



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

September 24, 2021  
Via GoToWebinar

**Members Present:** Chris Snyder, Chair – DuPage County, Jessica Hector-Hsu, Vice Chair – RTA, Chuck Abraham – IDOT OIPI, Brian Carlson – IDOT District 1, Kevin Carrier – Lake County, Lynnette Ciavarella – Metra, John Donovan, FHWA, Jon Paul Diipla – McHenry County, Doug Ferguson – CMAP, Jackie Forbes – Kane County, Chris Hiebert – SEWRPC, Tom Kelso – IDOT OP&P, Vig Krishnamurthy – CDOT, Christina Kupkowski – Will County, Erik Llewellyn – Pace, Leah Mooney – CTA, Tara Orbon – Cook County, Jessica Ortega – Bike/Ped TF, Heidy Persaud – CNT, Joe Schofer – Academic, Troy Simpson – Kendall County, P.S. Sriraj – Academic, Audrey Wennink – MPC, Rocco Zuccherro – Tollway

**Staff Present:** Lindsay Bayley, Sarah Buchhorn, Alison Case, Anthony Cefali, David Clark, Teri Dixon, Kama Dobbs, Ryan Ehlke, Caitlin Goodspeed, Jon Haadsma, Craig Heither, Lindsay Hollander, Leroy Kos, Elliott Lewis, Patricia Mangano, Angela Manning Hardimon, Martin Menninger, Noel Peterson, Stephane Phifer, Russell Pietrowiak, Yousef Salama, Todd Schmidt, Elizabeth Scott, Mary Weber, Laura Wilkison

**Others Present:** Noel Basquin, Holly Bieneman, Mitch Bright, Steven Brown, Eric Czarnota, Eva De Laurentiis, Michael Fricano, Aaron Gatdula, Sara Hage, Malika Hainer, Aladdin Husain, Kendra Johnson, Howard Killian, Mike Klemens, David Kralik, Heidi Lichtenberger, Brittany Matyas, Beth McCluskey, Heather Mullins, Jason Osborn, Ryan Peterson, James Pew, Ryan Peterson, Leslie Phemister, Chad Riddle, Neline Sahagun, Brian Schumacher, Jamie Simone, Tom Slattery, Joe Surdam, Brian Urbaszewski, Tammy Wierciak

**1.0 Call to Order and Introductions**

Chair Snyder called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and asked Ms. Bayley to call the roll.

**2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements**

Chair Snyder stated that as permitted in the Governor's Disaster Declaration from September 17, 2021, the determination has been made that an in-person meeting is not practical or prudent for this committee. To ensure as transparent and open a meeting as

possible, staff posted the meeting materials one week in advance, will provide a recording of this meeting linked on the CMAP website, and will take all votes by roll call. There were no agenda changes or additional announcements.

There is one agenda change that will add an update on the UWP process to the Other Business item.

### **3.0 Approval of Minutes – August 27, 2021**

A motion to approve the minutes from the July 16 meeting as amended was made by Ms. Forbes and seconded by Ms. Ciavarella. A roll call vote was conducted, and the motion carried. (Roll call results are shown at the end of the minutes.)

### **4.0 Committee Reports**

Mr. Salama reported on recent CMAP activities and provided information on the CMAP local government network and COVID relief funding, the Canadian National and Kansas City Southern (KCS) merger and the Canadian Pacific and KCS merger, the Future Leaders in Planning (FLIP) program, and CMAP's work with Berkley and Hillside. A reminder was given on the upcoming State of Region event in October. In August, the U.S. Census Bureau released data on the 2020 Census and northeastern Illinois grew by 1.74 percent or 146,000 people.

### **5.0 FFY 2019-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**

#### **5.1 FFY 2022-2026 CMAQ and TAP-L Program Development**

Mr. Ferguson presented the proposed programs as recommended by CMAQ Project Selection Committee. The programs were incorporated in TIP amendments 22-00.1 and 22-00.2.

A motion to recommend approval of TIP Amendments 22-00.1 and 22-00.2 to the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee was made by Ms. Ciavarella and seconded by Ms. Mooney. A roll call vote was conducted, and the motion carried. (Roll call results are shown at the end of the minutes.)

#### **5.2 FFY 2022-2026 STP-SF Program Development**

Ms. Dobbs presented the proposed program as recommended by STP Project Selection Committee. The program was incorporated in TIP amendment 22-00.3.

A motion to recommend approval of TIP Amendments 22-00.1 and 22-00.2 to the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee was made by Mr. Shofer and seconded by Ms. Forbes. A roll call vote was conducted, and the motion carried. (Roll call results are shown at the end of the minutes.)

### **6.0 ON TO 2050 Update**

Mr. Ferguson gave a brief introduction to the work under way at CMAP to update the ON TO 2050 plan. Updates on the socioeconomic forecast were given to the committee by Mr. Clark that included draft numbers for population and employment forecasts which are down from what was in the original ON TO 2050 plan. Mr. Peterson provided

an overview of the work being done on the plan indicators. For the financial plan, Ms. Hollander gave a preview of the baseline revenue forecast in advance of a future more detailed presentation which will include reasonably expected revenues and funding allocations. The presentation was concluded with Mr. Ferguson giving an update on the regionally significant projects work.

#### **7.0 Modeling Transportation-Related GHG Emissions**

A presentation was given on results from CMAP's efforts to model different strategies to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in the transportation sector by Mr. Menninger. The presentation included an update on the climate work under way at CMAP, GHG inventory for the region, the makeup of the transportation share of the GHG inventory, the transportation related reduction strategies that were considered, some of the scenarios developed from the strategies and the GHG modeling results from those strategies and scenarios.

#### **8.0 Legislative Update**

There was no legislative update for the meeting.

#### **9.0 Other Business**

Ms. Hardimon updated the committee on the UWP program development and the timeline and process for the upcoming competitive program.

Ms. Bieneman made an announcement on IDOT's new Data-Driven Decisions tool and the upcoming webinar.

#### **10.0 Public Comment**

An emailed comment from Mr. John Paul Jones, Founder and President with Sustainable Englewood Initiatives, was read into the record by CMAP staff. The email is attached.

#### **11.0 Next Meeting**

The next Transportation Committee meeting is scheduled on November 19, 2021.

#### **12.0 Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

**Roll Call Votes**

		Meeting Minutes 8.24.2021		CMAQ/TAP-L Amendment 22-00.1 and 22-00.2		STP-SF Amendment 22-00.3	
		Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
<b>Member</b>	<b>Agency</b>						
Chris Snyder	DuPage County	X		X		X	
Jessica Hector-Hsu	RTA	X		X		X	
Chuck Abraham	IDOT OIPI	X		X		X	
Brian Carlson	IDOT District 1	X		X		X	
Kevin Carrier	Lake County						
Lynnette Ciavarella	Metra	X		X		X	
Jon Paul Diipla	McHenry County	X		X		X	
Doug Ferguson	CMAP	X		X		X	
Jackie Forbes	Kane County	X		X		X	
Chris Hiebert	SEWRPC	X		X		X	
Tom Kelso	IDOT OP&P	X		X		X	
Vig Krishnamurthy	CDOT	X		X		X	
Christina Kupkowski	Will County	X		X		X	
Erik Llewellyn	Pace	X				X	
Leah Mooney	CTA	X		X		X	
Tara Orbon	Cook County	X		X		X	
Jessica Ortega	Bike/Ped TF	X		X		X	
Heidy Persaud	CNT	X				X	
Joe Schofer	Academic	X		X		X	
Troy Simpson	Kendall County			X		X	
P.S. Sriraj	Academic	X		X		X	
Audrey Wennink	MPC	X		X			
Rocco Zucchero	Tollway	X		X		X	

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Ferguson

**From:** [John Jones](#)  
**To:** [Transportation](#)  
**Subject:** Public Comment for Transportation Committee Meeting - September 24th session  
**Date:** Thursday, September 23, 2021 4:25:01 PM

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Good morning,

My name is John Paul Jones, Founder and President with Sustainable Englewood Initiatives, a locally based advocacy group working on social and economic equity matters.

I wish to add value to the FY 2022-2026 Transportation Program. First, we request that the abandoned elevated railroad track located along 59th street within the Greater Englewood district be considered for capital investment. The city's department of both Planning and Transportation own the rail corridor. In 2009, the corridor was featured as the Burnham Centennial project. This 2 mile trail (Normal Blvd. to Hamilton Av) needs to be embraced by CMAP Transportation Committee and Board. It's important to note that this corridor has a natural connection along Hamilton Av. that stretches to the Dan Ryan Woods at 87th street.

Most recently, CDOT partnered with CSX railroad company to finance the long awaited 71st (Emmett Till Road) Hamilton Ave Underpass. We are extremely pleased that the region is moving to recognize the air pollution problems in that sector and are now moving with zeal to both improve air quality and rail commerce.

In addition, the local group Grow Greater Englewood is near completion of it's consultant report on advancing the New ERA Trail.

We are requesting capital investment to conduct environmental remediation and engineering design for the Englewood line, known locally as New ERA Trail.

Secondly, I provide technical and organizing support to a host of Roseland organizations and churches. It is important that the transportation committee prepared itself to schedule an earlier year for CON dollars from 2026 to 2024. This would allow the community a continual flow of advocacy support to fully fund the CTA Redline Extension project.

Thank you for this opportunity to share our public investment request for important south regional transportation projects.

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