Board Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2010

Offices of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)
Cook County Conference Room
Suite 800, 233 S. Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois

Board Members: Gerald Bennett-representing southwest Cook County, Frank H. Beal-representing the City of Chicago, Alan Bennett (via tele-conference)-representing suburban Cook County, Roger Claar-representing Will County (via tele-conference), Joe Deal-representing the City of Chicago, Russell Hartigan-representing west Cook County, Elliott Hartstein-representing Lake County, Al Larson-representing northwest Cook County, Marilyn Michelini-representing Kane and Kendall Counties, Raul Raymundo-representing the City of Chicago, Andre Rice (via tele-conference)-representing the City of Chicago, Rae Rupp Srch (via tele-conference)-representing DuPage County, Dan Shea-representing McHenry County, and non-voting members Steve Schlickman-representing the MPO Policy Committee and Ian Doughty-representing the office of the Governor.

Absent: Rick Reinbold-representing south Cook County, and Nigel Telman-representing the City of Chicago.

Staff Present: Randy Blankenhorn, Jill Leary, Dolores Dowdle, Tom Garritano, Andrew Williams-Clark, Ty Warner, Hala Ahmed and Sherry Kane.

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions
The Chairman, Mayor Gerald Bennett, called the meeting to order at approximately 9:30 a.m., and asked Board members to introduce themselves.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements
There were no agenda changes.

3.0 Approval of Minutes – January 13, 2010
A motion to approve the minutes of the January 13, 2010 board meeting, as presented, was made by Dan Shea and seconded by Mayor Marilyn Michelini. Stephen Schlickman asked that the minutes be revised to reflect that recommended changes he had been made to Agenda Item No. 8.0, the Preferred Regional Scenario document. With all in favor, the motion carried.

4.0 Executive Director’s Report
Executive Director Randy Blankenhorn’s report included an update on the regional application to HUD for Neighborhood Stabilization Program 2 (NSP2) funding, and the status of the Northeastern Illinois Water Supply/Demand Plan that had recently been approved by Regional Water Supply Planning Group. The report will be available at a water summit to be held at CMAP on March 22. Board members are invited to attend. CMAP’s project manager Tim Loftus will brief the Board at its meeting in March on the plan and associated recommendations.

5.0 Contract Approvals
A motion to authorize the expansion of CMAP’s data center in the amount of $275,000 was made by Russell Hartigan and seconded by Mayor Michelini. A motion was also made by Mayor Michelini and seconded by Mayor Roger Claar to approve the general purpose purchase of IT hardware and software in the amount of $300,000. With all in favor, both motions carried.

6.0 Committee Report(s)
Because of the inclement weather, the Programming Coordinating Committee that was scheduled to meet in the early morning had been cancelled.

7.0 Future Leaders in Planning (FLIP) Update
CMAP staff Andrew Williams-Clark gave an update on the Future Leaders in Planning (FLIP) program, reporting that 30 students representing all seven counties were a part of this year’s program that had met already six times and had last week conducted the expert interviews in preparation of the program’s final projects. Scheduled to wrap up in April, the students will develop a guidebook on plan implementation strategies as a final project. Williams-Clark continued that recruitment also continues for next year’s program. Staff was asked to provide the board with a breakdown of the number of students and their schools in this year’s program.
8.0 Potential GO TO 2040 Recommendations
Continuing the series of potential plan recommendations, this month’s presentation on Land Use and Housing was given by CMAP staff Ty Warner. Many of the recommendation areas touch on both land use and housing, with a focus on encouraging more compact development by providing tools, incentives, and assistance to the local level where these land use decisions are actually made, bridging the gap between regional policy and local implementation. Invent the Future workshops held over the past summer showed that there was no other single factor that made a greater impact on moving the region closer to meeting regional goals than changing the region’s overall pattern of land use development.

CMAP staff Hala Ahmed presented potential GO TO 2040 Recommendations related to Resource Conservation explaining that in the context of GO TO 2040, Resource Conservation refers to energy and water sources. Potential recommendations of GO TO 2040 will address regional collaborations to enhance retrofit programs aimed to replace high energy and water-consuming appliances and fixtures with more efficient models. Carbon and water-footprinting are additional mechanisms that GO TO 2040 will promote to increase awareness of use and to initiate added conservation practices. Land use patterns that support lower water consumption and that reduce vehicle miles traveled will have a significant impact in ensuring the future sustainability of our regional water resources and air quality.

9.0 Other Business
Briefly Board Chair Mayor Bennett reported that the Regional Comprehensive Planning Fund (RCPF) had made the list of IML’s legislative priorities, and staff had met with the governor’s office twice with a focus on how to make it happen versus how important it is. CMAP remains “cautiously optimistic”.

Fellow Board Member Raul Raymundo had been featured in a recent issue of Crain’s.

10.0 Public Comment
CAC member Alan Mellis asked that the Board consider the addition of historic preservation in its potential GO TO 2040 recommendations related to land use and housing and thanked Executive Director Randy Blankenhorn for his monthly reporting to the Committee.

11.0 Next Meeting
The Board will meet again on March 10, 2010.

12.0 Executive Session
A motion by Dan Shea was seconded by Mayor Michelini to adjourn the regular meeting of the board and to enter an executive session to discuss the Executive Director’s annual performance review.
13.0 Adjournment

At approximately 10:57 a.m., a motion to adjourn the executive session, returning to the regular board meeting and also adjourning that meeting was made by Dan Shea and seconded by Mayor Al Larson. With all in favor the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

[Signature]

Jill Leary, Chief of Staff

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*Approved as presented by unanimous vote, March 10, 2010*