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COG BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

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Wednesday, October 12, 2005 DATE: College Park

Frederick County

TIME: 12:00 Noon

Gaithersburg

**COG Board Room** PLACE:

Greenbelt Montgomery County

PLEASE NOTE: Chair Davis will begin the meeting promptly at Noon. Lunch for members and alternates will be available at 11:30 a.m.

Prince George's County

Rockville

Takoma Park

Alexandria

Arlington County

Fairfax

Fairfax County

Falls Church

Loudoun County

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Prince William County

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE 1.

(12:00 Noon)

**Chair Judith Davis** 

Mayor, City of Greenbelt

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2005** 

(12:00 - 12:05 p.m.)

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 3.

(12:05 – 12:15 p.m.)

**Chair Davis** 

- a) Appoint 2006 Nominating Committee
- b) Executive Director's Report
  - **Outreach**
  - Letters Sent/Received
  - **Legislative Report Update**
- 4. AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

(12:15 – 12:20 p.m.)

**ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS** 5.

(12:20-12:25 p.m.)

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Consent Agenda Item 11.A. & 11.B. & 11.C. &

11.D. & 11.E. & 11.F. & 11.G.

# 6. UPDATE ON OUTCOMES OF WMATA FUNDING SUMMIT (12:25-12:35 p.m.)

David J. Robertson Executive Director, COG

The COG Board will be briefed on outcomes from WMATA Funding Summit, held October 3rd. Long-term funding for WMATA has been a top priority for COG, which co-sponsored the Metro Funding Panel with the Greater Washington Board of Trade and Federal City Council. COG also agreed to co-sponsor the October 3rd WMATA Funding Summit.

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing.

7. POST-KATRINA PLAN OF ACTION (12:35-12:45 p.m.)

David J. Robertson Executive Director, COG

Gordon Aoyagi Homeland Security Director, Montgomery County

At its September meeting the COG Board directed staff and the Chief Administrative Officers Committee to develop a work scope, milestones and timetable to re-examine relevant area plans to incorporate initial lessons learned from the experiences of Hurricane Katrina, and now Hurricane Rita. Top elected officials called for this action in-part due to concern about the pace and comprehensiveness of federal response to Hurricane Katrina. The COG Board will be briefed on efforts by COG, its Homeland Security related committees, and area local governments to reexamine area emergency plans, focusing on areas of potential vulnerabilities, clarification on state and federal resources, and more aggressive outreach to area citizens.

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing.

8. STATUS REPORT ON THE COMMITTEE ON NOISE ABATEMENT AND AVIATION AT NATIONAL AND DULLES AIRPORTS (CONAANDA) (12:45-1:00 p.m.)

Rob Krupicka Alexandria City Council Chair, CONAANDA

In May of 2002 the Board adopted Resolution R17-02, which expanded the mission of the Committee on Noise Abatement and Aviation at National and Dulles Airports (CONAANDA) to encompass aviation policy, in addition to its traditional mission as the Board's policy advisor on aircraft noise abatement for the region. The expanded mission stemmed from the regional impacts of the temporary closure of Reagan National Airport and ongoing restrictions on general aviation after September 11, 2001. Since 2002, CONAANDA has focused on a range of noise and aviation issues, including post-9/11 aviation policy, and in collaboration with the Metropolitan

Washington Airports Authority, on an update of the noise abatement plan for Reagan National airport, the "Part 150 Plan." For the past several months, CONAANDA held strategic planning executive sessions to consider its mission and focus for the year ahead. Chair Krupicka will brief the Board on the Committee's recent activities and accomplishments and its plans for the balance of FY 2006.

## RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive Briefing and Adopt Revised CONAANDA Mission and Work Plan

# 9. SALARY STUDY RESULTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS (1:00-1:20 p.m.)

Chair Judith Davis Chair, ECBR

David Robertson
Executive Director, COG

On September 28, 2005, the Employee Compensation and Benefits Review (ECBR) Committee met to discuss the COG 2005 Compensation Study. Based upon this meeting and the results of the Salary Study conducted by the Management Advisory Group (MAG), the committee chair and staff Director will present findings, results and recommendations. The Board of Directors will be asked to approve Resolution R34-05.

## RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R34-05.

# 10. APPROVAL OF ROUND 7.0 COOPERATIVE FORECASTS (1:20-1:35 p.m.)

Elizabeth Hewlett Chairman, M-NCPPC, Prince George's County Chair, Metropolitan Development Policy Committee

Since 1975, the COG Board of Directors has maintained the Cooperative Forecasting Program for preparing official forecasts of employment population, and household growth for the COG member jurisdictions. During their July 14 meeting, the Metropolitan Development Policy Committee (MDPC) approved the draft Round 7.0 Cooperative Forecasts for use by the TPB. In approving the Round 7.0 Forecasts, the MPDC and Planning Directors Technical Advisory Committee stated that, in order to provide enough workers for the anticipated job growth, changes to local land use and comprehensive plans will occur to increase the supply of housing. On February 12, 2003 the COG Board adopted Resolution R8-03 which recommended that the Cooperative Forecasts be approved by the Board concurrent with the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board's (TPB) approval of the results of the annual Air Quality Conformity Analysis of the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and financially Constrained Long-Range Transportation Plan. On October 19, the TPB is scheduled to approve the results of the Air Quality Conformity Analysis of the FY 2004-2009 TIP and CLRP. The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R35-05, approving the Round 7.0 Cooperative Forecasts.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R35-05.** 

#### 11. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

## (A) Resolution in Support of Sister Cities International

The COG Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R36-05, endorsing the 2006 Sister Cities International Conference and Summit on Citizen Diplomacy. The conference and summit will be held in Washington, DC, July 12-15, 2006.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R36-05.**

#### (B) Children to Children Donation

The Board of Directors will be asked to adopt Resolution R37-05, which provides approval to accept a \$50,000 grant from the Freddie Mac Foundation for the Children to Children project. Children to Children is a grass-roots, family run charity which provides new duffel bags for children in foster care. COG acts as the fiscal agent for Children to Children. This special \$50,000 grant will be used specifically to purchase duffel bags for distribution to Hurricane Katrina victims nationwide. No additional COG matching funds are required.

## **RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R37-05.**

#### (C) Regional Foster Parent Appreciation Gala

The Board of Directors will be asked to adopt Resolution R38-05, which provides approval to accept a \$100,000 grant from the Freddie Mac Foundation for the 2006 Regional Foster Parent Appreciation Gala. This event honors foster parents from around the region for their dedication and service to children in foster care. As in previous years, more than 700 foster parents are expected to attend. The 2006 Regional Foster Parent Gala will be held on May 20, 2006. No additional COG matching funds are required.

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R38-05.

# (D) Resolution Authorizing the Execution of a Cooperative Research and Development Agreement with the US Army Center for Environmental Health Research in Support of the Drinking Water Security Monitoring Network in the National Capitol Region

The Board will be requested to approve Resolution R39-05, authorizing the Executive Director to execute a 36 month Cooperative Research and Development Agreement with the US Army Center for Environmental Health Research Services in an amount not to exceed \$15,000 (\$5,000 renewable annually) for the ownership transfer of an emergency mobile laboratory trailer and monitoring equipment (estimated \$250,000), and to support consultation services, biomonitor installation assistance and training in support of the National Capital Region drinking water security monitoring network. Funding to support this project is included in the FY 2006 regional water resources program. No additional COG matching funds are required.

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R39-05.

(E) Resolution Authorizing the Executive Director to Submit a Grant Proposal to The Summit Fund of Washington to Implement its Program and Technical Support to Alice Ferguson Foundation's (AFF) Trash Free Potomac Watershed Initiative – Building on the Anacostia Model.

The Board will be requested to approve R40-05, authorizing the Executive Director to submit a grant proposal in the amount not to exceed \$37,501 to providing program and technical support to Alice Ferguson Foundation's (AFF) Trash Free Potomac Watershed Initiative through the period of 18 months from the receipt of funding. No additional COG matching funds are required.

## RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R40-05.

(F) Resolution Approving Revisions to the Bylaws for the Chesapeake Bay Policy Committee

On May 11, 2005, the Board adopted Resolution R17-05, directing several changes be made to the bylaws of the Chesapeake Bay Policy Committee (Committee), including assignment of oversight responsibility for the regional water resources work program and budget to the Committee; the addition as Committee members of the water and wastewater utilities who contribute financially to the Regional Water Fund; and maintaining an opportunity for the Environment and Public Works Directors Committee to review and comment of the annual water resources work program and budget. On July 13, 2005, the Committee met and considered language effecting the modifications directed by the Board. On September 28, 2005, the Committee formally adopted amendments to its bylaws and recommends approval by the Board. The changes recommended include those directed by the Board, as well as several changes to insure consistency with the bylaws of the COG Board of Directors, several technical amendments, and a change in the Committee's name to the "Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee" to reflect the committee's broader mission of oversight of COG's water resources programs resulting from oversight for the Regional Water Fund.

#### RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R41-05.

(G) Resolution Authorizing the Executive Director to Expend Urban Area Security Initiative Grant Funds from the Department of Homeland Security to Support the Establishment of a Drinking Water Security Monitoring Network for the National Capital Region

The Board will be requested to approve Resolution R42-05, authorizing the Executive Director or his designee, to expend FY04 Urban Area Security Initiative grant funds in an amount not to exceed \$806,000 for the purpose of establishing a water security monitoring network in the National Capital Region. No additional COG matching funds are required.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R42-05.** 

THE NEXT BOARD MEETING WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY, November 9, 2005.

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