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# Economic Development Committee DRAFT Minutes

Tuesday, July 24, 2012 9:00 a.m.

Offices of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning DuPage County Conference Room 233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 800 Chicago, Illinois 60606

#### **Committee Members Present:**

Lance Pressl (Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce), ,Peter Creticos (Institute for Work and the Economy), Emily Harris (Metropolis Strategies), Mark Hattas (Geneca) Joanna Greene (Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership), Reggie Greenwood (South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association), Judith Kossy (Policy Planning Partners), Carrie Thomas (Chicago Jobs Council)

**Staff Present:** 

Garett Ballard-Rosa, Simone Weil, Ayman Bari, Matt Maloney, and Annie Byrne

## 1.0 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. by Chair, Lance Pressl.

## 2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

Items 5.0 and 6.0 were reversed.

## 3.0 Approval of the Minutes-June 26, 2012

The minutes of the June 26, 2012 meeting were approved, as presented.

## 4.0 Advanced Manufacturing Update

The members of the Advanced Manufacturing Sub-committee plan on meeting with Caralynn Nowinski from the University of Illinois to discuss the lessons learned from the NMMI proposal process and the role of the proposal's partners moving forward. Reggie Greenwood shared information on a recently submitted Jobs and Innovation Accelerator Challenge grant proposal to support the rail equipment manufacturing industry. Lyu Uzunov from the Illinois Science and Technology Coalition shared

information on their Jobs and Innovation Accelerator Challenge grant proposal for nanotechnology.

The committee also discussed World Business Chicago's Plan for Economic Growth and Jobs strategy on advanced manufacturing and the role of the task force that is being formed to lead this strategy. Additional information and updates on this effort will be shared at future meetings.

## 5.0 CMAP Freight Cluster Drill-Down: Implementation

The committee broke into two small groups and brainstormed ideas on next steps for two of the implementation actions in the recently completed Freight Cluster Drill-Down report. The results of this exercise will be summarized at the next meeting and follow-up discussions will further refine the next steps.

## 6.0 Other Business

There was no other business.

#### 7.0 Public Comment

There were no comments from the public.

## 8.0 Next Meeting

The committee will not meet in August. The committee meets next on September 25, 2012.

## 9.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Annie Byrne

Committee Liaison

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