Land Use and Local Government Advisory Panel - Wednesday, October 7, 2020

At the second Land Use and Local Government Panel meeting held on Wednesday, October 7, Panel members received an outline of the proposed sectoral goals and key focus areas of subgroups. These included; (1) land use policies and practices to reduce cross-sector emissions, (2) clean energy policies and practices to promote energy efficiency and clean energy adoption, and (3) policies for sector-specific and cross-sectoral climate adaptation and resilience. While the subgroup structure is still being created, Panel members noted several considerations for their scope of work. These ranged from defining ‘resilience’ and its linkage to adaptation/futureproofing, utilizing freight and waterway transport, incentives for developers and inter-municipal agreements to accelerate emissions reduction goals to mechanisms to help stabilize and address health and safety of impacted communities, encourage coastal management, planning, smart renewable energy siting, open spaces, sequestration, and nature-based solutions, among others. There is a dedicated email for public input and the Panel will hold a virtual public forum and 2 roundtables of local officials in November 2020 and January 2021. The next Panel meeting will be on October 30, 2020. Presentations and notes from past Advisory Panels and Working Groups meetings can be found here.