1. Call to Order - Mayor Scott Jackson, *Vice Chairman*

2. Transportation Committee Report - Mayor William Dickinson, *Chairman*
   a. Update on LOTCIP
   b. Adopt a Resolution Re: the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTCIP)  Attached

3. Adjournment
Resolution

Concerning the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTCIP)

Whereas,

The Connecticut General Assembly passed and the Governor signed legislation authorizing a Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTCIP); and

Whereas,

The intent of LOTCIP is to provide a source of funding for local roads which has simpler procedures with less Department oversight, thereby facilitating timely delivery of improvement projects, reduced costs, meeting local construction standards, and providing a far simpler process and reduced timeline than the requirements of the current federal STP Urban program; and

Whereas,

The Department of Transportation has notified the Council that it intends to program current STP Urban program funds for primarily state assets, leaving the LOTCIP program as the primary source for funding for local roads; and

Whereas,

The Department of Transportation, in accord with the legislation, produced draft guidelines, solicited comments and published final guidelines for the program as of November 1, 2013; and

Whereas,

The Transportation and Transportation Technical Committees of the South Central Connecticut Regional Council of Governments reviewed the draft guidelines, offered constructive comments, and reviewed the final guidelines; and

Whereas,

The Transportation and Transportation Technical Committees, after review of the final guidelines, adopted the following findings: that the final guidelines do not meet the intent of the LOTCIP program and will not provide for simpler procedures with less Department oversight, thereby not facilitating timely delivery of projects, reduced costs, reduced timelines and meeting local construction standards, and, therefore, have recommended the adoption of a resolution containing these findings by the Council.

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

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That the South Central Regional Council of Governments finds that LOTCIP guidelines as published November 1, 2013 do not meet the intent of the authorizing legislation. The Council is not supportive of LOTCIP under the current guidelines as they do not allow for the timely and efficient advancement and completion of projects on municipal roads which not only benefit the motoring public, but also provide important economic impetus to the local economy. The Council respectfully requests amendment of the guidelines to provide a workable and efficient program for the funding of needed transportation improvements. The Council also requests that the Transportation and Transportation Technical Committees protect the interests of the member municipalities and apply for local urban transportation funds pursuant to the most appropriate program as the Committees deem advisable.

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 December 11, 2013.

Date: December 11, 2013

By: ________________________
First Selectman Michael Freda, Secretary
South Central Regional Council of Governments