

Subject: Meeting Summary of second meeting of the Permit Task Force  
Date: March 4, 2010  
Location: Legislative Office Building – Room 2A  
Time: 3:00 – 5:00 PM  
Purpose: In accord with Governor’s Executive Order #39. The executive order establishes 45 day duration for the TF to meet, collect data and provide recommendations to the Governor. TF Recommendations are due on or about 3/19/10.

Permit Task Force (TF) Member Comments

Ms. Carol Wallace, Cooper – Atkins

- Divide the TF into two working groups

Mr. Eric Brown, Connecticut Business & Industry Association

- TF should examine statutes for intervener status and time periods

Mr. John Olsen, Connecticut AFL-CIO

- Timeframes for permit review will bring certainty to the process

Ms. Beth Barton, Day Pitney LLP

- Create priority locations/industries/projects for fast track permitting.
- Waterbury, Brass Mill Center is good example of priority project.
- Create a permit ombudsman to administer fast track permitting.

Mr. Frank Johnson, Manufacturing Alliance of CT

- Examine statutory constraints separate from regulatory constraints.

Ms. Bonnie DelConte, CONNSTEP, Inc.

- Look at a model project to determine snags.

Commissioner Amey Marrella, Department of Environmental Protection

- Streamline permitting process through legislative time frames will take DEP staff away from other priorities.

Commissioner Joan McDonald & Peter Simmons, DECD

- Look at five of the most cumbersome permits from key agencies (DEP, DOT, DPH).

Mr. Bruce L. McDermott, Wiggin and Dana LLP

- DEP should consider permits/programs with built in time frames.

Mr. Kenneth Olsen, POKO Partners LLC

- Suggests walking through the permitting process of a real estate development project to determine constraints.

Mark Alexander for Commissioner Joseph Marie, Department of Transportation

- The adjudicatory process can be burdensome due to the time it takes to prepare for hearing.

Absent Task Force Members

Mr. Bryan Garcia, Yale Environmental Center

Honorable Richard M. Moccia, City of Norwalk

Ms. Ellen Blaschinski, Department of Public Health

Summary of Next Steps

- Divide TF into two working groups to meet separately prior to next TF meeting:
  1. Statutory
    - a. Members: Eric Brown, John Olson, Beth Barton, Bruce McDermott.
    - b. Group will focus on statutory issues previously identified:
      - i. Intervener status (number of people required and open period)
      - ii. Adjudicatory process
  2. Operational
    - a. Members: Carol Wallace, Frank Johnson, Bonnie DelConte, Robert Kaliszweski, Maya Loewenberg, Brian Dillon, Kenneth Olson, William Ethier (HBA), Diane Jones (AIA), Jim Jurczyk (STC) and Sunny Ezete (DOT).
    - b. Group will focus on walking a model mixed-use development project through the permitting process to identify required permits, time periods and delays.

**Next meeting scheduled for March 11, 2010, 3:00 pm.**