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TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD (TPB) MEETING

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Manassas Park

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Date: October 20, 2004

Time: 12 noon

Place: COG Board Room

“Access for All” Press Conference: At 10:30 am the TPB will hold a press conference on “Disability Awareness Day” to highlight the importance of accessible and dependable transportation for people with disabilities. TPB Board members and persons with disabilities will travel to COG in teams and report on their travel experiences.

(BEGINS PROMPTLY AT NOON)

- 12 noon 1. **Public Comment on TPB Procedures and Activities**
.....Chairman Zimmerman

Interested members of the public will be given the opportunity to make brief comments on transportation issues under consideration by the TPB. Each speaker will be allowed up to three minutes to present his or her views. Board members will have an opportunity to ask questions of the speakers, and to engage in limited discussion. Speakers are asked to bring written copies of their remarks (65 copies) for distribution at the meeting.
- 12:20 pm 2. **Approval of Minutes of September 15, 2004 Meeting**
.....Chairman Zimmerman
- 12:25 pm 3. **Report of Technical Committee** Mr. Rybeck
Chair, Technical Committee
- 12:30 pm 4. **Report of Citizen Advisory Committee** Dennis Jaffe
2004 Chair, Citizen Advisory Committee
- 12:40 pm 5. **Report of Steering Committee**..... Mr. Kirby
Director, Department
of Transportation Planning
- 12:45 pm 6. **Chairman’s Remarks**..... Chairman Zimmerman

ACTION ITEMS

- 12:50 pm 7. **Approval of a Resolution Recognizing the Importance of Accessible and Dependable Transit Service, Sidewalks, and Safe Pedestrian Crossings for People with Disabilities**
..... Ms. Porter
Chair, Access for All Advisory Committee

On October 20 the TPB will hold a press conference on “Disability Awareness Day” to highlight the importance of accessible and dependable transportation for people with disabilities. TPB Board members and persons with disabilities will travel to the press conference in teams and report on their travel experiences. The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R2-2005 to recognize the importance of accessible and dependable transit service, sidewalks, and safe pedestrian crossings for people with disabilities.

Action: Adopt Resolution R2-2005 recognizing the importance of accessible and dependable transit service, sidewalks, and safe pedestrian crossings for people with disabilities.

- 12:55 pm 8. **Approval of a Resolution Declaring Funding Must be Identified to Meet Preservation, Rehabilitation, and Capacity Expansion Needs of the Metrorail and Metrobus System**
.....Mr. Kirby

At the September 15 TPB meeting, the Board was briefed on the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority’s (WMATA) current operational needs and funding challenges, and on the implications for the region. The Board was also briefed on a new panel being cosponsored by the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, the Greater Washington Board of Trade, and the Federal City Council to address dedicated funding sources for WMATA. The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R3-2005 to declare that funding must be identified to meet the preservation, rehabilitation, and capacity expansion needs of the Metrorail and Metrobus system.

Action: Adopt Resolution R3-2005 declaring funding must be identified to meet the preservation, rehabilitation, and capacity expansion needs of the Metrorail and Metrobus system.

- 1:05 pm 9. **Review of Comments Received and Approval of 2010 Project Submissions and Scope of Work for the 8-Hour Air Quality Conformity Assessment of the 2004 Constrained Long Range Plan (CLRP) and FY 2005-2010 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**
.....Mr. Kirby

At the September 15 meeting, the Board was briefed on new air quality conformity requirements for the Washington region under the EPA’s recent 8-hour ozone rule which was published in the *Federal Register* on July 1, 2004. The Board also released for public comment the project submissions for 2010 and a draft scope of work for the 8–hour conformity assessment of the 2004 CLRP and FY 2005-2010 TIP. The Board also approved a letter to the

Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee (MWAQC) transmitting these materials for review and comment. The Board will be briefed on the comments received and asked to approve the 2010 project submissions and scope of work for the 8-hour conformity assessment of the 2004 CLRP and FY 2005-2010 TIP.

Action: Adopt Resolution R4-2005 to approve the 2010 project submissions and scope of work for the 8-hour conformity assessment of the 2004 CLRP and FY 2005-2010 TIP.

INFORMATION ITEMS

- 1:15 pm 10. **Briefing on Upgrades to the TPB Travel Demand Model and Emissions Post-Processor Used for the Draft Air Quality Conformity Assessment of the 2004 Constrained Long Range Plan (CLRP) and FY 2005-2010 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**Mr. Kirby

At the July 21 meeting, the Board was briefed on proposed revisions to the TPB travel model and emissions post-processor to address the travel demand modeling topics identified in the Transportation Research Board (TRB) final letter report. The Board will be briefed on the upgrades incorporated into the travel model and emissions post-processor used for the draft air quality analysis of the 2004 CLRP and FY 2005-2010 TIP which was released for public comment on October 1, 2004.

- 1:30 pm 11. **Briefing on the Draft Air Quality Conformity Determination for the 2004 Constrained Long Range Plan (CLRP) and FY 2005-2010 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**Mr. Kirby

At the September 15 meeting, the Board was briefed on the status of the draft 2004 CLRP and FY 2005-2010 TIP documents and the associated conformity analysis, and on the review of the effectiveness of current and proposed TERMS. These draft documents were released for public comment on October 1, 2004. The public comment period for these documents ends on October 31, 2004. The TPB is scheduled to act on these documents at its meeting on November 17, 2004.

- 1:45 pm 12. **Briefing on Presentation of the Results of the TPB Regional Mobility and Accessibility Study for the TPB Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) Outreach Meetings.**Mr. Swanson

At the July 21 meeting, the Board was briefed on the results of the first phase of this study which analyzes the regional congestion management plan (CLRP+) with five alternative land use scenarios. The Board will be briefed on the presentation of the results of the first phase of the study prepared by staff for use at CAC outreach meetings this fall.

- 1:55 pm 13. **Other Business**

2:00 pm 14. **Adjourn**

2.05 hours

Lunch will be served to Board members and alternates at 11:30 a.m.

October 19, 2004 (10:49AM)