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Unified Work Program Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday March 16, 2010

10:30 AM

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

*Alternate Member

Keith Sherman (IDOT), Matt Maloney (CMAP), Mark Pitstick (RTA)*, Rich Hazlett (City of Chicago)*, Beth McCluskey (Metra), Michael Connelly (CTA), John Donovan (FHWA), Brian Giblin (CTA)*, David Seglin (City of Chicago), Arlene Mulder (Regional Council of Mayors), Tom Radak, (Pace) Paula Trigg (Lake County), Jason Osborn (McHenry County)

Staff Present:

Randy Blankenhorn, Janet Bright, Dolores Dowdle, Patricia Berry, Joey Silberhorn,

Others Present:

Chalen Hunter (McHenry County), Kama Dobbs (DMMC), Tammy Wiercak (WCMC), Mike Walczak (NWMC), Len Cannata (WCMC), Tatiana Jane (RTA), David Raso (Metra)

1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:33 AM by Keith Sherman.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

Mr. Maloney handed out a summary of the competitive projects for FY10. The summary shows which projects were approved and which projects were not approved in the previous year.

3.0 Approval of the Minutes-February 16, 2010

The February 16 minutes were unanimously approved by the Committee.

4.0 Unexpended Funds and Reprogramming Opportunities

Committee members were asked to send unexpended amounts to Mr. Maloney. Metra has submitted theirs- this was included in the Committee's materials. They have one project that has \$226,000 remaining after project completion. Mr. Seglin listed 3 projects from the City that have leftover funding – TIP Development '05, TIP Development '06, and Rail Plan Part 3. Mr. Pitstick said that RTA does not have any unobligated funds left. Mr. Radak said he would look and get back to Mr. Maloney regarding any balances Pace may have. CTA said they may have \$162,000 from FY'05. Mr. Blankenhorn said these unobligated funds should be moved to FY11 projects.

5.0 FY 2011 UWP Development Process – Core Program

Mr. Blankenhorn reviewed the state budget issues and updated the situation in regards to the Comprehensive Regional Planning Fund and the ability to match federal dollars. Mr. Blankenhorn said that at this point, CMAP is confident that the match will come through, either through the CRPF or through a match from IDOT. Hence, Mr. Blankenhorn suggested that "Option 1", which assumes local match dollars, should be considered by the Committee, as opposed to "Option 2" which assumes a soft-match for CMAP.

Mr. Connelly moved to approve Option 1 of the Core Program and Ms. McCluskey seconded. Mr. Maloney asked the Council of Mayors about the scope of their proposal as it seemed to be identical to last year's. The CoM replied that there are a few minor changes to last year's.

Ms. Trigg asked if there should be another call for competitive proposals. Mr. Seglin said that the City held off submitting proposals because of the funding situation. Mr. Sherman reminded the committee that there was a motion and a second. Mr. Pitstick voiced concern with voting for Option 1, specifically related to the City's core proposal. The City has large unobligated balances but are still submitting proposals. Mr. Pitstick moved to amend the vote by removing the City's proposals. Motion failed due to a lack of a second. The first motion to approve Option one was approved by the Committee. Mr. Pitstick voted no.

6.0 FY 2011 Development Process – Competitive Program

The CTA submitted 8 projects for the Competitive program, Metra submitted two projects, Pace/Village of Nilens submitted one, RTA submitted two and McHenry County submitted one. The Committee had a lively discussion about the pros and cons of the proposals. The motion to reopen submissions was made by Mr. Seglin and seconded by Ms. Trigg. The motion passed by the committee and the new deadline for submissions is March 30.

7.0 UWP Committee Membership

Mr. Maloney reviewed the members/alternates for the committee. RTA has an alternate vacancy. For Metra, David Raso is the alternate. Mr. Maloney said that the Committee really should have a vice chair- there have been a number of situations in the past two years where the chair is absent for a meeting, and this poses challenges. The motion was made by Mr. Connelly to have Ms. McCluskey become the vice chair of the committee, which was seconded by Ms. Mulder. The committee approved unanimously.

8.0 Public Comment

There was no public comment.

9.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting is April 6, 2010 at 10:30 a.m. Mr. Sherman and Mr. Connelly will not be in attendance.

10.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Matt Maloney
CMAP