1. **Roll Call** Jon Colman called the meeting to order at 12:00 noon.

2. **Public Forum** There were no public comments.

3. **Adoption of Minutes**

A motion was made by Mike Turner, seconded by Russ Arnold, to accept the minutes of the July 12, 2010 Special Transportation Committee meeting. The motion passed unanimously.
4. Staff Report
Jennifer Carrier updated the Committee on the THUD Grant Application. CRCOG was the lead applicant in cooperation with Pioneer Valley Planning Commission and the Central Connecticut Regional Planning Association. A $5m request was submitted. As it relates to transportation, the grant will look to leverage major federal investments in the region, such as the New Haven – Hartford – Springfield Rail Line and New Britain – Hartford Busway, evaluating opportunities to better link transportation, housing and urban development.

Sandy Fry explained that four advertisers have expressed interest in the bus shelter advertisement program in response to the CTTransit RFP earlier this year. Due to the current economic climate advertisers have expressed uncertainty about being able to commit to the program. A discussion on the organization of this program with these advertisers will be scheduled in the near future.

Jennifer Carrier noted that early in August ConnDOT submitted an application for $220m in grant monies from the Federal Railroad Association. The State has approved $260m in State bonds to match this grant for intercity passenger rail infrastructure. A decision on grant awards is scheduled to be announced after September 30.

5. TIP Amendments
There were no TIP Amendments.

6/7. Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Grants-DBE Program and Goal Setting Process
Karen Olson reviewed the process, recommended policy, and public comments received for the proposed DBE Program. This program was designed to be applied to future projects as needed.

A motion was made by Jim Sollmi, seconded by Mike Turner, to approve the recommended DBE policy statement, program, and 10% DBE goal. The motion passed unanimously.

8. I-84 Viaduct Study Presentations
Dr. Painter summarized the history of the HUB Committee and the Viaduct Study. David Spillane of Goody Clancy provided an overview of the study findings and final recommended alternatives. Below is a summary of the Committee discussion that followed:

- John McGrane asked what the cost of the baseline is. David Spillane replied that the Project Team is working on refining this estimate.

- Jim Sollmi mentioned that repair work was being completed on the Viaduct today and asked how this ties in with the study plans. Jennifer Carrier responded that the current work is considered on-call, short-term repair. Dr. Painter added that the Viaduct structure has a limited lifetime even with these short-term repairs and will need to be replaced in the near future. This study began the planning process for this replacement.

9. Other Business
No other business was discussed.

10. Adjourn
The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 PM.