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## NOTICE OF A MEETING

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
111 LIBERTY STREET, SUITE 100  
COLUMBUS, OH 43215  
**SCIOTO CONFERENCE ROOM**

Thursday, January 5, 2017  
1:30 p.m.

### AGENDA

1. **Welcome** – Rory McGuiness, Chair
2. **Consent Agenda**
  - Approval of [December 1, 2016 minutes](#)
3. **Executive Director's Report** – William Murdock
4. **Committee Updates**
  - **Building Committee** – Derrick Clay, Chair
  - **Central Ohio Rural Planning Organization** – Thea Walsh
  - **Nominating Committee** – Karen Angelou, Chair
  - **Regional Policy Roundtable** – Laura Koprowski
  - **Sustainability Advisory Committee** – Kerstin Carr & Christina O'Keeffe
  - **Transportation Policy Committee** – Thea Walsh
5. **Proposed Resolution 01-17: "Authorizing MORPC to enter into a contract for visual communication and graphic design services"**  
– Laura Koprowski
6. **Quarterly Membership Update** – Eileen Leuby
7. **Draft Commission Agenda**
8. **Other Business**

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The next Executive Committee Meeting is  
**Thursday, March 3, 2017 at 1:30 p.m.**  
111 Liberty Street, Suite 100  
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**William Murdock, AICP**  
Executive Director

**Matt Greeson**  
Chair

**Rory McGuiness**  
Vice Chair

**Karen J. Angelou**  
Secretary

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## Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

### Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

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Thursday, December 1, 2016  
1:30 p.m.

#### **Members Present**

Karen Angelou	Michael Ebert	Joe Stefanov
Derrick Clay	Matt Greeson	
Tracie Davies	Rory McGuinness	

#### **MORPC Staff Present**

Kerstin Carr	Ciel Klein	Nancy Reger
Mary Ann Frantz	Laura Koprowski	Shari Saunders
Nichole Goodman	William Murdock	Susan Tsen
Shawn Hufstedler	Christina O'Keeffe	Thea Walsh

#### **Guests**

Rob Platte, Licking County

#### **Welcome – Rory McGuinness**

Chair Rory McGuinness called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m. Rob Platte announced he began a new position with Licking County Planning & Development Department on November 28 and is no longer eligible to serve on the Executive Committee. Mr. McGuinness thanked Mr. Platte for his service on the Executive Committee.

#### **Consent Agenda**

Tracie Davies made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, second by Matt Greeson; motion passed.

#### **Executive Director's Report – William Murdock**

William Murdock announced that on November 16 and 17 MORPC Senior Leadership Staff and Commission Chair Matt Greeson visited the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) for a peer-exchange visit. The National Association of Regional Councils (NARC) Executive Director also participated in this first-of-its-kind peer exchange. ARC will visit MORPC next year.

The 2016 performance reviews for MORPC Department Heads will be 360 reviews.

Thea Walsh was invited to the White House, November 28-29, to present to Department of Energy and Department of Transportation officials, vehicle industry representatives and technology experts the transportation planning perspective of a city/region preparing to deploy electric vehicle charging infrastructure. Participants were specifically interested in the data that MORPC uses/creates in the modeling process.

The Age-Friendly Columbus survey has officially ended; over 1,000 older adults completed surveys. In addition, over 100 older adults, ages 59 to 96 and who spoke six different languages, participated in the focus group that reached out to the refugee and immigrant population. MORPC Team Members are analyzing the survey results and will share the results at LifeCare Alliance on December 9. The survey findings will be used next year to begin the strategic planning process.

The insight2050 Communications Toolkit is ready. The toolkit teaches local governments how to communicate insight2050 with their communities.

**Building Committee Update – Derrick Clay**

The Request for Proposals for Office and Public Meeting Space issued by MORPC closed November 30. The next step is to evaluate the seven proposals received.

**Regional Data Advisory Committee Update – Nancy Reger**

The Regional Policy Roundtable asked the Regional Data Advisory Committee (RDAC) to research the wireless infrastructure/right-of-way issue. The RDAC formed a focus group, chaired by Gahanna Mayor Tom Kneeland, to look into the issue. Ice Miller presented information to the focus group. At that meeting, Ice Miller informed the group that a proposed amendment from AT&T and the Ohio Telecom Association streamlining the wireless infrastructure process had been brought to the Ohio legislature. The proposed amendment raised concerns among local governments. Laura Koprowski distributed a [Points of Concern](#) handout that lists the concerns. Derrick Clay, giving full disclosure, announced that his company represents AT&T.

**Regional Policy Roundtable Update – Laura Koprowski**

A new substitute bill with more favorable language for local governments was introduced for SB 235 – economic development/property tax.

Copies were provided of the [Letter of Interest for Substitute House Bill 554](#) submitted by MORPC to the Ohio House and Senate. The letter was vetted by the Regional Policy Roundtable and the Sustainability Advisory Committee.

- **Proposed Resolution 23-16: “Adoption of MORPC’s 2017-2018 Public Policy Agenda”**  
The only change to the draft public policy agenda presented in November was the addition to advocate for policies and support efforts that leverage Smart Columbus and the Northwest U.S. 33 Smart Mobility Corridor under Goal 2.

Derrick Clay made a motion to approve Resolution 23-16, second by Tracie Davies; motion passed.

**Sustainability Advisory Committee Update – Christina O’Keeffe & Kerstin Carr**

Christina O’Keeffe gave an update on MORPC’s involvement at PUCO on the local government energy partnership program. There is no further news on the Columbia Gas case. Negotiations continue on the AEP Ohio case. Language is included in both cases that will provide financing for MORPC to create a Local Government Energy Partnership Program. The program will look at energy planning and provide technical assistance tools for local governments.

The Franklin County Energy Study Kick-Off meeting was November 30 with 30-40 participants. The purpose of the study is to create a baseline on the supply and consumption of energy in Franklin County. The Data and Communications Subcommittees were formed. The study runs through 2017.

Steve Stolte will be stepping down as Sustainability Advisory Committee chair in January 2017; Jim Schimmer will be the new chair.

- **Proposed Resolution 24-16: “Adoption of MORPC’s 2017-2020 Regional Sustainability Agenda”**  
Copies of the updated [2017-2020 Regional Sustainability Agenda](#) were provided. Two additions were made to the draft agenda presented in November. The U.S. 33 Smart Mobility Corridor Initiative and encouraging businesses to identify company locations in brownfield and infield areas were added to the strategy section.

Eric Phillips made a motion to approve Resolution 24-16, second by Michael Ebert; motion passed.

**Transportation Policy Committee Update – Thea Walsh**

The proposed list of Attributable Funding Projects will be ready for public comment by December 8.

MORPC Team Members attended an ODOT TRAC Work Session and recommended funding for four Central Ohio TRAC projects. The projects are: Delaware Point, Far-East Freeway Project, Delaware 36/37/I-71 interchange, and Post Road/U.S. 33 interchange.

MORPC Team Members are working with the Franklin County Engineer's Office and the Columbus Regional Airport Authority (CRAA) on a U.S. DOT FASTLANE grant application for improvements on Alum Creek Drive in the Rickenbacker area. CRAA will be the applicant. Applications are due December 12.

- **Proposed Resolution 21-16: "Authorizing the executive director to enter into and administer as the prime contract holder of a Transportation Demand Management (TDM) and ridematching system platform contract for the Ohio Association of Regional Councils (OARC) with RideAmigos"**  
Eric Phillips made a motion to approve Resolution 21-16, second by Tracie Davies; motion passed.
- **Proposed Resolution 25-16: "Authorizing the executive director to execute an agreement with the City of Columbus to support the Smart Columbus project"**  
Eric Phillips made a motion to approve Resolution 25-16, second by Matt Greeson; motion passed.  
Rory McGuinness and Tracie Davies abstained.

**Proposed Resolution 22-16: "Acceptance of the fiscal budget and fund account appropriations for the operation of the Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission for 2017" – Shawn Hufstedler**

William Murdock and Shawn Hufstedler presented the [2017 MORPC Budget](#). While the budget is fiscally conservative, it allows the agency to accomplish its goals. The 2017 budget was included in the meeting packet. It begins with the Executive Summary followed by the actual budget on page four. Mr. Hufstedler recognized MORPC Finance Director Susan Tsen and MORPC Accountant Nichole Goodman for their work in producing the 2017 budget.

Eric Phillips made a motion to approve Resolution 22-16, second by Derrick Clay; motion passed.

**2017 State of the Region Awards – Laura Koprowski**

Laura Koprowski distributed information on the [2017 State of the Region Awards Nominations](#). The deadline for submitting nominations is January 6, 2017.

**Draft Commission Agenda**

The Executive Committee reviewed the draft December 8, 2016 Commission Meeting Agenda.

**Executive Session**

Eric Phillips made a motion for the Executive Committee to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of Section 121.22 (G) (1): To consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, demotion, or compensation of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual, unless the public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual requests a public hearing; second by Tracie Davies. A roll call vote was conducted with all attending committee members in favor. Executive Session began at 3:04 p.m. and concluded at 3:17 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 3:17 p.m.