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| **Meeting of Plan for Progress Coordinating Council** |
| **Wednesday, September 17, 2014** |
| **8:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.** |
| **at the** |
| **Pioneer Valley Planning Commission (PVPC)** |
| **Large Conference Room – 2nd Floor** |
| 60 Congress Street, Springfield, Massachusetts 01104-3419 |

**A G E N D A**

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|  | **Action** | | **Information** | |
| 1. Call to Order, Welcome and Minutes of the September 17, 2014 Meeting of the Plan for  Progress Coordinating Council (these minutes are attached) – 8:15 a.m. | 🗹 |  | |
| 2. Presentation of a Joint Request by Holyoke Community College (HCC) and the City of Holyoke Seeking the Coordinating Council’s Endorsement of an Amendment to the Region’s 2014 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) in Order to Incorporate a Proposed New Project in Holyoke’s Downtown Urban Renewal Area Which Will be Seeking Federal Assistance From the Economic Development Administration (EDA) Early on in FFY 2015 – 8:45 a.m. | 🗹 | 🗹 | |
| *Special Guests* ● *Jeff Hayden,* *Vice President*  *Business and Community Services at HCC*  and  ●  *Marcos Marrero,* *Director of*  *Planning and Economic Development, City of Holyoke* |  |  | |
| 3. Progress Report/Update on the Status of the Regionally Significant Ludlow Mills Preservation and Redevelopment Project Which is Being Advanced by the Westmass Area Development Corporation (Westmass) and Future, Potential EDA Grant Application for Road Construction and Critical Infrastructure Improvements        – 9:15 a.m.  *Special Guest*●   *Eric Nelson, Vice President of Development*  *Westmass Area Development Corporation* | 🗹 | 🗹 | |
| 4. Brief Staff/Committee Report on the Development of the Updated, 2014 Version of the *Plan for Progress* Including: Initial Results From Feedback Sessions; Anticipated Schedule for Completion of Document by End of the 2014 Calendar Year; and Public Rollout in 2015 – Tim Brennan – 9:40 a.m. |  | 🗹 | |
| 5. Report on the Launch of the Growth Business Study for the Connecticut Portion of the Interstate Knowledge Corridor With the University of Massachusetts Donahue Institute Serving as the Project Lead Consultant – 9:50 a.m. |  |  | |
| 5. Other Business – 9:55 a.m. **Adjourn – 10:00 a.m.**  **Note: Next Coordinating Council Meeting is Currently Scheduled for Wednesday,**  **November 19, 2014 at 8:15 A.M.**     |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | cc: E. Broman, HCC M. Marrero, Holyoke E. Nelson, Westmass |  |  | |  |  |  | | 🗹 | | 🗹 | |