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Metropolitan Development Policy Committee Meeting

Date: March 12, 2008
Time: 10:00 a.m. to Noon
Place: COG First Floor Training Center
777 North Capitol Street, N.E.
Washington, DC 20002

AGENDA

10:00 a.m. 1. CALL TO ORDER, APPROVAL OF JANUARY 9, 2008 MEETING SUMMARY, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hon. Ludwig Gaines
2008 MDPC Chairman
Councilmember, City of Alexandria

- Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation to 2007 Chairman Dernoga
- U.S.-European Conference of Metropolitan Regional Councils April 9-12
- Other Announcements

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Approve January 9, 2008 meeting summary

10:15 a.m. 2. 2008 MDPC WORK PROGRAM

Paul DesJardin
COG Staff
Chairman Gaines
Committee Members

The Metropolitan Development Policy Committee (MDPC) is the principal advisor to the COG Board of Directors for matters pertaining to land use, growth, housing and economic development. In 2004, the COG Board adopted a multi-year policy focus on growth. Mr. DesJardin will brief the Committee on the updated MDPC work program for 2008.2050 Coalition.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive Briefing and Recommend Next Steps

*Adjunct member

**10:30 a.m. 3. OUTCOMES FROM FIRST MEETING OF GREATER
WASHINGTON 2050 COALITION**

*Hon. Sharon Bulova
Chair, Greater Washington 2050
Vice Chair, Fairfax County
Board of Supervisors*

Greater Washington 2050 is a new 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, in part owing to concerns about the impacts of climate change and energy availability and cost. Greater Washington 2050 Chair Sharon Bulova will report on the February 21 first meeting of the Greater Washington 2050 Coalition.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive Briefing and Recommend Next Steps

**10:45 a.m. 4. NEW GUIDELINES FOR JOINT DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS AT
METRORAIL STATIONS**

*Nat Bottigheimer
Washington Metropolitan Area
Transit Authority (WMATA)*

On Thursday, February 28, the WMATA Board approved new guidelines for joint development projects proposed for location at Metrorail stations. The proposed guidelines have been developed based on the findings of the Joint Development Task Force, which included twenty-one members from outside WMATA, and advice from local jurisdictions. The task force provided its final report in May 2007, which emphasized more pre-development planning; a streamlining of the project review process; and an increased focus on transit-oriented development (TOD) and transit improvement outcomes. Mr. Bottigheimer will brief Committee members on the new guidelines.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive Briefing and Recommend Next Steps

11:05 a.m. 5. BRIEFING ON THE TPB SCENARIOS TASK FORCE

*Ronald Kirby
Director, COG Department of
Transportation Planning*

At its meeting on February 20, the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board (TPB) Scenarios Study Task Force approved a proposal for the development and analysis of new alternative land use and transportation scenarios. These activities are scheduled to take place by June 30, 2008. Mr. Kirby will update the Committee on this meeting and next steps for MDPC involvement in the scenario development process.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive Briefing and Recommend Next Steps

**11:30 a.m. 6. UPDATE ON LEGISLATION FOR 2008 MARYLAND AND VIRGINIA
GENERAL ASSEMBLIES, AND THE COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF
COLUMBIA**

*Chinyere Uzoukwu
COG HSPPS Staff*

Continuing the policy focus of the Committee begun in 2007, MDPC members will be updated on legislation that was designated for continuation in 2007, as well as a summary of emerging issues and legislation pertaining to planning, land use and growth. The goal is to inform Committee members on major legislative and regulatory issues to assist with the formulation of resolutions for consideration and action by the MDPC and the COG Board.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive Briefing

11:50 p.m. 7. OTHER BUSINESS / MEMBER DISCUSSION TIME

12:00 Noon 8. ADJOURNMENT



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