

Capitol Region Council of Governments

241 Main St., Hartford, CT 06106

Transportation Committee Meeting Tuesday January 22, 2008

Name

Jon Colman, Chair
Stuart Popper
Billy Taylor
Leonard Norton
Dan Pennington
John McGrane
Mark Carlino
Peter Hughes
Anthony Ferraro
Jim Sollmi
Jeffrey Doolittle
Bill Hawkins
David Smith
Thomas Silva
Tom Lenehan
Barbara Surwilo

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West Hartford
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Guests

Mark Phillips	ConnDOT Liasion
Richard Corona	ConnDOT
Vicki Shotland	GHTD
D. J. Gonzalez	GHTD
Thomas Gutman	AARP

Staff

Thomas Maziarz	CRCOG
Jennifer Carrier	CRCOG
Karen Stewartson	CRCOG
Lyle Wray	CRCOG

1. Roll Call

Jon Colman called the meeting to order at 12:09 p.m.

2. Public Forum

No one choose to speak at this time.

3. Adoption of Minutes

A motion was made by Jim Sollmi, seconded by Mark Carlino, to accept the minutes of the December 10, 2007 meeting as written. This motion was passed unanimously.

4. Staff Report

- 2008 meeting schedule – The meeting schedule for 2008 was included in the meeting packet.
- Avon Mountain update – Mr. Maziarz gave a brief update on Avon Mountain.
- New MUTCD – Mr. Maziarz reviewed the New MUTCD Sign document that was enclosed in the mailing packet.
- 1-84 Viaduct – Mr. Maziarz informed the Committee that a public meeting was held on January 16, 2008 at the Union Station.
- Year of Expenditure Dollar resolution – A motion was made by Mark Carlino, seconded by Jim Sollmi to accept the Year of Expenditure Dollar resolution as written. This motion was passed unanimously.

5. TIP Amendments

Mr. Maziarz reviewed the TIP Amendments. A motion was made by Jim Sollmi, seconded by Mark Carlino to accept the TIP Amendments. This motion was passed unanimously.

6. STP Urban Program

Options for Using Unprogrammed FY2008 Funds. Mr. Maziarz reviewed the STP memo that was included in the mailing packet. The Committee expressed support for options 2-6, but had reservations about option 1 (loaning STP Urban funds to other regions).

The Committee asked if any of the options would affect staff workloads. Tom Maziarz suggested that options 3 (special studies) had the potential to generate a lot of requests for studies from towns. Peter Hughes suggested CRCOG establish some priorities or parameters for selecting projects. Mr. Maziarz mentioned that requiring a town match might limit town requests. It was also suggested that letting towns administer the studies rather than CRCOG could also reduce staff workloads.

A motion was made by Barbara Surwilo, seconded by Stuart Popper to hold on Option #1 and move forward with Options #2 though 6. This motion was passed unanimously.

Project Reviews. The Cost Review Sub-Committee met prior to the Transportation Committee and their recommendations were reported to the Transportation Committee regarding: (1) *Enfield - Post Office Road schedule delays*, and (2) *South Windsor - Kelly Road cost increase*. A motion was made by Billy Taylor and seconded by Dan Pennington to approve the subcommittee recommendations. The motion was passed unanimously.

7. Buckland Transportation Study

Mr. Maziarz gave a presentation on preliminary alternatives related to the Buckland Transportation Study.

8. Other Business

Mark Carlino expressed his concerns regarding the Safe Route to School Agreements and new language that is causing delays in advancing projects. The Town will get CRCOG information following the meeting so they can look into the matter.

9. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 1:08 p.m.