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VIRGINIA GROWTH AND OPPORTUNITY BOARD REGIONAL COUNCIL COMMITTEE

March 24, 2026

10:00 AM

In-Person Meeting – Library of Virginia

Members Present

John King

Members Absent

Jim Cheng

Delegate Michelle Maldonado

Call to Order

Mr. John King, Chair of the Virginia Growth and Opportunity (GO Virginia) Board Regional Council Committee, called the meeting to order.

Roll Call

Ms. Shara Gibson, GO Virginia Program Manager for the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), called the roll and noted that a quorum was not present.

Public Comment

Mr. King opened the floor for public comment.

No members of the public appeared before the Committee for the public comment period.

The public comment period was closed.

Productivity

Ms. Gibson provided committee members and attendees with information on unobligated fund balances, forecasted balances, and per-capita fund utilization. She also provided information on reversions from the competitive fund in the updated FY26 budget passed in HB29. Additional discussion followed.

Ms. Gibson then began a discussion with committee members and attendees on DHCD's application evaluation and communication processes. This conversation was in response to a new application evaluation and communication process that had been introduced in the cycle prior to this board meeting.

Following this, Ms. Gibson also introduced a discussion about best practices in application development.

Ms. Gibson introduced an update on the regional council self-assessment beginning. She explained the results of the regional council self-assessment, with the strengths and weaknesses that had been noted by regional council members. Discussion then followed.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned.

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