

Representative Policy Board
Land Use Charter Review Subcommittee
South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority
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AGENDA

Special Meeting of Tuesday, September 8, 2026, at 2:00 p.m.

1. Safety Moment
2. Approve minutes – August 21, 2026 special meeting
3. Review and discuss proposed updates to the Representative Policy Board Land Use Committee Charter
4. Possible consideration and action for recommendation of updated Charter to the RPB Land Use Committee for adoption
5. Schedule next meeting, if required
6. Adjourn

*The meeting is remote; members of the public may access the meeting using the Teams link at the top of the agenda. To review meeting documents, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/mwxvuhe9>. For questions, contact the board office at 203-401-2515 or by email to jslubowski@rwater.com.

Weekly Safety Topic

Title: School Bus Safety



Regional Water Authority

It's that time of year when street and pedestrian traffic are increased, which means the risk of accidents is also higher. Other risk factors include slowdowns caused by bus pick-ups/drop-offs, increased bicycle riding, and excited kids not paying attention to where they're walking.

Activity/Process

According to research by the National Safety Council, most of the children who lose their lives in bus-related incidents are 4 to 7 years old. They are hit by a bus or a motorist illegally passing a stopped bus. A few precautions go a long way toward keeping children safe:

- Don't block the crosswalk when stopped at a red light or waiting to make a turn, forcing pedestrians to go around you; this could put them in the path of moving traffic.
- In a school zone when flashers are blinking, stop and yield to pedestrians crossing the crosswalk or intersection.
- Always stop for a school patrol officer or crossing guard holding up a stop sign.
- Take extra care to look out for children in school zones, near playgrounds and parks, and in all residential areas.
- Never pass a vehicle stopped for pedestrians.

Sharing the Road with School Buses:

- Never pass a bus from behind.
- If the yellow or red lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended, traffic must stop.
- The area 10 feet around a school bus is the most dangerous for children; stop far enough back to allow them space to enter and exit the bus safely.
- Be alert; children often are unpredictable; they tend to ignore hazards and take risks.

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Minutes

The special meeting of the Land Use Charter Review Subcommittee (“Committee”) of the Representative Policy Board (“RPB”), of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District (“RWA”), took place on Friday, August 21, 2026, via remote access. Chair Young presided.

Committee Members Present: J. Mowat Young, B. Eitzer, C. Havrda, Mark Levine, and C. Mancini

Staff: J. Slubowski

Chair Young called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. and stated that the purpose of the meeting was to review and update the Land Use Committee Charter, which was last amended in 2018.

The Committee engaged in a comprehensive discussion regarding the role and purpose of committee charters, including governing body requirements and the potential for inconsistencies when responsibilities are addressed across multiple governing documents. Members reviewed charters of other RPB standing committees and considered the scope of authority necessary for the Land Use Committee to effectively fulfill its responsibilities.

The Committee further discussed the governing documents that provide direction and authority for the Committee's work, including the enabling legislation, Bylaws, Rules of Practice, Committee responsibilities, and the recently updated RWA Land Use Plan (“Land Use Plan”). Members examined how these documents define the Committee's responsibilities and considered the extent to which the Charter should reference key areas of focus, such as watershed protection, recreation, priorities, and the broader value of land use planning. In reviewing documents related to the Committee's duties and responsibilities, members agreed that the enabling legislation, committee responsibilities, and the Land Use Plan (“Key Documents”) should serve as the primary source of guidance in defining the Committee's role, authority, and responsibilities within the revised Charter.

Following discussion, the Committee determined that members should review the Key Documents prior to the next meeting. Chair Young agreed to prepare a draft update for distribution to Committee members for review and comment at the next meeting.

The Committee scheduled its next special meeting on Tuesday, September 8, 2026 at 2:00 p.m., via Teams.

At 11:52 a.m., the Committee voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

Jamie Mowat Young, Chair

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LAND USE AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE CHARTER

The primary purpose of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority ("RWA") is to provide customers with high-quality water at a reasonable cost while promoting the preservation of watershed land and aquifers. Pursuant to Connecticut State enabling legislation ("Special Act" as amended), relevant RWA Representative Policy Board ("RPB") Bylaws and Rules of Procedure, and the decennially-updated Land Use Plan, the Land Use and Management Committee ("LUC") will assist the RPB in fulfilling its fiduciary and statutory oversight responsibilities.

The LUC will consult with the RPB, the RWA, and/or management of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District company ("Management") on all matters relating to land use and management, acquisition and disposition of land and real estate interests, recreational use, cutting of timber and other products, mining and quarrying, and Land Use Plan amendments, as well as participate in policy discussions.

In performing its consultation duties, the LUC will maintain effective working relationships with the RPB, RWA, and Management. To effectively perform, each LUC member will obtain an understanding of the detailed responsibilities of LUC membership as well as the RWA's business and operations. Appropriate representatives of the RWA and Management will attend meetings, at the invitation of the LUC chairperson, to provide required reports and presentations to the LUC. The LUC will report back its observations and timely policy considerations to the RPB on a regular basis and may perform other oversight functions at the request of the RPB.

LUC membership and chairperson designation, as well as meeting and quorum requirements, are dictated by Article IV, Section 4.1 of the RPB Bylaws, as amended. LUC members are expected to regularly participate in meetings and to review information, special permits, documents, updates, reporting, Land Use Plan amendments, and applications provided by the RPB or RWA.

This Charter is intended as a component of the flexible governance framework within which the RPB, assisted by its committees, assists in directing the affairs of the RWA. While it should be interpreted in the context of all applicable laws, rules, and regulations, as well as in the context of the RWA's Special Act, this Charter is not intended to establish by its own force any legally binding obligations.