

MEETING OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE

to be held at the

CHICAGO METROPOLITAN AGENCY FOR PLANNING
233 South Wacker Drive, Suite 800
Chicago, Illinois

Cook County Conference Room

Thursday, June 12, 2008
10:00 a.m.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. OLD BUSINESS

**A. Approval of Minutes for
March 13, 2008**

The minutes are attached.

ACTION REQUESTED

Approval by Policy Committee

B. Council of Mayors' Report

C. CMAP Report

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. GO TO 2040 - Regional Comprehensive Plan Vision Statement

ACTION REQUESTED *Endorsement*

The Transportation Committee has recommended the approval of the regional vision to Policy Committee and the CMAP Board. The Programming Coordinating Committee will consider recommending approval at their meeting on June 11, 2008. The regional vision, which is an interim product of the *GO TO 2040* planning process, has been developed through involvement of stakeholder groups and the general public. The vision development description explains how the vision statements that were initially released in fall 2007 have been improved based on comments received.

B. FY 09 Unified Work Program

ACTION REQUESTED *Approval of the Fiscal Year 2009 Unified Work Program*

The Transportation Committee has recommended the approval of the proposed FY 2009 Unified Work Program to the Policy Committee and the CMAP Board. The Programming Coordinating Committee will consider recommending approval at their meeting on June 11, 2008. The FY 2009 UWP totals \$19,132,682 and includes \$15,197,062 in FHWA and FTA regional planning funds and \$3,935,620 in local match funds. The program was released for a period of public comment, lasting from April 25 to May 20. No comments were received. The attached Executive Summary details the allocation of funding and awarded projects.

C. JARC/New Freedom Programs

ACTION REQUESTED *Endorsement of the FY 2007 JARC and New Freedom Programs*

The Regional Transportation Authority has developed a program of projects for the FY 2007 Job Access and Reverse Commute Program and the New Freedom Program. A Selection Review Committee evaluated proposals submitted for funding. A detailed description of the process and projects selected is attached. The Transportation Committee has recommended that the Policy Committee endorse the program and authorize the Transportation Committee to amend these projects into the Transportation Improvement Program following approval by the Regional Transportation Authority at their meeting on June 19th. The Programming Coordinating Committee will consider recommending approval at their meeting on June 11, 2008.

D. 2030 Regional Transportation Plan Update, FY 2007-2012 Transportation Improvement Program Amendments and Air

CMAP's Transportation Committee released an amendment to the Transportation Improvement Program, an update to the 2030 Regional Transportation Plan, and a revised conformity analysis. Detailed information about these changes may be found at <http://www.cmap.illinois.gov/sp2030/sp2030main.aspx>. The comment period ended on

**Quality Conformity
Determinations**

ACTION REQUESTED

*Approval of the Plan Update, the
TIP Amendments and
accompanying conformity
determinations.*

May 24, 2008 and no comments were received. The Transportation Committee has recommended approval of the Plan update, the TIP Amendments and the conformity determination. The Programming Coordinating Committee will consider recommending approval at their meeting on June 11, 2008.

**E. Congestion Reduction Initiative
for the CTA and City of
Chicago**

On April 29, 2008, the U.S. Department of Transportation announced its designation of Chicago as Congestion Reduction Demonstration Partner. There are four basic components to the Demonstration: bus rapid transit projects; loading zone fees; variable parking pricing; and, a parking concession agreement. A total of \$153.1 million in federal funds is available to implement the bus rapid transit projects. Additional information about the award is available at <http://www.crd.dot.gov/agreements/chicago.htm>.

F. GO TO 2040 Outreach Efforts

"GO TO 2040" is the name for our campaign to develop and implement the regional comprehensive plan, which will contain the federally required long-range transportation plan. Staff will update the Committee on the launch of this effort, including upcoming events and how people and groups can get involved. See <http://www.goto2040.org> for a wealth of materials that are being posted to the web.

**G. Nominating Committee for
Office of Vice-Chairman**

The MPO bylaws state "each year during June, after notice to the membership in the call and agenda of a particular meeting, the Chairman shall appoint a subcommittee of five members of the Policy Committee to nominate at a meeting in October, the name or names of candidates for election to the office of Vice Chairman of the Policy Committee for the following year". The members of the nominating committee must include one person from each of the following areas: municipal government or municipal corporation, highway or roads administration, public transportation agency or other transportation provider, regional planning agency, and county government.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

V. NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled meeting is October 9, 2008.