15** Page 9 Changes Amendment 8 adds a new project This project will fund the design and construction of new and rehabilitated tunnels carrying Reason Route 15 under the West Rock Ridge in Woodbridge and New Haven. The PE study was completed under Project #0167-0103. Only a preliminary design phase is initiated at this time. **Project** 0427-0062 2015-A1\_86 GNHTD ADMINISTRATIVE CAPITAL PROGRAM FY15 Page 10 Changes Amendment 8 adds 5307P funds to FY2015 Reason Transit District's Administrative Capital Funds for purchase of utility vehicles, vehicle parts, computer hardware, equipment, etc. used to support Transit operations **Project** 0427-NFXX **GNHTD - New Bus Admin / Maint Facility** Page 11 2010-008 **Changes** Amend 8 decreases funding for FY15 Reason Funding is adjusted based on latest estimate. **Project** 0427-PXXXX 2010-007 **GNHTD Replace Paratransit Vehicles** Page 12

Funds for purchase of Paratransit buses to replace vehicles that have reached the end of

Amendment 8 adds 5307P funds to FY2015

their useful life.

Changes

Reason

State Project 0059-0162

SCRCOG # 2012-A12-2

**Municipality** Guilford

Proposed

Project Name Shoreline Greenway Guilford

**Description** Project is for design and construction of a 5,000 ft trail in Guilford to run along side Route 1 from the Madison border to the intersection with Route 146

<b>Current TIP</b>	Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)							
Funding	Phase		Prior	2015	2016	2017	2018	FYI
HPP	CON	Federal		484				
		Local		326				
Total Cost	\$810		0	810	0	0	0	0
Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)								
Funding	Phase		Prior	2015	2016	2017	2018	FYI
HPP	CON	Federal			484			
		Local			326			
TIP Funds	\$810		0	0	810	0	0	0

# **Amendment Notes**

FY 12 TIP Amend 11 adds new Project. FY15 TIP Amend 8 moves Con to FY16

State Project 0092-0531

SCRCOG # 1999-009

Municipality New Haven

Proposed

Project Name I-95/I-91/Rt 34 Interchange Reconstruction E

**Description** Reconstruct I-95/I-91/Rt 34 interchange to accommodate new 10-lane Quinnipiac River Bridge and reconfigure nb I-95 to Rt 34 ramp as a "right hand take off". Post-FY05 CN with Surface Transportation Program statewide and National Highway System support.

<b>Current TIP</b>	Funding (In Thou	ısands)					
Funding	Phase	Prior	2015	2016	2017	2018	FYI
NHPP	CON AC-Entry		0				
	Federal		52,391				
	State		5,821				
NHPP-BRX	Federal	9,770					
	State	1,086					
STPA	Federal	28,570					
	State	7,143					
Total Cost	\$104,781	46,569	58,212	0	0	0	0
<b>Proposed TI</b>	P Funding (In Th	ousands	s)				
Funding	Phase	Prior	2015	2016	2017	2018	FYI
I-M	CON AC-Entry		0				
	Federal		6,500				
	State		722				
NHPP	AC-Entry		0				
	Federal		37,891				
	State		4,210				
NHPP-BRX	Federal	9,770					
	State	1,086					
NHS	AC-Entry		0				
	Federal		4,500				
	State		500				
STPA	AC-Entry		0				
	Federal	28,570	3,500				
	State	7,143	389				
TIP Funds	\$104,781	46,569	58,212	0	0	0	0

# **Amendment Notes**

18 increases STPA funds for FY11 and add IMD funds. FY10 TIP Amend 23 reduces NHS funds for FY12. FY12 TIP Amend 4 adds I-M to FY12. FY12 TIP Amend 7 increases NHS for FY 12. FY12 TIP Amend 11 Adjusts Funds FY12 TIP Amend 13 increases STPA for FY13 FY12 TIP Amend 14 increases NHPP funds. FY12 TIP Amend 16 changes I-M to NHPP-BRX. FY15 TIP Amend 5 reduces NHPP funding and STPA funding for FY15. FY15 TIP Amend 8 adjusts funding.

State Project 0167-0108

SCRCOG # 2015-A8-1

Municipality Woodbridge

Proposed

**Project Name** Tunnel Improvement on Route 15

**Description** Project will fund design and construction of new and rehabilitated tunnels carring Rt 15, Wilbur Cross Pkwy, Under the West Rock Ridge

# **Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)**

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)								
Funding	Phase		Prior	2015	2016	2017	2018	FYI
NHPP-BRX	PD	Federal			1,600			
		State			400			
TIP Funds	\$2,000		0	0	2,000	0	0	0

# **Amendment Notes**

FY15 TIP Amend 8 adds a new project

State Project 0427-0062

SCRCOG # 2015-A1\_86

Municipality Regional

Proposed

Project Name GNHTD ADMINISTRATIVE CAPITAL PROGRAM FY15

**Description** Transit District's Administrative Capital Funds for purchase of utility vehicles, vehicle parts, computer hardware, equipment, etc used to support Transit operations

<b>Current TIP</b>	<b>Funding</b>	(In Thou	ısands)					
Funding	Phase		Prior	2015	2016	2017	2018	FYI
5307C	OTH	Federal		532				
		State		133				
Total Cost	\$665		0	665	0	0	0	0
Proposed T	IP Fundii	ng (In Th	ousands	)				
Funding	Phase		Prior	2015	2016	2017	2018	FYI
5307C	OTH	Federal		532				
		State		133				
5307P		Federal		60				
		State		15				
TIP Funds	\$740		0	740	0	0	0	0

**Amendment Notes** 

State Project 0427-NFXX

SCRCOG # 2010-008

**Municipality** Regional

Proposed

Project Name GNHTD - New Bus Admin / Maint Facility

**Description** GNHTD - Funding for the design and Construction of new facility to house Administrative offices, transit vehicle storage and maintenance

<b>Current TIP</b>	Funding	(In Thou	ısands)					
Funding	Phase		Prior	2015	2016	2017	2018	FYI
5307C	ALL	Federal			4,000	5,200	5,200	
		State			1,000	1,300	1,300	
5307P		Federal		400				
		State		100				
	ROW	Federal		1,200				
		State		300				
Total Cost	\$20,000		0	2,000	5,000	6,500	6,500	0
Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)								
Funding	Phase		Prior	2015	2016	2017	2018	FYI
5307C	ALL	Federal			4,000	5,200	5,200	
		State			1,000	1,300	1,300	
5307P		Federal		280				
		State		70				
	ROW	Federal		1,200				
		State		300				
TIP Funds	\$19,850		0	1,850	5,000	6,500	6,500	0

# **Amendment Notes**

FY12 TIP includes ongoing project FY15 TIP Amend 2 moves unexpended funds from FY12 to FY15. FY 15 TIP Amend 8 decreases funding

State Project 0427-PXXXX

SCRCOG # 2010-007

**Municipality** Regional

Proposed

Project Name GNHTD Replace Paratransit Vehicles

**Description** Transit District's Capital Funds for purchase of Paratransit buses to replace vehicles that have reached the end of their useful life. Generally 4 years or 125,000 miles

Current TIP	Funding	(In Thou	ısands)					
Funding	Phase		Prior	2015	2016	2017	2018	FY
5307C	OTH	Federal	560	948	952	960	976	
		State	140	237	238	240	244	
Total Cost	\$5,495		700	1,185	1,190	1,200	1,220	0
Proposed T	IP Fundii	ng (In Th	ousands)	)				
Funding	Phase		Prior	2015	2016	2017	2018	FYI
5307C	OTH	Federal	560	948	952	960	976	
		State	140	237	238	240	244	
5307P		Federal		492				
		State		123				
TIP Funds	\$6,110		700	1,800	1,190	1,200	1,220	0

### **Amendment Notes**

FY12 TIP includes ongoing project. FY12 TIP Amend 16 moves 5307P funds from FFY12 to FFY13. Also moves 5307C funds to a new project #427-PXXX1, FY15 TIP Amend 8 adds 5307P funds to FY15



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### Resolution

# Fiscal Year 2015-Fiscal Year 2018 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Eight

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 2015-Fiscal Year 2018 Transportation Improvement Program on October 22, 2014, 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 2015-2018 Transportation Improvement Program and the Region's Long-Range Transportation Plans—2015 to 2040, (April, 2015); and

Whereas: The Council, on October 22, 2014, 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—2015 to 2040, (April, 2015)); 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 2015-Fiscal Year 2018 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Eight (continued)

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

The Program Amendment Eight 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 22**, **2015** 

Date: <b>July 22, 2015</b>	By:	
,	•	Mayor Benjamin Blake, Secretary
		South Central Regional Council of Governments

# South Central Region – Regional Mobility Management Status Report June 1, 2015 – June 30, 2015

During the first week of June, the Regional Mobility Manager (RMM) attended the Community Transportation Association of America's (CTAA) Expo in Tampa, Florida. The RMM learned valuable information on volunteer driving programs as well as the different types of technology available to transportation providers.

During the month of June, the RMM completed two presentations and volunteered at one community event. On June 7, the RMM volunteered at the State Wide Roadeo in Manchester. At the end of that week, the RMM presented at the People First conference in Meriden. The RMM along with Diane from ARC, sponsor of "Transitnet", and Ginger from the Eastern Connecticut Transportation Consortium (ECTC-the agency that hosts the RMM for Eastern CT), presented to the audience on the role of Mobility Managers. There were approximately 175 people in attendance. On June 16, the RMM presented to the Hamden Senior Center. Thirty-six seniors were in attendance.

The RMM met with Cheryl Church, Director of Social Services in Clinton. The RMM will be setting up a table at the town's "Help Day" in August. The RMM also reached out to Susan Consoli, Director of Social Services in Old Saybrook and will be setting up a table at their "Help Day" in July. Each event usually has 100 or more people in attendance.

In the way of meetings, the RMM attended SCRCOG's monthly Transportation Committee meeting, the state's Transportation Finance Committee public hearing in New Haven, a Branford Cares meeting, Greater Valley Chamber of Commerce annual meeting and a Regional Mobility Management Steering Committee meeting was held. At the Regional Mobility Program Committee meeting, the RMM welcomed three new committee members; Tracy Gilbert from Mary Wade, Amy Mullen from Vista, and Keira Bulford, from Bureau of Rehabilitation Services In addition, Greyson Schwing, project website designer from Antelope Web, presented the latest version of the project's Mobility Management website. The committee was asked to review the website and send feedback to the RMM. Based on all of the feedback, corrections were made and a soft launch occurred on June 25. The RMM plans on presenting the new website to SCRCOG's board at the July meeting.

On June 24, the RMM attended a committee meeting for Branford Cares. They are a local non-profit in Branford, who are looking into collaborating with Orchard House. One of the goals of Branford Cares is to help seniors and people with disabilities access their community. They would like to see if they can use Orchard House's buses between the hours of 10 am and 2 pm, Monday and Friday to achieve this goal. The plans are in the beginning stages and the RMM will continue to attend future meetings.

In June, the RMM has experienced an increase in phone calls from people in the community asking for assistance with finding transportation. The most notable situation that occurred this month was a call from a woman looking for a way to get her 86 year old sister to her cancer treatments. Both women don't drive and are on a limited income, so the RMM was able to connect the ladies with the American Cancer Society and their volunteer driver program. The RMM gave them a follow up call and things are going well. Lastly, the RMM was able to attend Connecticut's Association for Community Transportation (CACT) annual meeting and luncheon.