



## FYI NEWSLETTER

Promoting Responsible Economic Development Since 1967

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### Ready in Six is on the Horizon

*By Representative William G. Bush IV*

After years of talks, collaboration, and forging new partnerships, the pieces are finally coming into place. Reforms on the horizon include:

- Legislation to expedite the PLUS process, while retaining its core value
- Expediting DelDOT's issuance of temporary entrance permits for economic development projects
- Creating an economic development liaison within state government to ensure development projects are not being delayed
- Establishing Transportation Improvement Districts (TIDs) to provide predictability and certainty for site selectors and businesses

**READ MORE** in [Delaware Business Magazine: March/April 2022](#), by the Delaware State Chamber of Commerce

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The poster features a vertical stack of four icons on the left: a red square with a bicycle and a building, a green square with a shopping cart and a building, a blue square with a person at a desk, and an orange square with a person on a bicycle. To the right of these icons is the text 'NCC2050' in large, bold, green and blue letters. The top right corner has a dark blue background with the text 'You're Invited!' in white, italicized font. Below this, on a white background, is the title 'NCC2050 Information Sessions' in bold blue font. A green horizontal band contains the dates 'APRIL 21 AND 27' in yellow, with '7:00PM - 9:00PM' in smaller yellow text below. The bottom right section has a dark blue background with the location 'NCC Gilliam Multipurpose Room 67 Reads Way, New Castle, DE' in white. At the bottom left is the 'DEPARTMENT OF LAND USE' logo, and at the bottom right is the text 'This event will also be broadcast live online via Zoom.'

You're invited to attend these NCC2050 Information Sessions to learn more about what's in the comprehensive plan.

The April 21 Information Session will feature the following topics:

- Mobility
- Housing
- Community Planning and Design
- Economic and Community Development
- Environmental and Social Justice
- Intergovernmental Coordination

The April 27 Information Session will feature the following topics:

- Historic Preservation
- Conservation
- Open Space and Recreation
- Climate Change and Hazard Mitigation
- Utilities, Water, and Sewer

For the best experience, please plan to attend the events in person where you will be able to interact with Land Use Staff who will answer questions and receive your feedback on the specific topics presented.

The events will also be broadcast live on Zoom. The Zoom meeting link will be posted to the Dept. of Land Use website on the day of the event. Those watching online are asked to submit any feedback via email to: [NCC2050@newcastlede.gov](mailto:NCC2050@newcastlede.gov).

**[Click here to register to attend the Information Sessions!](#)**



# DELDOT DEVELOPMENT COORDINATION EXPEDITED REVIEW PROCESS

HELPING BRING PERMANENT FULL-TIME JOBS TO THE MARKET QUICKLY AND EFFICIENTLY.



Partner with key stakeholders = **shared mission**  
Reduced review times = **quicker approvals**



## PROJECT ELIGIBILITY

- Only **commercial** or **industrial** development projects are eligible.
- Projects need commitment of the Local Land Use Agency (LLUA) to expedite the LLUA approval process.
- Projects should also demonstrate an economic development benefit. For a detailed list of eligibility criteria, click [here](#) or visit [deldot.gov/business/subdivisions](http://deldot.gov/business/subdivisions) and look under the Guidance tab for “Expedited Reviews”

## HOW WE EXPEDITE THE PROCESS



ESTABLISHED TIMELINES



LONG LEAD-TIME IDENTIFICATION AND MITIGATION



INTERACTIVE REVIEWS



REGULAR COLLABORATIVE COMMUNICATION

For more information or to request an expedited review, please contact DelDOT Development Coordination, [302-760-2266](tel:302-760-2266) or email [subdivision@delaware.gov](mailto:subdivision@delaware.gov)

## Help M. Davis Upgrade the Shop at Mt. Pleasant High School

M. Davis has been a long-standing partner with many schools across the state. As a part of that initiative, we often have tours through our facilities or go to the schools to do a presentation. Last fall, I was contacted by Heather Handler, who is an instructor in the Engineer Technology Program at Mt. Pleasant. She was looking for a welding demonstration for her students. The demonstration went well and led to an increased interest in welding. We spent some time providing hands on instruction for Ms. Handler on multiple dates and she now has students working on welding projects. All sounds like good news but success can be contagious.

The shop at Mt. Pleasant has the infrastructure in place from a prior metal working program. There are metal booths and ventilation already in place. To be able to move welding from a curiosity into a part of the curriculum, we will need to do some work to set up two welding booths. This work will involve the D+R of a storage closet and some of the very old equipment in these booths, inspecting the ventilation and making sure the power is there to support two fabrication booths. In addition, we would need to work with Ms. Handler to continue to increase her skills so that she will be able to instruct the students moving forward.

As you are aware, there is a shortage of both skilled trades and engineers. This program helps to increase the feeder for both college and career ready. The University of Delaware is going through a major renovation of Spencer Lab to give their engineering students more “hands on” space and every industry in the state is looking for trade professionals. We’ve all seen the numbers in every meeting. Business leaders and politicians are aligned that we have a major shortfall in talent that is only going to get larger as Boomer’s retire and more industry comes to the region.

This renovation allows for the definition of a win-win to occur. Thanks for considering supporting this effort,

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***LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER!***

**April Member Reception & Annual Meeting**  
**Tuesday, April 19, 2022**  
**5:30 - 7:30 p.m.**



The University of Delaware is hosting our April Member Reception at the new **Ammon Pinizzotto Biopharmaceutical Innovation Center** (APBio for short). Located on the STAR Campus, this six-story, 228,000-square-foot facility is home to the National Institute for Innovation in Manufacturing Biopharmaceuticals (NIIMBL), the Delaware Biotechnology Institute, and the Department of Biomedical Engineering.



Questions? Contact Lanor at [lryder@committeeof100.com](mailto:lryder@committeeof100.com) or 267-207-4151.

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