Representative Policy Board South Central Connecticut Regional Water District Via Remote Access**

AGENDA

Regular Meeting of Thursday, May 21, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.

- I Safety Moment
- II Approval of Minutes April 16, 2020 meeting
- III Communications
 - A. RPB Dashboard Quarterly Report
 - B. Nominating Committee for Representative Policy Board Officers
- IV Items for Consideration and Action
 - A. Final Decision: Branford Hill Service Area Improvements Application
- V Representative Policy Board discussion and comments regarding the Regional Water Authority's Proposed FY 2021 Capital and Operating Budgets
- VI Reports
 - A. Finance Committee
 - B. Land Use Committee
 - C. Consumer Affairs Committee
 - D. Authority/Management
- VII Adjourn

7:00 p.m. – Public Hearing – North Sleeping Giant Wellfield Chemical Improvements (Brian Eitzer, Presiding Member)

**In accordance with the Governor Lamont's, Executive Order No. 7B for the Protection of Public Health and Safety during COVID-19 Pandemic and Response, the public hearing will be held remotely under the requirements of Paragraph 1 of Executive Order No. 7B - Suspension of In-Person Open Meeting Requirements. Members of the public may attend the meeting via conference call, videoconference or other technology. For information on attending the meeting via remote access, and to view meeting documents, please visit <u>https://www.rwater.com/about-us/our-boards/board-meetings-</u> <u>minutes?year=2020&category=1435&meettype=&page</u>=. For questions, contact the board office at 203-401-2515.

Topic: 05 21 2020 Representative Policy Board Meeting:

Time: May 21, 2020 06:30 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

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SAFETY MOMENT

COVID-19 GUIDANCE FOR EMPLOYEES

Please remember to follow these guidelines when working in the field performing construction, maintenance or working with other employees. Use of cloth face covers is advised when social distancing is not practical. When two or more employees are working in a confined space such as a vault or chamber, they should use N 95 masks.

- Employees should wear cloth face covers over their nose and mouth to prevent them from spreading the virus.
- Continue to use other normal control measures, including personal protective equipment (PPE), necessary to protect workers from other job hazards associated with construction activities.
- Avoid physical contact with others and increase personal space to at least six feet, where possible.
- Use respiratory etiquette, including covering coughs and sneezes.
- Promote personal hygiene. If workers do not have immediate access to soap and water for handwashing, provide alcohol-based hand rubs containing at least 60 percent alcohol.
- Use Environmental Protection Agency-approved cleaning chemicals from List N or that have label claims against the coronavirus.
- Clean shared tools after use. When cleaning tools and equipment, employees should follow RWA guidelines for proper cleaning techniques and restrictions.
- Keep in-person meetings (including toolbox talks and safety meetings) as short as possible, limit the number of workers in attendance, and use social distancing practices.
- Clean and disinfect portable jobsite toilets regularly. Frequently-touched items (i.e., door pulls and toilet seats) should be disinfected.
- Encourage workers to report any safety and health concerns.

Service - Teamwork - Accountability - Respect - Safety

Safety is a core company value at the Regional Water Authority . It is our goal to reduce workplace injuries to zero.







UNAPPROVED DRAFT

Representative Policy Board South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

Minutes of April 16, 2020 Meeting

A regular meeting of the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water District took place on Thursday, April 16, 2020, via remote access. Chairman Ricozzi presided.

PRESENT

RPB

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Ansonia	Thomas P. Clifford, III
Beacon Falls	Peter Betkoski
Bethany	Brian Eitzer
Branford	Mario Ricozzi
Cheshire	Timothy Slocum
Derby	Frank Pepe
East Haven	Michelle Verderame
Guilford	Charles Havrda
Hamden	Stephen Mongillo
Killingworth	Jamie Mowat Young
Madison	Joseph A. Oslander
Milford	Richard Smith
New Haven	Naomi Campbell
North Haven	Anthony Rescigno
Orange	Jasper J. Jaser
Prospect	Robert E. Harvey, Jr.
Seymour	Michael H. Horbal
West Haven	T. Gregory Malloy
Woodbridge	Mark Levine
Governor's Rep.	Vincent Marino
Absent	

North Branford

Vacant

Regional Water Authority

Anthony DiSalvo David Borowy Joseph Cermola Kevin Curseaden Suzanne Sack

Management

Larry L. Bingaman Linda Discepolo Rose Gavrilovic Rochelle Kowalski Beth Nesteriak Ted Norris

Counsel Bruce McDermott

Office of Consumer Affairs Jeffrey Donofrio

Staff Jennifer Slubowski

Call to Order

Chair Ricozzi called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

Safety Moment

Chair Ricozzi reviewed the Safety Moment handout distributed to members.

Minutes

On motion made by Mr. Slocum, seconded by Mr. Malloy, and unanimously carried, the RPB approved the minutes of its March 19, 2020 meeting, with 82 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden
Bethany (5)	Aye	Killingw
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (
Derby (2)	Aye	New Hav
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Bran

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No. Haven (5)	Aye
Orange (3)	Aye
Prospect (1)	Aye
Seymour (1)	Aye
West Haven (8)	Aye
Woodbridge (3)	Aye
Gov. Rep. (1)	Abstain

Communications

Chair Ricozzi:

- Announced RPB members whose terms are expiring on June 30, 2020. All members up for reappointment expressed interest in reappointment for another three year term.
- Stated that the RPB committee meetings to review the FY 2021 budgets will take place on Monday, April 20, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at a joint meeting of the Consumer Affairs and Land Use Committees and on Wednesday, April 22, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. with the Finance Committee. He noted that members are welcome to attend either meeting.

Items for Consideration and Action

Mr. Slocum moved for adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority ("RWA"), on March 23, 2020, filed an Application with the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") for approval of a project for North Sleeping Giant Wellfield Chemical Improvements; and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee of the Representative Policy Board reviewed the Application and recommends that it be accepted by the RPB as complete and recommends that a public hearing be scheduled and conducted by a Presiding Member; and

WHEREAS, the RPB accepts said Application, as complete and schedules said Application for a public hearing in accordance with Special Act 77-98, as amended, and the RPB Bylaws and Rules of Practice.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the RPB accepts the Authority's Application for approval of a project for North Sleeping Giant Wellfield Chemical Improvements and determines to hold a public hearing on the Application, to be conducted by a Presiding Member, on May 21, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Chairperson is hereby directed to give notice of said hearing in accordance with Section 11 of the Rules of Practice, as amended.

Mr. Jaser seconded the resolution. The Chair called for the vote, the RPB unanimously approved the resolution with 93 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Aye	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Aye	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Vacant	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Chair Ricozzi asked for a volunteer to act as presiding member for the public hearing. Interested members should contact him after tonight's meeting.

Before the next item for consideration and action regarding the RPB's first quarter 2020 compensation, Chair Ricozzi stated that effective January 1, 2020, RPB members are eligible for a compensation increase in the amount of \$8.23, per meeting. He asked that under the current circumstances surrounding the Coronavirus pandemic, he would like to propose an increase freeze effective 1/1/20, until such time that the economy opens back up.

After discussion, on motion made by Mr. Havrda, seconded by Mr. Eitzer, and unanimously carried, the RPB approved the first quarter 2020 member compensation, to not include an increase of \$8.23, effective January 1, 2020, substantially in the form submitted to the meeting, with 90 total weighted votes cast in the affirmative.

Representative Policy Board, April 16, 2020

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Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Abstain
Bethany (5)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Aye	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Aye	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Vacant	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

Reports

Finance Committee – Mr. Slocum, Chair of the Finance Committee, reported that the Committee met earlier in the month to review the North Sleeping Giant Wellfield Improvements Application for completeness, received a review from management of the RWA's quarterly financial statements, and reviewed the quarterly dashboard report.

Land Use Committee – Mr. Levine, Chair of the Land Use Committee, reported that the Committee met earlier in the month and received an Environmental Compliance Update from management.

Consumer Affairs Committee – Mr. Mongillo, Chair of the Consumer Affairs Committee, reported that the Committee is scheduled to meet next week at a joint meeting with the Land Use Committee to review the FY 2021 Budgets.

Executive Committee – Chair Ricozzi reported on the committee meeting at the end of March to discuss the process and procedure for virtual meetings during the pandemic.

At 7:00 p.m., the RPB voted to recess the meeting to hold the public hearing for the Branford Hill Service Area Improvements. The Chair called for the vote:

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Aye	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Aye	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Vacant	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

At 7:48 p.m., the RPB reconvened.

Chair DiSalvo reported on the Authority meeting that took place earlier in the day. He noted that the Authority met as the Pension & Benefit Committee and the Strategic Planning Committee.

Ms. Sack reported on the Pension & Benefit Committee meeting earlier in the day. The Committee met with RWA's Actuary to review contributions to RWA's Pension Plans. The Committee also met with Morgan Stanley to receive a Quarterly Performance Update.

Ms. Nesteriak, RWA's Senior Vice President of Operations and Business Strategy reported on:

- Employee status update
- 60 Sargent Drive now set up as test thru site, opened April 15th
- 90 Sargent Drive continues to remain closed to the public
- Cleaning at 90 Sargent Drive has increased
- Update on status of work
- Most employees are working from home

Mr. Bingaman, RWA's President and Chief Executive Officer, reviewed revenues, and operating and maintenance expenses for the month ended March 31, 2020, and stated that the projected maintenance test for FY 2020 is 114%, with no projected draw expected from the Rate Stabilization Fund.

He also reported that reservoir levels are at 99% as if April 14, 2020 compared to the long term average of 92%.

Chair Ricozzi recognized Attorney Donofrio, Office of Consumer Affairs, who had nothing to report.

Ms. Mowat Young motioned for approval of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority ("Authority"), on February 24, 2020, filed an Application to the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") for approval of a project to complete the Branford Hill Service Area Improvements ("Application"); and

WHEREAS, the Finance Committee of the RPB reviewed the Application and recommended that it be accepted as complete, the RPB consider the application, and render a decision on the same evening as the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, at its March 19, 2020 meeting, the RPB concluded that the Application was complete, determined to hold a public hearing on April 16, 2020, and considered rendering a decision on the same evening of the public hearing; and

WHEREAS, on April 16, 2020, the RPB held a public hearing in accordance with the Rules of Policy and Procedures, as amended, and as modified by Governor Ned Lamont's Executive Order 7B, dated March 14, 2020; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the public hearing, the RPB determined the application and proposed action is necessary and consistent with the policies and mission of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority, is not likely to have adverse effects on the environment, and is in the public interest.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the RPB hereby approves the Authority's Application for a project to complete the Branford Hill Service Area Improvements filed February 24, 2020, in accordance with Section 19 of Connecticut Special Act 77-98, as amended.

Mr. Malloy seconded the motion. The Chair called for the vote:

Ansonia (3)	Aye	Guilford (4)	Aye	No. Haven (5)	Aye
Beacon Falls (0)	Aye	Hamden (10)	Aye	Orange (3)	Aye
Bethany (5)	Aye	Killingworth (2)	Aye	Prospect (1)	Aye
Branford (6)	Aye	Madison (6)	Aye	Seymour (1)	Aye
Cheshire (4)	Aye	Milford (10)	Aye	West Haven (8)	Aye
Derby (2)	Aye	New Haven (13)	Aye	Woodbridge (3)	Aye
East Haven (6)	Aye	No. Branford (8)	Vacant	Gov. Rep. (1)	Aye

At 8:04 p.m., the meeting adjourned.

Robert E. Harvey, Jr., Secretary

Representative Policy Board Dashboard Metric

	Quarter ended 8/31/19 (1Q	Quarter ended 11/30/19	Quarter ended 2/29/20 (3Q
Metrics	FY 2020)	(2Q FY 2020)	FY 2020)
Customer/Stakeholders			
Combined Customer Satisfaction & Reputation (Note 1)	Target: 96% +/-2% Results: 96.1%* *Period ending March 2019, most recent available	Target: 96% +/-2% Results: 96.2%* *Period ending September 2019, most recent available	Target: 96% +/-2% Results: 96.2%* *Period ending December 2019, most recent available
Underlying Credit Rating	S&P rating AA- , affirmed 6/2019	S&P rating AA- , affirmed 10/2019	S&P rating AA-, affirmed 10/2019
	Moody's rating Aa3, affirmed 6/2019	Moody's rating Aa3, affirmed 10/2019	Moody's rating Aa3, affirmed 10/2019
Water Rates	Update to be provided with the next Official Statement	Rates as of Sept. 2019, prepared for refinancing	Update to be provided with the next Official Statement
Financial Metrics (Note 2)			
Accrued Water Revenues to Budget (000 omitted)	Budget: \$29.054 million Result: \$27.880 million	Budget: \$55.931 million Result: \$55.036 million	Budget: \$79.900 million Result: \$78.643 million
<i>Other Net Revenues to Budget (Note 3)</i>	Budget: \$1.505 million Result: \$1.651 million	Budget: \$3.111 million Result: \$3.550 million	Budget: \$4.66 million Result: \$5.32 million
Net Other Revenue Projection as % of Total Revenues	See above metric and Note 3	See above metric and Note 3	See above metric and Note 3
O&M Expenditures to Budget (Note 4)	Budget: \$15.299 million Result: \$13.571 million	Budget: \$30.302 million Result: \$27.285 million	Budget: \$45.695 million Result: \$41.462 million
Capital Expenditures to Budget (Note 5)	Budget: \$5.808 million Result: \$5.328 million	Budget: \$14.075 million Result: \$12.211 million	Budget: \$20,459 million Result: \$18.382 million
Cash Collections (Water and Fire Service)	Budget: \$30.883 million Result: \$29.724 million	Budget: \$60.317 million Result: \$58.701 million	Budget: \$91.57 million Result: \$91.04 million
Coverage	Budget: 1.14 w/draw Projected: 1.14 w/draw	Budget: 1.14 w/draw Projected: 1.14 w/draw	Budget: 1.14 w/draw Projected: 1.18 w/o draw
Draw Requirement	Budget: \$829,000 Result: \$465,000	Budget: \$829,000 Projected : \$0	Budget: \$829,000 Projected: \$0
System Metrics			
Average Daily Production (Draft) to Budget (MG/D)	Budget: 52,348 MGD Result : 51,816 MGD	Budget: 48,361 MGD Result: 47,106 MGD	Budget: 45,139 MGD Result: 43,986 MGD
Disinfection By-products	Target: 90% Result: 96% *	Target: 90% Result: 99% *	Target: 90% Result : 100%*
	* As of June 30, 2019, updated quarterly based on calendar year	* As of Sep 30, 2019, updated quarterly based on calendar year	* As of Dec 31, 2019, updated quarterly based on calendar year
Net Unaccounted For Water (annualized)	Target: 10.0% Result: 10.65% as of 5/31/2019	Target: 10.0% Result: 11.7% as of 8/31/2019	Target: 10.0% Result: 8.55% as of 11/30/2019
Reservoir Levels (% full)	87% vs. 74% LTA	79% vs. 66% LTA	92% vs. 82% LTA

Notes:

Note 1: FY 2020 metric is Northeast Average for Customer Billing & Payment

Note 2: Preliminary FY 2019 results updated to reflect final numbers. FY 2019 budget reflects original (vs. revised) budget Note 3: FY 2019 includes all other revenues. FY 2020 includes other proprietary and forestry

Note 4: Excludes impact of governmental accounting standards for pension and opeb. Includes expenses funded from non-revenue fund sources. Revised FY 2019 budget was \$58.017 million

Note 5: Excludes State and Redevelopment and contingency

Representative Policy Board South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

Application for Approval of a Project	:	May 21, 2020
to complete the Branford Hill Service	:	
Area Improvements	:	

<u>Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and</u> <u>Final Decision of the Representative Policy Board</u>

A. <u>The Applicant's Request</u>

On February 24, 2020, the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority ("RWA" or the "Applicant"), through its five-member Authority, submitted an application to the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") for its approval of a project to complete the Branford Hill Service Area Improvements (the "Application"). The original project was proposed as a multi-year project in the FY 2020-2021 Capital Project Improvements Plan, at a total cost of \$1,750,000. Due to unforeseen circumstances, actual final project costs are estimated to be approximately \$2,400,000 and now requires approval by the RPB, as stated under Section 33-B, Part 3 of the RPB's Description of Organization, Rules of Practice and Procedures for Consumer Complaints ("RPB Rules of Practice"). The Application for approval of the project was filed pursuant to the statutory authority set forth in Section 19 of Special Act No. 77-98, as amended.

B. <u>Participants</u>

In addition to the RWA, the district's Office of Consumer Affairs ("OCA") participated in this proceeding. Section 15 of Special Act No. 77-98, as amended, authorizes the OCA to act as the advocate for consumer interests in all matters that may affect water customers in the district.

C. <u>Statutory Standard</u>

Pursuant to the legislation cited in paragraph A above, the RWA is required to obtain approval from the RPB, prior to commencing any project costing more than two million dollars to repair, improve, construct, reconstruct, enlarge and extend any of its properties or systems.

D. Notice and Procedures

On March 14, 2020, Governor Lamont issued Executive Order 7B concerning Protection of Public Health and Safety During COVID-19 Pandemic and Response - Further Suspension or Modification of Statutes. In accordance with Executive Order 7B, the RPB was permitted to hold the hearing on the completion of the Branford Hill Service Area improvements by conference call, videoconference or other technology remotely provided various procedural requirements were met. On March 19, 2020, the RPB voted unanimously to accept the Application as complete and called a public hearing for Thursday, April 16, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. via remote access. The RPB designated Jamie Mowat Young (Killingworth) to serve as Presiding Member at the public hearing.

As required by Section 10 of Special Act. No. 77-98 as amended by Public Act No. 02-85, the RPB published in the New Haven Register and the Connecticut Post the date, time and place of the public hearing to be held by the RPB to consider the Application for approval of this project. The date of publication was March 25, 2020. A copy of this notice was filed in the Office of the Clerk of each city and town within the district. The notice was posted on the RWA's website in accordance with Governor Ned Lamont's Executive Order 7B, including information about remote participation for the meeting.

E. <u>Public Hearing</u>

At the public hearing on April 16, 2020, the Applicant provided sworn testimony from Edward O. Norris III, RWA's Vice President of Asset Management, and Rose Gavrilovic, RWA's Director of Capital Planning and Delivery. These witnesses provided a presentation that described the project overview, summary of proposed improvements, project need, alternatives analysis, timeline of events, explanation of unusual circumstances, project budget, project schedule, and lessons learned.

Members of the RPB asked questions of the Applicant with respect to layout of existing mains, capital pipe bid reimbursements, and utility location test pits that may have been performed during the design of the project.

The OCA recommended approval of the Application for the reasons set forth in his memorandum to the Representative Policy Board dated April 2, 2020.

There were no members of the public present at the public hearing.

F. <u>Analysis</u>

After considering all of the evidence presented, the RPB believes that the project to complete the Branford Hill Service Area Improvements is necessary, is included in the five-year plan of capital improvements, and is in the best interest of the RWA and its customers. The project was not expected to require RPB approval. The RWA was anticipating significant cost savings by accelerating the project to meet the State of Connecticut Department of Transportation's ("CTDOT") schedule, but the cost savings associated with paving were not realized when CTDOT postponed their project. Costs related to a conflict with the field markings of the existing underground high voltage electrical lines and along with the paving costs, have caused

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the project to exceed \$2 million, therefore, requiring RPB approval. The presentation at the public hearing reinforced the need for and importance of the project.

G. <u>Conclusion</u>

We, therefore, conclude that the Application for a project to complete the Branford Hill Service Area Improvements be approved. Separately stated findings of fact and conclusions of law are attached hereto as Exhibit A.

<u>Exhibit A</u>

Representative Policy Board South Central Connecticut Regional Water District

Application for Approval of a Project	:	
to complete the Branford Hill Service	:	
Area Improvements	:	

May 21, 2020

Findings of Fact

- The RWA, through its five-member Authority, submitted an Application to the RPB for approval of a project to complete the Branford Hill Service Area Improvements on February 24, 2020.
- The project addresses the Branford Hill area, which is a known area of deficiency in RWA's distribution system and addresses historic issues with low pressure and reduced fire flows in the Branford Hill area by providing a connection to the North Branford Service Area.
- The project will allow for future long-term improvements to the Saltonstall Service Area, and the potential for a reduction in pumping costs at the Lake Saltonstall Water Treatment Plant.
- The project is necessary to address long-standing low pressure and fire flow issues into the Branford Hill Service Area.
- 5. The original project was proposed as a multi-year project in the FY 2020-2021 Capital Project Improvements Plan, at a total cost of \$1,750,000.
- 6. The project was accelerated to accommodate the CTDOT's project to perform roadway improvements and save paving costs in Branford.
- 7. The CTDOT postponed their project thus eliminating the anticipated savings in paving costs. In addition, a conflict with a high voltage electrical lines, and higher than anticipated land clearing and tree removal, have caused the project to exceed \$2 million; therefore, requiring RPB approval.

- 8. The project is nearing completion and the final restoration for the project is scheduled to occur in Spring 2020, pending weather conditions.
- 9. The estimated final project cost is approximately \$2,400,000.
- 10. The proposed project is consistent with and advances the RWA policies and goals and is in the public interest.
- 11. The OCA recommended approval of the Application.

Conclusions of Law

- The RWA's application for approval of a project to complete the Branford Hill Service Area Improvements (the "Application") was filed pursuant to the statutory authority set forth in Section 19 of Special Act No. 77-98, as amended.
- 2. Notice of the public hearing to consider the Application and to allow interested persons, including water users and property owners within the district, to be heard was properly made pursuant to Section 10 of Special Act No. 77-98, as amended, and in accordance with Governor Ned Lamont's Executive Order 7B, dated March 14, 2020.
- Pursuant to Sections 10 and 19 of Special Act 77-98, as amended and Governor Ned Lamont's Executive Order 7B, the public hearing was held on April 16, 2020.
- Based upon the above Findings of Fact, the RPB concludes that the RWA's application for approval of a project to complete the Branford Hill Service Area Improvements, meets all requirements for approval.

THE REPRESENTATIVE POLICY BOARD

OF THE

SOUTH CENTRAL CONNECTICUT REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY PROPOSED RESOLUTION

May 21, 2020

(Authority's Application for a project to complete the Branford Hill Service Area Improvements)

RESOLVED, that the proposed Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Final Decision of the Representative Policy Board with respect to the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority's Application for a project to complete the Branford Hill Service Area Improvements, a copy of which is attached to these minutes, be and hereby is, approved in the form submitted to the meeting.

REPRESENTATIVE POLICY BOARD

OF THE

SOUTH CENTRAL CONNECTICUT REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY PROPOSED RESOLUTIONS

MAY 21, 2020

(FY 2021Capital and Operating Budgets)

WHEREAS, the Regional Water Authority requested the Representative Policy Board ("RPB") review the Authority's FY 2021 proposed Capital and Operating Budgets ("Budgets"); and

WHEREAS, the RPB held workshops on April 20, 2020 and April 22, 2020, at which time management and the Authority presented the proposed Budgets and responded to questions in a professional, concise and articulate way; and

WHEREAS, the RPB has a duty to review the Budgets and to comment, but has no other statutory obligations or authority.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the RPB wishes to express its appreciation to management and the Authority for the professionalism of their presentation and express its overall support of the FY 2021 proposed Budgets; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the RPB also agrees with the recommendations contained in the OCA's Budget review letter dated May 1, 2020; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the RPB consensus regarding the proposed Budgets is that they are reasonable and supported; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the RPB believes that the Authority's overall financial plan provides for stable finances at unprecedented and uncertain times during the COVID-19 pandemic and the essential funding of capital projects and the flexibility of reduced operating expenses will support the steps necessary to address financial obstacles during the fiscal year.