



AGENDA

APPALACHIAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FRIDAY, MAY 26, 2023 – 10:30 AM
APPALACHIAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS OFFICES
WITH A ZOOM OPTION

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Meeting ID: 854 3897 2642 - Passcode: 279782 - Dial In Number (309) 205 3325

10:30

I. **Call to Order** – Rep. Neal Collins, Chair

A. Invocation

B. Introduction of New Members and Guests

C. Approval of April 28, 2023 Board Minutes (Section 1, Board Packet)

D. April 30, 2023 Financial Statement [**Information Only**] (Section 2, Board Packet)

10:35

II. **Greenville Housing Fund** – Ms. Tina Belge, Policy and Advocacy Director, Greenville Housing Fund (Section 3, Board Packet)

Briefing: The Greenville Housing Fund (GHF) was originally launched in 2018 in response to the findings and recommendations in the 2016 *Balancing Prosperity and Housing Affordability* report, a community-wide look at Greenville's alarming shortfall of affordable housing options. Ms. Belge will provide an overview of GHF to the board and discuss GHF's programs and ongoing investments.

11:05

III. **ACOG Rural Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment FY 2023-2029** – Mrs. Jane Hall, Regional Transportation Advisory Committee Chair, and Mr. Lance Estep, Planning Director (Section 4, Board Packet)

Briefing: The Rural Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) is a planning document that lists all federally funded transportation projects and studies in the ACOG Region. Mr. Estep will provide an overview of the requested changes and will present a recommendation from the Regional Transportation Committee for board action.

Action Item

11:20

IV. SCDOT System Performance Report Summary – Mr. Lance Estep, Planning Director, and Ms. Erin Porter, SC Department of Transportation

Briefing: SCDOT has completed the System Performance Report that reflects SCDOT's progress towards statewide performance measures relating to safety, infrastructure condition and system reliability. To have consistency statewide, SCDOT has asked that all MPOs and COGs incorporate the report into their LRTPs as an Appendix. Mr. Estep and Ms. Porter will present a brief summary of the report to the board.

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V. SC BEST Applications – Mr. Don Godbey, Economic Development Committee Chair and Ms. Jill Francisco, Senior Program Manager (Section 5, Board Packet)

Briefing: Ms. Francisco will provide an overview and present site recommendations from the committee regarding the South Carolina Brownfields Environmental Testing Program (SC BEST) applications.

Action Item

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VI. Rural Infrastructure Authority SCIIP Awards – Ms. Arlene Young, Grant Services Director

Briefing: Ms. Young will brief the board on the SCIIP projects awarded in the region.

11:45

VII. Legislative Report – Ms. Brooke Ferguson, Economic Development Director

Briefing: Ms. Ferguson will provide a report on activity from the 2023 term of the South Carolina legislature, emphasizing items of interest to local governments.

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VIII. Executive Director Report – Mr. Steve Pelissier, Executive Director

11:55

IX. Member Updates – Rep. Neal Collins, Chair

Briefing: Board members will report on items of interest from their communities.

12:00

X. Adjourn