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Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

August 7, 2006
4:30 p.m.

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

Board Members Present: Gerald R. Bennett-Chair (Mayor, City of Palos Hills), Rita Athas-Vice Chair (City of Chicago), Al Larson (President, Schaumburg), Michael Smith-Vice Chair (Mayor, New Lenox), Nigel Telman (Sidley Austin, LLP), Steve Schlickman (Executive Director, RTA)

Others Present: CMAP Executive Director Randy Blankenhorn, Jill Leary, Don Kopec, Tom Garritano, Sherry Kane and Stephen Vaughn-CCHD.

I. Call to Order

Mayor Gerald Bennett of Palos Hills and Chair of the Executive Committee of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, called the meeting to order at 4:38 p.m. The meeting was held via conference call.

II. Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes or announcements.

III. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2006 meeting was made and seconded. A slight correction indicating that Mayor Marilyn Michelini was present will be made. Otherwise, the minutes were approved as presented.

IV. Board Meeting Agenda

Report to the General Assembly: Executive Director Randy Blankenhorn requested executive committee comments on the report by the Board of CMAP that will be released for public comment and will be posted to the website later this evening. The committee complimented the Director on the report's contents and comments were made on the following topics: human services, community and economic development, functions of NIPC beyond land use, incentives, projects of regional significance, overlapping of the CATS policy committee

perhaps the RTP also, benchmarking and monitoring, regional report card concept and motor fuel tax funding. Blankenhorn reported that approximately 6,000 post cards were sent and an e-mail message went to partners announcing the public meeting scheduled for September 28, 2006. Blankenhorn [and staff] will meet with the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus, the Council of Mayors, CATS Policy Committee and others recording questions and addressing concerns.

Citizens' Advisory Committee Charge: Presented for endorsement by the Executive Committee is the Citizens' Advisory Committee Charge that will also be forwarded to the full board for approval. Continuing to be considered is the chairing of that committee—staff will facilitate and moderate meetings.

V. Other Business

Mayor Bennett reported that he and Vice Chair Rita Athas had met with the Secretary of Transportation, and while Secretary Martin had a few additional questions did indicate that the contracts would be signed. Blankenhorn suggested that CMAP encourage a state-wide capital program. Staff will begin to schedule editorial briefings meant to promote the DRAFT report later in the month.

VI. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

VII. Adjournment

At 5:25 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made, seconded and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Sherry Kane, Exec. Asst.

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Approved as presented, by unanimous vote, October 10, 2006