

Toledo Metropolitan Area Council of Governments (TMACOG)

PASSENGER RAIL COMMITTEE

Monday, January 26, 2009 at 10:00 a.m.

TMACOG Boardroom

PROPOSED AGENDA

- 10:00 **I. Introductions; approve agenda and October notes** --Chairman Patrick Miller
- 10:05 **II. Federal Update** --Theresa Morris-Ramos, staff, US Rep. Marcy Kaptur's office (invited)
- a. Proposed Economic Recovery/Stimulus Package: What's in it for Rail?**
Only \$1.1 billion for improving passenger rail?
- b. Passenger Rail Investment and Improvement Act**
Progress on funding/implementing it
- 10:30 **III. Ohio Hub Update** -- Stu Nicholson/Don Damron, Ohio Rail Dev't Commission
- 10:45 **IV. Strategies for FY 2010** --TMACOG Staff
- Draft TMACOG passenger rail work program: should we add a "fix it first" strategy? (*See attached.*)
→ For committee review and approval
- 11:00 **V. Rail Interests Unite: new OneRail Coalition**
Their Statement of Principles calls for national investment in rail. (*See attached.*)
→ For committee review (and support?)
- 11:10 **VI. Projects in Progress -- reports on new developments**
- A. Michigan update: WALLY and Ann Arbor-Detroit 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. National Train Day --Bill Gill, Beth McCray
- E. Light rail update --Jerry Wicks
- 11:50 **VII. Announcements, Other Business**
-Transit Forum, Wednesday, February 18, 4:30-7 p.m., Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Plaza (snow date Feb. 26)
- 12:00 **VIII. Adjourn**

NEXT MEETING: April 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 15-16, 2009
2009 Transportation Summit	<i>To be determined</i>