



MEETING NOTICE

MEETING: LCOG Executive Committee

DATE: Thursday, January 10, 2008

TIME: 5:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Lane Council of Governments Main Office
Wells Fargo Bank Building
Fourth Floor Small Conference Room
99 East Broadway, Suite 400
Eugene, Oregon

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Note: A meeting of Lane County's Mayors and the Chair of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled to begin at 7:00 p.m. in the LCOG Large Conference Room following the Executive Committee meeting. This is the second meeting of this group. Mayor John McArdle of Independence has been invited to attend to speak about his region's association of mayors; and Sonny Chickering, ODOT, will be present as well.

AGENDA

ITEMS IN SUPPORT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. February Board Agenda

A preliminary listing of the topics expected to be on the agenda for the LCOG Board meeting of February 28 in Junction City will be available for the Committee's review and comment (agenda mailing on February 21). It was previously agreed that, rather than a "special discussion topic" in February, some time could be spent planning the year ahead and suggesting

priority activities or areas of emphasis for budget and work program development. At present, the Board's continued consideration of the recommended Coordinated Population Forecast appears to be the most significant action item.

2. New Executive Committee

The 2008 Executive Committee was constituted by election and appointment at the Board's December meeting. A brief review of the functions of the Committee may be appropriate. Also, this is the time of year for the members to establish the Committee's regular meeting date/time. This past year, the meetings have been held at 5:30 on the second Thursday of the month. However, the timing should reflect the needs and desires of the members. Attached for your reference are copies of the LCOG Charter (note particularly Article VI) and Bylaws (note Section 6).

3. Board Planning on February 28

The Committee's guidance is needed in order that the best possible use is made of limited time in February.

4. Coordinated Population Forecast

At its December meeting, the Board received public comment regarding the proposed update of the region's Coordinated Population Forecast. After some discussion, action was deferred to a later date—presumably the February meeting. While comments advocating the rejection of the recommendation followed several tracks, one argument asserted that LCOG was not a “voluntary association of local governments” and, hence, was not able to receive the County's delegation of authority for this function three decades ago. While it is the LCOG staff's belief that such an argument would not prevail, a more telling element lies in the Board of Commissioners' current disposition toward LCOG's performing this role. At its January 2 meeting, the Commissioners acted (3-2 vote) to reclaim the responsibility at the county level. The Committee's guidance on our next course of action is desired. An alternative to the LCOG Board's adoption of the updated Forecast would have been suggested—that the Board of Directors “endorse” the proposal and to “refer” it to the Board of Commissioners for consideration. Certainly there would be both pros and cons to such a strategy, and it may be moot now that the Commissioners have acted.

ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT ITEMS

6. Park Place Building Report

7. Appreciation Dinner

INFORMATION ITEMS

8. Lane Mayors Association Meeting

A report can be made on the October 25 meeting of the chief elected officials from the County and our twelve cities.

9. Board Meeting Hosts in 2008

See attached calendar.