

**ITEM 7 - Action**  
January 19, 2011

Approval of Funding and Transmittal Letter for TPB's 2011  
Membership in the Association of Metropolitan Planning  
Organizations

**Staff**

**Recommendation:** Approve funding from the FY 2011 UPWP along with an associated transmittal letter for the TPB's 2011 membership in AMPO.

**Issues:** None

**Background:** The Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (AMPO) is a national organization that represents and provides assistance to metropolitan planning organizations like the TPB throughout the United States.

# **National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board**

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January 19, 2011

Ms. DeLania Hardy  
Executive Director  
Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations  
Suite 710  
1029 Vermont Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20005

Dear Ms. Hardy:

In response to the invoice of December 6, 2010 requesting dues payment for the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board's (TPB) 2011 membership in the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (AMPO), I am pleased to inform you that at its January 19, 2011 meeting, the TPB approved a 2011 dues payment to AMPO in the amount of \$22,000. The payment is enclosed with this letter

As a long time member, the TPB greatly values AMPO's active representation of the nation's metropolitan planning organizations, and benefits greatly from the technical assistance it provides our planning staff. The TPB anticipates working closely with AMPO in the coming year on the key planning challenges facing MPOs.

Sincerely,

Todd Turner  
Vice Chair  
National Capital Region  
Transportation Planning Board

Enclosure



**ASSOCIATION OF  
METROPOLITAN  
PLANNING  
ORGANIZATIONS**

December 6, 2010

Ron Kirby  
Metropolitan Washington COG  
777 N. Capitol St., NE, Suite 300  
Washington, DC 20002

Dear Ron,

In 2010 AMPO continued to be a strong voice on the Hill and with the Administration during debates on the most pressing issues facing MPOs, including authorization, climate change, and transportation funding. AMPO was actively sought out by Congress and the Administration for ideas and suggestions on these topics. We were able to influence the discussion and the bills currently on the table through our active and engaged policy committee, membership, and board. In the year ahead, these issues will continue to be debated and legislation refined as we hopefully move ahead towards a transportation bill. AMPO's work over the past few years developed and continued an authorization framework for transportation planning. We also continue to advocate for additional transportation funds and authority for MPOs.

In addition to this important policy work, AMPO continues to work on MPOs' technical issues. We began our MPO pooled funding project last year. The Phase 1 objective is compiling research for the advancement of travel forecasting techniques. This work addresses several recommendations contained in the June 2007 TRB Special Report 288, Metropolitan Travel Forecasting: Current Practice and Future Direction. A second phase of the project is now in place supported by FHWA to continue these efforts. Our special issue area work groups on operations, travel modeling, and air quality/climate change met several times in 2010 and will continue their work.

I look forward to continuing our important work with you on these issues and to ensuring our voices continue to be heard. Please contact me with your questions or concerns at 202-296-7051 or [dhardy@ampo.org](mailto:dhardy@ampo.org).

DeLania Hardy  
AMPO Executive Director





# AMPO Invoice

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**Sold To:**  
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Ron Kirby  
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Washington, DC 20002

| Invoice Date | Description   | Amount Due                  |
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| 12/8/10      | 2011 AMPO Annual Membership:<br>2011 rate calculated as \$ .0066 per capita based upon 2000 UZA Population.<br>Maximum is \$22,000. |                             |
|              | 2000 UZA  | 3,933,920<br><u>x .0066</u> |
|              | One-Year Membership Rate  | \$25,963.87                 |
|              | Yearly Dues   | <b>\$22,000.00</b>          |

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AMPO Membership Dues

Invoice # 2011-076

**Metropolitan Washington COG**

Amount due by January 15, 2011

\$22,000.00

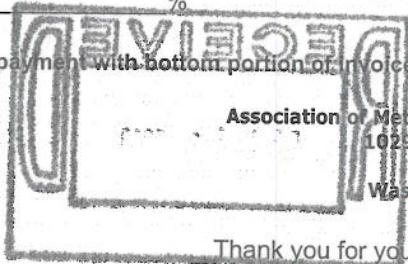
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Thank you for your continued support of AMPO!