

# **Fairfax County Transportation Advisory Commission**

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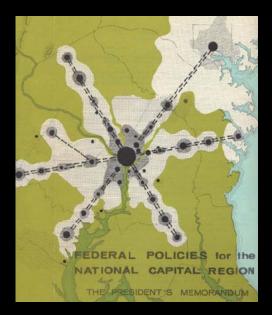
# Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG)

- Regional organization of 21 local governments, represented through COG's Board of Directors
- Federally-designated Metropolitan Planning Organization for the region
- An advocate for its members
- A regional information source and technical consultant



### **Regional Planning in Metropolitan Washington**



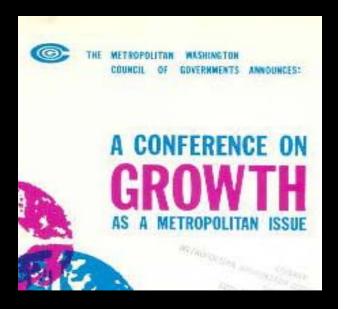


1962 – The Radial Corridor Plan or "wedges and corridors"

1967 – Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority Compact



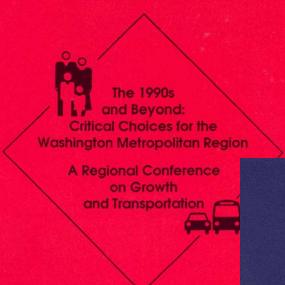
1974 – COG advocates more comprehensive planning



### **Regional Planning in Metropolitan Washington**







**PROCEEDINGS** 

1989-1991 – COG/TPB Joint Task Force on Growth & Transportation

The Report of the Partnership for Regional Excellence

**1992** – Partnership for Regional Excellence

1998 – TPB adopts the Vision

THE VISION

GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND STRATEGIES
FOR OUR TRANSPORTATION FUTURE



### **Regional Planning in Metropolitan Washington**





2005 - ULI Washington, Smart Growth Alliance, COG sponsor 1-day event









**ULI Washington** 

Smart Growth Alliance

**Envision** Greater Washington Moving Our Region Forward, Together, Now.



**2006 -** COG, the Board of Trade and the Community Foundation propose regional visioning campaign



**Focus:** Regional agreement on issues of growth, transportation, and the environment

**Leadership:** GW2050 Coalition is led by a public, business, civic and environmental stakeholders

Chair, Sharon Bulova, Vice Chair of Fairfax County Board

#### **Task Forces**

- Planning Principles
- Compact
- Planning Tools
- Communications and Outreach





# **Communications and Outreach Task Force**

Don Edwards (W.R.E.N.), Chair

Commission Regional Attitudinal Survey on growth and quality of life issues



Regional Conversations

Organized by the Washington Regional Equity Network (W.R.E.N.)





### **Planning Principles Task Force**

Hon. George Leventhal, Chair

Preliminary Adopted Principles

October 2008

Serving to Guide Other Task Forces











#### **Compact Task Force**

Hon. Catherine Hudgins, Chair

- Examine regional agreements
- Draft a Regional Compact





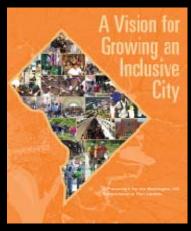
#### **Planning Tools Task Force**

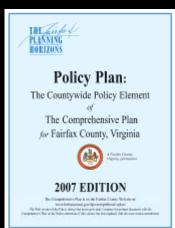
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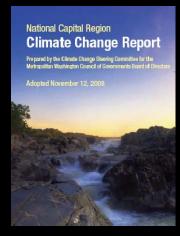
- Determine Goals and Strategies
- Define metrics and measures water quality, air quality, affordable housing, etc...to assess progress as a region.

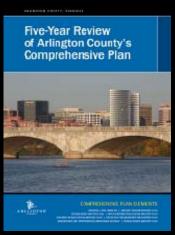














# Scenario Thinking Workshop November 20, 2008

- ➤ Learn about important **regional and national issues and trends** from a panel of experts
- Review four potential scenarios for the region
- ➤ Develop **strategic responses** or "big moves" to the futures to scenarios
- ➤ Identify common strategic responses that could address issues or conditions in multiple scenarios







#### **Scenario Development**

- Research and Trends
- Expert Interviews
- Focus Groups
- Write Four Scenarios











#### **Scenarios**

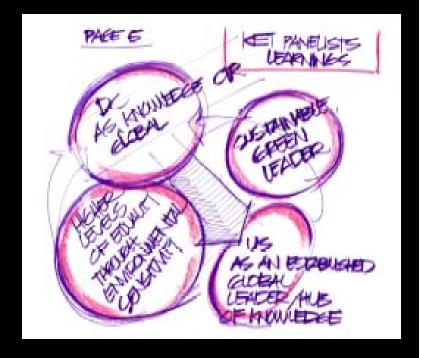
- High Tech Green
- Federal Dispersal
- ➢ Hot & Gridlocked
- Cooperation in Hard Times

### **Next Steps following Scenario Workshop**



- Examine "Big Moves" or ActionsConsistent in Every Scenario
- ▶ Present Common Themes to Coalition on Jan. 30<sup>th</sup> with Recommendations
- Draft Report Summarizing Process& Outcomes







#### **Fall 2008**

- October 24 Preliminary Approval of:
  - Principles
  - Regional Compact Structure
- November 20 Scenario Thinking Workshop

#### Winter / Spring 2009

- Publish results of Scenario Workshop
- Publish results of Regional Survey
- Seek wider approval and action on principles, goals, metrics and compact
- Continue outreach / participation / inclusion