



## Board Meeting Minutes

May 9, 2007

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

**Board Members Present:** Rita Athas (Deputy Chief of Staff, City of Chicago), Frank H. Beal (Executive Director, Chicago Metropolis 2020), Gerald Bennett (Mayor, Palos Hills), Anthony Calderone (Mayor, Village of Forest Park) via tele-conference, Zenovia Evans (Mayor, Riverdale), Elliott Hartstein (President, Buffalo Grove), Al Larson (President, Schaumburg), Marilyn Michelini, (President, Montgomery), Raul Raymundo (Executive Director, Resurrection Project), Andre Rice (President, Muller & Monroe Asset Management), Rae Rupp Srch, (Representing DuPage County), Dan Shea (McHenry County Board Member), Michael Smith (Representing Will County) and Nigel Telman (Partner, Sidley Austin, LLP). **Non-Voting Members:** Edward Paesel (Executive Director, South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association-NIPC)

**Absent:** Calvin Jordan (Highway Commissioner, Rich Township), and Stephen Schlickman (Executive Director, Regional Transportation Authority-CATS)

**Staff Present:** Randy Blankenhorn, Jill Leary, Dolores Dowdle, Ron Thomas, Don Kopec, Tom Garritano and Sherry Kane

**Others Present:** Jim LaBelle-CM2020, Rick Curneal-DMMC, Chris DiPalma-FHWA, Beth McCluskey-WCMC, Les Nunes-IDOT, Holly Smith-KDOT, Vicky Smith-SWCOM, Joel Stauber-CMAP CAC, Mike Walczak,-NWMC, Tammy Wierciak-WCMC, Holly Ostdick-McCOM, Barbara Vroman-CAC/Girl Scouts, Les Nunes-IDOT, David Seglin-CDOT, Mike Klemens-WCGL, Maria Choca Urban-CM2020, and Kit Hodge-MPC.

### 1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

Mayor Gerald Bennett of Palos Hills and Chair of the CMAP Board called the meeting to order at 9:38 a.m. Board members introduced themselves.

## **2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements**

There were no agenda changes. CMAP's Employee of Month was recognized with Board Chair Jerry Bennett's presentation of a Certificate of Appreciation to Dawn Thompson.

## **3.0 Approval of Meeting Minutes**

A motion to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2007 board meeting, as presented, was made by Mayor Elliott Hartstein and seconded by Mayor Zenovia Evans. All in favor, the motion carried.

## **4.0 Executive Director's Report**

Included in Executive Director's Report were updates on the Leadership Workshops which are the next phase of the 2040 Framework implementation that includes an introduction to the Centers Tool Kit and CMAP plus the comprehensive plan schedule throughout the region. Board Members, as goodwill ambassadors, are encouraged to attend sessions in their respective areas of representation.

Requests for contract approvals for TIP database update not to exceed \$40,000 and post-implementation evaluation of emissions benefits of CMAQ projects not to exceed \$160,000 are made along with a request to solicit proposals to consolidate printers and copiers. A motion made by Mayor Marilyn Micheline and seconded by Dan Shea, with all in favor, carried.

Lastly, Blankenhorn reported that CMAP is part of a coed recreational 16-inch softball league that plays on Monday nights in Grant Park.

## **5.0 Committee Reports**

An update of CMAP's working committees (Economic Development, Environment, Housing, Human Services, Land Use and Transportation) was distributed prior to the board meeting. Both CMAP's coordinating committees had met earlier in the morning. Programming's chair Rita Athas reported that presentations were made on UWP, CMAQ, FPA and UPA and that the Committee gave considerable attention to CREATE that had not been granted federal highway funding in the TIP. The committee recommended that a letter be forward by the CMAP board to the Federal Highway Administration requesting support of this very vital program. The motion thus made by Programming Chair Rita Athas was seconded by Dan Shea and with all in favor, carried.

Planning's Chair Mike Smith also reported the activities of this morning's committee meeting stating that the 2030 RTP's public comment period had closed and the Board will be asked to approve the updated plan at their June meeting. Work continues with the comprehensive plan development, of which modeling is an integral part, Smith continued. Also discussed is the regional water supply study being coordinated by CMAP.

## **6.0 Legislative Update**

HB 1134 amendment #2 was released from Rules Committee on Tuesday and is expected to be heard tomorrow by the Committee on Smart Growth and Regional Planning and hopefully called for vote in the House on Thursday with a tight schedule moving into the Senate. Following the last board meeting, three major changes to the amendment were introduced, including the removal of bonding authority and funding and defining the Policy Committee as the MPO and inserting a number of references to the MPO throughout the amendment. Although the funding was eliminated, IDOT agreed to cover the federal match of the agency's federal planning funds. Unfortunately Dick Smith could not be present this morning and Les Nunes, recently named to fill the Urban Program Planning Bureau Chief position at IDOT reported IDOT's position related to the changes to HB 1134 stating that the bonding issue seemed aggressive with no adequate funding stream for repayment and the concern that transportation dollars might be used for that purpose. Nunes went on to report that that ½ of 1% language to match federal funds seemed excessive and that the change associated with defining the Policy Committee as the MPO was relatively minor. Several board members voiced their concerns regarding the changes. In closing, Nunes reported that funding will come in some form or another.

## **7.0 Fiscal Year 2008 Budget**

Blankenhorn reported that presently there is over \$1.5 million in invoices that have not been paid by IDOT with another \$1 million that will be billed by day's end, causing significant problems. NIPC's line of credit would be activated to cover interim expenses at a cost of \$4,000 and 1% over prime. The [\$600,000] line of credit will only cover about three weeks' expenses. A motion is made by Dan Shea and seconded by Mayor Michelini to extend the line of credit as is necessary. Nigel Telman and Mayor Evans voted NO.

Staff is directed to draft a letter to IDOT outlining its contractual obligations by day's end. So moved by Rae Rupp Srch, the motion is seconded by Mayor Hartstein. Copies of the letter are also to be directed to legislative leaders reinforcing why a hand shake agreement cannot be relied upon. All in favor, the motion carried.

Turning the discussion to the FY 2008 Budget, Deputy Executive Director of Finance and Administration Dolores Dowdle explained two versions of the FY 2008 budget reporting that alternative A proposes full funding for the activities of the core projects while alternative B reflects no additional funding source to the general fund. The budget having been previously presented to the Executive Committee required additional explanation regarding reductions that was covered in a Memo, distributed this morning to accompany other materials included in the board packet. Presented today as informational only, approval of the budget will be sought in June.

## **8.0 Water Supply Update**

Tim Loftus was asked to give the CMAP Board an update on the Water Supply Planning Group's activities and reported that the various representatives had met over the past 4 months and invited the Board to join them for the next meeting at Ryerson Woods in

Deerfield on May 22. A mission statement that was developed last month, Loftus continued, and approval of operating guidelines, goals and principles to frame strategies to achieve those goals is expected at its next meeting. A plan is due in June 2009 that will look to 2050 as a planning horizon and will cover sustainability and climate change models and generate various water demand scenarios. Throughout the process, CMAP will conduct outreach and education to raise awareness.

#### **9.0 Facility Planning Areas**

Deputy Executive Director of Operations and Programming Don Kopec is called upon to brief the board on the FPA process. Some decisions will be required of the Board in June, Kopec reported, that will include the following short-term issues: a) will CMAP continue the FPA process; b) how will CMAP replace NIPC's water resource committee; and, c) how to bring Kendall county into the process. The Programming Coordinating Committee had requested pros and cons to make decisions on the 3 short-term issues and after having considered various background materials agreed to begin the process for resolving the short-term issues.

#### **10.0 Developments of Regional Impact (DRI)**

Good news about HB 1134 is that it continues to allow the CMAP Board the ability to and authority to define Developments of Regional Impact (DRI) that will bring together a process to identify projects that can be considered as DRI.

#### **11.0 Other Business**

There was no other business brought before the board.

#### **12.0 Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

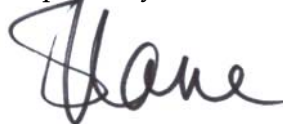
#### **13.0 Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the CMAP Board is scheduled for June 13, 2007, 9:30 a.m.

#### **14.0 Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:56 a.m. made by Frank Beal and seconded by Mayor Zenovia Evans passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Sherry Kane, Executive Assistant

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*Approved, as presented, by unanimous vote on June 13, 2007*