

**Metropolitan Development Policy Committee
Meeting Summary
June 8, 2005**

1. Call to Order, Approval of the May 11, 2005 Meeting Summary, and Announcements

Chair Hewlett called the meeting of the MDPC to order at 10:00 a.m. The May 11, 2005 meeting summary was approved. Charles Grier of the COG staff distributed an updated list of distribution to date of the Smart Growth Begins at the Local Level video. Paul DesJardin of the COG staff stated that ULI staff was working to complete the summary report and video from the February “Reality Check on Growth” event.

2. Summary of Revisions to the Round 7.0 Cooperative Forecasts received since the May MDPC and PDTAC meetings

Paul DesJardin of the COG staff stated that during the March 9, 2005 MDPC meeting, Committee members approved the draft Round 7.0 Forecasts for use by the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) in the Air Quality Conformity Analysis of the TIP and CLRP, and for subsequent approval by the COG Board later this year. Mr. DesJardin stated that Committee members approved the Forecasts subject to a minor revision for Fort Belvoir and additional work by the Planning Directors Technical Advisory Committee (PDTAC) to assess the likely transportation and other impacts of the Forecasts. PDTAC Chair James Zook stated that Committee members have been working with COG staff to address imbalances shown in Forecasts, particularly after 2020. Several MDPC members noted that the effort will cause policy makers to re-examine the need for additional housing in the region. Mr. Zook stated that PDTAC members had met that morning to discuss potential revisions to the Round 7.0 Forecasts and that final changes would be shared with MDPC during the July 13 meeting.

3. Discussion of proposed COG/TPB work program to analyze impacts of the proposed Department of Defense Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) recommendations for the Washington region.

Paul DesJardin of the COG staff described recent articles in the Washington Post concerning U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) base realignment and closure (BRAC) plans in the Washington region. Mr. DesJardin stated that on May 11 and May 18, respectively the COG Board and TPB were briefed on the DoD proposal. Mr. Fisetto stated that a major difference in this round of BRAC discussions was the inclusion of new, more-stringent DoD security standards regarding building safety and security. Mr. Fisetto also stated that the COG Board of Directors was scheduled to review and approve a work program to undertake a comprehensive analysis of BRAC's impact on land use, transportation, air quality and economic and environmental issues in the Washington region. Mr. DesJardin distributed copies of the proposed work program and responded to

questions from Committee members. Mr. Fisette moved approval of the work program and draft resolution. MDPC Chair Hewlett requested that the Committee be briefed on the results during the July 13 meeting.

4. Other Business

There was no other business.

5. Adjournment

There were no additional items. Chair Hewlett adjourned the meeting at 11:50. The next meeting of the Committee is scheduled for July 13, 2005 at 10:00 a.m.

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