

**Regular MetroCOG Board Meeting
Thursday, May 26, 2022, 10:00 am
Connecticut Metropolitan Council of Governments
1000 Lafayette Boulevard, Bridgeport, CT 06604**

Name	Representing
Joseph Ganim, Mayor (Ken Flatto, Proxy), Remote David Bindelglass, First Selectman, Remote Brenda Kupchick, Remote Kenneth Kellogg, First Selectman, Chairman, Remote	Bridgeport Easton Fairfield Monroe
Matthew Fulda, Executive Director Patrick Carleton, Deputy Director Colleen Kelleher, Finance Director Meghan Sloan, Planning Director Devin Clarke, Transportation Planner, Remote	MetroCOG MetroCOG MetroCOG MetroCOG MetroCOG
Paul Hearn Meg Haffner Sara Radacsi	Kennedy Center CTDOT

Minutes

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, First Selectman Kellogg at 10:34 am. Mr. Fulda performed a roll call; the following board members were present:

David Bindelglass, Easton
Mr. Flatto, Bridgeport
First Selectwoman Kupchick, Fairfield
First Selectman Kellogg, Monroe

II. Public Participation

There was no public participation.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes

a. March 31, 2022

First Selectman Kellogg noted that based on new guidance minutes should be amended to reflect who attended the meeting remotely.

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mr. Flatto and seconded by First Selectman Bindelglass. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. Action Items

a. MetroCOG FY 2023 Annual Budget (Attachment B)

Ms. Kelleher explained that the COG anticipated ending the year with a surplus and the only change in operations was in equipment to purchase new furniture.

There was some confusion regarding the final projections from FY22. A member requested that the budget be tabled until the June meeting and that actuals be updated to reflect all FY22 revenue and expenses.

b. MetroCOG FY 2023 Health Insurance (Attachment C)

Mr. Fulda explained that Connecticare remained the cheapest option and employees had no issues with the current plan.

Mr. Fulda explained that a self-insured plan was explored but was not a good option.

A motion to approve the health insurance plan as presented was made by First Selectman Bindelglass and seconded by First Selectwoman Kupchick.

V. Other Business

a. IJJA Competitive Grant Programs

Mr. Fulda explained that the purpose of the Safe Streets and Road for All grant programs was to reduce serious and fatal crashes.

Mr. Fulda continued to explain that eligibility for construction grants required a Vision

Zero Plan. This is a planning document that commits to zero fatal/severe crashes. MetroCOG's goal is to conduct outreach during the summer and to produce a final draft Vision Zero plan for approval in August.

Mr. Fulda noted this effort would allow municipalities to apply for funding that they would otherwise not be eligible for.

First Selectman Kellogg inquired if there was an executive summary of the grant and its requirements.

Mr. Fulda responded that meetings were being set up with local engineers, planners and economic development staff to discuss projects and priorities.

2022 Calendar & Next Meeting Dates:

- i. June 30, 2022
- ii. July 28, 2022

VI. Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by First Selectman Bindelglass and seconded by First Selectwoman Kupchick. The meeting adjourned at 11:01 AM.

First Selectman Vicki Tesoro
MetroCOG Secretary