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Subject: FW: Upcoming TA Connect Webinars: Placemaking August 3rd and Infrastructure Financing Tools August 9th
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Dear Adam, Tim, Pam, Bob, Jay, and Jen,

Enclosed are two Webinar Workshop announcements by TA (Technical Assistance) Connect. TA Connect is a partnership among the Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development, Department of Housing and Community Development, MassDevelopment, and the Massachusetts Association of Regional Planning Agencies. TA Connect is a collaborative effort that brings together expertise across agencies to help Massachusetts cities and towns address their most pressing planning and economic development needs. The initiative coordinates service delivery, fosters cooperation, and helps municipalities identify and leverage resources to stimulate growth.

The Two Webinar Workshops are as follows:

1. Have a "placemaking" project? Commonwealth Places wants to help!

Wed., August 3rd from 2-3PM

Speakers from MassDevelopment and Patronicity will provide an overview of how municipalities are using placemaking to support economic development, and will discuss how MassDevelopment's new "[Commonwealth Places](#)" grant program can support the funding of these projects. Tune in to learn whether your placemaking project(s) would qualify for the program, and how your team can best position itself to receive up to \$50,000 in funding from MassDevelopment.

2. Infrastructure Financing Tools to Support Local Economic Development

Tues., August 9th from 1-2PM

Speakers from the Executive Office of Housing and Economic Development and MassDevelopment will discuss a number of infrastructure financing tools (e.g. MassWorks, DIF, I-Cubed and 23L) can be used to support housing and economic development projects in your community. As a reminder, MassWorks applications are due September 2nd – this is a great opportunity to learn more and ask questions about the program!

MVC Staff will set up a conference call and webinar for both sessions. Everyone is welcome to join us at the MVC conference room, just let us know if you plan on attending the sessions. The two sessions are a good opportunity for towns to become more familiar with state Economic Development programs and grant funding opportunities. Please forward this information to your respective board members or Town Hall Department Heads. I have

copied Town Planning Boards on this email as well.

Next week, I will also provide a brief update on the state's Economic Development Bill which should be finalized by the State Legislature on Sunday July 31st.

Have a great weekend.

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Good afternoon,

On behalf of TA Connect partners, I wanted to share with you information about two upcoming TA Connect webinars that you might find of interest:

- **Have a "placemaking" project? Commonwealth Places wants to help!**
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Learn more and [REGISTER here](#).
- **Infrastructure Financing Tools to Support Local Economic Development**
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As always, TA Connect events are free to attend but space is limited. Register early to reserve your seat.

Regards,

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