



CENTRE REGION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
RESOLUTION 2021-8

A RESOLUTION OF THE CENTRE REGION COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS TO
MERGE THE PUBLIC SERVICES AND ENVIRONMENTAL AND
TRANSPORTATION AND LAND USE COMMITTEES BY ESTABLISHING THE
LAND USE AND COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE (LUCI) COMMITTEE AS A
STANDING COG COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the members of the Centre Region Council of Governments General Forum desires to strengthen the development, approval, and implementation of a coherent set of regional transportation and land use plans, and coordination of community infrastructure projects in the Centre Region; and

WHEREAS, all six Centre Region municipalities desire to proactively plan transportation, community infrastructure, and land use to ensure a livable, sustainable, and prosperous future for Centre Region residents; and

WHEREAS, all six Centre Region municipalities desire to integrate and proactively plan transportation, community infrastructure, and land use priorities to ensure a livable, sustainable, and prosperous future for Centre Region residents; and

WHEREAS, the members of the Centre Region Council of Governments General Forum wish to create a Land Use and Community Infrastructure Committee to provide oversight of strategic and coordinated actions among the COG municipalities to successfully implement various plans, including; the Centre Region Comprehensive Plan; Centre County Long Range Transportation Plan; Centre Region Climate Action and Adaptation Plan; and coordinate community infrastructure investments with water and sewer authorities, the transportation authority, other public utilities, and Penn State University to support implementation of those plans; and

WHEREAS, the draft responsibilities of the Land Use and Community Infrastructure Committee are:

- i. To study and prepare recommendations on actions and significant planning efforts relating to regional land use, transportation, and community infrastructure and other policies, issues, or projects as requested by the Executive Committee.
- ii. To coordinate with the Climate Action and Sustainability Committee regarding studies, plans, proposals, and construction as they relate to energy conservation or sustainability and to coordinate with the Public Safety Committee regarding studies, plans, proposals,

and construction of public infrastructure as they relate to the potential impact on public safety and emergency response.

- iii. Receive reports on an as needed basis from the water authorities, sewer authority, CATA, MS4 Group, and other community infrastructure and service providers as needed to understand regional impacts of activities associated with these major community infrastructure providers.
- iv. Meet two times annually with the Centre Regional Planning Commission (CRPC) to discuss issues of regional interest and develop priority projects for the Comprehensive Plan Implementation Program (CHIP).

WHEREAS, the Centre Region Council of Governments General Forum has the authority, as outlined in the Articles of Agreement, to “*establish such standing, special or ad hoc committees as deemed appropriate to conduct its business*”;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HERE RESOLVED: That the General Forum of the Centre Region Council of Governments hereby authorizes that the Land Use and Community Infrastructure Committee be established as a single COG standing committee, with representatives from each Centre Region municipality and a liaison representative from the Penn State University, and be it:

FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Land Use and Community Infrastructure Committee shall deliberate and ratify its final mission, responsibilities, and member representation by December 2021.

RESOLVED, this *twenty-third day of August 2021*, meeting in regular session.

Attest:



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By:



Dennis Hameister
Chair, Centre Region COG