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MEETING NOTICE

There will be a meeting of the

BERKSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

on Thursday, November 18, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

This will be a **Virtual Meeting** as allowed by Ch. 20 of the Acts of 2021 suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c.30 sec.20.

Information to join the meeting is: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3926128831 Meeting ID: 392 612 8831

Call in information: 312.626.6799, 646.558.8656, 301.715.8592, 346.248.7799, 669.900.9128

<u>Meeting Material:</u> All written materials for the meeting are posted on BRPC's website: <u>www.berkshireplanning.org</u>. Click on the Calendar of Events for the meeting and available materials will be listed.

Agenda(revised 11.16.21)

I. Opening (7:00-7:05)

- A. Call to Order
- B. Roll Call
- C. Approval of Minutes of the September 30, 2021 meeting

II. Comments from the Public

(7:05-7:10)

Members of the public may offer comments regarding topics, which are on the agenda, or other matters which they wish to bring to the Commission's attention. Comments are limited to no more than three minutes and are to be directed to the Commission.

III. Delegate and Alternate Issues

(7:10-7:15)

Delegates and Alternates may bring up any issue not on the agenda.

IV. Executive Committee Actions

(7:15-7:20)

Executive Committee actions taken on the Commission's behalf at its November 4, 2021 meeting are presented for discussion.

V. Massachusetts' American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding (7:20-7:45)

Although the funding package is not finalized, Representative Paul Mark will describe Massachusetts' plan for spending ARPA funds and how Berkshire communities might be able to access them.

VI. Ratification of Committee Members

(7:45-7:50)

The BRPC bylaws require the Commission to ratify members to various committees. We have added some new members since the last Commission meeting. The attached list contains the most recent membership.

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VII. Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) (7:50-8:15) Annual Report 2021

Economic Development Program Manager Laura Brennan will present the CEDS Annual report for consideration by the Commission.

VIII. Housing Education Discussion

(8:15 - 8:45)

The BRPC Commission Development Committee will be directing the development of informational material and other tools for use by municipalities to promote housing development. We want to engage in an open discussion about what type of material would be most useful.

IX. Executive Director's Report

(8:45-8:50)

X. Adjournment

(8:50)

Other interested citizens and officials are invited to attend.

All times listed are estimates of when specific agenda items may be discussed.

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