

**Adopted Resolution R25-06  
May 10, 2006**

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
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Washington, DC 20002-4290**

**RESOLUTION APPROVING FUNDS TO SUPPORT  
THE ENVISION GREATER WASHINGTON WORK PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS**, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) Board of Directors adopted growth and development as its policy priority beginning 2004; and

**WHEREAS**, the February 2005 Reality Check on Growth exercise was grounded in COG's cooperative forecast of growth and Regional Activity Centers maps ; and

**WHEREAS**, the February 2006 Greater Washington Board of Trade (GWBOT) Potomac Conference recommended that the public, business and civic sectors jointly examine the benefits and feasibility of establishing a multi-sector, multi-year regional visioning initiative in the National Capital Region, referred to as Envision Greater Washington; and

**WHEREAS**, in March 2006 the COG Board of Directors, the GWBOT and the Community Foundation of the National Capital Area agreed to launch a three-month work program to examine the Envision Greater Washington benefits and feasibility, under the oversight of an approximately 40-member working group comprised of public officials and business and civic leaders; and

**WHEREAS**, in addition to significant in-kind support provided to the working group by members and other participants, COG, the GWBOT and Community Foundation jointly developed a work program and budget for the working group's effort and are soliciting financial support from the public, business and civic sectors; and

**WHEREAS**, the working group held its first meeting in April 2006, with additional meetings planned for May and June, prior to completing its report and recommendations; and

**WHEREAS**, the working group will present its report and recommendations to the COG retreat in July 2006 prior to additional presentations to the COG Board of Directors, GWBOT, Community Foundation, and area local governments in the Fall 2006.

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

The Executive Director is authorized to solicit and commit funding to support the three-month Envision Greater Washington work program. Working group convening organizations developed a \$100,000 budget and have requested \$25,000 from the public sector. The Executive Director will solicit voluntary financial support from interested local governments, as well as provide supplemental COG financial support. COG supplemental support shall not exceed \$25,000 in cash or in-kind support from the approved FY 2006 COG Metropolitan Planning and Economic Development work program and/or contingency reserve.