



**Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)
Human and Community Development Committee
Minutes**

November 3, 2014

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

Committee Members Present (* indicates that member participated via webinar): Dominic Tocci (Cook County Bureau of Economic Development), Fluturi Demirovski (Regional Transportation Authority), Gina Massuda Barnett* (Cook County Department of Public Health), Jennifer Becker (Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors), Jacky Grimshaw (Center for Neighborhood Technology), Joanna Greene (Chicago Cook Workforce Partnership), Mary Keating (DuPage County), Tammy Wierciak* (West Central Municipal Conference)

Others Present: Enrique Salgado, Jr. (WellCare/Harmony), Jennifer Miller (Cook County Bureau of Economic Development), Nina Thomas (Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights), Omari Moore (Chicago Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights),

Staff Present: Andrew Williams-Clark, Jacquelyn Murdock, Jonathan Burch, Kendra Smith, Ricardo Lopez, Samantha Sherrod (Liaison)

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

Samantha Sherrod, CMAP staff liaison, called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. (The co-chairs were not in attendance.)

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes and announcements.

3.0 Approval of Minutes – September 8, 2014

Joanna Greene made a motion to approve the minutes. Jennifer Becker seconded. The minutes from September 8, 2014 were approved.

4.0 Update on Planning for Progress in Cook County

Jennifer Miller, Program Manager at the Cook County Bureau of Economic Development (BED), gave an update about the County's dual-track comprehensive planning process. The presentation can be found [here](#). The process will guide funding requests, investments, and partnerships over the next five years around community development, affordable housing, and economic development. The collaborative process will result in the development of a new [Consolidated Plan \(Con Plan\)](#) and [Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy \(CEDS\)](#). Public comment for Planning for Progress can be made [here](#) until December 5, 2014.

5.0 Update on Comprehensive Plan for the City of Chicago Heights

Kendra Smith, CMAP staff, updated the committee about the comprehensive plan for the City of Chicago Heights, located in southern Cook County. This plan will address land use and development, economic growth, open space programming, infrastructure improvements, and image and identity.

Ms. Smith shared that the planning process for the comprehensive plan started in March 2013, and the first draft of the plan is expected to be complete during December 2014.

Ms. Smith explained that Chicago Heights is an entitlement community and therefore receives a certain percentage of funding from Cook County; however, the City will be looking to secure additional funding in the future. During the presentation, Ms. Smith highlighted how the comprehensive will provide a cohesive framework for various community stakeholders to work from.

6.0 Update on Immigrant Integration Toolkit

Ricardo Lopez, CMAP staff, gave an overview of the [Immigrant Integration Toolkit](#), which can assist municipalities in addressing changing demographics at the local level. It presents a variety of ways other municipalities have successfully dealt with integration through improved health outcomes, economic mobility, enhanced civic participation, and a culture of inclusiveness. The toolkit examines demographics, civic engagement, public safety, health services, workforce and economic development, language access, and housing.

Ricardo provided details about outreach about the plan which consists of presenting to the various CMAP committees, Councils of Government, and the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus; sending e-blasts to the region's 284 municipalities; television interview with CAN-TV; project webpage; etc. Committee members suggested that a map of the immigrant population be added to the toolkit's appendix.

7.0 Human and Community Development Strategy Development

Drew Williams-Clark explained that staff is engaged in a project to examine the expected approach to human and community development in the next long-range regional plan. This involves cataloguing activities related to human and community development that CMAP has conducted since GO TO 2040, including LTA products and toolkits. It also involves investigating the activities of other regional planning agencies. One of the goals of the project is to determine whether the agency's current knowledge base and analytical tools are adequate, or whether additional research,

analytical methods, or stakeholder discussions need to be conducted. This was the first of three discussions to solicit committee input in the project.

8.0 Release of Proposed Section 5310 New and Expansion Program of Projects for Public Comment

Fluturi Demirovski, RTA staff member and committee member, announced RTA's release of the proposed Section 5310 Program of New and Expansion Projects for a 30-day public comment period on October 15, 2014. Funding is proposed for seven grantees: City of Chicago; Lake County DOT; Little City Foundation; Metra; Ray Graham Association; Regional Transportation Authority; and Trinity Services. The Section 5310 program is federally funded with project sponsors responsible for the local match. Project sponsors have committed \$1,471,047 to fulfill the local match requirements of the proposed \$4,402,403 program budget, with federal funds making up the balance. Public comments could be submitted through RTA's website. Following the public comment period, the proposed Section 5310 Program of New and Expansion Projects was considered for approval at the next RTA Board meeting on November 19, 2014.

9.0 Other Business – 2015 meeting dates

The committee decided on the following meeting schedule for next year:

- January 12
- February 9
- March 9
- April 13
- May 11
- June 8
- July 13
- August 10
- September 14
- October 5
- November 9
- December 14

Janna Simon announced that Illinois Public Health Institute is partnering with the City of Chicago on a health impact assessment (HIA) for the Englewood Line located along 59th Street.

10.0 Public Comment

There were no public comments.

11.0 Next Meeting

The Human and Community Development Committee is scheduled to meet next on Monday, December 8, 2014, at 10:00 a.m.

12.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.