



Housing Committee Minutes

Thursday, March 17, 2011 Meeting

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

Committee Members

Present: Nancy Firfer, Chair, Paul Colgan (phone), Sharon Gorrell, Tammie Grossman, Paul Leder, Janice Morrissy, Nicole Nutter, Alan Quick, Joanna Trotter, Stacie Young

Staff Present: Erin Aleman, Bob Dean, Trevor Dick, Cynthia Hernandez, Ricardo Lopez, Jason Navota, Pete Saunders, Jessica Simoncelli, Kendra Smith, Drew Williams-Clark

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

Chair, Nancy Firfer, called the meeting to order at approximately 9:15 a.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

Janice Morrissy made one change to previous minutes regarding committee attendance.

3.0 Illinois Association of Realtors Presentation: Sharon Gorrell, National Association of Realtors

Committee members were shown *State of the Illinois Economy 2011 "Connecting the Dots"*, presented by Dr. Geoffrey J.D. Hewings, University of Illinois and Director of the Regional Economics Application Laboratory. "*Connecting the Dots*" is a housing forecast based on Multiple Listing Service sales reported by participating local Realtor Associations throughout Illinois. The research links jobs, unemployment and other economic indicators with real estate data for the state and the nine-county Chicagoland region (Cook, DeKalb, DuPage, Grundy, Kane, Kendall, Lake McHenry and Will). A digital and print copy of the presentation can be found [here](#).

4.0 Local Technical Assistance Program-Bob Dean, CMAP

LTA staff discussed the community application process as well as the project priority ranking system. The committee was updated on the six projects that will be starting immediately. Nancy Nutter reported communities are excited to be part of the LTA program but suggested more clarification on what submitted projects were selected (for those accepted communities with multiple submissions) and additional details on the process. Pete Saunders noted LTA staff will be working with the selected communities to

prioritize and scope their projects

Sharon Gorrell asked about cargo related development relating to the Blue Island Comprehensive Plan. Pete informed the committee, for a comprehensive plan, COD, housing and all development data will be used to create a plan. Nicole Nutter suggested committee members look at Center for Neighborhood Technology's COD report. Janice Morrissy also recommended the Chicago Southland's Green TIME Zone study.

5.0 Homes for Changing Region Update-Drew Williams-Clark, CMAP

Drew Williams-Clark delivered a brief update on the Homes for Changing Region program, including plans for new analysis presentations on supply and demand in April 2011. Mr. Williams-Clark also informed the committee the West Cook Housing Collaborative and Northwest Suburban Housing Collaborative, through the LTA program, will be part of the *Homes* expansion project. Alan Quick inquired about the funding source for the additional *Homes* participants, Mr. Williams-Clark responded that HUD Sustainable Communities grant dollars will be utilized.

6.0 Legislative Update-Ylda Capriccioso, CMAP

Legislative Update was sent to committee members via constant contact on March 21, 2011. They can also be found on the [CMAP website](#).

7.0 Other Business

Lindsay Banks presented a brief overview of CMAP's case study project. Anyone interested in submitting a community/project for case study can contact lbanks@cmapp.illinois.gov. Nancy Nutter suggested a Transit Oriented Development best practices case study be completed.

8.0 Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

9.0 Next Meeting

The Housing Committee will meet next on Thursday, April 21, 2011.

10.0 Adjournment

A motion to adjourn at 10:20 a.m., made by Sharon Gorrell, seconded by Tammie Grossman and with all in favor, carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kendra Smith
Committee Liaison