

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

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO EXPLORE COORDINATION OF JURISDICTIONAL PROPOSALS
AND PROVIDE SUPPORT TO MEMBERS WITH THEIR SUBMISSIONS FOR AMAZON'S SECOND
CORPORATE HEADQUARTERS SITE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) is comprised of the 24 jurisdictions of the National Capital Region's local governments and their governing officials, plus area members of the Maryland and Virginia legislatures and the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, and COG provides a focus for action on issues of regional concern; and

WHEREAS, economic competitiveness was adopted as a priority by the COG Board of Directors in 2015 and continues to be a priority for COG and the region; and

WHEREAS, on September 7, 2017, Amazon issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) for a competitive site selection for a second corporate headquarters in North America; and

WHEREAS, an Amazon headquarters would bring huge economic advantages to the metropolitan Washington region, including 50,000 new jobs; and

WHEREAS, the board unanimously agreed to coordinate and collaborate in development of jurisdictional proposals and development of supporting regional information.

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

1. The board authorizes the Executive Director, or his designee, to convene the Chief Administrative Officers Committee and other relevant parties to explore the feasibility of coordination of jurisdiction proposals and provide data, support, and assistance to members by developing a regional overlay for use by member jurisdictions with their submissions on Amazon's RFP for a second corporate headquarters.
2. The board authorizes the Executive Director, or his designee, to procure expert consulting services as required to support preparation of the regional overlay that will support the individual jurisdiction proposals.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT the foregoing resolution was adopted by the COG Board of Directors on September 13, 2017.

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