

# NOTICE & AGENDA OF THE VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING OF THE VIA INTERGOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

### THURSDAY, MAY 6, 2021 AT 4:00 P.M.

# Statement to Public Regarding VIA Virtual Meetings

This meeting of the VIA Intergovernmental Relations and Public Affairs Committee (Committee) will be conducted as an audio/videoconference meeting (only) at 4:00 pm on Thursday, May 6, 2021. In keeping with proper social distancing measures in order to slow the spread of COVID-19 and avoid meetings that bring many people into congregate settings, the Committee will not meet in person. Instead, this videoconference committee meeting will be conducted pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act as temporarily modified and suspended by the Office of the Governor on March 16, 2020 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and associated declarations of emergency.

# Accessing the Virtual Meeting:

This committee meeting will be held via Zoom. Members of the public may access this meeting via the free-of-charge video conference link or by calling one of the toll-free numbers provided.

Meeting Link: https://zoom.us/j/91394758540

#### **Toll Free Numbers:**

#### iPhone one-tap US:

- 1-346-248-7799 plus ext. code 913 9475 8540#
- 1-253-215-8782 plus ext. code 913 9475 8540#

Telephone (US): Dial (for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):

- 1-346-248-7799; or
- 1-669-900-6833: or
- 1-253-215-8782; or
- 1-312-626-6799: or
- 1-929-205-6099; or
- 1-301-715-8592

**Webinar ID:** 913 9475 8540

International numbers available: <a href="https://zoom.us/u/ab2MYkfCC">https://zoom.us/u/ab2MYkfCC</a>

# Public Comments:

Members of the public who wish to address the Committee during the Citizens to Be Heard portion of the meeting may do so by registering to speak online or by phone.

- <u>CLICK HERE</u> to register online;
- Call 210-380-0942 to register by phone. When registering by phone, registrants may leave a
  message stating their name, contact information and the subject(s) on which they wish to address
  the Committee.

Registration to speak opens Wednesday, May 5, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. and ends at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 6, 2021.

The Committee meeting will begin at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 6, 2021. Each registrant will be invited to speak in the order of registration.

- Please note that registrants <u>will not</u> receive an individual confirmation notice nor a special link to
  access the meeting. Registrants are to use the information provided in this notice to access the
  meeting. (See Accessing the Virtual Meeting.)
- Any registrant who does not timely request to address the Committee will not be allowed to speak.
   Each person must be available to speak when called or will lose the opportunity to address the Committee.

A recording of this meeting will be made available to the public.

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Announcements

# AGENDA ITEMS FOR REVIEW, DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

3. Citizens to be Heard

NOTE: Each speaker is allowed a maximum of three minutes to address the Committee during the Citizens to Be Heard portion of the meeting or prior to the committee's consideration of an item. Speakers are requested to first state their names and any organization(s) they represent.

- 4. **117**<sup>th</sup> Congress and Biden Administration Priorities For information and discussion related to the 117<sup>th</sup> Congress and Biden Administration Priorities.
- 5. **87**<sup>th</sup> Regular Session of the Texas Legislature For information and discussion related to the 87<sup>th</sup> Regular Session of the Texas Legislature.
- 6. **Marketing/Communications Plan** For information and discussion related to the Marketing and Communications Plan.
- 7. \*Legal Briefing
- 8. Adjourn

**NOTE:** Whenever open meeting policies provide for a closed session in matters concerning legal advice, real estate, contracts, personnel, or security, the Board may find a closed session to be necessary. For the convenience of the citizens interested in an item preceded by an asterisk (\*), notice is given that a closed session is contemplated.