



Meeting Minutes

CMAQ Project Selection Committee

Thursday, April 5, 2012

CMAQ offices

Committee Members

Present:

Ross Patronsky, Chair (CMAQ), Marty Buehler (counties), Bruce Carmitchel (IDOT), Larry Keller (Council of Mayors), Mark Pitstick (RTA), Keith Privett (City of Chicago), Mike Rogers (IEPA) (via phone)

Staff Present:

Patricia Berry, Doug Ferguson, Thomas Gonzalez, Holly Ostlick

Others Present:

Reggie Arkell, Brian Carlson (via phone), Chalen Daigle (via phone), Roy Deitchman (via phone), John Donovan, Laura Fedak, Ellen Jurczak, Wes Lujan, Tom Rickert, Chris Snyder, Mike Sullivan, Chris Staron (via phone), David Tomzik, Thomas Weaver, and Tammy Wierciak (via phone)

1.0 Call to Order

Committee Chair Ross Patronsky called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

Chairman Patronsky stated that Mr. Buehler, the county representative, is retiring, effective the end of May and that his replacement on the CMAQ Project Selection Committee will be Chris Snyder from DuPage County. The Committee thanked Mr. Buehler for all his hard work and wished him luck.

3.0 Approval of Minutes—March 13, 2012

On a motion by Mr. Buehler and a second by Mr. Carmitchel, the minutes of the March 13, 2012 meeting were approved as presented.

4.0 Project Changes

- 4.1 On a motion by Mayor Keller and seconded by Mr. Rogers the committee approved a scope change and cost increase of \$22,400,000 total (\$14,560,000 federal) for a total project cost of \$33,600,000 total (\$21,840,000 federal) for Berkeley - Union Pacific Proviso Railyard Switcher Engine Retrofit (TIP ID 04-09-0002).

- 4.2 On a motion by Mr. Buehler and second by Mr. Carmitchel the committee approved the scope change to IEPA – Chicago Area Diesel Retrofit Program (TIP ID 13-09-0003) to allow IEPA to administer 100% funding to private school bus operators to install particulate filters.
- 4.3 On a motion by Mr. Rogers and second by Mr. Pitstick the committee approved a cost increase to \$4,100,000 total (\$3,280,000 federal) for IEPA – Retrofit of Amtrak Switcher Engines (TIP ID 01-09-0006), retaining the 20% local match requirement.
- 4.4 On a motion by Mr. Buehler and second by Mr. Privett the committee approved the scope and cost change for Aurora – McCoy Dr/Commons Dr from Gregory St/New York St to IL 59/US34 (TIP ID 09-12-0012) to include a signal at Commons Drive and Liberty Street and an increase of \$230,469 (\$184,375 federal) for a total project cost of \$1,152,375 (\$921,875 federal).
- 4.5 On a motion by Mr. Privett and second by Mayor Keller the committee approved the cost increase for Elgin – Bikeway Plan Route 1 NE Quadrant (TIP ID 09-09-0006) for a cost increase of \$164,000 total (\$131,200 federal) for a total project cost of \$586,750 total (\$469,400 federal).

5.0 Program Monitoring

- 5.1 Ms. Ostdick referred to a memo included in the packet and summarized the procedure being described. CMAP staff, IDOT staff and planning liaisons worked together to develop the proposal. Questions were raised about the use of tiered percentages, a minimum dollar amount regardless of percentage and contract award amount. Ms. Ostdick stated that the tiered percentages are flexible and that staff does not currently collect the contract award amount. On a motion by Mr. Buehler and second by Mr. Carmitchel the committee approved the procedure with the following revisions: 5% of the authorized amount will be retained regardless of award amount and a minimum of \$100,000 will be kept with the project.
- 5.2 Mr. Ferguson stated that a project line item by year report was included in the packet and that an updated report with changes highlighted will be added as a standing agenda item at subsequent Project Selection Committee meetings. The committee requested that financial mark and unprogrammed balance information be included. Staff concurred.
- 5.3 Mr. Ferguson reported on the results of the 3rd and 4th Quarter 2011 Transit expenditure reports. He clarified that the projects in these reports have been obligated through an FTA grant; the report tracks the expenditure of funds obligated in those grants.

6.0 GO TO 2040 Focused Programming Approach Lessons Learned

Mr. Ferguson reviewed the report included in the meeting materials and the recommendations for the next call for projects. On a motion by Mr. Buehler and second by Mr. Privett the committee approved the recommendations.

7.0 Post-Implementation Evaluation of Emissions Benefits of CMAQ Projects

Mr. Patronsky stated the final report is included in the packet. He noted that staff would be meeting with the report author to see if she had any recommendations for improvements to the bicycle/pedestrian analysis methods.

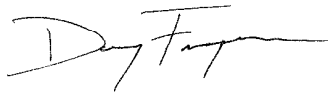
8.0 Other Business – There was no other business.

9.0 Public Comment – There was no public comment.

10.0 Next Meeting – The committee’s next meeting is scheduled for May 24, 2012.

11.0 Adjournment - On a motion by Mr. Pitstick and second by Mayor Keller the meeting was adjourned at 3:23 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Douglas Ferguson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Douglas Ferguson
Committee Liaison
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