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## Unified Work Program Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 23, 2009

10:00 AM

Offices of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning  
Lake County Room  
233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800, Sears Tower  
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### Committee Members Present:

\*Alternate Member

Matt Maloney (CMAP), Leon Rockingham (Regional Council of Mayors), David Simmons (CTA), Mark Pitstick\* (RTA), John Donovan (FWHA), David Werner (FTA), Brian Giblin\* (CTA), Paula Trigg\* (Lake County), Sid Weseman (RTA), David Seglin (City of Chicago)

### Staff Present:

None

### Others Present:

Kama Dobbs (DMMC), Tammy Wiercak (WCMC), David Raso (Metra), Len Cannata (WCMC), Bruce Christensen (Lake County), Chalen Daigle (McHenry County)

### 1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 AM by Matt Maloney, in the absence of an Illinois Department of Transportation representative.

### 2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

The Committee approved a motion by Mr. Weseman to postpone any action on Item 4.0 (RTA Re-Programming of FY 2007 and FY 2008 funds) to a later date.

**3.0 Approval of the Minutes-May 23, 2009**

The approval of the May 23 minutes was postponed until the next UWP meeting.

**4.0 RTA Re-Programming of FY 2007 and FY 2008 UWP Funds**

Committee action on this item was postponed until the next meeting. Mr. Maloney asked Mr. Weseman for any recent news on the Cook-DuPage project. Mr. Weseman stated that the West Central Municipal Conference continues to have additional concerns with RTA's decision to end this project. Mr. Weseman says that RTA is working with WCMC and other stakeholders in that part of the region to reach a conclusion on this issue.

**5.0 County and City of Chicago Reports on UWP Project Progress**

The Counties and the City of Chicago gave short reports on the progress of UWP funded projects in FY 2008 and 2009. Ms. Trigg remarked that both Lake County and Kane County has recently selected consultants for two projects- Lake's Complete Streets Initiative and Kane's Transportation Plan (both FY 2009 project). These projects are both moving forward.

Mr. Seglin remarked that the City was making progress in expending historical funds on both Preliminary Planning and the TIP Development and Monitoring projects. Mr. Seglin said that much of the reason for the City's slow progress over last year's projects has been that the City has not produced a local match for IDOT for FY 2009 projects.

**6.0 Progress Reports and Eligibility for Future UWP Funding**

The purpose of this item was for the Committee to have a brief discussion on potential metrics to install in the FY 2011 process for using past progress on projects to determine eligibility for future funding. Mr. Maloney reminded the Committee that there have been large unexpended balances in UWP funds. Furthermore, the FHWA/FTA MPO certification process stressed that past progress should be used to determine eligibility for future funding. Mr. Maloney stated that he had no particular metrics in mind this meeting, but wanted to hear Committee feedback on this matter.

Committee members suggested several important considerations for applying these metrics. The most important consideration is that all projects are not created equal. The Committee suggested parsing out which projects were to fund staff versus which were to fund third-party work. Often times, it takes much longer to begin consultant work than it does to begin staff work. Also, the Committee suggested that any metric should consider being "project-specific" as opposed to agency-specific.

Mr. Maloney said that in the fall, he would bring several different potential metrics to the Committee for their attention and further feedback.

**7.0 Next Meeting**

No meeting is currently scheduled.

**8.0 Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt Maloney", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Matt Maloney  
CMAP

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