



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, September 8, 2021

12:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.

WebEx Virtual Meeting (provided to members only by email)

Video livestream available to public on COG website

AGENDA

- 12:00 P.M.**
- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
Robert C. White, Jr., COG Board Chair
 - 2. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**
Robert C. White, Jr., COG Board Chair
- 12:05 P.M.**
- 3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**
Chuck Bean, COG Executive Director
 - 4. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**
Robert C. White, Jr., COG Board Chair
- 12:15 P.M.**
- 5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM JUNE 9, 2021**
Robert C. White, Jr., COG Board Chair
Recommended Action: Approve minutes.
 - 6. ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**
Robert C. White, Jr., COG Board Chair
 - A. Resolution R31-2021 – Resolution authorizing COG to procure and enter into a contract to provide the Maryland Emergency Management Agency with support to enhance the state's cybersecurity and cyber preparedness programs.
 - B. Resolution R32-2021 – Resolution authorizing COG to procure and enter into a contract to provide the District of Columbia Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency with performance data collection and analysis for the district's emergency management strategy.
 - C. Resolution R33-2021 – Resolution authorizing COG to procure and enter into a contract for strategic alignment and consulting support for the District of Columbia's gun violence prevention office – Building Blocks DC.
 - D. Resolution R34-2021 – Resolution authorizing the amendment of Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments Pension Plan.**Recommended Action: Adopt Resolutions R31-2021 – R34-2021.**

- 12:20 P.M.** **7. BRIEFING FROM FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION (FTA) ADMINISTRATOR FERNANDEZ**
Nuria Fernandez, Federal Transit Administration Administrator
- Administrator Fernandez will brief the board on the FTA's priorities, including equity considerations and optimizing land-use around transit stations to maximize the reach of transit.
- Recommended Action: Receive briefing.**
- 12:45 P.M.** **8. COG LEADERSHIP RETREAT OUTCOMES AND NEXT STEPS: PRIOTIZING HIGH-CAPACITY TRANSIT STATIONS (HCTS) AND EQUITY EMPHASIS AREAS (EEAS)**
Phyllis Randall, HCTs/EEAs Task Force Chair
Chuck Bean, COG Executive Director
Kanti Srikanth, COG Deputy Executive Director of Metropolitan Planning
- The board will be briefed on outcomes of the July Leadership Retreat and the work of the HCTs/EEAs Task Force to reach consensus on optimizing land use around High-Capacity Transit Station Areas and elevating Equity Emphasis Areas throughout all of COG's planning.
- Recommended Action: Receive briefing.**
- 1:15 P.M.** **9. COVID 19: SITUATIONAL UPDATE**
Dr. Patrick Eteme, D.C. Health Infectious Diseases Epidemiologist
- The board will be briefed on the status of COVID-19 cases in the region, return to office plans, and regional collaboration.
- Recommended Action: Receive briefing.**
- 1:35 P.M.** **10. ESTABLISHING A REGIONAL FOOD SECURITY WORK PROGRAM AND COMMITTEE**
Jon Stehle, COG FARM Committee Vice Chair
- Following consensus at the COG Leadership Retreat, the board will consider making the Food and Agriculture Regional Member (FARM) Ad-Hoc Committee a standing policy committee and establishing a regional food security work program and regional fund.
- Recommended Action: Receive briefing and adopt Resolution R35-2021.**
- 1:55 P.M.** **11. OTHER BUSINESS**
- 2:00 P.M.** **12. ADJOURN**
The next COG Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for October 13, 2021.