



Planning Directors Technical Advisory Committee

Date: Friday, January 16, 2004

Time: 10:00 a.m. to Noon

Place: COG Meeting Room 1

AGENDA

Welcome and Introductions

Chair Spalding

Approval of November 14 Meeting Summary

(10:00 a.m.)

Chair Spalding, Committee Members

Announcements

(10:05 a.m.)

COG Staff, Committee Members

- TPB Regional Mobility and Accessibility meeting
- PDTAC 2004 Meeting Schedule
- Update on "Smart Growth Begins at the Local Level" CD-ROM video project
- ULI "Reality Check" Project

Scheduled for Updating the

Cooperative Forecasts during 2004

(10:10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.)

Greg Goodwin, COG Staff

Ronald Kirby, COG / TPB Staff

During the November 14 PDTAC meeting, TPB staff discussed the likely need in Spring 2004 for updated Cooperative Forecasts to reflect recently-proposed transportation facilities. TPB staff will brief the Committee on the recently proposed schedule for the 2004 Air Quality Conformity Analysis of the TIP and CLRP as well as significant new transportation facilities and improvements likely to be included in the TIP and CLRP. In addition, COG staff and PDTAC members will discuss the current schedule for preparing the Round 7.0 Cooperative Forecasts as inputs to the TPB transportation and air quality modeling process. (Enclosure)

Update on Washington Area Housing Trust Fund

(10:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.)

Peggy Sand

President

Peggy Sand will update the planning directors on the many recent accomplishments of the Washington Area Housing Trust Fund, a regional affordable housing loan fund established by COG and its affiliated Washington Area Housing Partnership. Ms. Sand will discuss a pending federal appropriation, the trust fund's first loan, recent COG actions to support the fund, and plans to further capitalize the fund.

COG Green Infrastructure Mapping Project

(10:45 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.)

Brian LeCouteur

COG Environmental Programs Staff

Mr. LeCouteur will display and discuss the newly developed Metropolitan Washington Land Use / Land Cover Map developed by COG DEP with the help of the University of Maryland Geography Department. This regional map has been produced as a part of the Metropolitan Washington Green Infrastructure Demonstration Project – a partnership with the National Park Service, National Capital Region.

NCPC “Green Infrastructure” Project
(11:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.)

Joseph Kocy
National Capital Planning
Commission (NCPC)

The National Capital Region is anticipated to grow in the next decade and the National Capital Planning Commission (NCPC) is interested in compiling an inventory of Park & Open Space land to examine if the region has sufficient "Green Infrastructure" to accommodate future populations. As part of this inventory NCPC will also examine and identify any potential federal sites, if surplused or closed through the BRAC process, which may serve a critical open space need. An initial step in the development of this inventory has been the creation of a draft trails map. This draft GIS map depicts the location and surface types of off-road trails in the National Capital Region. NCPC is presenting this working draft map to COG for their review and would appreciate the correction of any errors and the addition of any off-road trails that may have been missed.

Regional Mobility and Accessibility Study:
Alternative Growth Scenarios
(11:15 a.m. to 11:40 a.m.)

COG / TPB Staff
Committee Members

On September 10, 2003, TPB staff briefed the COG Board and MDPC on the Regional Mobility and Accessibility Study (enclosure). During the November 14 PDTAC meeting, PDTAC members discussed the issue of increasing the amount of residential (household) growth under the Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) scenario. Staff will update the Committee on the scenarios work and next steps in the modeling process.

Other Business
(11:40 a.m. to 11:45 p.m.)

Committee Members

Adjournment

Chair Spalding

Next Meeting: Friday, February 13, 2004