

# 2017-2018 Public Policy Agenda



Mid-Ohio Regional  
Planning Commission

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## Public Policy Agenda Working Group Process

- ❑ **August 23** – Overview of Process and Reviewed 2016 Public Policy Agenda. Provided suggestions for 2017-2018 Public Policy Agenda.
- ❑ **September 13** – Discussed and Reviewed Lead Goals and Policy Planks.
- ❑ **September 29** – Discussed and Affirmed Lead Goals and Collaborative policy planks.
- ❑ **October 11** – (Conference Call) Made minor revisions to policy planks and adjourned.
- ❑ **November 3** – Agenda presented to Executive Committee for members to review.



## Public Policy Agenda Input

- Elected Officials
- Community Leaders and Constituents
- Partner Agencies
- Local Government Staff
- MORPC Staff
- Business Community
- Other MORPC Committees and Working Groups



## Members of Public Policy Agenda Working Group

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## Lead

**Opportunities for legislative  
and public policy leadership**



## Lead Goal: Regionalism

**Goal 1:** Promote regionalism at the local, state, and federal levels of government fostering economic growth, prosperity, efficient use of resources, and a high quality of life for Central Ohio residents.



## Lead Goal: Regionalism

### Areas of Change:

Promote **insight2050** and advocate for policies and legislation that will provide Central Ohio with the needed tools and resources to plan for the projected **increase of up to one million people by 2050**.



## Lead Goal: Transportation Areas of Change:

**Goal 2:** Achieve an advanced and exceptional transportation system that connects Central Ohio's people and products to the world.





## Lead Goal: Transportation

### New Policy Planks and Areas of Change:

- Smart Columbus
- Northwest U.S. 33 Smart Mobility Corridor
- Central Ohio Greenways Strategy
- Rural Transportation Planning



## Lead Goal: Transportation

### New Policy Planks & Changes:

- Advocate for policies and support efforts that leverage **Smart Columbus** and the **Northwest U.S. 33 Smart Mobility Corridor** and incorporate data and intelligent transportation systems technologies, including connected vehicle technologies, and other related efforts.
- Pursue policies and funding to advance the **Central Ohio Greenways strategy for developing a more interconnected regional trail network.**
- Promote state and federal support and recognition of metropolitan and **rural planning organizations**, and their regional approach to transportation planning and funding.

## Lead Goal: Conservation

**Goal 3:** Conserve and enhance the natural resources, water, air, and land in our growing region.

Made minor revisions and confirmed relevancy  
of existing policy planks



## Lead Goal: Energy

**Goal 4:** Promote energy efficiency and an abundant supply of safe, reliable, and affordable sources of energy for our growing region.



## Lead Goal: Energy

### Areas of Change:

- Promote energy efficiency and conservation, as well as renewable and **cleaner** energy.
- Assist in the rapid deployment of **electric and alternative fuel vehicles** and the **establishment of charging and fueling infrastructure** within the region.



## Collaborate

**Opportunities to form coalitions  
with like-minded organizations**



## Collaborate

- Economic Development
- Sustainable Growth
- Federal Funds



## Collaborate

### New Policy Planks and Areas of Change:

#### Economic Development

- Promote widespread deployment of connected fiber optic infrastructure and enhanced innovative funding to support collaboration around data usage.
- Advance job attraction incentives, new tools, and strategies to encourage new jobs and investment to the region.



## Collaborate

### New Policy Planks and Areas of Change:

#### Sustainable Growth

- Promote the development of policies that support lifelong and **age-friendly** communities.
- Advocate for policies and funding that support a broad spectrum of housing options, **including mixed-income communities**, to meet the region's growing residential and workforce needs.
- Promote innovative use of data and technology to support sustainability and resiliency of the region.

## Next Steps

- November** – Members review 2017-2018 Public Policy. Staff accepts comments, feedback, and changes
  
- December** – Commission adopts Agenda
  
- January** – Agenda is printed and distributed



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