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Carl J. Amento, Executive Director

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

From: William Dickinson, Chairman, Transportation Committee

**Date:** April 4, 2018

**Subject:** Wednesday, April 11, 2018

Meeting of the Transportation Committee and Transportation Technical Committee at

12:00, in the offices of SCRCOG

#### Action Items:

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Recommend to SCRCOG adoption of Resolution- James Rode

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#### Transportation Committee Minutes – March 14, 2018

#### **Transportation Committee Members**

Wallingford, Mayor William Dickinson, Chair Branford, FS James Cosgrove Guilford, FS Mathew Hoev New Haven, Doug Hausladen, Proxy for Mayor Harp

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Stephen Dudley, James Rode, Chris Rappa

Mayor Dickinson called the meeting to order at 12:10 PM.

#### Action Item #1: Meeting Minutes of January 10, 2018

J. Plaziak made a motion to approve the Minutes of the January 10, 2018 meeting. K. Weiss seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### Action Item #2: 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment 4

J. Rode introduced 6 projects that made up Amendment 4. Among the projects was 0061-0153 Walkable Sidewalk Ped/Bike Improvements. This project includes pedestrian and bicycle improvements at various locations and was selected by CTDOT in 2017, as a result of a 2016 COG solicitation, for funding under the Transportation Alternatives Program. Following a discussion, J. Plaziak made a motion to recommend approval of Amendment 4. FS Hoey seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

#### Informational Item #5: New Haven-Meriden STP-Urban Program and LOTCIP

S. Dudley gave an update on the LOTCIP program funding. He reported that LOTCIP is still in a holding pattern. Mayor Dickinson asked about STP Urban funding and whether that program would be available in the future. There followed a discussion of how that would work and how it would affect projects in the LOTCIP Program.

## Informational Item #6: Regional Mobility Management Program Status Report

The report was included with the agenda.

J. Plaziak made a motion to adjourn. J. Bodwell seconded. The meeting adjourned at 12:36PM.



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# Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities: SCRCOG Priorities

#### The Section 5310 Program

Since 1975, the State of Connecticut has received annual Federal Section 5310 funding for transportation of seniors and individuals with disabilities. Under MAP-21, the cash grants for qualified recipients towards the purchase of wheelchair accessible vehicles were maintained, as Section 5310A. In addition, there are three new categories of project types that can now be funded; Section 5310 B, C & D. These categories provide mainly operating funds for programs that provide transportation service to the elderly and persons with disabilities. MAP-21 funding is apportioned based on Transportation Management Area (TMA). The New Haven TMA includes the South Central Region and portions of the Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments (RiverCOG).

#### **Priorities**

SCRCOG received eight applications for Section 5310A for the purchase of nine vehicles, and five applications for Section 5310 B, C & D for operating expenses. Representatives from SCRCOG and the RiverCOG reviewed the applications and assigned points using criteria provided by CTDOT. The following regional priorities are recommended to the Council for consideration:

#### **Section 5310A Capital Primary**

1 Town of Orange	1 Vehicle
2 Mary Wade Home	1 Vehicle
3 Town of North Branford	2 Vehicles
4 Wallingford Senior Center	1 Vehicle
5 Town of Milford	1 Vehicle
6 Orchard House	1 Vehicle
7 Goodwill Southern New England	1 Vehicle
8 Estuary Senior Center	1 Vehicle

#### Section 5310B, C &D Operating

ALSA-CT Transportation Services

Estuary Transit District Mid-shore and Riverside Routes, Taxi Vouchers

The Kennedy Center Transit Education Coordinator



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#### Resolution

FY 2017 Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility for Seniors and Persons with Disabilities.

Whereas: The State of Connecticut has received annual Federal Section 5310 funding for

transportation of seniors and individuals with disabilities, since 1975; and

Whereas: MAP-21 funding is apportioned based on Transportation Management Area

(TMA). The New Haven TMA includes the South Central Region and portions of the Lower Connecticut River Valley Council of Governments (RiverCOG) to

allow funds for capital and operating expenses; and

Whereas \$507,822 has been appropriated to the New Haven TMA for FY17, of which a

minimum of 55% must be used for capital purchases; and

Whereas: SCRCOG and RiverCOG, have reviewed all applications from interested non-

profit organizations, and prioritized projects based on criteria provided by

CTDOT; and

Whereas: Agreement has been reached among the above mentioned parties on the priorities

for capital purchases and operating funds after review of applications from

municipalities, interested non-profit organizations, and area paratransit operators,

based on ranking criteria provided by CTDOT; and

Whereas: Based upon the applications submitted, the available funding will allow for the

fulfillment of the priorities noted below.



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

That the South Central Regional Council of Governments adopts the following 5310 priorities for the New Haven TMA:

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#### 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 South Central Regional Council of Governments on **April 25**, **2018** 

Date: April 25, 2018	By:	
		First Selectwoman Beth Heller, Secretary South Central Regional Council of Governments



### South Central Mobility Management Status Report

The Kennedy Center
John Wardzala
Regional Mobility Manager
7 Research Drive, Woodbridge, CT 06525

March 1, 2018 - March 31, 2018

#### **SUMMARY**

#### The Senior GO TO Guide

The Senior GO TO Guide is a magazine-style resource that is distributed free of charge in Connecticut. I am working with staff at The Senior GO TO Guide on their upcoming edition's transportation section regarding information on ADA Paratransit services, 9 Town Transit, CTtransit, Greater New Haven Transit District and Middletown Area Transit, The Kennedy Center Travel Training program and more.

#### Outreach Awareness Regarding Proposed Bus & ADA Para Fare Increase

Distributing CTtransit information flyers (in English and Spanish) at monthly venues including outdoor mobile food pantries and soup kitchens throughout South Central Connecticut. As the majority of the people I outreach to do not have Internet access and have not heard of the proposed fare increase, bringing awareness to the proposed fare increase has been a good segue to introducing people to CT DOT's Transit Reduced Fare Photo ID Program.

#### Outreach Regarding CT DOT's Transit Reduced Fare Photo ID Program

Bella Vista is a Senior Living Community with approximately 1,400 apartments located in five buildings in New Haven. I held a Transit Reduced Fare Photo ID event at Bella Vista by bringing everything Bella Vista residents needed to apply for the photo ID program including CT DOT provided self addressed stamped envelopes and a small Inkjet printer from The Kennedy Center to print the applicant's required photo.

The application's required photo has been a barrier to getting the ID since many people I outreach to do not have access to a color printer or the funds to get a color photo. Also, many are not aware that the Transit Reduced Fare Photo ID program exists. March's event was a success and I will be returning again to Bella Vista in April to hold another Transit Reduced Fare Photo ID event.

Met with Connecticut's new Non-Emergency Medical Transportation Provider

Medicaid Non-Emergency Medical Transportation (NEMT) is an important benefit for Medicaid members who need to get to and from Medicaid-covered medical services but have no means of transportation. The Department of Social Services contract with Veyo, a Total Transit company, is now fully executed and is effective January 1, 2018, through December 31, 2020. Connecticut's previous NEMT provider was LogistiCare.

I attended a meeting with Veyo's Public Outreach Manager Michael Rivas. Mr. Rivas reported that Connecticut consumers can currently call Veyo to make reservations, and the Veyo website is expected to be ready for Connecticut consumers to be able to request a reservation online within a year.

#### **CACT Legislative Breakfast**

Attended this year's CACT Legislative Breakfast at the Hartford Capital. Helped spread awareness of the Know How To Go website and The Kennedy Center's Travel Training program by bringing literature that was placed next to the legislative meeting's handouts.

#### **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

- Continued presence at Connecticut Food Bank's outdoor Mobile Food Pantry sites in the South Central CT region. Despite March's cold temperatures, attendance continues to increase at the outdoor mobile food pantries. For the people that have a disability and/or are over 65 who wait outdoors in line to get food, I walk the line answering their transportation questions and inform them of transportation options by offering printed news and literature promoting the CT DOT's Transit Reduced Fare Photo Identification Card Program application, Paratransit information, Non-Emergency Medical Transportation, United Way's 2-1-1 info, Know How To Go SCCT, The Kennedy Center's Mobility Services and Travel Training program, town street maps, bus schedules and more.
- Offering ombudsman services by helping resolve transportation issues on an individual basis for people that have a disability and/or those over 65.

#### **MEDIA UPDATES**

- Continue to update and maintain content on the knowhowtogoscct.org website. Working on a quote to update the site's content management system from Joomla to WordPress that will improve the site's English to Spanish translation option.
- Running weekly Google Analytics on the knowhowtogoscct.org website, tracking and reporting website traffic, running software to check for broken links and accessibility issues.
- Continue to update and maintain the Know How To Go SCCT Twitter account. Tweeted 266 transportation related Tweets throughout the month of March.