



**Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)
Human and Community Development Committee
Minutes
April 14, 2014**

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

Committee Members Present (* indicates that member participated via webinar): Jennifer Becker* (*Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors*), Sheri Cohen (*Chicago Department of Public Health*), Michael Davidson (*Chicago Community Trust*), Eira Corral (*Village of Hanover Park*), Fluturi Demirovski (*Regional Transportation Authority*), Wesley Epplin (*Health and Medicine Policy Research Group*), Marla Fronczak* (*Northeastern Illinois Area on Aging*), Joanna Green (*Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership*), Jacky Grimshaw (*Center for Neighborhood Technology*), Mary Keating* (*DuPage County*), Laura Schneider (*Lake County Health Department & Community Health Center*), Janna Simon (*Illinois Public Health Institute*), Jay Readey (*Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights*)

Others Present: Lillian Lahr (*CTA*)

Staff Present: Erin Aleman, Patricia Berry, Claire Bozic, Brian Daly, Jesse Elam, Daniel Olson, Samantha Robinson (*Liaison*), Andrew Williams-Clark

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

Committee chair, Michael Davidson, called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes.

There were two announcements. Staff liaison, Samantha Robinson, gave a legislative update, highlighting that the CMAP Board moved to oppose HR3251, a Franks bill that prohibits the General Assembly from creating new units of local government, including divisions of existing units of government. Staff will continue to monitor S2696, a bill that initially dissolved the Fox Waterway Management Agency and transferred its powers and duties to the DNR.

The next announcement was about CMAP's Future Leaders in Planning (F.L.I.P.) program. Brian Daly gave an overview of the program, which is in its seventh year, and encouraged committee members to spread the word to high school students.

3.0 Approval of Minutes – March 10, 2014

The minutes of March 10, 2014 with additions to “committee members present” were approved.

4.0 GO TO 2040 Plan Update - Major Capital Projects and Congestion Pricing Policy – Jesse Elam, CMAP Staff, explained how CMAP is evaluating the benefits and costs of proposed capital projects to help prioritize them for inclusion within the plan's fiscal constraint. The [year-of-expenditure costs and the results of CMAP's evaluation of the performance of the projects for proposed major capital projects](#) was discussed with the Transportation Committee at their March 7 meeting and the Regional Coordinating Committee, prior to the Board meeting.

Committee members discussed the draft policy to adopt the implementation of congestion pricing on the new capacity associated with GO TO 2040 major capital projects, with the exception of short or isolated add-lanes projects. Janna Simon questioned the impact of the policy on lower-income communities and the impact of disparities. It was explained that congestion pricing policy would not take away anything from lower-income communities; the pricing would be available to everyone and would be used in urgent situations, not every day. Co-chair Sheri Cohen inquired about how the congestion pricing would impact congestion. It was clarified that adding new capacity of any time improves the flow for everyone. Jacky Grimshaw brought up the research on equity impact and inquired whether transponders would be used. Mr. Elam responded that transponders could be a possibility. Sheri Cohen asked how it can be ensured that prices are not exorbitant. Mr. Elam shared that the Tollway Board decides. Mr. Elam further expounded how the congesting pricing would involve low-tech, traffic-monitoring and pricing that would be adjusted every few weeks, with tolls setting in real time.

Later this spring, Staff will present a recommended list of major capital projects to fit within the plan update's fiscal constraint.

5.0 About CMAP

CMAP staff members Erin Aleman and Patricia Berry gave an [overview](#) of CMAP, including the agency's history, creation, mission; boards, committees and staff organization; the Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) side of the agency; GO TO 2040 comprehensive regional plan; and Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program. The presentation can be found [here](#).

6.0 About the Human and Community Development (HCD) Committee

CMAP staff liaison Samantha Robinson will give an [overview](#) of the HCD committee and its role within the agency. Members had an opportunity to share about their organizations and how their work relates to GO TO 2040.

Michael Davidson is the Senior Program officer for The Chicago Community Trust in

Sustainable Development. His work relates to the LTA program; when LTA work is done in a community, the community often comes to CCT to implement policies and goals, similar to Blue Island and Park Forest.

Joanna Green is the Board Liaison at the Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership, which manages state and federal funding for workforce training and education. The Partnership has access to data and labor market information.

Sheri Cohen is the Senior Healthy Planning Analyst for the Chicago Department of Public Health. Ms. Cohen's work focuses on the Healthy Chicago Plan, which outlines goals to tackle obesity. This work relates to CMAP when looking at open space, local food, etc. Ms. Cohen is also the staff liaison to the Partnership for Healthy Chicago, which looks at public health infrastructure; and has a subcommittee on the social determinants and health, which looks at how health can be improved through housing and data.

Eira Corral is the Village Clerk for Hanover Park. She sits on the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus Diversity Task Force, which focuses on immigrant integration. Mr. Corral has also been instrumental in the development of the WorkNet Center of Hanover Park.

Fluturi Demirovski is the Project Manager for the Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) program at the Regional Transportation Authority. RTA provides financial oversight to CTA, Metra and Pace, as well as the Community Planning Grant.

Jacky Grimshaw is the Vice President of Policy for the Center for Neighborhood Technology, and her work focuses on transit. CNT looks for money for unconstrained projects as well as dedicated money for transit expansion. CNT also looks at how funds can be disbursed geographically. To learn more about CNT's vision for transit, visit <http://transitfuture.org/>.

Jay Readey is the Executive Director for the Chicago Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law. Much of his work focuses on regional equity.

Wesley Epplin is a Policy Analyst for the Health & Medicine Policy Research Group. His work focuses on the social determinants of health—the social and economic conditions of people.

Laura Schneider is the Policy Analyst at the Lake County Health Department and Community Health Center. Part of her work focuses on how the Health Department can align its efforts to meet the needs of local communities in Lake County.

Marla Fronczak is the Community Planner for the Northeastern Illinois Area on Aging—the administrative agency for state and federal funding for eight counties to provide services to older adults.

Also, the committee was provided with an [update](#) about the LTA projects that the Committee has reviewed this year as well as those expected to be reviewed in the coming months.

7.0 Other Business

Staff liaison, Samantha Robinson, announced the upcoming Health In All Policies Training, organized by the Illinois Public Health Institute. More information can be found on IPHI's [website](#).

8.0 Public Comment

There were no public comments.

9.0 Next Meeting

The Human and Community Development Committee is scheduled to meet next on Monday, May 12, 2014, at 10:00 a.m.

10.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:59 a.m.