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COG BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

DATE: June 11, 2008
TIME: 12:00 Noon
PLACE: COG Board Room

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

A G E N D A

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

**Chairman Michael Knapp
 Council President, Montgomery County**
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 14, 2008
(12:00 – 12:05 p.m.)**
- 3. ANNOUNCEMENTS
(12:05 – 12:15 p.m.)**

Chairman Knapp

 a) Housing Foreclosure Summit June 19
 b) COG Retreat July 25-27
 c) Executive Director's Report
 - o Outreach
 - o Letters Sent/Received
 - o 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 Item 10.A., 10.B., 10.C., & 10.D.

**6. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM APRIL 29 PEDESTRIAN SAFETY WORKSHOP
(12:25 – 12:55 p.m.)**

**Ron Keele
Chief Safety Officer
WMATA**

**George Branyan
Pedestrian Program Coordinator
DDOT**

Despite the extensive work being done in the region to address vehicular and pedestrian safety in the area, there still exists the problem of pedestrian injuries and fatalities. WMATA, COG, the three Departments of Transportation, and AAA sponsored a conference to gather the working elected officials, appointed officials, and professionals from the region to meet and address all of the potential factors that play a part in this dilemma. Mr. Keele will provide a brief introduction of the conference and Mr. Branyan will discuss some of the realities inherent in this problem indentified during the workshop and collective solutions recommended by the participants. Panelists will be available to answer questions.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing and adopt Resolution R32-08.

**7. REGIONAL FOSTER CARE AND ADOPTION REPORT
(12:55 – 1:20 p.m.)**

**Katherine A. Froyd
Fairfax County Department of Family Services
Chair, COG Foster Care and Adoption Committee**

**Terri Braxton
Chief, Children and Family Programs, COG**

Annually COG's Foster Care and Adoption Committee, with the approval of the Child Welfare Directors' Committee, compiles regional data on foster care and adoption in the region. This information will be used by the Human Services Policy Committee to develop specific regional recommendations for Board approval in the fall. Ms. Froyd will provide an overview of the preliminary analysis and foreseeable trends. Ms. Braxton will provide highlights from the Regional Foster Parent Appreciation Gala held May 17.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing.

**8. BRIEFING ON AVIATION POLICY COMMITTEE ACTIVITIES AND PROPOSED ACTION ON
ADDITIONAL FLIGHTS AT REAGAN WASHINGTON NATIONAL
AIRPORT
(1:20 – 1:40 p.m.)**

**Rob Krupicka, Councilmember
City of Alexandria
Chair, Aviation Policy Committee**

The Aviation Policy Committee's enhanced mission is to provide a broad, balanced, and integrated perspective on matters relating to airport and aircraft policies in the Washington metropolitan region. The Committee has focused on the implications of general aviation trends and economic impacts on communities across the region, as well as addressing noise concerns. In addition, the Committee

remains vigilant on its long standing position in opposition to Congressional proposals to alter the slot and perimeter rules at Reagan National Airport. Chairman Krupicka will brief the Board on the proposed slot rule legislation, including current Aviation Policy Committee priorities. The Board will be asked to reaffirm, through resolution, its position on additional slots at Reagan National Airport. The Board will also be asked to send a letter of commendation to Senator Webb for his leadership on this issue.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing and adopt Resolution R33-08.

**9. MEMBER TIME
(1:40 – 2:00 p.m.)**

Chairman Knapp will invite members to identify issues for brief discussion and possible referral to one of COG's policy committees or staff for subsequent discussion and action by the Board.

10. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Contract with the Occoquan Watershed Monitoring Laboratory for the Fiscal 2009 Operation of the Chain Bridge Monitoring Station

The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R34-08, authorizing the Executive Director to execute a five-year contract with the Occoquan Watershed Monitoring Laboratory (OWML) for continuation of the Potomac River water quality monitoring program at Chain Bridge. COG has sponsored this regional monitoring program since 1983. The total cost of the five-year contract is \$661,144. Funding for the first year of the contract is included in the FY2009 Regional Water Fund work program and budget. The remaining four years of the contract will also be funded by the Regional Water Fund, contingent upon availability of funds. No COG matching funds are required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R34-08.

B. Resolution Authorizing COG to Fund Training and Exercise Activities

The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R35-08, approving a proposal authorizing COG to fund training and exercise activities approved by the Exercise and Training Operations Panel (ETOP). The purpose of the training and exercises is to enhance emergency preparedness in the National Capital Region. A number of contractors will be pre-qualified to conduct training and exercise activities on a task order basis. COG is being provided \$250,000 through a Subgrant from the State Administrative Agent (SAA) to fund ETOP approved training and exercise activities. No COG matching funds are required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R35-08.

C. Resolution Authorizing Adjustment to COG Salary Ranges

In October 2005, the COG Board adopted Resolution R36-05, revising COG's salary ranges for its 15 position grades following completion of a consultant-support compensation study. The purpose of the study was to ensure that COG remains a market-competitive employer able to attract and retain highly qualified staff. In taking this action, the COG Board also approved COG's purchase of software that will allow management to conduct annual compensation studies with little or no additional consultant cost to the organization. COG management completed its FY 2009 salary study and proposes to increase salary ranges for position Grades 1 through 14, effective July 1, 2008. This is an adjustment to salary ranges only, affecting just one incumbent, and does not provide a market rate adjustment for all staff; but rather ensures that COG salary ranges remain market-competitive.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R36-08.

D. Appointment of Voting Representative to NARC Annual Membership Meeting

The Board will be asked to appoint Fairfax County Supervisor Penelope Gross and Mr. David Robertson as COG's primary and alternate voting representatives, respectively, at the National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) annual membership meeting. The NARC annual conference and exhibition is scheduled for June 15 to 17 in Des Moines, Iowa.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve letter of appointment.



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