NEXT STOP: Making Mass Transit Work for Rhode Island

Tuesday, December 1, 2015 – 8:30-11:30 a.m.
Rhode Island Convention Center

AGENDA

8:30 – 8:40  Welcome/Intro, Agenda Review - Scott Wolf, Executive Director, Grow Smart RI

8:40 – 9:00  Remarks from Gov. Raimondo, Speaker Mattiello, Senate President Paiva-Weed

9:00 – 9:05  Overview of the recent history, development and improvement of public transportation in Rhode Island – Scott Wolf

Part I Panel  Lessons Learned from places that are succeeding with expanding and improving transit

9:10 – 9:25  Minneapolis – Will Schroeer, Executive Director, East Metro Strong, Minneapolis, MN

9:25 – 9:40  Denver – Susan A. Wood, AICP, Planning Project Manager, FasTracks, Regional Transportation District, Denver, CO

9:40 – 9:55  Hartford – Michael Sanders, Transit Administrator, CT DOT

9:55 – 10:20  Q&A about Lessons Learned

10:20 – 10:30  Break

Part II Panel  – Local Leaders Panel – Moderated by John Flaherty

10:30 – 11:30  Facilitated discussion – with audience participation - among Rhode Island officials about the opportunities and challenges of leveraging mass transit to grow our economy, revitalize our urban and town centers and safeguard our environment.

Rep. Teresa Tanzi, Narragansett, Peace Dale, Wakefield
Kevin Flynn, RI Division of Planning (MPO)
Amy Pettine, Exec. Director, Planning, RIPTA
Peter Garino, Deputy Director, RIDOT
Bonnie Nickerson, Director of Planning & Development, City of Providence