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MPO Policy Committee

Annotated Agenda

June 13, 2013—10:00 a.m.

Cook County Conference Room

233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800

Chicago, Illinois

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions 10:00 a.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

3.0 Approval of Minutes – March 14, 2013

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

4.0 Agency Reports

4.1 Council of Mayors' Report

4.2 CMAP Board Report

4.3 CMAP Staff Report

5.0 Nominating Committee for the Office of Vice Chairman

The MPO bylaws state "each year during June, after notice to the membership in the call and agenda of a particular meeting, the Chairman shall appoint a subcommittee of five members of the Policy Committee to nominate at a meeting in October, the name or names of candidates for election to the office of Vice Chairman of the Policy Committee for the following year". The members of the nominating committee must include one person from each of the following areas: municipal government or municipal corporation, highway or roads administration, public transportation agency or other transportation provider, regional planning agency, and county government.

ACTION REQUESTED: Appointment of the Nominating Committee

6.0 City-Suburban Surface Transportation Program (STP) Split

The current Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Chicago and the suburban Council of Mayors which describes the allocation of federal Surface Transportation Program funds for northeastern Illinois specifies that participating parties will determine whether a new agreement is warranted upon passage of new federal transportation

authorization legislation. Given the fact that funding levels have remained constant and the length of the federal legislation is only two years, the MAP-21 Committee has recommended that a new agreement is not necessary.

ACTION REQUESTED: Reaffirm the current agreement

7.0 Self Certification

The State and the MPO are required to certify that the metropolitan transportation planning process is being carried out in accordance with all applicable requirements at least every four years. CMAP's process is well documented on its website and in its other products, including the Unified Work Program, the Congestion Management Process, the Transportation Improvement Program and the comprehensive regional plan, GO TO 2040. A summary of the elements in the self-certification and how they are being met is attached.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of Self Certification

8.0 Fiscal Year 2014 Unified Work Program (UWP)

The Transportation Committee and the Regional Coordinating Committee have recommended the approval of the proposed FY 2014 Unified Work Program (UWP) to the Policy Committee and the CMAP Board. The FY 2014 UWP totals \$21,801,019 and includes \$16,837,254 in FHWA and FTA regional planning funds and \$4,963,765 in matching funds. The attached Executive Summary details the allocation of funding and awarded projects.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of FY 2014 Unified Work Program

9.0 Updated 5307/5340 Capital and Planning Funds for Designated Recipients

At its March meeting, the MPO Policy Committee approved the allocation of the Section 5307 and Section 5340 Capital and Planning funds and designated the Service Boards (CTA, Metra and Pace) as recipients of such funds in FFY 2013 for the amounts available. The final FFY 2013 appropriation was posted on the Federal Transit Administration's website on May 14. RTA has sent notice of the split of the final Section 5307/5340 capital and planning funds to CTA, Metra and Pace. Resolutions 13-04 through 13-06 update the distribution of the final appropriations of the total of \$237,040,423 for northeastern Illinois. The recommended distribution to the Service Boards is \$123,453,365 to the CTA; \$79,102,184 to Metra; and \$34,484,873 to Pace. The partial amounts distributed in March are included in these totals. The allocations are contingent on RTA Board approval at its June 2013 meeting.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of amended Resolutions 13-04 through 13-06

10.0 Transportation Alternatives Program

MAP-21 created a new federal funding program – Transportation Alternatives – which combined selected eligible project types from the previous Transportation Enhancements, Safe Routes to Schools and Recreational Trails programs. Program funds are sub-allocated to metropolitan planning organizations in areas greater than 200,000. Northeastern Illinois will receive about \$8.5 million per year for this program. Staff will present an approach to programming these funds for the Policy Committee’s consideration.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of Transportation Alternatives programming approach

11.0 Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ)

An update on CMAQ program development and monitoring will be provided. The CMAQ obligation brochure for May showing progress toward the region’s 2013 obligation goal is attached.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

12.0 Capital Program Principles

The CMAP Board approved capital program principles at its May 8 meeting. In recent months, transportation and business leaders across Illinois have begun a conversation about a potential new capital program. Given the lack of stable funding, the continuation of the arbitrary “55/45 split” that directs only 45 percent of State highway funds to the Chicago region, and the lack of transparent project selection, CMAP believes that any new State capital program must be coupled with reform.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information and Discussion

13.0 IDOT Illiana Presentation

IDOT has requested that the Illiana Corridor be amended as a fiscally constrained major capital project in GO TO 2040. Previous to this request, CMAP published guidelines that established the required process and timeline for evaluating the proposal prior to CMAP staff presenting a recommendation to the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee in October. Consistent with these guidelines, IDOT has prepared a detailed assessment of the Illiana Corridor proposal tailored to addressing GO TO 2040 themes and priorities that they will present at the meeting. CMAP guidelines and IDOT’s Illiana assessment are attached.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information and Discussion

14.0 Regional Freight Leadership Task Force Proposed Membership

At the CMAP Board’s March 13, 2013 meeting, staff discussed the initial scope for a Regional Freight Leadership Task Force, and that a

membership would be identified and presented to the Board for approval at the June meeting. The proposed membership is attached.
ACTION REQUESTED: Information

15.0 Legislative Update

Staff and member agencies will update the Committee on the status of various legislative initiatives at the federal and state level.
ACTION REQUESTED: Information and Discussion

16.0 GO TO 2040 Plan Update

Staff will provide a brief overview of the GO TO 2040 Update Project, which is described in the draft FY 2014 Budget and Work Plan. No new policy changes to the plan are anticipated. The update will include new elements required by MAP-21 and other necessary updates. The final update is due October 2014.
ACTION REQUESTED: Information

17.0 Pace Jane Addams Service

Pace's I-90 Market Expansion Project is a long-term comprehensive solution to address the region's growing congestion and air quality concerns. The project's new and expanded routes will travel along the I-90 Jane Addams Memorial Tollway, between Elgin and Rosemont. Pace and the Illinois Tollway are working cooperatively to ensure that the project will improve connections, reliability, and travel options for both traditional and reverse commuters. Pace will report on activities to date as well as the ultimate improvement.
ACTION REQUESTED: Informaion

18.0 Other Business

19.0 Public Comment

This is an opportunity for comments from members of the audience. The amount of time available to speak will be at the chair's discretion. It should be noted that the exact time for the public comment period will immediately follow the last item on the agenda.

20.0 Next Meeting – Wednesday, October 9, 2013 at 9:30 a.m.

This will be a joint meeting with the CMAP Board on Wednesday, October 9, 2013 at 9:30 am. Please note the date and time change.

21.0 Adjournment

MPO Policy Committee Members:

	Frank Beal		Gabe Klein		Leanne Redden
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