

2020 Work Plan Survey Results

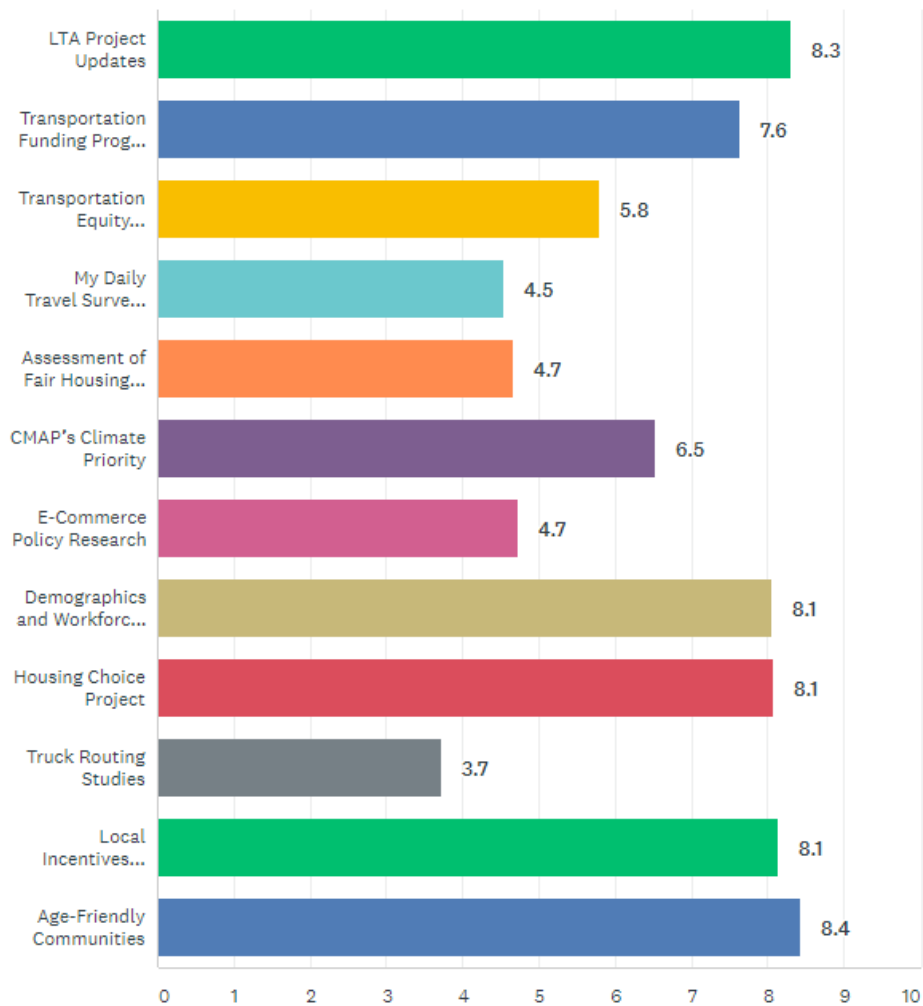
Land Use and Housing Working Committee

Q1. Please rank the following work items by order of interest (first choice being your top interest):

Respondents' top topic of interest was Age-Friendly communities, followed by LTA project updates, and Local Incentives Guide, in third choice. At the March 3 meeting, the committee will get an introduction to the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus' Age-Friendly Communities Collaborative (AFCC) and discuss ways committee members can get involved. In addition, CMAP staff will provide an overview of a guide staff is developing for local communities on the use of incentive policies for economic development.

At the May 5 meeting, committee members will be briefed on early stages of an LTA project, with a more in depth presentation for discussion later in the year. An outline of activities for each meeting is outlined in the draft 2020 Work Plan based on these survey results.

Answered: 16 Skipped: 0



Q2. Please tell us what current activities your organization is involved related to ON TO 2050 implementation:

- Community Development activities that can fund planned ideas in OT2050.
- Being with the RTA, much of our work ties directly to ON TO 2050 implementation.
- Pretty much all of it, including starting work on the updates to Kane County's plans.
- Housing, land use, Census, and aging in place.
- "Community" - Investment in older buildings in disinvested communities - new reinvestment loan program in commercial district of Chatham with Greater Chatham initiative and ongoing small matching grants to non-profits and local governments to help with rehab and historic survey work.
- Served as panelist for CREW event. Happy to participate in other ways.
- Regional Fair Housing, Small Business Eco-System and Service Plan, Suburban Housing Plan & Policy.
- Rt. 83 Transportation Corridor Update; and Lake Street Zoning and Planning Overlay.
- LTA projects –creating and implementing plans for the Fox River Corridor.
- Housing affordability.
- Sustainability, Government services consolidation efforts, and Lake County One Water Initiative.
- Affordable housing, climate change, equitable TOD.
- Moving Will County –Land Use Department/Community Development Division:
 - Drafting housing policies with the Housing Development Thought Leadership Group and the Modern Housing Solutions Ad hoc Committee to increase housing options.
 - Working on Assessment of Fair Housing/Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing with the City of Joliet and the Housing Authority of Joliet.
 - We WILL Build Equal Opportunity Housing & Communities Initiative to promote coordination between Housing First, Fair Housing and Balanced Housing.
 - With the Housing Development Thought Leadership Group working on Inequity and Inclusive Growth:
 - Will County Health Department MAPP collaborative working on addressing health disparities.
 - Will County Land Use Department, Resource Recovery & Energy Division: water conservation education, energy efficiency initiatives, SolSmart status, renewable energy, etc.

Q3. Would you or a colleague be interested in presenting this work to the Land Use and Housing Committee?

- About 68.8 percent of respondents said yes; and 31.2 said no.

Q4. What other topics of interest would you like CMAP staff to bring to the LUH committee for discussion?

Funding/Implementation

- Integration of Community Development funds in implementing ideas and plans.
- Innovative local government funding programs for revitalization/investment other than TIF.
- Discussion of what is working, what is not working in implementation from agencies leading the work at their scale.

Census/Aging-in-Place

- Expected impact of Census results.
- We have been giving regular updates on our Census 2020 project; we are starting new work on age-friendly communities and would be interested in sharing this too.
- If not already covered under the topics listed above, also include short-term rental policies, ADU's and age-related housing shortages for entry level and senior populations.

Zoning and Development

- Topics should also include more traditional land use topics, including the following:
 - Zoning-related matters: urban agriculture (chickens & bees), cannabis businesses, tiny homes, form-based codes, etc.
 - Historic Preservation issues
 - Agricultural preservation
 - Energy-related topics: renewable natural gas, recycling-related uses, etc.
- E-TOD.
- How to advance TOD density zoning.

E-commerce

- The relationship of E-commerce to trucking, warehouse, distribution and fulfillment facilities relative to O'Hare.

Community engagement activities

Q5. Please share with us ideas for potential community site visits that could help put the committee's work into perspective:

- Innovative developments -- I would start with affordable housing, e-TOD, mixed-use, missing middle, etc. Personally, I would love to check out some innovative affordable housing developments.
- Mega projects, both land use and transportation focused); ADUs, seeing some in person to get perspective.
- Happy to organize a visit of Greater Chatham revitalization project called Artists on the 9 - focus on 79th between King Drive and Cottage Grove.
- New suburban TOD developments with affordable units. Something on south or west side?
- Wheeling Town Center's Northtown Branch Library and Apartments (New TOD project that co-located affordable housing and public library in West Ridge).

- City of Woodstock, Age-Friendly Community - likely in 2021?
- Aurora METRA station/ transportation center improvements/ Rivers Edge Park and the 605 Innovation District
- CMAP's Freight Committee is looking at a "Moving Will County" site visit during the summer 2020. Will County is recommending that there be a focus upon community impacts and opportunities instead of only visiting the intermodal facilities, which was done a couple of years ago. A joint meeting between the Freight Committee and the LUHC seems like a good fit. In addition, there may be opportunities coming up in some low-income areas that would speak to the inclusive growth goals principles and Community topic in ON TO 2050.
- If witnessing the spatial environment is critical to understanding implementation, then I think a visit is worthwhile. Maybe symposiums of local leaders, organized by County, hosted at a county office facility (or suburban City Halls) - just an opportunity to get more local speakers/presenters, who may not be willing to dedicate the time to travel to the Loop.
- Each year PACE and METRA present to the County Board. I think there is value in having CMAP come and speak to at least the County Development Committee (our parent committee for LTA project) to discuss 2050 and other initiatives of CMAP. I thought the recent Community outreach from the summer was very informative to the communities and political leaders in those regions.

Q6. Other thoughts or ideas you would like to share with us (related to the committee):

- Continue to share projects to put a picture with an action plan.
- Is there a way to see the work of the committee in action? Make the meetings more tangible.
- Open-ended discussion and dialogue, rather than the "slideshow-and-questions" format.
- I think we need better clarity on what we are trying to achieve as a committee. Are we a stakeholder review board to give input on CMAP land use and housing policy? Or are we being asked to work together to implement ON TO 2050?
- For October (2 year OT2050 anniversary), create a list of local agencies, NGOs, and other stakeholder groups working to implement the plan –organized by the plan's goals, objectives, etc. Have a clear list of who is taking on what would be a good structure. Then focus on implementation lessons-learned and testimonials, to then turn into best practice knowledge shared more widely is a good use of time.
- Wondering if toward the end of the year it would be helpful for members to have a refresher on Section 106 and 707 laws relative to public funds/permitting that may adversely impact historic properties. State historic preservation office officials and I could speak to the process as it pertains to local governments.
- The vision of CMAP has been so instrumental in guiding our planning efforts over the last several years. In addition, the LTA program has proven invaluable in helping shape our local planning and zoning efforts to align with the region.
- Thank you for the great staff support for the committee!