

# 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. 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Helena, MT 59601

### AGENDA\*

Wednesday, September 8, 2021

9:00 a.m.

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
  
2. **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS 9:05-9:15 a.m.** **Mike Foster, ARPA Program Director**
  - a. Conflict-of-Interest Forms
  - b. Expense Forms
  - c. Public Relations Contract
  - d. Universal Motion re Eligible Use
  - e. Proposal/Public Comment update
  - f. Other
  
3. **ARPA WEBSITE and CALL CENTER UPDATE 9:15-9:20 a.m.** **Kevin Gilbertson, State CIO**
  
4. **ARPA FUNDING UPDATE 9:20-9:35 a.m.** **Kurt Alme, Budget Director**
  - a. Financial Update
  - b. Allocation of additional funds for water and sewer projects
  - c. Other
  
5. **DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRY UPDATE 9:35-9:45 a.m.** **Scott Eychner, Dept. of Labor/Industry**
  - a. Return-to-Work Bonus
  
6. **DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & INDUSTRY PROPOSAL 9:45-10:30 a.m.** **Scott Eychner, Dept. of Labor/Industry**
  - a. Individuals with Disabilities Employment Engagement Program Explanation
    - i. Explanation
    - ii. Commission Questions
    - iii. Public Comment
    - iv. Commission Discussion
    - v. Commission Action

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- b. Rapid Retraining Program
  - i. Explanation
  - ii. Commission Questions
  - iii. Public Comment
  - iv. Commission Discussion
  - v. Commission Action

**MEETING BREAK 10:30-10:45 a.m.**

**7. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE UPDATE 10:45-11:15 a.m.**

**Scott Osterman, Director  
Dept. of Commerce**

- a. Economic Development Administration Grants

- b. Emergency Rental Assistance Program - flexibility

**Cheryl Cohen, Dept. of Commerce**

- i. Explanation
- ii. Commission Questions
- iii. Public Comment
- iv. Commission Discussion
- v. Commission Action

- c. Homeowner Assistance Fund Plan Guidelines Review

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**8. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PROPOSAL 11:15 a.m.-11:30 a.m.**

**Wayne Johnston, Dept. of Commerce**

- a. The American Rescue Plan Act Workforce Training Grant Program

- i. Explanation
- ii. Commission Questions
- iii. Public Comment
- iv. Commission Discussion
- v. Commission Action

**9. DASHBOARD UPDATE 11:30-11:40**

**Angie Nelson, Budget Analyst**

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT 11:40 -12:10 p.m.**

**Sen. Mark Blasdel, Chair**

**11. OTHER 12:10-12:20 p.m.**

**Mike Foster, ARPA Program Director**

- a. Deadlines
- b. Future Meeting Dates

**12. ADJOURN 12:20 p.m.**

**Sen. Mark Blasdel, Chair**