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CENTRAL OHIO GREENWAYS BOARD RETREAT

SCIOTO GROVE METRO PARK GROVE LODGE 5172 JACKSON PIKE, GROVE CITY, OH 43123

> <u>9:00 – Noon</u> Optional: Lunch and Hike to follow

DRAFT AGENDA

Welcome: Kerstin Carr, MORPC and Mike Andrako, COG Board Chair

Retreat Introduction: Letty Schamp, COG Board Member Strategic Plan Review: Melinda Vonstein, MORPC

Workshop 1: Partnership Development and Collaboration Building Facilitated by: Andrew Overbeck, COG Board Member

Guest Speakers: Melissa Sever/ Shelly Beiting, RAPID 5; Zach Sunderland, COTA

Note taker: Jennifer Noll, MORPC

Description: In this workshop COG Board members will learn about the missions and the community perspective of strategic initiatives including RAPID 5 and LinkUS. Board members will be asked to discuss how COG, RAPID 5, LinkUS, and other initiatives can support collaboration throughout the region.

Goal: The goal of the workshop is to identify 3-5 long and short-term action items that will strengthen the relationship of strategic partners and support trail related regional collaboration among local governments.

Workshop 2: Strategic Funding

Facilitated by: Mike Andrako, COG Board Chair

Guest Speaker: Tom Graham, MORPC

Note taker: Jonathan Miller, MORPC

Description: In this workshop, COG Board members will learn more about current and expected funding opportunities for trails. Board members will be asked to discuss existing obstacles and opportunities for leveraging funding.

Goal: The goal of this workshop is to identify 3-5 long- and short-term action items that could support the advancement of accessing strategic funding to fill gaps and expand in the trail network.

William Murdock, AICP Executive Director **Erik J. Janas** Chair Chris Amorose Groomes Vice Chair Michelle Crandall Secretary COG Board Retreat Meeting Agenda March 3, 2023

Workshop 3: Trail Town Programming

Facilitated by: Eric Oberg, COG Board Member

Guest Speaker: Melinda Vonstein, MORPC and Kari Kauffman, COG Board Member

Note taker: Jessie Sampson, MORPC

Description: In this workshop COG Board members will learn about the Trail Town Framework Development and learn more about Experience Columbus's interest in outdoor recreation. Board members will be asked to discuss potential partnerships, program structure, funding, and staff and resources necessary to advance trail tourism programs.

Goal: The goal of the workshop is to identify 3-5 long and short-term action items that could support the advancement of a Trail Town Program.

Closing: Mike Andrako and MORPC staff

MORPC staff will summarize the discussions, review the Mission of COG, and share the next steps. The goal of the retreat will be to supply MORPC staff with guidance necessary to draft and updated the COG strategic plan's action items and review the working structure of COG. Board Members should expect to be able to review the staff recommendations during the next COG Board Meeting.

OPTIONAL: Lunch and Hike (Noon – 1:30)