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AGENDA

Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments and

Central Naugatuck Valley MPO

Virtual Video Conference Meeting

10 a.m., Friday, October 9, 2020

Please email lrizzo@nvcogct.gov or call 203-757-0535 by Wednesday, October 7, 2020 concerning attendance.

Prior to the start of the meeting, there will be a discussion with Representative Jahana Hayes (CT-05).

1. Commencement of Meeting
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. Roll Call
 - c. Public Comment
2. CNVMPO Meeting (*Voting members for these items are limited to the 15 CEOs in the CNVMPO area*)
 - a. 2021-2024 TIP Public Comment (*Christian Meyer*)
 - b. Approval of Amendments to the 2018-2021 CNVMPO TIP (*Gabriel Filer*)
 - i. Add Project No. 0174-0442: Replace Traffic Control Signals District 4
Add Project No. 0171-0459: Replace Traffic Control Signals District 1
(*attachment, motion, CNVMPO Resolution 2021-06*)
 - c. Approval of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) 2021-2024 (*Christian Meyer, attachment, motion, Resolution 2021-01*)
 - d. Approval of Air Quality Conformity and Determination of TIP and MTP (*Christian Meyer, attachment*)
 - i. Ozone NAAQS NY-NJ-CT Non-Attainment Area (*motion, CNVMPO Resolution 2021-02*)
 - ii. Ozone NAAQS Greater Connecticut Non-Attainment Area (*motion, CNVMPO Resolution 2021-03*)
 - iii. PM2.5 NAAQS Connecticut Portion of the NY-NJ-CT Attainment/Maintenance Area (*motion, CNVMPO Resolution 2021-04*)
 - e. Approval of CNVMPO Resolution 2021-05 Self-Certification (*Christian Meyer, attachment, motion, CNVMPO Resolution 2021-05*)
 - f. Discussion: Safety Performance Measures (*Christian Meyer*)
3. NVCOG Administrative Items
 - a. Approval of the Minutes of the September 11, 2020 NVCOG & CNVMPO meeting (*attachment, motion*)
 - b. Approval of Agency Financial Reports and Summaries for Periods Ending 8/31/20 (*Michael Szpryngel, attachment, motion*)
 - c. Director's Report (*Rick Dunne*)
 - Special Legislative Session
 - Tingle Fish Bypass
 - RSG Annual Report

Continued

4. NVCOG Planning/Transportation
 - a. LOTCIP Update (*Christian Meyer, attachment*)
 - b. Endorsement of Revised Project Cost for Beach Road, Wolcott Project (*Karen Svetz, attachment, motion, NVCOG Resolution 2021-08*)
 - c. Active Transportation Funding Opportunities (*Christian Meyer, attachment*)
 - i. Community Connectivity Grant Program
 - ii. Active Living/Active Transportation Grant
 - d. Authorization to Apply for FTA Pilot Program for Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Planning Grant (*Mark Nielsen, attachment, motion, NVCOG Resolution 2021-09*)
5. Environmental Planning
 - a. Brownfields Activities Update (*Rick Dunne*)
6. Regional and Municipal Shared Services Update (*John DiCarlo*)
 - a. Household Hazardous Waste Event
7. Regional Recreation Guide (*Glenda Prentiss*)
8. Emergency Management Update (*Rick Dunne*)
9. Other
10. Adjournment

Called by
Neil O’Leary, Chairman

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- *Your name, address, and any professional affiliation (for the public record)*
- *Your phone number (only if you are using the phone dial-in option)*
- *The item number on the agenda you plan to address in your comments*

Your information must be received by 4:30 p.m. on the day before the meeting.

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October 9, 2020

MEMORANDUM: 20201009-TIP AMD

To: Central Naugatuck Valley MPO Board Members and Alternates
From: Gabriel Filer, Transportation Planner
Subject: Amendment to the 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program

The CT DOT is requesting two new projects be added to the CNVMPO 2018-2021 TIP.

Project No. 0171-0459: Surface Transportation Block Grant Program – Anywhere Funds (District 1)

This project utilizes funding from the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program – Anywhere Funds. This project replaces traffic control signals across District 1, which includes Bristol, Wolcott, and Cheshire. Traffic signal upgrades are required in order to meet transportation standards and is eligible for 100% federal funding.

Funding Code	Phase	Year	Total (\$000)	Federal (\$000)	State (\$000)	Local (\$000)	Comments
STPA	PD	2021	525	525	0	0	New Project
STPA	ROW	FYI	150	150	0	0	New Project
STPA	FD	FYI	554	554	0	0	New Project

Project No. 0174-0442: Surface Transportation Block Grant Program – Anywhere Funds (District 4)

This project utilizes funding from the Surface Transportation Block Grant Program – Anywhere Funds. This project replaces traffic control signals across District 4, which includes Litchfield, Fairfield, Hartford, and New Haven counties. Traffic signal upgrades are required in order to meet transportation standards and is eligible for 100% federal funding.

Funding Code	Phase	Year	Total (\$000)	Federal (\$000)	State (\$000)	Local (\$000)	Comments
STPA	PD	2021	490	490	0	0	New Project
STPA	ROW	FYI	140	140	0	0	New Project
STPA	FD	FYI	517	517	0	0	New Project

Recommendation:

MOTION: To approve **CNVMPPO resolution 2021-06**



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RESOLUTION 2021-06

AMENDMENT

**FFY 2018-2021 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
CENTRAL NAUGATUCK VALLEY MPO**

WHEREAS, the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO is authorized by the *Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act)* and related US Department of Transportation regulations to prepare, endorse, and periodically amend a short range Transportation Improvement Program for the 15-town MPO area within the Waterbury Urbanized Area and is required to maintain a fiscally-constrained program of priority projects.

WHEREAS, the CNVMPO endorsed the *FFY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program for the Central Naugatuck Valley Planning Region (TIP)* at its June 9, 2017, meeting; and the US Department of Transportation (Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration) have approved the *State FFY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)*.

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Department of Transportation is requesting amendment of the FFY 2018-2021 TIP to allocate Surface Transportation Program – Anywhere (STPA) grant funds for projects 0171-0459 and 0174-0442.

WHEREAS, the proposed projects do not necessitate a new Air Quality Conformity Determination.

WHEREAS, the public notification and review of these amendments was consistent with and followed the procedures set forth in the MPO's public involvement guidelines, and the proposed amendments are consistent with the metropolitan transportation plan for the Central Naugatuck Valley planning region.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Central Naugatuck Valley MPO approves the amendment of the FFY 2018-2021 TIP to allocate federal aid funds as listed and described in the attachment to this resolution.

This resolution shall become effective as of October 9, 2020.

I do hereby certify that the resolution adopted by the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO at a public meeting held on October 9, 2020, at which a quorum was present and that the same is a correct and true transcript from the original thereof.

Neil O'Leary, Chair

October 9, 2020
Date



Central Naugatuck Valley MPO
2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program

Amendments - FFY 2018-2021 TIP/STIP

Project #: 0171-0459 **Town:** District 1 **Route/System:** Various **Region:** 05, 10, 11

Replace Traffic Control Signals in District 1

FACode:	AQ Code:	Phase:	Year:	Tot\$(000):	Fed\$(000):	Sta\$(000):	Loc\$(000):	Comments:	ChangeCode:
STPA	X7	PD	2021	\$525	\$525	\$0	\$0	New Project	05
STPA	X7	ROW	FYI	\$150	\$150	\$0	\$0	New Project	05
STPA	X7	FD	FYI	\$554	\$554	\$0	\$0	New Project	05

Project #: 0174-0442 **Town:** District 4 **Route/System:** Various **Region:** 03, 05, 07, 10

Replace Traffic Control Signals in District 4

FACode:	AQ Code:	Phase:	Year:	Tot\$(000):	Fed\$(000):	Sta\$(000):	Loc\$(000):	Comments:	ChangeCode:
STPA	X7	PD	2021	\$490	\$490	\$0	\$0	New Project	05
STPA	X7	ROW	FYI	\$140	\$140	\$0	\$0	New Project	05
STPA	X7	FD	FYI	\$517	\$517	\$0	\$0	New Project	05



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MEMORANDUM: 20201009-TIP2021-24

To: Central Naugatuck Valley MPO Board Members
From: Christian Meyer, Supervising Transportation Planner
Subject: Endorsement of the CNVMPO 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program

The 2021-2024 CNV MPO TIP, prepared by NVCOG and CTDOT, is a federally-required four-year funding schedule of highway and transit projects programmed to receive federal financial assistance from the US DOT over the next four years, beginning October 1, 2020. Highway and road improvements, bridge repairs, commuter services, and bus and train operating and capital funds are included in the TIP. As with the Metropolitan Transportation Plan, the TIP must be fiscally constrained and in conformance with the national clean air standards and the state air quality implementation plan. In its role as the region's MPO, CNVMPO's approval of the TIP is required in order for federal funding to be committed to the programmed projects. This document along with the Naugatuck Valley MTP 2019-2045 are the foundational documents for regional transportation planning. Projects listed in the TIP are organized by federal aid transportation programs administered by Federal Highway FHWA and FTA.

	Estimated Cost (\$000)	
Estimated financial requirements included in TIP:	\$1,113,900	
Estimated financial requirements for CNV only:	\$70,447	6.3% of TIP
Estimated federal portion CNV only:	\$57,083	81.0% of CNV spending
Estimated state portion CNV only:	\$13,364	19.0% of CNV spending
Estimated local portion CNV only:	\$0	0.0% of CNV spending

The public is being provided an opportunity to review the TIP and offer comments. The endorsement of the 2021-2024 CNVMPO TIP is contingent on no major adverse comments being submitted to the MPO before the close of the public comment period, October 9, 2020.

Recommendation

MOTION: To endorse the proposed Resolution 2021-01.



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RESOLUTION 2021-01

**ENDORSEMENT
FFY 2021-2024 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
FOR THE
CENTRAL NAUGATUCK VALLEY MPO**

WHEREAS, the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO is authorized by the *Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act)* and related US Department of Transportation regulations to develop and endorse a transportation improvement program for the Central Naugatuck Valley metropolitan planning area.

WHEREAS, the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments is the designated host agency for the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO and has, in consultation with the Connecticut Department of Transportation, prepared the *FFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for the Central Naugatuck Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization*.

WHEREAS, the *FFY 2021-2024 TIP* lists and describes all transportation improvement projects programmed to receive federal transportation funding assistance from the Federal Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration over the next four federal fiscal years beginning October 1, 2020.

WHEREAS, the *FFY 2021-2024 TIP* establishes project priorities, indicates project schedules, provides project funding estimates, and identifies federal funding programs.

WHEREAS, the financial plan for the *FFY 2021-2024 TIP* is included and demonstrates financial constraint to anticipated federal funding resources expected to be allocated and authorized to the State of Connecticut and the Waterbury Urbanized Area.

WHEREAS, the *FFY 2021-2024 TIP* was made available for public review and comment, and notification of the proposed TIP was consistent with and followed the procedures set forth in the MPO's *Public Outreach Policy* endorsed March 2017 and revised February 2020, including providing a 45-day review and comment period, holding a public information meeting, posting the draft TIP on the NVCOG website and considering public comments in reviewing the draft TIP.

WHEREAS, the proposed *FFY 2021-2024 TIP* has been presented to the CNVMPO, reviewed and discussed.

WHEREAS, the proposed program of projects included in the *FFY 2021-2024 TIP* were assessed for their impact on air quality and the State's ability to attain the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for the Ozone and PM_{2.5} pollutants and the regional emissions assessments demonstrate that the proposed projects will not have an adverse impact on air quality nor prevent

the State from attaining the air quality standards, as required.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED Central Naugatuck Valley MPO endorses the *FFY 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program for the Central Naugatuck Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization* presented and discussed here today. The endorsement of the FFY 2021-2024 TIP covers a four-year period from October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2024 and is contingent upon no major adverse comments are received during the public review and comment period between August 24, 2020 and October 9, 2020.

This resolution shall become effective as of October 9, 2020.

I do hereby certify that the resolution adopted by the CNVMPO at a public meeting held on October 9, 2020, at which a quorum was present and that the same is a correct and true transcript from the original thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

October 9, 2020

Ed Mone
CNVMPO Secretary

Date



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MEMORANDUM: 20201009-Air Quality

To: Central Naugatuck Valley MPO Board Members
From: Christian Meyer, Supervising Transportation Planner
Subject: Acceptance of the CTDOT Air Quality Conformity Analysis

The Central Naugatuck Valley MPO is required to submit an air quality conformity statement to the FHWA and the EPA when adopting a transportation improvement program (TIP). The Connecticut Department of Transportation reviews the TIP and models the air quality impacts of the proposed projects to ensure they are in conformity with the State Implementation plan(SIP). Modeling must be completed to assess impacts of all transportation plans in the ozone and PM 2.5 non-attainment areas, as designated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and as required under federal (40 CFR Part 93) regulations.

The NVCOG falls within the EPA designated Greater Connecticut Serious Ozone non-attainment area, the NY/NJ/CT Serious Ozone non-attainment area, and the NY/NJ/CT PM2.5 Attainment/Maintenance Area.

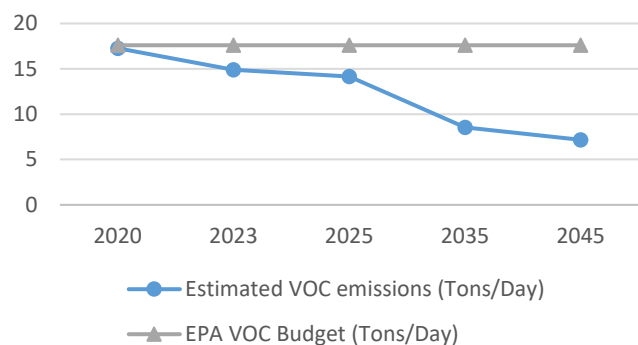
Emissions were calculated using the Environmental Protection Agency EPA required software, MOVES2014a.

The following summary of the CTDOT April 2020 Air Quality Conformity Determination Analysis shows conformity to the budgets for both marginal nonattainment areas as noted in the current SIP for air quality.

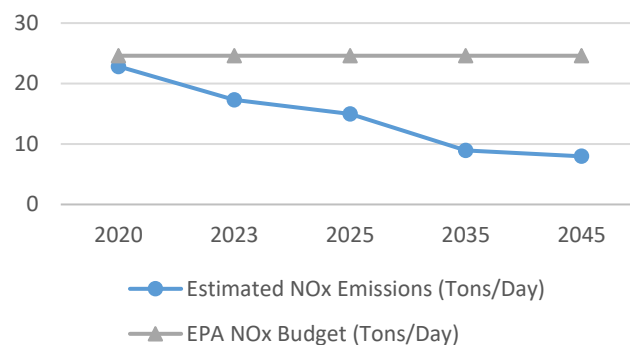
RESOLUTION 2020-02 – CT PORTION OF NY-NJ-CT OZONE SERIOUS NONATTAINMENT AREA

VOC Emission Analysis				NO _x Emission Analysis			
Year	Estimated VOC emissions (Tons/Day)	EPA VOC Budget (Tons/Day)	Difference	Year	Estimated NO _x Emissions (Tons/Day)	EPA NO _x Budget (Tons/Day)	Difference
2020	17.27	17.60	-0.33	2020	22.83	24.60	-1.77
2023	14.88	17.60	-2.72	2023	17.31	24.60	-7.29
2025	14.16	17.60	-3.44	2025	14.97	24.60	-9.63
2035	8.53	17.60	-9.07	2035	8.92	24.60	-15.68
2045	7.17	17.60	-10.43	2045	7.96	24.60	-16.64

Estimated VOC Emissions by Analysis Year Compared to Approved EPA Budget
CT Portion of NY-NJ-CT Non-Attainment Area



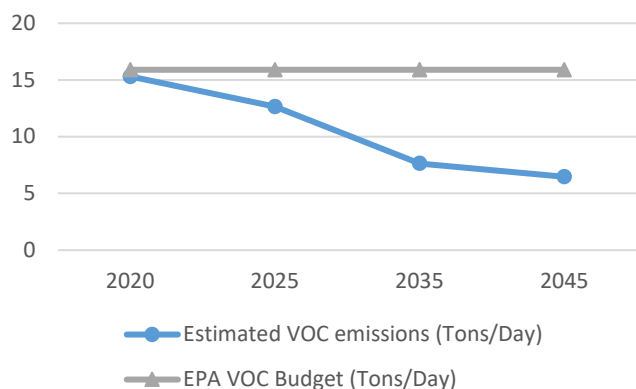
Estimated NO_x Emissions by Analysis Year Compared to Approved EPA Budget
CT Portion of NY-NJ-CT Non-Attainment Area



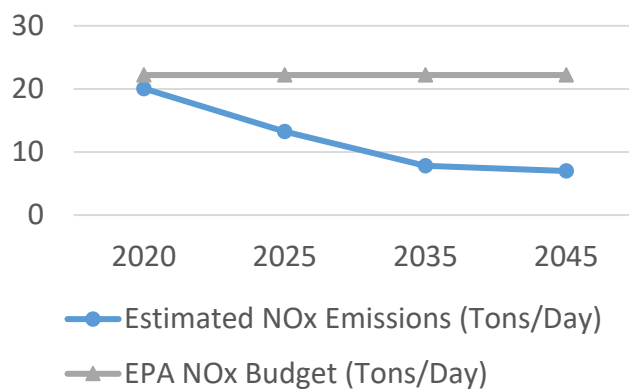
RESOLUTION 2021-03 – GREATER CT OZONE SERIOUS NONATTAINMENT AREA

VOC Emission Analysis				NOx Emission Analysis			
Year	Estimated VOC emissions (Tons/Day)	EPA VOC Budget (Tons/Day)	Difference	Year	Estimated NOx Emissions (Tons/Day)	EPA NOx Budget (Tons/Day)	Difference
2020	15.31	15.9	-0.59	2020	20.06	22.20	-2.14
2025	12.65	15.9	-3.25	2025	13.25	22.20	-8.95
2035	7.64	15.9	-8.26	2035	7.83	22.20	-14.37
2045	6.47	15.9	-9.43	2045	6.98	22.20	-15.22

Estimated VOC Emissions by
Analysis Year
Compared to Approved EPA
Budget
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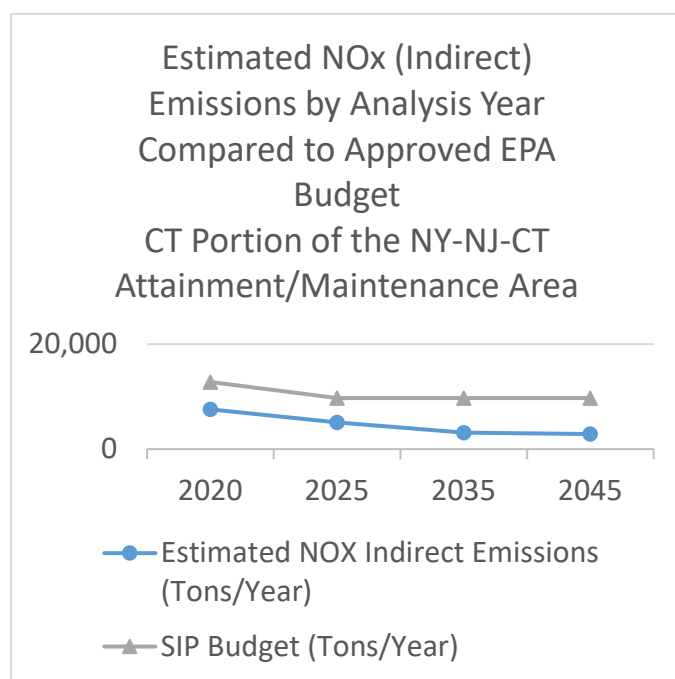
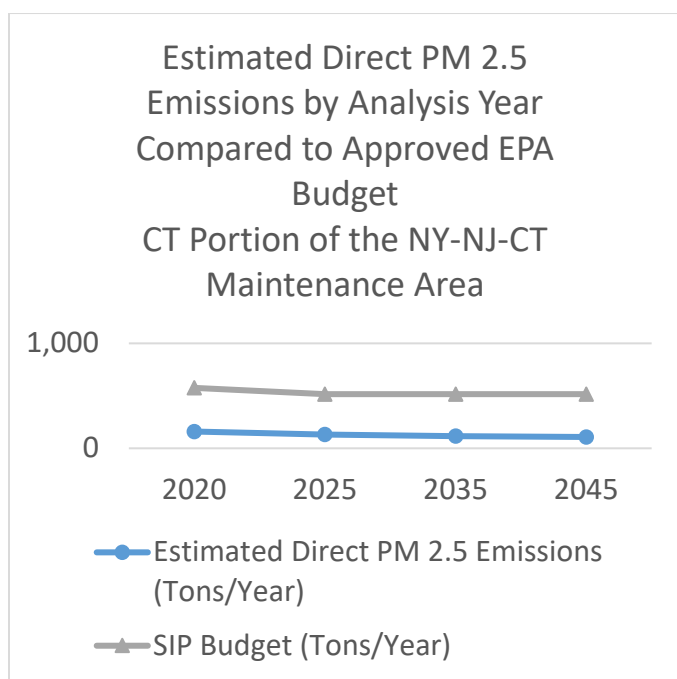


Estimated NOx Emissions by
Analysis Year
Compared to Approved EPA
Budget
Greater CT Non-Attainment Area



RESOLUTION 2020-04 – CT PORTION OF NY-NJ-CT PM 2.5 MAINTENANCE AREA

Direct PM _{2.5} Emission Analysis				NO _x (indirect) Emissions Analysis			
Year	Estimated PM 2.5 Emissions (Tons/Year)	SIP Budget (Tons/Year)	Difference	Year	Estimated NO _x Emissions (Tons/Year)	SIP Budget (Tons/Year)	Difference
2020	159.80	575.80	-416.00	2020	7,574.20	12,791.80	-5,217.60
2025	130.90	516.00	-385.10	2025	5,066.10	9,728.10	-4,662.00
2035	115.10	516.00	-400.90	2035	3,166.90	9,728.10	-6,561.20
2045	107.90	516.00	-408.10	2045	2,871.70	9,728.10	-6,856.40



Recommendation

MOTION: To approve the Resolutions 2021-02, 2021-03, and 2021-04



RESOLUTION 2021-02

RESOLUTION ON CONFORMITY WITH THE CLEAN AIR ACT OZONE – NY-NJ-CT

WHEREAS, the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO is required to submit an Air Quality Conformity Statement to the US Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and to the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in accordance with the final conformity rule promulgated by EPA (40 CFR 51 and 93) when adopting an annual Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) or when effecting a significant revision of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP); and

WHEREAS, Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) states that conformity of transportation plans and programs will be demonstrated if:

1. the plans and programs are consistent with recent estimates of mobile source emissions;
2. the plans and programs provide for the expeditious implementation of certain transportation control measures;
3. the plans and programs contribute to annual emissions reductions consistent with the Clean Air Act of 1977, as amended; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO that the plans and programs approved today, October 9, 2020 and submitted to FHWA and EPA conform to the requirements of Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) as interpreted by EPA (40 CFR 51 and 93); and

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut has elected to assess conformity in the Connecticut portion of the New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-CT Ozone Nonattainment area (Fairfield, New Haven and Middlesex Counties) and the Connecticut Department of Transportation has jointly assessed the impact of all transportation plans and programs in this Nonattainment area (Ozone and PM2.5 Air Quality Conformity Determination April 2020); and

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Department of Transportation's assessment (above) has found that plans and programs jointly meet mobile source emission's guidelines advanced by EPA pursuant to Section 7506 (3) (A).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO that the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO finds that the 2019-2045 MTP and the FFY 2021-2024 TIP and all Amendments conform to air quality requirements of the U.S. Environmental Protection Administration (40 CFR 51 and 93), related U.S. Department of Transportation guidelines (23 CFR 450) and with Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) and



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hereby approves the existing Ozone and PM_{2.5} Air Quality Conformity Determination, dated April 2020, contingent upon no major adverse comments are received during said period.

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO on October 9, 2020.

DATE: October 9, 2020

BY: Ed Mone, Secretary



RESOLUTION 2021-03

RESOLUTION ON CONFORMITY WITH THE CLEAN AIR ACT OZONE - GREATER CONNECTICUT

WHEREAS, the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO is required to submit an Air Quality Conformity Statement to the US Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and to the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in accordance with the final conformity rule promulgated by EPA (40 CFR 51 and 93) when adopting an annual Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) or when effecting a significant revision of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP); and

WHEREAS, Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) states that conformity of transportation plans and programs will be demonstrated if:

1. The plans and programs are consistent with recent estimates of mobile source emissions;
2. The plans and programs provide for the expeditious implementation of certain transportation control measures;
3. The plans and programs contribute to annual emissions reductions consistent with the Clean Air Act of 1977, as amended; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO that the plans and programs approved today, October 9, 2020 and submitted to FHWA and EPA conform to the requirements of Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) as interpreted by EPA (40 CFR 51 and 93); and

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut has elected to assess conformity in the Greater Connecticut Ozone Nonattainment area (Litchfield, Hartford, Tolland, New London and Windham Counties) and the Connecticut Department of Transportation has jointly assessed the impact of all transportation plans and programs in this Ozone Nonattainment area (Ozone and PM2.5 Air Quality Conformity Determination April 2020); and

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Department of Transportation's assessment (above) has found that plans and programs jointly meet mobile source emission's guidelines advanced by EPA pursuant to Section 7506 (3) (A).

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO that the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO finds that the 2019-2045 MTP and the FFY 2021-2024 TIP and all Amendments conform to air quality requirements of the U.S. Environmental Protection Administration (40 CFR 51 and 93), related U.S. Department of



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Transportation guidelines (23 CFR 450) and with Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) and hereby approves the existing Ozone and PM2.5 Air Quality Conformity Determination dated April 2020, contingent upon no major adverse comments are received during said period.

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO on October 9, 2020.

DATE: October 9, 2020

BY: Ed Mone, Secretary



RESOLUTION 2021-04

RESOLUTION ON CONFORMITY WITH THE CLEAN AIR ACT PM 2.5 - NY-NJ-CT

WHEREAS, the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO is required to submit an Air Quality Conformity Statement to the US Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and to the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in accordance with the final conformity rule promulgated by EPA (40 CFR 51 and 93) when adopting an annual Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) or when effecting a significant revision of the Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP); and

WHEREAS, Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) states that conformity of transportation plans and programs will be demonstrated if:

1. The plans and programs are consistent with recent estimates of mobile source emissions;
2. The plans and programs provide for the expeditious implementation of certain transportation control measures;
3. The plans and programs contribute to annual emissions reductions consistent with the Clean Air Act of 1977, as amended; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO that the plans and programs approved on October 9, 2020 and submitted to FHWA and EPA conform to the requirements of Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) as interpreted by EPA (40 CFR 51 and 93); and

WHEREAS, the Connecticut portion of the New York – Northern New Jersey – Long Island, NY-NJ-CT area is designated a PM 2.5 attainment/maintenance area; and

WHEREAS, the State of Connecticut has elected to jointly assess conformity in all PM 2.5 attainment/maintenance areas in Connecticut (Fairfield County and New Haven County) and

WHEREAS, the results of the required emissions analysis performed by the Connecticut Department of Transportation on the 2019-2045 MTP and the FFY 2021-2024 TIP and Amendments show that the implementation of the projects contained therein will result in emissions of PM_{2.5} in each analysis year that are less than the emissions of the baseline year; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO finds that the 2019-2045 MTP and the FFY 2021-2024 TIP and Amendments conform to air quality requirements of the U.S. Environmental Protection Administration (40 CFR 51



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and 93), related U.S. Department of Transportation guidelines (23 CFR 450) and with Title 42, Section 7506 (3) (A) and hereby approves the existing Ozone and PM2.5 Air Quality Conformity Determination dated April 2020 contingent upon no major adverse comments are received during said period.

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned duly qualified and acting Secretary of the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO certifies that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a legally convened meeting of the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO on October 9, 2020.

DATE: October 9, 2020

BY: Ed Mone, Secretary



MEMORANDUM: 20201009-Certification

To: Central Naugatuck Valley MPO Board Members
From: Christian Meyer, Supervising Transportation Planner
Subject: Certification

Section 450.336 of the Metropolitan Planning Rules (23 CFR Part 450) requires that at least every 4 years, the Metropolitan Planning Organization certify that the planning process is addressing the major issues facing the area and is being conducted in accordance with applicable federal laws and regulations. The requirements are contained in the following legislation and regulations:

1. 23 U.S.C. 134, 49 U.S.C. 5303, The Metropolitan Planning Rules

These laws and regulations provide the legal framework for conducting the transportation planning process in Metropolitan Planning Areas. They direct the process for developing transportation plans, programs and activities and promote the safe and efficient management, operation and development of multimodal transportation systems through a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive planning process.

2. The Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7504, 7506(c) and (d), 23 U.S.C. 134, 40 CFR 93

In non-attainment and maintenance areas, these laws and regulations discuss the planning and development of an air quality State Implementation Plan and require an air quality conformity analysis to demonstrate that the transportation plans and programs are consistent with the objectives of the State Implementation Plan.

3. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 prohibits discrimination based on race, color, or national origin in all federally assisted programs. Subsequent laws and Presidential Executive Orders have added handicap, sex, age, and income status to the criteria for which discrimination is prohibited. Furthermore, recipients of federal funding must make environmental justice a part of their agency mission and ensure that individuals are not denied benefits or the opportunity to participate in the public discourse because they have limited English language communication skills.

4. 49 U.S.C. 5332

This section states a person may not be excluded from participating in, denied a benefit of, or discriminated against under, a project, program, or activity receiving financial

assistance under this chapter because of their race, color, religion, national origin, sex, disability, or age.

5. Section 1101(b) of the FAST Act –LU (Pub. L. 114-357) and 49 CFR part 26

These sections provide the legal and regulatory framework regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in USDOT funded projects.

6. 23 CFR part 230

This section provides regulatory standards for the implementation of an equal employment opportunity program on federal and federal-aid highway construction contracts.

7. The American Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12101 et seq)

This Act, along with the Department of Transportation (DOT) regulations “Transportation for Individuals with disabilities” (49 CFR Part 27, 37, and 38), prohibit discrimination against people with disabilities in employment, transportation, public accommodation, communications, governmental activities, and at commercial facilities.

8. The Older Americans Act, as amended (42 U.S.C 6101)

This Act prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in programs or activities receiving federal financial assistance.

9. Section 324 of title 23 U.S.C.

This section prohibits discrimination based on gender.

10. Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794), 49 CFR part 27

This section prohibits discrimination against individuals with disabilities.

Recommendation

MOTION: To endorse the proposed CNVMPO Resolution 2021-05, certifying that the transportation planning process is being conducted in accordance with federal requirements.



RESOLUTION 2021-05

URBAN TRANSPORTATION PLANNING CERTIFICATION CENTRAL NAUGATUCK VALLEY MPO

WHEREAS, the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO (CVNMPO) is required by the *Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act)* and related US Department of Transportation regulations to certify that the metropolitan transportation planning process is being carried out in accordance with all US Department of Transportation requirements and regulations and must submit such certification concurrent with the submittal of the entire proposed Transportation Improvement Program to the Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration as part of the STIP approval.

WHEREAS, the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments is the designated host agency for the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO and conducts the transportation planning process in accordance with the regulations promulgated by the US Department of Transportation and specified in the *FAST Act*, by preparing a Unified Planning Work Program, conducting and performing the transportation planning activities contained in the UPWP, preparing, maintaining and amending the endorsed short-range Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), preparing and updating the metropolitan transportation plan (MTP), assessing the air quality impacts of the proposed transportation improvement projects included in the TIP and MTP, and proactively involving the public in the metropolitan transportation planning process.

WHEREAS, the *CVNMPO* adheres to the principles of non-discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, sex, or age in employment or business opportunity, as specified in Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the Older Americans Act, and regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in USDOT funded projects and the implementation of an equal opportunity program on Federal and Federal-aid highway construction contracts.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO, the metropolitan planning organization for the Central Naugatuck metropolitan planning area and the Waterbury urbanized area hereby certifies that the urban transportation planning process has been and is being conducted in accordance with the terms and provisions of the rules and regulations promulgated by the US Department of Transportation under the FAST Act and all applicable provisions relative to public and private providers of mass transportation, civil rights, involvement of minority business enterprises, special efforts for elderly and disabled persons, the Clean Air Act and amendments, 23 USC and 49 USC have been satisfied.

This resolution shall become effective as of October 9, 2020.

I do hereby certify that the resolution adopted by the CNVMPO at a public meeting held on October 9, 2020, at which a quorum was present and that the same is a correct and true transcript from the original thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

October 9, 2020

Ed Mone
CNVMPO Secretary

Date



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MINUTES

Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments and

Central Naugatuck Valley MPO

Virtual Video Conference Meeting (with limited in-person attendance)

10 a.m., Friday, September 11, 2020

NVCOG Representatives: Sheila O'Malley, Alternate, Ansonia; Len Assard, First Selectman, Bethlehem; Ellen Zoppo-Sassu, Mayor, Bristol; Jerry Sitko, Alternate, Cheshire; Rich Dziekan, Mayor, Andrew Baklik, Alternate, Derby; Ed St. John, First Selectman, Middlebury; Pete Hess, Mayor, Naugatuck; George Temple, First Selectman, Oxford; David Merchant, Mayor, Plymouth; Bob Chatfield, Mayor, Prospect; Ed Mone, First Selectman, Thomaston; Judy Mancini, Proxy, Waterbury; Tom Dunn, Mayor, Wolcott; Barbara Perkinson, First Selectman, Woodbury.

Guests/Other: CTDOT Deputy Commissioner Garrett Eucalitto; Sara Radacsi, Kathryn Faraci, Kimberly Lesay, MaryBeth Wojenski, Pam Succato, CTDOT; Hedy Ayers, Samantha LaBonne, Eversource; April Chaplin, Kennedy Center; Lou Mangini, Congresswoman Rosa DeLauro's Office; David Murphy, Milone & MacBroom.

Staff: Rick Dunne, Mark Nielsen, Aaron Budris, Joanna Rogalski, Lauren Rizzo, Christian Meyer, John DiCarlo, Karen Svetz, Michael Szpryngel, Richard Crowther, Jr., Gabriel Filer, Jeremiah Vargas.

1. Commencement of Meeting (Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call, Public Comment)

Secretary Ed Mone called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Those in attendance recited the Pledge of Allegiance and the roll was called.

Public Comment: Hedy Ayers of Eversource spoke about recent storm-related service outages. Eversource has been responding to feedback received from PURA, legislators, and towns. Extended protections from service disconnections during the pandemic continue, and Eversource will be meeting with state regulators and stake holders before disconnections resume.

2. Discussion with CTDOT Deputy Commissioner Garrett Eucalitto

Mr. Eucalitto provided updates on CTDOT operations during COVID-19, public transportation services, and the state of the special transportation fund. He indicated that revenues into the STF are lower than expected due to COVID-19, and that projections for next year are also less than what is needed. Following his presentation, discussion with the NVCOG members took place.

Pete Hess spoke about train cars and the need for a real commuter line. He asked Mr. Eucalitto for the status of the requested improvements and enhancements to the Waterbury rail line. Mr. Eucalitto said that \$90 million has been spent for capital upgrades on the line, with an estimated completion date of December 2021 for signalization, Positive Train Control and passing sidings project. Mr. Eucalitto said no public transportation service in the country generates sufficient revenues to meet expenses and subsidies are needed. He said that would cost money to implement new service. The process that CTDOT must follow would be to submit a request to the legislature for more appropriations to be able to provide more services. This will be in the next budget cycle.

Rick Dunne said the legislature had endorsed allocating state funds for additional rail cars for the Waterbury and Danbury lines, but the administration decided to delete bonding for the Danbury and Waterbury rail cars from the bonding authorization. Considering the amount of money already spent (for the signalization project), and with a four to five-year lead time for new rail cars, Mr. Dunne said it is concerning that CTDOT cannot commit resources to ordering rail cars or implementing some level of service increase. Mr. Eucalitto said that even if new rail cars were already in place, new service cannot be launched without more appropriation from the general assembly to fund the expanded service. CTDOT's budget would need to be increased to pay for the service. The next step is to get appropriation support.

Ed Mone said a number of chief elected officials and municipal representatives attended a public hearing in Hartford where support was enormous for additional service on the Waterbury branch line. It would provide an economic opportunity in the Valley, an area that has been largely neglected with regard to transportation projects. He would like to see CTDOT take this information to the general assembly and show an honest and earnest effort, and then a case could be made relative to Mr. Eucalitto's points, but until that is done, the words seem hollow. Mr. Eucalitto disagreed and said CTDOT is invested in the line. Mr. Mone said until there is more service on the line, it is meaningless. Mr. Eucalitto said a budget option is submitted, and the governor and general assembly decide how to spend it. He noted there is no more money in the transportation fund. Mr. Mone would like notification prior to the budget request so that NVCOG members could be present as a show of support.

Mr. Dunne asked for clarification regarding whether CTDOT would be submitting a budget request that would include additional service on the Waterbury line and the ability to issue debt to order new rail cars. Mr. Eucalitto said CTDOT would be submitting a request to increase service on the rail line. As there is already a bond authorization for rail cars, another request would not need to be submitted. Mr. Dunne asked Mr. Eucalitto if he had any insight as to why authorization for additional rail cars for the Waterbury branch line had not been approved through the bond commission. Mr. Eucalitto said it is up to the governor's office, OPM, and the bond commission to determine what proceeds from what CTDOT submits. Mr. Mone said it was his recollection that the bond commission did approve additional rail cars, but none for the Waterbury line. Mr. Eucalitto confirmed this. Sheila O'Malley recalled that rail cars for the Waterbury branch line had been on the bonding commission's agenda and then were removed. Mr. Eucalitto said the removal had not been done by CTDOT. Mr. Dunne then asked about the establishment of priorities within CTDOT. Mr. Dunne said decisions made in the Bureau of Public Transportation and in the Office of Rails impact NVCOG municipalities. Decisions are made by CTDOT to make greater investments into the Hartford line and Shoreline East, but not into the Waterbury or Danbury lines. Being that there is a long lead time to order rail cars, Mr. Dunne asked, is there a specific proposal CTDOT plans to submit to increase service by a specific level on the Waterbury branch line? If so, how and when will rail cars be ordered? Mr. Eucalitto said he believes, without an order of new rail cars in hand, there are sets available that can be redeployed to the Waterbury branch line.

Mr. Dunne asked about the "Mixmaster" alternatives study that was initiated several years ago and how decisions are made concerning improvements to state routes that serve as the "Main Street" through a downtown area. Mr. Eucalitto said an analysis, needs and efficiencies study was done for the Mixmaster project and work is progressing on the development of a replacement alternatives process. Replacement alternatives are being developed, and there will be a meeting

held in the fall to discuss them with NVCOG and stakeholders. In 2017, a break was taken to pivot to the current process and look at the major rehab/no-build options and is now turning back to explore replacement alternatives. Kim Lesay said there is process of planning and environmental linkages that will take place prior to NEPA.

Mark Nielsen said the Mixmaster is an important project to the City of Waterbury and the region. Initially there was a lot of outreach, but a lack of communication has occurred over the past several years. He would like NVCOG to be kept informed of progress as part of the process, not informed afterward. Ms. Lesay will reach out to the project team.

Mr. Dunne agreed there is need for close collaboration among CTDOT, the towns, and the regions, and asked for a greater level of communication and information. He raised again the topic of state facilities that function as local roads. A priority in the region, supported by the CEOs, is that NVCOG be closely involved in any project on a state facility where it is a downtown, a main street, or main thoroughfare for the town. While these projects can be lengthy, complicated, and expensive due to infrastructure that's under the downtown road, there have been commitments made over the years in regard to these projects, and yet CEOs may find themselves in final design arguing with project managers, levels down from the commissioner, stating that the town has to pay for certain things. Projects put forth by previous commissioners or chief engineers sometimes are pulled back with statements that CTDOT does not pay for things for the towns such as street lighting, plantings, and crosswalks. Agreements are made and are then yanked away by lower level project managers. Mr. Eucalitto asked any CEO with concerns about a project to contact him.

Ed Mone asked about community connectivity grants. The Town of Thomaston has been trying to utilize its grant for several years. Three different plans have been submitted to the local DOT District Office. Due to certain local restrictions, particularly property lines, flexibility is needed in order to get things done. Mr. Eucalitto will have the head of the community collectivity grant program contact Mr. Mone.

3. **CNVMPPO Meeting** (*Voting members for these items are limited to the 15 CEOs in the CNVMPO area*)
 - a. *Approval of Amendments to the 2018-2021 CNVMPO TIP*
 - i. Amend State Project No. 0171-XXXX: CTfastrak – Infrastructure/Station/Facility Improvements (Various) – Gabriel Filer explained that this project will allow CTDOT to allocate FTA Section 5339 funds for the deployment of three battery-powered electric buses along the CTfastrak bus rapid transit corridor.

On a motion by Bob Chatfield, seconded by Tom Dunn, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve CNVMPO Resolution 2020-09 involving Project No. 0171-XXXX: CTfastrak – Infrastructure/Station/Facility Improvements (Various).

4. **NVCOG Administrative Items**
 - a. *Approval of the Minutes of the June 12, 2020 NVCOG & CNVMPO Meeting* – On a motion by Pete Hess, seconded by George Temple, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the minutes of the June 12, 2020 NVCOG & CNVMPO meeting.

- b. *Approval of Agency Financial Reports and Summaries for Periods Ending 6/30/20 (year-end report) and 7/31/20* – Michael Szpryngel explained there were two financial reports. The June 30, 2020 report shows a bottom line of \$86,733. There were no unexpected reductions in funding. NVCOG is waiting on approval for CARES Act – OMP Covid-19 Relief. On a motion by Bob Chatfield, seconded by Pete Hess, it was unanimously VOTED: To approve the agency financial reports and summaries for the period ending 6/30/20 (year-end report).

Mr. Szpryngel then reviewed the agency financial reports and summaries for the period ending 7/31/20. The report reflects that NVCOG is one month through the fiscal year. The bottom line is \$218,734, with no unexpected reductions in funding sources. NVCOG continues to wait on approval for CARES Act – OMP Covid-19 Relief. On a motion by Tom Dunn, seconded by Bob Chatfield, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve the agency financial reports and summaries for the period ending 7/31/20.

- c. *Discussion: Audit Services and FY 2020 Report* – Mr. Szpryngel said the audit was initiated two weeks ago. The goal is to have the final report ready for the audit committee in November. NVCOG is in the final year of its contract with AO & Company (formerly MAWC). An RFQ for an auditor will be released in January with selection in March. Mr. Dunne added that the audit committee is authorized to conduct the process and make the recommendation back to the board for selection.
- d. *Director's Report* – Mr. Dunne said the governor's office has assigned specific duties to the COGs with regard to the long-term economic recovery of the state, as well as with its short-term needs. NVCOG has applied to OPM for reimbursement of Covid related administrative costs through June 30 and has also supplied a projection through December 31. Negotiations are ongoing, but NVCOG expects to be reimbursed at least through June 30 under the CARES Act. The COGs have also written a statewide application to the federal EDA to help cover long-term economic recovery administrative costs. The COGs will be partnering with the Global Resilience Institute at Northeastern University and the McCrystal Group. Mr. Mone asked about projections for expenditures from July through December should they not be reimbursed. Mr. Dunne said Mr. Szpryngel has made exact projections. The issue of the prior year is an important one because NVCOG has expended that money, and it is expected to be reimbursed. The COGs were not allowed to use their RSG funding for this purpose. Without CARES Act money, RSG money will have to be expended. Mr. Mone asked for confirmation that, in essence, this would not create a deficient at the end of the year but might deny some services in another area. Mr. Dunne affirmed this and said some service work might be canceled until it could be afforded.

Additionally, Richard Crowther gave a brief update on the census, which is due to end on September 30.

5. **Authorization for Executive Director Rick Dunne to Execute MOU with the Western CT Council of Governments and the Northwest Hills Council of Governments regarding Functions and Responsibilities for DEMHS Region 5 under FFY 2020 Homeland Security REPT Grant Program**

On a motion by Bob Chatfield, seconded by Tom Dunn, it was unanimously

VOTED: To authorize Executive Director Rick Dunne to execute the MOU with the Western CT Council of Governments and the Northwest Hills Council of Governments regarding functions and responsibilities for DEMHS Region 5 under the FFY 2020 Homeland Security REPT Grant Program.

6. Authorization for Executive Director Rick Dunne to Execute Agreements for Previously Approved Program Applications

On a motion by Bob Chatfield, seconded by Pete Hess, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve NVCOG Resolution 2021-01 authorizing Executive Director Rick Dunne to execute agreements for previously approved program applications.

7. Authorization for NVCOG Executive Director Rick Dunne to Execute and Deliver the OPM Notice of Grant Award for the FY 21 Regional Services Grant

On a motion by Len Assard, seconded by Pete Hess, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve NVCOG Resolution 2021-00 authorizing Executive Director Rick Dunne to execute and deliver the OPM Notice of Grant Award for the FY 21 Regional Services Grant.

8. Authorization for NVCOG Executive Director Rick Dunne to Enter into a Formal Agreement with the Design Consultant Selected to Carry Out the Work of the Valley Transit District Bus Shelter Project

Gabriel Filer reported that in July 2020 NVCOG had issued an RFQ seeking qualified architectural and engineering firms to create specifications for new bus shelters, conduct site feasibility assessments, develop construction documents, and help facilitate the project. Approval of NVCOG Resolution 2021-05 will authorize the Executive Director to enter into a formal agreement to launch this project once a preferred candidate is selected. On a motion by Pete Hess, seconded by Tom Dunn, it was unanimously

VOTED: To endorse NVCOG Resolution 2021-05.

Rick Dunne revisited Agenda Item 7 as there is a clause in the OPM Notice of Grant Award that he wanted the board to be aware of. A work plan and annual report are presented to OPM as a condition of the grant, last year NVCOG had been directed to study the consolidation of public service answering points (911 systems) and regional tax assessment functions. NVCOG looked at the issues and provided a report assessing the level of interest. OPM has now requested another report on the issues but has provided no guidance as to what constitutes a proper response to their request. OPM has stated that if no response is received by March, they will confiscate the fourth quarter allocation. This is not specific to NVCOG but is an issue for all the COGs. NVCOG has a plan to address it. Mr. Dunne said neither study topic had elicited overwhelming interest from the NVCOG municipalities, but there were other topics that had.

9. NVCOG Planning/Transportation

- a. *LOTICIP: Approval of NVCOG Resolution 2021-06 – Third Party Review for Harwinton Avenue Project in Plymouth* – Karen Svetz said NVCOG had solicited requests for proposals

and bids from the consultants on the approved on-call list to conduct the professional design review for the final design plans for the Harwinton Avenue Reconstruction Project in the Town of Plymouth. The lowest qualified bid was submitted by BL Companies at a cost not-to-exceed \$4,900. Approval was being sought for NVCOG Resolution 2021-06 authorizing the Executive Director to execute any and all agreements with BL Companies related to the professional design review of the Harwinton Avenue Reconstruction Project. On a motion by Bob Chatfield, seconded by Len Assard, with Judy Mancini voting no, it was

VOTED: To approve NVCOG Resolution 2021-06. City of Waterbury voted not to approve the agreement.

- b. *Approval of New Project: Beacon Valley Road Reconstruction, Beacon Falls* – Christian Meyer said this project would address varied and inadequate travel lane widths, failing pavement structure and obsolete drainage facilities. The current reconstruction cost is estimated at \$700,000 and the municipality will be responsible for all associated design costs. Mr. Meyer requested endorsement of NVCOG Resolution 2021-07, committing regionally apportioned LOTCIP funds to the described roadway reconstruction project in the Town of Beacon Falls. On a motion by Bob Chatfield, seconded by Pete Hess, it was unanimously

VOTED: To endorse NVCOG Resolution 2021-07.

- c. *Approval of NVCOG Resolution 2021-03 Authorizing Executive Director Rick Dunne to Enter into an Agreement with Fuss & O'Neill to Provide Professional Planning and Engineering Services in Connection with the West Main Street Corridor Study in Waterbury* – On a motion by Bob Chatfield, seconded by Pete Hess, it was unanimously

VOTED: To approve NVCOG Resolution 2021-03.

- d. *Approval of NVCOG Resolution 2021-04 Authorizing Executive Director Rick Dunne to Enter into an Agreement with BL Companies Connecticut Inc., to Provide Professional Planning and Engineering Services in Connection with the Route 229 Corridor Study in Bristol and Southington* – On a motion by Bob Chatfield, seconded by Tom Dunn, with Judy Mancini voting no, it was

VOTED: To approve NVCOG Resolution 2021-04. City of Waterbury voted not to approve the agreement.

10. Environmental Planning

- a. *Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan* – Aaron Budris provided an overview of the need for natural hazard mitigation plans as required by FEMA. He introduced David Murphy of Milone & MacBroom who will be the consultant on this project. Mr. Murphy gave a presentation on the purpose and need for a hazard mitigation plan. He provided an update on hazard mitigation grant programs, how the plan can be used, the status of existing plans, the schedule for the multi-jurisdictional update, the approach to public engagement, and the scheduling of local meetings.

- b. *Kinneytown Dam Discussion* – Rick Dunne said this item was added to the NVCOG work plan. Inquiries had been received from CEOs concerning the investments made by DEEP and the state upriver to breach dams. \$6.3 million was expended to build the fish bypass in Seymour. The Kinneytown Dam is south of that. NVCOG has requested data on fish passage at the dam, as it does not appear that any fish are passing. Pete Hess noted it was worth the effort to find a solution.
- c. *Brownfields Activities Update* – Mr. Dunne said the brownfields program has three pieces, the regular brownfields program that does assessments under the Regional Brownfields Partnership, the Revolving Loan Fund, and the Connecticut Brownfields Land Bank. Those towns with assessment needs should contact Lesley Barewin at NVCOG. The MOU with the land bank has been executed and the bylaws are currently being revised.

11. Regional and Municipal Shared Services Update

- a. *Household Hazardous Waste Events* – John DiCarlo noted that 15 NVCOG towns participate in the household hazardous waste program. The last collection event for this year will be held on September 26 in Ansonia. The collection held in Waterbury in July had the highest turnout the program has ever had. A higher than usual turnout is also expected for the September event, which will have extended hours.

12. Emergency Management Update

- a. *Covid Economic Recovery Update* – Joanna Rogalski said the state emergency declaration has been extended to February 9, 2021. All executive orders that did not have an expiration date will expire on November 9, 2020. The state is reviewing all orders to determine which ones are needed. FEMA issued guidance for reimbursement for municipal expenses related to Covid-19, but further clarification is needed. The Federal Department of Health and Human Services is providing the state with cloth masks that will be distributed to schools. Additionally, Ms. Rogalski said the main goal of regional recovery steering committees is to identify unmet needs and to partner with local committees. Each town is required to have a local emergency operations plan with a local recovery coordinator. The state has asked that the local coordinator not be the emergency management director.
- b. *DEMHS Region 5 Regional Emergency Planning Team (REPT) Update* – Ms. Rogalski said the last Region 5 REPT meeting was held on August 17. A spending plan for fiscal year 2020 was adopted. The next CEO meeting for Region 5 will be on November 16.
- c. *Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Update* – Ms. Rogalski said the state had sent out a call for volunteers for these teams to work with the state on contact tracing.

13. Other

Ms. Rogalski said the Town of Ridgefield, along with three other municipalities, has filed a motion with PURA for immediate relief for all Connecticut municipalities affected by the recent collapse of Eversource's make safe and liaison programs during the Tropical Storm Isaias event. NVCOG will also be sending a letter to support the motion. Ed St. John said there is a major problem with responding to the make safe time with the proper crews and felt it would be beneficial for the NVCOG municipalities to join in with Ridgefield and the other three municipalities. Ed Mone agreed that the response from Eversource was not the best and recommended that each municipality evaluate the situation.

14. Adjournment

At 11:45 a.m., on a motion by Pete Hess, seconded by Rich Dziekan, it was unanimously

VOTED: To adjourn the meeting.

Respectfully submitted by
Lauren Rizzo
Administrative Services Coordinator
for
Ed Mone, Secretary



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RESOLUTION 2020-09

AMENDMENT

**FFY 2018-2021 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
CENTRAL NAUGATUCK VALLEY MPO**

WHEREAS, the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO is authorized by the *Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act)* and related US Department of Transportation regulations to prepare, endorse, and periodically amend a short range Transportation Improvement Program for the 15-town MPO area within the Waterbury Urbanized Area and is required to maintain a fiscally-constrained program of priority projects.

WHEREAS, the CNVMPO endorsed the *FFY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program for the Central Naugatuck Valley Planning Region (TIP)* at its June 9, 2017, meeting; and the US Department of Transportation (Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration) have approved the *State FFY 2018-2021 Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)*.

WHEREAS, the Connecticut Department of Transportation is requesting amendment of the FFY 2018-2021 TIP to allocate FTA Section 5339 grant funds for project 0171-XXXX.

WHEREAS, the proposed projects do not necessitate a new Air Quality Conformity Determination.

WHEREAS, the public notification and review of these amendments was consistent with and followed the procedures set forth in the MPO's public involvement guidelines, and the proposed amendments are consistent with the metropolitan transportation plan for the Central Naugatuck Valley planning region.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Central Naugatuck Valley MPO approves the amendment of the FFY 2018-2021 TIP to allocate federal aid funds as listed and described in the attachment to this resolution.

This resolution shall become effective as of September 11, 2020.

I do hereby certify that the resolution adopted by the Central Naugatuck Valley MPO at a public meeting held on September 11, 2020, at which a quorum was present and that the same is a correct and true transcript from the original thereof.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ed Mone", is written over a horizontal line.

Ed Mone, Secretary

September 11, 2020

Date

NVCOG RESOLUTION 2021-00

SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE/RESOLUTION

I, Edmond Mone, Secretary of Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments, an organization (the "Organization") existing under the laws of the State of Connecticut, certify that the following are true and complete resolutions which were adopted at a duly called and held meeting of the governing body of Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments on 9/11/2020, and that such resolutions have not been amended or modified and continue to be in full force and effect:

RESOLVED, that the Organization execute and deliver to the State of Connecticut a Notice of Grant Award (the "Agreement") in the amount of \$570,382.19 for the 2021 Regional Services Grant.

RESOLVED, that Rick Dunne, as Executive Director of the Organization, is directed to execute and deliver the Agreement on behalf of the Organization and to do all things necessary or appropriate to carry out the terms of the Agreement, including executing and delivering all agreements and documents contemplated by the Agreement.

I further certify that Rick Dunne now holds the office of Executive Director and that he/she has held that office since 1/3/2005.

I am signing this certificate on 9/11/2020.

 _____, Secretary

Signature





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**RESOLUTION
OF THE
NAUGATUCK VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
#2021-01**

IT IS RESOLVED BY the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments that its Executive Director Rick Dunne be empowered to sign any and all documents required in the acceptance and execution of state or federal assistance grants or programs already applied for and approved by the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments and offered by the Grantor.

Dated at Waterbury, Connecticut on this 11th day of September 2021.

Ed Mone, Secretary
Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments

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**RESOLUTION OF THE
NAUGATUCK VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
#2021-03**

Authorization to enter into an agreement with Fuss & O'Neill to provide professional planning and engineering services in connection with the West Main Street Corridor Study in Waterbury

Waterbury, Connecticut

I certify that the following is a true copy of the vote of the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments on September 11, 2020 in Waterbury, Connecticut, a quorum being established:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council authorized Executive Director Rick Dunne to enter into an agreement with Fuss & O'Neill to provide technical and planning support for the West Main Street Corridor Study in Waterbury, and to sign all documents relevant to that undertaking.

The Secretary is authorized to impress the seal of the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments on any such documents, amendments, rescission, or revision.

Dated at Waterbury, Connecticut, on September 11, 2020

Agency: Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments

Signed

Ed Mone, Secretary

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**RESOLUTION OF THE
NAUGATUCK VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
#2021-04**

Authorization to enter into an agreement with BL Companies Connecticut Inc., to provide professional planning and engineering services in connection with the Route 229 Corridor Study in Bristol and Southington

Waterbury, Connecticut

I certify that the following is a true copy of the vote of the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments on September 11, 2020 in Waterbury, Connecticut, a quorum being established:

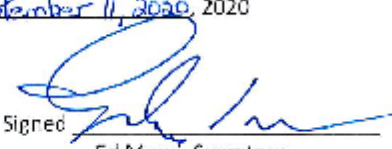
BE IT RESOLVED, that the Council authorized Executive Director Rick Dunne to enter into an agreement with BL Companies Connecticut Inc. to provide technical and planning support for the Route 229 Corridor Study in Bristol and Southington, and to sign all documents relevant to that undertaking.

The Secretary is authorized to impress the seal of the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments on any such documents, amendments, rescission, or revision.

Dated at Waterbury, Connecticut, on September 11, 2020, 2020

Agency: Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments

Signed


Ed Moné, Secretary



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**RESOLUTION OF THE
NAUGATUCK VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
#2021-05**

**Authorization to enter into an agreement to provide professional architectural and
engineering services in connection with VTD Bus Shelter Project**

I certify that the following is a true copy of the vote of the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments at its meeting on September 11, 2020, in Waterbury, Connecticut, at which a quorum was present.

WHEREAS, The NVCOG is responsible for receiving funds under the FTA Section 5307: Urbanized Area Formula Grant to cover the costs associated with hiring a design consultant to help facilitate the Valley Transit District Bus Shelter Project ("Project").

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments authorizes the Executive Director to enter a formal agreement between NVCOG and the design consultant selected to carry out the work of the Valley Transit District Bus Shelter Project as described in Memorandum 20200911-VTD-BUSHELTERS.

The Secretary is authorized to impress the seal of the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments on any such documents, amendments, rescission, or revision.

Dated at Waterbury, Connecticut, on September 11, 2020

Agency: Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments

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RESOLUTION 2021-06

**LOTICIP
PROFESSIONAL DESIGN REVIEW SERVICES**

I certify that the following is a true copy of the vote of the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments at its meeting on September 11, 2020 in Waterbury, Connecticut, at which a quorum was present.

WHEREAS, the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments receives funds from the Connecticut Department of Transportation under the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP) to administer the program and conduct professional review of design plans and specifications prepared by local project sponsors.

WHEREAS, the NVCOG conducted a qualifications-based selection process to create an on-call consultant list to conduct the professional review of design plans and specifications submitted by LOTICIP project sponsors.

WHEREAS, the NVCOG solicited requests for proposals and bids from the consultants on the approved on-call list to conduct the professional design review for the final design plans for the Harwinton Avenue Reconstruction Project in the Town of Plymouth.

WHEREAS, the lowest qualified bid received, at a cost not-to-exceed \$4,500 was submitted by BL Companies.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the NVCOG endorses the selection of BL Companies from the NVCOG on-call consultant list to conduct the professional design review for the Harwinton Avenue Reconstruction Project and authorizes the Executive Director to execute any and all agreements with BL Companies related to the professional design review of the Harwinton Avenue Reconstruction Project.

Dated at Waterbury, Connecticut, on September 11, 2020

Agency: Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments

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RESOLUTION 2021-07

LOTICIP

**ALLOCATE NVCOG ATTRIBUTABLE FUNDS FOR THE BEACON VALLEY ROAD
RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, BEACON FALLS**

I certify that the following is a true copy of the vote of the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments at its meeting on September 11, 2020, in Waterbury, Connecticut, at which a quorum was present.

WHEREAS, The NVCOG is responsible for selecting and distributing funds to member municipalities under the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program ("Program").

BE IT RESOLVED, that the NVCOG approves the allocation of \$0.84 million in Program funds attributable to the Naugatuck Valley planning region to fully fund the Beacon Valley Road Reconstruction project as described and modified in Memorandum 20200911-LOTICIP.

Dated at Waterbury, Connecticut, on September 11, 2020

Agency: Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments

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Ed Mone, Secretary

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October 2, 2020

MEMORANDUM: 10022020-FIN-01

To: NVCOG Board Members
From: Michael P. Szpryngel, Director of Finance
Subject: Financial Report for Period Ending August 31, 2020

Financial Statements

**NVCOG
Balance Sheet
For Period Ending August 31, 2020**

Assets	
Checking Account [1]	1,089,984
Accounts Receivable	1,027,904
Other Assets	689,703
Total Assets	2,807,592
Liabilities & Equity	
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	43,368
Accruals	199,329
Deferred Revenue	999,102
Other Current Liabilities	689,703
Total Liabilities	1,931,502
Equity	
General Fund - Unrestricted	679,971
Net Position	196,119
Total Equity	876,090
Total Liabilities & Equity	2,807,592

NVCOG
Bank Balances
For Period Ending August 31, 2020

Bank Account	Beginning Balance	Increase (Decrease)	Ending Balance
Checking	158,426	(54,917)	103,509
Money Market	807,050	(49,179)	757,871
RLF	510,805	13,463	524,268
	1,476,281	(90,633)	1,385,648

NVCOG
Deferred Revenue
For Period Ending August 31, 2020

Fund	Beginning Balance FY 20	Decrease	Increase	Ending Balance August 31, 2020
RLF Program Income	517,455	-	20,232	537,687
PL Carry Over Funds	17,886	(119)	-	17,768
Transportation Projects	283,830	(104)	-	283,726
EPA	(6,284)	-	-	(6,284)
LOTICIP-NVCOG	83,632	(15,134)	-	68,497
DECD Projects	1,891	-	-	1,891
DEMHS/Homeland Sec	18,896	(2,831)	8,200	24,265
CERT Citiz Emerg Resp	1,810	(222)	-	1,588
FEMA	-	(296)	49,400	49,104
Reg Incentive Gt Programs	7,119	-	-	7,119
OPM/RSG 2020	51,981	(119)	-	51,862
OPM/RSG 2021	-	(104,319)	-	(104,319)
DEEP Greenway	6,937	(1,463)	-	5,474
Regional Planner Town Split	8,657	(11,323)	20,098	17,432
LOCAL-POCD	47	-	-	47
Local Projects	2,058	(996)	-	1,062
SHEL-GIS	6,630	-	-	6,630
Hazardous Waste	16,261	(9,623)	15,001	21,639
General Fund Total	4,913	-	9,000	13,913
Total	1,023,719	(146,549)	121,931	999,102

NVCOG
Profit & Loss | Budget vs. Actual
For July 1, 2018 – August 31, 2020

Funding	Total Budget			G & A			Direct Pass Through		
	Adopted Budget 5/8/2020	Actual	Variance	Adopted Budget 5/8/2020	Actual	Variance	Adopted Budget 5/8/2020	Actual	Variance
PL Funding	930,812	108,281	12%	930,812	107,428	12%	-	853	0%
PL Carry Over	382,874	2,816	1%	120,674	1,629	1%	262,200	1,188	0%
Transportation Projects	400,000	55,766	14%	-	1,041	0%	400,000	54,725	14%
EPA - Old	30,787	11,382	37%	2,787	3,800	136%	28,000	7,582	27%
EPA - New	137,288	-	0%	20,788	-	0%	116,500	-	0%
EPA - Program Income	48,250	-	0%	16,250	-	0%	32,000	-	0%
FTA	568,964	54,938	10%	57,964	17,541	30%	511,000	37,397	7%
LOT/CIP	120,800	15,134	13%	100,800	9,673	10%	20,000	5,461	27%
DECD	52,000	3,894	7%	-	-	0%	52,000	3,894	7%
DEHMS	8,400	2,831	34%	8,400	2,831	34%	-	-	0%
CERT	4,000	222	6%	4,000	222	6%	-	-	0%
FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation	255,000	8,585	3%	5,000	1,833	37%	250,000	6,751	3%
FEMA - Local Match	27,260	2,547	9%	25,760	296	1%	1,500	2,250	150%
RSG [*]	570,882	104,319	18%	538,669	102,393	19%	32,213	1,926	6%
RSG FY2020 Ext [1]	84,000	119	0%	-	-	0%	84,000	119	0%
Resilient CT	30,000	3,342	11%	30,000	3,342	11%	-	-	0%
DEEP	16,000	5,106	32%	12,000	1,463	12%	4,000	3,643	91%
Regional Incentives	701,000	64,356	9%	-	-	0%	701,000	64,356	9%
Regional Election Monitor	10,000	-	0%	-	-	0%	10,000	-	0%
Regional Municipal Services [2]	170,884	11,803	7%	170,884	11,320	7%	-	483	0%
Fish & Wild Life	-	1,687	0%	-	887	0%	-	800	0%
Shelton GIS	3,000	3,000	100%	-	-	0%	3,000	3,000	100%
Household Hazardous Waste	111,500	47,900	43%	15,000	9,853	66%	96,500	38,047	39%
Municipal Dues	223,152	223,152	100%	223,152	223,152	100%	-	-	0%
Brownfield Dues	25,000	27,000	108%	25,000	27,000	108%	-	-	0%
COVID Relief - OPM [3]	-	19,543	0%	-	17,265	0%	-	2,278	0%
Local Projects [4]	-	996	0%	-	996	0%	-	-	0%
Capital Purchasing Program	7,000	-	0%	-	-	0%	7,000	-	0%
Miscellaneous	800	22	3%	800	-	0%	-	22	0%
Interest	2,000	121	6%	2,000	121	6%	-	-	0%
Total Funding	4,921,653	778,863	16%	2,310,740	544,089	24%	2,610,913	234,774	9%
Expenses									
Salaries	1,421,384	200,062	14%	1,421,384	200,062	14%	-	-	0%
Payroll Taxes	101,086	16,012	16%	101,086	16,012	16%	-	-	0%
Pension	90,605	35,103	39%	90,605	35,103	39%	-	-	0%
Medical/Life/Disability	389,694	53,281	14%	389,694	53,281	14%	-	-	0%
G&A - Schedule 1	412,671	51,393	12%	307,971	43,512	14%	104,700	7,881	8%
Direct Pass Through - Schedule 1	2,506,213	226,894	9%	-	-	0%	2,506,213	226,894	9%
Total Expenses	4,921,653	582,744	12%	2,310,740	347,970	15%	2,610,913	234,774	9%
Fund Balance Increase (Decrease)	-	196,119	0%	-	196,119	0%	-	-	0%

NVCOG
Profit & Loss | Schedule 1 G&A
For July 1, 2020 – August 31, 2020

Expenses	Total			Indirect			Direct		
	Adopted Budget 5/8/2020	Actual	Variance	Adopted Budget 5/8/2020	Actual	Variance	Adopted Budget 5/8/2020	Actual	Variance
Advertisement	8,000	3,860	48%	2,000	-	0%	6,000	3,860	64%
Capital Equipment									
IT Equipment	15,700	-	0%	10,000	-	0%	5,700	-	0%
Office Equipment	5,000	-	0%	5,000	-	0%	-	-	0%
Computer Software & Maintenance									
Software	47,000	9,299	20%	25,000	9,299	37%	22,000	-	0%
IT Maintenance [1]	15,156	3,639	24%	15,156	3,639	24%	-	-	0%
Contractors / Subcontractors	-	-	0%	-	-	0%	-	-	0%
Dues/Professional / Conferences	5,000	2,590	52%	5,000	2,590	52%	-	-	0%
Insurance									
Business / Office	15,000	7,483	50%	15,000	7,483	50%	-	-	0%
Workers Comp	4,000	620	16%	4,000	620	16%	-	-	0%
Lease Expense	2,500	210	8%	2,500	210	8%	-	-	0%
Professional Services									
Accounting	20,000	-	0%	20,000	-	0%	-	-	0%
Legal	45,000	391	1%	15,000	(719)	-5%	30,000	1,110	4%
Printing	6,000	642	11%	5,000	620	12%	1,000	22	2%
Office Supplies	25,000	2,200	9%	20,000	1,298	6%	5,000	903	18%
Rent	84,315	12,775	15%	84,315	12,775	15%	-	-	0%
Repairs / Renovations	20,000	-	0%	20,000	-	0%	-	-	0%
Telephone/Internet Service	15,000	1,726	12%	15,000	1,726	12%	-	-	0%
Training / Professional Development	5,000	1,500	30%	1,000	-	0%	4,000	1,500	38%
Travel/Meetings	41,000	613	1%	15,000	127	1%	26,000	486	2%
Utilities									
Leavenworth	15,000	2,587	17%	15,000	2,587	17%	-	-	0%
Derby Train Station [2]	10,000	770	8%	5,000	770	15%	5,000	-	0%
Website	5,000	390	8%	5,000	390	8%	-	-	0%
Unemployment [3]	-	90	0%	-	90	0%	-	-	0%
Bank Fees [4]	1,000	9	1%	1,000	9	1%	-	-	0%
Miscellaneous [5]	1,000	-	0%	1,000	-	0%	-	-	0%
Contingency	2,000	-	0%	2,000	-	0%	-	-	0%
Total	412,671	51,393	12%	307,971	43,512	14%	104,700	7,881	8%
Direct Expenses <Contractors/Subs>	2,506,213	226,894	9%	-	-	0%	2,506,213	226,894	9%
Total Expenses	2,918,884	278,286	10%	307,971	43,512	14%	2,610,913	234,774	9%

Finance Report

NVCOG is 2 months through Fiscal Year 2020 – 16.67%

- Bottom Line: \$196,119
- There have not been any unexpected reductions in NVCOG's funding sources
- Regional Service Grant Q1 billed in September, expecting payment in October
- EPA 2016 Assessment has been extended by 1 year, closing 9/30/2020
- Waiting on approval for CAREs Act – OMP COVID 19 Relief approval

Revenue Items

- EPA – Old: 136% - RLF ends September 30th
- Household Hazardous Waste: 66% - Collection in July
- Dues: Paid at the beginning of the year

Expenses Items

- Pension: 39% - Executive Director Pension Paid at beginning of the year, per Board Approval
- Dues/Professional / Conferences: 52% - Dues are paid at the beginning of the year

Notes to Financial Statements

Balance Sheet

[1] There is a difference in the cash balances from the bank statements and the cash balance from the Balance Sheet due to checks to vendors that have not been cashed.

Budget to Actual

[*] RSG Distribution Anticipated to begin in November

[1] RSG - "No Cost" Extension for Wastewater Project

[2] Formerly Labeled "Municipal Shared Planner"; Combination of Municipal Shared Planner and Shared Building Inspector

[3] Not in Adopted Budget, Pending Approval of Funding from OPM

[4] Smaller projects not covered in Adopted Budget

Schedule 1 G&A

[1] Previously "IT Maintenance Agreement"; includes the maintenance agreement and additional computer maintenance

[2] Will be opening an FTA grant for a Facility Assessment of the Derby Train Station; this will move all or part of the cost to direct pass through

[3] Unemployment not previously in budget

[4] Not previously in budget; People's Bank is adding fees to our account, will shop around for a new bank with no fees

[5] N/A



October 9, 2020

MEMORANDUM: 20201009-LOTICIP

To: NVCOG Board and Alternates
From: Christian Meyer, Supervising Transportation Planner
Subject: LOTICIP Update

The Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP) provides state funds to planning regions to solicit and fund transportation project development. The LOTICIP represents an important portion of regional transportation infrastructure spending for local roadway and active transportation projects. Over the course of the calendar year, capital improvement projects funded under the LOTICIP continued to progress and have seen no major disruptions. Three projects have been completed this year and NVCOG staff expect two more to be completed before the end of the year.

To date \$54.5 million has been allocated to the NVCOG region by the Connecticut State Bonding Commission. To date, \$24.2 million has been expended for NVCOG program of projects, leaving a current balance of \$30.3 million. Additionally, the CTDOT has the authority to ask the SBC for an additional \$8.8 million in 2021 funds, as needed.

Local Program Status

1.	Completed	11 Projects	\$20.7 Million
2.	Under Construction	2 Projects	\$6.2 Million
3.	Under Design	10 Projects	\$34.5 Million
4.	Applications Under Review with CTDOT	3 Projects	n/a
5.	Preliminary Planning	9 Projects	n/a

Total Funds Committed (1+2+3): 35 Projects \$61.5 Million

October 9, 2020

MEMORANDUM: 20201009-LOTICIP

To: NVCOG Board
From: Karen Svetz, Regional Transportation Engineer
Subject: **Endorsement of revised construction cost estimate**

The Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program (LOTICIP) allocates state funds along planning region boundaries. The NVCOG has been assigned the responsibility of selecting eligible projects and distributing funds to member municipalities. Connecticut Department of Transportation LOTICIP guidelines stipulate that the estimated project cost must be endorsed by the council of governments board before they can proceed to application phase and each subsequent time the total project cost estimate increases by 20% or greater.

The full depth reclamation of Beach Road in Wolcott was first endorsed by the NVCOG Board in 2015. In 2018, following the completion of the CTDOT LOTICIP application, the NVCOG re-endorsed the project for \$1.8 million in LOTICIP funds. The current construction estimate will require a LOTICIP allocation of \$2.7 million for the reconstruction of this roughly 1.15 section of road. There are several factors that have contributed to this cost increase: (1) this current estimate reflects revisions that were needed to adhere to program design standards as specified by CTDOT and directed by NVCOG, and (2) the current plans are reaching completion, incorporating needed safety modifications to finalization of construction item quantities.

NVCOG staff with the guidance of the NVCOG TTAC have reviewed the application and concur with the current estimate.

COST ESTIMATE CHANGES FOR LOTICIP PROJECTS GREATER THAN 20%				
Town	Project Name	Initial LOTICIP Grant Estimate*	Current LOTICIP Grant Estimate*	Percent Change
Wolcott	Beach Road Reclamation	\$1,786,268.00	\$2,688,400.00	50.50%
* Includes 10% for Incidentals and 10% for Contingencies				

TTAC Recommend: Adopt Resolution 2021-08 approving the revised construction cost estimate for Beach Road in Wolcott.



RESOLUTION 2021-08

LOTICIP

ENDORSEMENT OF REVISED PROJECT COST ESTIMATE

I certify that the following is a true copy of the vote of the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments at its meeting on October 9, 2020, in Waterbury, Connecticut, at which a quorum was present.

WHEREAS, The NVCOG is responsible for selecting and distributing funds to member municipalities under the Local Transportation Capital Improvement Program ("Program").

WHEREAS, Program guidelines stipulate that changes in cost greater than 20% require review and approval by the Council of Governments.

WHEREAS, the current cost estimate for the proposed project to reconstruct Beach Road in Wolcott, Connecticut, funded under the Program, has increased by greater than 20% since endorsed by the NVCOG.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments approves the revised construction cost estimate as enumerated and described in Memorandum 20201009-LOTICIP.

Dated at Waterbury, Connecticut, on October 9, 2020

Agency: Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments

Signed _____
Neil O'Leary, Chairman

October 9, 2020

MEMORANDUM: 20201009-LOTICIP

To: NVCOG Board
From: Christian Meyer, Supervising Transportation Planner
Subject: **Active Transportation Grant Solicitations**

Community Connectivity

The CTDOT has opened a third solicitation for Community Connectivity Grants to towns and cities across Connecticut to fund municipal construction projects. Five million dollars was approved by the State Bond Commission to fund the competitive grant program that supports pedestrian and bicycle safety and improved access to city and town centers for residents of the state.

The Community Connectivity Grant Program (CCGP) is an infrastructure improvement program that provides funding to improve the safety and accessibility for bicyclists and pedestrians in urban, suburban and rural community centers. By focusing on making conditions safer and more accommodating for pedestrians and cyclists, the goal is to encourage more people to use these healthy and environmentally sustainable modes of travel.

The funding limits for grant awards have increased to range between \$125,000 and \$600,000. Applications are available on the program website (<https://ctconnectivity.com/>) and the submittal deadline is October 16, 2020. Projects from municipalities which have completed or have not yet received a grant will be given priority.

Active Living/Active Transportation Grant

CRCOG has been engaged by the CT Department of Public Health (DPH) to lead the Active Transportation component of DPH's State Physical Activity and Nutrition (SPAN) grant.

The SPAN grant is a statewide effort and in order to successfully complete trainings and projects across the state, CRCOG and their team of consultants are working with the eight other regional councils of governments to solicit and select projects to receive award funding and assistance.

Funding is available for complete street educational training or consulting, small scale complete street implementation projects, and bike racks. Additionally, in this year's solicitation a new "train the trainer" program is being offered. This opportunity is a one-day workshop presented by Bike Walk CT and will provide Connecticut educators with the resources, tools, and skills they need to implement and teach a comprehensive bicycling education program in the elementary schools, specifically geared to train educators how to teach safe bicycling to 4th grade students.

NVCOG Staff will be distributing the solicitations once they have been made available. Please do not hesitate to contact the NVCOG Staff for further details.



October 9, 2020

MEMORANDUM: 20201009-FTA

To: NVCOG Board and Alternates
From: Mark Nielsen, Director of Planning
Subject: FTA Pilot TOD Grant Program

The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) announced the availability of \$6.22 million under the Pilot Program for TOD Planning. The program will award grants of between \$250,000 and \$2,000,000 to eligible entities to support comprehensive planning for Transit Oriented Developments associated with new fixed guideway and core capacity improvement projects.

The Pilot TOD Program is intended to fund comprehensive planning that supports economic development, ridership, multimodal connectivity and accessibility, increased transit access for pedestrian and bicycle traffic, and mixed-use development near transit stations. The program also encourages identification of infrastructure needs and engagement with the private sector. The program requires comprehensive planning covering the entire transit capital project corridor, rather than planning studies for individual station areas or only a small section of the corridor.

Eligible applicants need to be designated recipients of FTA funds and the proposed planning work must be associated with a new fixed guideway project or a core capacity improvement project. This latter criterion refers to a project that increases the capacity along the fixed-guideway by more than 10%. The applicant must either be the project sponsor of an eligible transit capital project or an entity with land use planning authority in an eligible transit capital project corridor. To ensure planning work reflects the needs and aspirations of the local community and results in a plan of action supported by all affected stakeholders, the FTA requires a partnership between these two entities

The NVCOG, as a designated FTA recipient, is considering submitting an application under the FTA Pilot TOD Program. The planning project will focus on the Waterbury Rail Line and develop comprehensive TOD plans for each of the WRL stations. To adhere to FTA requirements, we will need to create partnerships with each municipality along the line, as the land use planning authorities, and with CTDOT – Office of Rails, as the owner of the eligible transit capital project. The associated transit capital project is the on-going, \$110 million investment in the WRL to install a traffic control signal system, Positive Train Control system, and by-pass sidings. These

capital projects will increase the capacity along the line from roughly one train per two-hours to about ten trains an hour, an increase substantially greater than 10%.

The Pilot Program for TOD Planning study will help develop plans to integrate land use and transportation planning around the current CTDOT investment in the WRL. The project will examine ways to improve economic development in the host downtowns, increase ridership, foster multimodal connectivity and accessibility, improve transit access for pedestrian and bicycle traffic, engage the private sector, identify infrastructure needs, and enable mixed-use development near transit stations.

Recommendation

Endorse NVCOG Resolution 2020-xx authorizing the Executive Director to submit an application to FTA under the Pilot TOD Program and execute any and all documents and agreements necessary to conduct the planning project, including partnership agreements with the CTDOT—Office of Rails and each municipality along the Waterbury Rail Line.



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RESOLUTION 2021-09

**FTA PILOT TOD PROGRAM
ENDORSEMENT TO SUBMIT APPLICATION**

I certify that the following is a true copy of the vote of the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments at its meeting on October 9, 2020, in Waterbury, Connecticut, at which a quorum was present.

WHEREAS, The FTA announced the availability of grant funds under the Pilot TOD Program ("Program").

WHEREAS, the NVCOG, as a designated recipient of FTA funds, is eligible to apply for a grant under the Program, and the Waterbury Rail Line is the associated transit capital project.

WHEREAS, the NVCOG will use grant funds from the Program to complete comprehensive TOD plans for each of the station area along the Waterbury Rail.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments authorizes the submittal of an application to FTA under the Program and authorizes the Executive Director, Rick Dunne, to execute any and all documents and agreements required by the Program.

Dated at Waterbury, Connecticut, on October 9, 2020

Agency: Naugatuck Valley Council of Governments

Signed _____
Neil O'Leary, Chairman