



Wilmington Area Planning Council Presents

Our Town 2016
The Future of Transportation

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Agenda

- Registration / Networking
and hors d'oeuvres 4:00 p.m.
- Welcome and Introductions 4:30 p.m.
Tigist Zegeye, Executive Director, WILMAPCO
- Opening Remarks 4:40 p.m.
Nicole Majeski, Deputy Secretary, Delaware Dept. of
Transportation
- Our Town Emcee 4:45 p.m.
Edward O'Donnell, Senior Fellow and Instructor,
University of Delaware
- Video Presentation 4:55 p.m.
Tackling the Future of Transportation
- Greater Philadelphia Future Forces** 5:10 p.m.
Michael Boyer, Associate Director for Planning,
Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission
- Clean Transportation in Delaware** 5:30 p.m.
Morgan Ellis, DE Clean Cities Coordinator,
DE Dept. of Natural Resources and Environmental Control
- DelDOT's Integrated Transportation Management
Program and Vision for the Future** 5:50 p.m.
Gene Donaldson, TMC Operations Manager,
Delaware Dept. of Transportation
- Impact of Self Driving Vehicles** 6:10 p.m.
Renata Haberkam, Director of Business Development,
The Traffic Group
- Question and Answer 6:40 p.m.

Biographies

Tigist Zegeye

Tigist Zegeye has served as the Executive Director of the Wilmington Area Planning Council (WILMAPCO), the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) serving New Castle County, Delaware and Cecil County, Maryland, since 2003. Tigist is responsible for the day-to-day planning activities, including the Long-Range Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP), and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Prior to joining WILMAPCO, Tigist served as a Planning Engineer with the Missouri Department of Transportation.

Edward J. O'Donnell

Edward O'Donnell's career has spanned more than forty years characterized by professional leadership, public service, outstanding quality, and transformative changes. A visionary regional approach to planning and a strong environmental ethic permeate a career that has included directing an MPO comprising three counties in three states, crafting a landmark county comprehensive plan and unified development code, completing applied research on land use and transportation, and accomplishing an enduring legacy of environmental protection in a bi-state watershed and in the vast land holdings of a private school. Ed, through his current work with the University of Delaware's Institute for Public Administration, continues to shape Delaware's future, and likely will for generations.

Nicole Majeski

Nicole Majeski has served as the Deputy Secretary for the Delaware Department of Transportation since 2011. Prior to coming to the state, Nicole worked for New Castle County Government, serving as Chief of Staff to then County Executive Chris Coons. Nicole currently serves on the Northeast Association of State Transportation Officials' Policy Committee and the Executive Board of the Transportation Curriculum Coordination Council. She is a graduate of the University of Delaware and Council of State Government Toll Fellow.

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Michael Boyer

Michael Boyer is Associate Director for Planning at the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission (DVRPC), the Metropolitan Planning Organization for the nine-county Greater Philadelphia region. DVRPC works to build regional consensus on improving transportation, promoting smart growth, protecting the environment, and enhancing the economy. He is responsible for the development and implementation of the region's long-range plan, Connections 2040, which was created through an extensive public outreach and stakeholder engagement process. The Connections 2040 Plan is a centers-based approach to planning which integrates land use, environmental, economic, and transportation considerations and identifies and prioritizes transportation investments that are consistent with the development vision. He also oversees the areas of Economic Coordination, Demographic Analysis, Safety & Congestion Management, and Freight & Aviation Planning. He received a Bachelor of Geography and Urban Studies degree from Temple University and a Master of City Planning degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

Morgan Ellis

Morgan Ellis has been with the Delaware Division of Energy and Climate for six years and became the Delaware Clean Cities Coordinator in 2013. Her roles and responsibilities include working on climate-related policies and programs and representing the State of Delaware on the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative and the Transportation Climate Initiative. Her current focus is on reducing greenhouse gas emissions, deploying alternative fueled vehicles and building Delaware's network of alternative fueling stations. Morgan has a Master of Community and Regional Planning from the University of Oregon and a Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources Conservation and Management from the University of Kentucky.

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Gene Donaldson

Gene Donaldson is presently the Transportation Management Center (TMC) Operations Manager with the Delaware Department of Transportation (DelDOT). Gene has been with DelDOT since 1997. His primary responsibility is to manage DelDOT's transportation management program to include operation of the 24 hour statewide Transportation Management Center, planning and implementation of Delaware's intelligent transportation system, incident and event management, emergency management, and transportation homeland security. Prior to the Delaware Department of Transportation, Gene retired from the Montgomery County, Maryland Department of Public Works and Transportation after 27 years. He retired as Chief of the Transportation Management Section where he was responsible for managing the implementation and operation of the nation's first fully integrated advanced transportation management system. Gene is a past President of District 2 and the Washington DC Section of the Institute of Transportation Engineers.

Renata Haberkam

Renata Haberkam is the Director of Business Development at The Traffic Group. She manages the firm's marketing efforts and strategies, coordinates and oversees the preparation of proposals for The Traffic Group's two principal departments and heads the firm's public relations program. Renata is active in the local chapters of the Society for Marketing Professional Services (SMPS) and Women's Transportation Seminar (WTS). She is the immediate Past President of Annapolis Regional Transportation Management Association (ARTMA). Renata dedicates a great deal of her time traveling throughout the United States with her colleagues speaking on self-driving vehicles, traffic calming measures and automated/robotic parking systems.

Notes

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