Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning
Annotated Agenda
Wednesday March 11, 2009
9:30 a.m.

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

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions
Mayor Gerald R. Bennett, Board Chair

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

3.0 Approval of Minutes – January 14, 2009
ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

4.0 Executive Director’s Report
4.1 Washington, D.C. Trip Update
4.2 Developments of Regional Importance (DRI) Update
4.3 Future Leaders in Planning (FLIP) Update
4.4 Other Announcements

5.0 Procurement & Contract Approvals
5.1 Contract Award for the Purchase of Economic Modeling Tool
5.2 Contract Award for Development of Web-Based Data Visualizations
5.3 Approval to Purchase Information Technology Hardware and Software
ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

6.0 Wingspread Accord Agreement
On November 5-7, 2008, governing board members and staff from the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIRPC), Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP), Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC), and Southwest
Michigan Planning Commission (SWMPC) met at the Wingspread Conference Center in Racine, Wisconsin to discuss ways to work more effectively as a region. The attached resolution was developed to formalize the agreement.
ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

7.0 Memorandum of Understanding: CMAP and the MPO Policy Committee
The MOU originally adopted in March 2007, calls for an annual review. Staff is recommending that there is no need for changes at this time.
ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

8.0 Transportation Consent Agenda
8.1 Biannual RTP/TIP Conformity & TIP Amendments
8.2 Revised CMAQ Procedures
ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

9.0 Committee Reports
The chairs of the Planning and Programming Coordinating Committees will provide an update on the meetings held prior to the board meeting. Written summaries of the working committees and the Citizens’ Advisory Committee will also be provided.
ACTION REQUESTED: Informational

10.0 State Legislative Update
As the 96th General Assembly continues, staff will update the Board on relevant legislative activities and request that the Board take a position on certain bills based on the priorities that were presented and discussed in January.
ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion and Provide Direction to Staff

11.0 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA)
Staff will update the Board on relevant activities regarding the implementation of ARRA and discuss next steps.

Specific to ARRA transportation funding, CMAP staff has issued a number of memoranda and statements concerning the implementation of the Act, including a restatement of the CMAP Principles for Infrastructure Investment in a Federal Economic Recovery Package, December 10, 2008. While the federal legislation creates funding for states, transit agencies and local agencies, MPOs have some discretion in how the programs are implemented. Given the relatively short time frame under which this program will exist, local agencies have been preparing programs based upon the structure of the Surface Transportation...
Program (STP). The Policy Committee will finalize mechanisms to implement the local element of the program, including the distribution of funds to the Councils and the city of Chicago. The CMAP Board should also consider approving the distribution of funds to the Councils and the city of Chicago. A letter that was sent to the Council of Mayors Executive Committee is attached.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion and Approval of STP funding distribution for specified ARRA funds

12.0  *GO TO 2040 -- Invent 2040 Workshops*
Staff will present a demonstration of the interactive alternative future scenario software that will be used this summer to gain feedback from the general public for the *GO TO 2040* plan.
ACTION REQUESTED: Participation and Feedback

13.0  Other Business

14.0  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.

15.0  Next Meeting
April 8, 2009

16.0  Adjournment

*Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning Board Members:*

___Frank Beal           ___Russell Hartigan           ___Rae Rupp Srch
___Alan Bennett         ___Elliott Hartstein        ___Dan Shea
___Gerald Bennett, Chair ___Al Larson               ___Nigel Telman
___Roger Claar          ___Marilyn Michelini       ___Ian Doughty
___Joe Deal             ___Raul Raymundo           ___Stephan Schlickman
___Zenovia Evans        ___Andre Rice