

#### SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl Amento, Executive Director

### SCRCOG MEETING NOTICE & AGENDA January 26, 2011 – 10:00 A.M.

Location: 127 Washington Avenue, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor West North Haven, CT 06473 Full agenda materials can be found at our website – www.scrcog.org

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- 16. Appoint First Selectman Michael Freda to fill Vacancy on Rex Development Board of Directors.
- 17. RWA Special Report Thomas Chaplik, RWA; Lori Mathieu, CTDPH; and Betsy Gara, CWWA.
- 18. DEMHS Region 2 Report- Roy Piper, Coordinator
- 19. RPC Action Tables for January

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- 20. Regional Cooperation / Other Business
- 21. Adjournment

#### **Note:**

Immediately after the adjournment of the SCRCOG meeting, SCRCOG members are invited to stay for a discussion of common collective bargaining issues, including specifically in this session: pension and health benefits issues.

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## Connecticut is broke. Not going broke, but BROKE.



Our financial statements show that our liabilities (reported and unreported) are more than four times our assets as of right now! Plus, we face almost a \$10 billion budget deficit over the next three fiscal years.

There are action steps we <u>must</u> take today to fix our future. We must convert to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), work towards funding the annual required contribution (ARC) for our pension and OPEB plans, stop using debt to balance our operating budget, create a long-term strategic plan for the State of Connecticut, and proactively designate any unanticipated surplus revenue to further reduce budget deficits and unfunded post-retirement benefit liabilities.

The Connecticut Society of CPA's President. Marcia Marien, herself a municipal auditor, will give an apolitical view on just how bad it really is, describe steps Connecticut can take to Fix Our Future, and discuss what municipalities can do to prepare.

Where? SCRCOG Offices, 127 Washington Avenue, North Haven When? Wednesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am



#### SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl Amento, Executive Director

TO: SCRCOG Board

FROM: First Selectman Anthony DaRos, SCRCOG Secretary

DATE: **January 19, 2011** 

**SUBJECT: SCRCOG Minutes of November 17, 2010** 

Present:

Branford First Selectman Anthony DaRos – Secretary

East Haven Mayor April Capone

Guilford First Selectman Joseph S. Mazza

Hamden Mayor Scott Jackson

Madison First Selectman Filmore McPherson

Meriden Lawrence Kendzior, City Manager, Proxy for Mayor Michael S. Rohde

Milford Mayor James Richetelli, Jr. New Haven Mayor John DeStefano, Jr. North Branford Mayor Anthony Candelora

North Haven Jonathan Bodwell, Town Engineer, Proxy for First Selectman Michael Freda

Orange First Selectman James Zeoli- *Chairman* 

Wallingford Mayor William Dickinson, Jr.
West Haven Mayor John Picard - *Treasurer* 

Woodbridge First Selectman Edward Sheehy - Vice Chair

SCRCOG Staff Carl J. Amento – *Executive Director* 

Albert Ruggiero, Stephen Dudley, James Rode and Eugene Livshits

<u>Guest Presenter:</u> Eva Heintzelman, ROOF Project Director; Carla Weil, Executive Director, Greater New Haven Community Loan Fund; Louis Mangini, Legislative Aide for Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro; Ginny Kozlowski, Executive Director of REX Development; Roy Piper, DEMHS Region 2 Coordinator.

#### **Other Guests:**

Barbara Malmberg, REX Development; Will Warren, Rex Development; Jean Stimolo, Executive Director of Rideworks; Stephen P. Livingston, Connecticut Department of Transportation Field Coordinator and Liaison to SCRCOG; William Villano, Executive Director, Workforece Alliance; Miriam E. Brody, League of Women Voters -North Haven; Thomas Cariglio, United Illuminating; and Attorney Nan Birdwhistel

#### **ITEM 1- Call to Order and Introductions**

Chairman Zeoli called to order the October 27, 2010 meeting of the South Central Regional Council of Governments at 10:05 A.M. Self introductions of SCRCOG officials and guests then took place.

<u>ITEM 2- Presentation</u>: Regional Foreclosure Crisis Update- Eva Heintzelman

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ITEM 3-Presentation: The Real Options, Overcoming Foreclosure (ROOF) Project- Carla Weil

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#### ITEM 4-SCRCOG Minutes of October 27, 2010

Board Secretary, First Selectman DaRos, stated that the SCRCOG Minutes were on pages 2 -4 in the agenda packet.

A motion to adopt the *SCRCOG Minutes of October 27, 2010*, as presented, was offered by First Selectman DaRos and seconded by Mayor Richetelli. Upon the vote, the motion passed, with all in favor, and First Selectman Mazza abstaining.

#### ITEM 5 - Treasurer's Report for the Month Ending October 31, 2010

SCRCOG Treasurer, Mayor Picard, presented the *Treasurer's Report*, on pages 5 and 6 in the agenda packet. He advised the officials that SCRCOG has assets of \$676,807 in cash and investment, and \$126,591 due to SCRCOG from ConnDOT. Disclosed on page 6 are the monthly expenses.

A motion by Mayor Picard, and seconded by Mayor Candelora, was offered to adopt the *Treasurer's Report* for the month ending October 31, 2010. With no further discussion, the motion passed by unanimous vote.

#### **ITEM 6-Transportation Committee Report**

Committee Chairman Mayor William Dickinson presented the Transportation Committee Report in which he noted that Amendment Eleven of the 2010-2013 TIP (on pages 7-10 of the agenda packet) had been approved by the Transportation Committee. The Resolution for approval of Amendment Eleven is contained on pages 11 and 12 of the agenda packet.

Mayor Dickinson moved approval of the Resolution for Amendment Eleven to the TIP. The motion was seconded by Mayor Richetelli, and the motion was approved unanimously.

#### ITEM 7 -Adopt Preliminary Dues Resolution for FY 2011-2012

Executive Director Amento explained that in order to assist municipal officials in the development of their local budgets, SCRCOG presents an early resolution setting the per capita municipal dues for SCRCOG for FY 2011-2012. The Resolution is on page 13 of the agenda packets. Next year's SCRCOG municipal dues will remain at the same per capita rate of \$0.27.

Mayor Picard moved to approve the Resolution. First Selectman Sheehy seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

#### ITEM 8- Adopt January 2011 to January 2012 SCRCOG Calendar for monthly meetings

The proposed SCRCOG calendar of monthly meetings for next year is on page 14 of the agenda packet. Mayor Picard moved approval of the proposed calendar. First Selectman Sheehy seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

#### **ITEM 9- Appoint Nominating Committee**

Chairman Zeoli re-appointed Mayor James Richetelli, Mayor Scott Jackson and First Selectman Filmore McPherson to constitute the Nominating Committee and asked them to report back to the SCRCOG with their nominations for officers and committees before the January 2011 meeeting.

#### ITEM 10-Approval of protocol for referral of economic development leads within the region

REX Executive Director Kozlowski distributed a proposed protocol for referral of economic development leads within the region. After discussion, Mayor Picard moved that the protocol be approved. First Selectman DaRos seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

ITEM 11- Formation of Labor Relations Committee Executive Director Amento noted that he had been asked by several SCRCOG members to form a committee in which SCRCOG members could discuss collective bargaining issues of mutual interest to the members. Mayor DeStefano and First Selectman Zeoli spoke in favor of the formation of such a group. During discussion, it was agreed that Amento should assemble data from each of the towns and convene a meeting of this new committee either during the next SCRCOG meeting or as a discussion group immediately after the adjournment of the next SCRCOG meeting.

#### **ITEM 12- Regional Transit Forum Vision**

Executive Director Amento reported on the October 26<sup>th</sup> Regional Transit Forum co-sponsored by the Greater new Haven Transit District and SCRCOG. On pages 15 and 16 of the agenda packets is a "shared vision for public transportation in the Greater New Haven area which emerged from the forum.

#### **ITEM 13- Congressional Report**

Lou Mangini, Legislative Aide to Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro, reported that with the change in the makeup of Congress, a moratorium on earmarks has been instituted. Other approaches to the appropriation process are being developed and he will report to us concerning those in the future.

#### ITEM 14- REX Development Executive Director's Report

Ginny Kozlowski reviewed her Executive Director's Report found at page 17 of the agenda packet.

#### **ITEM 15- DEMHS Report**

Roy Piper was absent and there was no report.

#### ITEM 16- Regional Cooperation/ Other Business

Executive Director Amento distributed the new direct dial numbers for the SCRCOG staff, and reminded members of the SCRCOG Holiday Luncheon on December 8<sup>th</sup> at noon at the Bear and Grille restaurant in Orange. Mayor Dickinson noted that, although the proposed DEP Stream Flow Regulations had been rejected by the Regulation Review Committee of the General Assembly, a new revised set of regulations would be submitted. Executive Director Amento committed to sending information about the status of the proposed Stream Flow Regulations to all members.

#### **ITEM 17- Adjournment**

First Selectman Sheehy moved to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Picard seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Chairman Zeoli adjourned the meeting at 11:15 am.

Respectfully submitted, Anthony DaRos SCRCOG Secretary

#### BALANCE SHEET - December, 2010

Cash and Investments	
Bank of America	115,768
New Alliance Bank	301,264
Connecticut Short-Term Investment Fund - SCRCOG	254,100
Total Cash and Investments	671,132
Accounts Receivable	
Municipal Dues - FY 10/11	0
Connecticut Department of Transportation	116,695
DEMHS - Homeland Security Planning	15,379
Shoreline Greenways Trail - Federal Share	61,129
Amount for Accrued Leave	10,874
Pre-Paid Expense & Other Receivables	21,746
Total Accounts Receivable	225,824
Property and Equipment	
COG Equipment	1,773
Total Property & Equipment	1,773

Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	0
Accrued Payroll Taxes	0
Deferred Revenue - Municipal	75,550
RPI Grant - Economic Development Web Portal	9
Shoreline Greenways Trail - Municipal Share - H074(1)	12,893
Shoreline Greenways Trail - Municipal Share - H103(1)	4,027
Total Current Liabilities	92,479
Fund Balance	
Fund Balance - July 1, 2010	803,078
Encumbrances - Prior Year	11,359
Amount for Accrued Leave	10,874
Investment in Equipment	1,773
Fund Change	-20,834
Fund Balance - December, 2010	806,250

### Statement of Resources and Expenditures - December, 2010

Resources	FY 11 Budget	Month of Dec, 2010	To Date
Municipal Contribution	151,100	12,592	75,550
ConnDOT - Transportation Planning			
U.S. Dept of Transportation	1,157,444	46,229	268,352
Transportation ConnDOT	144,681	5,779	33,544
Emergency Response Planning			
DEMHS - FY 08 NHASH Grant	38,000	15,350	15,350
Regional Growth Partnership			
Reimbursement for SCRCOG Support	25,000	0	0
Interest	2,500	52	330
TOTAL	1,518,725	80,001	393,126

Expenses	FY 11 Budget	Month of Dec, 2010	To Date
Labor & Benefits	622,016		298,432
Salaries		40,254	207,791
Fringe Benefits		22,836	90,640
Travel	6,300	766	1,982
Data Process	16,600	3,097	5,578
General Operations	157,700		78,401
Rent	96,300	16,115	57,380
Postage & Telephone	7,600	294	2,355
Print & Reproduction	2,500	0	0
Office Supplies	3,800	292	845
Equipment Maintenance	17,200	1,449	7,103
Publications	4,900	476	476
Insurance & Professional Services	16,600	120	6,955
Meeting Expenses & Advertising	8,500	1,322	2,204
Miscellaneous & Equipment Use	300	847	1,085
Consultant	654,000	0	9,217
NHASH Grant	38,000	14,850	15,350
Contingencies	24,109	0	0
TOTAL	1,518,725	102,717	408,960



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Carl Amento, Executive Director

To: South Central Regional Council of Governments Members January 18, 2011

From: Nominating Committee:

Mayor James Richetelli, Jr., Mayor Scott Jackson, First Selectman Fillmore McPherson

Subject: Draft Nominating Committee Report for Calendar Year 2011 Officers and Committees

#### **SCRCOG Board Officers**

Chairman: Edward Sheehy Vice Chairman: Anthony DaRos

Secretary: John Picard Treasurer: April Capone

#### **Personnel Committee**

- 1. Edward Sheehy, Chairman
- 2. Derrylyn Gorski
- 3. James Zeoli
- 4. James Richetelli, Jr.

#### **Transportation Committee**

- 1. William Dickinson, Chairman
- 2. John DeStefano
- 3. Anthony DaRos
- 4. Scott Jackson
- 5. Michael Freda
- 6. April Capone
- 7. James Richetelli, Jr.

#### **Executive Committee**

- 1. Chairman: Edward Sheehy
- 2. Vice Chairman: Anthony DaRos
- 3. Secretary: John Picard
- 4. Treasurer: April Capone
- 5. Immediate Past Chair: James Zeoli
- 6. Member at Large: John DeStefano
- 7. Member at Large: Derryln Gorski
- 8. Member at Large: W. Dickinson

#### **Public Safety/Domestic Preparedness**

- 1. Fillmore McPherson, Chairman
- 2. Anthony Candelora
- 3. Michael Freda
- 4. Joseph Mazza

#### **Open Space Committee**

- 1. April Capone, Chairwoman
- 2. Joseph Mazza
- 3. Fillmore McPherson
- 4. Anthony Candelora

<u>Legislative Committee</u>: This Committee incorporates SCRCOG's Executive Committee.

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#### **South Central Regional Council of Governments**

#### 2010-2013 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Amendment Number 12

Project 0014-0174 2000-042 Rte 740: Brookwood Dr to Williams Rd Realignment

**Changes** Amendment 12 moves this project into the current TIP

**Reason** Project is for the realignment of this section of Brushy Plains Rd. In order for funds to be

obligated they must be shown in the appropriate fiscal year

Project 0059-0159 2010-A12-1 Replace Br 02481 O/Brook (List 22)

Changes Amendment 12 introduces new project

**Reason** Project will provide funding for PE phase in the amount of \$200,000. This bridge has been found

to be in poor condition and in need of replacement.

Project 0092-0651 2010-A12-2 Boathouse Platform (80%) - Phase 1

Changes Amendment 12 Introduces new project

**Reason** This project is a breakout of #92-570 for the platform construction. This breakout project will

reduce construction costs through a lower rate of escalation and the use of a specialty

contractor

Project 0092-0655 2010-A12-8 ADA-Compliant Sidewalk Improvements

Changes Amendment 12 adds new project

**Reason** Funding for the PE phase of a project to make ADA compliant sidewalk improvements in New

Haven along Routes Us 1, CT34 and CT10

Project 0106-0121 2010-A12-3 Replace BR#02637 O/ Race Brook (U-20)

**Changes** Amendment 12 introduces new project

**Reason** This bridge has been recommended for rehabilitation by Bridge Safety and Evaluation's list 21

There is scour and undermining of masonry abutments. The structure study report has not been

concluded.

Project 0148-0203 2010-A12-9 North Plains Industrial Rd Pavement Rehab

**Changes** Amendment 12 adds new project

**Reason** Project is pavement resurfacing of North Plains Industrial Rd. To include approx 7,100 ft from

Rte 68 to North Plains Hwy.

Project 0167-0107 2010-A12-4 Rehab BR 02151 O/ Race Brook (U-20)

**Changes** Amendment 12 adds new project

**Reason** This bridge has been recommended for rehabilitation by Bridge Safety and Evaluation's list 20

The recommended rehab involves relining the concrete arch and installing soil anchors to

support the NE wingwall.

#### **South Central Regional Council of Governments**

## 2010-2013 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM Amendment Number 12

Project 0170-2875 2010-A12-7 Rehab 5 Culverts

Changes Amendment 12 adds new project

**Reason** Funding to cover the ROW phase for culvert rehab locations include I-95 in Guilford, I-395 in

Montville and Thompson.

Project 0170-2987 2010-A12-5 Rapid Response Bridge Repairs by State Forces

Changes Amendment 12 adds new project

**Reason** This project will be used to address bridge deficiencies of an urgent/ critical nature that if left

uncorrected will pose a hazard to either the public or compromise the structural integrity of the

bridge.

Project 0171-0327 2010-A12-6 Install STC Traffic Signals

**Changes** Amendment 12 adds a new Project

**Reason** Project is for the installation of traffic signals at various locations in District 1.

Project 0300-0149 2010-A2-2 NHL-Positive Train Control-FY2010

Changes Amendment 12 deletes 5309 funds from FFY10 and adds 5307P funds to FFY11

**Reason** The project is moved to the current fiscal year to allow the processing of a FTA grant application

Funds increased based on revised estimate for PE phase and change in source of funds

Project 0301-0070 2007-029 NHL Catenary Replacement Section C1B

**Changes** Amendment 12 moves carryover funds from FFY10 to FFY11

**Reason** The project is moved to the current fiscal year to allow the processing of a FTA grant application

Project 0301-0106 2007-103 NH Rail Yard Component Change out Shop

Changes Amendment 12 deletes 5307P funds in FFY10 and adds 5309B funding to FFY11

**Reason** The funding source is changed to allow the processing of a FTA 5309 grant application and the

obligation of available carryover funds.

Project 0301-T077 2010-011 New Haven Line Track Program

**Changes** Amendment 12 moves FFY10 funds to FFY11 changes funding source to 5307P and increases

amount

**Reason** The project is moved to the current fiscal year to allow the processing of a FTA grant application

Funds increased due to anticipated cash flow and the change in funding source.

### **Amendment Number 12**

State Project 0014-0174

SCRCOG # 2000-042

**Municipality** Branford

Proposed

Project Name Rt 740: Brookwood Dr to Williams Rd Realignment

**Description** Realign between Brookwood Dr. and Williams Rd; addressing very difficult grade and geometry for this link between US1 and Route 80.

<b>Current TIP</b>	Funding	(In Thou	sands)					
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
STPA	CON	Federal	4,640					
		State	1,160					
Total Cost	\$5,800		5,800	0	0	0	0	0
Proposed T	IP Fundii	ng (In Tho	ousands)					
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
STPA	CON	Federal			4,640			
		State			1,160			
TIP Funds	\$5,800		0	0	5,800	0	0	0

#### **Amendment Notes**

CN moved to post-FY05 by FY03 TIP Amend 2 due to financial constraint. Introduced to 07 TIP with CON funding in 2008. FY07 TIP Amend 13 adds AC entry, Moves funds to FFY09 and increases funds. FY07 TIP Amend 16 moves AC Entry to FFY09. FY07 TIP Amend 19 increases cost 18%. Region instructed to update TIP. FY10 TIP Amend 12 moves this project into the current TIP

#### **Amendment Number 12**

State Project 0059-0159

SCRCOG # 2010-A12-1

Municipality Guilford

Proposed

Project Name Replace Br 02481 O/Brook (List 22)

**Description** Project is for the replacement of Br #02481 on Rte 77 over an unnamed brook. This bridge is in poor condition and does not qualify for HBP On-System funds (insufficient length)

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

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)										
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI		
STPA	ENG	Federal			160					
		State			40					
	CON	Federal					800			
		State					200			
TIP Funds	\$1,200		0	0	200	0	1,000	0		

#### **Amendment Notes**

FY10 TIP amend 12 introduces new project

State Project 0092-0651

SCRCOG # 2010-A12-2

Municipality New Haven

Proposed

Project Name Boathouse Platform (80%)- Phase 1

**Description** This breakout project is for the construction of the platform that will support the new boathouse facility to be located on New Haven Harbor Reuse Parcel H

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

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)										
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI		
STPA	CON	Federal			8,400					
		State			2,100					
TIP Funds	\$10,500		0	0	10,500	0	0	0		

#### **Amendment Notes**

FY10 TIP Amend 12 Intoduces new project

#### **Amendment Number 12**

State Project 0092-0655

SCRCOG # 2010-A12-8

Municipality New Haven

Proposed

**Project Name** ADA-Compliant Sidewalk Improvements

**Description** Funding for the PE phase of a project to make ADA compliant sidewalk

improvements in New Haven along Routes US 1, CT34 and CT10

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

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)										
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI		
STPA	ENG	Federal			80					
		State			20					
TIP Funds	\$100		0	0	100	0	0	0		

#### **Amendment Notes**

FY10 TIP Amend 12 adds new project

State Project 0106-0121

SCRCOG # 2010-A12-3

Municipality Orange

Proposed

Project Name Replace BR#02637 O/ Race Brook (U-20)

**Description** Project involves replacement of BR# 02637 carrying Rte 114 over Race Brook in Orange. bridge is on list 21 due to scour and undermining of masonry abutments

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

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)										
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI		
STPA	ENG	Federal			200					
		State			50					
TIP Funds	\$250		0	0	250	0	0	0		

#### **Amendment Notes**

FY10 TIP Amend 12 introduces new project

### **Amendment Number 12**

State Project 0148-0203

SCRCOG # 2010-A12-9

Municipality Wallingford

Proposed

Project Name North Plains Industrial Rd Pavement Rehab

**Description** Project is pavement resurfacing of North Plains Industrial Rd. To include approx 7,100 ft from Rte 68 to North Plains Hwy.

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

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)											
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI			
STPNH	ENG	Federal			40						
		State			10						
	CON	Federal			637						
		Local			159						
TIP Funds	\$846		0	0	846	0	0	0			

#### **Amendment Notes**

FY10 TIP Amend 12 adds new project

State Project 0167-0107

SCRCOG # 2010-A12-4

Municipality Woodbridge

Proposed

Project Name Rehab BR 02151 O/ Race Brook (U-20)

**Description** Project involves rehabilitation of bridge #02151 carrying RTE 15 over Race Brook in Woodbridge.

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

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)										
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI		
STPA	ENG	Federal			140					
		State			35					
TIP Funds	\$175		0	0	175	0	0	0		

#### **Amendment Notes**

FY10 TIP Amend 12 adds new project

### **Amendment Number 12**

State Project 0170-2875

SCRCOG # 2010-A12-7

Municipality Statewide

Proposed

Project Name Rehab 5 Culverts

**Description** Funding to cover the ROW phase for culvert rehab locations include I-95 in Guilford, I-395 in Montville and Thompson.

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

<b>Proposed T</b>	Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)								
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI	
I-M	ROW	Federal			90				
		State			10				
TIP Funds	\$100		0	0	100	0	0	0	

#### **Amendment Notes**

FY10 TIP Amend 12 adds new project

State Project 0170-2987

SCRCOG # 2010-A12-5

Municipality Statewide

Proposed

Project Name Rapid Response Bridge Repairs by State Forces

**Description** project developed with FHWA to address bridge deficiences of an urgent/critical nature. Project will run from 1/1/2011 to 12/31/2012

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

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)								
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
STPA	CON	Federal			400			
		State			100			
TIP Funds	\$500		0	0	500	0	0	0

#### **Amendment Notes**

FY10 TIP Amend 12 adds new project

#### **Amendment Number 12**

State Project 0171-0327

SCRCOG # 2010-A12-6

**Municipality** District 1

Proposed

Project Name Install STC Traffic Signals

**Description** project will provide funds for the installation and revision of traffic controls signals at various locations

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

<b>Proposed T</b>	Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)								
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI	
STPA	CON	Federal			1,280				
		State			320				
TIP Funds	\$1,600		0	0	1,600	0	0	0	

#### **Amendment Notes**

FY10 TIP Amend 12 Adds a new Poject

State Project 0300-0149

SCRCOG # 2010-A2 2

Municipality New Haven

Proposed

Project Name NHL-Positive Train Control-FY2010

**Description** The Railroad Safety Act of 2008 has mandated installation of Positive Train Control

Systems. System designed to montior train activity, prevent collisions, controll headway spacing, enforce speed restrictions and advise of hazards.

<b>Current TIP</b>	Funding	(In Thou	sands)					
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
5309C	ENG	Federal		5,200				
		State		1,300				
Total Cost	\$6,500		0	6,500	0	0	0	0
<b>Proposed T</b>	IP Fundir	ng (In Tho	ousands)					
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
5307P	ENG	Federal			9,600			
		State			2,400			
TIP Funds	\$12,000		0	0	12,000	0	0	0

#### **Amendment Notes**

FY2010 TIP Amend 2 introduces new project. FY10 TIP Amend 12 deletes 5309 funds from FFY10 and adds 5307P funds to FFY11

### **Amendment Number 12**

State Project 0301-0070

SCRCOG # 2007-029

**Municipality** Regional

Proposed

Project Name NHL Catenary Replacement Section C1B

**Description** Replace the existing catenary system from New Haven to the New York Border with a constant tension wire supporting system, designing the system for maximum speed

allowed by track geometry and other physical constraints.

<b>Current TIP</b>	Funding	(In Thou	ısands)					
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
5307P	CON	Federal		34,175				
		State		8,544				
5309A		Federal	20,000	16,000				
		State	5,000	4,000				
Total Cost	\$87,719		25,000	62,719	0	0	0	0
<b>Proposed T</b>	IP Fundir	ng (In Th	ousands	s)				
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
5307P	CON	Federal			34,175			
		State			8,544			
5309A		Federal	20,000	16,000				
		State	5,000	4,000				
TIP Funds	\$87,719		25,000	20,000	42,719	0	0	0

#### **Amendment Notes**

FY07 TIP Amend 8 adds \$13.3M Fed/ \$3.3M State 5307C funds to FFY07, FY07 TIP Amend 23 adds FFY09 Funds FY10 TIP Amend 8 moves project into TIP and moves carryover funds to FFY10. FY10 TIP Amend 12 moves Carryover funds from FFY10 to FFY11

### **Amendment Number 12**

State Project 0301-0106

SCRCOG # 2007-103

Municipality New Haven

Proposed

Project Name NH Rail Yard Component Change out Shop

**Description** This 260,000 Sq Ft facility will consist of a shop with 13 car spots on 3 tracks with overhead cranes and floor lifts to allow removal of major car components Shop will provide the major maintenance functions for Connecticut's commuter rail fleet

<b>Current TIP</b>	Funding							
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
5307P	CON	Federal	50,800	64,000				
		State	12,700	16,000				
5307RR		Federal	3,391					
5309A		Federal	26,100					
5309B		Federal	12,000					
		State	9,525					
5309RR		Federal	26,536					
Total Cost	\$221,052	2	141,052	80,000	0	0	0	0
Proposed T	IP Fundii	ng (In Th	ousands	)				
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
5307P	CON	Federal	50,800					
		State	12,700					
5307RR		Federal	3,391					
5309A		Federal	26,100					
5309B		Federal	12,000		30,000			
		State	9,525		7,500			
5309RR		Federal	26,536					
TIP Funds	\$178,552	2	141,052	0	37,500	0	0	0

#### **Amendment Notes**

FY07 TIP Amend 23 Adds New Project as breakout of 0301-T107. FY07 TIP Amend 25 adjusts ARRA funding amounts Updated 12/09 Project moved into FY10 TIP. ARRA funds obligated in FFY09 and \$80 M in FFY2010. FY10 TIP Amend 12 deletes 5307P funds in FFY10 and adds 5309B funding to FFY11

### **Amendment Number 12**

State Project 0301-T077

SCRCOG # 2010-011

Municipality New Haven

Proposed

Project Name New Haven Line Track Program

**Description** Support continuing track maintenance program with capital funds. Use FTA Section 5307 and 5309 capital funds to continue track maintenance; e.g. replace ties, rail switches and ballast, and resurface rail.

Current TIP	Funding	(In Thou	sands)					
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
5307C	OTH	Federal		8,000	3,600	9,017		6,400
		State		2,000	900	2,254		1,600
5309A		Federal		3,200				
		State		800				
Total Cost	\$37,771		0	14,000	4,500	11,271	0	8,000
<b>Proposed T</b>	IP Fundir	ng (In Tho	ousands	)				
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
5307C	OTH	Federal			3,600	9,017		6,400
		State			900	2,254		1,600
5307P		Federal			16,000			
		State			4,000			
TIP Funds	\$43,771		0	0	24,500	11,271	0	8,000

#### **Amendment Notes**

New Program included in FY10TIP. FY10 TIP Amend 12 moves FFY10 funds to FFY11 changes funding source to 5307P and increases amount



#### SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

#### Carl Amento Executive Director

#### Resolution

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

- 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, May, 2007); 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—2007 to 2035, (May, 2007); 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*.



#### SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl Amento Executive Director

#### Resolution

Fiscal Year 2010-Fiscal Year 2013 Transportation Improvement Program Amendment Twelve (Continued)

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

The *Program Amendment Twelve* 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 **January 26, 2011**.

Date: January 26, 2011	By:	
		Secretary
		South Central Regional Council of Governments

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#### SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl Amento Executive Director

Resolution		
South Central	Regional Council o	f Governments
SCRCOG Ban	k Signatories	

Whereas: On January 26, 2011, the South Central Regional Council of Governments elected

new officers for calendar year 2011, and

**Whereas**: SCRCOG by-laws identify the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Secretary, Treasurer

and Executive Director as signatories on all bank accounts for the South Central

Regional Council of Governments.

#### Now, therefore be it resolved by the South Central Regional Council of Governments:

Edward M. Sheehy, Anthony DaRos, John Picard, April Capone, and Carl Amento are appointed as signatories on all SCRCOG bank accounts.

#### **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 SCRCOG on January 26, 2011.

Date: January 26, 2011	By:	
•	•	Secretary
		South Central Regional Council of Governments



#### SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl Amento Executive Director

Resolution
South Central Regional Council of Governments
Authorizing Execution of Agreements with the Connecticut Department of Transportation

**Resolved,** that the Executive Director, Carl Amento, is hereby authorized to act on behalf of the South Central Regional Council of Governments in negotiating and executing all appropriate and necessary contractual instruments with the Connecticut Department of Transportation.

Such contracts are for the purpose of obtaining financial assistance to carry on a mutually agreed upon program of transportation planning in the South Central Connecticut Region in cooperation with the Connecticut Department of Transportation for the period of July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012.

#### 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 SCRCOG on January 26, 2011.

Date: January 26, 2011	By:	
•	·	Secretary
		South Central Regional Council of Governments



#### SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl Amento Executive Director

Resolution	
South Central Regional Council of Governments	
Authorizing Execution of Revised Notice of Grant Award with the Connecticut Department	of

Whereas: On March 9, 2009, the South Central Regional Council of Governments entered into an Agreement with the Connecticut Department of Emergency Management

and Homeland Security for \$40,000 of Fiscal Year 2007 Federal Homeland

Security funds, and

**Emergency Management and Homeland Security** 

Whereas: The Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland has

revised the financial commitment of the original grant award to a maximum of

\$44,000 of Fiscal Year 2007 Federal Homeland Security funds.

#### Now, therefore be resolved by the South Central Regional Council of Governments:

Executive Director Carl Amento is authorized to execute the Revised Notice of Grant Award with the Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security for the increased federal funds.

#### **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 SCRCOG on January 26, 2011.

Date: January 26, 2011	By:	
• ,	J	Secretary
		South Central Regional Council of Governments



#### SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl Amento Executive Director

Resolution
South Central Regional Council of Governments
Authorizing Execution of a Grant Award with the Connecticut Department of Emergency
Management and Homeland Security

Whereas: The Connecticut Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security

has made \$40,000 of Fiscal Year 2008 Federal Homeland Security funds available

to the South Central Regional Council of Governments, and

Whereas: The South Central Regional Council of Governments will make \$37,950 available

to the New Haven Area Special Hazard team for hazardous materials training and

equipment included equipment maintenance.

Now, therefore be resolved by the South Central Regional Council of Governments:

Executive Director Carl Amento is authorized to execute the Grant Award with the Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security for utilization of Fiscal Year 2008 Federal Homeland Security funds.

#### **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 SCRCOG on January 26, 2011.

Date: January 26, 2011	By:		
•	•	Secretary	
		South Central Regional Council of Governments	



#### SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl Amento Executive Director

#### SCRCOG General Assembly Legislative Report

#### 2011 Legislative Deadlines

**Proposed Bill Deadline:** The time for receiving new business from members shall be limited and shall terminate on **January 14, 2011** for the 2011 session at 5 p.m.

#### **Committee Bill Deadlines by Committee**

February 1 Aging, Banks, Housing, Children, Veterans' Affairs

February 3 Energy and Technology, Higher Education and

Employment Advancement, Insurance and Real Estate,

General Law, Public Safety and Security

**February 8** Labor and Public Employees, Legislative Management,

Commerce, Human Services

**February 14** Education, Environment, Planning and Development,

Public Health, Transportation

**February 16** Government Administration and Elections, Judiciary,

Finance, Revenue, and Bonding, Appropriations

**Raised Bill Deadline** 5 p.m. on February 22 for the committees in Group A and the Program Review and Investigations Committee, and 5 p.m. on February 23 for the committees in Group B, the Legislative Management Committee, and the select committees.

**Deadline for Favorable Reports (JF Deadline)** 5 p.m. on the dates designated in the following schedule:

#### **Committees 2011**

Aging March 10 Children March 10 Veterans' Affairs March 10 Program Review and Investigations March 14 Housing March 15 Public Safety and Security March 15 General Law March 15 Labor and Public Employees March 15

Legislative Management March 16
Banks March 17
Insurance and Real Estate March 17
Transportation March 21
Higher Education and Employment Advancement March 22
Commerce March 22
Energy and Technology March 24
Human Services March 24
Environment March 25
Planning and Development March 28
Education March 28
Public Health April 1
Government Administration and Elections April 4

### SCRCOG Bill Tracking: House & Senate Bills of interest to CRCOG

\*The bills have been grouped based on topic due to the large amount of bills being introduced\*

The topics are as follows:
Tax Related Bills
Municipal Mandate Bills
Prevailing Wage Bills
Education Bills
Housing Bills
Other Bills

#### **Proposed Bills:**

**Judiciary April 15** 

Appropriations April 26

Finance, Revenue and Bonding April 27

#### **Tax Related Bills**

Proposed H.B. No. 5014

AN ACT CONCERNING THE INSTITUTION BY MUNICIPALITIES OF A LOCAL HOTEL TAX To allow municipalities to implement a local tax option that would generate municipal revenue while not adding to the burden of local taxpayers. 1/5/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding

Proposed H.B. No. 5015

To reduce costs for municipalities by permitting taxpayers to receive tax bills via electronic mail.

1/5/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5017

AN ACT CONCERNING A STATE-WIDE MILL RATE FOR MOTOR VEHICLES To equalize the mill rate for motor vehicles throughout the state. 1/5/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5052

AN ACT CONCERNING THE JEOPARDY COLLECTION OF TAXES

To require tax collectors to inform taxpayers of the reason for and justification of a jeopardy tax collection.

1/5/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5114

AN ACT AUTHORIZING MUNICIPALITIES TO NEGOTIATE THE PAYMENT OF DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES

To authorize municipalities to negotiate the payment of delinquent property taxes with property owners.

1/7/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed S.B. No. 64

AN ACT CONCERNING ALTERNATIVES TO PROPERTY TAX To reduce the property tax burden. 1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5143

AN ACT CONCERNING THE MUNICIPAL OPTION TO ADOPT ASSESSMENT RATES LIMITING PROPERTY TAX INCREASES ON APARTMENT AND RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES

To provide tax relief to Hartford property owners.

1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5146

AN ACT CONCERNING PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTIONS FOR COLD WAR VETERANS To allow municipalities the option of providing a property tax exemption to Cold War

veterans.

1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Veterans' Affairs

#### Proposed S.B. No. 80

AN ACT CONCERNING A DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX AMNESTY PROGRAM

To authorize municipalities to waive interest and penalties due on certain delinquent property taxes.

1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5186

AN ACT INCREASING THE HOTEL TAX TO RAISE REVENUE FOR TOWNS

To provide a new source of revenue for towns.

1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5187

AN ACT CONCERNING REVENUES RAISED BY THE SALES AND USE TAX

To provide towns with additional revenue.

1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5188

AN ACT CONCERNING FAILURE TO FILE CERTAIN TAX DOCUMENTS

To provide an extension of time to any company in Bloomfield to file for a property tax exemption pursuant to subdivision (72) of section 12-81 of the general statutes. 1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5192

AN ACT CONCERNING THE REAL ESTATE CONVEYANCE TAX

To increase the collection of real estate conveyance tax revenue.

1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Banks

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5214

AN ACT CONCERNING A GRANT IN LIEU OF TAXES ON REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY A SKILLED NURSING FACILITY

To allow municipalities that contain nonprofit skilled nursing facilities to receive payments in lieu of taxes from the state for such facilities 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5215

AN ACT CONCERNING PAYMENTS IN LIEU OF TAXES TO MUNICIPALITIES WITH CONTINUING CARE RESIDENTIAL FACILITIES

To allow municipalities in which continuing care residential facilities are located to receive payments in lieu of taxes from the state 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5220

AN ACT CONCERNING A REVENUE NEUTRAL MOTOR VEHICLE TAX

To relieve urban municipalities from the burden of high property taxes associated with urban improvement.

1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Finance, Revenue and Bonding

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5256

AN ACT CONCERNING RECEIPT BY ELECTRONIC MAIL OF MUNICIPAL TAX BILLS To reduce costs for municipalities by permitting taxpayers to receive tax bills via e-mail 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### **Municipal Mandate Bills**

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5050

AN ACT REQUIRING A TWO-THIRDS VOTE TO ENACT NEW MUNICIPAL MANDATES To require new municipal mandates to be approved by at least two-thirds of the members of the House and Senate.

1/5/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5051

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROCESS OF LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL OF STATE MANDATES To provide state mandate relief to municipalities. 1/5/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5055

AN ACT REQUIRING A TWO-THIRDS VOTE TO ENACT NEW MUNICIPAL MANDATES To require new municipal mandates to have the support of at least two-thirds of the members of the General Assembly.

#### 1/5/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5141

AN ACT CONCERNING NEW MUNICIPAL MANDATES

To reduce the number of unfunded mandates on municipalities. 1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5150

AN ACT CONCERNING APPROVAL OF NEW UNFUNDED MANDATES BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

To provide mandate relief to municipalities.

1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Appropriations

#### Proposed S.B. No. 77

AN ACT REQUIRING A TWO-THIRDS VOTE TO ENACT NEW UNFUNDED MUNICIPAL MANDATES

To provide relief to local governments by requiring new, unfunded municipal mandates to be approved by a super majority of the members of the House and Senate. 1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed S.B. No. 78

AN ACT IMPOSING A MORATORIUM ON NEW, UNFUNDED MUNICIPAL MANDATES To provide municipal relief from new, unfunded mandates for three years after passage 1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5180

AN ACT CONCERNING THE CREATION AND EXPANSION OF NEW STATE MANDATES To require unfunded state mandates to have the support of at least two-thirds of the General Assembly.

1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5181

AN ACT IMPOSING A FOUR-YEAR MORATORIUM ON UNFUNDED MANDATES To limit the passage of unfunded mandates to municipalities. 1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed S.B. No. 91

AN ACT CONCERNING NEW MUNICIPAL MANDATES

To reduce financial burdens on municipalities by requiring new municipal mandates to be passed by a super majority of the House and Senate 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

Proposed H.B. No. 5257

AN ACT REQUIRING A TWO-THIRDS VOTE FOR ENACTING UNFUNDED MANDATES ON TOWNS AND CITIES

To establish a two-thirds vote requirement for unfunded mandates 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5251

AN ACT CONCERNING NEW MUNICIPAL MANDATES

To require a vote of two-thirds of the members of the General Assembly before passing a new unfunded state mandate to municipalities 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5252

AN ACT CONCERNING UNFUNDED STATE MANDATES FOR MUNICIPALITIES To provide property tax relief. 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### **Prevailing Wage Bills**

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5088

AN ACT CONCERNING CHANGES TO THE PREVAILING WAGE To help municipalities to control costs 1/6/2011 Referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5089

AN ACT EXEMPTING CERTAIN BUILDINGS FROM PREVAILING WAGE REQUIREMENTS To exempt certain lessees from the prevailing wage requirements when they improve buildings leased from a municipality.

1/6/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5091

AN ACT INCREASING THE PREVAILING WAGE THRESHOLD FOR MUNICIPAL PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS

To increase the prevailing wage threshold for municipal construction and reconstruction projects to one million dollars and to index the threshold to inflation.

1/6/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees

Proposed H.B. No. 5092

AN ACT CONCERNING CHANGES TO THE PREVAILING WAGE FOR PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS

To increase the prevailing wage thresholds for public works projects. 1/6/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5093

AN ACT EXEMPTING CERTAIN MUNICIPAL PROJECTS FROM PREVAILING WAGE REQUIREMENTS

To exempt from the prevailing wage requirements all municipal projects that do not receive state or federal funding.

1/6/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5094

AN ACT EXEMPTING CERTAIN MUNICIPAL PROJECTS FROM PREVAILING WAGE RATE REQUIREMENTS

To exempt certain municipal projects from the prevailing wage requirements. 1/6/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5095

AN ACT CONCERNING THE APPLICATION OF THE PREVAILING WAGE RATE TO SCHOOL AND TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

To provide property tax relief to towns and to ensure that maximum funding is made available for local school and transportation projects.

1/6/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees

#### Proposed S.B. No. 75

AN ACT CONCERNING TEMPORARY CHANGES TO THE PREVAILING WAGE THRESHOLD To temporarily increase the prevailing wage thresholds until January 1, 2015 to provide relief for government capital projects.

1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees

#### Proposed S.B. No. 94

AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS AND THE PREVAILING WAGE
To raise the prevailing wage threshold to accurately reflect the cost of doing business in today's market

1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees

#### Proposed S.B. No. 95

AN ACT EXEMPTING MUNICIPALITIES FROM THE PREVAILING WAGE REQUIREMENT To encourage more local businesses to place bids for municipal construction projects by exempting such projects from the prevailing wage requirement 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5248

AN ACT CONCERNING CHANGES TO THE PREVAILING WAGE THRESHOLD To increase the prevailing wage threshold for public works projects 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5249

AN ACT CONCERNING PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS AND CHANGES TO THE PREVAILING WAGE

To provide financial relief to the state and municipalities by increasing the threshold amount required to pay prevailing wages on public works projects 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees

#### **Education Bills**

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5105

AN ACT CONCERNING CREDIT IN THE TEACHERS' RETIREMENT SYSTEM FOR CERTAIN TEACHING SERVICE ABROAD

To all teachers who taught in schools established by the United States Department of State to be eligible to purchase their years of service in such schools towards their retirement.

1/7/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Appropriations

Proposed S.B. No. 48

AN ACT CONCERNING FUNDING FOR THE REGIONAL VOCATIONAL-TECHNICAL SCHOOL SYSTEM

To provide adequate funding to the regional vocational-technical school system for the purchase of state-of-the-art machinery and equipment at vocational-technical schools so that students graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to succeed in today's job market.

1/7/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Education

Proposed S.B. No. 71

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DELAY OF THE IN-SCHOOL SUSPENSION MANDATE AND STATE-PROVIDED FUNDING FOR THE IN-SCHOOL SUSPENSION MANDATE

To delay the implementation of the in-school suspension requirement until July 1, 2014, unless the state provides grants to towns for the full cost of the requirement. 1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Education

#### Proposed S.B. No. 72

AN ACT CONCERNING THE MAINTENANCE OF CURRENT LEVELS OF ECS GRANT AMOUNTS TO TOWNS

To require ECS funding to be continued at least at the current level for towns. 1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Education

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5122

AN ACT DELAYING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE IN-SCHOOL SUSPENSION REQUIREMENT

To delay the in-school suspension requirement until July 1, 2013. 1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Education

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5123

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES TO SICK AND DISABLED STUDENTS ATTENDING NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS

To allow non-public school students suffering from an illness or disability to temporarily receive health services from towns and regional school districts that provide such services to public schools.

1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Education

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5175

AN ACT CONCERNING FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE FOR EDUCATION PARAPROFESSIONALS

#### 1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5153

AN ACT CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR IN-SCHOOL SUSPENSIONS To amend the law regarding in-school suspensions so that students who face disciplinary action have a continuity in their learning. 1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Education

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5154

AN ACT CONCERNING THE INCLUSION OF COURSEWORK RELATING TO INTERNET SAFETY IN THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM

To help make students aware of the potential dangers and risks of putting personal information online and in social media communications 1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Education

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5155

AN ACT CONCERNING AN EXEMPTION FROM THE RACIAL IMBALANCE LAW To provide an exemption from the racial imbalance law for boards of education that make efforts to address the racial imbalance in their schools. 1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Education

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5156

AN ACT CONCERNING CERTIFICATION FOR OUT-OF-STATE TEACHERS
To allow teachers that have been certified in another state to obtain certification in
Connecticut without having to pass the Praxis test.
1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Education

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5157

AN ACT CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF BOARDS OF EDUCATION TO DETERMINE WHICH CONDUCT WARRANTS AN IN-SCHOOL SUSPENSION

To ease the fiscal impact on municipalities by allowing boards of education to determine which offenses warrant in-school suspensions.

1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Education

#### Proposed S.B. No. 107

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ELIMINATION OF THE MINIMUM BUDGET REQUIREMENT

To allow towns to determine how much money to budget for education.

1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Education

#### Proposed S.B. No. 108

AN ACT EXTENDING THE EXCEPTION TO THE MINIMUM BUDGET REQUIREMENT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011

To extend the exception to the minimum budget requirement for fiscal year 2011 and to increase the amount a town may reduce its education budget when its student population has decreased.

1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Education

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5190

AN ACT CONCERNING BINDING ARBITRATION AWARDS

To prohibit wage increase awards in binding arbitration for collective bargaining purposes if unemployment in Connecticut exceeds seven percent 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Appropriations

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5191

AN ACT CONCERNING LIMITATIONS ON BINDING ARBITRATION AWARDS

To amend the collective bargaining statutes to limit binding arbitration awards to no more than the Consumer Price Index.

1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Appropriations

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5194

AN ACT CONCERNING MODEL BLUEPRINTS FOR SCHOOL BUILDING PROJECTS
To help reduce school construction costs by establishing model blueprints for school building projects
1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Education

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5195

AN ACT CONCERNING CARBON MONOXIDE DETECTORS IN SCHOOL S To require carbon monoxide detectors in schools 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Education

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5196

AN ACT CONCERNING THE DISSOLUTION OF REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS

To allow amending of the requirements for the dissolution of a regional school district by member towns.

1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Education

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5198

AN ACT CONCERNING ADJUSTMENTS TO THE MINIMUM BUDGET REQUIREMENT To amend the minimum budget requirement so that towns may reduce their education budgets when such town's student population has decreased. 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Education

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5250

AN ACT ALLOWING MUNICIPAL LEGISLATIVE BODIES TO INTERVENE IN BINDING ARBITRATION PROCEEDINGS

To allow legislative bodies of municipalities intervene in binding arbitration proceedings. 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees

#### Proposed S.B. No. 37

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ENHANCED PENALTY FOR THE SALE OR POSSESSION OF DRUGS IN SCHOOL ZONES

To increase fairness in the criminal justice system by reducing the size of the school zone where, and limiting the hours when, an enhanced penalty is applicable for the sale or possession of drugs or drug paraphernalia.

1/7/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Judiciary

#### **Housing Bills**

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5133

AN ACT CONCERNING INCENTIVES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT To encourage municipalities to promote affordable housing. 1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Housing

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5134

AN ACT CONCERNING AFFORDABLE HOUSING

To require developers proposing to construct affordable housing to demonstrate that such development (1) will not result in harm to the environment, and (2) will be connected to mass transit and commercial areas. 1/10/2011

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5135

AN ACT EXEMPTING CERTAIN MUNICIPALITIES FROM THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING LAND USE APPEALS PROCEDURE

To exempt certain small towns from the affordable housing land use appeals procedure. 1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Housing

Proposed H.B. No. 5169

AN ACT CONCERNING INCENTIVES FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT To incentivize municipalities to promote affordable housing instead of punitive burden shifting.

1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Housing

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5227

AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL HEARINGS PRIOR TO APPROVAL OF PROPOSED STATE AGENCY HOUSING FACILITIES

To require a public hearing on proposals for housing facilities by state agencies. 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Government Administration and Elections

#### Other Bills

#### Proposed S.B. No. 73

AN ACT CONCERNING THE IMPACT ON MUNICIPALITIES OF THE INCREASED AGE OF JUVENILE JURISDICTION

To eliminate an unfunded mandate that requires local police departments and community correctional centers to treat and confine individuals aged sixteen or seventeen in the same manner as juveniles aged fifteen and under. 1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Judiciary

#### Proposed S.B. No. 76

AN ACT CONCERNING ARBITRATION AWARDS

To provide relief from labor contracts by authorizing municipalities to reject arbitration awards and continue negotiations prior to submitting to final and binding arbitration. 1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Labor and Public Employees

#### Proposed S.B. No. 79

AN ACT CONCERNING THE POSSESSIONS OF EVICTED TENANTS

To repeal the requirement that municipalities store the possessions of evicted tenants. 1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5117

AN ACT CONCERNING PORTIONS OF THE STATE BUDGET APPROPRIATING AID TO MUNICIPALITIES

To aid municipalities in their budget-making process.

1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Appropriations

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5124

AN ACT CONCERNING ALTERNATIVE SITES FOR ELECTRIC AND TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES

To require the acceptance of certain alternative sites for electric distribution and telecommunications facilities when such sites are proposed by municipalities. 1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Energy and Technology

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5125

AN ACT CONCERNING ALTERNATIVE SITES FOR ELECTRIC AND TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES

To require the acceptance of certain alternative sites for electric distribution and telecommunications facilities when such sites are proposed by municipalities. 1/10/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Energy and Technology

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5159

AN ACT CONCERNING THE PRIVATIZATION OF THE FUNCTIONS OF THE CONNECTICUT RESOURCES RECOVERY AUTHORITY

To allow the state to produce more revenue, reduce costs and address the state's budget crisis.

1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Environment

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5163

AN ACT EXPANDING MUNICIPAL AND STATE REVERSE AUCTION AUTHORITY TO INCLUDE THE PURCHASE OF SERVICES

To expand the authority of municipalities, school districts and state agencies to use reverse auctions for the purchase of certain services in order for municipalities and the state to save money.

1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Government Administration and Elections

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5178

AN ACT CONCERNING NOTICE OF ZONE CHANGES

To save time and taxpayer money by authorizing municipal zoning commissions to send notice of proposed zone changes to regional planning organizations by verified electronic mail rather than by certified mail.

1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5179

AN ACT CONCERNING THE ASSESSMENT OF BLIGHTED PROPERTIES

To authorize municipalities to assess blighted properties as if such properties were properly maintained to their highest and best use.

1/11/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5239

AN ACT CONCERNING REFUSE REMOVAL OR DISPOSAL COMPANY FEE INCREASES To provide peace of mind for customers of refuse removal or disposal companies by requiring written notification of increased fees. 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on General Law

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5253

AN ACT CONCERNING THE CLOSING OF AGENDAS BY PLANNING AND ZONING AND INLAND WETLAND COMMISSIONS

To allow planning and zoning commissions and inland wetland commissions to close meeting agendas two days prior to such meeting.

1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5255

AN ACT REQUIRING A TWO-THIRDS VOTE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO ENACT CERTAIN LEGISLATION

To prevent the imposition of additional financial burdens on the state's municipalities 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5258

AN ACT CONCERNING MUNICIPAL WATER COMPANIES

To prohibit municipal water companies from charging a higher rate to a neighboring town's residents when such residents have no choice but to purchase water from another town.

1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5271

AN ACT CONCERNING JAKE BRAKES

To authorize municipalities to ban the use of compression release engine brakes. 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Transportation

#### Proposed S.B. No. 86

AN ACT AUTHORIZING BONDS OF THE STATE FOR A FIREFIGHTER VILLAGE IN THE EIGHTH DISTRICT

To authorize bonds of the state to build a firefighter village in the eighth senate district. 1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Housing

#### Proposed S.B. No. 90

AN ACT CONCERNING THE RECREATIONAL LAND USE ACT

To encourage municipalities and metropolitan districts to continue to permit the public to enjoy recreational activities on their property by providing such municipalities and districts with immunity from certain lawsuits.

1/13/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5022

voter assigned to vote at the polling place and to assist municipalities in the purchase of such ballots.

1/5/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Government Administration and Elections

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5049

AN ACT CONCERNING THE REMOVAL OR DESTRUCTION OF TREES

To authorize municipalities to regulate the removal or destruction of trees within municipal boundaries.

1/5/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5054

AN ACT CONCERNING INDEMNIFICATION FOR VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANIES, VOLUNTEER FIRE POLICE PATROLS AND VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SERVICES To encourage volunteers to provide public safety services by clarifying that municipalities shall indemnify such volunteers. 1/5/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5056

AN ACT CONCERNING EDUCATION FOR MUNICIPAL AND STATE POLICE OFFICERS To develop more highly educated municipal and state police forces. 1/5/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Public Safety and Security

#### Proposed H.B. No. 5096

AN ACT IMPOSING A PENALTY FOR THE UNAUTHORIZED CONNECTION TO A TOWN SEWER SYSTEM

To save on the costs of building and maintaining municipal water pollution facilities by permitting a fine for unauthorized connections to such facilities.

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development

#### Proposed S.B. No. 46

AN ACT ENABLING MUNICIPALITIES TO ESTABLISH A COMMUNITY GREEN FUND To promote conservation initiatives and to create jobs. 1/7/2011

Referred to Joint Committee on Planning and Development



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#### **Brownfield Projects**

- Moving forward on the Goodrich/Daisy Street Project
- Petroleum Outreach Meetings will be held through out the region

#### **Business Development**

- Coordinating with New Haven EDC to assist Buchanan Marine in resolving work site issues with CT Department of Environmental Protection
- Coordinated Fam Visit/Hosting with Tweed Airport staff on expanding air service
- Participating in meetings with New Haven Manufacturer's Association, Town of Hamden, ConnStep, New Haven EDC in exploring opportunities to create a manufacturing incubator for the region – Site visit to proposed Hamden incubator location

#### **Marketing**

- Continued build out of REX's website, event calendar functionality operational
- Search Engine Optimization on-going
- Ad Production Development under way to target ongoing:
  - o 3 ad series focusing on a business retention message
  - 2 ad series for recruitment targeting through the larger regional/national publications
  - o 2 ad series for recruitment targeting more localized regional markets
- Continue to distribute weekly consumer topical e-blasts, refreshing visitNewHaven website and updating social media daily
- Collaborating with the Greater New Haven Arts Council and New Mass Media in producing a regional Cultural and Visitor Guide – April 1

### **January 2011 Regional Planning Commission (RPC) Action Table**

Ref.	Received	Description	Adjacent RPC	Abridged RPC Action
#			Towns	
2.1	11/22/10	City of New Haven: Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendment to Planned Development District #23 – Bella Vista	East Haven, Hamden, North Haven, Orange, West Haven, Woodbridge	By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments do not appear to cause any negative inter-municipal impacts to the Towns of the South Central Region. As to the impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound, there is not enough information provided to evaluate such impacts. The Regional Planning Commission encourages the City of New Haven to review the stormwater management design for this development
2.2	12/20/10	Town of Prospect: Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendment to add a Section to regulate Wind Power	Bethany	By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments do not appear to cause any negative impacts to the Towns of the South Central Region nor do there appear to be any negative impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound.
2.3	1/05/11	City of Milford: Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments to Section 9.3 - Procedures	Orange, West Haven,	By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments do not appear to cause any negative impacts to the Towns of the South Central Region nor do there appear to be any negative impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound.
2.4	1/07/11	Town of North Branford: Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments to Subsection 42.5.6.1 under Section 42.5.6 – Indoor Amusement Centers	Branford, East Haven, Guilford, North Haven, Wallingford	By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments do not appear to cause any negative impacts to the Towns of the South Central Region nor do there appear to be any negative impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound.

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