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SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Carl Amento, Executive Director

SCRCOG MEETING NOTICE & AGENDA July 27, 2011 – 10:00 A.M.

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

1.	Call to order and Introductions: -First Selectman Edward Sheehy, Chairman	
2.	Presentation: Cheryl Duey, CL&P- Right of Way Issues	
3.	Adoption of June 22, 2011 SCRCOG Minutes- Mayor John Picard, Secretary	Pages 2-4
4.	Treasurer's Report for month ending June 30, 2011 – Mayor April Capone, <i>Treasurer</i>	Pages 5,6
5.	Transportation Committee Report - Mayor William Dickinson, <i>Chairman</i> Adopt Resolution to approve 2010-2013 TIP Amendment Eighteen	Pages 7-17 Pages 16,12
6.	Approval of Memoranda of Understanding with New Haven, West Haven and Meriden Re: State of CT TOD Pilot Grants - Carl Amento, <i>Executive Director</i>	Page 18-29
7.	Legislative Reports a. State– Carl Amento Executive Director b. Federal -Louis Mangini, Legislative Aide to Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro	
8.	SCRCOG Executive Director's Report – Carl Amento Executive Director	
9.	<u>Presentation</u> : David Fink, Policy Director, Partnership for Strong Communities- Regional Housing Forum	
10.	DEMHS Region 2 Report- Roy Piper, Coordinator	
11.	REX Development Report by Ginny Kozlowski, Executive Director	Pages 30,31
12.	RPC Action Tables for May & June	Pages 32

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13. Regional Cooperation / Other Business

14. Adjournment

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Carl Amento, Executive Director

TO: SCRCOG Board

FROM: Mayor John Picard, SCRCOG Secretary

DATE: **July 14, 2011**

SUBJECT: SCRCOG Minutes of June 22, 2011

Present:

Branford First Selectman Anthony DaRos-Vice Chairman

East Haven Mayor April Capone – *Treasurer* Guilford First Selectman Joseph S. Mazza

Hamden Mayor Scott Jackson

Madison First Selectman Fillmore McPherson

Milford Gary Wassmer, **proxy for Mayor James Richetelli**New Haven Karyn Gilvarg, **proxy forMayor John DeStefano, Jr.**

North Haven First Selectman Michael Freda West Haven Mayor John Picard - Secretary

Woodbridge First Selectman Edward Sheehy - Chairman

SCRCOG Staff Carl J. Amento – Executive Director

Albert Ruggiero, Stephen Dudley, Eugene Livshits

Guest Presenters: William Graustein, Community Leadership Program

Peter Simmons, Department of Community and Economic Development

Other Guests: Carlene Kulisch, Consultant; Lori Ventrigliano, HazWaste Central; Mary Bigelow, Greater New Haven Transit District; Eva Heintzelman, ROOF Project; Jeffrey Trell, ROOF Project; Don Rowe, Town of Wallingford; Miriam E. Brody, League of Women Voters -North Haven; Louis Mangini, Legislative Aide to Congresswoman Rosa Delauro; Ginny Kozlowski, Executive Director- REX Development; Roy Piper, Coordinator, DEMHS Region 2; Shelly Saczynski, United Illuminating Co; Jean Stimolo, Executive Director of Rideworks; Nancy Ciarleglio; Nan Birdwistell; Jeremy Stull; Ben Clothier

ITEM 1- Call to Order

Chairman Sheehy called to order the June 22, 2011 meeting of the South Central Regional Council of Governments at 10:02 A.M. Self introductions of SCRCOG officials and guests then took place.

ITEM 2 – Presentation- William Graustein

William Graustein made a presentation on the Community Leadership Program.

ITEM 3– SCRCOG Minutes of May 25, 2011

Board Secretary Mayor John Picard noted that the *SCRCOG Minutes* were on pages 2-4 in the agenda packet. A motion to adopt the *SCRCOG Minutes of May 25, 2011*, as amended, with Item 11 changed to "Emergency" instead of "Energy", was offered by Mayor Picard and seconded by First Selectman Mazza. Upon unanimous vote, the motion passed.

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ITEM 4 - Treasurer's Report for the Month Ending May 31, 2011

SCRCOG Treasurer, Mayor Capone, presented the *Treasurer's Report*, which was on pages 5 and 6 of the agenda packet. She advised the officials that SCRCOG has assets of \$616,010 in cash and investments, with another \$129,116 due from the State Department of Transportation. Eleven months through the year, expenses are in line with our fiscal year budget. A motion by First Selectman Mazza, and seconded by First Selectman Freda, was offered to adopt the *Treasurer's Report for the month ending May 31, 2011*. With no further discussion, the motion passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM 5-Transportation Committee Report

Mayor Dickinson, Chairman of the Transportation Committee, reported that the Committee recommended approval of TIP Amendment Seventeen at its May11, 2011 meeting. The amendment is detailed on pages 7-11 of the agenda packet. The resolution is on pages 10 and 11 of the agenda packet. First Selectman DaRos moved approval of TIP Amendment Seventeen. First Selectman McPherson seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

ITEM 6-Reappointment of Thomas Scarpati to Tweed Airport Board of Directors

Thomas Scarpati's term as a SCRCOG representative on the Tweed New Haven Airport Authority expires on June 30, 2011. First Selectman McPherson moved that Scarpati be re-appointed for another term as SCRCOG's representative on the Authority. First Selectman Mazza seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

ITEM 7- Legislative Reports

Executive Director Amento distributed and reviewed a report of the bills that have passed the state Senate and the House and bills that have died due to deadlines.

Lou Mangini, Legislative Aide to Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro, reported that the Congresswoman is working to have the region's EDD designation approved by the EDA. Mangini also noted that another round of Post Office consolidations is in the offing, but so far does not appear to affect this region.

ITEM 8- SCRCOG Executive Director Report

Executive Director Amento reported on the status of the Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant, the completion of a Regional Greenhouse Gas Emissions Inventory, his attendance at the Northeast Recycling Conference, the state's funding at \$7.2 million in the FY 2011-2012 budget of the Regional Performance Incentive Grant, the receipt of 16 RFQ responses for 7 UPWP studies in 2011, and meetings with Chinese public officials who are studying at UNH for the next 6 months.

Amento introduced Eva Heintzelman and Jeffrey Trull who described the launch of the Regional Foreclosure Prevention Project.

ITEM 9- DEMHS Report

Roy Piper reported that DEMHS will be merged with the state Department of Public Safety to create a new state Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection (DESPP).

ITEM 10- Presentation- Peter Simmons, Department of Economic and Community Development

Mr. Simmons reviewed the status of the state's EDD designations as well as brownfields assessment and remediation funding programs.

ITEM 11-REX Development Executive Director's Report

Ginny Kozlowski's Executive Director's Report is found on pages 12 and 13 of the agenda packet.

ITEM 12- Regional Planning Commission Report

The Action Tables for June are on page 14 of the agenda packet.

ITEM 13- Regional Cooperation/ Other Business

First Selectman Sheehy noted that Woodbridge is now alone in an Animal Control District after Orange, Bethany and Prospect have withdrawn.

Nan Birdwistell re-iterated that the Regional Performance Incentive Grant has been funded this year and SCRCOG should develop proposals for regional initiatives before the December 1st application deadline.

ITEM 14- Adjournment

Mayor Picard moved to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Jackson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Chairman Sheehy adjourned the meeting at 11:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

John Picard SCRCOG Secretary

BALANCE SHEET - June, 2011

Cash and Investments	
Bank of America	73,392
New Alliance Bank	253,964
Connecticut Short-Term Investment Fund - SCRCOG	254,432
Total Cash and Investments	581,788
Accounts Receivable	
Connecticut Department of Transportation	109,940
DEMHS - Homeland Security Planning	31,775
Shoreline Greenways Trail - Federal Share	61,129
Amount for Accrued Leave	10,874
Pre-Paid Expense & Other Receivables	43,010
Total Accounts Receivable	256,728
Property and Equipment	
COG Equipment	1,773
Less, Accumulated Depreciation	0
Total Property & Equipment	1,773

Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	-713
Accrued Payroll Taxes	0
Deferred Revenue - Municipal	0
Shoreline Greenways Trail - Municipal Share - H074(1)	12,893
Shoreline Greenways Trail - Municipal Share - H103(1)	4,027
Other Liabilities	0
Total Current Liabilities	16,216
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	-3,010
Fund Balance - June, 2011	824,073

Resources	FY 11 Budget	Month of June, 2011	To Date
Municipal Contribution	122,400	0	122,400
Municipal Carryover to FY 2012	28,700	12,592	16,109
ConnDOT - Transportation Planning			
U.S. Dept of Transportation	927,744	38,136	524,147
U.S. Dept of Transp - Carryover to FY 12	115,981	0	0
Connecticut Dept of Transportation	229,700	4,767	65,518
CTDOT - Carryover to FY 12	28,700	0	0
Connecticut Office of Policy & Management			
Regional Planning	6,360	0	6,360
Emergency Response Planning			
DEMHS - FY 07 NHASH Grant	22,800	0	15,350
DEMHS - FY 08 NHASH Grant	10,000	39,257	39,257
Regional Growth Partnership			
Reimbursement for SCRCOG Support	10,000	0	3,333
Interest	2,500	123	930
TOTAL	1,504,885	94,875	793,404

Expenses	FY 11 Budget	Month of June, 2011	To Date
Labor & Benefits	598,076		563,733
Salaries		32,595	397,404
Fringe Benefits		5,906	166,329
Travel	6,300	766	4,064
Data Process	16,600	3,645	7,556
General Operations	158,000		135,037
Rent	96,300	0	97,519
Postage & Telephone	7,600	222	4,227
Print & Reproduction	2,500	0	100
Office Supplies	3,800	70	1,876
Equipment Maintenance	17,200	1,301	14,806
Publications	4,900	0	621
Insurance & Professional Services	16,600	450	9,405
Meeting Expenses & Advertising	8,500	820	5,848
Miscellaneous & Equipment Use	600	0	636
Consultant - Current Year	366,900	0	9,217
Consultant - Carryover to FY 12	287,100	0	0
Capital Purchase	0	0	0
NHASH Grant	32,800	30,332	53,040
ROOF - Regional Foreclosure Protection	25,000	25,000	25,000
Contingencies	14,109	0	0
TOTAL	1,504,885	101,107	797,747

South Central Regional Council of Governments

2010-2013 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Amendment Number 18

Project 0061-0147 2011-A18-1 Replace Br #02106 O/Shepard BRK

Changes Amendment 18 introduces new project

Reason Project to replace bridge carrying Route 10 and Dixwell Ave over Shepard Brook in Hamden

only funding for the preliminary engineering phase is included at this time

Project 0083-0253 2003-007 Rte 796 (Milford Connector) Sign Replacement

Changes Amendment 18 increases funds

Reason The previous final design cost estimate failed to include an additional overhead sign support

and foundation to replace two overstressed bridge mounted structures.

Project 0092-0531 1999-009 I-95/I-91/Rt 34 Interchange Reconstruction E

Changes Amendment 18 transfers STPA funds from FYI to FY11 and adds IMD funds to FY11

Reason STPA funds are moved from FYI to FY11 and Interstate Maintenance Discretionary Award

funds are moved to FY11 to allow for obligation

Project 0092-0532 1999-002 I-95: Quinnipiac River Bridge Construction B

Changes Amendment 18 shifts BRXZ funds from FY12 to FY11

Reason Bridge funds are moved from FY12 to FY11 there is no change to project cost estimate

Project 0092-0619 2007-070 I-95 Corridor Improvement Project- Contract E2

Changes Amendment 18 moves funds from FY12 to FY11

Reason Interstate Maintenance funds are moved from FY12 to FY11 no change to project cost estimate

Project 0138-0221 2001-025 I-95: Housatonic River Bridge Replacement

Changes Amendment 18 introduces IMD funds to the project for FY11

Reason Interstate Maintenance Discretionary Award fund allocation is shown in FY11 to allow for

obligation.

Project 0167-0104 2007-055 Peck Hill Road Construction

Changes Amendment 18 increases funds

Reason Funds are increased based on latest cost estimate

Project 0173-0354 2011-A18-2 Update signing Vic Ex 54 to Ex85

Changes Amendment 18 introduces new project

Reason Project to update signage along I-95 from the vicinity of exit 54 to exit 85

Amendment Number 18

State Project 0061-0147

SCRCOG # 2011-A18-1

Municipality Hamden

Proposed

Project Name Replace Br#02106 O/Shepard BRK

Description Project to replace bridge #02106 carrying Rte 10 and Dixwell Ave over Shepard Brook in Hamden.

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)											
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI			
STPA	ENG	Federal			280						
		State			70						
TIP Funds	\$350		0	0	350	0	0	0			

Amendment Notes

FY10 TIP Amend 18 introduces new project

Amendment Number 18

State Project 0083-0253

SCRCOG # 2003-007

Municipality Milford

Proposed

Project Name Rt 796 (Milford Connector) Sign Replacement

Description Replace signs and sign supports between US 1 and Merritt Parkway (Route 15).

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)										
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI		
STPA	CON	Federal			640					
		State			160					
Total Cost	\$800		0	0	800	0	0	0		
Proposed T	IP Fundir	ng (In Tho	ousands)							
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI		
STPA	CON	Federal			1,600					
		State			400					
TIP Funds	\$2,000		0	0	2,000	0	0	0		

Amendment Notes

Introduced by FY03 TIP Amend 2. FY03 PE wholly with state funds per FY03 TIP Amend 9. CN via Natl Highway Transportation Safety Admin support per FY05 TIP Amend 2. Project moved into FY10 TIP CON moved from FFY09 - FFY10. FY10 TIP Amend 7 moves CON from FFY10 to FFY11. FY10 TIP Amend 14 replaces NHTSA funds w/ STPA. FY10 TIP Amend 15 increases funding FY10 TIP Amend 18 increases funds

Amendment Number 18

State Project 0092-0531

SCRCOG # 1999-009

Municipality New Haven

Proposed

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

Current TID Funding (In Thousands)

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.

Current TIP	Funding	(In Thou	sands)					
Funding	Phase	•	Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FY
HPP	CON	Federal		296				
		State		74				
I-M		AC-Entry		0				
		Federal		2,840	21,521	8,940	11,720	70,235
		State		424	3,216	993	1,302	7,804
NHS		AC-Entry		0				
		Federal		6,361	19,009	12,650	2,470	
		State		707	2,112	1,406	2,749	
STPA		AC-Entry		0				
		Federal		48,888	4,112		39,960	168,540
		State		5,432	457		4,440	42,135
Total Cost	\$490,79	3	0	65,022	50,427	23,989	62,641	288,714
Proposed T	IP Fundi	ng (In Tho	ousands	s)				
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
HPP	CON	Federal		296				
		State		74				
I-M		AC-Entry		0				
		Federal		2,840	21,521	8,940	11,720	70,235
		State		424	3,216	993	1,302	7,804
I-MD		Federal			950			
NHS		AC-Entry		0				
		Federal		6,361	19,009	12,650	2,470	
		State		707	2,112	1,406	2,749	
STPA		AC-Entry		0				
		Federal		48,888	34,570		39,960	138,082
		State		5,432	3,841		4,440	38,751
TIP Funds	\$491,74	3	0	65,022	85,219	23,989	62,641	254,872
Amondmor	st Notes							

Amendment Notes

Amendment Number 18

State Project 0092-0532

SCRCOG # 1999-002

Municipality New Haven

Proposed

Project Name I-95: Quinnipiac River Bridge Construction B

Description Construct a new 10-lane bridge across New Haven Harbor between Route 34/I-91 interchange and Stiles Street

Current TIP I								
Funding	Phase)	Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
117	CON	Federal	1,968					
BRXZ		AC-Entry	0					
		Federal		111,114	29,916	54,854	58,734	143,648
		State		16,603	4,407	8,197	8,776	21,465
HPP		Federal	9,920					
		State	2,480					
IBR		Federal	255					
TI		Federal	42,735					
		State	6,386					
Total Cost	\$521,45	8	63,744	127,717	34,323	63,051	67,510	165,113
Proposed TII	P Fundi	ng (In Th	ousand	s)				
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012		
	i iiuoc		1 1101	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
117	CON	Federal	1,968	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
117 BRXZ		Federal AC-Entry		2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
			1,968	111,114	51,631	33,139	2013 58,734	FYI 143,648
		AC-Entry	1,968					
		AC-Entry Federal	1,968	111,114	51,631	33,139	58,734	143,648
BRXZ		AC-Entry Federal State	1,968 0	111,114	51,631	33,139	58,734	143,648
BRXZ		AC-Entry Federal State Federal	1,968 0 9,920	111,114	51,631	33,139	58,734	143,648
BRXZ		AC-Entry Federal State Federal State	1,968 0 9,920 2,480	111,114	51,631	33,139	58,734	143,648
BRXZ HPP IBR		AC-Entry Federal State Federal State Federal	1,968 0 9,920 2,480 255	111,114	51,631	33,139	58,734	143,648

Amendment Notes

FY07TIP Amendment 1 accurately displayed Q Bridge project FY07 TIP Amendment 4 moves 52.7M from FFY 05,06 into FFY07. FY07 TIP Amend 5 moves IMD & SEC117 Funds From FY05 TIP into FY07 TIP. FY07 TIP Amend 9 reduces funds as 92-613, 92-617 are added to TIP as breakout projects. The project cost is decreased FY07 TIP Amend 11 redistributes funds as breakout Projects # 092-618 is added to the TIP Project cost is increased. FY07 TIP Amend 14 NCIIP funds moved to #92-618. FY07 TIP Amend 23 shifts all unobligated funds from FFY08 to FFY09 as project is ADV 2/4/09. Bridge funds increased by \$60M for FFY10. Project moved into FY10 TIP FY10 TIP Amend 6 increases FFY10 funds & Decreases FFY11 Funds. FY10 TIP moves BRXZ funds from FY12 to FY11

Amendment Number 18

State Project 0092-0619

SCRCOG # 2007-070

Municipality New Haven

Amendment Notes

Proposed

Project Name I-95 Corridor Improvement Project- Contract E2

Description The construction will primarily involve a new bridge to carry I-95 NB traffic to Rte 34 and Temporary Tiedown work in the Long wharf Area. Project is a breakout of 92-531

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)												
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI				
I-M	CON	Federal	30,000	43,280	8,290	4,179						
		State	4,483	6,467	1,298	624						
Total Cost	\$98,621		34,483	49,747	9,588	4,803	0	0				
Proposed T	TP Fundir	ng (In Th	ousands	s)								
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI				
I-M	CON	Federal	30,000	43,280	12,469							
		State	4,483	6,467	1,863							
TIP Funds	\$98,562		34,483	49,747	14,332	0	0	0				

FY07 TIP Amend 11 introduces new project as breakout of #92-531. FY07 TIP Amend 13 proposed moving funds. Amend request tabled. FY07 TIP amend 16 approves request to move funds from FFY09 to FFY10. FY07 TIP Amend 22 decreases FFY08 and increases funds based on low bid. FY07 TIP Amend 26 increases funds for FFY10. Project moved into FY10 TIP

Amendment Number 18

State Project 0138-0221

SCRCOG # 2001-025

Municipality Regional

Proposed

Project Name I-95: Housatonic River Bridge Replacement

Current TID Funding (In Thousands)

Description Replace the current six-lane bridge with a new structure to the north (west) of the existing bridge though complicated by proximity to Metro North. FY02 includes \$500,000 (total) ROW. Approximately four year construction period.

Current III	Funding (In Thous	Juliu0,					
Funding	Phase	Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FY
BRXZ	CON AC-Entry			0			
	Federal			21,340	40,294	42,888	48,410
	State			2,371	4,478	4,765	5,379
I-M	AC-Entry			0			
	Federal			7,730	930	34,730	74,410
	State			859	103	3,859	8,268
NHS	AC-Entry			0			
	Federal			9,280			26,830
	State			1,031			2,981
Total Cost	\$340,936	0	0	42,611	45,805	86,242	166,278
Proposed T	IP Funding (In The	usands)					
Funding	Phase	Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
BRXZ	CON AC-Entry			0			
	Federal			21,340	40,294	42,888	48,410
	State			2,371	4,478	4,765	5,379
I-M	AC-Entry			0			
	Federal			7,730	930	34,730	74,410
	State			859	103	3,859	8,268
I-MD	Federal			950			
	40 5 4			0			
NHS	AC-Entry						
NHS	AC-Entry Federal			9,280			26,830
NHS	•			9,280 1,031			26,830 2,981
TIP Funds	Federal	0	0	·	45,805	86,242	•

Amendment Notes

FY 07TIP Amend I reduced NHS funding for 2010 and added 2011/ FYI. FY07-11 Tip amend 3 deletes all NHS funding introduces IM and Bridge funding and increases overall project funding by 143,881 FY07 TIP Amend 7 deletes FFY07 and moves project start out to FFY08, FY07 TIP Amend 13 realigns funding sources and moves project out to FFY09 FY07 TIP Amend 22 moves funds from FFY09, FFY10 changes amounts in FYI as breakout project is added to the TIP. Project moved into FY10 TIP reduced by \$99 M, FY10 TIP Amend 10 adjusts funding. FY10 Tip Amend 16 moves NHS funds from FY12 to FY11

Amendment Number 18

State Project 0167-0104

SCRCOG # 2007-055

Municipality Woodbridge

Proposed

Project Name Peck Hill Road Construction

Description Peck Hill Rd construction between Rte 67 and Rte 313 to improve drainage, intersection sight distance, stopping sight distance and extend servicibility

Current TIP	Funding	(In Thou	sands)					
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
STPNH	ROW	Federal		80				
		Local		10				
		State		10				
	CON	Federal			772			
		Local			96			
		State			96			
Total Cost	\$1,064		0	100	964	0	0	0
Proposed T	IP Fundii	ng (In The	ousands)					
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
STPNH	ROW	Federal		80				
		Local		10				
		State		10				
	CON	Federal			1,040			
		Local			130			
		State			130			
TIP Funds	\$1,400		0	100	1,300	0	0	0

Amendment Notes

Introduced to FY07 TIP by Amendment 7. it is anticipated that the PE phase will be canceled. FY07 TIP Amend 13 moves CON to FFY10. FY07 TIP Amend 26 moves ROW phase from FFY08 to FFY10. Project moved into FY10 TIP. FY10 TIP amend 18 increases funds

Amendment Number 18

State Project 0173-0354

SCRCOG # 2011-A18-2

Municipality District 3

Proposed

Project Name Update signing Vic. Ex 54 to Ex85

Description Project to update signs along I-95 from Exit 54 to Exit 85

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)								
Funding	Phase		Prior	2010	2011	2012	2013	FYI
I-M	ENG	Federal			400			
TIP Funds	\$400		0	0	400	0	0	0

Amendment Notes

FY10 TIP Amend 18 introduces new project



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Carl Amento Executive Director

Resolution

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

Whereas: U.S. Department of Transportation "Metropolitan Planning Regulations" (23 CFR 450) prescribe that each metropolitan planning organization maintain a financially constrained multi-modal transportation improvement program consistent with a State Implementation Plan for Air Quality (SIP) conforming to both U.S. Environmental Protection Administration-established air quality guidelines and SIP-established mobile source emissions budgets; and

Whereas: The Council, per 23 CFR 450.324 and in cooperation with the Connecticut Department of Transportation (ConnDOT) and public transit operators and relying upon financial constraints offered by ConnDOT, adopted a Fiscal Year 2010-Fiscal Year 2013 Transportation Improvement Program on October 28, 2009, after finding the Program conforming per U.S. Environmental Protection Administration (U.S. EPA) final conformity rule (40 CFR 51 and 93) and relevant Connecticut Department of Transportation air quality conformity determinations: Air Quality Conformity Reports: Fiscal Year 2010-2013 Transportation Improvement Program and the Region's Long-Range Transportation Plans—2011 to 2040, (April, 2011)); and

Whereas: The Council, on October 28, 2009, indicated that periodic *Program* adjustment or amendment was possible; and

Whereas: Projects referenced in the Program amendment (below) are consistent with the region's long-range transportation plan (South Central Regional Long Range Transportation Plan—2011 to 2040, (April, 2011); and

Whereas: Council Public Participation Guidelines: Transportation Planning have been observed during the development of the proposed Program amendment (below); and

Whereas: By agreement between the Council and the Connecticut Department of Transportation, public involvement activities carried out by the South Central Regional Council of Governments in response to U.S. Department of Transportation metropolitan planning requirements are intended to satisfy the requirements associated with development of a Statewide Transportation Improvement Program and/or its amendment; and

Whereas: Council of Governments' review of transportation goals, projects and opportunities may result in further adjustment or amendment of the *Program*.

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Carl Amento Executive Director

Resolution

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

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

The *Program Amendment Eighteen* 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 27, 2011**.

Date: July 27, 2011.	By:	
•	•	John Picard, Secretary
		South Central Regional Council of Governments

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Memorandum of Understanding between the City of New Haven and the South Central Regional Council of Governments

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into this _____ of August, 2011 (the "Effective Date") by and between the City of New Haven ("City") and South Central Regional Council of Governments ("SCRCOG").

A. PURPOSE:

Senate Bill No. 1502, Public Act No. 07-7, June Special Session, allows the State Bond Commission to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in the aggregate of \$5 million for the purpose of establishing a transit oriented development pilot program.

To be eligible to apply for and receive a share of the authorized state bond funds, the City must execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the regional planning agency (in this case the South Central Regional Council of Governments, SCRCOG) and develop a scope of work for the project. The purpose of this MOU is to outline the roles and responsibilities of New Haven and SCRCOG in the implementation of the TOD pilot program so that the City can apply for and receive up to \$1 million in state funds. This document has been developed to meet the statutory requirements; outline the workplan, budget, and anticipated work products; define the geographic area of the project; and to develop a deadline for completing the project.

Funding sought by the City will be used to plan and implement a transit oriented development plan at Union Station. The project is closely coordinated with the work of the New York-Connecticut Sustainable Communities Consortium. The Consortium, which includes the Regional Plan Association, SCRCOG and the Connecticut cities of Stamford, Norwalk, Bridgeport and New Haven, has worked collaboratively for over a year to advance a program and execution plan for sustainable development in the greater New York region. In New Haven, the City has committed to advance a transit oriented development plan at Union Station. The City, in cooperation with the Connecticut Department of Transportation, prepared an initial concept plan in 2008 and continues this work in considerably more detail with assistance from the consortium and this proposed TOD pilot grant.

B. STATEMENT OF MUTUAL BENEFIT AND INTERESTS:

It is to the mutual benefit of the City and SCRCOG to establish a TOD pilot program in New Haven.

C. THE CITY SHALL:

- a) Serve as the Project Manager.
- b) Implement the Work Plan, included as "Attachment A".
- c) Review all documents, plans, and other related materials with SCRCOG to ensure state and federal guidelines for transportation infrastructure projects are met and modify as necessary.
- d) Provide adequate staff and or consultants required to implement the Work Plan in a timely and professional manner.

e) Comply with all application local, state and federal regulations in the administration of the project and the management of all project consultants.

D. THE SCRCOG SHALL:

- 1) Provide technical assistance to the City regarding transportation planning.
- 2) Make information regarding the New Haven to Springfield commuter rail service available to the City.
- 3) Review the TOD plan with the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development, the Connecticut Department of Transportation and the Regional Plan Association.
- 4) Provide guidance to the City that the TOD plan is consistent with the state and regional goals for transportation.
- 5) Assist the City in identifying private developers and public funding in support of the project.
- 6) Coordinate documentation of the project in the Urban Work Program, State Transportation Improvement Program, SCRCOG Transportation Improvement Program, Connecticut Long-Range Transportation Plan, Connecticut State Rail Plan, SCRCOG Regional Land Use Plan and Connecticut Master Transportation Plan.
- 7) Provide staff support as necessary to the City in its implementation of the Work Plan.

E. IT IS MUTUALLY UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED BY AND BETWEEN THE PARTIES THAT:

- 1. MODIFICATION. Modifications shall be made by mutual consent of the parties, by the issuance of a written modification, signed and dated by all parties, prior to any changes being performed.
- 2. PARTICIPATION IN SIMILAR ACTIVITIES. This instrument in no way restricts the City or SCRCOG from participating in similar activities with other public or private agencies, organizations, and individuals.
- 3. TERMINATION. Any of the parties, in writing, may terminate the instrument in whole, or in part, at any time before the Expiration Date.
- 6. PRINCIPAL CONTACTS. The principal contacts for this instrument are:

Kelly Murphy, AICP Economic Development Administrator City of New Haven 165 Church Street, 4R New Haven, CT 06510

Carl Amento, Executive Director South Central Regional Council of Governments 127 Washington Ave., 4th Floor West North Haven, CT 06473

6. NON-FUND OBLIGATING DOCUMENT. This instrument is neither a fiscal nor a funds obligation document. Any endeavor or transfer of anything of value involving reimbursement or contribution of funds between the parties to this instrument will be handled in accordance with

applicable laws, regulations, and procedures including those for Government procurement and printing. Such endeavors will be outlined in separate agreements that shall be made in writing by representatives of the parties and shall be independently authorized by appropriate statutory authority. This instrument does not provide such authority. Specifically, this instrument does not establish authority for noncompetitive award to the cooperator of any contract or other agreement. Any contract or agreement for training or other services must fully comply with all applicable requirements for competition.

7. COMMENCEMENT/EXPIRATION DATE. This instrument is executed as of the date of last signature and, unless terminated in accordance with the provisions of Paragraph 3 above, shall commence on the Effective Date and shall continue for a period of one (1) year from the Effective Date (the "Expiration Date"). In the event that the parties mutually agree to extend this instrument, then the same may be extended for not more than four (4) consecutive additional terms, each of one (1) year duration, such extensions to be in writing and executed and delivered by both parties.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this agreement as of the day and year first written.

Carl Amento
South Central Regional Council of Governments

Kelly Murphy, AICP
Economic Development Administrator

City of New Haven

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN City of Meriden AND

South Central Regional Council of Governments

This MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING is hereby made and entered into by and between the City of Meriden, hereinafter referred to as MERIDEN, and South Central Regional Council of Governments, hereinafter referred to as SCRCOG.

A. PURPOSE:

Senate Bill No. 1502, Public Act No. 07-7, June Special Session, allows the State Bond Commission to authorize the issuance of bonds of the state in the aggregate of five million dollars for use by the Department of Transportation for the purpose of establishing a transit oriented development pilot program. The law designates Meriden as a station area transit oriented development (TOD) pilot program on the New Haven to Springfield rail line.

To be eligible to receive a share of the authorized state bond funds, the City of Meriden must execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the regional planning agency (in this case the South Central Regional Council of Governments, SCRCOG) and develop a scope of work for the project. The purpose of this MOU is to outline the roles and responsibilities of MERIDEN and SCRCOG in the implementation of the TOD pilot program so that the City of Meriden can be eligible to receive up to \$1 million in state funds. This document has been developed to meet the statutory requirements; outline the workplan, budget, and anticipated work products; define the geographic area of the project; and to develop a deadline for completing the project.

Funding sought by the City of Meriden will be used by the City of Meriden to plan and implement a transit oriented development plan centered on the Meriden Transit Center in downtown Meriden, CT. Meriden is a key station stop along the proposed New Haven to Springfield Commuter Rail line and an existing public transportation hub. The project is integral to the redevelopment of the 14.4-acre "HUB" brownfield site, which is located in the City's central business district and borders the MTC site.

B. STATEMENT OF MUTUAL BENEFIT AND INTERESTS:

It is in the mutual benefit of MERIDEN and SCRCOG to establish a TOD pilot program in Meriden, CT. The implementation of the project will facilitate the increased use of existing CT transit bus routes, facilitate future use of the proposed New Haven to Springfield commuter rail service, and encourage economic development that supports the use of public transit in Meriden and central Connecticut.

C. MERIDEN SHALL:

- a) Serve as the Project Manager.
- b) Implement the Work Plan, included as "Attachment A".
- c) Review all documents, plans, and other related materials with SCRCOG to ensure state and federal guidelines for transportation infrastructure projects are met and modify as necessary.
- d) Provide adequate staff and or consultants required to implement the Work Plan in a timely and professional manner.
- e) Comply with all application local, state and federal regulations in the administration of the project and the management of all project consultants.

D. SCRCOG SHALL:

- 1) Provide technical assistance to MERIDEN regarding transportation planning.
- 2) Make information regarding the New Haven to Springfield commuter rail service available to MERIDEN.
- 3) Review the TOD plan with the Connecticut Department of Transportation.
- 4) Provide guidance to the City so that the TOD plan is consistent with the state and regional goals for transportation.
- 5) Provide staff support as necessary to the City in its implementation of the Work Plan, included as "Attachment A"

E. IT IS MUTUALLY UNDERSTOOD AND AGREED BY AND BETWEEN THE PARTIES THAT:

- 1. MODIFICATION. Modifications shall be made by mutual consent of the parties, by the issuance of a written modification, signed and dated by all parties, prior to any changes being performed.
- 2. PARTICIPATION IN SIMILAR ACTIVITIES. This instrument in no way restricts MERIDEN or SCRCOG from participating in similar activities with other public or private agencies, organizations, and individuals.
- 3. TERMINATION. Any of the parties, in writing, may terminate the instrument in whole, or in part, at any time before the date of expiration.
- 6. PRINCIPAL CONTACTS. The principal contacts for this instrument are:

Lawrence J. Kendzior, City Manager City of Meriden, 142 East Main Street, Meriden, CT 06450

Carl Amento, Executive Director SCRCOG, 127 Washington Ave., 4th Floor West, North Haven, CT 06473

- 6. NON-FUND OBLIGATING DOCUMENT. This instrument is neither a fiscal nor a funds obligation document. Any endeavor or transfer of anything of value involving reimbursement or contribution of funds between the parties to this instrument will be handled in accordance with applicable laws, regulations, and procedures including those for Government procurement and printing. Such endeavors will be outlined in separate agreements that shall be made in writing by representatives of the parties and shall be independently authorized by appropriate statutory authority. This instrument does not provide such authority. Specifically, this instrument does not establish authority for noncompetitive award to the cooperator of any contract or other agreement. Any contract or agreement for training or other services must fully comply with all applicable requirements for competition.
- 7. COMMENCEMENT/EXPIRATION DATE. This instrument is executed as of the date of last signature and is effective through December 31, 2014 at which time it will expire unless extended.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have executed this agreement as of the last written date below.

Carl Amento, SCRCOG Executive Director
Lawrence. J. Kendzior

Attachment A to MOU

Scope of Work

The City of Meriden will implement the following tasks, which together comprise the "TOD Pilot Project". The TOD Pilot project includes planning and implementation tasks, already underway, which are critical to the success of the overall effort ("Leveraged Tasks"). The TOD Pilot project also includes several new tasks that are necessary to bring the project into the construction phase ("New Tasks").

Leveraged Tasks:

Task 1: Complete a transit-oriented development (TOD) plan including a site plan for the Meriden Transit Center and the one-half mile area surrounding it. The TOD plan will be completed in 2011 using previously awarded State Bond funds. The City has retained Parsons Brinkerhoff to complete the TOD plan. The TOD Plan will:

- Assess existing economic conditions and market opportunities within the TOD area
- Identify specific transit oriented development opportunities sites within the development area and map those sites
- Evaluate and recommend roadway, sidewalk, and other improvements that will enhance connectivity to the MTC from local and regional streets and highways via car, bus, pedestrian and bicycle modes
- Recommend non-transportation infrastructure improvements that will result in improved economic viability of the MTC site and identified development sites
- Prepare a design concept and preliminary site plan for a new intermodal transportation center
- Recommend planning solutions, such as overlay zones or design standards for residential and mixed use development, that will encourage high quality, economically sustainable TOD in the targeted development area
- Recommend development strategies and specific development opportunities to be implemented on site that are consistent with TOD and smart growth principles
- Recommend strategies that could help reduce energy use or encourage use of greener or renewable energy on site
- Assess and recommend parking strategies and sites for commuter lots as well as parking areas for new commercial and residential areas

Task 2: Implement TOD Plan and zoning changes required to implement the TOD plan. Meriden will implement specific planning and zoning changes recommended in

the TOD Plan. Solutions may include, for example, overlay zones or design standards for residential and mixed use development that will encourage high quality, economically sustainable TOD in the targeted development area (1/2 mile radius around MTC). The City was awarded \$216,722 from HUD to complete this task. This activity will be completed in December 2012.

Task 3: Land Acquisition. Meriden will acquire one or more properties in the TOD area that have been identified as key to the future development of the TOD zone. The City was awarded \$730,000 from HUD to complete this task. This activity will be completed by December 2013.

New Tasks:

Task 4: Complete Market Analysis to determine the economic viability of proposed development projects recommended in the TOD plan.

The City will retain the services of an outside firm to research and assess the opportunities for economic development in the TOD zone. The assessment will take a detailed look at the demand for market rate and affordable housing development in the TOD area. The analysis will also review the potential to implement the economic development projects recommended in the TOD plan. Development opportunities may include office, residential, retail, entertainment, institutional, and civic uses. Based on the analysis, the firm will recommend a mix of potential development opportunities for the MTC and one-half mile area surrounding the MTC. The analysis will consider the size, scale and scope of development opportunities that support the anticipated level of public transit service that will be available beginning in 2014. Further, the Market Assessment will recommend to the City specific parcels to be acquired for future housing and/or mixed use development. (The City will utilize its HUD funds, under Task 3 above, to acquire properties identified in the Market Assessment.) The Market Assessment will be conducted by an outside firm with a demonstrated track record and experience in completing Market Assessments for TOD or other large scale development projects that includes mixed uses and affordable housing. This activity will be completed by June 2012.

Task 5: Complete Financial Assessment related to implementation of the TOD plan.

The City will retain the services of an outside firm to complete a financial assessment associated with the implementation of the TOD plan. The firm will make recommendations regarding projected implementation costs (given optimistic and pessimistic market conditions), grant opportunities, cost sharing opportunities, capital bonding opportunities and constraints, opportunities for state tax incentive financing or other financial tools, opportunities for private investment given current capital markets, or other innovative financing tools. The Financial Assessment will be conducted by a firm with a demonstrated track record and experience in completing Financial

Assessments for TOD or large scale development projects. This activity will be completed by June 2012.

Task 6: Complete an analysis of economic benefits, revenue or expense projections of the improvements recommended in the TOD plan.

This task will complete analysis of economic benefits, revenue or expense projections of the improvements recommended in the TOD plan. The City will retain the services of an outside firm to complete the economic benefits assessment associated with the implementation of the TOD plan. The Economic Assessment will be conducted by a firm with a demonstrated track record and experience in completing such assessments for TOD or specific economic development projects. The Economic Assessment will be conducted in conjunction with the Financial Assessment. This activity will be completed by June 2012.

Task 7: Prepare environmental assessments and plans for brownfield remediation for improvements recommended in the TOD plan.

The City will assess the current conditions of the MTC site to determine if serious environmental conditions exist and to determine if new development can occur given the existing environmental constraints. Second, the City will assess the potential environmental impacts resulting from the implementation of the intermodal transportation center as recommended in the TOD plan. This task is designed to ensure that future development of the intermodal transportation center will meet both state and federal environmental regulations that apply to the use of state and federal funds.

The HUB site and the surrounding area once served as a center of industrial and commercial activity in Meriden's downtown. The legacies of those activities are environmental conditions that may require some level of environmental remediation. The City is in the process of completing a Phase III environmental assessment of the HUB site as well as an interim environmental remedial action plan. These activities do not cover the .3-acre MTC site or other potential development sites in the one half mile study area. (Environmental assessments of Factory H and 116 Cook Ave. are underway.)

To help understand the existing environmental conditions and the potential development constraints associated with development of a new intermodal transportation center, the City will hire an outside firm to conduct Phase I, II and III environmental assessments of both 60 State Street and 88 State Street, which includes both the MTC and the site immediately north of the MTC site. Although 88 State Street is owned privately, it has been identified in the HUB *Site Reuse Concept Plan* as a potential development area for the intermodal transportation center. The City assumes that the development of this parcel will only occur with the willing participation of the property owner. The City will also complete Phase I/II/III assessments on key parcels recommended for acquisition/development in under the Market Assessment task. The Environmental Assessment will be conducted by a firm with a demonstrated track record and experience in completing environmental assessments that meet federal and state regulations. This activity will be completed by December 2013.

Task 8: Prepare infrastructure studies improvements recommended in the TOD plan.

The TOD plan is anticipated to include recommended improvements to the existing rail station, surrounding roadways and sidewalks, and the construction of several hundred parking spaces to accommodate daily commuters. This task will complete additional studies of the recommended infrastructure improvements. Studies that may be necessary may include, for example, finalizing MTC site plan, finalizing architectural drawings of MTC, complete construction drawings and/or specifications for demolition, complete engineering and construction design of recommended roadway and sidewalk improvements, complete engineering design and specifications for construction of utility improvements such as electrical or gas service, complete land surveys, or other studies of capital improvements recommended in the TOD plan. The City will seek proposals from qualified firms with a demonstrated track record and experience in completing comparable studies. This activity will be completed by December 2013.

Task 9: Prepare requests for development proposals (RFP).

To facilitate the identification of qualified developers to implement the development recommendations included in the TOD plan, the City will hire outside financial and/or legal counsel to craft an appropriate request for development proposals, such as an RFQ, RFP, or other procurement tool. The City will seek proposals from qualified firms with a demonstrated track record in developing RFQs or other procurement tools that have resulted in the successful procurement of a private developer of a comparable TOD project. This activity will be completed by June 2013.

Task 10: Prepare development of joint development agreements for development opportunities recommended in the TOD plan.

The City will hire outside financial and/or legal counsel to craft an appropriate development agreement that puts into contract language the tasks identified in the RFQ/RFP projects. This may include, for example, the negotiation of a joint development agreement, or formulation of other development agreement options. The development agreement will be developed in conjunction with the RFP/RFQ documents. The City will seek proposals from qualified firms with a demonstrated track record and experience in crafting such agreements. The completion of this task will help the City understand what contracts, agreements, or other tools may be necessary to help leverage potential private investment. This activity will be completed by December 2013.

Task 11: Project Management

The City will manage and oversee the project. The City's Office of Economic Development will take the lead role in administering the project. Additional staff and/or consultants may <u>also</u> be retained to manage the project. This task will be ongoing throughout the project from October 2011 through December 2013.

Task 12: Implementation/Construction

The completion of the tasks outlined above will bring the project up to the construction phase. Construction projects envisioned for the TOD area include a new intermodal transportation facility, parking, traffic and roadway improvements and private economic development. Construction of the flood control infrastructure and community park is also envisioned for this timeframe. Construction of those facilities is anticipated in 2013 and 2014.

Timeline & Budget

Task	Budget	Funding Source	Completion Date
Task 1: Complete a transit-oriented development (TOD) plan including a site plan for the Meriden Transit Center and the one-half mile area surrounding it.	\$400,000	DECD (2005 State Bond funds)	December 2011
Task 2: Implement TOD Plan and zoning changes required to implement the TOD plan.	\$216,723	DECD/HUD (2010 Sustainability Challenge Grant)	December 2012
Task 3: Land Acquisition	\$730,000	DECD/HUD (2010 Sustainability Challenge Grant)	December 2013
Task 4: Complete Market Analysis to finalize the economic viability of proposed development projects recommended in the TOD plan.	\$50,000	TOD Pilot (Proposed)	June 2012
Task 5: Complete Financial Assessment and Planning related to implementation of the TOD plan.	\$50,000	TOD Pilot (Proposed)	June 2012
Task 6: Complete an analysis of economic benefits, revenue or expense projections of the improvements recommended in the TOD plan.	\$50,000	TOD Pilot (Proposed)	June 2012
Task 7: Prepare environmental assessments and plans for brownfield remediation for improvements recommended in the TOD plan.	\$200,000	TOD Pilot (Proposed)	December 2013
Task 8: Prepare infrastructure studies and surveys for improvements recommended in the TOD plan.	\$400,000	TOD Pilot (Proposed)	December 2013
Task 9: Prepare requests for development proposals.	\$50,000	TOD Pilot (Proposed)	June 2013
Task 10: Prepare development of joint	\$100,000	TOD Pilot	December

development agreements for development opportunities recommended in the TOD plan.		(Proposed)	2013
Task 11: Project Management	\$100,000	TOD Pilot (Proposed)	October 2011- December 2013
Task 12: Construction (Flood Control)	\$2,000,000	State Bond	2013-2015
TOTAL	\$1,000,000 \$3,346,723	TOD Pilot Leveraged Funds	

Anticipated Work Products

- <u>Transit Oriented Development Plan</u> centered around the Meriden Transit Center, a proposed station stop along the New Haven to Springfield commuter rail corridor and an existing transit hub
- Selection of a <u>preferred development approach</u> and development of tools to select and contract with a private developer or developers
- <u>Market assessment</u> for transit-oriented development plan implementation, including housing and land acquisition opportunities
- <u>Financial assessment</u> and planning related to transit-oriented development plan implementation
- <u>Detailed plans for environmental and brownfield remediation</u>, given existing and proposed development of the intermodal transportation center
- Completion of Engineering or other studies prior to construction
- Completion of Development Agreement
- <u>Construction</u> following completion of planning activities



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Brownfield Projects

- Moving forward on the Goodrich/Daisy Street Project Scheduled for completion by 9/30
- Evaluating two Brownfield Projects for the balance of the EPA Revolving Loan Fund Grant
- Town of Branford/Cherry Hill Glass has submitted a RLF Remediation Application for the former Atlantic Wire site
- Coordinating with the State of Connecticut's Department of Brownfield Remediation for funding of Tract E at Science Park
- Petroleum Grants Identified 3 possible petroleum sites eligible for EPA Assessment funding in the region
- Updating the region's inventory of Brownfield sites. This is a project in coordination with DECD and University of Connecticut

Business Development

- Update on the EDD application Met with EDA officials on Friday, July 15th at Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro's office to review any outstanding issues regarding the EDD application
- Expansion of the Strategic Planning Committee.
- Participated in the Medical Design & Manufacturing Trade Show June 7 June 11. Met with 11 businesses looking to increase their presence in Connecticut
- Continued efforts on air service development for Tweed Airport outreach to the business community to increase use of the airport and expanded air service
- The annual update for the region's Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy is complete and has been approved by the REX, COG and RLC Boards and submitted to EDA.
- Hosted an informational session with the region's hotels to update them on the State's Quick Start Marketing Campaign

Marketing

- Participated in Connecticut's Quick Start Tourism Marketing Campaign by submitting One
 Tank Getaways, urging hoteliers to post packages on the CTVisit website and attending
 media event in NYC. Four of the media contacts have expressed interest in Greater New
 Haven, with particular emphasis on the New Haven Open at Yale, Quinnipiack Schooner,
 Hammonasset Beach State Park and Silver Sands State Park. Fodor's is also considering
 adding a bakery side bar to highlight Sugar Bakery in East Haven in their New England Guide.
 Additionally, one of the journalists has visited the region since the event.
- Distributed almost 2000 2011-2012 Greater New Haven Cultural & Visitor Guides for individual inquiries.
- Working with local hotels and attractions to create overnight packages for school-age groups in partnership with Mystic Aquarium and Mystic Seaport
- REX Development Website



- o Finishing search engine optimization
- o Adding Slide Share to allow posting of PowerPoint presentations
- o Adding REDFO page
- o Registered user access to add events to the REX calendar

Revenue Development

- Renewed agreement with the Central Regional Tourism District through June 30, 2012 pending approval of State funding to CRTD
- Developing a sustainable funding strategy for REX

July 14, 2011 Regional Planning Commission (RPC) Action Table

Ref.	Received	Description	Adjacent RPC	Abridged RPC Action
#		_ 33333 F 3333	Towns	
2.1	6/13/2011	City of New Haven: Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments to the Setback Requirements in West Rock PDD	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 nor do there appear to be any negative impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound.
2.2	6/17/2011	Town of Branford: Proposed Zoning Map Amendment to delete a PDD and add the Access Management Overlay District	East Haven, Guilford, North Branford	By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed Zoning Map Amendments do not appear to cause any negative intermunicipal 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	6/17/2011	Town of Southington: Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments to Sections 2- 12L and 2-19S to relax front yard setback requirements for structures on corner lots in residential zones	Meriden	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 nor do there appear to be any negative impacts to the habitat or ecosystem of the Long Island Sound.