

**EASTGATE REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS**  
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**Meeting Summary**

Virtual Technical Advisory  
Committee meeting held February 4,  
2021 using Webex.

**Call to Order**

Gary Shaffer called the meeting to order.

**Clean Ohio Update**

Stephanie Dyer provided a complete overview of Round 15 of the Clean Ohio program which included the final application deadline, how to submit a project and complete instructions on how to apply. All of the information is also included on Eastgate's website under the Clean Ohio program page.

**ARC POWER Funding Opportunity and Program Updates**

Kathy Zook provided information on funding opportunities available through the ARC POWER program which is in its seventh year. This funding is available to Appalachian communities that have been affected negatively due to the loss of the coal industry. She provided all the dates of importance and how to apply. This information is listed in detail on Eastgate's website. She also provided information on educational programs available through the ARC program.

**Economic Development Update**

Mark Ragozine provided an update on all the activities and program status of the Economic Development program at Eastgate which included the CEDS and an update on the broadband feasibility study.

**SR 46 Corridor Plan – Progress Update for the plan & outline of the tools and methodologies to be used in the next steps**

Justin Mondok provided an update on the progress of the SR 46 Corridor Plan which included the scope of the study, a planning concepts overview, and the new assessment methodology which will be used for the plan. Eastgate will look at the connectivity of the corridor as a whole and how it ties into the Metropolitan Transportation Plan. He also provided an overview of the Built Environment Assessment Tool from the CDC which is the tool Eastgate will use for this plan. All information provided is also on Eastgate's website.

**Fiscal Year 2022 Planning Grant Pre-Application Summary of the pre-applications submitted for the FY 22 Planning Grant will be provided in addition to details on the remaining program timeline**

Justin Mondok provided an update on the Fiscal Year 2022 Planning Grant which included an overview of the six pre-applications for projects received, the full application deadline, and the scoring committee. Final recommendations for funding will be presented in April 2021 to Eastgate's TAC, GPB and CAB for approval.

**District 6 OPWC Update for Round 35 (2021) Funding**

Ed Davis provided an update on the latest round of OPWC projects for 2021. Forty-eight final applications were received by January 15, 2021. The applications were reviewed and sent on to the Ohio Public Works Commission. He also showed the final project list with all the projects separated by funding type (SCIP, Loan, LTIP, and Small

Government).

**ODOT Statewide Planning and Research Grant – Lordstown Smart Logistics Hub Planning Grant Submittal**

Ken Sympson reviewed Eastgate’s application to ODOT’s statewide planning and research grant which is for the Lordstown Smart Logistics Hub and is a \$400,000 grant request.

**Executive Director Report**

Jim Kinnick first recognized the staff for continuing to move forward with all projects and programs while working remotely and continuing to do the outstanding work mentioned at today’s meeting. All of the work done by the staff continues to bring in the possibilities of funding opportunities. He also discussed the initial talks with ODOT to have Eastgate bring on a Transit Mobility Manager. We will bring more information to the Committee as we learn more.

**GPB Resolutions for Passage**

GPB Resolution #001-2021, IGR Log #21-001

Resolution supporting through the Intergovernmental Review Process, an application by the Trumbull County Planning Commission to the Ohio Development Services Agency for COVID-19 Relief (\$588,800)

All resolutions discussed and reviewed through a virtual meeting platform are then emailed to members for their approval.

**Announcements**

Jeff Gollner provided the latest updates for the 2020 Census including the new deadlines with the new Presidential administration.

Stephen Zubyk provided the link to ODOT’s virtual public meetings.

Mark Ragozine mentioned that the Broadband Feasibility Study consultant has put a survey on Eastgate’s website regarding broadband. He directed those listening to where it can be found on Eastgate’s website.

**Adjournment**

Gary Shaffer then adjourned the meeting.