



AGENDA

APPALACHIAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2022 – 10:30 AM
COUNCIL BOARD ROOM
GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA
AND ZOOM OPTION

ZOOM LINK

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89363701901?pwd=UVRWMENldHo1QjZXY0llNzI4a2NoUT09>
Meeting ID: 893 6370 1901 - Passcode: 794739 - Dial In Number (301) 715 8592

10:30

- I. Call to Order – Mr. Mike Forrester, Chair
 - A. Invocation
 - B. Introduction of Guests
 - C. Approval of January 28, 2022 Board Minutes (Section 1, Board Packet)
 - D. January 31, 2022 Financial Statement [**Information Only**] (Section 2, Board Packet)

10:35

- II. South Carolina Department of Veterans' Affairs – Secretary William F. Grimsley, SC Department of Veterans' Affairs (Section 3, Board Packet)

Briefing: The mission of the SC Department of Veterans' Affairs is to lead and enable a state-wide coalition of partners to create and sustain an environment in which veterans and their families can thrive as valued and contributing members of the South Carolina community and the nation. Secretary Grimsley will provide an overview of the agency's functions and services.
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11:15

- III. Overview of the Appalachian COG's Transportation Planning Program and an Introduction to the Long Range Transportation Plan Update – Ms. Jane Hall, Chair, Regional Transportation Planning Committee, and Mr. Lance Estep, Planning Director**

Briefing: As a component of ACOG's transportation planning program, the agency is required to adopt an updated LRTP (Long Range Transportation Plan) every five years. The plan includes system upgrade projects for the rural (non-MPO) portions of the region. Ms. Hall and Mr. Estep will provide an overview of ACOG's role in transportation planning and will review federal and state requirements for the LRTP, along with its timeline and anticipated accomplishments.

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- IV. Report from the Finance Committee – Mr. Ensley Feemster, Chair, Finance Committee, and Mr. Steve Pelissier, Executive Director (Section 4, Board Packet)**

Briefing: The Finance Committee met on February 17th to conduct a mid-year review of ACOG finances and to consider several amendments to the annual budget. The committee will propose budget amendments to the full board for action.

Action Item

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- V. South Carolina Legislative Report – Ms. Brooke Ferguson, Economic Development Director**

Briefing: Ms. Ferguson will provide a report on activity from the 2022 term of the South Carolina legislature, emphasizing items of interest to local governments.

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- VI. Executive Directors Report – Mr. Steve Pelissier, Executive Director**

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- VII. Member Reports**

Briefing: Board members will report on items of interest from their communities.

12:00

- VIII. Adjourn**
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