

AGENDA
TPB CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Emmet Tydings, 2006 CAC Chair

Thursday, April 13, 2006

6:00 – 8:00 pm

Council of Governments, Training Center (Main Floor)

777 North Capitol Street, NE

Washington, DC 20002

6:00 – 6:10 Introductions and New Business

6:10 - 6:15 Election of CAC Co-Chairs

Under the TPB's Public Involvement Policy, the CAC is to elect two co-chairs representing the two "state" jurisdictions that are not represented by the CAC chair. Because this year's chair, Emmet Tydings is from Maryland, the two co-chairs this year should represent D.C. and Virginia.

Two people have been nominated to serve as co-chairs:

- Larry Martin – District of Columbia
- Jim Larsen – Virginia

6:15 – 6:45 Discussion of a Possible Regional "Incentives Program" for Activity Centers

A number of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs) around the country (The TPB is designated under federal law as an MPO) have established small grants programs to promote "livable communities" or "transit-oriented development." In recent months, TPB Chairman and other TPB participants (including members of the CAC) have expressed an interest in developing such a program in the Washington region.

Ron Kirby, Director of COG's Department of Transportation Planning, will provide some background on the experiences of other MPOs and potential opportunities in our region.

6:45 – 7:00 Upcoming TPB Agenda

Ron Kirby will brief the committee on the TPB's April agenda.

7:00 – 8:00 Briefing and Discussion on HOT Lanes

Speakers:

- Ken Orski, Urban Mobility Corporation
- Michael Repogle, Environmental Defense

Last October, the TPB added Virginia's Beltway HOT (High Occupancy/Toll) lanes project to the region's long-range transportation plans. The HOT lanes will be free of charge to carpoolers, while simultaneously giving single drivers the option of paying to use the roadways. Both Virginia and Maryland are currently examining other highway corridors as possible sites for HOT lanes.

Two guest speakers will brief the committee on how HOT lanes work and how they are being implemented across the nation. The Committee will discuss how HOT lanes are—and could—be developed in the Washington region. The Committee and staff will also discuss the HOT lane scenario that will be studied under the TPB's Regional Mobility and Accessibility Study.