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Planning Coordinating Meeting Minutes

July 9, 2008--8:00 a.m.

Offices of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)

Cook County Conference Room

Suite 800, 233 S. Wacker Drive, Sears Tower, Chicago, Illinois

Members Present: Elliott Hartstein, Chair-CMAP Board, Frank Beal-CMAP Board, Roger

Claar-CMAP Board, Luann Hamilton-CDOT, Ed Paesel-South Suburban Mayors & Managers Association, Andre Rice-CMAP Board, Rae Rupp

Srch-CMAP Board, Phil Smith-DuPage County

Staff Present: Erin Aleman, Lindsay Banks, Patricia Berry, Randy Blankenhorn, Bob

Dean, Tom Garritano, Jill Leary, Ylda Pineyro, Diana Torres, Andrew

Williams-Clark

Others Present: Conor Altier-Kane County, Len Cannata-West Central Municipal

Conference, Bruce Christensen-Lake County, Sheene Freve-Chicago Metropolis 2020, Paul Heltne-Center for Humans and Nature, David Kralik-Metra, Tam Kutzmark-DuPage Mayors and Managers Conference,

Jim LaBelle-Chicago Metropolis 2020, Hugh O'Hara-Will County

Governmental League, David Seglin-CDOT, Holly Smith-Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors, Chris Staron-Northwest Municipal Conference, Mike

Walczak-Northwest Municipal Conference, Tammy Wierciak-West

Central Municipal Conference

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 a.m. by Elliott Hartstein.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes.

3.0 Approval of Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Roger Claar, seconded by Rae Rupp Srch to approve the meeting notes from the May 14, 2008 meeting as presented and with all in favor carried.

4.0 Regional Indicators

Andrew Williams-Clark described the progress of the regional indicators project, explaining that indicators will be used in three ways in the *GO TO 2040* plan: to develop a "data warehouse" that will contain all of the data that CMAP is able to acquire through this project; to track the plan's progress through a set of approximately 150-180 indicators, updated regularly; and to project the effect of future scenarios on a smaller number of indicators. Williams-Clark went on to say that CMAP had identified potential indicators through the working committees and other stakeholder discussions, and would be holding workshops across the region in July and August to gather more input and distributed the most recent list of identified indicators.

Phil Smith asked whether the indicators workshops had been promoted and Williams-Clark confirmed that materials had been sent to local governments, who were the target audience for these workshops. Elliott Hartstein asked whether attendees were provided with meeting materials ahead of time and Williams-Clark stated that they were given the full list of potential indicators, but that the workshops would also be useful for attendees without any previous knowledge of the subject. Several committee members asked clarifying questions concerning the categorization of certain indicators.

Frank Beal noted that the importance of the data warehouse should not be overlooked, as providing good regional data was a major mission of CMAP; Hartstein agreed. Bob Dean responded that all three uses of the indicators were central to the *GO TO 2040* plan.

5.0 Regional Snapshot Report: Jobs-Housing Balance

Bob Dean reviewed the draft Regional Snapshot report on jobs-housing balance, pointing out that the purpose of these reports was not to make immediate policy recommendations, but to examine and spur discussion of major issues early in the planning process.

Luann Hamilton stated that more work should be done before the release of the report, and several other committee members agreed and suggested several new analysis directions. Roger Claar observed that the chart concerning Oak Brook workers was not effective in communicating the complexity of travel patterns, and Andre Rice added that a map would be more effective. Rae Rupp Srch noted that the number of people traveling to Oak Brook from Chicago was quite high. Hamilton and Hartstein agreed that the reverse commute was significant. Claar added that high gas prices were likely to greatly change travel behavior, and that this was making older data less relevant. Claar also noted that an understanding of the incomes of workers was important in understanding their travel patterns and residence locations.

Phil Smith noted that the report did not seem to communicate the measurement of jobshousing balance very effectively, but that this could be done with different presentation of the data. The committee agreed, and also noted that it was increasingly urgent to address this issue.

Hartstein stated that the report should be consistent with the affordable housing work of the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus, and noted that the Caucus had released a report on housing best practices.

Regional Snapshot Report: Latino Population

Jon Hallas and Diana Torres described the initial findings of an ongoing Regional Snapshot report that focused on the effect of the growing Latino population on planning for the region's future. Andre Rice stated that there was a major difference between immigrants and second-generation Latinos. Hallas and Torres stated that this would be addressed in the report. Frank Beal recommended that CMAP also prepare a report of the same type for the African-American population. Ed Paesel agreed with this recommendation. Elliott Hartstein noted that another important issue to understand was the movement of Latinos within the region.

7.0 GO TO 2040 Work Plan and Campaign Strategy

Bob Dean asked for comments from the committee on any of these materials. Frank Beal asked that CMAP's logo appear more prominently in the GO TO 2040 materials. Elliott Hartstein added that the Jewish United Fund should be considered among the philanthropic organizations approached as part of the campaign strategy.

8.0 Staff Updates

No additional staff updates were given.

Other Business 9.0

No other business was raised.

10.0 Public Comment

There were no public comments.

11.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Planning Coordinating Committee was scheduled for September 10, 2008.

11.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 a.m. on a motion by Rae Rupp Srch, second by Roger Claar.

Respectfully submitted,

Principal Regional Planner, Staff Liaison

Approved as presented, by unanimous vote September 10, 2008.