



Local governments working together for a better metropolitan region

Planning Directors Technical Advisory Committee

Date: Friday, March 19, 2010

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Place: Meeting Room 1

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AGENDA

Welcome and Announcements

10:00 a.m. – 10:10 a.m.

Announcements

- *Envision Prince George's* – March 20
- APA National Conference—April 10-13
- Montgomery County Affordable Housing Conference- May 3
- Other Announcements

Presentation on Maryland's Statewide Development Planning Process

10:10 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.

Chair Ossont

Rich Josephson
 Director, Planning Services
 Peter Conrad
 Director, Local Planning Assistance
 Maryland Department of Planning

PlanMaryland is a new planning process designed to create a better and more sustainable future for Maryland. The state legislature created the authority for such a plan in the 1970s, but a broader recognition of the costs of unsustainable types of land use has grown in recent years to the point where such a plan is now urgently needed. We need to do a better job of steering development toward areas that already have roads, schools and other public infrastructure. Over the next 20 years, there will be nearly one million more people, over 400 thousand additional households and over 600 thousand new jobs in Maryland. Where will all these people live and work, how will they get to their jobs, and what benefits and impact will this have on our existing communities, our natural resources and our transportation systems? What role will the State and local governments have and how will a wide array of public, private and non-profit organizations all work together to plan for a sustainable future?

Briefing on TPB's Transportation/Land-Use Connection (TLC) Program

10:40 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.

Sarah Crawford
 COG/DTP Staff

The TPB's Transportation/Land-Use Connections (TLC) Program is entering its fifth year and has funded over 40 technical assistance projects. The purpose of the TLC program is to

provide regionally relevant information on linking transportation and land-use through the promotion of creative mixed-use community design, the development innovative multi-modal transportation options, and the implementation of these core TLC principles on local, state, and regional levels. The TPB will release the call for projects for the FY 2011 TLC technical assistance program on March 12, 2010. Applications are due May 12, 2010

Briefing on Draft Results for the “CLRP Aspirations” Scenario

10:50 a.m. – 11:25 a.m.

Monica Bansal
COG/DTP Staff

The “CLRP Aspirations” Scenario was developed during 2008 under the guidance of the TPB Scenario Task Force. It is an integrated land use and transportation scenario for 2030 building on the key results of the five TPB scenarios analyzed earlier, it includes a regional high-quality bus rapid transit (BRT) network operating on an extensive network of variably priced lanes.

Next Steps: Region Forward / Greater Washington 2050

11:25 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.

John Mataya
COG/DCPS Staff

Led by COG and a coalition of public, business, civic and environmental stakeholders, Greater Washington 2050 is a regional initiative to improve the quality of life for the Washington area by fostering stronger regional awareness, leadership and action. During their January 13 meeting, the COG Board adopted Resolution R9-10, approving Region Forward and tasking the MDPC with implementation of the *Region Forward* recommendations. Local governments have been asked to schedule briefings on the report and action on the draft Compact.

COG Comments on HUD Sustainable Communities Planning Grant Program

11:40 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.

Paul DesJardin
COG/DCPS Staff

The COG Board was asked to approve COG comments on the new HUD Sustainability Communities Planning Grant program. Comments were due March 12. Three federal agencies, HUD, DOT and EPA jointly announced this new program on February 4. The goal of the program is to “support multi-jurisdictional regional planning efforts that integrate housing, economic development, and transportation decision-making in a manner that empowers jurisdictions to consider the interdependent challenges of economic growth, social equity and environmental impact simultaneously.” Regional councils, such as COG, are anticipated to be eligible for federal funding on behalf of regional consortia. COG staff will brief the Committee on the new grant program and how COG’s recent work, including Region Forward, the 2008 climate change report, and transportation planning and scenario work make COG uniquely qualified to help coordinate and lead a response to new federal grant funding.

Other Business

11:50 a.m. - Noon

Committee Members

Adjournment

Chair Ossont

Next Scheduled Meeting: April 16, 2010

