



CMCOG Board Meeting

12:00 Noon

Thursday, December 9, 2004

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER** E. W. CROMARTIE, II, CHAIRMAN
2. **DETERMINATION OF QUORUM**
- ACTION** 3. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**
4. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS** GREGORY SPROUSE, GIS MANAGER
5. **INVOCATION**
- ACTION** 6. **CONSENT AGENDA**
 - A. Minutes of September 23, 2004 Board Meeting (*Enclosure 1*)
 - B. Resolution Re: Retirement System (*Enclosure 2*)

Passage of this resolution will give CMCOG employees the option of purchasing service credits in the S.C. State Retirement System.
7. **INTRODUCTION OF SUSAN WILSON, NEW SENIOR PLANNER** NORMAN WHITAKER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

We have hired Susan Wilson as a Transportation Planner. She has worked for West Palm Beach County, FL, and Wilbur Smith Associates in Columbia.
8. **WIA VIDEO** BONNIE AUSTIN, DIRECTOR, WIA PROGRAM

Ms. Austin will update the Board on recent accomplishments of the Workforce Development Program.
9. **REPORT ON INTERCITY VISIT TO CHARLOTTE, N.C.** CHAIRMAN CROMARTIE

The Chairman will report on the COG's October 21st field trip to Charlotte, NC.
- ACTION** 10. **RURAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN** REGINALD SIMMONS, DIRECTOR, TRANSPORTATION PLANNING (*ENCLOSURE 3*)

The Rural Transportation Planning Committee has recommended your adoption of a long-range, comprehensive transportation plan for the rural areas of Fairfield, Newberry, Lexington and Richland counties. The Executive Committee has also recommended approval. (This plan was presented to the full Board at the September meeting.)

11. TRANSPORTATION PLANNING SUBCOMMITTEE ITEMS REGINALD SIMMONS

The Executive Committee and the Transportation Subcommittee have reviewed the following items and recommend approval. Items 12-A, 12-B and 12-D are in response to recommendations by FHWA and FTA.

ACTION A. TITLE VI POLICY (Enclosure 4)

Your adoption of this policy reaffirms the COG's commitment to comply with the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act.

ACTION B. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION STRATEGY (Enclosure 5)

The CMCOG Public Participation Strategy outlines citizen participation methods available for planning projects.

ACTION C. AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE II OF THE CMCOG BYLAWS (Enclosure 6)

This amendment is needed to allow the COG to permit representation of outlying counties in the COATS Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) when required, without giving these governments membership in the Council of Governments.

D. COATS PROSPECTUS (Enclosure 7)

The Prospectus is an information package on CMCOG's transportation planning program, including organization, committee structure and responsibilities.

12. CDBG AWARDS ROBIN COOLEY, PRINCIPAL PLANNER

Staff will update the Board on the most recent round of Community Development Block Grant awards from the S.C. Department of Commerce.

13. AUDIT REPORT (Enclosure 8) NEVETTA BLOCKER

Ms. Blocker will summarize our audit report for FY 2003-2004.

14. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT NORMAN WHITAKER

15. OLD/ NEW BUSINESS

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