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SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

127 Washington Avenue, 4th Floor West, North Haven, CT 06473

Judy Gott, Executive Director

SCRCOG MEETING NOTICE

June 25, 2008

at

127 Washington Avenue, 4th Floor West, North Haven, CT 06473

10 AM

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At 10:02 A.M. Chairwoman Derrylyn Gorski called the May 28, 2008 meeting of the South Central Regional Council of Governments to order. Following self introductions by guests and officials, the Chairwoman welcomed Amey W. Marrella, Deputy Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Protection.

ITEM 1 – Legislative Reports

No reports.

ITEM 2 – Discussion with CT Dept. of Environmental Protection’s Deputy Commissioner

Deputy Commissioner Marrella said she planned to discuss DEP outreach initiatives with municipal officials in all fifteen COGs throughout the state. Municipalities are at the forefront of land use decisions and have a dual role as permittee for DEP-regulated activities and as leaders in responsible growth and other environmental initiatives. The Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection’s role is to protect the environment and administer various permits programs in accordance with state statutes.

Deputy Commissioner Marrella stated that wastewater discharges, coastal waters, and tidal wetlands are examples wherein municipalities may be permittee. Solid waste landfills and transfer stations were moved to general permits to try and make those easier. The construction or repair of dams, flood, and storm-water management projects have also become increasingly important topics. She referenced mandates under the Clean Water Act to attain storm-water quality and on-going open space protection as part of the Governor’s Responsible Growth Initiative. She said recycling is an important issue, not only because it’s a climate change action plan item, but many municipalities in this area are finishing out their contracts with CRRRA. In addition, there is considerable interest in responsible growth and the clean-up and reuse of brownfields.

Pursuant to *Section 1 of Public Act 07-239*, Deputy Commissioner Marrella reported that a Responsible Growth Task Force had been created by the legislature. She highlighted the *February 4, 2008 - Report of the Responsible Growth Task Force to Governor M. Jodi Rell* and recommended municipal officials avail themselves of the OPM website, under their Office of Responsible Growth, for further information. She stated that DECD had a division for brownfields remediation and development and that DEP’s Brownfields Coordinator, Graham Stevens, was available to assist municipalities and builders.

Deputy Commissioner Marrella reminded the officials of the June 16, 2008 application deadline for the fourteenth round of the Open Space and Watershed Land Acquisition Grant Program. A letter from the CT DEP Commissioner, Gina McCarthy, to the municipalities and DEP’s recently adopted document, *The Green Plan—Guiding Land Acquisition and Protection in Connecticut 2007-2012* were discussed. Deputy Commissioner Marrella emphasized that consistency with *The Green Plan’s* priorities would improve competitiveness of submitted grant applications.

The next topic discussed was stormwater and nonpoint source pollution. Deputy Commissioner Marrella stated that virtually every town is subject to the five-year MS4 general permit, a requirement wherein data is submitted on stormwater quantity and quality and that some towns were still non compliant. Non-structural controls on ground surfaces for ease of inspection and maintenance was recommended. Deputy Commissioner Marrella directed attention to imposed penalties for submission of inaccurate information and non compliance with the federal Clean Water Act.

Deputy Commissioner Amey Marrella introduced Maryann Nusom Haverstock, Supervising Environmental Analyst, and Margaret Welch, Landscape Stewardship Coordinator, both offering assistance with municipal projects through the CT Department of Environmental Protection. Ms. Haverstock remarked briefly on watershed management and non-point source pollution control. Deputy Commissioner Marrella referenced the University of Connecticut’s spring issue of *Connecticut NEMO Newsletter*. This newsletter is a nonpoint education resource for municipal officials that addresses new low impact development and provides examples on stormwater management. Deputy Commissioner Marrella conveyed that the Commissioner plans to notifying officials of two upcoming workshops. One arena will be on landscape stewardship—responsible growth, and the other on permitting. Deputy Commissioner Marrella asked if there was anything she could address to further assist municipalities.

Orange First Selectman, James Zeoli, raised concern regarding present legislation in combating poison ivy in his town. Ms. Marrella stated that DEP has a video on organic land care. Cheshire engaged in this and has had considerable success.

Mayor William Dickinson was concerned with disposal and removal of debris following a disaster. He stated that municipalities are unable to handle DEP requirements due to the lack of manpower and resources and these requirements could be detrimental to the health of the citizens. Deputy Commissioner Marrella acknowledged that this would be an enormous challenge to municipalities. Deputy Commissioner Marrella stated that the state's resources are also insufficient. To that end, Governor Rell issued RFPs to bring in contracted resources to the state. DEP is also working on a document in conjunction with DEMHS. She advised municipalities to utilize their local resources or contract other resources for the initial few days following the disaster. She also suggested contacting Wayne Sandford, Deputy Commissioner of Emergency Management, for assistance with emergency preparedness.

Regarding responsible growth, Scott Jackson stated that several municipalities were aggressively pursuing open space acquisition funds and the \$5 million appropriated seemed relatively low in the 2008 Open Space Grant. Because there was no expectation for additional state funds at this time, Deputy Commissioner Marrella recommended applications be submitted before the deadline.

The role local Water Pollution Control Authorities have in land use development and traditional and advanced technology used in *community sewage systems* was discussed. Deputy Commissioner Marrella stated that this sewage system services multi-residences. Citation of the actual law may be attained from SCRCOG's Regional Planner, Emmeline Harrigan.

ITEM 3 – SCRCOG Minutes of April 23, 2008

SCRCOG Secretary, First Selectman James Zeoli, requested a motion for adoption of the April minutes. A motion to approve the SCRCOG Minutes of April 23, 2008 was offered by First Selectman Carl Balestracci, Jr. and seconded by James Burns. By unanimous vote, the motion passed.

ITEM 4 – Treasurer's Report – April 30, 2008

Woodbridge First Selectman Edward Sheehy presented the *Treasurer's Report* for the month ending April 30, 2008 (located on pages seven and eight in the SCRCOG Agenda Packet).

The Balance Sheet, on page seven, shows a balance of \$26,383 in the Bank of America and \$554,811 in the STIF investment account. In addition to the cash on hand, there is another \$209,730 due from the CT Department of Transportation and \$31,347 from the Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security. On page eight, there is \$50,847 in consultant expenses for several transportation planning studies. All other expenses appear to be normal for the month.

A motion to accept the *Treasurer's Report*, as presented, for the month ending April 30, 2008 was offered by First Selectman James Zeoli and seconded by First Selectman Carl Balestracci, Jr. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM 5 – Tweed New Haven Regional Airport

(a) Tweed New Haven Regional Airport Authority Appointment

Chairwoman Derrylyn Gorski stated there was a vacancy on the Board of the Tweed New Haven Regional Airport Authority. First Selectman Carl Balestarcci, Jr. recommended appointing Salvatore Catardi, a member of the Guilford Board of Selectmen and a former Chairman of the South Central Connecticut Regional Planning Commission. A copy of Mr. Catardi's resume was provided for each official.

A motion was offered by Mayor John DeStefano, Jr. to appoint Salvatore Catardi to the Tweed New Haven Regional Airport Authority. First Selectman Edward Sheehy seconded. With no further discussion, the motion passed by unanimous vote.

(b) Tweed New Haven Regional Airport Update

Mayor John DeStefano, Jr. remarked that his last summation on the Tweed New Haven Regional Airport was in 2005 and he wished to bring SCRCOG up to date. He acknowledged Tim Larson, Executive Director, and Gerald Weiner, member of the Tweed New Haven Airport Authority Board.

Complementing a slide presentation, the Mayor reported that Tweed was seventy-five years old and has approximately four hundred acres. Half is situated in East Haven and half in New Haven. It is owned by the City of New Haven and contract managed by AvPORTS. Since 1997, it has been operated by a regional airport authority with SCRCOG appointees. The main runway, 5600 feet, runs north and south. A commercial aviation facility is located west of the runway and general aviation on the opposite side. A brief history of the various airlines that had served Tweed since 1970 to 2000 was graphically displayed.

Since the inception of the Regional Airport Authority, Mayor DeStefano, Jr. stated that the City of New Haven relegated \$7.3 million of general fund money for operational support and the State contributed \$6.0 million. In 2001, SCRCOG endorsed the concept of expanding Tweed into a small hub airport and the lengthening of the runway and all phases of the *Tweed Master Plan Update* in 2003. In 2005, it approved the DEP permit applications for the Runway Safety Area Project (Master Plan Phase 1). Only 5200 feet of the actual airport's runway is currently utilized. Mayor John DeStefano, Jr. stated that if runway safety areas are not constructed, the FAA would reduce the runway from 5600 feet to 3600 feet—1,000 feet taken at each end for safety overrun areas.

Next, Mayor DeStefano, Jr. commented on Phase II, the removal of airport obstructions. The topping of one hundred sixty-two trees was given as an example. Negotiations with the affected neighborhood property owners were under way, including noise abatement through the installation of new windows and insulation. Traffic calming and compensation to host communities were also noted.

The Mayor stated that Tweed's goals are to provide commercial service to four hub cities with major airlines, such as Indianapolis and Cincinnati, and to expand economic opportunity in greater New Haven. He commented on working with SCRCOG, the State Legislature, and the Connecticut Department of Transportation during the next legislative session to address long-term financial support for Tweed and its future growth. He asked whether strict limitations on Tweed's growth should be engaged.

Mr. Gerald Weiner stated he had been with the Authority since its inception and that there is considerable support from the businesses and political communities. Mr. Paul Hungo, Proxy for East Haven First Selectwoman, April Capone Almon, requested East Haven's opposing position concerning the Tweed New Haven Regional Airport proposals be placed on record.

Mr. Burns stated that he fully understood the problems encountered in East Haven and New Haven throughout the years. He hoped something could be worked out in the next legislative session and that Tweed could become a significant hub for economic development in this area.

Mayor Dickinson asked whether there had been any significant change in safety inventory requirements from FAA within the last two or three years that affected Tweed. Mayor DeStefano, Jr. elaborated on the northern safety over run area and the Airport Authority's proposed plans to relocate Dodge Avenue in East Haven.

ITEM 6 – SCRCOG Transportation Committee Report

Transportation Committee Chairman, Mayor William Dickinson, Jr. reported that the Committee met and had tabled the Long Wharf Boathouse, I-95 West River Bridge, and Variable Message Signs Upgrade from Bridgeport to New Haven. These items, in TIP Amendment 17, are pending receipt of additional information. The Executive Director, Judy Gott, interjected that all tabled items from Amendment 17 are indicated on page eleven in the SCRCOG agenda packet.

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A motion to adopt the *Resolution for Program Amendment 17* for inclusion in the *FY 2007-2011 State Transportation Improvement Program* was presented by Mayor William Dickinson, Jr. and seconded by First Selectman Carl Balestracci, Jr. There being no further discussion, the motion passed by unanimous vote.

ITEM 7 – Approval of Comprehensive Economic Development Strategies (CEDS)

Mr. Peter Stein, Acting Director of the Regional Growth Partnership, reported that draft copies the CEDS were sent out in March to all members of SCRCOG. Following a thirty-day public comment period, a few cosmetic changes to the draft were made. The RGP Board approved the final updated CEDS. Mr. Stein said that RGP is now requesting SCRCOG's approval before it is sent to the U. S. Economic Development Administration. Every five years the South Central CT Region updates its CEDS. This provides an opportunity to assess the strengths and weaknesses of the region's economy and address problems.

A motion to approve the final updated CEDS was made by First Selectman Carl Balestracci, Jr. and seconded by First Selectman James Zeoli. By unanimous vote, the motion passed.

ITEM 8 – Regional Cooperation / Other Business

Authorization to Sign OPM Grants:

Chairwoman Derrylyn Gorski requested a motion to add items to the agenda authorizing the Executive Director to execute two Regional Performance Incentive (RPI) Grants on behalf of SCRCOG and administered by the Connecticut Office of Policy and Management.

A motion to add items to the agenda was made by First Selectman Carl Balestracci, Jr., seconded by First Selectman James Zeoli, and then passed by unanimous vote.

Another motion to adopt resolutions (attached to these minutes) was offered by First Selectman James Zeoli, seconded by First Selectman Carl Balestracci, Jr., to allow SCRCOG's Executive Director to negotiate and execute all appropriate and necessary contractual instruments with the Office of Policy and Management for the purpose of accepting RPI grant awards for: *The Future of Regional Solid Waste Disposal Beyond Resource Recovery 20-year Contracts* and *South Central CT Regional Website Portal: A One Stop for Marketing Economic and Business Development* in the SCRCOG Region. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Emergency Management

Mr. James Burns requested the officials to remind their emergency management directors of the Region 2 Hurricane Conference on June 17, 2008 at the Savin Rock Conference Center in West Haven.

Transit Enhancement Program

Executive Director, Judy Gott, informed the officials of a Transit Enhancement Program Application at their place, if they desired to apply.

Other

Mayor William Dickinson, Jr. wished to know how many municipalities were applying for modification to the *State Plan of Conservation and Development*, since the State may withhold grants to a community if they are in non-conformity with the *Plan*. Several indicated they were considering such.

ITEM 9 - Adjournment

Upon a motion by First Selectman Edward Sheehy, seconded by First Selectman Carl Balestracci, Jr., and unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 11:08 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
First Selectman James Zeoli, SCRCOG Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

BALANCE SHEET - May, 2008

ASSETS	
Cash and Investments	
Bank of America	89,901
Connecticut Short-Term Investment Fund	480,311
Total Cash and Investments	570,212
Accounts Receivable	
Municipal Dues - FY 07/08	0
Connecticut Department of Transportation	177,575
DEMHS - Homeland Security Planning	31,347
Amount for Accrued Leave	8,329
Pre-Paid Expense & Other Receivables	11,663
Total Accounts Receivable	228,914
Property and Equipment	
COG Equipment	156,478
Less, Accumulated Depreciation	-132,786
Total Property & Equipment	23,692
TOTAL ASSETS	822,818

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	0
Accrued Payroll Taxes	0
Deferred Revenue - Municipal	12,642
Deferred Revenue - GIA	6,130
Total Current Liabilities	18,772
Fund Balance	
Fund Balance - July 1, 2007	786,328
Amount for Accrued Leave	8,329
Investment in Equipment	28,392
Fund Change	-19,001
Fund Balance - May 31, 2008	804,046
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE	822,818

Statement of Resources and Expenditures - May, 2008

<i>Resources</i>	<i>FY 08 Budget</i>	<i>Month of May</i>	<i>To Date</i>
Municipal Contribution	151,700	12,642	139,058
ConnDOT - Transportation Planning			
<i>U.S. Dept of Transportation</i>	1,434,341	142,924	618,783
<i>Safe Routes To Schools</i>	12,000	0	0
<i>Transportation -- ConnDOT</i>	147,534	17,866	77,348
Connecticut Office of Policy & Management			
<i>Regional Planning</i>	73,565	6,130	67,434
Emergency Response Planning			
<i>DEMHS - NHASH Grant</i>	50,000	0	31,347
Interest	24,108	0	24,151
SCRCOG Reserve	0	0	0
TOTAL	1,893,248	179,562	958,121

<i>Expenses</i>	<i>FY 08 Budget</i>	<i>Month of May</i>	<i>To Date</i>
Labor & Benefits	578,400		525,752
<i>Salaries</i>		47,210	371,474
<i>Fringe Benefits</i>		24,118	154,279
Print & Reproduction	3,800	0	438
Travel	22,100	1,644	8,977
Data Process	17,400	1,044	6,802
General Operations	167,400		135,057
<i>Rent</i>		15,948	94,925
<i>Postage & Telephone</i>		643	5,472
<i>Office Supplies</i>		273	1,726
<i>Equipment Maintenance</i>		1,104	11,254
<i>Publications</i>		0	505
<i>Insurance</i>		0	11,863
<i>Professional Services</i>		0	138
<i>Meeting Expenses & Advertising</i>		955	4,254
<i>Miscellaneous & Equipment Use</i>		63	4,920
Consultant	780,000	110,923	262,445
Capital Purchase	14,500	0	6,306
NHASH Grant	50,000	0	31,347
Future Operations - FHWA FY 06	254,083	0	0
Contingencies	5,565	0	0
TOTAL	1,893,248	203,925	977,124



OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
TOWN OF WALLINGFORD
CONNECTICUT

WILLIAM W. DICKINSON, JR.
MAYOR

May 2, 2008

Representative Rosa DeLauro
2262 Rayburn Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Representative DeLauro:

I am writing to request your help in putting the interests of the electric consumers back into the equation of the competitive wholesale electric markets through your co-sponsorship of S. 2660/H.R. 5547, the "*Consumer Protection and Cost Accountability Act*". As Mayor of Wallingford I believe that this legislation would be a significant step in supporting the efforts of our Town's Electric Division to provide our residents with electric service at the lowest reasonable cost.

When the creation of Regional Transmission Organizations (RTO's) and Independent System Operators (ISO's) was originally proposed by The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), a primary goal was to lower costs to consumers through the power of competitive markets. However, in the 10 years since the formation of ISO-New England, the cost of wholesale electricity in our region has climbed steadily. These rising electricity costs exact an increasing hardship on New England's residents and threaten the long-term viability of our region's industries.

While increases in the price of natural gas have contributed to higher electricity prices, I believe that there is another important factor that is driving up wholesale costs. This is the absence of any real consideration of the impact on consumer costs in the decision-making processes of our regional transmission organization, ISO-New England, and the federal agency that oversees it, FERC. I believe that the absence of cost considerations in ISO and FERC decision making is a fundamental flaw in the current federal approach to competitive power markets. If electricity market rules are not required to meet a cost/benefit test, the resulting decisions may exact an unnecessarily heavy toll on Connecticut's residents, businesses and industries. I believe that the need to introduce consumer interests into electricity market design decisions must be urgently addressed.

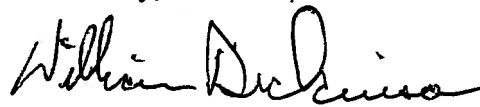
A small but important step has recently been taken to address this problem. Senators Bernie Sanders (I-VT) and Olympia Snowe (R-ME), as original sponsors, have introduced S. 2660 in the Senate and Representative Tom Allen (D-ME), as original

introduced S. 2660 in the Senate and Representative Tom Allen (D-ME), as original sponsor, has introduced H.R. 5547 in the House. The bills would impose modest but fundamental requirements on RTO's/ISO's to ensure that they carry out their reliability and market functions in a manner that facilitates providing electric service at the "lowest reasonable cost" to consumers.

The Town of Wallingford strongly supports S. 2660/H.R. 5547 and we encourage you to co-sponsor the "*Consumer Protection and Cost Accountability Act*" to protect electricity consumers from excessive and unreasonable electricity prices.

Thank you in advance for your support and consideration of this issue.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "William Dickinson".

William Dickinson
Mayor

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Judy Gott, Executive Director

Resolution of South Central Regional Council of Governments authorizing Execution of Agreement with the Connecticut Department of Transportation

Resolved, that the Executive Director, Judy Gott, 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 mutually agreed upon programs of transportation in the South Central planning region, in this case for the purpose of obtaining financial assistance in cooperation with ConnDOT for the period of July 1, 2007 thru June 30, 2009.

Dated at North Haven, Connecticut on June 25, 2008, and is in full force and effect.

James M. Zeoli, Secretary



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Judy Gott, Executive Director

Authorizing Certification

I certify that the following is a true copy of the vote of the South Central Regional Council of Governments as the decision making and endorsing entity of the South Central Planning Region, at its meeting on June 25, 2008 in North Haven, Connecticut, a quorum being present:

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South Central Regional Council of Governments
2007-2011 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
AMENDMENT NUMBER 18

Projects included in Amendment 18

Project **0092-0522** **2007-049** **I-95 West River Bridge BR#00163A**
Municipality **New Haven**
Change Amendment 17 would move AC Entry from FFY08 to FFY09 delete FFY09 funds and increase FYI funding

Project **092-0571** **2007-078** **Shoreline Restoration along Long Wharf at parcel G**
Municipality **New Haven**
Change Amendment 17 would move this project from the FY05 TIP into the current FY07 TIP as a new project. CON phase funds are moved to FFY10.

Project changes as requested are Denied

Project **0092-0570** **2003-028** **Long Wharf Boathouse (I-95) Construction**
Municipality **New Haven**
Change Amendment 17 would move the AC Entry from FFY09 to FFY10 delete FFY10 funds and increase FYI funds.

Projects remain Tabled

Project **173-0385** **2007-079** **VMS upgrade Bridgeport to New Haven**
Municipality **District 3**
Change Amendment 17 would introduce a new project for the upgrade variable message signs and sign supports to meet design standards, improve sign visibility, alert motorists to recurring congestion, incidents, Amber alerts and other emergencies on I-95, I-91, Rte 1, Rte 15, Rte 80 and SR796.

Project **173-0387** **2007-080** **CCTV Upgrade Bridgeport to New Haven**
Municipality **District 3**
Change Amendment 17 would introduce a new project for the upgrade existing CCTV system on I-95 from Bridgeport to West Haven including Rte 8 in Bridgeport from I-95 to south of Exit 3. Project is required to monitor and report on recurring congestion, incidents, Amber Alert, Construction

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State Project 0092-0522

SCRCOG #2007-049

Municipality New Haven

Proposed

Project Name I-95 West River Bridge BR#00163A

Description Long term superstructure replacement and widening. The existing superstructure is rated in poor condition as per the 1/9/97 BS&E inspection report

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>	<i>Prior</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>2008</i>	<i>2009</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2011/FYI</i>
Bridge Program	CON	AC		0				
		Federal			16,000	16,000		42,640
		State			4,000	4,000		10,660
Total Cost	\$93,300		0	0	0	20,000	20,000	0
								53,300

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>	<i>Prior</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>2008</i>	<i>2009</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2011/FYI</i>
Bridge Program	CON	AC			0			
		Federal				16,000		99,280
		State				4,000		24,820
Total Cost	\$144,100		0	0	0	0	20,000	0
								124,100

Amendment Notes

FY07 TIP Amend 6 introduces project. FY07 TIP Amend 18 moves AC Entry from FFY08 to FFY09, deletes FFY09 funds and increases FYI funding.

State Project 0092-0571

SCRCOG #2007-078

Municipality New Haven

Proposed

Project Name Shoreline Restoration along Long Wharf at Parcel G

Description Requested project initiation for shoreline restoration at Parcel G adjacent to Long Wharf Drive between (approx) Canal Dock Rd and west end of Long Wharf Dr.

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)

<i>Funding</i>	<i>Phase</i>	<i>Prior</i>	<i>2007</i>	<i>2008</i>	<i>2009</i>	<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>	<i>2011/FYI</i>
STPA Anywhere	CON	Federal				2,560		
		State				640		
Total Cost	\$3,200		0	0	0	0	3,200	0
								0

Amendment Notes

FY03 TIP Amend 2 advanced PE from FY05 to FY03. Obligation schedule adjusted by FY03 TIP Amend 9 per statewide financial constraint. FY07 TIP Amend 18 introduces projects to the 07-11 TIP as a new project w/funds in FFY10

2007-2011 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

SCRCOG #2003-028

State Project 0092-0570

Municipality New Haven

Tabled

Project Name Long Wharf Boathouse (I-95) Construction

Description Construct deck structure and municipal Boathouse on Parcel H (Long Wharf Dr and Canal Dock Rd); incorporating architectural features salvaged from the former Yale Boathouse.

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

Funding	Phase		Prior	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2011/FYI
Pre-TIP	ALL	Federal	2,700						
		State	675						
STPA Anywhere	ENG	Federal			2,100				
		State			525				
	CON	AC				0			
		Federal					9,200		10,000
		State					2,300		2,500
Total Cost	\$30,000		3,375	0	2,625	0	11,500	0	12,500

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)

Funding	Phase		Prior	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2011/FYI
Pre-TIP	ALL	Federal	2,700						
		State	675						
STPA Anywhere	ENG	Federal			2,100				
		State			525				
	CON	AC					0		
		Federal							
		State							4,800
Total Cost	\$30,000		3,375	0	2,625	0	0	0	24,000

Amendment Notes

FY05 PE introduced per actual FY04 obligation by Amend 2; total PE obligation \$6.0 million. Move PE phase \$2,100,000 of STP-Anywhere funds and \$525,000 of state funds from FY05 to FY06 per FY 05 TIP Amend 10 total project cost \$30M. FY07 TIP Amend 1 moves PE phase again from 06 to 07. FY07 TIP Amend 5 attempted to move PE and CON phase out to FY08 was not approved. FY07 TIP Amend 8 moves only Con phase to FFY08 and adds \$12.5M FFY09 funds to fully fund project estimates. FY07 TIP Amend 13 request moved ENG to FFY08, moved AC Entry out 1 year to FFY09 and moved CON out 2 years to FFY10 and FYI. Denied pending more information FY07 TIP Amend 14 approves change. FY07 TIP Amend 17 moves AC Entry from FFY09 to FFY10, deletes FFY10 funds and increases FYI funds.

2007-2011 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

AMENDMENT NUMBER TABLED

SCRCOG #2007-079

State Project 0173-0385

Municipality

Tabled

Project Name VMS upgrade Bridgeport to New Haven

Description upgrade existing Variable message signs on I-95, I-91, RTE 1, RTE 15, RTE 80 and SR796. Update required to meet design standards, sign visibility, alert motorists to recurring congestion, incidents, Amber alerts etc along the I-95 corridor.

Current TIP Funding (In Thousands)

Proposed TIP Funding (In Thousands)

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AC Entry	CON	AC				0		
CMAQ		Federal				4,400		4,400
Total Cost	\$8,800		0	0	0	4,400	0	4,400

Amendment Notes

FY07 TIP Amendment 17 introduces new project

SCRCOG #2007-080

State Project 0173-0387

Municipality

Tabled

Project Name CCTV Upgrade Bridgeport to New Haven

Description Project to upgrade existing CCTV system on I-95 from Bridgeport to West Haven including Rte 8 in Bridgeport from I-95 to south of Exit 3. Required to monitor and report on congestion, incidents, Amber Alert, Construction and other highway activity.

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AC Entry	CON	AC				0		
CMAQ		Federal				2,813		2,813
		State				312		312
Total Cost	\$6,250		0	0	0	3,125	0	3,125

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Judy Gott, Executive Director

Resolution

***Fiscal Year 2007-Fiscal Year 2011 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 2007-Fiscal Year 2011 Transportation Improvement Program* on July 26, 2006, with corrections adopted on August 23, 2006, after finding the *Program* conforming per U.S. Environmental Protection Administration (U.S. EPA) final conformity rule (40 *CFR* 51 and 93) and a relevant Connecticut Department of Transportation air quality conformity determination: *Air Quality Conformity Report: Fiscal Year 2007-2011 Transportation Improvement Program* and the Region’s *Long-Range Transportation Plans*, June, 2004); and
- Whereas:* The Council, on May 9, 2007, found the *Program* conforming per a revised ConnDOT air quality conformity determination (*PM 2.5 and Ozone Air Quality Conformity Reports: FFY 2007-2011 Transportation Improvement Program and Long-Range Transportation Plans*, March 2007) reflecting applicable U.S. EPA standards; and
- Whereas:* The Council, on July 26, 2006, 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*.

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*. As follows:
92-522 the I-95: West River Bridge BR# 00163A as presented; **92-571 the Shoreline Restoration along Long Wharf Parcel G project** is approved as amended with \$3.2 M in CON phase funding moved from FYI to FFY2010; **92-570 The Long Wharf Boathouse project** amendment request is denied and not included in this Amendment and **173-0385 the VMS upgrade Bridgeport to New Haven project and 173-0387 the CCTV Upgrade Bridgeport to New Haven project** remain tabled.

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 **June 25, 2008**.

Date: June 25, 2008

James Zeoli
Secretary



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SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
Draft Minutes Transportation Committee June 11, 2008

Attending

Transportation Committee members

Wallingford, Mayor William Dickinson, Chair
Branford, Janice Plaziak Proxy for FS Anthony DaRos
Hamden, Marybeth Perry, Proxy for Mayor Henrici
New Haven, Mike Piscitelli , proxy for Mayor
DeStefano
North Haven, Victor Palma, proxy for FS McCarty.

Guests

K Faraci, ConnDOT
Hal Decker, ConnDOT
Bob Kennedy, ConnDOT
John Korte, ConnDOT

Transportation Technical Committee

Guilford, Jim Portley
Milford, Bob Brinton
Wallingford, John Thompson
West Haven, Abdul Quadir

SCRCOG

Judy Gott, Steve Dudley, Al Ruggiero, James Rode

Jean Stimolo, Rideworks
Karyn Gilvarg, Pete Losis, New Haven,
Donna Carter, GNHTD
Lou Mangini, Congresswoman DeLauro's Office

Mayor Dickinson began the meeting at 12:10.

Item #1

H. Decker, B. Kennedy, and J. Korte were on hand to discuss and answer questions regarding tabled projects **173-0385 the VMS upgrade Bridgeport to New Haven project and 173-0387 the CCTV Upgrade Bridgeport to New Haven project.** H Decker began by telling those present that the scope of these projects has been revised and new projects will be submitted for approval. Due to fiscal constraints in the CMAQ program both projects have been split. Project 173-0385 will now provide for VMS upgrade only from Milford to Branford with estimated project cost reduced to \$4M. Project 173-0387 will now provide CCTV upgrade from Milford to West Haven with estimated project cost reduced to \$3.2M. The projects are necessary as the equipment is 15 years old and has reached the end of its useful life. While ConnDOT has some spare parts available they can not purchase new parts to continue the maintenance on these systems. In addition 2 new projects were also presented for discussion these were **170-2818 DOT Camera Distribution Project** which will provide streaming images of DOT traffic cameras to emergency responders and **170-2830 511 Traveler Information System Development** which will provide telephone and website multi modal traveler information. No action was taken on these 4 projects. They will be included in next month's TIP amendment.

Item #2

Minutes of the May 14, 2008 meeting were unanimously adopted on a motion by M. Piscitelli/ J Portley.

Item #3

J. Rode introduced TIP Amendment 18 which included 5 tabled projects. After much discussion M. Piscitelli made a Motion to approve the TIP Amendment 18 as follows **92-522 the I-95: West River Bridge BR# 00163A** is approved as presented. **92-571 the Shoreline Restoration along Long Wharf Parcel G project** is approved as amended with CON phase funding moved to FFY2010. **92-570 The Long Wharf Boathouse project** is denied and not included and **173-0385 the VMS upgrade Bridgeport to New Haven project and 173-0387 the CCTV Upgrade Bridgeport to New Haven project** remain tabled. J. Portley seconded, motion was approved.



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Item #4

S. Dudley presented the Final draft of the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) for 2009 & 2010 based on guidance from ConnDOT the plan was revised to include notations in the tables in Appendix A and the addition of an Appendix B After a brief discussion J Portley made a motion to recommend the adoption of the Final UPWP; B. Brinton seconded motion carried unanimously.

Item #5

J Rode discussed the progress of the Transit Enhancement Project Solicitation. He reported that applications have been received from Meriden and New Haven and expects to receive one from West Haven. Applications will be reviewed over the next month and presented at the August meeting. Mayor Dickinson asked if the presentation could include an update on the current projects. There is currently \$490,000 dollars in federal funds available. Anyone still interested in applying was asked to submit their application by the end of June.

Item #6

J. Rode presented the status on current urban projects included in the agenda package. Those present provided additional information on the progress of their individual projects.

Item #7

J Plaziak made a motion to adjourn, J Portley seconded, meeting adjourned at 1:20

June 2008 Regional Planning Commission (RPC) Action Table

Ref. #	Received	Description	Adjacent RPC Towns	Abridged RPC Action
2.1	05/01/2008	Town of Orange: Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments to Revise the Sign Standards.	Woodbridge, New Haven, West Haven, Milford	By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments do not appear to cause negative inter-municipal impacts nor do there appear to be negative impacts to the habitat or ecosystems of the Long Island Sound.
2.2	05/08/2008	Town of North Branford: Proposed Plan of Conservation and Development.	Wallingford, North Haven, East Haven, Branford, Guilford	By resolution, the RPC has determined that North Branford's proposed Plan appears consistent both with the policy statements of the State Plan and the Regional Plan. However, as identified in the draft Regional Plan there are areas on the State's Location Guide Map that are identified as preservation areas, but which the Town and the Region has identified as historic centers that require reinvestment. In support of the responsible growth initiatives identified by the state, reinvestment in existing town centers and villages is a priority to ensure preservation of existing open space and agricultural lands.
2.3	05/09/2008	Town of Durham: Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendment to allow Large Animal Crematories by Special Permit in the Heavy Industrial Zone (HI).	Wallingford, North Branford, Guilford, Madison	By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed Zoning Regulation Amendment does not appear to cause negative inter-municipal impacts to towns in the South Central region nor do there appear to be negative impacts to the habitat or ecosystems of the Long Island Sound.
2.4	05/30/2008	Town of Southington: Proposed Subdivision Revisions.	Meriden	By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed Subdivision Regulation Amendments do not appear to cause negative inter-municipal impacts to towns in the South Central region nor do there appear to be negative impacts to the habitat or ecosystems of the Long Island Sound.
2.5	06/02/2008	Town of Bethany: Proposed Zoning Regulation Amendment to Add Solar Energy Equipment Standards and to add a section to Allow Accessory Residential Use in Buildings in the Business & Industrial Zone (BI).	Bethany, Woodbridge, New Haven, North Haven, Wallingford	By resolution, the RPC has determined that the proposed Zoning Regulation Amendments do not appear to cause negative inter-municipal impacts and do not appear to result in negative impacts to the habitat or ecosystems of the Long Island Sound.
2.6	06/02/2008	Town of Hamden: Open Space Acquisition Grant Application for 4246R and 4280 Whitney Avenue, Hamden.	Wallingford, North Haven, New Haven, Woodridge, Bethany	By resolution, the RPC strongly supports the Town of Hamden's proposed Open Space Grant application for acquisition of the 40± acre site at 4246R and 4280 Whitney Avenue. The site is both adjacent to a multi-use Regional Recreational Trail (the Farmington Canal) and is part of the Regional Watershed and Aquifer Protection Area as identified by the Regional Water Authority and Department of Environmental Protection
3.2		Draft Regional Plan of Conservation and Development		By resolution, the RPC recommends the Final Draft of the Regional Plan of Conservation and Development to the Council of Governments for adoption incorporating the changes discussed at this meeting and subject to the correction of any typos necessary.