



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, April 11, 2018
12:00 - 2:00 P.M.
Walter A. Scheiber Board Room

AGENDA

- 12:00 P.M.**
- 1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
Matthew Letourneau, COG Board Chairman
 - 2. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**
Matthew Letourneau, COG Board Chairman
- 12:05 P.M.**
- 3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**
Chuck Bean, COG Executive Director
 - 4. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**
Matthew Letourneau, COG Board Chairman
 - 5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM MARCH 14, 2018**
Matthew Letourneau, COG Board Chairman
Recommended Action: Approve minutes.
- 12:15 P.M.**
- 6. ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**
Matthew Letourneau, COG Board Chairman
 - A. Resolution R15-2018 - Resolution authorizing COG to receive a grant to send public safety personnel to Israel for advanced training (approved by Executive Committee)
 - B. Resolution R16-2018 - Resolution authorizing COG to receive a grant, procure, and enter into a contract to conduct phase 33 of the Continuous Airport System Planning (CASP) program
 - C. Resolution R17-2018 - Resolution authorizing COG to procure and enter into a contract for General Legal Services**Recommended Action: Ratify Resolution R15-2018 and Adopt Resolutions R16-2018 and R17-2018.**
- 12:20 P.M.**
- 7. LEGISLATIVE MONITORING UPDATE**
Chuck Bean, COG Executive Director
Monica Nuñez, COG Government Relations Supervisor
The board will be briefed on legislation related to Metro and other current issues.
Recommended Action: Receive briefing.

- 12:35 P.M.** **8. VISUALIZE 2045: PLANNING FOR THE REGION'S TRANSPORTATION FUTURE**
Charles Allen, Transportation Planning Board Chairman
- The board will be briefed on the Transportation Planning Board's new long-range transportation plan, Visualize 2045, including seven transportation initiatives, public outreach activities, and how local governments can be involved.
- Recommended Action: Receive briefing.**
- 1:00 P.M.** **9. TRAFFIC INCIDENT MANAGEMENT ENHANCEMENT**
Joseph Sagal, Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration Director
Jason Pulliam, Maryland Transportation Authority Police Commander of Highways
- The board will be briefed on the status of the initiative identified in January to better understand the systems in place for responding to traffic incidents and to explore opportunities for enhancing them.
- Recommended Action: Receive briefing.**
- 1:30 P.M.** **10. YEAR OF THE ANACOSTIA/POTOMAC RIVER REPORT CARD**
Adam Ortiz, Anacostia Watershed Steering Committee Chairman
Tommy Wells, District of Columbia Department of Energy & Environment Director
- The board will be briefed on the recently released water quality report card on the Potomac River as well as the accomplishments and progress of the Anacostia Watershed Restoration Partnership and its new initiative, #ComeToTheRiver, to celebrate the Year of the Anacostia.
- Recommended Action: Receive briefing and adopt Resolution R18-2018.**
- 1:50 P.M.** **11. OTHER BUSINESS**
- 2:00 P.M.** **12. ADJOURN**
The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 9, 2018.

AGENDA ITEM #2

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

BIKE TO WORK DAY 2018

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AGENDA ITEM #3

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT



MEMORANDUM

TO: COG Board of Directors
FROM: Chuck Bean, COG Executive Director
SUBJECT: Executive Director's Report – April 2018
DATE: April 4, 2018

POLICY BOARD & COMMITTEE UPDATES

National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB)

- At its March meeting, the TPB received a briefing on upcoming public forums for its long-range transportation plan, Visualize 2045, which includes all regionally significant, planned transportation investments as well as projects agencies would carry out if they had more funding. The forums will focus on seven unfunded, priority initiatives recently endorsed by the TPB: the five regionally significant projects, programs, and policies developed through the Long-Range Plan Task Force and two bicycle and pedestrian initiatives.



Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee

(CBPC) – At its March meeting, the CBPC was briefed by the District of Columbia's Department of Energy and the Environment on concentrations of harmful chemicals known as polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) found in asphalt sealants. As a result, the CBPC will write a letter to the National Sanitation Foundation in support of a certification process for asphalt sealants, based on PAH concentration.

STAFF FEATURE

COG Transportation Engineer Daniel Son helps analyze and forecast vehicle emissions to make sure the region is meeting its air quality goals.

Climate, Energy, and Environment Policy Committee (CEEPC) –

In March, CEEPC discussed its 2018 priorities, including providing guidance on current projects and the work plan for FY 2019. Additionally, the group discussed local institutions' experiences in implementing environmental and social investment strategies.

[View the Heart of COG](#)

Human Services Policy Committee (HSPC) – At its March meeting, the HSPC focused on policy and programs that should support early childhood development in the region, as well as programs and approaches that are effective for early interventions.

OUTREACH & PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Metrorail Safety Commission (MSC) – The MSC, the new, independent body that will be responsible for safety oversight of the Metrorail system, held its inaugural board meeting on March 13. At its second meeting on March 27, former National Transportation Safety Board Chair Christopher Hart was elected MSC Chairman. COG continues to help the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia establish the commission.

[View the MSC new officers press release](#)

Year of the Anacostia – 2018 is the Year of the Anacostia, a celebration of the river’s history and progress. COG collaborated with its Anacostia Watershed Restoration Partnership members to launch a new initiative, **#ComeToTheRiver**, a public engagement campaign encouraging residents to enjoy the many opportunities the river and its watershed offers them.

Visualize 2045 Public Forums – The first of nine public forums focused on the seven TPB endorsed initiatives will be held in Frederick on April 11 at Thomas Johnson High School. Forums have also been planned for Montgomery County on April 19 and Charles County on April 25. The nine forums will be held in each county in the TPB’s planning area.

[View forum details on the Visualize 2045 site](#)

Recognizing Service – COG staff served on the screening committee for the 17th Annual Cafritz Awards Program, which recognizes and rewards outstanding performance and exemplary service by D.C. Government employees.



MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS

Is the D.C. Area’s Infrastructure in Good Working Order? – COG’s Steve Walz interviewed.

[Listen to the Kojo Nnamdi Show](#)

Life Without Metro—Here’s What Would Happen – COG’s Kanti Srikanth interviewed.

[View the Washington Business Journal story](#)

Evolving Needs: Interoperable Communications – COG’s Interoperable Communications Regional Programmatic Working Group (IC RPWG) article on improving efficiency and reliability of interoperable communications during emergency response.

[View the DomPrep Journal article](#)

AGENDA ITEM #4

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA

AGENDA ITEM #5

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
777 North Capitol Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20002**

**MINUTES
Board of Directors Meeting
March 14, 2018**

BOARD MEMBERS AND ALTERNATES: See attached chart for attendance.

STAFF:

Chuck Bean, COG Executive Director

Monica Beyrouiti Nuñez, COG Government Relations and Member Services Supervisor

Scott Boggs, COG Homeland Security and Public Safety Director

GUESTS:

Kurt Erickson, Washington Regional Alcohol Program President & CEO

Fernando Armstrong, U.S. Census Bureau Regional Director

Gary Bass, Bauman Foundation Executive Director

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COG Board Chairman Matthew Letourneau called the meeting to order at 12:05 P.M. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- A. City of Frederick Mayor Michael O'Connor introduced himself as a new COG Board member.

3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Chuck Bean noted that the Metrorail Safety Commission held its first meeting at COG on March 13. Next, Bean shared that COG held a meeting on opioid and substance abuse to discuss regional initiatives. He noted that the Transportation Land-use Connections Program is accepting applications through April 2 for design projects or planning studies that help build sustainable and accessible communities. Bean announced that COG released its 2017 Annual Report and 2018 Regional Directory. Finally, Bean shared media highlights featuring COG Board Chairman Matt Letourneau and TPB Chairman Charles Allen.

4. AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

There were no amendments to the agenda.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes from the February 14, 2018 board meeting were approved.

6. ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

There were no consent agenda resolutions.

7. LEGISLATIVE MONITORING UPDATE

Executive Director Chuck Bean and COG Government Relations Supervisor Monica Beyrouiti provided an update and next steps on the Metro funding legislation in the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia.

ACTION: Received briefing.

8. “HOW SAFE ARE OUR ROADS?” REPORT

Washington Regional Alcohol Program (WRAP) President & CEO Kurt Erickson briefed the board on the findings of the 2017 “How Safe Are Our Roads?” Report, which is prepared by COG for WRAP. He provided an overview of trends and data on alcohol and drug related traffic fatalities, crashes, injuries, and arrests across the metropolitan Washington region.

ACTION: Received briefing.

9. PHYSICAL SECURITY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

COG Homeland Security and Public Safety Director Scott Boggs outlined the initiative identified by the COG Board in January to study the physical security practices of local government buildings in the region. He described the focus and timeline for a regional survey that would build on a previous survey conducted by Montgomery County in 2013.

ACTION: Received briefing.

10. PREPARING FOR THE 2020 CENSUS

U.S. Census Bureau Regional Director Fernando Armstrong discussed the goals of the 2020 Census as well as changes to the process, including online responses, and how local governments can work together with the U.S. Census Bureau. Bauman Foundation Executive Director Gary Bass discussed the importance of ensuring an accurate count and how the census data is used to support the work of local governments.

ACTION: Received briefing.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

12. ADJOURN

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 P.M.

March 2018 Attendance

<u>Jurisdiction</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Y/N</u>	<u>Alternate</u>	<u>Y/N</u>
<i>District of Columbia</i>				
Executive	Hon. Muriel Bowser		Brian Kenner Beverly Perry HyeSook Chung	Y
	Mr. Rashad Young			
Council	Hon. Phil Mendelson			
	<i>Hon. Robert White</i>	Y (phone)		
<i>Maryland</i>				
Bowie	Hon. G. Frederick Robinson		Hon. Courtney Glass	
Charles County	Hon. Ken Robinson		Hon. Amanda Stewart Hon. Peter Murphy	
City of Frederick	Hon. Michael O'Connor	Y		
Frederick County	Hon. Jan Gardner		Mr. Roger Wilson	
College Park	Hon. Patrick Wojahn		Hon. Monroe Dennis	
Gaithersburg	Hon. Robert Wu	Y	Hon. Neil Harris	
Greenbelt	Hon. Emmett Jordan		Hon. Judith "J" Davis	Y
Laurel	Hon. Craig Moe		Hon. Michael Leszcz	Y
Montgomery County				
Executive	Hon. Isiah Leggett		Mr. Tim Firestine	
Council	Hon. Roger Berliner	Y (phone)		
	Hon. Nancy Navarro			
Prince George's County				
Executive	Hon. Rushern Baker		Mr. Nicholas Majett	
Council	Hon. Todd Turner			
	<i>Hon. Derrick Leon Davis</i>	Y		
Rockville	Hon. Bridget Newton			
Takoma Park	Hon. Kate Stewart		Hon. Peter Kovar	
Maryland General Assembly	Hon. Brian Feldman			
<i>Virginia</i>				
Alexandria	Hon. Allison Silberberg	Y	Hon. Redella Pepper	
Arlington County	Hon. Christian Dorsey	Y		
City of Fairfax	Hon. David Meyer	Y	Hon. Jeffrey Greenfield	
Fairfax County	Hon. Sharon Bulova		Hon. Catherine Hudgins	
	Hon. Penelope A. Gross	Y	Hon. Patrick Herrity	
	Hon. John Foust	Y	Hon. Kathy Smith	
Falls Church	Hon. David Snyder		Hon. David Tarter	
Loudoun County	<i>Hon. Matt Letourneau</i>	Y		
Loudoun County	Hon. Phyllis Randall			
Manassas	Hon. Mark Wolfe	Y		
Manassas Park	Hon. Hector Cendejas	Y	Hon. Suhas Naddoni	
Prince William County	Hon. Frank Principi	Y		
	Hon. Ruth Anderson	Y		
Virginia General Assembly	Hon. George Barker	Y		

Total: 19

AGENDA ITEM #6

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

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A. Resolution R15-2018 – Resolution authorizing COG to receive a grant to send public safety personnel to Israel for advanced training

The board will be asked to ratify Resolution R15-2018 authorizing the Executive Director, or his designee, to receive and expend grant funds from the District of Columbia Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (DC HSEMA), State Administrative Agent, in the amount of \$248,220. The purpose of grant is to send 24 National Capital Region public safety personnel to Israel to receive advanced counter-terrorism operations training from first responders who have direct and practical experience preventing and responding to multiple terrorist attacks. Funding for this effort will be provided through a grant from DC HSEMA, State Administrative Agent. No COG matching funds are required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Ratify Executive Committee Approval of Resolution R15-2018.

B. Resolution R16-2018 – Resolution authorizing COG to receive a grant, procure, and enter into a contract to conduct phase 33 of the Continuous Airport System Planning (CASP) Program

The board will be asked to adopt Resolution R16-2018 authorizing the Executive Director, or his designee, to receive and expend grant funds from the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) in the amount of \$277,778. The resolution also authorizes the Executive Director, or his designee, to proceed with procurement for a contractor, or contractors, and enter into a contract to conduct Phase 33 of the Continuous Airport System Planning (CASP) Program. The grant will include the following tasks in support of the CASP Program: (1) Process 2017 Air Passenger Survey, and (2) Comprehensive Regional Air System Plan Update. COG will be required to provide a match of \$27,778, which is available in the budget of the Department of Transportation Planning.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve Resolution R16-2018.

C. Resolution R17-2018 – Resolution authorizing COG to procure and enter into a contract for General Legal Services

The board will be asked to adopt Resolution R17-2018 authorizing the Executive Director, or his designee, to expend COG funds from the Executive Office in the amount of \$18,000 per month in FY 2019 and \$19,000 per month in FY 2020, plus billables for renewal of COG's legal services support contract with Greehan, Taves & Pandak, PLLC (contract effective July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2020).

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve Resolution R17-2018.

AGENDA ITEM #7

LEGISLATIVE MONITORING UPDATE

AGENDA ITEM #8

VISUALIZE 2045: PLANNING FOR THE REGION'S TRANSPORTATION FUTURE

NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD
777 North Capitol Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20002

RESOLUTION ENDORSING INITIATIVES RECOMMENDED
BY THE LONG-RANGE PLAN TASK FORCE

WHEREAS, the National Capital Regional Transportation Planning Board (TPB), as the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Washington Region, has the responsibility under the provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process for the Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, the TPB, as part of the regional metropolitan planning process, continues to develop and adopt a fiscally constrained long-range plan (formerly referred to as the "CLRP", now called "Visualize 2045") as mandated by the federal FAST Act as a means of ensuring that federal funding and approval for transportation projects in the region are made available; and

WHEREAS, there is concern that the combination of project inputs to the current CLRP results in unsatisfactory performance compared to current conditions, with peak hour congested lane miles increasing by 65%¹, daily vehicle hours of delay increasing by 74%¹, and reductions in CO2 emissions falling far short of the region's 80% multi-sectoral goal; and

WHEREAS, the TPB understands that one of its primary responsibilities is "to coordinate future plans, provide fair, balanced and comprehensive data and analysis to decision-makers to inform and influence transportation programming decisions so as to advance the regional Transportation Vision and Priority Principals by advancing a more effective set of projects and policy inputs to the region's long-range transportation plans"; and

WHEREAS, the TPB believes the region needs to develop a long-range transportation plan that goes beyond the project inputs reflected in its current CLRP, and that includes a combination of projects, programs, and policies that would better achieve the broad range of transportation goals embedded in TPB and COG's adopted guiding documents; and

WHEREAS, the TPB and staff have been carrying out the charges identified in Resolution R16-2017, As Amended, and Resolution R1-2018, which created the Long-Range Plan Task Force (task force) and charged the task force and staff to complete several tasks by December 31, 2017, which will ultimately inform the future updates to the long-range transportation plan (Visualize 2045); and

¹ Transportation Planning Board, "Performance Analysis of the 2016 CLRP Amendment", November 16, 2016

WHEREAS, in April 2017, the Long-Range Plan Task Force membership was appointed by the TPB officers, comprising a subset of TPB members and representatives of citizen involvement committees, including: the three TPB officers; nine local officials (three each from Maryland, Virginia, and the District of Columbia); one representative of each state-level department of transportation and WMATA; and one member each from the TPB Citizens Advisory Committee and the TPB Access for All Advisory Committee; for a total of 18 task force members; and

WHEREAS, the task force conducted ten meetings beginning on April 10 and completed the following tasks:

- The task force agreed to the transportation goals and developed a set of transportation challenges faced by the region, both of which are based on existing COG and TPB policy documents, that the task force sought to address through its work activities;
- The task force reviewed past scenario analyses, considered lessons learned, and brainstormed and compiled over 80 different projects, programs and policy ideas not currently in the CLRP that have the potential to address the challenges the region faces in achieving its transportation goals;
- From the larger set of ideas, the task force created ten improvement initiatives by combining mutually supportive projects, program and policy ideas; the task force recommended the ten initiatives to the TPB for further analysis to determine if the initiatives would help make significantly better progress towards achieving the transportation goals laid out in TPB and COG's governing documents;
- The TPB approved Resolution R1-2018 on July 19, 2017 accepting for further analysis the ten improvement initiatives recommended by the task force; charged staff with determining if and how any of these ten initiatives could make significantly better progress towards achieving the goals laid out in TPB and COG's regional governing documents; charged the task force with reviewing the analysis and presenting to the TPB later this year a summary of findings; presenting to the TPB a recommended process by which the TPB may later endorse a final selection from among the ten initiatives for inclusion in the aspirational element of the region's long-range transportation plan and/or future concerted TPB action;
- The task force continued to meet to oversee the analysis and agreed to a set of assumptions for each initiative and a common set of performance measures to be used in the sketch-planning analysis;
- The task force agreed to a process by which they would select for the TPB's endorsement a set of initiatives from amongst the ten initiatives analyzed; the process for selecting the initiatives with the most potential for improvements included the consideration of the quantitative assessments of the performance measures, a qualitative assessment of the regional transportation challenges, and other factors not explicitly analyzed;
- The task force presented the results of the analysis to the TPB at the November 15 meeting and subsequently held detailed discussions on the results of the analysis and its implications for its work activities;

- Using the process it had previously developed, the task force identified five of the 10 improvement initiatives analyzed as having risen to the top and having the most potential to address the region's transportation challenges; and

WHEREAS the task force has presented the attached set of five improvement initiatives from the ten that were analyzed as having the most potential to address the region's transportation challenges and help make significantly better progress towards achieving the TPB's transportation goals and recommends the TPB endorse these initiatives;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD:

1. Recognizes that combining projects, programs and policies represents a multi-modal and multi-disciplinary approach to effectively address the congestion and mobility challenges forecast for this region.
2. Endorses the attached list of five initiatives, found to have the most potential to significantly improve the performance of the region's transportation system compared to current plans and programs, for future concerted TPB action, and directs staff to include these initiatives in the aspirational element of the TPB's long-range transportation plan, Visualize 2045.
3. Recognizes that the TPB's endorsement is a milestone first step, and calls on its member jurisdictions and agencies to commit to fully explore the initiatives to identify specific implementation actions that could be taken, individually and collectively, to make them part of TPB's future fiscally constrained long-range plans.

Approved by the Transportation Planning Board at its regular meeting on December 20, 2017.

**FIVE IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES ENDORSED BY THE TPB
FOR FUTURE CONCERTED TPB ACTION**

Optimize Regional Land-Use Balance: This initiative would optimize the balance of jobs and housing region-wide. The idea is to increase jobs and housing around underused rail stations and Activity Centers with high-capacity transit. Plus, it would encourage building additional housing in the region to match employment projections.

Regionwide Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) and Transitways: BRT, transitway, and streetcar routes that are in jurisdictions' plans but not yet in the TPB's long-range plan would be added at various locations throughout the region. This initiative would also improve pedestrian access to transit stations and increase the amount of jobs and housing around the transit stations.

Metrorail Core Capacity Improvements: This initiative includes running eight-car trains exclusively on all Metrorail lines—replacing six-car trains entirely. It would also add a second Rosslyn station, and a new rail line across the Potomac River connecting the District and Virginia through Georgetown to Union Station towards Waterfront. It also would add better bicycle and pedestrian access to rail stations.

Employer-Based Travel Demand Management Policies: New policies would increase teleworking regionwide and increase the number of employees receiving transit and carpool subsidies. This initiative would also increase the price for most of the parking for work-trips in Activity Centers.

Regional Express Travel Network: The region would have an extensive network of express toll lanes on existing highways. These lanes would use dynamic tolls to maintain desired travel speeds and be free to carpoolers and transit vehicles. New express bus service connecting Activity Centers would also travel on the network.

**NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING
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**RESOLUTION ENDORSING NON-MOTORIZED
PRIORITY INITIATIVES**

WHEREAS, the National Capital Regional Transportation Planning Board (TPB), as the metropolitan planning organization (MPO) for the Washington Region, has the responsibility under the provisions of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act for developing and carrying out a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process for the Metropolitan Area; and

WHEREAS, the TPB, as part of the regional metropolitan planning process, continues to develop and adopt a fiscally constrained long-range plan (formerly referred to as the "CLRP," now called "Visualize 2045") as mandated by the federal FAST Act as a means of ensuring that federal funding and approval for transportation projects in the region are made available; and

WHEREAS, Visualize 2045 will include unfunded priorities, as part of an aspirational element, because the TPB believes the region needs to develop a long-range transportation plan that goes beyond the project inputs reflected in its current fiscally constrained long-range plan, and that includes a combination of projects, programs, and policies that would better achieve the broad range of transportation goals embedded in TPB and COG's adopted guiding documents; and

WHEREAS, TPB policies rooted in the TPB Vision and the Regional Transportation Priorities Plan have long emphasized the importance of pedestrian and bicycle enhancements; and

WHEREAS, recent TPB activity, as well as the activities of TPB members, including the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority and the National Park Service, have identified regional pedestrian and bicycle priorities through analysis and stakeholder engagement; and

WHEREAS, pedestrian and bicycle priority initiatives, in addition to serving important local objectives, have been shown to enhance regional transportation system performance by augmenting circulation within Regional Activity Centers by providing first- and last-mile connections to transit and by connecting Regional Activity Centers; and

WHEREAS, planning activities conducted through the TPB's Unfunded Capital Needs Working Group (later renamed the Long-Range Plan Task Force) included the assembly of an inventory comprising more than one thousand individual unfunded capital improvements, including pedestrian and bicycle projects as well as transit and road projects; and

WHEREAS, TPB members have expressed the desire for the new aspirational element of Visualize 2045 to include non-motorized initiatives that would be shown to have positive impacts at the regional level; and

WHEREAS, in April of 2017, the Long-Range Plan Task Force was briefed by TPB staff on activities, which would be conducted separately from the primary activities of the task force, to identify non-motorized priorities; and

WHEREAS, on December 20, 2017, the Long-Range Plan Task Force endorsed five initiatives – comprising a variety of projects, programs, and policies that were largely focused on transit improvements, multimodal road improvements, and policy changes – for incorporation into Visualize 2045; and

WHEREAS, a draft package of two pedestrian and bicycle priority initiatives has been reviewed by the TPB's Technical Committee, Citizens Advisory Committee, and Bicycle and Pedestrian Subcommittee, and was provided for review to TPB at its meeting on December 20; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD:

1. Endorses the following pedestrian and bicycle priority initiatives:
 - Completion of the National Capital Trail
 - Access improvements to high-capacity transit stations
2. Directs staff to include these two initiatives in the aspirational element of the TPB's long-range transportation plan, Visualize 2045.
3. Directs staff to use these priorities as a factor in selecting projects for the TPB's Transportation Land Use Connections (TLC) Program and the federally funded Transportation Alternatives Set-Aside Program.
4. Calls upon local, state and regional governments and agencies to pursue implementation of these priorities.

AGENDA ITEM #9

TRAFFIC INCIDENT MANAGEMENT ENHANCEMENT



MEMORANDUM

TO: COG Board of Directors
FROM: Scott Fisher, COG Public Safety and Health Preparedness Chief
Andrew Meese, COG Systems Performance Planning Director
SUBJECT: Traffic Incident Management Enhancement (TIME) Initiative Update
DATE: April 4, 2018

This memorandum provides an update regarding the 2018 COG Traffic Incident Management Enhancement (TIME) Initiative, in advance of the April 11, 2018 briefing to the COG Board.

BACKGROUND

On January 10, 2018, the COG Board of Directors created the TIME Initiative and Task Force to assess traffic incident management in the National Capital Region and recommend enhancements to regional practice and operations. Leveraging COG's multi-disciplinary, multijurisdictional purview, the TIME Task Force will identify ideas and actions, to be recommended to the COG Board later this year.

TIME TASK FORCE PARTICIPANTS AND ACTIVITIES

An interdisciplinary team of Traffic Incident Management subject matter experts have joined the TIME Task Force, including police, fire and emergency medical services, 9-1-1 services, transportation operations, public information, and towing/recovery. Participants are from the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia; state and local agencies, the National Park Service, toll roads, and the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA).

The Task Force has met twice, on February 27 and March 23, and is next scheduled to meet April 17. Joseph Sagal of the Maryland Department of Transportation-State Highway Administration was elected as TIME Task Force Chair, and Michael Wood of the Virginia Department of Transportation as Vice Chair. The chairs and participants overall bring a wealth of real-world experience in Traffic Incident Management, and have expressed strong interest in the success of this initiative.

Recurring task force meetings and workshops are envisioned now through October, developing recommendations for the board. Best practices will be central to discussions. A number of TIME-related topics identified by the COG Board at its January 10 meeting, as well as by other stakeholders since, will be addressed. A highlight will be convening a wider group of practitioners in May for a Federal Highway Administration-facilitated Traffic Incident Management "Capability and Maturity Framework Workshop," analyzing the region's practices.

At the April 11 COG Board meeting, Chair Sagal, with Captain Jason Pulliam of the Maryland Transportation Authority Police, will provide additional details and their perspective regarding the TIME Initiative.

AGENDA ITEM #10

YEAR OF THE ANACOSTIA/ POTOMAC RIVER REPORT CARD



Year of the Anacostia

The Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) Anacostia Watershed Restoration Partnership, the Anacostia Watershed Trust, and the National Park Service have joined forces to celebrate the value of the Anacostia River watershed for the Year of the Anacostia. This yearlong focus honors the history, celebrates progress, and envisions an inspiring future for the Anacostia River watershed.

Throughout the year, organizations are invited to host events, activities, programs, and projects along the Anacostia River watershed to celebrate the ecological restoration, economic growth, and regional spirit surrounding the Anacostia watershed.

2018 is a confluence of anniversaries and events to celebrate the Anacostia River watershed, the history, and the communities throughout the region, including:

- Regional investments in infrastructure and watershed restoration substantially improve water quality and quality of life. Completion of the DC Water Anacostia River Tunnel brings the region that much closer to swimmable urban waterways.
- This year has many milestones on the banks of the Anacostia River.
- D.C. Department of Energy and Environment and the National Park Service will make a final decision on the most effective way to clean up the Anacostia riverbed.
- Anacostia Park, a National Park Service turns 100 years old.
- Commemoration of the Frederick Douglass bicentennial at Cedar Hill House.
- D.C. United will open their stadium and Major League Baseball will host the All-Star game at Nationals Park on the banks of the Anacostia.

COME TO THE RIVER

Metropolitan Washington residents and visitors enjoy the many recreational activities and community opportunities throughout the watershed. COG members are invited to share events on the Year of the Anacostia calendar. The Anacostia River Festival on April 15 is the first opportunity for the region to join in the celebration. Find celebrations and opportunities on yearoftheanacostia.com and follow @yota2018 #ComeToTheRiver on Twitter and Instagram.

PARTICIPANTS

The Year of the Anacostia is a partnership with representatives from many regional government, private, and community organizations. Participants include: Anacostia Watershed Restoration Partnership, Anacostia Waterfront Trust, Anacostia Watershed Society, Council of the District of Columbia, D.C. Department of Energy and Environment, D.C. Office of Resilience, D.C. United Screaming Eagles Fan Club, Groundwork DC, Friends of Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens, Anacostia Coordinating Council, DC Water, Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, Earth Conservation Corps, 11th Street Bridge Park, Prince George's County City Council, Prince George's County Department of Environment, Smithsonian Anacostia Community Museum, Stand Up Paddle Board, Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, and the National Park Service.

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RESOLUTION DESIGNATING 2018 'THE YEAR OF THE ANACOSTIA'

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) established the Anacostia Watershed Restoration Partnership in 2006 for the purpose of public, private, and community cooperation to implement the regional vision for Anacostia River watershed restoration and waterfront development by Resolution R28-2006; and

WHEREAS, the Anacostia River watershed stretches across 176 square miles, and runs through large portions of the metropolitan Washington region; and

WHEREAS, the Anacostia River watershed contains recreation resources, such as trails and parks, which are valued assets in the region, and are enjoyed by residents and visitors by boat, bike, and on foot; and

WHEREAS, the Anacostia River watershed and the metropolitan Washington region benefit by significant infrastructure and development investments from the public and private sectors, including the DC Water Smart River tunnels and stadiums for the Washington Nationals and D.C. United; and

WHEREAS, the Anacostia River watershed has numerous historic and cultural sites which are vital for the history of the United States of America and the region, including a War of 1812 battle site, the U.S. Navy Museum, the Congressional Cemetery, and the Frederick Douglass Cedar Hills House; and

WHEREAS, the Anacostia watershed is home to nearly 500 species of fish, mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians, and invertebrates; and

WHEREAS, The National Park Service will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the establishment of more than 1,200 acres as riverside public parkland, in the area now known as Anacostia Park, on August 31, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments is partnering with more than fifty regional agencies, businesses and community organizations to commemorate the Anacostia Park 100th Anniversary and the continued progress in restoring the Anacostia River watershed; and

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments appreciates the regional value of the natural assets, infrastructure, investment, and the historic significance of the Anacostia River watershed.

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

The board recognizes the regional efforts and partnerships to restore the Anacostia watershed and proclaims 2018 to be the "The Year of the Anacostia."

AGENDA ITEM #11

OTHER BUSINESS

AGENDA ITEM #12

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