



Transportation Committee - Board of Representatives

Jeff Wirz, Chair

Scott Stone, Vice Chair

Committee Report

Date: Monday, March 16, 2026
Time: 6:30pm
Place: *This meeting was held remotely.*

The Transportation Committee met as indicated above. In attendance were Chair Wirz, Vice Chair Stone, and Committee Member Reps. Adams, Gilbride, Hughes, Pelliccia, Sandford, Shore, and Weathers. Also in attendance were Luke Bittenwieser, Senior Transportation Planner; John Harness, Law Department; and members of the public.

Chair Wirz called the meeting to order at 6:31pm.

Item No.	Description	Committee Action
1. T32.003	ORDINANCE for publication; To dissolve the Stamford Transit District per Section 59-8 of the Code of Ordinances. 03/03/2026 – Submitted by Director Quiñones	APPROVED 8-0-1

Mr. Bittenwieser reviewed the [attached presentation](#) and gave an overview of this item.

Over three million rides occur every year on CT Transit within Stamford. The Transportation Department is working on ways to enhance transit and improve mobility for people who take the bus. The proposed Capital Budget includes a \$250K request to upgrade the city-owned portion of transit stops, such as adding shelters, benches, and making them ADA compliant.

There are many different components and ownership of a bus stop. Currently the Stamford Transit District, a sub-municipal agency, owns the shelters. It can be a two-to-three month process to get something fixed or upgraded because the request first has to go through the Stamford Transit District, which meets once per month.

Routine maintenance such as snow removal, trash removal, and installing new benches is done by the vendor Trans-Ad, Inc. This vendor collects revenue through the advertising it sells for the shelters. Stamford gets part of that revenue, which goes back into the shelters. The vendor will not be changing with the dissolution of the Stamford Transit District.

It is in the best interest of the travelling public to dissolve the Stamford Transit District and have all the bus shelters be owned and operated by the City of Stamford. This will increase efficiency and responsiveness to the public.

A motion to approve Item #1 was made, seconded, and approved by a voice vote of 8-0-1 (Reps. Wirz, Stone, Adams, Hughes, Pelliccia, Sandford, Shore, and Weathers in favor; Rep. Gilbride abstained).

Several Committee members and Mr. Battenwieser stated this will probably need a public hearing. Chair Wirz noted this can be researched before it goes on the Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting.

Chair Wirz adjourned the meeting at 6:56pm

Respectfully submitted,
Jeff Wirz, Chair

This meeting is on [video](#).