

## Special Meeting Agenda: June 8, 2021 at 11:00 AM Connecticut Metropolitan Council of Governments

join virtually via web or phone as follows:

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Phone: 1-872-240-3412 Access Code: 621-082-557

The meeting will be recorded

- I. Call to Order (MetroCOG Officer)
- II. Public Participation
- III. Discussion Concerning Employment Matter (Executive Session anticipated)
- IV. Adjourn

Interpreters for any language are available upon request and at no charge; the request must be received within five (5) or more business days before the meeting.

### INFORMATION REGARDING THIS REMOTE ELECTRONIC PUBLIC MEETING

On March 14th, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and in an effort to reduce the risk of transmission by virtue of attendance at public meetings, Governor Lamont suspended in-person open meeting requirements and permits conducting public meetings remotely by conference call, videoconference or other technology. A copy of the full text of Executive Order No. 7B(1) is available for review via <a href="https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/Office-of-the-Governor/Executive-Orders/Lamont-Executive-Orders/Executive-Order-No-7B.pdf">https://portal.ct.gov/-/media/Office-of-the-Governor/Executive-Orders/Lamont-Executive-Order-No-7B.pdf</a>

Accordingly, the Connecticut Metropolitan Council of Governments (MetroCOG) has selected GoToMeeting as the preferred technology application to conduct this remote public meeting in compliance with Executive Order No. 7B(1). This technology will permit up to 250 members of the public to participate in real-time in the public meeting via computer, tablet, smartphone or telephone via the access information set forth on this meeting agenda. It is highly recommended that any interested participant download and utilize the GoToMeeting software applications which are available in the meeting link below prior to the commencement of the meeting. Each meeting may have unique

participation information, including access code, phone number and live link. Please be sure that you are accessing the correct information for the correct meeting.

Any members of the public who desire to submit written information relative to the business set forth on the agenda may do so up to one hour in advance of the meeting via electronic mail to <a href="mailto:info@ctmetro.org">info@ctmetro.org</a>

## Notice is hereby given that this remote electronic public meeting shall:

- 1. Permit the public to view or listen anonymously, and when permitted, participate in real-time;
- 2. Be recorded and posted to MetroCOG's website within 7 days;
- 3. Be made available to the public within a reasonable time (at MetroCOG's offices or upon written request).

# In addition to standard parliamentary procedure as outlined on this agenda, the following special rules shall apply to all participants:

- Please "mute" your microphone so as reduce background noise at any time you are not speaking.
- Prior to speaking on each occasion, each speaker shall clearly state their name and title for the record.
- The use of chat features are prohibited and will not be considered during the meeting if in use.

Notice is hereby given that only 250 participants may access this remote electronic public meeting at any one time.

Access is granted solely by the GoToMeeting technology on first access basis and is not within the control of the Connecticut Metropolitan Council of Governments. While it is anticipated that this participant limit will be sufficient, should the participants reach said limit, the meeting may be adjourned and continued at a later date using technology appropriate to ensure all members of the public may participate.

#### **GUIDELINES FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN REMOTE ELECTRONIC MEETINGS**

Anyone who desires to address the Council must adhere to the following rules of participation:

- The Board welcomes all public participation but asks that all comments be limited to items listed on the meeting agenda.
- Please state your name and address for the record prior beginning your comment.
- The MetroCOG presiding officer will limit each comment to 3 minutes in order to accommodate all members of the public that wish to speak. The presiding officer may allow additional time at their discretion.
- Written comments or statements on any topic within the purview of the body are always welcome and will be provided to all MetroCOG Board members.
- Please be advised that immediate replies to questions/comments should not be expected.