



Link to Mentimeter questions

Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) Committee Kickoff Meeting

Date: May 15, 2025

Location: Room 1A, Metropolitan Council (390 Robert St. North, St. Paul)

Time: 1:00 – 2:30 pm

AGENDA

1:00–1:10 | Welcoming Remarks by Chair Zelle and Brandon Hofstedt

1:10–1:35 | Introductions

How do you or your organization engage with the regional economy?

1:35–1:55 | 2025 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy

Presenter: Baris Gumus-Dawes

1:55–2:25 | Small Group Discussion

1. What do you see as the regional economy's key strengths and opportunities? What are some strategic initiatives that are happening?
 2. What do you see as the key weaknesses and vulnerabilities? What is being done and can be done to address them?
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2:25–2:30 | Next Steps