

# Governor's Commission on the Reform of the Department of Transportation

October 9, 2007

City Hall Annex  
Conference Room A & B  
Bridgeport, CT  
6:30 PM

Present: Michael Critelli, Commissioner Ralph Carpenter, David Egan, Commissioner Anne Gnazzo, James Paggioli, Meredith Reuben, William Sawch, Under Secretary Philip Smith

Absent: Secretary Robert Genuario (represented by Under Secretary Philip Smith), Kevin Kelleher, Commissioner Gina McCarthy, Larry McHugh, Anthony Milano

## I. Call to Order

Chairman Critelli called the meeting to order at 6:36 PM.

## II. Call to Order

Chairman Critelli called for a motion to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2007 meeting. Ms. Reuben made a motion (2<sup>nd</sup>: Carpenter). Voice vote—motion approved.

## III. Chairman's Remarks

Chairman Critelli advised that the meeting would consist of a public hearing.

## IV. Public Hearing

The following members of the public provided testimony:

**Nancy Hadley - Director of the City of Bridgeport Office of Planning and Economic Development** - Ms. Hadley advise the Commission that she was a Deputy Commissioner of DOT during the Weicker administration. Ms. Hadley stated that all modes of transportation should remain under one roof at DOT. The model that should be used is one similar to Bradley Airport where there is regional oversight. Ms. Hadley gave multiple examples of how this model would work in the Bridgeport area. The full text of Ms. Hadley's testimony is posted on the Commission website.

**Michelle Ernst - Tri-State Transportation Campaign** - Ms. Earnst spoke about traffic and congestion and recommended that DOT embrace context sensitive design; create a transit village program modeled after New Jersey's; use a larger share of funds for bike/pedestrian projects; and adopt a fix it first policy. The full text of Ms. Ernst's testimony is posted on the Commission website.

## V. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.