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## Metropolitan Development Policy Committee Meeting

**Date: Wednesday, March 14, 2007**

**Time: 10:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.**

**Place: COG First Floor Training Center  
777 North Capitol Street, N.E.  
Washington, DC 20002**

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### AGENDA

**10:30 a.m. 1. CALL TO ORDER, APPROVAL OF JANUARY 10, 2007 MEETING SUMMARY, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*Hon. Thomas E. Dernoga  
Member, Prince George's County Council  
Chair, Metropolitan Development  
Policy Committee*

- Introduction and welcome of new members
- Update on COG Policy Focus on Growth
- WAHP Public Outreach Campaign
- Other Announcements

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve January 10, 2007 meeting summary**

**10:40 a.m. 2. BRIEFING ON ACTIVITIES OF THE METROPOLITAN DEVELOPMENT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

*Lee Quill  
Cunningham + Quill Architects  
Chair, Metropolitan Development  
Citizens Advisory Committee*

The Metropolitan Development Citizens Advisory Committee (MDCAC) met on February 20. MDCAC Chairman Quill will brief the Committee on outcomes from the meeting

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing and recommend next steps.**

**10:50 a.m. 3. BRIEFING AND ACTION ON THE ROUND 7.1 COOPERATIVE FORECASTS OF EMPLOYMENT, POPULATION AND HOUSEHOLDS**

*Paul DesJardin  
Gregory Goodwin  
COG Staff*

In October 2006, the COG Board of Directors approved the final Round 7.0a Cooperative Forecasts to 2030. Since that time, several jurisdictions have expressed an interest in updating their forecasts to reflect the U.S. Department of Defense BRAC decisions and other local land use changes. On February 9, the Planning Directors Technical Advisory Committee (PDTAC) approved the draft Round 7.1 updates to the Cooperative Forecasts and recommended their approval by the MDPC for use by the Transportation Planning Board (TPB) in this year's Air Quality Conformity Analysis.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve Round 7.1 Cooperative Forecasts**

**11:05 a.m. 4. BRIEFING ON PROPOSED WORK PLAN FOR ENVISION GREATER WASHINGTON**

*David Robertson  
COG Executive Director*

As a follow-up to the February 2005 “Reality Check on Growth” event, the Greater Washington Board of Trade convened the Potomac Conference 2006 Winter Meeting, “A Conversation About Our Region’s Future”. In the Spring of 2006, the COG Board endorsed COG’s participation in discussions to evaluate establishing “Envision Greater Washington” (EGW): a multi-sector, multi-year regional visioning effort in partnership with the Board of Trade and the Community Foundation of Greater Washington. COG Executive Director David Robertson will brief the Committee on the draft work plan and budget for the proposed EGW initiative. The EGW Organizing Committee will meet immediately following the COG Board meeting and the draft work program is to be presented to the COG Board during their April 10 meeting.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive Briefing and Recommend Next Steps**

**11:25 a.m. 5. UPDATE ON LEGISLATIVE AND POLICY INITIAIVES**

*Calvin Smith  
Chinyere Uzoukwu  
COG Staff*

In an effort to broaden the policy focus of the Committee, Committee members were briefed on legislation pertaining to planning, land use and growth during the January 10 MDPC meeting and February 15 legislative conference call. Staff will update the Committee on legislation and seek recommendations on specific bills or policy areas that Committee members wish to track this year.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive Briefing and Recommend Next Steps**

**11:45 a.m. 6. UPDATE ON THE TPB REGIONAL MOBILITY AND ACCESSIBILITY STUDY “WHAT IF THE REGION GREW DIFFERENTLY” REPORT AND THE TRANSPORTATION AND LAND USE CONNECTION (TLC) PILOT PROGRAM**

*Ronald Kirby  
John Swanson  
COG Department of  
Transportation Planning*

The Regional Activity Centers maps and more recent work such as the Regional Accessibility and Mobility Study underscore the need to foster a stronger linkage between land use and transportation planning efforts in the National Capital Region. During the January 10, 2007 meeting, MDPC members were briefed on the new “What if the Region Grew Differently” report summarizing the results of the Regional Mobility and Accessibility Study, as well as on the TLC program for a land use and transportation clearinghouse and technical assistance. Staff will brief the Committee on scheduled RMAS community outreach meetings, and update Committee members on next steps to implement the TLC clearinghouse and grants for consultant assistance.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing and Recommend next steps**

**11:55 a.m. 7. BRIEFING AND FINAL ACTION ON THE REGIONAL ACTIVITY CENTERS AND CLUSTERS MAPS**

*Gregory Goodwin  
Charles Grier  
COG Staff*

The National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) “Vision” called for the creation of: “...A composite general land use and transportation map of the region that identifies the key elements needed for regional

transportation planning – regional activity centers, principal transportation corridors and facilities, and designated green space.” In 2002, the COG Board of Directors and TPB approved the Regional Activity Centers and Clusters maps and data based on the Round 6.1 Cooperative Forecasts. During the January 10, 2007 meeting, MDPC members approved the Round 7 update to the Regional Activity Centers maps and data. Committee members will be asked to comment on any additional policy applications for the maps prior to their presentation to the COG Board.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive Briefing and Recommend Next Steps**

**12:05 p.m. 8. BRIEFING ON OUTCOMES FROM COG/WASHINGTON AREA HOUSING PARTNERSHIP CONFERENCES ON COMMUNITY LAND TRUSTS AND RE-USE OF SCHOOLS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING**

*Dara Dann  
COG Staff*

On January 9 and March 9, the Washington Area Housing Partnership (WAHP) sponsored half-day seminars on, respectively, Community Land Trusts and the re-use of school buildings as tools for helping to increase the supply of affordable housing in the region. Staff will brief the Committee on outcomes from the event and proposed next steps.

**12:10 p.m. 9. OTHER BUSINESS**

**12:15 p.m. 10. ADJOURNMENT**

**THE NEXT METROPLITAN DEVELOPMENT POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY  
MAY 9, 2007 AT 10:00 A.M.**



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