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COG Climate, Energy and Environment Policy Committee

Wednesday September 22, 2010

9:45 am* – 12:00 am**

COG Board Room, 3RD Floor

District of Columbia

Bladensburg*

Bowie

College Park

Frederick

Frederick County

Gaithersburg

Greenbelt

Montgomery County

Prince George's County

Rockville

Takoma Park

Alexandria

Arlington County

Fairfax

Fairfax County

Falls Church

Loudoun County

Manassas

Manassas Park

Prince William County

*Adjunct member

****Lunch will be provided for members and official alternates at 12 noon**

9:45 am

1. **Call to Order/Introductions/Chair Remarks**
Hon. Jay Fisette, Chair

9:50

2. **Approval of Meeting Summary for July 21, 2010 and Amendments to the Agenda – Chair Fisette**
Recommended action: Approve 7/21/10 Meeting Summary.

9:55

3. **Energy Efficiency Outreach Campaign: Update**
- **Joan Rohlf, COG DEP Staff**

The Ad Hoc Energy Outreach Task Force is providing oversight to the home energy efficiency pilot program, WE CAN. Staff will brief the committee on the progress made in recruiting households in three pilot communities (Cascades in Loudoun County, Brookland in the District, and Greenbelt, MD).

Recommended actions: Receive briefing, provide feedback in pilot program design

10:15

4. **District's Draft Climate Action Plan, Comments**
- **Christophe Tulou, Director, District Dept. of Environment**
- **Brendan Shane, Chief, Office of Policy and Sustainability**

Director Tulou and Brendan Shane will give an overview of the District's draft climate action plan released on September 14. The plan proposes GHG reduction goals consistent with COG's Climate Report. The District requests comments on Section 6, Government Operations Actions by Nov. 15. The plan is posted in www.green.dc.gov

Recommended action: Briefing, Action on Proposed Letter.

10:35

5. **EECBG Projects and EECBG Advocacy**
- **Jeff King, COG DEP Staff**

Local jurisdictions received stimulus funds through the Energy Efficiency Community Block Grant program (EECBG) this year. Staff will highlight several promising projects that it recommends be showcased at upcoming meetings, Based on a recent study of EECBG grants, the Administration may not include EECBG funding in the FY2011 DOE budget. Staff will present a draft letter to the President supporting continuance of EECBG grant funding.

Recommended action: Briefing, Action on Proposed Letter.

- 10:45** **6. Annual Progress Report**
 – **Chair Fisette, Maia Davis, COG DEP staff**
 CEEPC’s 2012 Climate and Energy Action Work Plan calls for an annual progress report to COG on work plan implementation. Based on discussion at the July meeting, staff developed a new format for the progress report and will present options for regional versus local progress reporting.

***Recommended action:** Receive briefing and provide comment.*
- 11:10** **7. Complete Communities Proposal**
 – **Paul Desjardin, Director, COG Dept. Community Planning and Services**
 COG submitted a proposal for the HUD Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant proposal in August. Staff will describe the proposal and the process going forward to integrate planning at COG.

***Recommended action:** Receive briefing and provide comment.*
- 11:20** **8. Discussion of Future Agenda Topics**
 - **Jay Fisette, Chair**
- 11:35** **9. Other Business**
- a. Streetlight Work Group Update: J Davis
 - b. 30% Solution, Energy Building Code Update: Leah Boggs
 - c. EPA Smart Growth Technical Assistance Grant: Anne Mariani
 - d. Energy Contracts Survey/Website: Jeff King
 - e. Subcommittee and Other program Highlights: J. Fisette
 - f. Other – Members
- 12:00** **10. Adjourn – Chair Fisette**

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 17, 2010 @ 9:30 am – 11:30 pm



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