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Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning Transportation Committee Agenda Thursday November 15, 2007

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

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions **9:30 AM**
Jack Groner, Committee Chair

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

3.0 Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the October 26, 2007 meeting are attached.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of minutes of the October 26th meeting.

4.0 Coordinating Committee Reports

The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Transportation Committee will give an update on their respective coordinating committee's actions at their latest meetings.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

5.0 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) (Ostdick)

5.1 TIP Changes

Fund source, year and cost changes and the addition of exempt projects have been requested. The TIP Changes are attached.

A TIP change for the Algonquin Bypass is requested in the TIP change attachment on page 9; however the Federal Highway Administration is reviewing this change in order to determine whether it requires an

amendment. If so, the Transportation Committee will be asked to approve the release of the amendment for public comment.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval of the TIP changes

5.2 Self Certification of the Planning Process

Every four years, the MPO is required to certify the planning process is addressing major issues facing the area and is being conducted in accordance with federal laws and regulation. Northeastern Illinois' transportation planning process is documented in the Unified Work Program, the Transportation Improvement Program and the Regional Transportation Plan.

ACTION REQUESTED: Recommendation that Policy Committee certify the planning process

5.3 Reauthorization and rescissions of federal transportation programs

With the reauthorization of SAFETEA-LU approaching, a preliminary discussion regarding possible issue items will occur. Additionally, rescissions written into SAFETEA-LU will be discussed.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

6.0 Regional Comprehensive Plan (Dean)

A major element of the Regional Comprehensive Plan is the development of a regional vision. Staff will update the committee on the vision development process to date and will describe the latest version of the vision statements that were developed based on the results of the September 12 visioning event. Staff will also facilitate an exercise to gather additional input from the committee on the vision statements.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion and participation in exercise

7.0 Academic and Research Role in the Transportation Committee (Schofer)

The interaction between the academic and research community and the transportation committee will be addressed.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

8.0 Strategic Initiative Update (Murtha)

A brief update of activities will be provided.

ACTION REQUESTED: Informational

9.0 Transit Funding Crisis

With the temporary bailout forestalling the transit doomsday, a discussion regarding current events will occur.

ACTION REQUESTED: Discussion

10.0 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.

11.0 Next Meeting

Discussion on canceling the December 14, 2007; the next meeting scheduled would be on January 18, 2008 at 9:30 a.m. in the Cook County Room.

12.0 Adjournment

Transportation Committee Members:

___ Vanessa Adams ***	___ Paul Losos	___ Jeffrey Sriver
___ Chris DiPalma ***	___ Mike McLaughlin	___ Steve Strains
___ Rocky Donahue	___ Jan Metzger	___ Vonu Thakuriah
___ Neil Ferrari	___ Arlene Mulder	___ Chuck Tokarski
___ Bruce Gould	___ Randy Neufeld	___ Paula Trigg
___ Rupert Graham Jr	___ Jason Osborn	___ Mary Wells
___ Jack Groner *	___ Leanne Redden	___ Ken Yunker
___ Luann Hamilton**	___ Thomas Rickert	___ Tom Zapler
___ Fran Klaas	___ Mike Rogers	
___ Don Kopec	___ Joe Schofer	
___ Clarita Lao	___ Dick Smith	
*Chair	**Vice-Chair	***Non-voting