



***Long Range Planning Committee***

**Tuesday, September 20, 2022**

**7:00 pm**

**Remote Access ONLY Meeting via Zoom**

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**Agenda**

1. **Welcome**
2. **Approval of August 9, 2022 Minutes\***
3. **Review a draft updated timeline\***
4. **Review the DRAFT Metropolitan Transportation Plan\* and Project List\***
  - a. Introduction
  - b. Vision Goal & Objectives
  - c. Metropolitan Transportation System
  - d. Financial Plan
  - e. Scenario review
    - i. Proposed MT Scenario
  - f. Draft MTP project list

5. **Adjourn**

**Next Meeting: October 11th**

*Note – Pg. 2 of the agenda includes links to the existing 2018 ECOS Plan for reference*



**2018 ECOS Plan Resources for the Long Range Planning Committee:**

- [Summary: 2018 ECOS Plan »](#)  
*This summary document provides a simplified overview of the ECOS Plan, as well as the three main sections updated in 2018: energy, economy, and transportation. Please note that this overview does not reflect the overall content within the Plan, but seeks to summarize some of the main components and updates.*
- [2018 ECOS Plan: Main Document »](#)  
*This main section includes the vision, goals and collective strategies and actions to address the region's concerns, including CCRPC's top 10 actions for the coming five years.*
- [Supplement 1: Process »](#)  
*Process and public engagement.*
- [Supplement 2: Regional Analysis »](#)  
*Regional analysis, culminating in a list of 31 high-priority concerns.*
- [Supplement 3: Regional Plan »](#)  
*Regional Plan, including a description of the maps, planning areas, Act 250/Section 248 role, and compatibility with municipal and surrounding regional plans.*
- [Supplement 4: Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy »](#)  
*Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) including a strengths / weaknesses / opportunities / threats analysis and project list of the region's utility and facility needs.*
- [Supplement 5: Metropolitan Transportation Plan »](#)  
*Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) including the 2050 scenario, financial plan and the region's transportation project list.*
- [Supplement 6: Energy Analysis, Targets, & Methodology »](#)  
*Enhanced Energy Planning methodology and data guide.*
- The [ECOS Scorecard](#) is where we house the indicators.
- [Annual Reports](#)
- [ECOS online map](#)

1 CHITTENDEN COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
2 LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE - MINUTES  
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4 DATE: Tuesday, August 9, 2022  
5 TIME: 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.  
6 PLACE: Virtual Meeting via Zoom with link as published on the agenda  
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**Members Present:**

Eric Vorwald, PAC Rep from Winooski  
Annie Costandi, CWAC Rep from Essex  
Andrew Watts, Board Rep from Williston  
Bob Henneberger, TAC Rep

**Staff:**

Regina Mahony, Planning Program Manager  
Melanie Needle, Senior Planner  
Charlie Baker, Executive Director  
Christine Forde, Senior Transportation Planner  
Taylor Newton, Senior Planner

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10 **1. Welcome and Introductions**

11 Regina Mahony welcomed everyone at 7:04pm.

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13 **2. Approve June 14, 2022 Minutes**

14 Eric Vorwald made a motion, seconded by Andrew Watts to approve the June 14, 2022 minutes. No further  
15 discussion. MOTION PASSED.

16 **3. Review the DRAFT Land Use, Facilities & Utilities Section**

17 Regina Mahony provided an overview of the Land Use, Facilities and Utilities section.

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19 Land Use Comments:

- 20 1. Within the first bullet make a better transition between the previous sprawling development pattern and the  
21 more concentrated pattern we have now, or make this two separate bullets.
- 22 2. Update the designation data. It should be more current than 2019.
- 23 3. Regarding land fragmentation clarify or state the following more simply: "...increased parceling have meant  
24 that the number of parcels in rural areas has increased while their size has decreased..."
- 25 4. Clarify that the majority of the historic site inventories were done in the 1970s, many of these resources no  
26 longer exist, and the inventories should be updated.

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28 Infrastructure & Facilities Comments:

- 29 1. Regarding a projection for future wastewater capacity, the old 2002 study should be deleted as the base year  
30 is no longer relevant. If possible do a simple calculation based on our population and household forecasts to  
31 gauge the future demand.
- 32 2. Text edit needed in the solid waste bullet.
- 33 3. Have CSWD review the solid waste bullet.
- 34 4. Review the hospital bullet with UVMMC.
- 35 5. Regarding the age cohorts, has the influx of new residents from COVID had an impact on our aging  
36 demographic? Also update the chart with 2020 Census data.
- 37 6. Update sentences under the wastewater capacity indicator with the correct data from up above.

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39 Strategy/Actions Comments:

- 40 1. Strategy 2: The transit oriented development overlay addition to the Future Planning Area Map and Strategy  
41 2 seemed to make sense to the LRPC. There was also a comment that the commuter bus stop areas in the  
42 more rural areas make sense to help describe where the current service is, and if those change overtime it will  
43 help to have a conversation about that in the future to understand why and if anything should be done about  
44 it.
- 45 2. Strategy 2, 4.a: Remove reference to the Commission on Act 250.
- 46 3. Strategy 2, 4.a: Add potential municipal or geographic off-ramps from Act 250.
- 47 4. There was a comment about forest connectivity and the importance of identifying tools on how

1 municipalities and individuals can work on these connections and protections of these resources.

- 2 5. Strategy 2, 4.c: Make a connection to the VTrans congestion policy work and MTP section here. The  
3 weatherization goals and renewable energy goals are the state level goals. If we have County level goals,  
4 please include them.  
5 6. Strategy 7 – Remove reference to PACE and replace with other tools if relevant.  
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7 **4. Review the Transit Oriented Development Overlay on Future Planning Area Map**

8 After introducing the map in the previous agenda item, Regina Mahony showed the LRPC how the new Transit  
9 Oriented Development Overlay district is described in the Regional Plan supplement section of the ECOS Plan.  
10 There were no further comments.  
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12 **5. Meeting Times**

13 Regina Mahony asked if September 20<sup>th</sup> (3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday) will work for your next meeting date to discuss the  
14 transportation section. Committee members indicated that September 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm will work.  
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16 **6. Adjourn**

17 Regina Mahony stated that she will be leaving CCRPC to be the City Manager in Essex Junction, and she apologized  
18 for leaving midway through this project but stated that the work will be well covered. Charlie Baker stated that folks  
19 can contact him if they have any issues or concerns.  
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21 The meeting adjourned at 8:04pm.

22 Respectfully submitted, Regina Mahony  
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## **Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission**

**September 21, 2022**

### **Agenda Item 10: Discussion/potential Action Item**

#### **2023 ECOS Plan Update Schedule - update**

**Issues:** The [ECOS Plan](#) includes the region's Regional Plan, Metropolitan Transportation Plan and Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy. We had planned to keep everything on a unified schedule and adopt all three documents by June 2023. However, there are several issues that are causing us to re-think and propose a revised schedule.

Here is a quick list of the issues we are aware of at the moment:

- The need to better incorporate equity and provide time for the newly forming CCRPC Equity Advisory Committee to review.
- The Transportation Equity Framework is to be completed by VTrans in early 2023. It may have some guidance that should be considered in the MTP.
- The Department of Public Service is working on updated energy modelling we expect to be available in early 2023.
- More census data will be released in 2023.
- The CEDS needs to be adopted by the four participating regions by December 2022 per the EDA grant. We will likely seek an extension to March.
- The MTP needs to be adopted by June 2023.
- TDM implementation study begins in FY24 with recommendations in in FY26
- The Regional Plan needs to be adopted by June 2026.

We are recommending that a staggered schedule be considered:

- October to December 2022 – Review Draft #2 CEDS with EAC review
- January to April 2023 – Review Draft MTP with EAC review
- March 2023 – Adopt CEDS after LRPC recommendation
- June 2023 – Adopt MTP after TAC and LRPC recommendations
- July 2023 to January 2024 – Review Draft ECOS Plan with updated energy data and EAC review
- June 2024 Adopt ECOS Plan (including MTP and CEDS) – this time could be extended if desired
- June 2026 - TDM recommendations completed. Consider updating the MTP and ECOS Plan as needed

**Staff**

Provide feedback on draft updated schedule.

**Recommendation:**

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