Board Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2008

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

Board Members: Rita Athas-representing the City of Chicago, Frank H. Beal-representing the City of Chicago, Alan Bennett-representing Cook County, Gerald Bennett-representing southwest Cook County, Roger Claar-representing Will County, Zenovia Evans-representing south Cook County, Russell Hartigan-representing west Cook County, Elliott Hartstein-representing Lake County, Al Larson-representing northwest Cook County, Marilyn Michelini-representing Kane and Kendall Counties, Rae Rupp Srch-representing DuPage County and Dan Shea-representing McHenry County. Non-voting member: Stephen Schlickman-representing the MPO Policy Committee.

Absent: Raul Raymundo-representing the City of Chicago, Andre Rice-representing the City of Chicago, Nigel Telman-representing the City of Chicago and Ian Doughty-representing the Governor’s office.

Staff Present: Randy Blankenhorn, Jill Leary, Don Kopec, Dolores Dowdle, Tom Garritano, Gordon Smith, Bola Delano, Dorienna Preer, Laurie Kovac, Bob Dean, Diana Torres and Sherry Kane.

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions
Gerald Bennett, Chair called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. Other Board members introduced themselves and the Chair announced that a quorum was present.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements
There were no agenda changes or announcements.

3.0 Approval of Minutes – May 14, 2007
A motion to approve the minutes of the May 14, 2008 board meeting, as presented, was made by Rae Rupp Srch and seconded by Mayor Al Larson. All in favor, the motion carried.

4.0 Executive Director’s Report
Briefly, Executive Director Randy Blankenhorn reported on the following topics: Stockholm Peer Exchange, Chicago 2016 Olympic Bid, Innovate Now and CMAP’s Congressional Delegate Staff Transportation Briefing in Washington, D.C.

5.0 Contract Approvals
The board had directed staff to provide additional reporting for the purchase of the financial software system. Based on the additional information, the contract award was presented for approval. A motion to approve the contract award as presented by Mayor Elliott Hartstein was seconded by Mayor Marilyn Michelini and with all in favor, carried. Other procurement approvals, specifically for the purchase of a Scenario Evaluation Tool and Phase II of Land-Use Evolution and Impact Assessment Model (LEAM) were also presented for approval. A motion by Rae Rupp Srch was seconded by Mayor Hartstein for approval. All in favor the motion carried.

6.0 Election of Officers
On behalf of CMAP’s nominating committee, Mayor Marilyn Michelini reported that the committee’s recommendation is to continue to represent the desired geographical balance, and recommended the following slate as officers and members of the Executive Committee of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning Board:

Gerald R. Bennett, Chair
Rita Athas, Vice-Chair
Elliott Hartstein, Vice-Chair
Rae Rupp Srch, At-Large Member
Al Larson, At-Large Member
Nigel Telman, At-Large Member

So moved by Mayor Michelini and seconded by Mayor Zenovia Evans, all in favor the motion carried.
7.0 Committee Reports
Rita Athas, Programming Committee Chair reported that the committee and its DRI sub-committee had met and after much spirited and lively conversation is now releasing its work for public comment. During the months of June and July, Athas continued, various presentations will be made to CMAP’s working committees followed by formal outreach to public and private stakeholders during the months of September and October and back to the board in November for approval.

8.0 Legislative Update
Executive Director Randy Blankenhorn reported that the state budget had been passed and is awaiting the Governor’s action, the capital plan continues to be a priority relative to how projects are selected and that SB 5152 that would codify transportation funding splits landed in the Senate Rules Committee. Mayor Bennett asked if any response had come from the Board’s letter to the Illinois Works Coalition and suggested putting together recommendations that would generate “new money” for capital to be presented during the fall veto session. Blankenhorn reported that CMAP is already working with the RTA and MPC regarding accountability so that needs are discussed in relation to dollars.

9.0 Fiscal Year 2009 Budget and Work Plan
The FY 2009 Budget and Work Plan were presented for Board approval. A motion by Mayor Marilyn Michelini to approve the documents as presented was seconded by Alan Bennett and with all in favor, carried. Staff was commended for its work.

10.0 GO TO 2040 – Regional Vision
CMAP staffer, Bob Dean briefly explained that on May 14, 2008, the Planning Coordinating Committee recommended the approval of the regional vision and that some additional comments had come from the Chicago Community Trust affecting the document, namely the “equity” section, on page 6 with the following modified text underlined: In addition, these benefits and burdens will be shared between groups of people, regardless of age, gender, income, race, ethnicity, culture, religious beliefs, sexual orientation, or disability status. A motion by Mayor Zenovia Evans to approve the Regional Vision to include the additional language as modified by Chicago Community Trust was seconded by Mayor Roger Claar. All in favor, the motion carried.

Suggestions were made regarding inter-government functional cooperative agreements, creative parking solutions and TOD projects utilizing existing infrastructure. Executive Director Blankenhorn maintained that this document is meant to address vision, while other future product will address strategy.

11.0 Unified Work Program (UWP)
On May 14, 2008, the Programming Coordinating Committee recommended the approval of the FY 2009 Unified Work Program to the Board. The FY 2009 UWP totals $19,132,682, including $15,197,062 in FHWA and FTA regional planning funds as well as $3,935,620 in
local match. A motion by Rae Rupp Srch was seconded by Mayor Marilyn Michelini to approve the UWP as presented. All in favor, the motion carried.

12.0 Transportation Consent Agenda
Two items were presented under on the Transportation Consent Agenda, JARC and New Freedom programs as well as the update to the 2030 Regional Transportation Plan, TIP Amendment and Conformity Analysis. A motion by Dan Shea to approve the consent agenda items as presented was seconded by Mayor Marilyn Michelini. All in favor, the motion carried.

13.0 Other Business
When asked about the FLIP program, staff reported that 48 applications had been received and the selected applicants’ information will be forwarded to the board when it is available.

Executive Director Randy Blankenhorn reported that Mayor Marilyn Michelini will attend NARC’s annual meeting in DesMoines, Iowa and wished her luck in filling the “at-large” position on the Board for which she had been campaigning.

14.0 Public Comment
There were no comments from the public.

15.0 Next Meeting
The Board will meet next on July 9, 2008 at 9:30 a.m.

16.0 Adjournment
At 10:20 a.m., a motion to adjourn made by Mayor Roger Claar was seconded by Dan Shea. All in favor the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Leary, Chief of Staff

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Approved as presented by unanimous vote, July 9, 2008.