

# **National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board**

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## **MEETING NOTICE**

Date: September 21, 2011

Time: 12 noon

Place: COG Board Room

## **A-G-E-N-D-A (BEGINS PROMPTLY AT NOON)**

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| 12 noon  | 1. | <b>Public Comment on TPB Procedures and Activities</b> .....  | Chair Bowser  |
|          |    | Interested members of the public will be given the opportunity to make brief comments on transportation issues under consideration by the TPB. Each speaker will be allowed up to three minutes to present his or her views. Board members will have an opportunity to ask questions of the speakers, and to engage in limited discussion. Speakers are asked to bring written copies of their remarks (65 copies) for distribution at the meeting. |   |
| 12:20 pm | 2. | <b>Approval of Minutes of July 20 Meeting</b> .....   | Chair Bowser  |
| 12:25 pm | 3. | <b>Report of Technical Committee</b> .....  | Mr. Kellogg<br>Chair, Technical Committee                             |
| 12:30 pm | 4. | <b>Report of Citizen Advisory Committee</b> .....   | Mr. Dobelbower<br>Chair, Citizens Advisory Committee                  |
| 12:40 pm | 5. | <b>Report of Steering Committee</b> .....   | Mr. Kirby<br>Director, Department of<br>Transportation Planning (DTP) |
| 12:45 pm | 6. | <b>Chair's Remarks</b> .....  | Chair Bowser  |

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**ACTION ITEM**

- 12:50 pm 7. **Approval of Recommended Local Projects and Pre-Application for Funding Under the FY 2011 Transportation Investments Generating Economic Recovery (TIGER ) Competitive Grant Program**  
.....Mr. Kirby

On August 12, USDOT released in the Federal Register the Final Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for \$527 million in discretionary surface transportation grant funding for the FY 2011 TIGER program, with pre-applications due on October 3 and final applications on October 31. The Board will be briefed on the recommended local projects for the application to implement pedestrian and bicycle access improvements in rail station areas, and asked to approve the recommended projects and pre-application for submission by October 3. The Board will be asked to approve the final application package at its October 19 meeting for submission by October 31.

**Action:** Adopt Resolution R3-2012 to approve the recommended projects and pre-application for submission by October 3, as described in the attached materials.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

- 1:00 pm 8. **Update on the Rail~Volution Conference in Washington DC October 16-19**  
.....Mr. Zimmerman

The mission of Rail~Volution is to create a national movement that uses transit to develop livable communities – those that are healthy, economically vibrant, socially equitable, and environmentally sustainable. The Board will be updated on the conference program of over 75 sessions, mobile workshops, networking events, and charettes.

- 1:05 pm 9. **Briefing on the Transforming Governance of the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority: Phase 1 Recommendations Report by the Governance Work Group (GWG) Appointed by the Governors of Maryland and Virginia and the Mayor of the District of Columbia**  
.....Mr. Gartner,  
Maryland Department of Transportation

The GWG was established in January 2011 by the two Governors and the Mayor to make recommendations to improve governance at WMATA. As part of its work, the GWG requested and received research support from TPB staff on five topics related to WMATA board functions and funding needs. The public comment period on the report ended August 25. The Board will be briefed on the GWG Phase I report recommendations and public comments.

1:20 pm 10. **Briefing on Housing and Transportation Cost Study for the Washington Metropolitan Area**  
..... Mr. Rodgers  
DC Office of Planning

The Board will be briefed on the final report for the Housing and Transportation Cost Study for the Washington Metropolitan Area prepared by the DC Office of Planning and the Center for Neighborhood Technology (CNT).

1:30 pm 11. **Briefing on Household Travel Survey in Fourteen Geographic Subareas of the Region**  
..... Mr. Griffiths, DTP

In response to the need expressed by local jurisdiction users of the 2007/2008 Regional Household Travel Survey to have additional household samples in smaller geographic subareas, new household travel survey data will be collected in FY 2012 from 4,800 households in fourteen focused geographic subareas of the region to permit more intensive analysis of specific growth and transportation issues. The Board will be briefed on the schedule and proposed subareas to be surveyed.

1:40 pm 12. **Status Report on Study of Public Attitudes toward Road-Use Pricing**  
..... Mr. Swanson, DTP

In October 2009, the TPB approved the submission in partnership with the Brookings Institution of a grant proposal to the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) to investigate issues related to the public acceptability of road-use pricing in the Metropolitan Washington Region. The grant was awarded in late 2010. The study will use a series of invitation-based *deliberative forums* to explore public attitudes toward a variety of pricing options, ranging from variably priced lanes to system-wide vehicle-based pricing systems. The Board will receive a status report on the schedule and activities to date for the study.

1:50 pm 13. **Briefing on the Draft Call for Projects and Schedule for the Air Quality Conformity Assessment for the 2012 CLRP and FY 2013-2018 TIP**  
..... Mr. Austin, DTP

The Board will be briefed on the draft call for projects document and schedule for the air quality conformity assessment for the 2012 CLRP and FY 2013-2018 TIP. The Board will be asked to approve the final call for projects document at its October 19 meeting.

1:55 pm 14. **Other Business**

2:00 pm 15. **Adjourn**

2 hours

Lunch will be available for Board members and alternates at 11:30 am

