

CMAP Working and Advisory Committees meeting summary

CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Staff Contact: Ricardo Lopez

The Citizens' Advisory Committee meets next on November 18, 2014.

COUNCIL OF MAYORS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Staff Contact: Holly Ostdick

The Council of Mayors Executive Committee is scheduled to meet next on September 9. An overview of the comments submitted on the GO TO 2040 plan update, a summary of the Regional Freight Leadership Taskforce report, an overview of the results of the biennial municipal survey, an update on the CMAQ programming and management policies, the results of the LTA 2014 call for projects, and the USDOT certification of the metropolitan transportation planning process were given. The mayors discussed the use of advanced funding and in turn approved a request. Reauthorization of the federal transportation program was discussed. In response, the committee directed that a follow up letter urging stronger commitment to rail safety be sent to supplement their June 20, letter to the Illinois Congressional delegation recommending support for strong federal commitment for funding for infrastructure. Both letters included the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee federal reauthorization principles. The Council of Mayors Executive Committee is scheduled to meet next on Tuesday, November 18.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Staff Contact: Simone Weil

The Economic Development Committee met on September 11. Staff from the Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity presented the state's recently released five-year economic development plan. Presentations and updates regarding CMAP work were given on the following: GO TO 2040 update process; LTA program evaluation and, the Municipal Survey results. The committee meets next on November 13.

ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES

Staff Contact: Nora Beck

The Environment and Natural Resources committee meeting that was scheduled for October 1, was cancelled. The committee meets next on November 5.

HOUSING

Staff Contact: Kendra Smith

The Housing committee met September 18. CMAP staff presented part three of the LTA Program Evaluation (Internal Project Evaluation). An overview of the 2014 Municipal Plans, Programs, and Operations survey was given and an update was provided on current *Homes for a Changing Region* projects (Kane/Geneva, DuPage, DuPage Consultant led and Lake). Staff also updated committee members on the recently completed GO TO 2040 update and responsibilities for the October 8 Regional Coordinating Committee meeting. The committee meets next on October 16.

HUMAN & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Staff Contact: Samantha Sherrod

The Human & Community Development committee met September 8. Staff continued the discussion about the evaluation of the LTA program by sharing information related to the internal project evaluation of individual projects. Staff also presented the summary of the public comments that were received as well as proposed changes to the plan update and led a discussion on the results from the 2014 Municipal Plans, Programs, and Operations Survey. The committee meets next on November 3.

LAND USE

Staff Contact: Stephen Ostrander

In lieu of its regular meeting, the Land Use Committee visited the Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center in Willow Springs on September 17, to learn about current planning by the Forest Preserve District of Cook County. The committee met briefly at the beginning of the visit to allow time for member discussion of the upcoming October 8, Regional Coordinating Committee vote on the GO TO 2040 Update (in which Committee Chair Ed Paesel will be representing the Land Use Committee). Committee members were then guided on the tour of the facility by Jacqui Ulrich of the Nature Center and Committee member Arnold Randall, General Superintendent of the Forest Preserve District of Cook County. The committee is scheduled to meet next on October 15.

TRANSPORTATION

Staff Contact: Teri Dixon

The Transportation Committee met on September 19. The committee had energetic discussion about the GO TO 2040 Plan Update. The public comments and the responses to those comments were discussed including the treatment of Bus and Arterial Rapid Transit (BRT and ART), CrossRail Chicago, and the Illiana Corridor project. The potential consequences of not approving or altering the major capital projects in the Plan update given the expiration of the current GO TO 2040 Plan were also discussed. The Committee recommended approval of the CMAQ Programming and Management Policies to the MPO Policy Committee and Regional Coordinating Committee. A presentation on the Local Technical Assistance Program Evaluation Process including project implementation and internal project evaluation was provided for committee discussion and the committee approved financial amendments to the FY 2010-2015 TIP.

At its October 3, meeting the Transportation Committee recommended adoption of the Plan update, proposed FY 2014-19 TIP and the associated conformity analysis to the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee, as well as approval of the LTA program. The Transportation Committee is scheduled to meet next on November 14, 2014.

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