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MPO Policy Committee

Annotated Agenda June 14, 2012—10:00 a.m.

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

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

10:00 a.m.

- 2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements
- 3.0 Approval of Minutes March 8, 2012 ACTION REQUESTED: Approval
- 4.0 Agency Reports
 - 4.1 Council of Mayors' Report
 - 4.2 CMAP Board Report
 - 4.3 CMAP Staff Report

5.0 Nominating Committee for Office of Vice Chairman

The MPO bylaws state "each year during June, after notice to the membership in the call and agenda of a particular meeting, the Chairman shall appoint a subcommittee of five members of the Policy Committee to nominate at a meeting in October, the name or names of candidates for election to the office of Vice Chairman of the Policy Committee for the following year". The members of the nominating committee must include one person from each of the following areas: municipal government or municipal corporation, highway or roads administration, public transportation agency or other transportation provider, regional planning agency, and county government.

ACTION REQUESTED: Appointment of the Nominating Committee

6.0 2010 Census Urbanized Area Designations

The 2010 Census has changed the urbanized area boundaries for the Chicago, IL/IN Urbanized Area. Implications of the changes will be presented to the Committee.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information and Discussion

7.0 Fiscal Year 2013 Unified Work Program

The Transportation Committee and the Regional Coordinating Committee have recommended the approval of the proposed FY 2013 Unified Work Program (UWP) to the Policy Committee and the CMAP Board. The FY 2013 UWP totals \$18,761,805 and includes \$14,847,734 in FHWA and FTA regional planning funds and \$3,914,071 in matching funds. The attached Executive Summary details the allocation of funding and awarded projects.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of FY 2013 UWP

8.0 CMAQ Program Management Policies

The CMAQ Project Selection Committee has developed and the Transportation Committee has recommended revisions to the CMAP policies on CMAQ programming and management. The revisions are aimed at improving the accomplishment rate for the region's CMAQ program. Increased accomplishment of CMAQ projects not only assists in implementing GO TO 2040 and improving air quality and mitigating congestion in the CMAP region, it also helps keep limited federal resources in our region. There are five primary changes to the recommended policies:

- Make phase I engineering the sponsor's responsibility;
- Fund phases that are programmed at 100% federal share;
- Enforce an accomplishment sunset;
- Create an annual obligation goal;
- Implement contingency projects if the obligation goal is not achieved.

The revised policies are attached.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of updated CMAQ Programming and Management Policies

9.0 Performance Based Evaluation Criteria and Transportation Funding

At their January meeting, the MPO Policy Committee discussed this CMAP initiative, which proposes potential new approaches for programming State highway and regional transit dollars. At this meeting, staff will provide a brief update on this issue. In July, CMAP is hosting a peer exchange which will be conducted by the Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) Transportation Planning Capacity Building Peer Program. This program presents an opportunity to convene state department of transportation and metropolitan planning organization (MPO) officials from across the country to discuss their experiences with implementing performance-based funding systems. ACTION REQUESTED: Information

10.0 Legislative Update

Staff and member agencies will update the Committee on the status of various legislative initiatives at the federal and state level. ACTION REQUESTED: Information and Discussion

11.0 Chicago Forward

"Chicago Forward" outlines the critical values and principles that the Chicago Department of Transportation aspires to as protectors of the city's transportation network and the policies and actions that help them continually make progress toward those ideals. It documents the specific, measurable targets that have been established for the Department and the outcomes they expect to accomplish within the next two years. Staff will present the plan which is included with the mailing.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information and Discussion

12.0 Other Business

13.0 Public Comment

This is an opportunity for comments from members of the audience. The amount of time available to speak will be at the chair's discretion. It should be noted that the exact time for the public comment period will immediately follow the last item on the agenda.

14.0 Next Meeting – Wednesday, October 10, 2012

This will be a joint meeting with the CMAP Board on Wednesday, October 10, 2012 at 9:30 am. Please note the date and time change.

15.0 Adjournment

MPO Policy Committee Members:

Frank Beal	Kenneth Koehler	Leanne Redden
Alexander D. Clifford	R.A. Kwasneski	Jeffery Schielke
Forrest E. Claypool	Kristi Lafleur	Ann Schneider
Tom Cuculich	John McCarthy	Marisol Simon
Elliott Hartstein	Karen McConnaughay	Norman R. Stoner
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Gabe Klein	John Purcell	Larry Walsh