

# Citizens Advisory Board



# EASTGATE

Regional Council of Governments

Thursday, February 4, 2021

6:00 PM

# Tips for a Successful Video Conference

- Review materials prior to the start of the meeting
  - Being prepared makes the meeting more productive and enables better discussion and communication among participants
- Keep yourself on mute if you are not talking
  - This helps cut out background noise and prevents interruptions in ongoing discussions or presentations
- Use the Chat feature if you have a question
  - The host will keep an eye on the chat and make sure your needs are addressed
- State your name prior to speaking
  - It's hard to recognize voices over video chat and this will help discussion by allowing other participants to address you by name to respond to your question or statement



# Lake to River Pipeline

**Guy Coviello**

Youngstown Warren Regional Chamber

# Economic Development Update

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# Economic Development District (EDD)

- Increased Awareness of Eastgate's Services such as, but not limited to:
  1. Assistance with Economic Development Administration (EDA) Project Proposals ( 1-page template provided to use as overview.
  2. Facilitating communication and engagement of Regional EDA Representatives that will provide feedback and guidance on proposals.
  3. Assistance with and review of EDA applications before submission.
- This process ensures that the region is providing the EDA with projects that are competitive for funding.

**EDA Project Proposal**

**Project:**

**Description:**

**Strategic Rationale:**

**Partnerships:**

**Budget:**

Funding Source	Amount	% of Total	Program/Funding	Status of Funds
<b>TOTAL</b>				

**Funding Request:**

**Contact:**

# Alignment with CEDS



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Comprehensive Economic  
Development Strategy  
2020-2022

Jim Kinnick, P.E., Executive Director  
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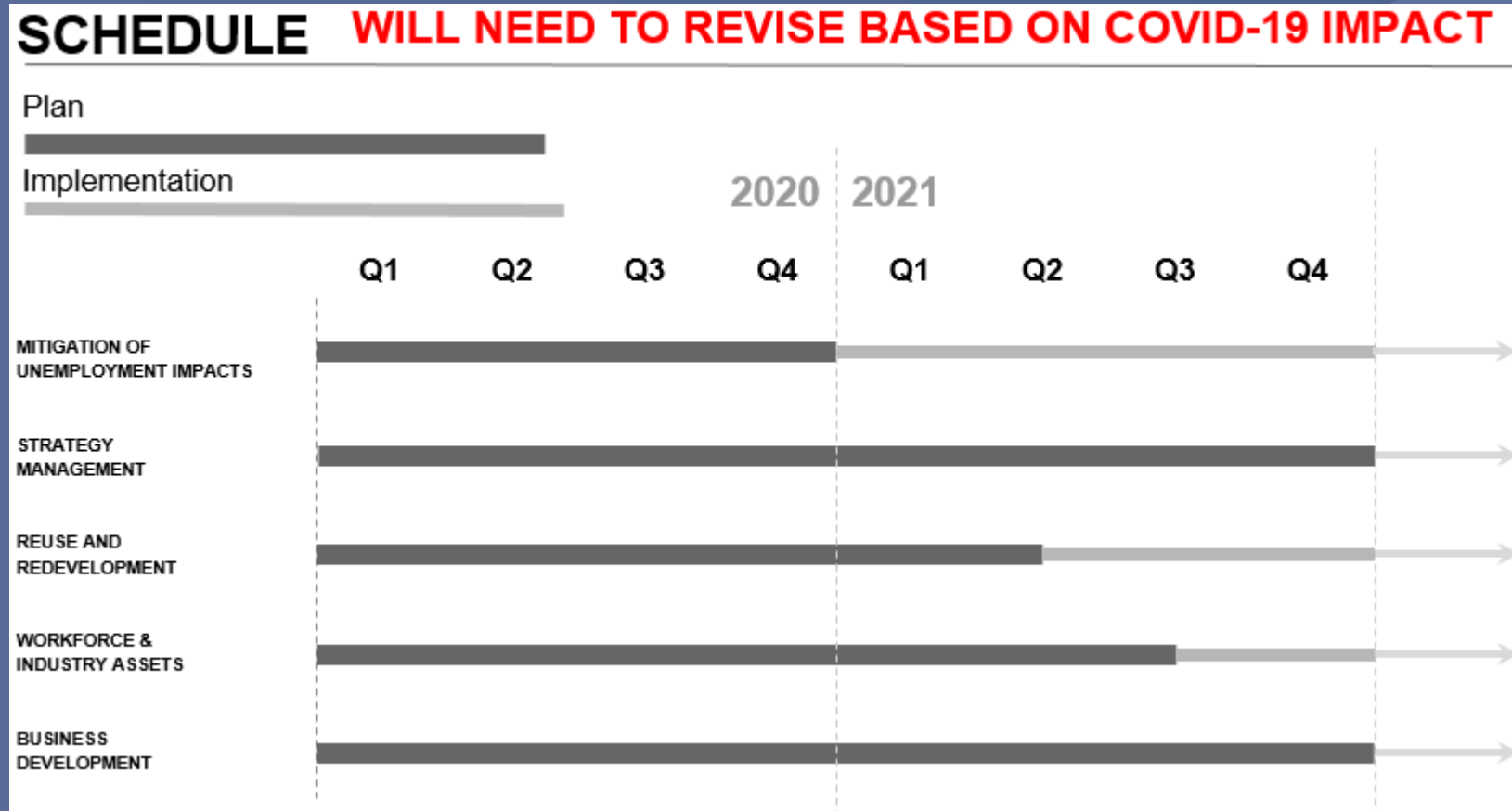
- Less than a full year in place and the current CEDS has been an effective tool in gathering EDA support for regional projects.
- Each project that we have assisted with, applied for, or served in a support role on that was seeking EDA funding has had ties to the action items, goals, and objectives set forth.
- By the Spring, Eastgate will be reconvening the CEDS Advisory Council (CAC) to review progress, adjust where necessary, and align our efforts for another year.

# Broadband Feasibility Study

Eastgate Regional Council of Governments Regional Broadband Feasibility Study			
Project Plan		Timelines	
Task		Start	Finish
1	Technology and Trends Review	11/15/20	1/15/21
2	Policy Analysis	11/15/20	1/15/21
3	Service and Infrastructure Analysis	11/15/20	1/15/21
4	Site Analysis	11/15/20	1/15/21
5	Market Analysis	11/15/20	1/15/21
6	Needs Assessment and Outreach	1/1/21	2/28/21
7	Utility Formation Study	1/15/21	3/1/21
8	Programming and Finance Evaluation	1/15/21	3/1/21
9	Project Identification	3/1/21	4/30/21
10	Final Report		6/1/21
	PROJECT COMPLETE		6/1/21
	Note: Timelines can be adjusted, as needed, at the direction of the counties.		

- The study is currently underway with bi-weekly updates from the consultant that are reflective of the timeline as shown here.
- Along with our county partners and stakeholders, Eastgate is monitoring this progress closely, and we anticipate a final report by June.

# Economic Recovery Coordination



Return for the March TAC for a full update from Dominic Marchionda, Project Lead for the YSU team.



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# General Policy Board

The General Policy Board meeting took place on Monday, January 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am

If you wish to attend or have suggestions for information to be included in the CAB report, please notify Justin Mondok ([jmondok@eastgatecog.org](mailto:jmondok@eastgatecog.org))

# GPB Resolutions for Passage

- Resolutions for Passage were included along with the meeting materials
- We will ask for email approval of the resolutions from TAC members following the meeting



**No Resolutions for Passage this month**

# Announcements

- ODOT seeking public comment for Howland projects
  - SR 46 & Warren-Sharon Rd Intersection Improvement - <https://www.publicinput.com/TRU109520>
  - SR 82 & Howland-Wilson Rd Intersection Improvement - <https://www.publicinput.com/TRU109521>
- [Applications Available for Two Summer Study Programs in Entrepreneurship and STEM for Appalachian Students and teachers](#)

# Questions & Comments

- Please unmute and identify yourself prior to speaking or utilize the Chat feature to post questions or comments regarding any of the presentations
- If you have questions or comments and either can't use the chat feature or think of them later, send them to us and they will be addressed following the meeting
  - Email Justin Mondok – [jmondok@eastgatecog.org](mailto:jmondok@eastgatecog.org)
- As always you can find more information on any of our programs by visiting our webpage at [eastgatecog.org](http://eastgatecog.org)

# Thank You

Reminder:

The next meeting of the Citizens Advisory Board will be held on  
Thursday, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021

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