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**NOTICE OF A MEETING**  
**REGIONAL DATA ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**MID-OHIO REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**100 Liberty Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215**

*Hybrid Meeting*

**December 6, 2022, 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm**

**AGENDA**

- 1:00 – 1:15 Welcome – Chair Brad Ebersole**
- 1:15 – 1:25 Regional Public Policy Update – Joe Garrity / Kyle Probert**
- 1:25 – 1:40 MORPC Staff Updates**
- MORPC Team Updates
    - a. Data Team – Adam Porr
    - b. Mapping Team – Cheri Mansperger
  - NNIP Conference Debrief – Ethan Hug
  - Regional Information & Data Group – Ethan Hug
  - Central Ohio GIS User Group – Cheri Mansperger
- 1:40 – 2:20 Working Group Reports**
- Local Government Resources – Christina Drummond
  - Capacity Building & Partnerships – Hena Masood
  - Regional Municipal Fiber Strategy – Gene Oliver & Sam Orth
  - Regional Data Agenda Update Working Group – Brad Ebersole
- 2:20 – 2:30 Other Business**
- “Bridging the Digital Divide in Central Ohio” Event Debrief
  - 2023 Meeting Dates
  - Recruiting New Members
- 2:30 Adjourn**

**Please notify Lynn Kaufman at 614-233-4189 or lkaufman@morpc.org to confirm your attendance for this meeting or if you require special assistance.**

**The next RDAC Meeting will be Tuesday, March 7, 2023, 1:00 pm @ MORPC.**

**William Murdock, AICP**  
Executive Director

**Erik J. Janas**  
Chair

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Vice Chair

**Michelle Crandall**  
Secretary

## Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission

### *Hybrid Meeting*

#### Regional Data Advisory Committee Meeting Notes

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December 6, 2022, 1:00 pm

##### Members Present

- Christina Drummond, Educopia
- Chair Brad Ebersole, Consolidated Electric Cooperative, Inc.
- Jay Knox, One Columbus
- Bill LaFayette, Regionomics
- Hena Masood, The Columbus Foundation
- Doug McCollough, City of Dublin
- Harvey Miller, OSU CURA
- Gene Oliver, City of Worthington
- Sam Orth, City of Columbus
- Rick Stein, Urban Decision Group
- Drew Williams, City of Columbus
- Andrew Wilson, City of Hilliard

##### MORPC Staff Present

- Kerstin Carr
- Dave Dixon
- Joe Garrity
- Ethan Hug
- Lynn Kaufman
- Jonathan Miller
- William Murdock
- Adam Porr

#### **Meeting Called to Order at 1:00 pm.**

##### **Welcome**

Chair Ebersole welcomed Committee members and staff, and introduced Dave Dixon, MORPC's new Director of Data Analytics & Strategy

##### **Regional Public Policy Update – Joe Garrity / Kyle Probert**

Joe Garrity provided an overview of updates to the 2023–2024 Public Policy Agenda. Key themes included digital equity, broadband access, and legislative advocacy. The Agenda emphasizes collaboration with the Franklin County Digital Equity Coalition and BroadbandOhio. Joe also discussed the importance of preparing for the State's operating and transportation budgets and highlighted federal funding deadlines.

##### **MORPC Staff Updates**

##### MORPC Team Updates

###### Data Team

Adam Porr shared that updated population forecasts through 2050 are in final review, incorporating Intel-related growth. The region is still projected to reach 3 million people by 2050. Other updates included modest 2022 population growth, ongoing work on housing strategy data, gentrification analysis, and management of PurpleAir sensor data.

#### Mapping Team

Adam summarized the December 1 COGUG meeting. Topics included ODOT's TIMS system upgrades, new orthographic imagery for Columbus, and GIS Conference endorsements. MORPC's 3D base map for ArcGIS Urban is complete, and a regional bike/pedestrian network RFP is forthcoming.

#### NNIP Conference Debrief

Ethan Hug reported on the recent NNIP Conference, noting shared challenges and growth trajectories among peer organizations. He highlighted valuable resources gained, particularly around community advisory boards.

#### Regional Information & Data Group

Ethan previewed the final RIDG meeting of the year, which would feature a panel of city auditors discussing data use. A follow-up survey will assess member systems and interest in leadership roles.

#### Central Ohio GIS User Group – Cheri Mansperger

Topic covered in Mapping Team update above.

### **Working Group Reports**

#### Local Government Resources

Member Drummond outlined progress on a SharePoint-based resource library focused on data governance, cybersecurity, and public records. The Working Group aims to have 75% of key resources uploaded by Data Day 2023. RDAC Member Andrew Wilson will assume the Chair role for the Working Group in 2023.

#### Capacity Building & Partnerships

Member Masood provided updates on two initiatives: Data Day (scheduled for March 1 at the Ohio University Dublin campus) and a data library tool for the social sector. The Data Day agenda is expanding due to increased space, and a panel discussion will inform development of the social sector tool.

#### Regional Municipal Fiber Strategy

Member Orth reported on the evolving focus of the fiber strategy, now incorporating residential connectivity to address digital equity. The Working Group is splitting into two workstreams: one for investment planning and another for broader engagement. Municipalities can participate as anchors or tenants.

#### Regional Data Agenda Update Working Group

Chair Ebersole announced the formation of a Working Group to update the Regional Data Agenda for 2023–2024. Member Drummond and Chair Ebersole will lead the effort, with meetings starting in early January 2023. Volunteers were requested, especially from current working group chairs.

### **Other Business**

#### Bridging the Digital Divide in Central Ohio" Event Debrief

Adam summarized a recent webinar featuring Smart Columbus and BroadbandOhio. The event highlighted regional and state-level digital equity efforts and opportunities for member participation.

2023 Meeting Dates

Members agreed to continue quarterly meetings, tentatively scheduled for the first Tuesday of each quarter. The next meeting is set for March 7, 2023.

Recruiting New Members

Chair Ebersole encouraged Members to identify and recruit new participants, especially from the private sector. Members and staff discussed developing a value proposition and recruitment strategy. MORPC leadership offered to waive Data Day registration fees for prospective Members invited by Committee Members.

**Adjourned at 2:10 pm.**