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Economic Development Meeting

Minutes

Monday, September 26, 2016

9:30 to 11:30a.m.

DuPage Conference Room

Members present: Jason Keller, vice-chair (Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago), Peter Creticos (Institute for Work and the Economy), Katie Fitzpatrick (Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce), Reggie Greenwood (Chicago Southland Economic Development Corporation), Irene Sherr (on behalf of Michael Jasso) (Cook County), Gretchen Kosarko (RW Ventures), Judith Kossy (Policy Planning Partners), Jeff Margolis (Illinois Math and Science Academy), Kelly O'Brien (Alliance for Regional Growth), Kurtis Poszgay (Village of Bensenville), Lance Pressl (Institute for Work and the Economy), Ed Sitar (ComEd)

CMAP staff: David Clark, Lindsay Hollander, Don Hughes, Kristin Ihnchak, Kara Komp, Elizabeth Oo, Noel Peterson, Heidy Persuad, Joe Szabo, Simone Weil

Others present: Al Racciatti (Louis Berger)

1.0 Call to Order/Introductions

Jason Keller called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

No agenda changes were made. Kristin Ihnchak shared CMAP's bi-monthly report informing committee members of progress on the numerous projects underway for plan development. Ihnchak highlighted upcoming snapshots, strategy papers, and events. CMAP has numerous opportunities for public engagement ranging from soliciting feedback on specific products to participation in forums.

3.0 Approval meeting minutes

A motion to adopt the minutes for June 27, 2016 was made and seconded. With no opposition, the motion carried.

4.0 October site visit

Simone Weil discussed the October 24 to downtown Aurora. The visit will be hosted by Waubensee Community College. A forthcoming agenda will highlight Waubensee's Aurora campus, area workforce development needs, and a tour will provide insight into CMAP's local technical assistance (LTA) program development of a [Downtown Master Plan for Aurora](#).

5.0 ON TO 2050 Emerging Priorities Report

Kristin Ihnchak provided an overview of the draft Emerging Priorities for ON TO 2050 report. The document, which summarizes a variety of input and ongoing work, is now undergoing final working committee review prior to Board and MPO Policy Committee approval in October. Committee members were encouraged to weigh in.

6.0 ON TO 2050: Preliminary Population Forecast

Al Racciatti from Louis Berger provided an overview of the socioeconomic forecast development and findings. Louis Berger and EDRG consultants worked with CMAP staff to forecast of total population and employment at the regional level. The population forecast considered fertility rates and births, mortality rates and deaths, and migration. Additionally, a labor force model is used to adjust for labor supply and demand. Riccatti reviewed initial totals, the sensitivity of the forecasts to factors such as investments in transportation and education, and the methods they used. Committee members discussed how the methodologies differed from GO TO 2040, the forecast's geography, and adjustments for industry and migration.

7.0 ON TO 2050: Local Area Allocation Process

Following the population forecast, staff will work to distribute the forecasted population, household, and employment change into quarter-mile subzones throughout the region. Kristin Ihnchak described the process which will balance existing and planned development, market factors, and the policy recommendations of GO TO 2040 and ON TO 2050. Staff will engage the committees throughout FY17 and seek input.

8.0 ON TO 2050: Plan indicators development

Noel Peterson discussed the purpose and process of developing a set of indicators to track the plan's progress toward implementation of ON TO 2050. Peterson discussed the criteria for strong plan indicators. Staff will build upon that analysis to update the GO TO 2040 indicators, identify new indicators that align with new policies in ON TO 2050, and modify existing measures and future targets if appropriate. Upcoming presentations will focus on proposed indicators and kindred indicators in the regional economy and tax policy areas.

9.0 ON TO 2050: Alternative Future Trends

Liz Oo discussed alternative futures scenario planning to prioritize land use, economic, and transportation policies for the region. Over the summer, staff identified trends that have the potential to meaningfully shape the future of the Chicago region. In August, external experts provided feedback on the impacts and likelihood of these trends. Oo discussed the set of trends that staff have initially identified prioritize for research, analysis, and public engagement. These trends include intensified impacts of climate change, smarter mobility, preference for mixed-use centers, diminished public resources, economic restructuring. Committee members discussed the cross-cutting nature of some of the trends, including technology and inequity.

10.0 ON TO 2050: Financial Plan Development

Lindsay Hollander discussed the process to develop the financial plan for metropolitan Chicago's transportation system. The exercise's purpose is to provide a planning level estimate for available resources as well as prioritize policies to ensure the region has adequate revenue to meet its goals of maintaining and enhancing the system. Hollander provided an overview of the analysis of expected revenue sources to carry out the operation, maintenance, and expansion of the region's surface transportation system over the planning period (2019-50). Preliminary findings regarding recent trends include flat vehicle miles traveled, declines in motor fuel consumption, flat federal revenues, and stronger than expected regional sales tax performance.

11.0 Proposed schedule for 2017 meetings and site visits

Committee members discussed challenges with the meeting schedule and provided ideas for future site visits.

12.0 Other business

Peter Creticos provided a reminder about the Futures of Work Conference in March 2017. Kelly O'Brien invited committee members to the Alliance's November summit.

13.0 Public Comment

No public comment was provided.

14.0 Next meeting

A special meeting will be on held with the Land Use Committee on Wednesday, November 16, 2016 from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

15.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:12 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Simone Weil