



**Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)  
Coordinating Committee Meeting  
Minutes**

Wednesday, September 9, 2020; 8:00 a.m.

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**Members Present:** Richard Reinbold, Chair (CMAP Board), Matthew Brolley (CMAP Board), Diane Williams (CMAP Board), Sheri Cohen (Human and Community Development Committee), Jason Keller (Economic Development Committee), Sean Wiedel (Environment and Natural Resources Committee), Christopher Snyder (Transportation Committee), Frank Beal (CMAP Board), Stephane Phifer (Staff Liaison), Katie Piotrowska (Assistant Staff Liaison)

**Staff Present:** Patrick Day, Lindsay Hollander, Dustin Calliari, Stephanie Levine, Tina Fassett Smith, Kathy Lane, Jane Grover, Erin Aleman, Enrique Castillo, Simone Weil, Jesse Elam, Timi Koyejo, Anthony Cefali, Amy McEwan, Michelle Agunloye, Terri Dixon

**Others Present:** Elaine Bottomley, Troy Simpson, Noah Jones, Mike Klemens, Tom Kelso, Jessica Hector-Hsu, Jackie Forbes

**1.0 Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 by chair Richard Reinbold.

**2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements**

There were no agenda changes. Stephane Phifer gave an overview of meeting procedures and welcomed Richard Reinbold as the new committee chair. Chairman Reinbold thanked Frank Beal for his service as the former chair of the committee.

**3.0 Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as presented.

**4.0 CMAP Local Government Network**

CMAP Planning staff member, Patrick Day, presented on CMAP's new initiative in response to COVID-19, the Local Government Network (LGN). Mr. Day presented the goal of the initiative, which includes establishing ongoing relationships between CMAP

staff and municipalities across the region and understanding the unique challenges of local governments. There have been a number of initiatives completed through the LGN to date. The first was a region wide COVID-19 survey, which helped create a comprehensive contact information database and establish relationships with municipal contacts. Data received from the survey also supported the City of Chicago's COVID-19 Recovery Task Force. The second initiative was the distribution of CMAP's Community Data Snapshots, which allowed for personal follow ups with municipalities and communication of CMAP's core services. The most recent LGN initiative was the distribution of CMAP's policy update on the risk of our region's Census undercount, and a social media toolkit for municipalities to encourage census completion.

The committee was asked to provide input on the structure of the LGN, including the possibility of adding governments to the network, and seeking more intergovernmental collaboration. Diana Williams stated that before more governments are added to the network, CMAP should evaluate the current model and determine if there is demand for additional governments to be included. Sean Wiedel stated that Lake County Stormwater Commission and the Councils of Government, should be represented and have a formal contact. Christopher Snyder asked about the role of Councils of Government in the LGN. Mr. Day explained that efforts of the LGN will be complimentary to the work of Councils of Government. This would include CMAP staff working with Planning Liaisons to route information to the member municipalities and promote CMAP services to help municipalities across the region. Sheri Cohen stated that public health data, and equity indicators would be useful additions to CMAP's Community Data Snapshots. Justin Keller stated that a five minute report out at the Coordinating Committee could be a way to communicate key issues that are facing municipalities.

#### **4.0 Update on the Equity in Fines, Fares, and Fees Project**

CMAP's Policy Analyst, Lindsay Hollander, gave an update on a project that assesses the equity of transportation fines, fares, and fees in the region. The goal of the project includes creating recommendations to reduce the disproportionate impact on residents with lower incomes, while continuing to meet transportation revenue goals. Preliminary findings about driving show that the burden of the Motor Fuel Tax is borne less by lower income households, since they drive less and take more transit trips. However, lower income households pay a substantially larger share of weekly wages on a traffic violation fine than households with higher incomes. CMAP has convened a group of partners to develop strategies to advance equity in transportation fines, fares, and fees. The project is continuing with partner and expert interviews, and resource group meetings. The final report is expected in winter 2020-2021.

#### **5.0 Committee Updates and Discussion**

Committee members were asked to provide input on the kinds of topics they would like the committee to discuss in the coming months. Sean Wiedel highlighted the topic of addressing climate change across the region, as well as topics of stormwater and drinking water resources.

#### **6.0 Other Business**

There was no other business before the Coordinating Committee.

**7.0 Public Comment**

There were no comments from the public.

**8.0 Next Meeting**

Next meeting will be held October 14, 2020, at 8 a.m.

**9.0 Adjournment**

At 8:59 a.m., a motion to adjourn was made and seconded. All in favor, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S. Phifer', written over the text 'Respectfully submitted,'.

Stephane A. Phifer  
Deputy Executive Director of Planning

*Approved as presented, by unanimous vote, November 18, 2020*