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METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT POLICY COMMITTEE

****** NOTE NEW EARLIER START TIME FOR 2009 MEETINGS ******

Date: January 14, 2009
Time: 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
Place: COG First Floor Training Center
777 North Capitol Street, N.E.
Washington, DC 20002

AGENDA

9:30 a.m. 1. CALL TO ORDER, APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 12, 2008 MEETING SUMMARY, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hon. Ludwig Gaines
Councilmember, City of Alexandria
Chairman, Metropolitan Development Policy Committee

- 2009 MDPC meeting schedule and leadership
- COG “9 in 2009” priorities
- Washington Area Housing Partnership Housing
- Green Affordable Housing Conference – March 3
- Homeless Services Task Force – Homeless Enumeration January 28
- Other Announcements

9:40 a.m. 2. UPDATE ON ACTIVITIES OF THE GREATER WASHINGTON 2050 COALITION

Paul DesJardin
Director, Community Planning and Services

Greater Washington 2050 is a regional initiative to improve the quality of life for Washington area residents in the next 50 years by fostering stronger regional awareness, leadership and action. Led by COG and a coalition of public, business, civic and environmental stakeholders, Greater Washington 2050 will build on what many people now believe is an opportunity for convergence on big issues of growth, transportation and the environment. Greater Washington 2050 Vice Chair Alan Imhoff and staff will briefly report on Activities of the Coalition – next scheduled to meet on January 29 – and on the November 20 day-long “Scenarios” workshop.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive Briefing and Recommend Next Steps

9:50 a.m. 3. BRIEFING ON THE REGION'S ECONOMY AND OUTLOOK FOR 2009
John McClain, AICP
Deputy Director, Center for Regional Analysis
George Mason University

The metropolitan Washington area has experienced steady, though slowing, job growth, while at the same time experienced tremendous challenges in the housing markets through foreclosures. On Tuesday, January 13 the Center for Regional Analysis of George Mason University will host its 17th annual Economic Forecast conference. Mr. McClain will brief the Committee on current trends in the region's economy as well as the likely outlook for metropolitan Washington in 2009 and beyond.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive Briefing and Recommend Next Steps

10:30 a.m. 4. REVIEW AND ACTION ON THE ROUND 7.2 COOPERATIVE FORECASTS OF EMPLOYMENT, POPULATION AND HOUSEHOLDS
Ralph Rosenbaum
City of Alexandria
Chairman, Cooperative Forecasting Subcommittee
Gregory Goodwin
COG Staff

During their October 17 meeting, the Planning Directors Technical Advisory Committee (PDTAC) reviewed the draft updates of the Cooperative Forecasts of employment population and households to the year 2040. PDTAC members have recommended that the Metropolitan Development Policy Committee approve the draft Forecasts for use by the TPB staff in this year's Air Quality Conformity Analysis. The draft Forecasts show a marginal decrease in growth from the currently-adopted Round 7.1 projections. MDPC members initially discussed the updated Forecasts in November and deferred action until the January meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive Briefing and Approve Forecasts for TPB Use

10:50 a.m. 5. BRIEFING ON WORK OF THE TPB SCENARIOS STUDY TASK FORCE
Ronald Kirby
Director, COG Department of Transportation Planning

In the Fall of 2007, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) established a Scenario Study Task Force to provide policy-level stewardship for the alternative land use and transportation scenarios of the Regional Mobility and Accessibility Study (RMAS) and to integrate the study findings into the TPB planning processes. Mr. Kirby will brief the Committee on the work the Task Force, including work with the region's Planning Directors to develop 2 additional scenarios, and seek input from Committee members.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive Briefing and Recommend Next Steps

11:10 a.m. 6. COMMITTEE MEMBER ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION
Committee Members

Committee members will discuss emerging issues in their jurisdictions or recommend topics that they would like the MDPC to address during meetings this calendar year.

11:25 a.m. 7. OTHER BUSINESS

11:30 a.m. 8. ADJOURNMENT



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