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Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning Transportation Committee Minutes MINUTES November 16, 2012

Cook County Conference Room 233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800, Willis Tower Chicago, Illinois

Members Present: Chair Leanne Redden – RTA, Charles Abraham – IDOT DPIT, Bruce Carmitchel – IDOT OP&P, Bruce Christensen – Lake County, Michael Connelly – CTA, Chalen Daigle – McHenry County, John Donovan – FHWA, Henry Guerriero – ISTHA, Don Kopec – CMAP, David Kralik – Metra, Chad Riddle – IDOT District 1, Leon Rockingham – Council of Mayors, David Seglin – CDOT, Steve Schlickman - UIC, Kyle Smith – CNT, Lorraine Snorden – Pace, Chris Snyder – DuPage County, Steve Strains – NIRPC, Mike Sullivan – Kendall County, Jan Ward - Kane County

Members Absent: Reggie Arkell – FTA, Alicia Hanlon – Will County, Robert Hann – Private Providers, Jennifer (Sis) Killen – Cook County, Wes Lujan– Class 1 Railroads, Randy Neufeld – Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force, Mike Rogers – IEPA, Joe Schofer – Northwestern University, Peter Skosey – MPC, Ken Yunker – SEWRPC

Others Present: Mike Albin, Jennifer Becker, Allison Bos, Mitch Bright, Len Cannata, Caitlyn Costello, Jackie Diaz, Tim, Grzesakowski, Christina Kupkowski, Beth McCluskey, Cecily Millerick, Luis Montgomery, Gary Paradoski, Brian Plum, Mark Pitstick, Chris Staron, Emily Tapia-Lopez, Thomas VanDerWoude, Mike Walczak, Tammy Wierciak.

Staff Present: Erin Aleman, Alex Beata, Patricia Berry, Ylda Capriccioso, Bob Dean, Teri Dixon, Kama Dobbs, Dolores Dowdle, Jesse Elam, Doug Ferguson, Leroy Kos, Tom Murtha, John O'Neal, Holly Ostdick, Ross Patronsky, Gordon Smith

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

Committee Chair Leanne Redden called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements None.

3.0 Approval of Minutes – September 13, 2012

On a motion by Mr. Carmitchel, seconded by Mr. Snyder, the minutes were approved as presented.

4.0 Coordinating Committee Reports

Ms. Redden reported that the Regional Coordinating Committee met on October 10, 2012 and recommended the semi-annual GO TO 2040/TIP Conformity Analysis & TIP Amendment to the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee. She added that the committee received updates from the RTA regarding their bond program and from CMAP staff regarding Performance Based Evaluation Criteria and Transportation Funding, Regional Water Supply Planning, and the Freight Industry Cluster Drill Down. Mr. Dean reported that the Local Coordinating Committee recommended approval of the Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program to the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee and received an update on Local Food Systems.

5.0 FY 10-15 Transportation Improvement Program

5.1 FY 10-15 TIP Amendments and Administrative Modifications

On a motion by Mr. Snyder and a second by Mr. Riddle, TIP amendments were approved. Mr. Kos reminded the committee that TIP changes are due for the next semi-annual conformity analysis by December 7, 2012.

5.2 Federal Fiscal Year 2013-2017 State/Regional Resource Table

Ms. Ostdick began by thanking all of the implementing agencies for their efforts in eliminating FFY2012 line items from the TIP. She reported that CMAP completed a preliminary update of the highway resources portion of the resource table for fiscally constraining the TIP. CMAP anticipates working with IDOT and our federal partners to refine the table which includes new and combined fund sources along with carryover from SAFETEA-LU, other prior bills, and MAP-21. IDOT has concurred with this approach. The transit resources have not been updated as transit agencies operate on the calendar year. It is expected that the transit portion will be updated and transit line items will be removed from FFY 2012 at the January meeting. On a motion by Mr. Connelly and a second by Mr. Abraham, the committee accepted the updated State/Regional Resource Table.

5.3 Proposed Dates for Calendar Year 2013

On a motion by Mr. Connelly and a second by Mr. Carmitchel, the 2013 meeting dates were approved.

5.4 CMAQ Improvement Program/Call for Projects

Mr. Ferguson announced that a call for FFY 2014 – 2018 CMAQ projects would begin on December 10, 2012. Applications from local sponsors will be due to the Planning Liaisons on Tuesday, January 22, 2013 and all applications will be due to CMAP on Friday, February 8, 2013. In response to a question from Mr.

Snyder, Mr. Ferguson reported that approximately \$240 million will be available to program from this call for projects.

6.0 Congestion Pricing

Mr. Elam provided an overview of the congestion pricing technical report and interactive web microsite. In response to questions, he reported that CMAP staff is available to present the findings to partner agencies, but is not asking for action at this time from agencies other than the Tollway and IDOT. He noted that commitment to the pricing plan is requested from the Tollway along with inclusion of express lanes in IDOT's future roadway plans.

7.0 FY 2014 UWP Process

Ms. Dowdle reported that the UWP Committee adopted a process and schedule for development of the FY 2014 UWP. She noted that the process would have the same format as the FY 2013 process, with proposals due on January 31. The Transportation Committee will be asked to recommend the FY 2014 program at their April 2013 meeting for consideration by the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee in June. She noted that approximately \$16.8 million is available for FY 2014.

8.0 LTA Program

Mr. Dean reported that the status of existing projects is available and that newly selected projects would be added to the status reporting as they get close to starting. He also reported that regular updates for projects with large transportation-related components would be presented to the committee, starting in January with the CTA Red Line extension project.

9.0 Performance Based Evaluation Criteria and Transportation Funding

Mr. Beata reported that the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee approved two staff recommendations at their joint meeting in October. The first requests that IDOT form a technical advisory group to implement performance-based funding and the second directs CMAP staff to initiate a regional process for developing the agency's internal prioritization and selection methodology to evaluate candidate projects. IDOT abstained from this vote. In response to a question from Mr. Seglin, Mr. Carmitchel noted that IDOT has not yet responded to the request from CMAP.

10.0 Metropolitan Planning Area Update

Ms. Berry reported that as a result of the 2010 Census, the Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) must be expanded to include the Urbanized Area (UZA) defined by the Census Bureau. She stated that it is anticipated that the revisions to the MPA will be presented to the committee in January 2013. A recommendation to the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee will likely occur in March 2013.

11.0 State Legislative Update

Mr. Smith reported that there has been no recent legislative action and that little action is expected during the veto session. He stated that CMAP staff is currently developing CMAP's state legislative agenda and does not expect to be requesting any new legislation be introduced. Congestion pricing, Performance Based Evaluation Criteria and funding for CMAP are expected to be important issues. He also invited members to inform CMAP of their legislative issues so that a unified message could be developed where appropriate.

12.0 RTA Program Development

Ms. McCluskey presented an overview of the RTA Capital Program Development process. She highlighted opportunities for input into each of the Service Boards (CTA, Metra, and Pace) budget processes as well as correlating contact information.

13.0 ADA Transition Plans

Mr. Murtha presented an overview of the recently published Community Briefing Paper on ADA Transition Plans. He noted that the paper is meant to be a guide for local agencies that need to complete a plan. In response to a question from Mr. Schlickman, Mr. Donovan reported that there is no reduction in federal funding if plans are not completed, but lack of a transition plan presents a liability for communities as was recently seen in the City of Chicago. Mr. Murtha and Mr. Donovan added that Public Right of Way Accessibility Guidelines (PROWAG) were currently in the federal rule-making process, but communities following PROWAG are following good design practices. It was also noted by Mr. Riddle that for federally funded projects implemented through IDOT and by IDOT, ADA provisions are typically included when pedestrian facilities exist and need to be upgraded to meet standards.

14.0 Major Capital Projects

Ms. Redden noted that the quarterly status of GO TO 2040 Major Capital Projects was included in the meeting packet.

15.0 Other Business

Mr. Strains announced that effective January 1, 2013, Ty Warner would become the Executive Director of NIRPC.

16.0 Public Comment

There was no public comment.

17.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for January 18, 2013.

18.0 Adjournment

On a motion by Mr. Christensen and a second by Mr. Riddle, the meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

Transportation Committee Members:		
Charles Abraham	Robert Hann	Mike Rogers
Reggie Arkell***	Jennifer (Sis) Killen	Steve Schlickman
Michael Bolton	Fran Klaas	Joe Schofer
Bruce Carmitchel	Don Kopec	Peter Skosey
Lynnette Ciavarella	Wes Lujan	Kyle Smith
Michael Connelly**	Arlene J. Mulder	Chris Snyder
John Donovan***	Randy Neufeld	Steve Strains
John Fortmann	Jason Osborn	Paula Trigg
Luann Hamilton	Leanne Redden*	Ken Yunker
Alicia Hanlon	Tom Rickert	Rocco Zucchero
*Chair	**Vice-Chair	***Non-voting