



Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

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Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)

Board Meeting Minutes

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

Board Members Present: Gerald Bennett, Chair-representing southwest Cook County, Rita Athas-representing the City of Chicago, Matthew Brolley-representing Kane and Kendall Counties, Franco Coladipietro-representing DuPage County, Elliott Hartstein-representing Lake County, Al Larson-representing northwest Cook County (via tele-conference), Andrew Madigan-representing the City of Chicago, John Noak-representing Will County (via tele-conference), Rick Reinbold-representing south suburban Cook County, William Rodeghier-representing suburban Cook County, Carolyn Schofield-representing McHenry County, Peter Silvestri-representing Cook County (via tele-conference), and non-voting members Leanne Redden-representing the RTA and Sean McCarthy-representing the Governor's office (via tele-conference).

Staff Present: Joe Szabo, Melissa Porter, Angela Manning-Hardimon, Bob Dean, Tom Garritano, Tom Kotarac, Gordon Smith, Lindsay Hollander and Sherry Kane

Others Present: Mike Albin-DMMC, Garland and Heather Armstrong-Access Living, Ron Burke-Active Transportation Alliance, Len Canata-WCMC, Bruce Christensen-Lake County, Jackie Forbes-Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors, Janell Jensen-McHenry Council of Mayors, Tom Kelso-IDOT, Patrick Knapp- Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors, Kelsey Mulhausen-Southwest Conference, Brian Pigeon-NWMC, Scott Presslar-Metra, Dave Seglin-CDOT, and Mike Walczak-NWMC.

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

CMAP Board Chair Mayor Gerald Bennett called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m., and asked Board members to introduce themselves.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes or announcements.

3.0 Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the CMAP Board of January 11, 2017, as presented was made by Rita Athas and seconded by Carolyn Schofield. All in favor, the motion carried.

4.0 Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Joe Szabo reported that collection efforts on the dues/contributions program had totaled over \$800,000, roughly 91% of the total billed. Szabo offered thanks to those that had paid and to the CoGs who were had responded with assistance. A breakdown of those remaining unpaid was distributed. During annual visits with the CoGs, Szabo reported that the program had been discussed, and plan updates will be given at several CoG meetings scheduled in the spring. Having spoken at the Calumet Area Industrial Commission and Valley Industrial Commission, efforts to find opportunities to speak continue. The Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program update was included in the board packet, Szabo concluded.

5.0 Procurements and Contract Approvals

Deputy Executive Director of Finance and Administration Angela Manning-Hardimon presented the procurements and contracts for approval by the board that included: a contract approval to perform the regional household travel and activity survey to Westat in an amount not to exceed \$2,732,435; a one-year contract with an option of two one-year renewals with Myers and Staff for \$25,840 to perform an IT security audit; a sole source agreement with Enterprise Community Partners for \$3,000 and to contract with a maximum of eight community-based organizations at \$6,000 each to assist CMAP in its outreach efforts; and, a sole-source contract with SunGard Public Sector for \$84,000 for training, professional services and software for the financial and human resources software application presently in use at CMAP.

A motion by Elliott Hartstein was seconded by President William Rodeghier to approve the contract awards as presented. All in favor, the motion carried.

6.0 Committee Reports

Committee Chair, Elliott Hartstein reported that the Planning Committee had met earlier in the morning and had discussed the goals of the Committee related to the development of the next plan, ON TO 2050. Other topics for discussion, Hartstein continued, were related to Climate Resilience and Inclusive Growth. The committee meets next in June (but may consider an earlier meeting) Hartstein continued and encouraged members to take a copy of the material related to climate resilience—staff had done a great job on that piece.

A written summary of the working committees and the Council of Mayors Executive Committee was also distributed.

7.0 Legislative Agenda and Framework

7.1 CMAP staff Gordon Smith brought the 2017 State Legislative Framework and Agenda documents for Board approval reporting that the framework document covers legislative principles based on GO TO 2040 while the agenda guides policy priorities for CMAP in the upcoming legislative session. Smith went on to say that staff continues its analysis of the constitutional amendment that had recently passed and is

working with its partners to address eligible expenses and other ambiguities that exist. Reliable access to planning funds is another area of continued effort on the part of CMAP staff. Smith also reported that the material contains information that closely mirrors that of previous years, including sustainable transportation funding, performance-based transportation investment, advancing innovative tools for investment, tax policy reforms, dedicated funding for water supply planning and management and government transparency and accountability. When queried about a state budget Smith suggested that it is just too early in the session to report, that the Governor's budget address is scheduled for February 15, and that staff will provide a policy update following the address.

A motion by President Matt Brolley was seconded by President William Rodeghier to approve the documents as were presented. All in favor, the motion carried.

Smith also reported that staff has already begun tracking nearly 100 bills that may be of importance to CMAP; a report will be presented at the next board meeting.

7.2 Deputy Executive Director of Policy and Programming Tom Kotarac presented the 2017 Federal Agenda for board approval. The document, nearly identical to last year's material, includes the introduction or modification of three topics: repealing the MPO Rule—CMAP supports repealing the current rule and leaving fundamental MPO reform to the legislative process; implementation of the FAST Act—CMAP emphasizes adequate funding for transportation through increased revenue versus only borrowing; and, implementation of the FAST Act's freight provisions— changes to the freight programs are necessary to ensure our region, as the nation's freight hub receives more resources.

Kotarac went on to say that a number of meetings were scheduled in D.C. next week to discuss the repeal (among other topics), Senator Tammy Duckworth has this on the radar, newly-appointed Secretary of Transportation Elizabeth Chao had no role in the current rule, and much of the DOT staff was not supportive of the rule in the first place. Kotarac also briefly covered the market-place fairness tax legislation, indicating that tax reform may be the opportunity to enact that legislation, with tax reform reportedly coming before the House in spring or early summer.

A motion by Carolyn Schofield was seconded by President Franco Coladipietro to approve the Federal Agenda as had been presented. All in favor, the motion carried

8.0 ON TO 2050-Financial Plan Update

CMAP staff Lindsay Hollander presented the ON TO 2050 Financial Plan Update, reporting that the financial plan must include the amount of revenue expected to be available over the planning period, as well as how much is expected to be needed to maintain, operation, enhance, and expand the transportation system. Hollander also reported that staff had been working on the draft forecast for about 6 months. There are no new sources of core revenues, and \$460 billion is forecast (in year of expenditure dollars) for the 32-year planning period. Comparing the forecast of the GO TO 2040 update to that of ON TO 2050, Hollander reported, federal revenue was lower in ON TO 2050, state MFT will likely experience less decline in ON TO 2050 than in GO TO 2040,

transit fare revenues are lower in ON TO 2050, and the RTA sales tax revenue is slightly higher. The differences resulted in a lower overall revenue forecast. Growth in expenditures may also be lower, Hollander continued. Those forecasts will be presented in March. Hollander led the board through allocation category definitions, including how the region might define its priorities in maintaining and operating the system, meeting performance targets, improving and enhancing the system, expanding the system via regionally significant projects, and again that the draft expenditure forecasts will be presented in March. Comments from the Board included: using a conservative approach related to reasonable expected revenues and prioritization of most to least realistic; questioning whether legislative changes that may occur could impact revenue, different trends, growth rates, CPI, etc., and finally, without significant capital investment there is no way to increase [transit] ridership.

9.0 Other Business

There was no other business before the CMAP board.

10.0 Next Meeting

The Board is scheduled to meet next on March 8, 2017.

11.0 Public Comment

Garland Armstrong-Access Living reported that the Schaumburg Convention Center was unbelievable in what it had done to accommodate the disabled community.

Ron Burke-Active Transportation Alliance, complimented the board on its work through the Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program that had brought about innovation at the local level, and suggested that as a region the less-reliant-car goal is not on track to be met, especially in the suburbs. Building more highways, Burke added, is not a long term solution, and the ways things look today is that we are on trend for more cars, not less.

Both Chairman Mayor Bennett and Executive Director Joe Szabo suggested that funding, a shift in federal and state policy, and innovation are needed for growth in meeting multi-modal goals.

12.0 Closed Session

At 10:31 a.m., a motion by President Rick Reinbold seconded by President Matt Brolley to adjourn to a closed session, pursuant to ILCS 120/2(c)(21) of the Open Meetings Act to review minutes of prior closed session meetings. All in favor, the motion carried.

At 10: 34 a.m., a motion to return to the regular meeting made by Elliott Hartstein was seconded by Mayor Al Larson and with all in favor, carried.

Board Chairman Mayor Bennett reported that the Board had considered minutes from previous executive session meetings, approved the draft minutes of the meetings of September 14, April 13 and February 10, 2016, had asked that minutes of previous sessions be held confidential and had authorized the destruction of the recordings.

13.0 Adjournment

A motion to adjourn at 10:35 a.m., by President Rick Reinbold was seconded by Elliott Hartstein. All in favor, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Melissa Porter, Chief of Staff

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Approved as presented by unanimous vote, March 8, 2017