



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, January 15, 2025
12:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.
Walter A. Scheiber Board Room

AGENDA

- 12:00 P.M. 1. CALL TO ORDER**
Charles Allen, 2024 COG Board Chair
- 12:05 P.M. 2. ELECTION OF 2025 COG BOARD OFFICERS**
Charles Allen, 2024 COG Board Chair
The board will consider approval of the 2025 COG Board officers.
Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution R1-2025.
- 12:10 P.M. 3. ELECTION OF 2025 POLICY & ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP**
Rodney Lusk, 2025 COG Board Chair
The board will vote on the proposed policy and administrative committee leadership, in addition to the Maryland General Assembly COG Board Member.
Recommended Action: Adopt Resolutions R2-2025.
- 12:15 P.M. 4. CHAIR'S REPORT**
Rodney Lusk, 2025 COG Board Chair

A) 2025 COG Boards and Policy Committees Meeting Dates
B) New Board Members
- 12:20 P.M. 5. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**
Clark Mercer, COG Executive Director
- 12:25 P.M. 6. AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA**
Rodney Lusk, 2025 COG Board Chair
- 12:30 P.M. 7. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 13, 2024**
Rodney Lusk, 2025 COG Board Chair
Recommended Action: Approve minutes.
- 8. ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**
Rodney Lusk, 2025 COG Board Chair

- A. Resolution R3-2025 – Resolution authorizing COG to procure and enter into a contract to purchase instructional design and learning development preparedness support services

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution R3-2025.

12:35 P.M. 9. FY2024 AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Emmett Jordan, COG Audit Committee Chair

The auditor presented the FY-2024 audit report to the Audit Committee, issuing an unmodified or “clean” opinion of COG’s financial statements. The Audit Committee reviewed the audit report and recommends approval.

Recommended Action: Receive briefing and adopt Resolution R4-2025.

12:40 P.M. 10. 2025 LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

Rodney Lusk, 2025 COG Board Chair

Monica Beyrouti Nuñez, COG Government Relations Manager

The board will be briefed on the draft 2025 legislative priorities for transportation, environment, housing, health and human services, and public safety and food security proposed by the COG Legislative Committee.

Recommended Action: Receive briefing and adopt Resolution R5-2025.

1:05 P.M. 11. 2025 DMV ECONOMIC MOBILITY LEARNING ACTION COHORT

Karla Bruce, Race Forward Chief of Staff

Hazel Monae, COG Chief Equity Officers Committee Co-Chair

The board will be briefed on the upcoming economic mobility learning action cohort and learn about the opportunity for COG local governments to participate. The Government Alliance on Race and Equity (GARE) of Race Forward, in partnership with COG will bring together jurisdictions in the region to collectively field test and refine a suite of evolving upward mobility tools developed by Opportunity Insights, Results for America and Urban Institute to positively impact local community outcomes. The cohort will focus on the development and implementation of strategies that support equitable, upward economic mobility.

Recommended Action: Receive briefing.

1:35 P.M. 12. DEVELOPMENT OF COG’S REGIONAL CRIME DASHBOARD

Eli Russ, COG Senior Public Safety Planner

The board will be briefed on the status of COG’s development of a regional crime dashboard. The dashboard examines real-time data for the major violent and property criminal offenses across participating jurisdictions and allows users to identify crime trends over time periods as well as compare specific or multiple types of crimes.

Recommended Action: Receive briefing.

1:50 P.M. 13. OTHER BUSINESS

2:00 P.M. 14. ADJOURN

The next meeting is scheduled to take place in-person on Wednesday, February 12, 2025.