

**METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT POLICY COMMITTEE
MEETING NOTICE**

Date: September 10, 2003
Time: 10:00 to 11:45 a.m.
Location: Lobby Level – Training Center
777 North Capitol Street NE
Washington, DC 20002

AGENDA

- 10:00 a.m.** 1. **CALL TO ORDER, APPROVAL OF JULY 9, 2003 MEETING SUMMARY AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Councilmember Joyce Woodson
City of Alexandria
Chair, MDPC*

Announcements

- Report of the July COG Board Retreat
- Update on Approval of Round 6.3

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve July 9, 2003 meeting summary.

- 10:10 a.m.** 2. **REPORT OF THE JUNE 9 AND JULY 2 MEETINGS OF THE METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (MDCAC)**

*Marva Jo Camp
Lee Quill
MDCAC*

Committee members will report on the June 9 and July 2 meetings of the MDCAC.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing

- 10:20 a.m.** 3. **2004 AMERICAN PLANNING ASSOCIATION (APA) NATIONAL CONFERENCE**

*Judy Daniel
Art Chambers
Co-Chairs, APA 2004 Conference
Host Committee*

On April 24 -28, 2004, the American Planning Association (APA) will convene their national conference in Washington, D.C. As a host committee for the Conference – the theme of which is “Celebrate Community” – National Capital Area Chapter members of the American Planning Association (NCAC-APA) have proposed a number of panel sessions. Ms. Daniel and Mr. Chambers will discuss plans for the Conference and opportunities for MDPC members and COG staff to assist with and participate in the Conference.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing and recommend next steps

10:45 a.m. 4. TPB REGIONAL MOBILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY STUDY UPDATE

*Robert Griffiths
COG / TPB Staff*

The National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) staff previously briefed the MDPC on the Regional Mobility and Accessibility Study that will analyze alternative transportation and land use scenarios. The Planning Directors Technical Advisory Committee (PDTAC) has developed traffic zone forecasts for five alternative land use scenarios: “High Household Growth”; “Transit-Oriented Development”; “Region Undivided”; “More Household Growth in Inner Areas”; and “More Job Growth In Outer Areas” (enclosure). TPB staff has begun work to analyze the scenarios using a variety of “Measures of Effectiveness” or “MOEs” and will brief the COG Board on the project at noon and present the results of this work to MDPC in advance of the Friday, September 19 meetings of the Planning Directors and the TPB Mobility and Accessibility Joint Technical Working Group.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing and discuss next steps

11:10 a.m. 5. COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT TRENDS WITHIN REGIONAL ACTIVITY CENTERS, 1996 TO 2002

*Diana Farina
COG Staff*

In July, COG staff presented the 2002 report on commercial construction to the MDPC and COG Board, including information on projects located within the Regional Activity Centers and Clusters. Staff noted that the share of new commercial development in the Centers and Clusters was below the existing share of jobs and the forecast of future employment. COG Board members inquired about historic trends in construction in the Centers and Clusters. Staff will report on an analysis of projects started during the last 6 years which documents that the region’s share total square footage of new construction in the Regional Activity Centers has been below expectations.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing

11:25 a.m. 6. UPDATE ON “SMART GROWTH BEGINS AT THE LOCAL LEVEL” MULTIMEDIA PROJECT

*Paul DesJardin
COG Staff*

The MDPC and COG Board approved the final draft script for “Smart Growth Begins at the Local Level” during their respective meetings on July 9. Staff will update the Committee on progress on the project.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing

11:35 a.m. 7. OTHER BUSINESS/INFORMATION ITEMS

MDPC Members

11:45 a.m. 8. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT MEETING: *November 12, 2003*