

COG BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

DATE: January 9, 2013

TIME: 12:00 Noon

PLACE: COG Board Room

District of Columbia

*Bladensburg**

Bowie

Charles County

College Park

Frederick

Frederick County

Gaithersburg

Greenbelt

Montgomery County

Prince George's County

Rockville

Takoma Park

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Fairfax County

Falls Church

Loudoun County

Manassas

Manassas Park

Prince William

**PLEASE NOTE: Chairman Principi will begin the meeting promptly at 12:00 noon.
Lunch for members and alternates will be available at 11:30 a.m.**

AGENDA

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
(12:00 Noon)**

**Chairman Frank Principi
Supervisor, Prince William County**

**2. ANNOUNCEMENTS
(12:00 – 12:05 p.m.)**

Chairman Principi

- a) Moment of Silence in Remembrance of Newtown Victims
- b) Recognition of Outgoing Board Members
- c) Introduction of New Board Members
- d) Recognition of Outgoing Policy Committee Chairs

**3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT
(12:05 – 12:15 p.m.)**

- a) Outreach
- b) Legislative and Regulatory Update
- c) Information and Follow-Up
- d) Letters Sent/Received
- e) General Counsel's Report

**4. AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA
(12:15 – 12:20 p.m.)**

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 14, 2012
(12:20 – 12:25 p.m.)**

**Adjunct Member*

CONSENT AGENDA

6. ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS (12:25 –12:30 p.m.)

A. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES FOR ANACOSTIA RIVER WATERSHED REFORESTATION-RELATED SERVICES

The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R01-13, authorizing the Executive Director to execute a memorandum of understanding with the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (MDDNR) in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for Anacostia reforestation-related support services. The project duration is five months. No COG matching funds are required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R01-13.

B. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION FOR AND EXPENDITURE OF FUNDING FROM EPA'S ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION REGIONAL MODEL GRANT TO INCREASE ENVIRONMENTAL KNOWLEDGE AND STEWARDSHIP

The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R02-13, authorizing the Executive Director to apply for grant funding and if awarded, expend up to \$167,609 from EPA Region III to develop and pilot the "Energy and Environment All-Star Program" in Prince George's County, Maryland. Twenty-five percent matching funds are required. In-kind matching funds will be provided by Prince George's County (\$32,882) and COG (\$23,357; from existing budgeted funds).

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R02-13.

C. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADDENDUM TO EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WITH EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

On November 14, 2012, the Board of Directors appointed Chuck Bean as Executive Director, and authorized the Board Chairman to sign the three (3) year Employment Agreement with Mr. Bean. An addendum to the Employment Agreement is necessary in order to confirm Mr. Bean's enrollment in the COG pension plan. The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R03-13, authorizing the Board Chairman to sign an Addendum to the Employment Agreement to confirm Mr. Bean's enrollment in the COG pension plan, and address any related issues.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R03-13.

D. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECEIPT OF FUNDS FROM THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION – EASTERN FEDERAL LANDS HIGHWAY DIVISION FOR CONDUCTING A TRAFFIC IMPACT STUDY ASSOCIATED WITH REHABILITATION OF THE ARLINGTON MEMORIAL BRIDGE

The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R06-13, authorizing the receipt of funds in the amount of \$70,500 from the Federal Highway Administration – Eastern Federal Lands Highway Division for conducting a traffic impact study associated with the rehabilitation of the Arlington Memorial Bridge. Majority of the funds (\$70,000) will be used for Transportation Planning Board (TPB) staff labor costs, and a smaller portion of the funds (\$500) will be used for direct expenses associated with this endeavor. No COG matching funds are required.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R06-13.

ACTION AGENDA

7. REGIONAL ACTIVITY CENTER MAP ADOPTION (12:35 – 12:55 p.m.)

**Mary Hynes, Member, Arlington County Board
Vice Chair, Region Forward Coalition**

Albert Dobbins, Deputy Director, Prince George's County Planning and Past Chair, Planning Directors Technical Advisory Committee

The COG Board last adopted the regional activity centers in April 2007. Since that date, COG adopted Region Forward, which called on COG to update the activity centers by improving the integration of locally-adopted land use plans, and making the depiction of centers more aspirational using criteria related to Region Forward rather than merely projecting future growth in population and jobs. The draft activity centers map was released for COG member and stakeholder comment by the Region Forward Coalition in July 2012. Since that date, COG staff briefed each of COG's member governments and obtained additional input from several stakeholder organizations. The draft activity centers map was revised to incorporate COG member and other feedback. The Board will be asked to adopt the 2013 Regional Activity Centers Map.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R04-13.

8. APPROVAL OF FY 2014 WORK PROGRAM AND BUDGET (12:55 – 1:15 p.m.)

**Chuck Bean
Executive Director**

The Executive Director presented a proposed FY 2014 (July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014) Work Program and Budget to the COG Budget and Finance Committee, which met in October and November. The Committee recommended COG Board approval of the FY 2014 Work Program and Budget. The proposed FY 2014 budget was reviewed by the Chief Administrative Officers and sent to senior officials from each COG member government in November for additional review and comment. Mr. Bean will summarize the proposed FY 2014 Work Program and Budget.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R05-13.

9. ADOPTION OF 2013 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES (1:15 – 1:30 p.m.)

Chairman Principi

**Nicole Hange
Membership and Government Relations, COG**

Enhancing COG's legislative priorities and strengthening relationships with state and federal elected officials continues to be a focus of COG Board leadership and COG staff. Staff has worked with COG's policy committees and the Legislative Committee to draft the region's 2013 legislative platform. The COG Board will be asked to review and adopt these priorities, as well as an enhanced advocacy and communications strategy in 2013.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt 2013 Legislative Priorities.

**10. ELECTION OF COG BOARD OFFICERS
(1:30 – 1:35 p.m.)**

Chairman Principi

Chairman Principi chaired the Nominating Committee for both COG corporate and COG Board officers for 2012. Corporate officers were elected at the COG annual membership and awards luncheon on December 12, 2012. Chairman Principi will recommend approval of the proposed slate of COG Board officers for 2013: Chairwoman Karen Young, Vice Chairman Phil Mendelson and Vice Chairman Bill Euille.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Elect 2013 Officers.

**11. RECOGNITION OF IMMEDIATE PAST CHAIRMAN
(1:35 – 1:40 p.m.)**

Chairwoman Young

Chairwoman Karen Young will recognize and thank 2012 COG Board Chairman Principi.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Acknowledge Past Chairman.

**12 APPOINTMENT OF 2013 POLICY COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP
(1:40 – 1:45 p.m.)**

Chairwoman Young

Chairwoman Young will recommend the appointment of 2013 leadership for COG policy advisory committees, public-private partnerships and administrative committees. Additional appointment action is anticipated in February as COG receives information concerning final appointments by its member governments to COG boards and committees.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve 2013 appointments.

**13. OTHER BUSINESS
(1:45-2:00 p.m.)**

**14. ADJOURN- NEXT MEETING FEBRUARY 13, 2013.
(2:00 p.m.)**



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