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COG BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

DATE: Wednesday, September 13, 2006

TIME: 12:00 Noon

PLACE: COG Board Room

PLEASE NOTE: Chair Fisetto will begin the meeting promptly at Noon.
Lunch for members and alternates will be available at 11:30 a.m.

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
(12:00 Noon)

Chair Jay Fisetto
Board Member, Arlington County

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JULY 12, 2006**
(12:00 – 12:05 p.m.)

3. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
(12:05 – 12:15 p.m.)

Chair Fisetto

- A) Introduction of New Members
- B) Green Building Initiative, September 29th
- C) Wise Water Use Program's "Landscaping and Watering Guide"
- D) Executive Director's Report
 - a. Outreach
 - b. Letters Sent/Received
 - c. Legislative Report Update

4. **AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA**
(12:15 – 12:20 p.m.)

5. **ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**
(12:20 – 12:25 p.m.)

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Consent Agenda Items 12.A., 12.B., 12.C., & 12.D.

**6. HIGHLIGHTS OF COG RETREAT
(12:25 – 12:40 p.m.)**

Chairman Fissette

**David Robertson
Executive Director**

COG held its eighth annual retreat July 28-30, which was attended by 22 elected and appointed officials. Presentations focused on the use of higher density to support local and regional affordable housing goals, Metro dedicated funding, past regional growth, transportation and visioning initiatives, and a proposed new multi-sector, multi-year regional visioning campaign. The retreat also included a presentation on preliminary plans for COG's 50th Anniversary in 2007. In addition, participants discussed three proposed areas to strengthen implementation of COG's strategic plan. The Board will be briefed on retreat highlights and implementing next steps.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing and approve implementing next steps.

**7. UPDATE ON IMPACTS OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DoD) BASE REALIGNMENT AND CLOSURE (BRAC) AND SECURITY-RELATED ACTIONS IN THE WASHINGTON REGION
(12:40 – 1:15 p.m.)**

Presentation

**Cynthia Richmond
Arlington County Department of Economic Development**

Response Panel

**Ellen McCarthy
D.C. Office of Planning**

**Fred Seldon
Fairfax County Department of Planning and Zoning**

**Paul Desjardin
Chief of Housing and Planning, COG**

In 2005 COG and TPB staff analyzed the likely impacts of the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Commission recommendations for the Washington region. In addition to the base-specific BRAC recommendations, DoD also recommended not renewing leases for many buildings in the region that do not meet the Department's anti-terrorism standards for design and security. The Board will be briefed on significant BRAC activities to date and asked to approve additional follow-up work by COG.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing and approve recommended work plan.

**8. INTERIM REPORT BY BROADBAND ACCESS TASK FORCE
(1:15 – 1:25 p.m.)**

**Supervisor Lori Waters
Loudoun County
Chair, Broadband Access Task Force**

The COG Board of Directors established the Broadband Access Task Force in early 2006 to strengthen the region's economy and transform its communities by fostering the development of broadband internet access. The task force is chaired by Supervisor Waters and includes representatives of both the public

and private sectors. The Board will be briefed on progress to date and plans for a regional broadband forum, best-practices toolkit, and broader policy recommendations for consideration by area state and local governments.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing.

**9. BOARD DISCUSSION TIME
(1:25 – 1:40 p.m.)**

Chairman Fisetto and Board members

At its July retreat, the COG Board of Directors requested that a block of time be set aside for general Board discussion at each of its monthly meetings; to be piloted in September and until modified. COG retreat participants recommended this step in order to allow for a more timely review of emerging issues and provide an opportunity for members to raise new business or briefly discuss issues of potential interest and action by COG. Chairman Fisetto will invite Board members to share successful best practices and program issues of concern or opportunities for greater regional and COG engagement.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Board discussion and referral to policy boards or committees and staff, as appropriate.

**10. EXECUTIVE SESSION ON THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
(1:40-1:55 p.m.)**

By motion, the Board of Directors will conclude the public meeting and reconvene in Executive Session for personnel purposes to discuss the results of the performance evaluation process conducted by the Employee Compensation and Benefits Review Committee (ECBR) and other COG Board Members. Following the Executive Session the Board will be asked to review the ECBR's contractual recommendations as contained in Resolution R40-06.

11. RECONVENE PUBLIC SESSION

The Board will reconvene in Public Session and will be asked to authorize a new 3-year employment contract as reviewed by the ECBR, salary recommendations, as well as the Executive Director's goals for the next performance review period July 1, 2006 to June 30, 2007.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R40-06.

12. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Resolution Authorizing COG to Contract for a National Capital Region Evacuation and Sheltering Plan

The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R41-06, approving a proposal to obtain the services of an individual or an organization to develop a National Capital Region Evacuation and Sheltering Plan. The purpose of the National Capital Region Evacuation and Sheltering Plan is to provide a document that integrates the evacuation plans of all members of the NCR into a functional plan for the safe and timely evacuation of residents and guests of the NCR in a public emergency. COG is being provided \$1,500,000 through a Grant Adjustment Notice to its Urban Area Security Initiative Grant to provide Secretariat Support to execute the Proposal. No COG matching funds are required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R41-06.

B. Resolution Authorizing COG to Contract for Items Included in the ETOP Training and Exercise Bundle

The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R42-06, approving proposals to obtain the services of individuals or organizations to develop and/or conduct training and exercises included in the Exercise and Training Operations Panel (ETOP) Training and Exercise Bundle as requested by various entities. The ETOP Training and Exercise Bundle will be used to meet training and/or exercise needs in the NCR to enhance preparedness within the region. COG is being provided \$1,500,000 through a Grant Adjustment Notice to execute the ETOP Training and Exercise Bundle. No COG matching funds are required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R42-06.

C. Resolution Authorizing the Executive Director to Expend Urban Area Security Initiative Grant Funds from the Department of Homeland Security to Support the Enhancement of the Drinking Water Security Monitoring Network for the National Capital Region

The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R43-06, authorizing the Executive Director or his designee, to expend FY06 Urban Area Security Initiative grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$300,000 for the purpose of purchasing and operation of additional monitors as part of the water security monitoring network in the National Capital Region. No COG matching funds are required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R43-06.

D. Resolution Authorizing the Executive Director to Submit a Grant Proposal to the Summit Fund of Washington for the Anacostia Watershed Restoration - Building Citizen-Based Capacity project.

The Board will be asked to adopt R44-06, authorizing the Executive Director or his designee to submit a proposal and execute a contract to assist the Anacostia Watershed Citizen's Advisory Committee (AWCAC) in establishing a new subwatershed group in the Little Paint Branch subwatershed, strengthen existing subwatershed groups, and holding a watershed environmental networking workshop. Funds will be requested in an amount not to exceed \$68,413. The project duration will be 12 months from the receipt of funding. No COG matching funds are required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R44-06.

THE NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2006.