

Howard County Economic Opportunity and Prosperity Task Force

Economic Development Subcommittee Meeting

C. Vernon Gray Room – Howard Building

February 28, 2018

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 4p.m. and the attendees made introductions. The following individuals were in attendance: Ali Abidi, Jay Parekh, Larry Twele, Peter O'Neil, Melissa Metz, Leonardo McClarty, and Jeff Meyers. Mr. McClarty noted that Ms. Dayhoff, Mr. Suri, Mr. Barnes, and Mr. Ponnada were unable to attend.

Mr. McClarty reviewed the requirements of the Open Meetings Act and the public documents law, and the quorum requirements that pertain to the subcommittee. He noted that each subcommittee is expected to prioritize its recommendations, presenting 2 or 3 to the full Task Force.

The subcommittee leadership will be co-chaired by Peter O'Neil and Ali Abidi.

The subcommittee discussed the ways that it would coordinate and interact with other subcommittees and the full task force. Mr. McClarty indicated that he expected that the various co-chairs would meet and that subcommittee members could sit in on the full Task Force or on other subcommittee meetings.

Larry Twele of the Howard County EDA discussed the "HCEDA Strategic Plan". Dr. Richard Clinch, Executive Director of the University of Baltimore's Jacob France Institute discussed the "Howard County Economic Outlook and impact of APFO." Both of their PowerPoints are posted on the Task Force website [<https://cc.howardcountymd.gov/EOPTaskForce>] under the "Task Force Documents" link.

Mr. McClarty will create a poll to be used to set future meeting dates.

The subcommittee discussed what else it should seek more information about and who else it should hear from.

The meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.