

Triangle J Board of Delegates Meeting Agenda Comments – November 20, 2019

Agenda Section: Business

Moving Forward: Regional Summit 2019 and Next Steps

Background: The TJCOG Regional Summit is the annual gathering of elected officials, staff and partner organizations to discuss topics of importance to the region and local communities, share best practices, and collectively identify ways to address challenges. The 2019 Regional Summit, Rethinking Our Thinking, was held on October 10th at the Chatham Agriculture and Conference Center and focused on rethinking the approaches that our region takes to solve the most challenging issues we face. The morning workshop was led by Michael Goodman, an internationally recognized systems thinking practitioner, and taught attendees how to use the systems thinking methodology to create social change. In the workshop, attendees focused on identifying the barriers and reasons “why” our biggest challenges persist despite years of hard work to solve them.

Engagement Specialist Alana Keegan will provide an overview of the event, workshop, and outputs, and guide the Board through a discussion about how to use this information. Executive Director Lee Worsley and TJCOG Transportation Priority Champions Mary Sell and Matt Day will also discuss specific themes from the workshop.

Recommendation(s): It is recommended that the TJCOG Board of Delegates provide feedback on the Regional Summit, input for the coming year, and assist TJCOG staff identify the most valuable next steps to leverage information from the Regional Summit.

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