

## Agenda Item No. 3.0



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### **Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) - DRAFT Land Use & Housing Working Committee Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021

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Suite 450, 433 West Van Buren Street, Chicago IL 60607

*Meeting held remotely via Zoom*

**Members Present:** Drew Awsumb, Adam Ballard (Vice Chair), Alan Banks, Krysti Barksdale-Noble, Angela Brooks, Lisa DiChiera, Mackenzie Drosd, David DuBois, Benjamin Fenton, Nancy Firfer (Chair), Veronica Gonzales, Jessica Infelise (for Paul Hoss), Christine Kolb, Steven Mannella, Heather Tabbert Mullins, Caitlin Ritter, Kyle Smith, Robert Tucker, Mark VanKerkhoff, Miriam Zuk.

**Members Absent:** Matthew Asselmeier, Susan Campbell, Arnold Randall, Dennis Sandquist, Eric Waggoner.

**Staff Present:** Dominick Argumedo, Michael Brown, Austen Edwards, Briana Gipson, Jaemi Jackson, Victoria Jacobsen, Lily Neppl, Timi Koyejo, Amy McEwan, Tim McMahan, Jared Patton, Gordon Smith, Matthew Stern, Jared Patton.

#### **1.0 Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 9:32 a.m. by Chair, Nancy Firfer.

#### **2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements**

No agenda changes were announced. Committee liaison Dominick Argumedo announced that 2021 committee meetings will remain remote until further notice.

#### **3.0 Approval of Minutes – November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

Roll call was combined with approval of minutes. Minutes of previous meeting were approved as presented.

#### **4.0 CMAP Board Meeting Updates – Amy McEwan, CMAP**

CMAP Chief of Staff Amy McEwan provided recent updates on CMAP’s regional recovery work. McEwan discussed the agency’s Regional Economic Recovery Taskforce, mobility recovery plan, Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program, Surface Transportation Program (STP), Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ), and traffic safety resource group:

- The Regional Economic Recovery Taskforce met in November, December, and January to create a regional action agenda on economic development and recovery, workforce and employment, and tourism. More meetings are expected.
- CMAP is expected to complete mobility recovery plan focused on transit, multimodal transportation, and post pandemic transit needs by fall of 2022.
- CMAP’s joint Call for [community planning and local technical assistance projects](#) with the Regional Transit Authority ended on Wednesday, February 3, 2021. This year’s call allowed communities to apply for safety-related assistance, which included action plans and design studies focused on topics such as flooding and ADA compliance.
- CMAP also has a Call for [transportation projects](#) via its STP and CMAQ program. It will end Friday, March 5<sup>th</sup>.
- In late February, CMAP will host a kick-off meeting for its traffic safety resource group. This group consists of regional stakeholders who will create strategies around equity, engineering, education, enforcement, and emergency service in response to worsening levels of safety during the pandemic.

#### **5.0 Committee Leadership and Membership Updates**

Staff and committee members thanked outgoing committee Chair Mark VanKerkhoff for his many years of service to CMAP and the region. They also welcomed new committee member Krysti Barksdale-Noble, Community Development Director for the City of Yorkville, IL. Nancy Firfer and Adam Ballard were announced as Chair and Vice Chair for 2021.

#### **6.0 2021 LTA Call for Projects with Embedded Staff Planner Program Updates**

The impacts of the pandemic on local governments have strained municipal capacity while declining revenues are making it especially difficult to plan for 2021 and beyond. In collaboration with the Regional Transportation Authority, CMAP is offering technical assistance services that takes these conditions into consideration. The focus of the 2021 Call is to support municipalities of high and very high need.

CMAP staff gave an overview via a pre-recorded [presentation](#) of the 2021 Call offerings. The first round of ESP work, which was piloted in Calumet Park and Sauk Village, will be

concluding this year. CMAP is now launching three new programs under the Embedded Staff Planner (ESP) banner:

- The NEXT Program is designed to help communities implement Local Technical Assistance projects. CMAP will begin its NEXT Program work with the Villages of Robbins and Matteson, and Lake County.
- The Resource, Opportunity, Impact (ROI) Program helps local governments work on being grant-ready. ROI is being piloted in the City of Harvey and Villages of University Park and Dolton.
- The Capacity-building Consortium is designed to help communities collaboratively address the shared challenges. The first consortium will focus on shared challenges around the creative use of public space in response to COVID-19. Future consortium series may focus on housing and municipal finance.

Colin Duesing asked if CMAP's six technical assistance programs are dedicated solely to municipalities. CMAP Principal Planner and ESP Project Manager, Michael Brown, stated that this round of assistance is targeting only municipalities but CMAP is discussing the possibility of expanding applicant pool in the future.

#### **7.0 DuPage Lake Street Zoning Overlay LTA Project – Lake County & Teska Associates**

Jessica Infelise of Lake County and Michael Blue of Teska Associates presented the DuPage County Lake Street Corridor Zoning Overlay LTA project. The project will implement aspects of the Lake Street Corridor Planning Study (2014) and create unified standards for the corridor through DuPage County and the Villages of Roselle, Bloomingdale, and Hanover Park. The project's origin story, team, schedule, study area, approaches, next steps, and anticipated overlay ordinance elements can be found [here](#).

In response to committee member's Lisa DiChiera question on historic properties, Blue mentioned that the team will be identifying historic properties in order to add character to the corridor. DiChiera recommended that the project team discuss opportunities to reuse historic structures when engaging with developers about zoning and incentives. Committee member Christine Kolb asked if the project team is looking for coordination on impact fees between the project's communities. Blue mentioned that they have not discussed that yet but will keep an eye on it.

#### **8.0 Committee Member Updates and Status Reports**

Vice Chair Adam Ballard discussed his new position at AARP Illinois. Ballard will continue focusing on housing and transportation work but with a focus on aging communities. Ballard will also occasionally complete legislative work locally, statewide, and federally.

Committee member Angela Brooks is the new Illinois Director of the Corporation for Supportive Housing (CSH). Brooks shared that CSH works with homeless housing and prison-reentry through the HUD coordinated entry program. The organization funds

acquisition and predevelopment initiatives and it is currently working to build capacity with minority developers. Brooks mentioned that CSH is looking for minority developers to be a part of focus groups focused on expanding the number of minority developers across the state.

Chair Nancy Firfer recommended committee members share work opportunities, professional updates, programs, and policies that may be of interest to the committee. Firfer encouraged committee members to email committee liaisons Dominick Argumedo or Matthew Stern with their updates. Firfer also expressed interest in a contact list being circulated among the committee.

#### **9.0 2021 Committee Meeting Work Plan**

Staff reviewed committee goals and presented the committee [work plan](#) for the 2021 calendar year. It includes a list of presentation ideas, projects, and topics of interests to the committee. Presentations highlighted included policy updates on housing policy (April 6<sup>th</sup>), single-family zoning analysis (June 1<sup>st</sup>), and the ON TO 2050 plan update (October 5<sup>th</sup>).

#### **10.0 Other Business**

Committee member Mackenzie Drosd shared information on the Illinois Housing Council's (IHC) Emerging Leaders Network initiative. Drosd wrote that this initiative is for new professionals working in affordable housing and professionals looking for more opportunities to learn and network in the industry. Drosd invited the committee to join IHC for their upcoming [events](#) and asked committee members to share this [information](#) with their networks.

#### **11.0 Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

#### **12.0 Adjournment**

At 10:57 a.m., a motion to adjourn was made and seconded.

Respectfully submitted,  
Matthew Stern & Dominick Argumedo  
CMAP Staff Liaisons to the Committee