



## **EIG Opportunity Zones Coalition Conference Call**

Conference Call Agenda

Thursday, October 17, 2019

2:00 - 3:00 pm ET

**Dial-in:** 720-707-2699; Meeting ID: 105 081 015

or <https://zoom.us/j/105081015>

Coalition Portal: <https://eig.org/opportunityzones/coalition>; Password: EIGOZcoalition

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- **Recap of House Committee on Small Business Subcommittee on Economic Growth, Tax, and Capital Access Hearing**
  - [“Can Opportunity Zones Address the Concerns of the Small Business Economy?”](#)
  - Thursday, October 17, 10:00 am ET ([link](#) to livestream)
  
- **Guest Speaker: Ben Seigel, Opportunity Zones Coordinator, City of Baltimore**
  - October 16: [Baltimore Homecoming 2019](#)
  
- **Policy Updates**
  - [HUD Issues Information Collection on Opportunity Zones Grant Certification Form](#) (Deadline for comments: December 9)
  - [HUD grants \\$112 million to expand affordable housing for people with disabilities, with preference points to OZs](#)
  - [CA Treasurer Fiona Ma Appoints New Housing, Economic Development, Jobs, and Opportunity Zones Ad Hoc Committee](#)
  - [IRS Releases Priority Guidance Plan, Includes OZs](#)
  - [Secretary of Education Betsy DeVos Announces New Initiative to Support Opening and Expanding Charter Schools in Opportunity Zones](#)
  - IRS publishes [draft Form 8997](#) for QOF statements, issues [RFI](#) (Deadline for comments: December 2)
  - [Department of Commerce publishes RFI on Opportunity Zones](#) (Deadline for comments: October 18)
  
- **Market Updates and Resources**
  - HUD | [Opportunity Zones Toolkit: Volume 1](#)
  - New York Fed | [Investing in Opportunity Zones: Ensuring the Public Benefit](#)
  - Urban Institute | [An Opportunity Zone Guide for Governors and a Case Study of South Carolina](#)



- Bloomberg Tax | [INSIGHT: Navigating Opportunity Zones—Making the Myriad of Legal Requirements Work in Practice](#)
- South Florida Business Journal | [Hollywood attracts new Opportunity Zone investments with 3 major projects in the planning stages](#)
- Telegraph Herald | [Company plans 180-unit, \\$20 million retail/apartment complex in Port of Dubuque](#)
- TribLive | [Vertical farming company Fifth Season moves to Braddock](#)
- MaineBiz | [Inside the new Waterville Opportunity Zone 'megafund'](#)
- Lawrence Journal World | [City seeking feedback on desired developments in low-income 'opportunity zones'](#)
- Houston Chronicle | [Origin Investments and Marquette Cos. break ground on Second Ward apartment midrise](#)

- **Open Discussion**

- **Next Steps**

- Next Coalition Call: Thursday, October 31, 2:00 - 3:00 pm EDT

*Do you have an upcoming OZ project or announcement? Let us know: [catherine@eig.org](mailto:catherine@eig.org)*



## **General Updates and Resources**

### **Upcoming Opportunity Zones Events**

- October 21: [Mastercard Inclusive Growth Summit](#), Washington, DC
- October 22-25: [SOCAP 2019](#), San Francisco, CA
- October 22: [CDFA Catalyzing Opportunity Zone Investments in New England](#), Boston, MA
- October 22: [Opportunity Virginia Launch & Summit](#), Charlottesville, VA
- October 23: [Columbus Chamber of Commerce Government Day](#), Columbus, OH
- October 24-25: [Novogradac Opportunity Zones Fall Conference](#), Chicago, IL
- October 29: EIG Webinar on Anchor Institutions in OZs (national)
- October 30: [Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development's Opportunity Zones - Choose Connecticut](#), New Haven, CT
- October 30: Accelerator for America Investor Summit, Dayton, OH
- November 12: [IMN Opportunity Zones Forum West](#), Los Angeles, CA
- February 5-7: [Sorenson Impact 2020 Winter Innovation Summit](#), Salt Lake City, UT

### **Past Opportunity Zones Events**

- October 4: [QOZ State Tax Landscape: California Case Study and Path Ahead](#) (webinar)
- October 10: [South Carolina Opportunity Zone Summit](#), Greenville, SC
- October 10: [CDFA Georgia Opportunity Zones: Driving Peach State Investment](#), Atlanta, GA
- October 16: [Baltimore Homecoming 2019](#), Baltimore, MD
- October 17: Brownfield Listing's [Opportunity Zones Bootcamp and Pitch Competition](#), Newark, NJ

### **Key Opportunity Zones Clips**

- Oregon Business | [Opinion: Opportunity Zones Offer Potential for Positive Change](#)
- Daily Local News | [Coatesville primed for extensive economic revitalization](#)
- Puget Sound Business Journal | [Five misconceptions about opportunity zones](#)
- Wall Street Journal | [Erie Hit 'Rock Bottom.' The Former Factory Hub Thinks It Has a Way Out](#)
- ColoradoBiz | [Colorado Brings The Outdoor Industry to Unexpected Places](#)
- MaineBiz | [Inside the new Waterville Opportunity Zone 'megafund'](#)
- GeekWire | [Seattle tech execs fund 'Opportunity Zone' housing, harnessing new tax breaks](#)
- WSPA | [Opportunity Zone summit comes to Greenville](#)
- Forbes | [The Revitalization of Opportunity Zones](#)