CMAQ Project Selection Committee Meeting  
February 27, 2009 – 1:00 p.m.  
CMAP Offices (DuPage County Conference Room)  

Meeting Notes

Attendees

Members Present:  Chair - Ross Patronsky – CMAP, Marty Buehler – Counties, Larry Keller – Council of Mayors, Keith Privett – City of Chicago, Mark Pitstick - RTA, Mike Rogers – IEPA, Betsy Tracy – IDOT (via phone)

Members Absent:  None

Others Present:  Leonard Cannata, Chalen Daigle, Kama Dobbs, John Donovan, Bill Lenski, Steve Mastny, Tom Rickert, David Simmons, Chris Staron, David Tomzik, Mike Walczak, Jan Ward, Thomas Weaver, Tammy Wierciak

Staff Present:  Doug Ferguson, Don Kopec, Russell Pietrowiak, Joy Schaad

Meeting Agreements

1.0  Call to Order and Introductions  
Ross Patronsky called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

2.0  Agenda Changes and Announcements  
Agenda item 4.10 was added for Palatine’s - Palatine Rd from Smith St to US14/Northwest Hwy (TIP ID 03-03-0103) project change.

3.0  FY 2010 CMAQ Program  
3.1  FY 2010 Proposal Summary  
Staff presented to the Committee a summary table of the applications received from the FY 2010 Call for Projects. A total of 204 applications were received.

3.2  FY 2010 Program Mark  
At the time of the meeting no information has been received by staff on the Federal apportionments for the FY 2010 program. Mr. Rogers informed the Committee of the Recovery Act funds available through the Illinois EPA for diesel emission reduction project.
4.0 Project Changes

4.1 Homer Glen – Homer Glen Community Bike Trail (TIP ID 12-06-0001)
The Committee approved the cost increase in the amount of $787,716 federal for total project funding of $1,468,446 federal ($1,835,558 total).

4.2 Oak Park – Washington Blvd from Lombard Ave to Home Ave (TIP ID 04-08-0004)
The Committee approved the scope change adding an additional signal at the intersection of Harvard St and Oak Park Ave and a cost increase in the amount of $43,529 federal. The new total project funding is $288,529 federal ($360,661 total).

4.3 Geneva – Geneva North Central Trail (TIP ID 09-06-0001)
The Committee denied the cost increase for the project and advised the sponsor to resubmit cost increase after engineering phase II is underway and the sponsor has more accurate cost estimates for construction.

4.4 Addison – Mill Rd Bridge Sidewalk Project (TIP ID 08-06-0052)
The Committee approved the cost increase in the amount of $46,437 federal for total project funding of $436,797 federal ($545,996 total).

4.5 Orland Park – Commuter & Bicycle Bridge over LaGrange Rd/US45 at IL7/Southwest Hwy (TIP ID 06-06-0002)
The Committee denied the cost increase for the project and advised the sponsor to resubmit cost increase after engineering phase II is underway and the sponsor has more accurate cost estimates for construction.

4.6 Lake Co DOT – Everett Rd at Riverwoods Rd (TIP ID 10-06-0001)
The Committee approved the cost increase in the amount of $993,201 federal for total project funding of $1,929,210 federal ($2,411,513 total).

4.7 Lake Co DOT – Lewis Ave from Yorkhouse Rd to 14th St (TIP ID 10-06-0063)
The Committee tabled consideration of the cost increase until their May meeting.

4.8 Lake Co DOT – IL 132/Grand Ave from IL 131/Green Bay Rd to IL 137/Sheridan Rd (TIP ID 10-06-0062)
The Committee tabled consideration of the cost increase until their May meeting.

4.9 Woodridge – Woodridge Heritage Parkway Bike Path Links (TIP ID 08-06-0006)
The Committee approved the cost increase in amount of $8,000 federal for total project funding of $72,000 federal ($90,000 total).

4.10 Palatine – Palatine Rd from Smith St to US 14/Northwest Hwy (TIP ID 03-03-0103)
The Committee tabled consideration of the cost increase until their May meeting.

5.0 Program Management

5.1 Consideration of FY 2007 and 2008 projects that have not met progress deadlines
Two projects were identified at the January 30, 2009 meeting by the Committee for missing deadlines for the submission of a Job Number Request form or for the obligation of funds. The sponsors of the projects were sent letters notifying them that the Committee was considering the withdrawal of funds from their projects and that they had the opportunity
at the meeting to give a status update on their project. The two projects were the Chicago Department of Environment’s Chicago Diesel Fleet Retrofit Project Implementation (TIP ID 01-06-0074) and the Village of Lake Zurich’s S Old Rand Rd and Suryse Rd Sidewalks (TIP ID 10-08-0001).

Chicago Diesel Fleet Retrofit Project Implementation - Ms. Bingham from the Chicago Department of Environment gave an update on her project to the Committee and detailed the difficulties involved with filing the IDOT Local Agency Agreement. Mr. Haider, IDOT District One, stated that because this type of project is not a typical engineering and construction job there were a lot of unknowns in the processing of the paperwork and dealing with the soft match used for the local share.

Lake Zurich’s S Old Rand Rd and Suryse Rd Sidewalks - Mr. Dave Heyden of Lake Zurich explained the setbacks and recent progress of the project and indicated that the engineering should be under contract shortly.

After much discussion, the Committee asked staff to monitor future progress on both of these projects and report back if their expressed targets are not met.

5.2 CMAQ program management recommendations
Staff informed the Committee that the recommendations would be presented for approvals to the Transportation Committee on March 6, 2009, the CMAP Board on March 11, 2009 and the MPO Policy Committee on March 12, 2009. In anticipation of MPO Policy Committee approval, staff is prepared to send out letters to sponsors of FY 2009 programmed projects informing them of the May deadline for submitting Job Number Request forms to IDOT or submitting Grant applications to FTA.

5.3 Reprogramming funds for projects approved in FY 2006 and earlier
Staff is finishing the effort to collect project completion dates or estimated completion target years from sponsors of projects whose completion year target is past. After this is done, staff with the help of the planning liaisons, will begin collecting the project information needed to place pre-FY 2007 programmed projects’ phases into realistic program years.

5.4 Expected letting of CMAQ projects
Staff informed the Committee that five projects with CMAQ funding are on IDOT’s March letting. The total funding programmed for these projects is $2,371,000 federal.

6.0 Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility Evaluation and Ranking
The Committee approved the Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force’s recommended changes to the programming policies and methodologies used to evaluate and rank bicycle and pedestrian project proposals. The recommendations will be sent to the Transportation Committee for consideration to recommend approval and will send them to the MPO Policy Committee for final approval. Mr. Buehler requested that staff provide the Committee with documentation of the bike/ped methodology

7.0 Public Comment
There were no public comments.
8.0 Other Business
There was no other business.

9.0 Next Meeting
The next meeting was left on call.

10.0 Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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