

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
777 NORTH CAPITOL STREET, NE
WASHINGTON, DC 20002**

RESOLUTION AMENDING § 5.01 AND § 11.03 OF THE COG BY-LAWS

WHEREAS, based upon the recommendation of its Executive Director and General Counsel, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) desires to amend § 5.01 AND § 11.03 of its By-Laws; and

WHEREAS, notice was given of a proposed amendment at the regular November 9, 2016 meeting of the COG Board of Directors.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The following amendments to the By-Laws are hereby adopted:

§ 5.01 The Board of Directors shall be the governing board of the Council of Governments, and between meetings of the entire membership, shall be responsible for the general policies and programs of the Council of Governments and for the control of all its funds. The Board of Directors shall also be responsible for preparing agendas for the annual general and special meetings of the general membership of the Council of Governments and for the approval of an annual budget and schedule of assessment ~~for consideration at the annual general membership meeting.~~ It shall have the power to transfer funds within the approved total budget in order to meet unanticipated needs or changed situations. The Board of Directors, through its officers and employees, shall be responsible for ensuring that corporate records are kept as required by law. ~~(Revised 3/2013).~~

§ 11.03 Each year, ~~upon adoption of the annual budget by the Board of Directors,~~ assessments of the annual fee for all members and other participating governments and agencies shall be fixed no later than January 31, for the subsequent fiscal year beginning July 1. Assessments shall be in amounts sufficient to provide the funds required to meet the goals and priorities of the corporation. Any member or other participant whose local government's annual assessment has not been paid by the end of the fiscal year for which the assessment was made shall forfeit all rights, privileges and prerogatives of membership and participation, until such assessment is paid in full.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was adopted by the COG Board of Directors on January 11, 2017.

**Laura Ambrosio
COG Communications Specialist**