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Land Use Working Committee

Minutes

Wednesday, July 18, 2012

9:00 a.m.

Offices of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning
DupPage County Conference Room
233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800
Chicago, Illinois 60606

Members Present: Ed Paesel (Chair), Dave Galowich (Vice-Chair), Robert Cole, Kristi DeLaurentiis, Lisa DiChiera, Kimberly Flom, Sean Glowacz (for Mark VanKerkhoff), Curt Paddock, Heather Tabbert, Todd Vanadilok, Norm West

Members Absent: Judy Beck, Roger Dahlstrom, Sheena Frève, Arnold Randall, Dennis Sandquist, Heather Smith, Eric Waggoner, Nathaniel Werner, Nancy Williamson

Staff Present: Stephen Ostrander (committee liaison), Alex Beata, Don Kopec, Elizabeth Schuh, Nicole Woods

Others Present: John Donovan (FHWA), Colin Duesing (Will County), Rick Powell (Parsons Brinckerhoff), Steve Schilke (IDOT), Ron Shimizu (Parsons Brinckerhoff), Kesti Susinskas (AECOM/IDOT), Mike Walczak (NWMC)

1.0 Call to Order

Chair Ed Paesel called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes or announcements.

3.0 Approval of the Meeting Notes – May 16, 2012

A motion to approve the minutes of May 16, 2012, was made by Norm West and seconded by Rob Cole. All in favor, the motion carried.

4.0 Illiana Corridor Tier One Study

IDOT staff along with consultants from Parsons Brinckerhoff outlined and answered

questions on the Illiana Corridor Tier One Environmental process, stakeholder outreach efforts, the upcoming Draft EIS Public Hearing, and next steps for the committee.

Please see materials posted at the [Study website](#), including a narrated version of the team's presentation (please see "View the Tier 1 Public Hearing Presentation"), Tier One Public Hearing Announcements, Alternatives to be Carried Forward Technical Memorandum, Draft EIS, and several other documents and previous presentations.

Kristi DeLaurentiis: Regarding 2040 Corridor Travel Performance slide: do numbers include consideration of tolls?

Steve Schilke: There are problems with evaluating tolls (depends on goals: revenue, maximizing throughput, etc.). But found that with or without tolls, performance [appears to be the same].

Lisa DiChiera: I'm curious about Curt [Paddock's] opinion on alternatives...

Curt Paddock: No formal opinion (i.e. Will County has no preference at this time), but we're very excited about this project in general.

Kristi: What are the complications [with I-55 connection with A352, especially considering whether Illiana or I55 widening comes first]?

Schilke: Tier 2 will be key in fully evaluating any conflicts.

Kristi: I believe in [the original conception/initial discussions] it would pass through I55 and hook up with the Prairie Parkway....

Schilke: When looking at I55, there are very limited alternatives, as there are a tremendous amount of natural resources in the area for any connection between I55 and I80....

Dave Galowich: It seems shortsighted not to look at the connection east of 65 (i.e. how it relates to the larger context). It's still a big mess around Gary.

Schilke: [Development, etc.] keeps moving south...too many subdivisions.

Dave: My feeling is that transportation planning in Illinois is always responding to a problem and not looking far enough ahead.

Rob Cole (to Curt Paddock): Do area population projections for 2040 seem reasonable? I'm especially thinking of the issue of water supply related to the Kankakee River....

Curt: I don't believe there have been water supply impact studies, but the population projections are in line with Will County's own projections.

Ed Paesel: I believe CMAP's water study looked at this....

Ed (to Don Kopec): Could you summarize CMAP's letter?

(Don summarized letter, found [here](#).)

Ed: SSMMA supports most northern alternatives, for similar reasons to those identified by CMAP (including high traffic volume already [in northern areas]). Attraction to lesser cost [on more southern options] seems not to be long term thinking.

Rob: [Question of bias of slide showing impacts.]

Schilke (and team): [Agreed on need to change or not use slide in future.]

5.0 Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Program: Housing Investment Tool

Nicole Woods (CMAP) provided a briefing on an innovative housing investment tool developed for the Chicago Southland Housing and Community Development Collaborative, designed to help prioritize funding for proposed housing projects. (Summary of project is found [here](#).)

Norm West: I was intrigued by implementing existing plan [measurement in tool]. Is this a yes or no question?

Nicole Woods: No, and very few are yes or no questions. "Plan" was used in a general sense, and many things were eligible in this category.

Ed: One thing that often helped were RTA-funded TOD studies.

Nicole: (In response to question) Next we are planning to use it in the West Cook Housing Collaborative project.

6.0 Land Use Policies and Strategies for Expressway-Based Bus Rapid Transit

Elizabeth Schuh (CMAP) updated members on the [policy document](#), which was currently receiving final comments before publication.

Norm: [Question about expressway-based BRT replacing rail service.]

Liz Schuh: No, actually the document recommends routes focus on areas without rail service.

Norm: [Comment about the need to integrate expressway-based BRT planning with RTA-funded planning with the local community's own planning.]

Liz: Yes, and the slide "Implementation Matrix" offers a matrix of who needs to be at the table for next steps.

Rob: When does the public comment period close?

Liz: Comments from the public are welcome, but we solicited comments from service providers and other agencies.

7.0 Other Business

There was no other business.

8.0 Public Comment

There was no public comment

9.0 Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the CMAP Land Use Committee is scheduled for Wednesday, September 19, 2012.

10.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 10:53 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen Oshin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Committee Liaison

September 14, 2012