

Minutes of May 30, 2024 MPO Meeting



# Regular Meeting Greater Bridgeport & Valley Metropolitan Planning Organization May 30, 2024 at 10:00am

# Connecticut Metropolitan Council of Governments 1000 Lafayette Boulevard, Bridgeport, CT 06604

Name Representing

David Cassetti, Mayor, Remote (Sheila O'Malley, Proxy, Remote) Ansonia David Bindelglass, First Selectman, Remote Easton William Gerber, First Selectman, Remote Fairfield Terry Rooney, First Selectman (10:06) Monroe Mark Lauretti, Mayor, Chairman Shelton and VTD Laura Hoydick, Mayor, Vice-Chair, Remote Stratford Vicki Tesoro, First Selectman Trumbull Doug Sutherland, GBT Chairman **GBT** 

Patrick Carleton, Deputy Director MetroCOG Matthew Fulda, Executive Director MetroCOG Meghan Sloan, Planning Director MetroCOG Colleen Kelleher, Finance Director, Remote MetroCOG Richard Donovan, Remote **NVCOG** Eyitayo Olaleye, Remote **NVCOG** Elizabeth Esposito Avangrid Kevin Tedesco CTDOT

#### **Minutes**

#### I. CALL TO ORDER MPO Chairman

The GBVMPO meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Mayor Lauretti, at 10:03 am.

Mayor Lauretti suggested that members consider in-person attendance as opposed to remote attendance.

#### II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed.

## III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

#### IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. March 21, 2024

A motion to approve the minutes was made by First Selectman Bindelglass and seconded by Ms. O'Malley. The motion passed unanimously.

## V. <u>ACTION ITEMS</u>

Amendment FFY 2021-2024 TIP/STIP, FHWA Projects, Resolution 2024-03
 A motion to discuss the resolution was made by Mayor Hoydick and seconded by First Selectman Rooney.

Mr. Fulda briefly explained the TIP/STIP projects and proposed amendments:

- 0138-0253: Replace noise barrier between exits 32 and 33, I-95 NB, Stratford.
- 0002-0131: Pedestrian Improvements at Various Intersections & Install EV Charging Stations, West Main St. and CT-115, Ansonia
- 0124-0165: Pedestrian Improvements at CT-313 in the vicinity of CT-67,
   Seymour
- 0170-3732: Statewide Transportation Demand Management NY-NJ-CT Moderate.
- 0170-3743: Detection Upgrades at Various Traffic Signals, Statewide.
- 0174-0448: Replace Traffic Control Signals at Various Locations, District 4

Mr. Fulda commented that information on 0138-0253 was provided to members and that CTDOT clarified FYI was for 2025.

First Selectman Gerber commented that there was a sound barrier in Fairfield by exit 23 on I-95 that the Town had programmed capital funds for. He asked if this could qualify for federal or state funds.

Mayor Lauretti suggested that the First Selectman reach out to staff to discuss the matter and that they could coordinate with CTDOT. Mr. Fulda commented that he would reach out to the First Selectman to discuss further.

First Selectman Bindelglass appreciated the clarification and expressed his hope that CTDOT would prioritize the Stratford project.

The motion passed unanimously.

2. Endorsement of the Ozone Air Quality Conformity Determination, Resolution 2024-04

A motion to discuss the resolution was made by First Selectman Bindelglass and seconded by First Selectman Rooney.

Mr. Fulda explained the resolution. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Endorsement of the PM 2.5 Air Quality Conformity Determination, Resolution 2024-05

A motion to discuss the resolution was made by First Selectman Rooney and seconded by First Selectman Tesoro.

Mr. Fulda explained the resolution. The motion passed unanimously.

4. FFY 2025-2028 Transportation Improvement Program, Resolution 2024-06 Mr. Fulda noted that the agenda referred to the 2021-2024 Transportation Improvement Program but that this was a typo and should show 2025-2028 (the correct timeframe was reflected on the resolution).

A motion to discuss the resolution was made by Mayor Hoydick and seconded by First Selectman Rooney.

Mr. Fulda explained the resolution and the public participation process. The motion passed unanimously.

 Resolution 2024-07: Urban Transportation Planning Certification
 A motion to discuss the resolution was made by First Selectman Tesoro and seconded by First Selectman Rooney. Mr. Fulda explained the resolution. Mayor Lauretti commented that these were standard resolutions. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Resolution 2024-08: Transportation Alternatives Program, Project Prioritization for 2026-2030 funding

A motion to discuss the resolution was made by First Selectman Rooney and seconded by First Selectman Bindelglass.

Mr. Fulda explained the resolution and the prioritization process. He commented that for projects outside of available funding, MetroCOG would work with CTDOT to identify potential alternative funding sources. The motion passed unanimously.

# VI. OTHER BUSINESS:

- 1. Next Meetings:
  - a. July 25th, 2024.
  - b. September 26th, 2024.

## VII. ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Sutherland and seconded by First Selectman Rooney. The meeting adjourned at 10:24.

Respectfully submitted,	
Matthew Fulda, Executive Director,	Rick Dunne, Executive Director,
MetroCOG	NVCOG
MPO Co-Secretary	MPO Co-Secretary