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Regional Freight Leadership Task Force

Minutes

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Offices of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)
DuPage County Conference Room
Suite 800, 233 S. Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois

- Members Present:** Michael Gorman (Chair), David Brady – Village of Bedford Park, Michael Burton – C&K Trucking, Rick Dickens – Cannon Ball Express Lines, Bill Driegert – Coyote Logistics, Peter Fahrenwald – RTA, Alicia Hanlon – Office of the Will County Executive, Jim LaBelle – Metropolis Strategies, Paul Nowicki – BNSF, Phil Resendiz – FedEx Freight, Herbert Smith – Norfolk Southern
- Staff Present:** Alex Beata, Randy Blankenhorn, Jill Leary, Matt Maloney, Tom Murtha, Simone Weil
- Others Present:** Dr. Bruce Hartman – University of St. Francis, Keith Crabb – Damco Distribution Services Inc., Randy Thomas – Illinois Trucking Association, Tom Bothen – UIC, Scott McPherson – Union League Club, Dean Mentjes – FHWA, Mike Klemens – Will County Governmental League, Stan Scofield – APL, Erika Witzke – Cambridge Systematics, Reggie Greenwood – South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association, Mark Copeland – IDOT, Joe Alonzo – CDOT, Jeffrey Sriver – CDOT, Max Bosso – Village of Elwood, Kristen Andersen – Metra, Kevin Donahue – Illinois Tollway, David Chandler – Center for Neighborhood Technology, Libby Ogard – Prime Focus LLC, Brian Urbaszewski – Respiratory Health Association

1.0 Call to Order

Regional Freight Leadership Task Force Chair, Michael Gorman, called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes. Mr. Beata provided an overview of the report issued on October 29, 2013 by the U.S. House of Representatives Transportation and Infrastructure Committee's Panel on 21st Century Freight Transportation. He referred the Task Force to the CMAP Policy Update for more information.

3.0 Approval of Minutes – October 18, 2013

President Brady moved to approve the minutes from October 18, 2013. The motion was seconded by Ms. Hanlon and unanimously approved by the Task Force.

4.0 Guest speakers

Chair Gorman invited the guest speakers to present on the following case studies:

4.1 Alameda Corridor Transportation Authority – Mr. Hicks provided an overview of the history, financing, and project scope for the Alameda Corridor project in Los Angeles County. He also provided an overview of other freight-related fees proposed by various ports and in the literature. Mr. Hicks then answered numerous questions from the Task Force and audience.

4.2 Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board – Ms. Schmidt provided an overview of the history, mission, and funding sources for the Freight Mobility Strategic Investment Board in Washington State. She also described the Board’s governing structure and programming process, and profiled recent projects supported by FMSIB. Ms. Schmidt then answered numerous questions from both the Task Force members and audience.

4.3 KC SmartPort – Mr. Gutierrez provided an overview of purview and activities of KC SmartPort, highlighting recent campaigns and development sites. He also provided brief overviews of the history and funding of the Sheffield Junction and Argentine Connection rail flyover projects in the Kansas City region. Mr. Gutierrez then answered questions from both the Task Force members and audience.

5.0 Open Discussion

Chair Gorman invited further questions for the three guest speakers from both Task Force members and the audience.

6.0 Other Business

There was no other business before the Task Force.

7.0 Public Comment

There was no public comment.

8.0 Next Meeting

The Task Force meets next on January 10, 2014.

9.0 Adjournment

The Task Force adjourned at 11:44.

Respectfully submitted,

Alex Beata, CMAP Staff