

Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments (TMACOG)

PASSENGER RAIL COMMITTEE

Monday, April 27, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.

TMACOG Boardroom

PROPOSED AGENDA

- 10:00 **I. Introductions; approve agenda and January notes** *--Chairman Patrick Miller*
- 10:05 **II. Ohio Update** *-- Stu Nicholson/Don Damron, Ohio Rail Dev't Commission*
-Passenger rail language survives in the transportation budget bill
-3C corridor moving forward
-Federal funding requests
- 10:20 **III. Federal Update**
Written update from Marcy Kaptur's staff
- 10:35 **IV. National Train Day, Saturday, May 2** *--Bill Gill*
Amtrak to provide train cars
Freight railroads joining in
Opening ceremony 9:30 a.m.
- 10:55 **V. Leadership Coalition: Rebirth of NOPRA** *--staff*
Working with former members of the NW Ohio Passenger Rail Association to form a strategic alliance among elected officials, economic development, and business leaders
- 11:05 **VI. Fix it First: Special Meeting on Infrastructure Issues**
Results of March 18 meeting with Ken Prendergast, All Aboard Ohio, to discuss short-term projects that would improve rail service in our region. (*See slide show*)
- 11:20 **VII. Projects in Progress -- reports on new developments**
A. Michigan update: WALLY and Ann Arbor-Detroit (semcog.org/AADD.aspx) projects
--Patrick Miller, Lee Markham; John Guidinger
B. Rail Users Network; All Aboard Ohio *--Bill Gill, Beth McCray*
C. MLK Station Environs Plan; Nasby Tower *--Staff*
D. Light rail update *--Jerry Wicks*
- 11:45 **VIII. Announcements, Other Business**
-Transit Forum, Tuesday, April 28, 4:30-6:30 p.m., Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Plaza
- 12:00 **IX. Adjourn**

NEXT MEETING: July 27, 2009

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Meeting Schedule for 2009

Full Committee	Last Monday, first month of each quarter, 10:00 a.m. (at TMACOG): 2009—January 26, April 27, July 27, October 26
Steering Committee	As needed one month prior to the full committee meeting.
National Train Day	Saturday, May 2, Toledo Amtrak Station/Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Plaza
2009 Ohio Conference on Freight	September 22-23, 2009, Toledo (www.tmacog.org/OCF_09/OCF_home_09.htm for information)
Transportation Summit	<i>To be determined</i>