

October 26, 2022
6:30 PM Regular Meeting
Remote SRPEDD Commission Meeting via Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89596691101?pwd=dHhIMmszdk83R20vQ250UTJsZm5KUT09>

AGENDA

1. *Presentation*: Jean Fox- Project Manager, [South Coast Rail](#)- MassDOT, with an update on construction status of new SCR stations and rail-related efforts
2. Call to Order, Introductions, and Welcome
3. Approval of Minutes – September 28, 2022* (*Vote requested*)
4. Reports
 - a. Chair
 - b. Executive Director
5. Consent Agenda
 - a. Contracts *(*Vote to receive report and place on file*)
6. Committee Reports
 - a. Finance Committee *(*Vote to receive report and place on file*)
 - FY'23 Q1 Budget Update *
 - b. Joint Transportation Planning Group/MPO * (*Vote receive place on file*)
 - Preparing for SRPEDD [Regional Transportation Plan](#)- *Moving Forward 2050* *
7. Programs and Project Updates:
 - a. Environmental Program Update and area [MEPA](#) projects *
 - b. MBTA Communities- MHP Webinar
 - c. Homeland Security- ASHE Response Toolkit, Community Cyber Readiness *
8. Old Business
 - a. Technical Assistance* (*Vote to receive and place on file*)
www.srpedd.org/MA or www.srpedd.org/Municipal-Assistance
9. New Business
10. Other Upcoming Meetings of Note
 - a. SRPEDD will be hosting two webinars as a part of MHP's [9-part webinar series for MBTA Communities](#). Free to attend. To register, [click here](#).
 - October 26, 2022, from 12-1:30 pm
Exploring Housing at Different Densities (also w Barrett Planning Group)
 - November 2nd, 2022, from 12-1:30 pm
Siting Your District for Adjacent Communities
 - b. SRPEDD will also be hosting a [fall workshop session](#) for CPTC. Cost \$25.
 - December 6, 2022 at 5:30 pm
Introduction to Subdivision Control and ANR. To register, [click here](#).
11. Roundtable: Opportunity for Commissioners to provide updates on local topics, projects or matters of regional interest
12. Adjourn

FUTURE COMMISSION MEETINGS:

December 7, 2022; January 25, 2023;

February 22, 2023; March 22, 2023; April 26, 2023

NOTE: An Exec. Cmte Meeting will be convened in the absence of a Commission quorum.

*Attached

AGENDA ITEM: Minutes, # 3

SRPEDD Commission Meeting- Draft
September 28, 2022
Remote meeting via Zoom

Present:**Commissioners:**

C. Shea, Carver	C. O'Neil, Dartmouth	J. Carvalho, Dighton	R. Espindola, Fairh.
D. Aguiar, Fall River	J. Ferreira, Fall River	V. D'Antoni, Freetown	N. Cline, Lakeville
L. Carboni, Lakeville	N. Hills, Marion	R. Burgmann, Mattap.	L. Bradley, Middleb.
A. Eaton, N.B. A/L	M. Clarner, No. Attle.	L. Pirnie, No. Attle.	S. Ollerhead, Norton
C. Yarworth, Plainv.	W. Costa, Rehoboth	N. McDonald, Somerset	M. Monteiro, Taunton
W. Roth, Taunton	A. Slavin, Wareham	S. Ouellette, Westport	J. Whitin, Westport

Guests/Staff:

G. King, SRPEDD	K. Porter, SRPEDD	M. Rodrigues, Senator	S. Royer, SRPEDD
J. Walker, SRPEDD	H. Zincavage, SRPEDD	L. Estrela-Pedro, SRPEDD	

Absent:

D. Pimentel, Acushnet	J. Kelley, Acushnet	G. Ayrassian, Attleboro	F. Uriot, Attleboro
S. Leary, Berkley	T. Bott, Carver	C. Haddad, Dartmouth	M. Sweet Dart. (Alter.)
D. Braga, Fairhaven	D. Pettey, Freetown	G. Hovorka, Swansea	A. Horowitz, Mansfield
J. Henry, Marion	M. Germain, Middleb.	J. Carloni, New Bedford	J. Ponte, New Bedford
J. Artz, Norton	C. Sullivan, Raynham	M. Andrade, Raynham	G. Hartley, Rochester
N. Durfee, Rochester	P. Dunn, Seekonk	J. Kardel, Somerset	J. Hansen, Swansea
J. Peccini, Taunton A/L	M. King, Wareham	R. Tith, F.R A/L	

1. **Presentation: Sen. Michael Rodrigues- First Bristol and Plymouth, Ways & Means Chair, with an update from the Legislature:** Chairman Slavin introduced Sen. Michael Rodrigues- First Bristol and Plymouth, and Ways and Means Chair. Sen. Rodrigues referenced that he has been pleased to work with SRPEDD in the past, and most recently with Mr. Napolitano and Ms. Zincavage on the Assawampset Pond Complex. By way of further introduction, shared that represents the seven SRPEDD communities of Westport, Fall River, Somerset, Swansea, Freetown, Lakeville and Rochester. This being election season, with the upcoming vote on November 8, most of his time is now focused on the election circuit, but that there have been preliminary discussions between the House and Senate on returning to the \$4 billion Economic Development bond bill that both the House and Senate engrossed in July. He mentioned that he believes that by the end of October the House and Senate will be sending the Governor a newly revised version that will be much thinner and slimmed down from the original. Sen. Rodrigues mentioned that he anticipates the revised bill will nevertheless provide critical investments that can be focused on. Chairman Slavin mentioned that with regard to other funding such as ARPA it is much more difficult to figure out how to access those monies, similar to funding under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill (BIL). He mentioned there has been confusion and maybe even some misinformation as to what those monies can be used for. The Senator responded to this and other Commissioner questions and indicated that if there were any others, attendees should feel free to call or email him as well. Mr. Walker thanked the Senator for his time and expertise this evening, that he and the Commission were grateful for his past and continuing support of SRPEDD and Southeast Mass.

2. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Alan Slavin at 6:32 P.M. The meeting was recorded. Chairman Slavin introduced the new members since the last meeting.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** A motion was made to approve the July 27, 2022, meeting minutes with abstentions.
4. **Reports:**
 - a. **Chair:** Chairman Slavin mentioned that a few days ago the CDC recommended that people get the newest Covid booster vaccine now and then get a flu shot in December or January. He urged member communities to help spread the word this vaccine is available and encourage their residents to get it.
 - b. **Executive Director:** Mr. Walker extended a warm welcome to everyone following the August break and several new Commissioners in attendance. He mentioned it has been very busy since the last meeting. Mr. Walker mentioned, as Sen. Rodrigues had stated, that there continues to be a great of funding assistance available to interested communities and that SRPEDD has been fortunate to be able to secure a significant amount for SRPEDD communities over the past couple of years thanks to CARES Act, District Local Technical Assistance (DLTA), Community Compact Cabinet, One-Stop and other sources of funding. He referred new and existing members to the email addresses for fellow Commissioners, and staff email addresses and phone extensions (able, with the agency's new VOIP phone system, to reach personnel regardless of whether they are in the office, working remotely, or in the field.
5. **Consent Agenda:**
 - a. **Contracts:** Chairman Slavin referred the Commission to the contracts below. The Chairman read the following contracts below for consideration by the Commission.
 1. With the City of Taunton School District to create and Active Shooter / Hostile Event (ASHE) Response Tool for all school facilities for an amount not to exceed \$141,000.
 2. With the Massachusetts Housing Partnership (MHP) to create and facilitate two webinars designed to assist communities with efforts to comply with the new Multi-Family Zoning Requirements for MBTA Communities (Section 3A of M.G.L. c. 40A, "the Zoning Act") for an amount not to exceed \$16,000.
 3. With the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) to work in partnership with cities and towns to update Priority Development Area (PDA) and Priority Protection Area (PPA) designations in the twenty-three SRPEDD-region communities that will be subject to Section 3A of the Zoning Act for an amount not to exceed \$161,760.
 4. With the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, a contract for a Brownfields Community Wide Assessment Grant focused in the Ten Mile to Mount Hope Bay corridor for \$500,000.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the four contracts listed above. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. Committee Reports:

- a. **Finance Committee:** Chairman Slavin referred the Commission to the Finance report. He mentioned that the Finance Committee met on Aug. 17, 2022 at the Back Eddy in Westport. The July 20, 2022, Finance meeting minutes were approved, the Treasurer's Report for July 2022 received, and a warrant for expenses signed-off on in the amount of \$112,355.63. The Committee reviewed the OPEB statement for July 2022 included in the packet along with FY'22 Year-End and July 2022 month-end general journal entries. The Committee also received and discussed copies of the FY'22 OPEB actuarial valuation summary report and draft FY'22 financial report.

In addition, since the last meeting, the Finance Committee also met on Sept. 21, 2022 at SRPEDD and remotely via Zoom. The Aug. 17, 2022 Finance meeting minutes were approved, the Treasurer's Report for August 2022 received, and a warrant for expenses signed-off on in the amount of \$35,058,387. The Committee reviewed August 2022 month-end general journal entries and July 2022 OPEB Statement. Carl Begin of Bristol Wealth Group/Raymond James also provided his annual report to the Committee on the performance of the agency's OPEB trust fund account.

A motioned was made and seconded to approve the Finance report. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY.

- b. **Joint Transportation Planning Group/MPO:** Ms. Estrela-Pedro gave a briefing of the last SMMPO and JTPG meetings that were held in August. She referred members to the minutes from those meetings on pages 11 through 21. Ms. Estrela-Pedro mentioned at the last SMMPO there were TIP amendments that were approved previously and released for a 21-day comment period. Those amendments included cost increases to a project in Attleboro on Route 1, 1A and 123 along with community transit grants that received funding. She stated that the airport service from the MBTA Station in Mansfield to Logan was also approved as a Flex Project from highway to transit. Ms. Estrela-Pedro indicated that the SMMPO also approved an adjustment to the TIP for SRTA because they had cost increases as well. She indicated that the UPWP shifted some funding from salaries to direct costs in order to be able to provide TransCAD training for two staff members in preparation for modeling in conjunction with development of the upcoming regional transportation plan. She reported that the JTPG meeting Mr. Sullivan, SRPEDD's Director of Economic Development spoke about related funding opportunities and Ms. Jones of the Transportation Department discussed funding through BIL. At this meeting the JTPG members voted to revisit the bylaws which haven't been updated since 2014. She mentioned staff will be looking to incorporate additional public engagement provisions and language about hybrid meetings, among other aspects

A motioned was made and seconded to approve the Transportation report. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. Programs and Project Updates:

- a. **MBTA Communities (Section 3A of MGL c. 40A) Final Guidance:** Mr. King referred Commissioners to the MBTA Communities Section 3A of the final guidance on page 22 of the packet. He shared his screen and mentioned the links are provided in the packet as well. He mentioned the key dates that each community type will need to meet in order to stay in compliance. Mr. King mentioned that each community must submit a timeline and action plan to DHCD by January 31, 2023. He stated that all communities that host a commuter rail station or are adjacent to but are not a small town, a new small-town designation must apply for compliance by roughly two years from now. He stated those small towns have an additional year to adopt a compliant Zoning Bylaw and apply to DHCD to prove they have done so. He guided the members through the information on the SRPEDD website for more

guidance on the MBTA Communities. Mr. King entertained questions from the Commission and mentioned Commissioners could reach out to Chris Kluchman from DHCD as well for guidance. Mr. Roth stated that the final tool kit on how to figure out what they exclude and don't exclude still has not been released to the best of his knowledge and asked if this was correct. Mr. King mentioned that the final tool kit has not been released yet and he anticipated it would be released in November. Mr. Walker added that SRPEDD will be meeting with Chris next week to discuss further details. Ms. Bradley mentioned that Middleborough was chosen to partake in the initial MHP grant round to see if Middleborough might be a community that has come close to meeting the requirements. She mentioned that they have had several meetings and she mentioned she has been introduced to the very detailed checklist that communities need to complete. Mr. King indicated if Commissioners have more questions to please reach out.

- b. Environmental Program and area MEPA projects:** Ms. Zinavage referred the Commission to page 30 of the packet, highlighting a number of updates from the Environmental Program and responding to several questions.

8. Old Business:

- a. Technical Assistance:** Mr. King referred Commissioners to the traditional monthly update on projects contained in the packets, and also referring them to the SRPEDD website.

A motioned was made and seconded to approve the Technical Assistance report. VOTED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 9. New Business:** Mr. Walker mentioned that the Massachusetts Broadband Institute, with responsibility for awarding significant broadband funding across the state will be hosting a two-day informational workshop on digital equity planning required of awardees to be held on October 18 and 19. He mentioned that he would forward an announcement to Commissioners following the meeting for any who had not yet received it.

10. Other Upcoming Meetings of Note:

- a.** Sep 29, 1:00 pm- online
[Moving Forward 2050 SRPEDD Webinar- Where the River Meets the Road](#)
- b.** Sep 29, 8:30 am – 1:00 pm- College of Holy Cross, Worcester
[DLS/MARPA Municipal Conference- “Equitable Infrastructure Modernization”](#)

- 11. Roundtable: Opportunity for Commissioners to provide updates on local topics, projects or matters of regional interest:** None

- 12. Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM. The next Commission meeting will be on Wednesday, October 26, 2022, at 6:30 P.M., to be held remotely via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Norman Hills, Secretary

Date: 10/26/2022

AGENDA ITEM: Grant/Contract Approvals, # 5.a.

Be it resolved that the SRPEDD Commission authorizes the Chairman, Treasurer, Officers and Executive Director, as appropriate, to negotiate and execute the following contracts:

1. With the Greater Attleboro Taunton Regional Transit Authority (GATRA) to render technical and professional services for an amount not to exceed \$57,000.

AGENDA ITEM: Finance Committee Report # 6.a.

The Finance Committee met on Oct. 19, 2022 at the SRPEDD office in Taunton and remotely via Zoom.. The Sept. 21, 2022 Finance meeting minutes were approved. The Treasurer's Report for September 2022 received, and a warrant for expenses in the amount of \$33,945.10.

Cash & Funds: Sept. 1, 2022	\$ 1,331,174.93
Cash Receipts: Sept. 1 – 30, 2022	<u>\$ 88,067.55</u>
Total Cash Accounted for:	\$ 1,419,242.48
Disbursements: Sept. 1 – 30, 2022	\$ 229,821.18
Cash & Funds: Sept. 30, 2022	<u>\$ 1,189,421.30</u>
Total Cash Accounted for:	\$ 1,419,242.48

The Committee reviewed OPEB statement for Aug. 2022 included in the packet along with September 2022 month-end general journal entries.

The Committee received draft FY'22 audit report.

FY'23 Budget Q1 update. The budget is in great shape with overall budget of \$3,690,803 increase of \$614,698 from the initial budget in March 2022.



FISCAL YEAR 2023 Draft Q1 Budget Update				SUMMARY Pg. 1	
PROPOSED: 10/19/22					
REVENUE		FY 2023 APP 3/2022	FY 2023 PROP. 10/2022	CHANGE: 3/2022 to 10/2022	PERCENT CHANGE
1. FEDERAL & STATE GRANTS					
a.	MASSDOT.-3C*	1,591,746	1,591,746		0.00%
b.	SRTA-SEC.5307*	0	0		0.00%
c.	GATRA-SEC.5307*	64,446	64,446		0.00%
d.	EDA*	70,000	70,000		0.00%
e.	NPS TNVRV*	240,000	240,000		0.00%
f.	HOMELAND SEC/EOPSS*	193,000	193,000		0.00%
g.	DLTA (2020)*	124,247	124,247		0.00%
h.	DLTA (2021)	124,247	124,247		0.00%
Sub-total		2,407,686	2,407,686	0	0.00%
2. ASSESSMENTS		131,592	131,592	0	0.00%
3. MUNICIPAL & LOCAL					
a.	ARPA APC	12500	12,500	0	
b.	Brownfields	0	162,712	162,712	
c.	CARES Act ext	0	100,226	100,226	
d.	Carver Green Communities	1,339	1,339	0	0.00%
e.	Dartmouth OSRP	17,392	17,392	0	0.00%
f.	EDA Fall River Mothers Brook	30,607	30,607	0	0.00%
g.	Lakeville HPP	15,000	15,000	0	
h.	MAAdb Dart & Wareham climate TA	8,585	8,585	0	
i.	Marion OSRP Implementation		8,000		
j.	Mattapoissett MP	3,440	3,440	0	0.00%
k.	MBTA PDA-PPA Update	0	161,760	161,760	
l.	MHP MBTA Webinar series	0	16,000	16,000	
m.	Middleborough HPP (HCI)	0	25,000	25,000	
n.	Middleborough OSRP	6,408	6,408	0	
o.	N Attle MP	9,258	9,258	0	0.00%
p.	RRP EDA- Federal	138,295	138,295	0	0.00%
q.	RRP Eff and Regionalization- State	66,492	66,492	0	0.00%
r.	Regional Energy Planning TA '21	49,550	49,550	0	0.00%
s.	Regional Energy Planning TA '22	12,000	12,000	0	
t.	SNEP Community Resilience Building TA	10,194	10,194	0	
u.	Somerset EDA III	16,423	16,423	0	0.00%
v.	Swansea MP, OSRP	135,294	135,294	0	0.00%
w.	Taunton ASHE plan	0	141,000	141,000	
x.	Taunton OSRP	3,050	3,050	0	0.00%
Sub-total		535,827	1,150,525	614,698	114.72%
4. MISCELLANEOUS					
	Interest	1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
Sub-total		1,000	1,000	0	0.00%
TOTAL REVENUES		\$3,076,105	\$3,690,803	614,698	19.98%



FISCAL YEAR 2023 Draft Q1 Budget Update					SUMMARY Pg. 2
PROPOSED: 10/19/22					
EXPENDITURES		FY 2023 APP 3/2022	FY 2023 PROP. 10/2022	CHANGE: 3/2022 to 10/2022	PERCENT CHANGE
1	SALARIES	2,193,220	2,209,486	16,266	0.7%
2	FRINGE BENEFITS	345,019	345,019	0	0.0%
3	TRAVEL	1,250	1,250	0	0.0%
4	BANK CHARGES	110	110	0	0.0%
5	PRINTING	500	500	0	0.0%
6	SUPPLIES	16,500	16,500	0	0.0%
7	ACCOUNTING & LEGAL	16,716	16,716	0	0.0%
8	COMPUTERS	60,237	60,237	0	0.0%
9	DUES & SUBSCRIP.	6,900	6,900	0	0.0%
10	EQUIP. LEASE	7,165	7,165	0	0.0%
11	INSURANCE	21,000	21,000	0	0.0%
12	MEETINGS & CONF.	4,000	4,000	0	0.0%
13	ADVERTISING	1,500	1,500	0	0.0%
14	POSTAGE & TELEPHONE	6,348	6,348	0	0.0%
15	SERVICES (GMS & IT)	17,440	17,440	0	0.0%
16	BUILDING COSTS	41,840	41,840	0	0.0%
17	TRAFFIC COUNT VEHICLE	472	472	0	0.0%
18	EQUIP. SERV.& REPAIR	1,500	1,500	0	0.0%
19	EDUCATIONAL BENEFITS	2,000	2,000	0	0.0%
20	CONSULTANTS/PASS THRU	230,000	230,000	0	0.0%
21	DIRECT COSTS	73,445	76,195	2,750	3.7%
22	LOCAL COST/INVEST.ACCT.	17,111	17,111	0	0.0%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		3,064,273	3,083,289	19,016	0.6%
TOTAL REVENUES		3,101,105	3,690,803	589,698	19.0%
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		3,064,273	3,083,289	19,016	0.6%
EXCESS REV. OVER EXPEND.		36,832	607,514	570,682	1549.4%

**Southeastern Regional Planning & Economic Development District (SRPEDD)
Joint Transportation Planning Group (JTPG) Meeting.**

**DRAFT Minutes for the Meeting Held on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 2:00 PM
Held Remotely via Zoom in Accordance with Massachusetts Open Meeting Law.**

The following members and alternates were in attendance:

Stephanie Crampton, Chair.....City of New Bedford
Justin Chicca..... City of New Bedford, alternate
John Woods.....Town of Carver
Tim Barber.....Town of Dartmouth
Tom Ferry.....Town of Dighton
Michael Mullen.....Town of Dighton, alternate
Paul Foley.....Town of Fairhaven
Victoria D'Antonio.....Town of Freetown
Kevin Dumas.....Town of Mansfield
Norman Hills.....Town of Marion
Michael Borg.....Town of North Attleborough
James Hartnett.....Town of Westport

The following members/alternates were NOT in attendance:

City of Attleboro	Town of Raynham
City of Fall River	Town of Rehoboth
City of Taunton	Town of Rochester
Town of Acushnet	Town of Seekonk
Town of Berkley	Town of Somerset
Town of Lakeville	Town of Swansea
Town of Marion	Town of Wareham
Town of Mattapoisett	At-Large, City of Fall River
Town of Middleborough	At-Large, City of New Bedford
Town of Norton	At-Large, City of Taunton
Town of Plainville	

Also in Attendance:

Angela Constantino.....GATRA	Jackie Jones.....SRPEDD
Barbara Lachance.....MassDOT	Sara Brown.....SRPEDD
Rachel McCaffrey.....SRTS	Jamie Pisano.....VHB
Lisa Estrela-Pedro.....SRPEDD	Sid Kashi.....GPI
Lilia Cabral-Bernard..... SRPEDD	

Handouts:

The JTPG Agenda September 14, 2022
DRAFT JTPG August 10, 2022 Minutes
Draft JTPG By-laws
Safe Streets and Roads for All Strategy Resolution – Draft

AGENDA

1. Call to Order and Roll Call:

Chair Stephanie Crampton called the meeting to order at 2:04 PM. Ms. Cabral-Bernard asked all members to unmute themselves so she could call the complete roll call of JTPG members, with the following being present at the time of the roll call.

Stephanie Crampton, Chair.....City of New Bedford
John Woods.....Town of Carver
Tim Barber.....Town of Dartmouth
Tom Ferry.....Town of Dighton
Paul Foley.....Town of Fairhaven
Victoria D’Antonio.....Town of Freetown
Norman Hills.....Town of Marion
Michel Borg.....Town of North Attleborough

2. Public Comments - Opportunity for the public to address the JTPG

There were no comments offered by the public.

3. Approval of Minutes – August 10, 2022 (Materials Attached & roll call vote needed)

Chair Crampton called for a motion to approve the minutes of August 10, 2022. The motion was made by Victoria D’Antonio and seconded by Thomas Ferry. Ms. Cabral-Bernard then called the roll:

Town of Carver.....Yes	Town of Freetown.....Yes
Town of Dartmouth.....Abstain	Town of Marion.....Yes
Town of Dighton.....Yes	City of New Bedford.....Yes
Town of Fairhaven.....Yes	Town of No. Attleborough.....Abstain

THE MOTION PASSED WITH TWO ABSTENTIONS.

4. Regional Transit Authorities (RTA’s) Report

Angela Constantino shared that GATRA has a new administrator, Mary Ellen DeFrias. She informed the group that route changes were made in July and they are tweaking some routes to make it more streamlined.

5. Safe Streets and Roads for All Strategy Resolution (Materials Attached, Discussion and Roll Call Vote to Endorse), for additional information visit - [Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant](#)

Ms. Jackie Jones stated that SRPEDD was in the process of applying for a Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) grant on behalf of the Southeastern Massachusetts region. She explained that the grant was for a Safety Action Plan to identify high crash locations and propose improvements and that having the Safety Action Plan in place would qualify communities to apply for construction funding. She further explained that the process would be data driven and equity focused and would include a community task force. She discussed the need for a resolution on safety from the JTPG for the application and read the proposed resolution into the record. (This is included at the end of these minutes.) She stated that the resolution had also been sent to the JTPG in advance for review and that she would be happy to take any questions.

The chair inquired if the task force would be a subcommittee of the JTPG as previously proposed by Paul Mission. Ms. Jones replied that the Task Force would be independent of the JTPG and would be focused on community priority locations. Ms. Estrela-Pedro clarified that the subcommittee previously discussed by Mr. Mission was in reference to disbursement of Bipartisan Infrastructure Law funding opportunities and not for this effort.

The Chair asked for a motion and a second to approve this strategy resolution from the JTPG. The motion was made by Paul Foley and seconded by Victoria D’Antonio. Ms. Cabral-Bernard then called the roll as follows:

Town of Carver.....Yes	Town of Freetown.....Yes
Town of Dartmouth.....Yes	Town of Marion.....Yes
Town of Dighton.....Yes	City of New Bedford.....Yes
Town of Fairhaven.....Yes	Town of No. Attleborough.....Yes

6. JTPG By-laws Update Presentation

Ms. Cabral- Bernard informed the group that, as stated at the last meeting, that things have changed since the last version of the by-laws were written, including the group evolving and changes due to COVID. She explained that the major changes to the update include adding remote and hybrid meeting language and updated Title VI language. Also, that elections for the JTPG should be conducted in May, not June as have occurred the last several years, as well as that we are allowed 6 At-Large delegates; 2 for the New Bedford area; 2 for the Fall River area; 1 for the Taunton area; and 1 for the Attleboro area. She then explained to the group how a greater effort should be made to get more At-Large commissioners onto the JTPG.

She further explained that the Consensus language was edited to better explain the definition of Consensus, and the following was added: “Consensus is not simply a majority vote but means that every opinion matters. Consensus accounts and allows for dissent and disagreement, and addresses it, although it does not always accommodate it. Consensus also allows for compromise, or for another option or alternative. Consensus is the attempt to find common ground whenever possible.”

She concluded by saying that as a requirement contained within the JTPG bylaws, she will be distributing the draft By-Laws along with the SMMPO Memorandum of Understanding, to the JTPG members and alternates, as well as to all Mayors and Select Boards or comparable forms of town government within the SRPEDD region, for their review and comment.

Paul Foley asked if a consensus definition was included because there hadn’t been one previously and Ms. Cabral-Bernard responded that yes, that was the case, and some of the language explaining how to reach a consensus was unnecessary because the group already functions in this way, reaching consensus following discussion.

Jim Hartnett asked about the At-Large commissioners and if they actually had to be from one of the cities and Ms. Cabral-Bernard responded that she wasn’t absolutely certain but would determine that.

7. Other Business

Lisa Estrela-Pedro announced upcoming meetings including two public meetings for the New Bedford-Fairhaven Route 6 over the Acushnet River Bridge replacement: one on October 3rd from 6:30-8 at

Fairhaven High School and the other on October 6th from 6:30-8 at New Bedford Vocational High School. She added that SRPEDD will be hosting a Webinar on September 29th at 1PM “Where the River Meets the Road” addressing hazards at road stream crossings.

Ms. Estrela-Pedro also announced the MassDOT Moving Together Conference to take place on November 1st at Boston Park Plaza with both a virtual and in-person attendance option. She also reminded attendees that the Safe Routes to School Program would be hosting an Infrastructure Funding Info Session on October 3rd. She concluded by informing the group that all of this information would be forwarded after the meeting.

8. Date and Time for Next Meeting

The time and date for the next meeting was set for October 12 at 2:00 PM to be held remotely.

9. Adjourn

The Chair asked for a motion to adjourn which was made by Victoria D’Antonio and seconded by Paul Foley. Hearing no objections, the meeting was adjourned at 2:37 PM.

Welcome to the SRPEDD [Moving Forward 2050 Project Page](#)

Moving Forward 2050 is the Regional Transportation Plan that acts as a blueprint of our region's existing and future transportation system to the year 2050. It looks at every facet of transportation including roads and bridges, travel patterns, public transportation such as buses, commuter rail, freight and airports, as well as bicycles and pedestrians among others. Moving Forward 2050 will assess our transportation needs and identify the necessary improvements to enhance our transportation system to better serve our region.



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What is a Regional Transportation Plan?

The Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) is a needs assessment of our transportation infrastructure, including the associated costs to maintain this system into the future. The RTP contributes to the comprehensive vision for the future of our region. The RTP is updated every four years.

The transportation planning process is continuous and influenced by many factors including technology, climate change, population growth and shifts, policies, the constraints of funding, and participation. This process and this vision is not static, but must be regularly revisited and revised based upon analysis of the system and public input.

Ultimately, the goal in crafting the RTP is to establish the means to affordably maintain our transportation system. As well as, to promote and increase the use of alternative forms of transportation, and reduce dependency on the automobile, all while increasing resiliency and preserving our surrounding environment.

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AGENDA ITEM: Environmental Program Report, # 7.a.

Environmental Program Update Brief**October - November Departmental Priorities**

- Brownfields Community Assessment Grant project: hire environmental professional
- Scoping and finalizing FY23 APC-Nemasket River Earmark contract (Wareham Street Dam removal design, Snake River Culvert H&H study, Long Pond community workshops and 2023 invasive weed removal)
- Green Communities Annual Reports (Nov 4; 13 communities)
- Regional Resilience Plan – First Work Group Meetings in November
- Open space plans – current status:
 - Freetown (finalizing plan text edits)
 - Marion (final edits to appendices)
 - Taunton (final edits and submission to state)
 - Dartmouth (next Steering Committee meeting, plan writing)
 - Middleborough (drafts in final review)
 - Carver (plan writing, public open house)
 - Swansea (open space inventory)
- OSRD Bylaw Review Project
- Finalizing Narragansett Bay Estuary Program Circuit Rider Project Contract

Of Note and Interest*Trainings and Events*

- See Environmental Program webpage listing of events.

Project Community Meetings

- None planned at this time.

MEPA REPORT – PROJECTS OF REGIONAL SIGNIFICANCE**Reports Under Consideration or Development**

Project	Town	Comments Due	RPA Review Components	Site Visit Details (Indicate if Remote Meeting)
None at this time.				

Reports Submitted

- Pyrsman Comment Letter (Somerset), 10/11
- Raynham Park Redevelopment (Raynham), 10/11

Active Shooter or Hostile Event (ASHE) Response Toolkit

The first recommendation given in the aftermath of the Aurora, CO theater shooting was that “Police in departments small as well as large must **plan in advance for a large-scale critical incident response, including pre-planned mutual aid and mutual assistance**. Such planning should include establishing joint command with fire, **building diagrams**, internal contact telephone numbers, mutual aid **staging locations**, and communications procedures.”¹ In the wake of other active shooter, hostile events (ASHE) it is recommended that “[Police] should be familiar with the [high profile/high traffic buildings] located within their police districts. [Police] should **obtain at least basic information** ... to include ... **installation maps/building locations**, security camera locations, video control room location, and **building floor plans**. Additionally, security and facility managers of large campuses, facilities, or office buildings may want to consider having a “go-bag” at entry points that can be quickly provided to first responders in the event of a major incident like an active shooter. This bag would contain maps of the facility, **floor plans**, access keys/cards, contact phone numbers, radio communication information, and other pertinent items or information.”² Furthermore, “Pre-incident planning should include **timely access to building diagrams**, particularly critical infrastructure and plans of buildings where large numbers of persons gather on a regular basis.”³

SRPEDD has the technical capabilities and expertise to work in partnership with public safety and law enforcement professional in your community to create an Active Shooter Response Tool. This tool consists of both a physical and a digital deliverable.

First, a physical binder or booklet featuring an easy-to-navigate, accurate map of the building, including agreed-upon room nomenclature, symbology (e.g., HazMat, dead ends, entrances and exits, etc.), as well as exterior “birds eye” imagery to keep responders on the same page. This physical binder is coupled with a highly-detailed, online 3d scan of the building(s) in question (more on this second deliverable, below). This binder can also include point-of-interest photos of key areas of the building – for example, a complex auditorium for a school which may have odd corners in it, or the kitchen area of a building which may prove challenging to search and clear blindly. The high-resolution orthographic map of the exterior can feature pre-designated areas such as landing zones and command posts, as well as pre-determined traffic patterns.

The second deliverable, an online walkable 3d virtual copy of the building, easily linked to and navigable on phones, tablets, and laptops. This deliverable allows law enforcement to virtually tour every square foot of a building to get a clear sense of its interior spaces and gain perspectives that can provide key locational or tactical information in the event of an ASHE.

SRPEDD’s Homeland Security and Comprehensive Planning staff will work with local school officials, fire, police, EMS, and emergency management personnel to ensure that the tool is usable, functional, and aligns with existing plans and procedures. We capture the interior of buildings using a 3d camera, and the exterior using a small drone.

Costs to create this tool are approximately \$0.10 per square foot of the building we’re capturing. Captures may take several days and SRPEDD staff require unfettered access to the building with ideally no persons present. We do prefer a caretaker on site at least the first day to help with access issues.

First responders often describe the events of an ASHE as chaotic. An Active Shooter Response Tool will help bring order to that chaos.

¹Recommendation 1, [After Action Report](#), Aurora Century 16 Theater Shooting, July 20, 2012 by the TriData Division, System Planning Corporation,

²Item 5.1, [After Action Report](#), Washington Navy Yard, September 16, 2013 By Washington Metro PD.

³Lesson Learned #6.22, [“Bringing Calm to Chaos”](#) A critical incident review of the San Bernardino public safety response to the December 2, 2015, terrorist shooting incident at the Inland Regional Center by Rick Braziel, Frank Straub, George Watson, and Rod Hoops.

Is Your Community Cyber Ready?

You have limited resources to invest in cybersecurity. Have you made the right decisions or will your organization and community lose critical services to a cyberattack?

Host the Cyber Ready Community Game and in just two to three hours, your group or community can have a fun and valuable conversation on cyber preparedness.

Using gameboards and playing cards, players divide into as many as six groups that make up the game community—Emergency Management, Local Government, Local Utilities, Hospital, Bank, and Business—and decide how to invest cyber credits to protect essential services. The community weathers multiple cyber incidents, shares information, and negotiates to prioritize cyber response resources needed to sustain the community's critical functions. Through game play, players learn aspects of the National Institute of Standards and Technology's cybersecurity framework.

It's Easy to Play!

No technical background required.

All you need are:

- 2½ to 3 hours
- 6 to 24 players
- Game materials

Host a game today!

The Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA's) National Exercise Division, in coordination with the DHS Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), developed the Cyber Ready Community Game as part of its National Level Exercise (NLE) 2020 campaign to promote cyber readiness nationwide. For more information on how you can host a game, contact nle@fema.dhs.gov.



Denver, CO hosted a Cyber Ready Community Game Pilot

Two of the six game boards



Game Purpose

The Cyber Ready Community Game promotes nationwide cyber preparedness across the whole community. This lively game encourages substantive discussion among a diverse set of community stakeholders about cyber preparedness and response planning. Most importantly, the multi-player board game emphasizes the importance of coordinated planning by cybersecurity and emergency management communities to respond together to the impacts of cyberattacks on critical community functions. The Cyber Ready Community Game also provides basic information on common cyber threats facing communities and cyber preparedness best practices.

Audience

Game play discussions are most beneficial when players are from diverse disciplines. The ideal audience for this game is a mix of cybersecurity and non-cyber players including personnel from emergency management, cybersecurity, infrastructure/utilities, health organizations, city managers, schools, and private sector. Up to 24 players are divided into six organizations that make up the game “Community” – Emergency Management, Local Government, Local Utilities, Hospital, Bank, and Business. The game play is flexible; the number of organizations and organization sizes can be adjusted based on participation. Cybersecurity expertise is NOT required to engage in the discussions.

Background

The Cyber Ready Community Game, part of the Federal Emergency Management Agency’s (FEMA) National Level Exercise 2020 public outreach, was developed in collaboration with the DHS Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) and the University of Texas San Antonio (UTSA) Center for Infrastructure Assurance and Security (CIAS) and endorsed by the International Association of Emergency Managers. The game is based on principles from the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) Cybersecurity Framework.

Player Feedback

Throughout the development process, FEMA conducted four game pilots in Virginia, Colorado, Connecticut and Washington, D.C. At each pilot, FEMA received constructive feedback that was used to further improve the Cyber Ready Community Game. Overwhelmingly, participants expressed positive experiences with the gameplay and resulting discussions.



*NLE Planners host a Cyber Ready
Community Game Pilot at FEMA HQ*

For more information contact nle@fema.dhs.gov

AGENDA ITEM: Technical Assistance Report, # 8.a.

Community	Project Name	Status	Department	Project Leads	Funding
Acushnet	Green Communities Tech Assist.	Ongoing	Environmental	Sara Brown	DOER
Attleboro	May Street Intersection Evaluation	Ongoing	Transportation	Luis de Oliveira	MassDOT
Berkley	Municipal Vulnerability Planning	Ongoing	Environmental	Bill Napolitano	DLTA, CCC, local
Carver	Pre-Application Business Park Development	Pending	Comprehensive	Don Sullivan	EDA
Carver	Open Space and Recreation Plan Update	Ongoing	Environmental	Helen Zincavage	local
Dartmouth	Master Plan	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Helen Zincavage	DLTA, local, MA
Dartmouth	Open Space and Recreation Plan Update	Ongoing	Environmental	Helen Zincavage	local
Dartmouth, Fairhaven, Fall River, Wareham	Bike Path (Regional Plan) Assistance	Ongoing	Transportation	Jackie Jones	MassDOT
Dartmouth, Wareham	Coastal Resilience Project Support	Ongoing	Environmental	Danica Belknap	MassAudubon
Dartmouth, Westport	Route 6 Corridor Study	Ongoing	Transportation	Jackie Jones, Greg Guertin	MassDOT
Dighton	Economic Development Plan	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Lizeth Gonzalez	DLTA, CCC, MA
Dighton	Green Communities Assistance	Ongoing	Environmental	Sara Brown	DOER
Fairhaven	Alden Road Redevelopment Study Phase 2	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Phillip Hu, Lizeth Gonzalez	DLTA, local, MA
Fairhaven	Green Communities Assistance	Ongoing	Environmental	Helen Zincavage	DOER
Fairhaven	Benoit Square Traffic Assessment	Ongoing	Transportation	Luis de Oliveira	MassDOT
Fall River	Mother's Brook Sewer Upgrades (D&E, Permitting) Project Administration	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Lizeth Gonzalez, Don Sullivan	EDA
Lakeville	Old Powderhouse Road & Heritage Hill Drive South Intersection Analysis	Ongoing	Transportation	Luis de Oliveira	MassDOT
Mansfield	Housing Production Plan Phase 2	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Phillip Hu, Taylor Perez	DLTA, MA

Mansfield	Green Communities Designation Grant Assistance	Ongoing	Environmental	Helen Zincavage	DOER
Mansfield	Bicycle Planning Technical Assistance	Ongoing	Transportation	Jackie Jones	MassDOT
Marion	Housing Production Plan Update	Final Draft	Comprehensive	Rob Cabral, Taylor Perez	local
Marion	Open Space and Recreation Plan Update	Ongoing	Environmental	Helen Zincavage, Bill Napolitano	DLTA, local, MA
Marion	Green Communities Comp Grant TA	Ongoing	Environmental	Danica Belknap	DOER
Marion	Marion Village Parking Assessment	Pending	Transportation	TBD	MassDOT
Mattapoisett	Master Plan and Housing Production Plan	Final Draft	Comprehensive	Lizeth Gonzalez, Robert Cabral, Phillip Hu	DLTA, CCC, local, MA
Mattapoisett	Industrial Drive Infrastructure Improvement	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Don Sullivan, Bill Napolitano	local, EDA
Middleborough	Housing Production Plan (Tier 3)	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Taylor Perez, Grant King	DLTA, HCI
Middleborough	Historic/General Use District Bylaw Amendments	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Grant King, Robert Cabral	MassDOT, SCR
Middleborough	Open Space and Recreation Plan Update	Ongoing	Environmental	Sara Brown	local
New Bedford	North Terminal Extension Phase II and Pier Fendering Project	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Don Sullivan	EDA
New Bedford	Marine Commerce Terminal	Pending	Comprehensive	Don Sullivan	EDA
New Bedford	Quest Center, Armory District	Pending	Comprehensive	Don Sullivan	EDA
North Attleboro	Green Communities Tech Assist.	Ongoing	Environmental	Helen Zincavage	DOER
North Attleborough	Master Plan and Housing Production Plan	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Robert Cabral, Taylor Perez	DLTA, CCC, local, MA
Norton	Housing Production Plan (Tier 3, Phase 1)	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Taylor Perez	DLTA
Norton	Bicycle Committee Technical Assistance	Ongoing	Transportation	Jackie Jones	MassDOT

Plainville	Master Plan	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Phillip Hu, Lizeth Gonzalez	DLTA, local
Plainville	Green Communities Tech Assist.	Ongoing	Environmental	Danica Belknap	DOER
Raynham	Green Communities Assistance	Ongoing	Environmental	Danica Belknap	DOER
Regional	South Coast Administrators Committee	Ongoing	Administrative	Jeff Walker	SRPEDD
Regional	Mass. Assn. of Regional Planning Commissions (MARPA)	Ongoing	Administrative	Jeff Walker	RPAs
Regional	MBTA Multi-Family Zoning Support	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Grant King, Taylor Perez	DLTA, DHCD
Regional	MHP Multi-Family Zoning Webinars	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Robert Cabral, Taylor Perez	MHP
Regional	Arts and Culture Community Development Initiative	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Lizeth Gonzalez	DLTA
Regional	Justice, Equity, and Community Development (JECD) Initiative	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Taylor Perez	DLTA
Regional	CARES Act/COVID-19 U.S. EDA Technical Assistance	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Jeff Walker, Don Sullivan, Grant King	SRPEDD, U.S. EDA
Regional	PDA/PPA Update for MBTA Communities	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Grant King	MBTA, DLTA
Regional	SRPEDD Regional Resilience Plan (SRRP)	Ongoing	Comprehensive, Environmental, Transportation	Helen Zincavage, Bill Napolitano, Don Sullivan, Grant King	DLTA , CCC EDA,
Regional	Assawompset Ponds Groundwater Hydrologic & Hydraulic Study	Ongoing	Environmental	Bill Napolitano, Helen Zincavage	DER
Regional	Taunton River Stewardship Council Upper Nemasket Implementation	Ongoing	Environmental	Bill Napolitano, Helen Zincavage	TRSC
Regional	Rural Policy Advisory Council	Ongoing	Environmental	Helen Zincavage	DLTA, sister RPAs

Regional	Traffic Counting and Turning Movement Counts	Ongoing	Transportation	Luis de Oliveira	MassDOT
Regional	Pavement Management - Fed. Aid Road Network	Ongoing	Transportation	Luis de Oliveira	MassDOT
Regional	Bus Stop Inventory Update	Ongoing	Transportation	Jennifer Chaves	MassDOT
Regional	Trails Mapping (Off Road)	Ongoing	Transportation	Greg Guertin, Jackie Jones, Karen Porter	MassDOT
Regional	Taunton River Trail	Ongoing	Transportation	Bill Napolitano	MassDOT
Regional	Freight Action Plan	Complete	Transportation	Sean Hilton	MassDOT
Regional	RTP Continuous Public Outreach	Ongoing	Transportation	Lisa Estrela-Pedro, Lilia Cabral-Bernard, Lizeth Gonzalez, Gregory Guertin	MassDOT
Regional - Green Communities	Annual Reports and Competitive and Designation Grant Applications	Ongoing	Environmental	Helen Zincavage, Danica Belknap, Sara Brown	EOEEA
Regional - SRAC	FFY20 Homeland Security Program and Project Management	Ongoing	Comprehensive, Homeland Security	Jeff Walker, Todd Castro, Kevin Ham, Grant King	MAPC
Regional - Ten Mile Watershed to Mount Hope Bay	Brownfield Community Wide Assessment Grant	Ongoing	Environmental	Helen Zincavage, Bill Napolitano, Don Sullivan	EPA
Regional-GATRA	Technical Assistance Planning and GIS	Ongoing	Transportation	Jen Chaves	GATRA
Rochester	Agriculture and PPA Planning	Ongoing	Environmental	Sara Brown	DLTA
Rochester	Green Communities Assistance	Ongoing	Environmental	Danica Belknap	DOER
Seekonk	Housing Production Plan (Tier 2, Phase 1)	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Taylor Perez	DLTA

Somerset	Inflow & Infiltration EDA Application	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Don Sullivan	EDA
Somerset, Swansea	Wastewater District Assistance	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Don Sullivan	EDA
Swansea	Master Plan, Open Space and Recreation Plan, and Housing Production Plan	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Robert Cabral, Taylor Perez	DLTA, Urban Agenda, local, MA
Taunton	Open Space and Recreation Plan Update	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Danica Belknap	DLTA, local
Taunton	MSIP V- Business Park	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Don Sullivan	EDA
Taunton	Route 140 Corridor Study	Ongoing	Comprehensive, Environmental, Transportation	Robert Cabral, Helen Zincavage, Lisa Estrela-Pedro, Jackie Jones, Grant King	MassDOT, DLTA, MA
Taunton	School District Active Shooter / Hostile Event (ASHE) Response Tool	New	Homeland Security, Comprehensive	Kevin Ham	Local
Wareham	Village Plan	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Rob Cabral, Phillip Hu	DLTA
Wareham	Bicycle Committee Technical Assistance	Ongoing	Transportation	Jackie Jones	MassDOT
Wareham	Plymouth Ave (White Island Shores Neighborhood), Speed & Volume Counts	Ongoing	Transportation	Luis de Oliveira	MassDOT
Westport	Housing Production Plan (Tier 1, Phase 1)	Ongoing	Comprehensive	Taylor Perez	DLTA
Westport	Complete Streets Prioritization Plan	Final Draft	Transportation	Sara Brown	MassDOT