



# Regional Policy Roundtable

December 12, 2024



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# Review of 2025-2026 Public Policy Agenda

Proposed Resolution 18-24  
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# WORKING GROUP PARTICIPANTS

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Todd Bailey	Huntington Bank
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Gerard Basalla	Columbus Partnership
Joe Begeny	City of Reynoldsburg
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Mayor Tom Johnson	Village of Somerset
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Mayor Sloan Spalding (Chair)	City of New Albany
Jason Warner	Greater Ohio Policy Center
Trenton Weaver	City of Gahanna
Andrew White	City of Powell
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# THE APPROACH



Regionalism



Mobility



Sustainability



Prosperity & Opportunity

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Economic Development



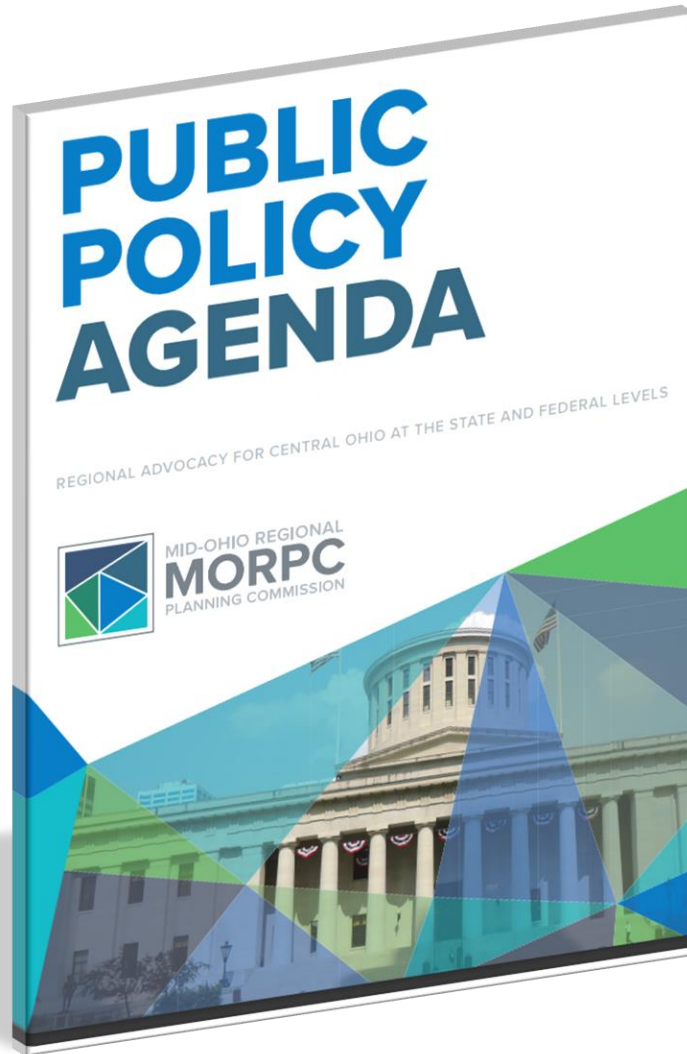
Sustainable Growth



Drive Investment



# RECAP OF KEY CHANGES



- Integrated Data & Digital Infrastructure Lead Goal into Regionalism
- Aligned goals with Strategic Framework and Department Names
- Emphasized attracting federal investment, advancing passenger rail, and leveraging our EDD designation

# REGIONAL POLICY ROUNDTABLE UPDATE



**COUNCILMEMBER**  
**LOURDES BARROSO de PADILLA**  
*CHAIR, REGIONAL POLICY ROUNDTABLE*



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## CHAIR UPDATE

- Roundtable Recap
- 2025 Meetings
- February NARC Conference & Hill Visits

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**JOSEPH GARRITY**  
*SENIOR DIRECTOR OF  
GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS &  
COMMUNITY RELATIONS*



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## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

- State of Play in Washington
- Federal Budget and Appropriations
- EDA Reauthorization
- Rail Advocacy
- Ohio Public Works



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**STEVE TUGEND**

*DIRECTOR & CHAIR OF  
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PRACTICE*

*KEGLER BROWN HILL +  
RITTER*



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## LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

- **House Bill 315: Housing Technical Assistance**
- **House Bill 296: Ohio Police & Fire Pension Fund Contributions**
- **House Bill 331**
- **Central Ohio Defense Group**

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