

AGENDA
Planning Directors Technical Advisory Committee and
Multi-Sector Working Group - Land Use Subgroup

Friday March 20, 2015

10:00am – Noon

COG Building Meeting Room #1 – 1st Floor

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- 10:00 am 1. Welcome and Introductions**
- Chair Levy, City of Rockville
 - Economic Census Workshop, Ron Kirby Training Center, April 2nd
 - Region Forward Meeting, COG Building, April 24th
 - FY 2016 TLC Technical Assistance Connections Solicitation
 - Delta Associates Discussion with Cooperative Forecasting Subcommittee, March 10th - Please see [Presentation](#)

10:10 am 2. Briefing on a Study to Identify Pedestrian/Bicycle Access Improvements at Select Rail Stations

The TPB in 2012 received a grant from the FHWA's Transportation, Community, and Systems Preservation (TCSP) Program to develop an inventory of pedestrian and bicycle improvements near 25 rail stations that currently have capacity to accommodate more riders and are anticipating ridership growth. The capital improvements included in this inventory, which were largely derived from local plans and studies, would enhance station access, helping to maximize use of the existing rail system.

10:30 am 3. Briefing on Metro's Connecting Communities Key Performance Indicator, Walkability Research and Station Area Strategic Investment Plan

Metro's strategic goal to 'connect communities' seeks to improve regional mobility by enhancing access to our transit system. This briefing will explain the framework for measuring this goal, explore new research on walkable station areas that builds the case for station connectivity, and discuss a new study that leverages the TCSP by compiling and prioritizing walk/bike access projects within ½ mile of all of Metro's 91 stations.

10:50 am 4. Preliminary Assessment of Commercial Real Estate Vacancy Rates

Vacancy rates in the office real estate market have increased over the past several years. John Kent of COG staff will present data on regional and submarket vacancy rates in office buildings from the CoStar database. This presentation will be a modified version of earlier presentations made to the Cooperative Forecasting Data Subcommittee and the Chief Administrative Officers Committee.

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| 11:00 am | 5. Brief Review of February 20th Meeting
- Paul DesJardin and Robert Griffiths, COG Staff |
| 11:10 am | 6. Continued Discussion on Developing of Land Use strategies to Support GHG reduction – Facilitated session
- COG Staff and Subgroup members |
| 11:55 am | 7. Consultant Activities and Next Steps
- Paul DesJardin and Robert Griffiths, COG Staff |
| Noon | 8. Adjourn |

Next MSWG Land Use Working Group/Transportation Working Group Meeting, March 27, 2015

Next PDTAC Meeting: Friday, April 17, 2015