

STATE OF MONTANA

ARPA ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION AND STABILIZATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMISSION

Notice of Public Meeting

Location: Capitol Building, Room 102 or Zoom
1301 E. 6th Avenue, Helena, MT 59601

AGENDA*

Wednesday, October 27, 2021

9:00 a.m.

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| 1. OPEN MEETING 9:00-9:05 a.m. | Sen. Mark Blasdel, Chair |
| a. Call to Order and Notice of Audio/Video Recording | |
| b. Roll Call | |
| c. Approval of Minutes | |
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| 2. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS 9:05-9:15 a.m. | Scott Mendenhall, ARPA Program Director |
| a. Housekeeping Motion re UIA/OCS | |
| b. Proposal/Public Comment update | |
| i. Business Innovation Program | Ryan Osmundson, Budget Director |
| c. Other | |
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| 3. ARPA WEBSITE and CALL CENTER UPDATE 9:15-9:20 a.m. | Liane Taylor, ARPA Outreach Coordinator |
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| 4. TRANSPARENCY DASHBOARD UPDATE 9:20-9:30 a.m. | Angie Nelson, Budget Analyst |
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| 5. ARPA FUNDING UPDATE 9:30-9:45 a.m. | Amy Sassano, Deputy Budget Director |
| a. Financial Update | |
| b. ARPA Section 604 | |
| c. Other | |
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| 5. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRY UPDATE 9:45-10:00 a.m. | Scott Eychner, DLI |
| a. Rapid Retraining | |
| b. Return-to-Work Bonus | |
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| 6. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRY PROPOSAL 10:00-10:30 a.m. | Scott Mendenhall, ARPA Program Manager |
| a. Montana Health Care Workforce Recruitment Initiative | |
| i. Explanation | |
| ii. Commission Questions | |
| iii. Public Comment | |
| iv. Commission Discussion | |
| v. Commission Action | |

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- b. **Reallocation of Return to Work Bonus Funding**
 - i. Explanation
 - ii. Commission Questions
 - iii. Public Comment
 - iv. Commission Discussion
 - v. Commission Action
- Amy Sassano, Deputy Budget Director**
- 7. **OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING 10:30-10:45 a.m.**
 - a. **Addressing Significant Violent Crime Increase to Economically Stabilize Billings**
 - i. Explanation
 - ii. Commission Questions
 - iii. Public Comment
 - iv. Commission Discussion
 - v. Commission Action
- Amy Sassano, Deputy Budget Director**
- MEETING BREAK 10:45-11:00 a.m.**
- 8. **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE UPDATE 11:00-11:30 a.m.**
 - a. Workforce Training Grant Program Application and Guidelines
 - b. Emergency Rental Assistance Program
 - c. Homeowner Assistance Fund Plan
 - d. HOME-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) Program
- Wayne Johnston - Cheryl Cohen, Dept. Commerce**
- 9. **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PROPOSAL 11:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**
 - a. **Gap Financing for Affordable Housing Recommendations**
 - i. Explanation
 - ii. Commission Questions
 - iii. Public Comment
 - iv. Commission Discussion
 - v. Commission Action
- Cheryl Cohen, Dept. of Commerce**
- LUNCH 12:00-1:00 p.m.**
- 10. **DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE 1:00-1:20 p.m.**
 - a. **Growth Through Agriculture Value Added Investment Program**
 - i. Explanation
 - ii. Commission Questions
 - iii. Public Comment
 - iv. Commission Discussion
 - v. Commission Action
- Zach Coccoli, Deputy Director Dept. of Agriculture**
- 11. **PUBLIC COMMENT 1:20 -2:00 p.m.**
- Sen. Mark Blasdel, Chair**
- 12. **OTHER 2:00-2:10 p.m.**
 - a. Deadlines
 - b. Future Meeting Dates
- Scott Mendenhall, ARPA Program Director**
- 13. **ADJOURN 2:15 p.m.**
- Sen. Mark Blasdel, Chair**

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