



MEETING PURPOSE	Monthly Maryland Green Building Council Meeting						
MEETING DATE	February 19, 2026						
MEETING TIME	10:30 to noon						
VIRTUAL MEETING	Maryland Green Building Council Virtual Meeting Thursday, February 19 · 10:30am – 12:00pm Time zone: America/New_York Google Meet joining info Video call link: https://meet.google.com/ocp-upjg-qtf Or dial: (US) +1 530-994-2092 PIN: 734 095 806# More phone numbers: https://tel.meet/ocp-upjg-qtf?pin=7045196103735						
MEETING NUMBER	2026-2						
ATTENDEES	Mark “P” as present, “O” as out. Vote by Yay “Y” or Nay “N” or Abstained “A” Quorum = 9						
<i>COUNCIL APPOINTEE</i>		<i>AGENCY MEMBER OR DESIGNEE</i>			<i>REGULAR PARTICIPANTS</i>		
Paul Clary (5/31/2023) (seat 1)	P	Stephanie Tuckfield (DNR)	O	Hannah Debelius (DGS)	P	Martha Shrader (USM)	P
Vacant (5/31/2025) (seat 2)		Ashley Van Stone (MDE)	P	Bill Hersch (MDP)	P	Atif Chaudhry, Secretary (DGS)	O
Ben Roush (5/31/2025) (seat 3)	P	Mark Beck (USM)	P	Eddie Lukemire (MDOT)	P		
Ryan Schwabenbauer (5/31/2026) (seat 4)	P	Alex Donahue (IAC) Designee: Melissa Wilfong	P	Rebecca Price (MEA) Megan Lackay	P		
Marisa Britton (5/31/2025) (seat 5)	P	David Koenigsburg (DBM)	P	Mischelle Vanreusel (DLR)	O		
Michael Daly (5/31/2026) (seat 6)	P						
YAY							
NAY							
ABSTAIN							

	Agenda Item	Discussion	Time
1	Call to Order	Greetings - All attendees please sign in using the chat box.	10:35
2	Meeting Record	Motion: approve prior Meeting Record Discussion: Adjustments? Vote: Approval or Table	10:36 approved by 13 members
4	Old Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HPGBP FAQ - final edits today Annual Report approved, awaiting publication 	
5	Ongoing Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> HPGBP signed and updated online 	
6	New Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council member insights into the 2026 Session. 	10:42



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o HB0870 Maryland Building Performance Standards - Energy Conservation Requirements (Large Buildings for Tomorrow Act) ● How do State buildings navigate potential trade off between energy performance and construction cost? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Window to wall ratio o Lifecycle cost analysis o Architectural review board? (Subtitle 7, 4-701) o Discussion: update to HPGBP ● Council 2026 meeting schedules. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o May 21st in-person meeting. 	
7	Announcements and Updates (Members)	Good and welfare <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● DGS conference on energy performance contracting. 	
8	Adjourn until Next Meeting	March 19	11:07
9	Adjourn		

Attendees:

Aaron Fisher, Amy Upton, Ashley Vanstone -MDE-, Ben Roush, Bill Hersch -MDP-, Chris Parts, David Hollens, David Koenigsburg -DBM-, Eddie Lukemire -MDOT-, Hannah Debelius -DGS-, John Woolums -DGS-, Louisa Rettew, Maria Prawirodihardjo -MSDE-, Marisa Britton, Mark Beck, Martha Shrader, Mary Stevenson, Melissa Wilfong -IAC-, Paul Clary, Rebecca Price -MEA-, Ryan Schwabenbauer, Scott Moore -DGS-, Sustainable Design Consulting, Taylor Smith, Victoria Nellis -DGS-

Notes:

- Motion: approve prior Meeting Record - Approved by 13 yays
- HPGBP FAQ - final edits today to Hannah Debelius -DGS-
- Annual Report approved, awaiting publication
- HPGBP signed and updated online - please note dates of application
- Council member insights into the 2026 Session.
 - o HB0870 Maryland Building Performance Standards - Energy Conservation Requirements (Large Buildings for Tomorrow Act)
 - o HB614 - School building monthly reporting - Schools would have to report data to IAC for benchmarking



- SB 479/HB1217- Exempts buildings before June 2022 from the EUI portion but still need to do alternative compliance or remove fossil fuel. Hearing is today
- HB 0988 - Repeal of BEPS
- SB0801 - RGGI withdrawal
- SB116 - related- Sustainability now included as item on agenda for BPW per advisory on 2/18; one item is HPGBP compliance and net zero, SB now being dropped as moving forward with voluntary BPW advisory; Anyone interested in the BPW meeting it can be viewed here - <https://bpw.maryland.gov/Pages/board-of-public-works-meetings.aspx> there is a drop down arrow to select 2/18 meeting.
- How do State buildings navigate potential trade off between energy performance and construction cost?
 - Window to wall ratio
 - Lifecycle cost analysis
 - Thermal mass
 - Whole building
 - Architectural review board? (Subtitle 7, 4-701)
 - Anyone have a contact here?
 - Martha Shrader may have contact
 - Discussion
 - Integrative design could be net benefit to all parties, including cost
- Discussion: update to HPGBP
- Other topics of discussion:
 - Suggestion for new technologies, other jurisdictions, etc.
 - Ben suggestions for March - whole building LCA presentation inclusive of RFP language to ensure you are getting what you really need + sample language
 - Louisa Rettew has sample language for decarbonization - can send to Ben
 - EPC workshop on March 11:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/advancing-energy-performance-contracting-in-maryland-tickets-1981952036895>
 - American University Net Zero Athletics Building - potential tour
- Council 2026 meeting schedules.
 - March and April and then move to every-other-month over summer
 - May 21st in-person meeting.



Transcript

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: Great. Thanks.

Ben Roush: And everybody gets the little ping that we are transcribing.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: Yes, perfect.

Ben Roush: All should we start in a roll call? I'll do it so you can type. Paul, I saw you here. Present. Yes,...

Ryan Schwabenbauer: I'm present.

Paul Clary: Yep. Present.

Ben Roush: we have seat two vacant. myself, I am present. Ryan, I saw you sign in. Marissa, I saw you sign in. You're present.

Marisa Britton: Present.

Ben Roush: And Michael Dailyaly, I did not see Did I miss you or are you Very good. All right, Stephanie Tuckfield or alternate representative from DNR.

Ben Roush: Okay. Ashley Van Stone,...

Ashley Vanstone -MDE-: Present.

Ben Roush: MDE. ...

Mark Beck: I am here.

Melissa Wilfong -IAC-: Yes, I'm present. Yeah.

Ben Roush: Mark Beck, USM. Alex at IC, I know he's not present. Melissa, are you present? perfect. Alternate. We'll note that. David Coningsburg.

David Koenigsburg -DBM-: Present.

Ben Roush: We know you're here since you're running the show. Bill Hirs.

Bill Hersch -MDP-: I am here.

Ben Roush: Great. Eddie Luke Meyer,...

Eddie Lukemire -MDOT-: Morning, Ben.

Ben Roush: morning. Rebecca Price and Michelle Van Russell. All right. Martha, are you here?

Martha Shrader: I'm here.



Ben Roush: I guess we don't need to take attendance for the non-committee members. let's see. Hannah, who else just sent us an email?

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: That was Not only the council

Ben Roush: Okay, got it. Perfect. Yeah, because I expected another alternate because of that email. All right, thank you everybody. Welcome to our monthly meeting. We're going to do this and next month because we primarily is sharing and disseminating legislative information. this is when we get any charge we have to do by October of this year. it'll come in these few months. have people been able to review the meeting record the past meeting minutes on the website and would anyone like to make a motion to approve?

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: I'll make a motion to approve.

Ben Roush: All I will second. we can do this. Does anyone object or All On the council people only get to vote. I should have said that out Perfect. Then those are approved. review. So Hannah, do you want to start with that first one?

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: So, last month we did send out a, FAQ document as a follow-up to this meeting. And we're trying not to be redundant of just the entire high performance green building program but instead be an informal way to address some of the questions that we get pretty frequently. So please look at it without that ns. Not comprehensive but quick reference. we did make some edits based on feedback from last month and so I'm hopeful that the final draft is what went out to you all from me yesterday.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: However, if you have any additional suggestions or edits, please do send to me by the end of this week...

Ben Roush: Yep. Yep.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: because otherwise we'll go forward to post that online alongside the high permanence green building program which I'll just go ahead and mention since I've got the floor here which is that if you haven't seen the website, the completed and signed high performance green building program that you all approved in November is updated online now. So as you are sharing that out, I would also urge everyone to encourage others to look at the table about the dates for which program applies because the brand new one is up there. the other thing that I attached to the email I sent yesterday to folks is the annual report for the green building council.

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Hannah Debelius -DGS-: That is a final draft of that report.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: you're welcome to disseminate if you'd like to. And however, we're having a website delay where it's not yet online due to some website things out of our control. So that will be a bit delayed.

Ben Roush: four deadlines April not very far in the future RFQS RFPs beginning a project so usually for the architect after that date for non-school projects that'll be your new program,...

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Ben Roush: first touch. it's also worth saying if you had an RFP out but you didn't get your lead if you're going with the lead pathway and you didn't register your building at the end of June or July 1, you'll be forced to do lead V5 even though you won't necessarily have been required to do it in the program. You would have been under the previous version of the program. So if you have a project going right now, you got a teeny window. Make sure your lead consultant or architect are registering your projects if you don't want to use B main thing we're here to talk about today legislation we're tracking.

Ben Roush: So, it's primarily that is beeps affecting or in some way gives the high performance the Maryland green building council some charge to add into the high performance green building program. So, we noted one there, House Bill 870. The testimony for that I think is next week. I could prove that. yeah, the hearing is 225. this is an energy code change primarily.

Ben Roush: It's there to direct the energy codes administration to require BEPS complying buildings 35,000 square feet and over to adopt an all electric standard or to be BEPS compliant. It's weird language in the bill. I'm not sure exactly how the codes administration will use it. and it also does some neutral energy code changes. So your gas and your electric buildings get compared against the same baseline on the electric base buildings tend to be heat pumps and tend to be more so interesting a similar bill was out last year and it didn't make it out of committee. it's only in the house. It hasn't been cross-filed. So we'll see if that goes anywhere.

Ben Roush: Other legislation I have started tracking and maybe Melissa can speak to this one better than I can. There's the school building energy use monthly reporting It's House Bill 614 and Bill crossfiled Senate Bill 381. Melissa, do you want to speak to that or should I just do a brief recap? Melissa, if you're talking, you're muted. I'll start in and you may have gone deeper into the bill than I have. basically would require benchmarking similar to other beeps buildings and it's not clear what platform that's sort of left unsaid. schools would have to report for their monthly energy use.

Ben Roush: So there would be a level of benchmarking. There's again K through 2 schools are required to meet BEP's provisions. So there's not a lot to do with that data other than making it available. yeah, it's an interesting one. I don't think it directly impacts our council, but it is council adjacent.

Melissa Wilfong -IAC-: So, I had to step away. Can you rewind?

Ben Roush: Not a problem.

Melissa Wilfong -IAC-: I'm really sorry.

Ben Roush: We were talking about legislation in House Bill 614 and Senate Bill 381, the school building energy use reporting, monthly reporting.

Melissa Wilfong -IAC-: Yes. Yep.

Ben Roush: Looks like they report to IA and IA makes that data available. it doesn't seem a giant hurdle. I don't know if has thought about platforms you would use yet do you put them on Energy Star or do you do a DGS style database or that's silent in the bill otherwise it seems straightforward.



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Melissa Wilfong -IAC-: Yeah, I think it allows us to set those standards so the bill doesn't talk about it. It's basically exactly the same as it was last year.

Ben Roush: And it didn't make it out of committee last year,...

Melissa Wilfong -IAC-: Yeah. Yeah.

Ben Roush: right? Yeah. okay. this one's an interesting one and it would impact some state funded buildings, not exempted by be, but building energy Senate Bill 479. It's cross-filed with House Bill 1217. its building energy performance standards and use intensity target exemptions. So it exempts buildings built before that received their occupancy permit before June 1st 2022. So basically prior versions of the energy code or prior to the climate solutions now act passing those buildings would be exempted from the EUI portion.

Ben Roush: they would still have to pay the alternate compliance payment or remove direct emissions fossil fuel burning on site. it's an interesting bill. t know I don't know if it will get legs or not, but it is already cross-filed, so it's got some chances.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: Ben, could you repeat that bill number, please? Thank you.

Ben Roush:

Ben Roush: I can Senate Bill 479, House Bill 1217,...

David Koenigsburg -DBM-: Oops.

Ben Roush: and that hearing for the Senate is today. You're too late to sign up. but the House Bill, let me click on that one. The hearing is 3:11. So, plenty of time to sign up. and then the last one I am tracking is I'm not sure it will make it out of it its subcommittee at all, but it is an entire repeal of building energy performance standards. So that would obviously impact what the high performance green building program is doing.

Ben Roush: The hearing is 12:27. it's House Bill 0988 988. we'll see where that goes as we track it moving forward. Are there other bills folks are tracking that are high performance green building program affecting or adjacent? No. Yes. It doesn't seem like that sleepy of a legislative session. There's been a lot of bills. I think I said this last time.

Ben Roush: And I think I put a link in the Maryland Clean Energy Center runs a opinion neutral except as it affects them, an opinion neutral session every Friday it's pretty informative. they distribute a sheet. So, if you're looking to track bills to know what's coming, that captures most things with energy policy. So, it's a wider net than just buildings. AIA Maryland also publishes their tracking spreadsheet weekly if you go to their website. I just learned this. so it's always a week out of date, but it gets you most things building policy or architectural practice impacting. Anything else? Other legislation we should be tracking? Anything I didn't cover?

Ben Roush: Any questions, opinions, conjecture about any of that?

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Ben Roush: Okay. I expected that.

David Koenigsburg -DBM-: Did we discuss Senate Bill 0801 that was by Senator McCay?

Ben Roush: Go ahead.

David Koenigsburg -DBM-: I forget we discussed that in January. the regional greenhouse gas initiative requiring the governor to withdraw the state from the regional greenhouse gas initiative by January 1st, 2027.

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Ben Roush: we mentioned it as one to track. I have not read it to know how impacting it would be of a high performance green building program. it is adjacent. it would be an awfully big deal if this went forward. yeah. What are your thoughts on that? how it's directly impacting there's several large energy policy bills out that have to do with cost caps or search charges or allowable interest.

Ben Roush: that are really interesting and are also not particularly council impacting. Is there something in this bill that and again I haven't read it. Is there something I should be going looking for that actually impacts or...

Ben Roush: charges the council with doing something

David Koenigsburg -DBM-: No, but I was just thinking just in regards to...

David Koenigsburg -DBM-: how it could impact any trickle down measures that if it were to happen, would there be any other actions that the council would have to take in regards to the next iteration of the program?

David Koenigsburg -DBM-: But I guess TDD

Ben Roush: Yeah, maybe we don't go deep in the program,...

Ben Roush: we don't go deep into utility incentives. I think that's what it would most potentially impact directly to buildings it is an interesting one. Okay. So there was a question Vicki.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: Actually, Ben, I was gonna pop in. This is probably what Vicki throws your hand for. This is not directly council impacting, but there was an advisory that passed BPW yesterday that I think is just maybe adjacently relevant. But I was going to ask Vicki to share a little bit more about that.

Victoria Nellis -DGS-: So it was part of Senate Bill 116. and basically the crux is that on BPW advisories now sustainability will need to be included as just kind of an item on the agenda so that way the board is aware of sustainability attributes of various projects. and so the reason why I think that this kind of relates to this is because one of the check boxes to kind of meet that sustainability attribute of a project is complying with the high performance green building program. so the Senate bill is going to be dropped. I watched the hearing. I'm 90% sure they landed with it. the Senate bill is being dropped because they're moving forward with it as a voluntary BPW advisory.



Victoria Nellis -DGS-: But basically starting July 1, any contracts that are going in front of the board of public works that fall in various categories to include architectural engineering services and construction services will need to include the sustainability items. So, energy saving measures, compliance with green purchasing,...

Victoria Nellis -DGS-: compliance with, high performance green building, all of that type of stuff.

Ben Roush: Yeah, it is a declaration in your contracting when you go before the board or...

Ben Roush: every agency here would be impacted by that to some degree.

Victoria Nellis -DGS-: So, all of the agencies are going to be impacted by it. especially if you're doing anything in construction.

Victoria Nellis -DGS-: But basically it's just kind of letting the board know what aspects of sustainability are included in that project. So, there's going to be a lot of different avenues that check the box, but we're still kind of flushing out the details of it, exactly how it's going to look. The idea is that we'll probably kind of create some sort of checklist for project managers and whatnot that would check so that way we're not landing this on procurement officers laps to try and determine what the sustainability is. This may impact architects and engineers just because the project managers may reach out to them with questions. so I think it is going to be impactful for everybody but I don't think it's going to be a ton of extra leg work for anybody. it's just basically highlighting how these projects comply with what's already in state laws.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: And if anyone wants to watch it, this was just in that Picky yesterday morning's BPW West Wesmore and the commissioner spoke. So if anyone wants to look at it, that's what it was just yesterday. So we've also not had a lot of time to digest judici.

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Ben Roush: And that's publicly available, You can go back and watch meetings.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: Yeah, absolutely.

Victoria Nellis -DGS-: Yep. I'll put the link in the chat once I go off camera

Ben Roush: Questions on that? Anybody? So, there was a good discussion or the start of a discussion, a question there's what do we do as a council this year large question that got asked in the last meeting that we're still looking at. And there was also a question asked about inherent trade-offs and I didn't like the wording so I'm going to see if I can do better.

Ben Roush: potential trade-offs between energy savings and architectural design choices and yeah it had a good discussion. It also had an afterlife with a couple email chains that were really really useful. And so this is a potential that we could think about as we get to recommend sustainability. We could talk about daylight studies to optimize window to wall ratio. we could talk about additional life cycle cost analysis and either pushing for that in the standard. at this point I know schools have to do them. I don't know if anybody else has to. And it's three mechanical systems and it's very early in the design process.

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Ben Roush: Melissa, I don't know if you have more you'd say on life cycle costing specific to schools. All right. but we get to evaluate green building processes and products and recommend their adoption to the state or potentially adopt them into the green building program if we are within our purview. to the legislature specifically. When I say the state, to legislators for future legislation. it's been interesting. it's got a potential for where we might go this year.

Ben Roush: A question I did want to ask there is an architectural review board and that architectural review board is supposed to include sustainability as part of the review and estate projects. Aaron.

Aaron Fisher: Can you hear me?

Ben Roush: Yes. Mhm.

Aaron Fisher: I was going to throw in on this life cycle cost analysis. I'm not seeing I throw in thermal mass in terms of because I know we like installation factor,...

Aaron Fisher: but thermal mass independently helps that value pretty immensely.

Ben Roush: It does.

Ben Roush: Yeah, that's part of the life cycle costing where you can really evaluate those trade-offs and measures and end up with sometimes the best possible win. you can have your glass atrium as long as it faces north instead of south.

Ben Roush: things like things like that without as much energy impact. You can optimize your window to wall ratio and save money while having really great daylighting without high level glare. and yes, thermal thermal mass, it has a cost to it and it has a substantial energy benefit if it's inside the thermal envelope. often has a carbon impact too because that mass is most easily gained by concrete which we now have some standards by way of DGS.

Ben Roush: Martha Right.

Martha Shrader: Yeah, just to echo that I,...

Martha Shrader: it's pretty standard for us to do life cycle cost analysis of our mechanical systems, but again, the building envelope often doesn't get the same level of analysis. and every time I have a chance, I try to bring that up because it seems like, if you don't get the building envelope and the masking and all that done correctly first and then look at your mechanical systems, you're really missing out on the cost savings. So, ...

Ben Roush: And it misses Right.

Martha Shrader: when you look at those potential tradeoffs, it's like it doesn't have to be a trade-off if it could actually be a net benefit in the cost if it's designed well from the start.

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Martha Shrader: So maybe...

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Ben Roush: Right.

Martha Shrader: how to encourage that type of design is I don't know

Ben Roush: And we'd want to be careful with language if we start addressing this in the green, because it's not the right choice for every project everywhere. There's some that are, let's just say, utilitarian, think shop building. it's not necessarily a strong benefit and small buildings doesn't make a lot of sense from a cost. But Martha, to your point, you do your three or four mechanical systems, but if you don't do say high performance glazing insulatory glass weighing against mechanical reduction, you're missing a directly mechanical impacting architectural feature. and...

Ben Roush: the only way to do that is to do a multi-measure life cycle costing.

Martha Shrader: Exactly. Yeah.

Martha Shrader: Whole building life cycle cost.

Ben Roush: And again, don't to make that sound that's easy. it's time intensive. We'd want to be careful about where we suggest that that is appropriate or not appropriate. But, something to think on, something we could work on this this architectural review board bullet. Does anyone have a contact on the architectural review board? I am just failing to get there by way of state web pages. who is on the review board? I guess does anybody have experience going before the review board with your projects?

Martha Shrader: I haven't personally, but I know we have someone in our office that does. So, I could reach out to them and...

Ben Roush: Okay. Yeah,...

Martha Shrader: see if I could get any information.

Ben Roush:

Ben Roush: if you wouldn't mind connecting us. I think it would be useful as a council to hear what they do and what they're looking for and...

Ben Roush: have that in mind as we talk about future program at its changes. it'd be a useful thing to hear. might be a fruitful cross discussion between board and council as well. Chris, you unmuted but then remuted. Did you have ...

Chris Parts: Yeah. Yeah.

Chris Parts: I was just saying it's been years since I've done that, but if Martha doesn't have a contact, I'm sure I can reach out to someone and find access.

Ben Roush: that'd be great. Just a starting place to open a discussion.

Chris Parts: Okay.



Ben Roush: Might as well Martha, do you have Chris's email when you send it to Copy. Chris, I will ask if I need the second Yep.

Chris Parts: Okay. Not a problem. Thanks,

Ben Roush: Beyond that, I asked last month, is there anyone on the council thinks we should be considering for the program this year other than things that we get legislatively? We're already done with V5. that was the big change. did anything come up for you?

Ben Roush: Not that I hope or expect you're thinking of the Maryland Green Building Council all the time, but did anything come up for you in the last month that we should be thinking on? simple. It is worth saying publicly open meeting if somebody in you are allowed to speak as a member of the public. You don't need to be a member. I should have done this at the beginning. you can't vote, but you are allowed to Just raise your hand just like any Any other discussion that we should do? Hannah, that was my bullets for the month.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: Yeah, I think just looking ahead a reminder that we are going to have an in-person meeting May in the community room. I'll follow up an email.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: I can't remember the name of it, but the one you all wanted with the good parking Crownsville. Thanks, Vicki. So, we'll send out more information to that. and Ben, did you also just want to talk about the cadence moving forward?

Ben Roush: Yeah. ...

Ben Roush: we'll meet in March and maybe We may skip April. We're going to talk about it next month and May and then we're going to go to every other month and see if that's the right frequency. unless we get a strong heavy lift legislative charge, I don't see the need to meet every month. moving forward, I'm open for argument why maybe we should, but David Mhm.

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David Koenigsburg -DBM-: Sorry, I should have waited until this particular conversation was done. I was just looking back at the energy performance contracting conference. I know that the tended date for that was March 11th and...

David Koenigsburg -DBM-: that we were going to get updates on the invitation list for that and whether or not council members would have a spot during the conference.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: Yeah, thank you for bringing that up.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: So, yeah, on March 11th, we are doing an energy performance contracting workshop. The targeted audience would be state and...

Ben Roush: Hello. Martha.



Hannah Debelius -DGS-: local government stakeholders that have the potential to do energy performance contracting and also I would say other relevant stakeholders. this week did send out invitations for that. So for folks that are interested the space will be generally limited because the physical space is limited.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: But I will drop the RSVP link into the chat right now which also has more information and potential agenda for that or rather draft agenda.

Melissa Wilfong -IAC-: We did send that invite out to all of our eleas. So hopefully finance and facilities departments. Yeah.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: Great. Thanks Melissa Martha.

Martha Shrader: Just as far as frequency of meetings,...

Martha Shrader: it's always nice to have extra time back in the schedule. I know one of the things that I've found helpful is some of the presentations that we've had over the years on new technology or new processes or from other jurisdictions that may be having some of the same issues that we have. So even though we don't necessarily have a charge from the legislature to update the program I mean I find those useful.

Martha Shrader: So just something to consider. Of course, somebody's got to organize that and get speakers in, but just something to consider.

Ben Roush: Yeah. and...

Ben Roush: As we've talked about life cycle costing, I can go first next month. I can do a speaker just walking through the spreadsheet that we put together for those multi-measure building life cycle cost analyses. yeah, I'll have to anonymize it to not share project details, but that'll take 20 minutes just so that people can see what it is we're talking about.

Ben Roush: if you haven't seen one before.

Martha Shrader: Yeah, I think that would be cool. and also, language for procurement and language to put in the program and RFP so that you get that level of design.

Ben Roush: Yeah. Right.

Martha Shrader: Sometimes I think I'm going to get something and then they say, no, that wasn't an RV." So, how do you ensure that you're getting...

Martha Shrader: what you really need to make building efficient?

Ben Roush: That's really good.

Ben Roush: Will you add that to the notes that we deal with our just sample language would be simple. Louisa.

Louisa Rettew: The DOE several years ago had sample language for a decarbonization audit and so some of that might be able to be used and pulled in for the same thing.

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Ben Roush: Okay. ...

Ben Roush: would you mind sending us a link? Do you think you can dig that out or should I?

Ben Roush: Maybe Google will get me there.

Louisa Rettew: At the very least I can find...

Louisa Rettew: what I downloaded and email it to you, Ben, and then you can disseminate it.

Ben Roush: That would be So, our next meeting is March 19th because February has 28 days. So, it's all the exact same next month if you're following Thursdays. we did the good and the GGS conference. Is there anyone good and welfare worth cross agency sharing? I'm doing what I think is going to be a really fun or I'm organizing. I'm not actually presenting in any way.

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Ben Roush: I think I have to introduce people. next week, AIA Baltimore, so it's at the one Charles Center, the AIA center, is doing a single stair. Baltimore City has adopted single stair legislation to allow buildings up to six stories to have a single stair instead of two stairs with a bunch of provisions to add to life safety. some other major cities have done that in the US and there is legislation this year requiring a study at the state level not actual adoption but a study for similar so promises to be an interesting it's a three-part presentation with the city council member and sponsor of the legislation and then an architect to do the design comp.

Ben Roush: Anyways, I will see if I can dig that link up quickly and put that in. That's my near future. What I'm looking forward to. Anything else? Ha!

Marisa Britton: Hey, just something exciting I wanted to share. our team is just really excited to announce that, American University, which we've been working on a building on their site. We've designed it with them to achieve a net zero. So, this is their new athletic facility and so I'm sure tours will be coming out on that project and we're really excited about it.

Ben Roush: Can you say what the project was again? The athletic facility for whom?

Marisa Britton: American University my.

Ben Roush: All right. When there are tours,...

Ben Roush: ping the whole group.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: I Yeah,...

Ben Roush: That'll be great.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: first I'm actually used to be the sustainability manager at American University when that first got planned.



Hannah Debelius -DGS-: And it was very very glad to see it come to fruition.

Marisa Britton: Yeah.

Ben Roush: Very neat.

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: And David, I'm also a former Eagle for my grad degree.

Marisa Britton: That's exciting.

Ben Roush: Perfect. anything else for good and welfare? All right, then I would like to make a motion we adjourn. Will anyone second?

Hannah Debelius -DGS-: I back again.

Ben Roush: Does anyone oppose or abstain? That'd be a pretty funny thing to abstain very good. Thank you everybody. We will see you next month. I will go pull out those spreadsheets so I remember to show y'all next week or next

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