



Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

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MEMORANDUM

To: UWP Committee

From: Angela Manning-Hardimon
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Date: March 31, 2016

Re: FY 2017 UWP

On January 4, 2016, a Call for Projects was made for the FY 2017 UWP proposals. Nine proposals were received for the core projects and ten for the competitive projects.

As the UWP committee is aware, CMAP has historically relied exclusively on the State to match its federal funding. The lack of a State budget has significantly impacted CMAP's operations, leading the agency to explore a variety of solutions. In the long term, CMAP has proposed both legislative and non-legislative solutions to keep the agency operational, but even if these are successful, the agency will face crippling cash flow issues in early FY 2017 unless additional steps are taken. The proposed distribution of UWP funding this year is meant to keep the agency operational even in the absence of a state budget.

With the current State budget impasse and the uncertainty that a budget for FY 2017 will be passed, it is proposed that no FY 2017 dollars be allocated for competitive proposals. This will ensure that CMAP remain operational and also provide for the core transportation planning dollars for the City of Chicago, the Council of Mayors, Lake County and the transit agencies at the FY2016 federal levels. Federal funding is estimated to be \$17,104,664 for FY 2017.

CORE PROPOSALS

The total core proposals totaled \$20,491,289, of which \$16,220,224 are in federal funds. A discussion of each of the proposals was held at the February 18, 2016 committee meeting. The recommendation on funding levels for the core proposals is as follows:

- CMAP request be reduced by \$2,002,706 – to \$13,940,394 (reflects all federal funds and no local match – please note that this is a decrease in total funding but an increase in federal share)
- CDOT request be reduced to the FY 2016 level—to \$825,000, a reduction of \$50,000 (\$40,000 federal funds)

- County request remain as proposed (Lake recommended a level that was \$40,000 lower than FY 2016)
- Council of Mayors request be reduced to the FY 2016 level --\$1,938,539, a reduction of \$65,900 (\$46,474 federal funds)
- CTA request be reduced to the FY 2016 level – to \$500,000, a reduction of \$93,750 (\$75,000 federal funds)
- Metra request be reduced to the FY 2016 level – to \$400,000, a reduction of \$50,000 (\$40,000 federal funds)
- Pace (rideshare services program) request be reduced to FY 2016 level – to \$75,000, a reduction of \$25,000 (\$20,000 federal funds), and Pace (TIP development and modeling) request was at the same level as FY 2016. Approve at requested level.
- RTA requested expansion of the core funding to complete the 2018 Regional Transit Strategic Plan Support. With the impact of the State budget on CMAP's ability to remain operational, it is recommended that RTA be funded at the FY 2016 expenditure level of \$100,000, a reduction of the FY 2017 request of \$100,000 (\$80,000 federal funds).

COMPETITIVE PROPOSALS

At the February 18, 2016 meeting, all competitive proposals were presented and the committee had an opportunity to ask questions regarding the projects. Committee members ranked the proposals as reflected in Table 1.

TABLE 1

FY 2017 COMPETITIVE PROPOSALS RANKING

Agency	Project Title	Total Score
CTA	South Halsted Corridor Enhanced Bus Feasibility and Planning Study	15.7
CMAP/Suballocation to RTA	Local Planning Assistance	15
CDOT	Southwest Industrial Corridor Transportation Study (SWICT)	13.3
CDOT	Multimodal Crash Analysis Study	13.2
CTA	Core Capacity Expansion for Red and Purple Line Modernization (RPM) Phase II	13.2
Metra	Station/Train Boarding and Alighting Count	13
CDOT	Pedestrian and Bicycle Count Study	12.2
Metra	Origin – Destination Survey	11
Pace	Pace Hispanic User/Non User Market Analysis Study	11
CDOT	Livable Streets: Make Way for People Implementation Plan and Analysis	8.3

As previously noted, it is recommended that no FY 2017 competitive dollars be allocated. However, project scoring has been provided to demonstrate how committee members ranked projects in relationship to evaluation criteria.

Table 2 reflects the FY 2017 UWP recommended program.

TABLE 2
RECOMMENDED FY 2017 UWP

Agency	Project Title	CMAP Recommendations – federal funds	CMAP Recommendations – total funds
Core			
CMAP	MPO Activities	\$13,940,394	13,940,394
City of Chicago	City of Chicago Transportation and Programming	\$660,000	\$825,000
Lake County	Para transit Market Study	\$200,000	\$250,000
Council of Mayors	Subregional Transportation Planning, Programming, and Management	\$1,384,270	\$1,938,539
CTA	Program Development	\$400,000	\$500,000
Metra	Program Development	\$320,000	\$400,000
Pace	Rideshare Services Program	\$60,000	\$75,000
Pace	TIP Development and Modeling	\$60,000	\$75,000
RTA	2018 Regional Transit Strategic Plan Support	\$80,000	\$100,000
Total of Core		\$17,104,664	\$18,103,933
Competitive			
	No Program for FY17		
Total Competitive		\$0	\$0
Total programs		\$17,104,664	\$18,103,933
FY 2017 UWP Mark		\$17,104,664	

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

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