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Board Meeting Minutes

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

**Board Members
Present:**

Gerald Bennett, CMAP Board Chair-representing southwest Cook County, Frank Beal-representing the City of Chicago, Susan Campbell-representing the City of Chicago, Roger Claar-representing Will County (via tele-conference), Michael Gorman-representing Cook County, Elliott Hartstein-representing Lake County, Al Larson-representing northwest Cook County, Andrew Madigan-representing the City of Chicago, Marilyn Micheleni-representing Kane and Kendall Counties, Heather Weed Niehoff-representing the City of Chicago, Raul Raymundo-representing the City of Chicago, Rick Reinbold-representing South Suburban Cook County, Rae Rupp Srch-representing DuPage County, Dan Shea-representing McHenry County, Peter Silvestri-representing suburban Cook County and non-voting members Leanne Redden-representing the MPO Policy Committee and Sean O'Shea-representing the Governor's office.

Staff Present:

Randy Blankenhorn, Jill Leary, Dolores Dowdle, Don Kopec, Bob Dean, Matt Maloney, Gordon Smith, Jesse Elam, Simone Weil, Garrett Ballard-Rosa and Sherry Kane

Others Present:

Mike Albin-DMMC, Jennifer Becker-Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors, Allison Bos-SW Conference, Len Cannata-WCMC, Bruce Carmitchel-IDOT, Hill Hammock-MPC, Joshua McClusky-IDOT, Chrissy Mancini-MPC, Hugh O'Hara-Will County Governmental League, Mark Pitstick-RTA, Marc Sengstacke-Sengstacke Consulting, Vicky Smith-SW Conference, Peter Skosey-MPC, Chris Staron-NWMC, Mike Walczak-NWMC and Tammy Wierciak-WCMC

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

CMAP Board Chair, Mayor Gerald Bennett, called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m., and asked Board members to introduce themselves.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes or announcements

3.0 Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2013 meeting of the CMAP Board as presented was made by Rae Rupp Srch and seconded by Mayor Marilyn Michelini. All in favor, the motion carried. A motion to approve the revised minutes of the November 14, 2012 meeting of the CMAP Board as presented was made by Mayor Roger Claar and seconded by Dan Shea. All in favor, the motion carried.

4.0 Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Randy Blankenhorn reported on the following topics. The Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program update was included in the Board's materials; Blankenhorn offered to field questions. The 2012 GO TO 2014 implementation report/poster had been distributed. This year's report, compared to last, is more quantitative versus qualitative, Blankenhorn reported, adding that additional copies were available. One highlight from the recent National Association of Regional Councils included sequestration and its impact on future growth. Mayor Marilyn Michelini, an at-large member of the NARC board also attended the conference. Michelini thanked the board for the opportunity to represent CMAP and reporting that there is real value in connecting with other (L.A. and East Coast) councils. Blankenhorn will return to D.C. in March to meet with the congressional delegation and key agency staff to communicate CMAP's Federal Agenda. Additionally, Blankenhorn reported that he and Chief of Staff Jill Leary had met with counterparts from the Southern California Association of Governments discussing similarities faced in freight and transportation policy. It is important, Blankenhorn stated, for the major metros to speak with one voice. Also discussed was the possible merger of the NARC and the Association of Metropolitan Planning Organizations (AMPO), of which Don Kopec serves as President. Blankenhorn also reported that CMAP staff are heavily involved with the planning of this year's APA conference, gave a summary of the proposals that total \$100 million over the two years being added to the program for CMAQ funds, and welcomed Sean O'Shea, a newly appointed non-voting member of the Board representing the Governor's office.

5.0 Procurements and Contract Approvals

The following procurements were presented for approval: a contract award to Parsons Brinckerhoff in the amount of \$449,827 for a Network Microsimulation Extension to Activity-Based Travel Model; a contract award to Resource Systems Group in the amount of \$249,609.67 for an Agenda-Based Economic Extension to Mesoscale Freight Model; and, the purchase of Conference Exhibit Display Materials for a GO TO 2040 from Tradeshows at a not-to-exceed cost of \$36,334, as well as the purchase of replacement graphics and materials at a not-to-exceed cost of \$10,000. A motion to approve the contract awards and purchase, as was presented, was made by Mayor Marilyn Michelini, seconded by Rae Rupp Srch and with all in favor, carried.

6.0 Committee Reports

Susan Campbell, chair of the Local Coordinating Committee reported that the committee had met earlier in the morning and presentations had been given. The Red Line

Extension, which CMAP is assisting the Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) in its efforts for funding through the New Start program, Campbell reported that Environmental Impact is now being completed so as to be ready to apply when the funding does become available. Chicago Area Fair Housing Alliance (CAFHA), through which CMAP had contracted, presented preliminary conclusions and recommendations of their one year work, as well as the schedule for releasing and receiving feedback on those findings. Campbell concluded her report with LTA program's 2012 schedule, that begins in May with a call for projects, applications being due in late June/July, and a September review by the Local Coordinating Committee and Board and Policy Committee approval in October.

7.0 State Legislative Update

CMAP staff Gordon Smith reported that the state-of-the-state address had been given last week, that the Department of Transportation was budgeted at \$785 million, and another \$1 billion to other programs, and that HB1522 had been introduced by Fortner for a pilot stormwater management program in DuPage and Peoria counties that CMAP supports. The Board was asked to let staff know if there was legislation that it should be tracking. Regarding funding, Executive Director Randy Blankenhorn reported that staff will monitor the budget development, but expects that state funding will be included in IDOT's budget again this year.

Following Smith, Peter Skosey, Vice President-Metropolitan Planning Council (MPC) presented an overview of performance-driven funding. Skosey reported there has been a gross decline in transportation and water infrastructure spending in the U.S. (at 2.6%) compared to others (China at 8.5%, Europe at 5% and India at 4.7%). The Motor Fuel Tax (MFT) has remained unchanged since 1993, currently at \$0.184 per gallon and if indexed to inflation, should be somewhere near \$0.29. Skosey presentation covered topics including Smarter Spending, MAP-21, CMAP's efforts through the Volpe exchange, past legislative efforts by the 95th and 96th sessions of the General Assembly and finally, introduction of HB 1549 introduced by Representative Nekritz that creates a timeline to establish a technical advisory group to look at performance measures that would be adopted by IDOT, the development of an MPO plan and report findings all by 2015.

It is hoped that CMAP could take a leadership role in this infrastructure coalition and members felt strongly that CMAP should support the legislation. A motion by Rae Rupp Srch was seconded by Susan Campbell that CMAP support HB 1549. Not sure if IDOT had taken a position on the bill, Sean O'Shea (representing the Governor's office) reported that the Governor's office cares about the concepts and agrees that measurements are necessary. Executive Director Randy Blankenhorn stated that CMAP would work with the Governor's office and IDOT regarding "messaging". All in favor, the motion carried.

8.0 Federal Agenda

Seeking approval for CMAP's Federal Agenda, Executive Director Randy Blankenhorn reported that the document had been updated from last year and using GO TO 2040 as a guide, will help communicate CMAP's positions on national policy issues to federal legislators and other national policy makers. A motion by Dan Shea was seconded by Frank Beal to approve the Federal Agenda as presented. All in favor, the motion carried.

9.0 Regional Manufacturing Cluster Drill-Down Report and Upcoming Forum

Garett Ballard-Rosa and Simone Weil presented findings from an upcoming report on the region's manufacturing cluster. Included in the report were analyses of the various subcomponents of the cluster and surveys challenges and opportunities in the areas of infrastructure, innovation, and workforce. Staff discussed the role of manufacturing in the region's economy, what lies ahead for the next ten years, and efforts underway to better support manufacturing. Metropolitan Chicago's manufacturing cluster builds on the region's human capital assets, and its geographic and transportation advantages. As in the greater economy, manufacturing output is highly diverse, dispersed through all seven counties. Staff explained how advanced manufacturing fuels innovation in the region. To support increasingly advanced manufacturing across all its diverse industries, the Chicago region can draw on the same competitive advantages that fueled growth a century ago—economic innovation, infrastructure assets, and a deep pool of skilled workers—to thrive in a new manufacturing moment. Staff invited the Board to attend the report release event on February 26 at Harper College where findings will again be presented and a panel of experts will discuss the future of manufacturing in the region.

10.0 Update on Congestion Pricing

Following a good deal of outreach and media coverage, CMAP staff Jesse Elam, who had appeared on Chicago Tonight to discuss Congestion Pricing, reported that there are as many as five projects in the region that would qualify for congestion pricing and while it remains a proposal pending a commitment from the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) and the Illinois State Toll Highway Authority (Tollway), CMAP will continue to look for opportunities to garner support particularly through business and civic groups.

11.0 Other Business

There was no other business before the CMAP board.

12.0 Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

13.0 Next Meeting

The Board meets next on March 13, 2013.

14.0 Executive Session

A motion to move to a closed session to review prior meeting minutes was made by Elliott Hartstein and seconded by Rae Rupp Srch. All in favor the motion carried. At the conclusion of the closed session, Chairman Bennett announced and a motion was made by Rae Rupp Srch and seconded by Susan Campbell that the draft minutes of January 11, 2012, November 14, 2012 and January 9, 2013, be approved as presented, that continued confidentiality related to previous closed session minutes should be exercised and that CMAP is authorized to destroy the recordings of previous closed sessions after 18 months. All in favor the motion carried.

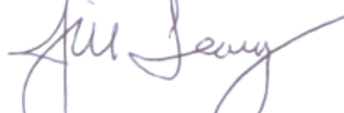
Also, a motion was made by Rae Rupp Srch, seconded by Mayor Larson to approve the temporary policy for State Employees Retirement System (SERS) Participants that had

been considered in the closed session. Board Chair Mayor Bennett asked that the policy be made a part of the minutes. All in favor, the motion carried.

15.0 Adjournment

At 10:42 a.m., a motion to adjourn was made by Dan Shea and seconded by Mayor Marilyn Michelini. All in favor, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Jill Leary, Chief of Staff

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Approved as presented by unanimous vote, March 13, 2013