



Planning Directors Technical Advisory Committee

Date: Friday, January 21, 2011

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Place: Meeting Room #1

District of Columbia

Bladensburg*

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AGENDA

Welcome and Announcements

Chair Ossont, City of Gaithersburg

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.

Announcements

- o Recognition of new 2011 PDTAC Chair, Bob Brosnan, Arlington County
- o Comprehensive Plan for Tysons Corner, Fairfax County, VA – APA Award
- o Report of Joint WMATA Governance Review Task Force
- o CAFN 3rd Quarter Housing Foreclosure update
- o Other Announcements

The Role of Social Media in Planning

10:15 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Maureen Dilg,
Arlington County
Office of Communications

Stephen Wade,
Arlington County
Housing Division

The widespread use of Social Media has dramatically transformed personal, public and private communications. As requested during the December 17 PDTAC conference call, Committee members will be briefed on how these tools can be used to support and advance local and regional planning projects and programs.

Briefing and Discussion of Proposed Region Forward Work Program, Coalition Membership and Bylaws

10:45 a.m. – 11:05 a.m.

Paul DesJardin
John Mataya
COG/DCPS Staff

In November 2010, the COG Board approved a proposed work program for implementing the recommendations of the Greater Washington 2050 Coalition's *Region Forward* report. Included in the plan was the recommendation, as proposed in the HUD Sustainable Communities Grant application, to reconstitute the Metropolitan Development Policy Committee (MDPC) to reflect the mix of stakeholder participants in both the Greater Washington 2050 and Sustainable Communities Grant processes. Mr. DesJardin and Mr. Mataya will brief the Committee on the proposed membership, leadership and bylaws of the reconstituted policy advisory committee -- the Region Forward Coalition.

Discussion of Virginia H 1071 Which Requires Local Governments to Use State (VEC) and U.S. Census Bureau Forecasts for Comprehensive Planning

11:05 a.m. – 11:25 a.m.

Ray Utz, AICP
Prince William County Office of Planning
Gregory Goodwin
COG/DCPS Staff

In April 2010, the Virginia General Assembly approved *H 1071*, an amendment to § 15.2-2223.1, which states that “...*Future residential and commercial growth shall be based on official estimates of the Weldon Cooper Center for Public Service of the University of Virginia or official projections of the Virginia Employment Commission or the United States Bureau of the Census...*” as the basis for local comprehensive plans. For several jurisdictions in Northern Virginia, the Weldon Cooper estimates and VEC population forecasts differ significantly from those developed through the Cooperative Forecasting process. In addition, neither VEC nor Weldon Cooper prepares estimates or projections of housing units, households, or employment, all of which are essential to local and regional planning. Mr. Utz and Mr. Goodwin will discuss the impacts of this matter and seek recommendations from the Committee.

Round 8.0 Cooperative Forecast and Greater Washington 2050 – Update to the Regional Activity Centers and Clusters

11:25 a.m. - 11:40 a.m.

Greg Goodwin
COG/DCPS

The Regional Activity Centers and Clusters maps and data are updated following the approval of a major new Round of Cooperative Forecasts. At their January 2010 meeting, the Metropolitan Development Policy Committee (MDPC) approved the Round 8.0 Cooperative Forecast for use in last summer’s quality conformity analysis. The final jurisdictional TAZ level submissions were received in June. The COG Board of Directors approved the Round 8.0 Cooperative Forecasts in November 2010. COG staff has begun to examine regional activity centers boundaries and the boundaries of the TAZ 3722 Zone System.

Committee Member Roundtable Discussion

11:40 a.m. – 11:55 a.m.

Committee Members

Committee members will discuss emerging issues in their jurisdictions or recommend topics that they would like the PDTAC to address during meetings this calendar year.

Other Business

11:55 a.m. – Noon

Committee Members

Adjourn

Chair Brosnan

Next Scheduled Meeting: February 18, 2011

