

Friday, February 21, 2020

Secretary Melissa McCaw Office of Policy & Management 450 Capitol Avenue Hartford, CT 06106

Dear Secretary McCaw,

The time has come to move forward with a targeted municipal aid bond package that will include new authorizations so we can immediately deliver on the promises we have made to our municipalities. We have consistently proposed to comprehensively address the state's capital needs including the resolution of a long-term transportation infrastructure funding plan to get our state moving and growing. We are now eight months into the fiscal year without solutions to our transportation needs and a bond package. No longer can our cities and towns wait.

Therefore, I am directing you to immediately provide a municipal aid bond package to the legislature, requesting passage of the bill no later than March 6, 2020. Immediately upon passage, on my behalf, please schedule a bond commission meeting within the statutory period allowed subject to all notice requirements.

It is proper and prudent that we authorize new bonds and then allocate these grants so the towns and cities can record the revenues, make up for any deficiencies and plan their summer paving schedule.

Thank you for your leadership and swift action.

Sincerely,

Governor Ned Lamont