



Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning

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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, Frank Beal-representing the City of Chicago, Matthew Brolley-representing Kane and Kendall Counties (via tele-conference), Franco Coladipietro-representing DuPage County, Janel Forde-representing the City of Chicago, Elliott Hartstein-representing Lake County, Al Larson-representing northwest Cook County, Andrew Madigan-representing the City of Chicago, Rick Reinbold-representing south suburban Cook County, William Rodeghier-representing suburban Cook County, Carolyn Schofield-representing McHenry County (via tele-conference), Peter Skosey-representing the City of Chicago, and Leanne Redden-representing the Regional Transportation Authority.
Staff Present:	Joe Szabo, Melissa Porter, Angela Manning-Hardimon, Bob Dean, Tom Garritano, Tom Kotarac, Gordon Smith, Marisa Prasse, and Sherry Kane
Others Present:	Mike Albin-DMMC, Garland and Heather Armstrong-Access Living, Allison Buchwach-Metra, Len Cannata-WCMC, Michael Fricano-WCMC, Christen Hayes-UIC, Janell Jensen-McHenry Council of Mayors, Mike Klemens-WCGL, Kelsey Mulhausen-Southwest Conference, Brian Pigeon-NWMC, David 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 9:33 a.m., and asked Board members to introduce themselves.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes or announcements. Chairman Bennett thanked Vice-Chair Rita Athas for having chaired the meeting in March, and announced that sometimes we cut it very close with establishing a quorum. While calling in is an option, Chairman encouraged members to attend the Board meetings in person.

3.0 Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the CMAP Board of the March 8, 2017, as presented was made by Peter Skosey and seconded by Carolyn Schofield. All in favor, the motion carried.

4.0 Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Joe Szabo reported that the Local Technical Assistance (LTA) update had been included in the Board materials. Szabo went on to report the following: Both the Senate (Duckworth) and House (Lipinski) had introduced identical bills to kill the consolidation rule and it is hoped that the House would pass the Senate bill so that it could go to the President for signing. Regarding appropriations and the "skinny budget," a CMAP policy update was developed and a joint letter from CMAP, NIRPC, SEWRPC and Southwest Michigan had been sent to the House and Senate Appropriations Committee over cuts to the TIGER, New Starts, and Amtrak service, as well as the Great Lakes, coastal and climate issues and Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Chairman Mayor Bennett asked that a similar letter on behalf of the CMAP Board also be sent. Staff continues to monitor the state budget process, Szabo continued, and discussions with FHWA and IDOT had begun again for direct payment to CMAP in the event there is no state budget before July 1, or making use of toll credits as the match. The collection of dues is now at about 98%, Szabo stated. A list of respective communities in the areas they represent was distributed to each of the board members, and any help on the collection of those remaining is appreciated. Szabo gave an update on the streaming bill introduced by Representative Riley, indicating that staff continues to work to put this together, while considering a number of options and that there is a concern related to spending in the current fiscal year. Szabo gave an update on the ON TO 2050 Alternative Futures that is being rolled out for public engagement beginning just last week. Through August, staff is reaching out to the public with kiosks, forums, workshops, videos, and web survey on the five futures of climate change, walkable communities, innovative transportation, transformed economy, and constrained resources. The first in the series--climate change on April 6--will be followed by walkable communities on May 4, innovative technologies on June 22, and transformed economy on July 19.

5.0 Procurements and Contract Approvals

Deputy Executive Director of Finance and Administration Angela Manning-Hardimon reported that staff recommends the Board approve the following five procurements and contract awards. A contract award to UrbanLab for the ON TO 2050 Urban Design Services project in an amount not to exceed \$148,800.00. A three-year contract award for audit services to Sikich, LLC, at approximately \$40,000.00 per year. The selection of DePaul University for leadership and supervisory management training at a cost not to exceed \$32,100.00. Approval of an amendment to an existing contract to Workstate for \$310,000.00 to allow the completion of work on existing and future ON TO 2050 related projects. Finally, a sole source agreement for a two-year renewal to the Liferay content management software contract for the website in an amount not to exceed \$55,812.50.

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 three key reports were presented by staff. Public engagement through the use of kiosks, on-line surveys through MetroQuest and workshops all are being used to help educate the public. A presentation related to constrained resources—how to do more with less in light of stagnated state and federal resources—also given by staff, included various strategies (i.e., congestion pricing, consolidation, and reform of sales and property taxes). And finally, Hartstein continued, a report on reinvestment (infill), lands in transition (dealing with areas on the fringe), and tax policy (all areas) was given.

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

7.0 Local Technical Assistance Project Implementation

Following up on the conversation that began in March, Deputy Executive Director of Planning Bob Dean reported that staff had recommended setting aside a small amount of financial resources, a pilot program for the first year not to exceed \$50,000, as a series of small grants to communities to help with Local Technical Assistance Project Implementation. Dean described the types of projects and selection process, all of which had been included in a memo in the Board material. Examples of projects might include help with a capital improvement plan, or hosting a developer panel or working with a non-profit partner (i.e., walkability audit)—these would be staff-led projects. Consultant-led projects might include an extension of a contract or a small follow up contract to keep attention focused on a plan while staying involved in a community. Limitations on the types of funding provided would include any capital expenditure or support for local staff. Addressing questions that had been raised regarding the selection process, Dean also reported that some projects may come up through the annual call for projects, while others may be more opportunistic and identified through the implementation update process. Also covered in the memo were staff recommendations regarding selection criteria, and finally Dean suggested that funding limits would not exceed \$10,000 and more reasonable levels would be at the \$5,000 range with eligibility related to transportation. Community need and commitment would have to be balanced in the award. Suggesting this is a less formal process than is currently in place for the LTA program, staff recommends a one-year pilot and associated assessment. Board member concerns and comments related to the following: Whether amounts significant enough to make a difference. Measuring during the pilot program is a great idea. Fewer projects that have a greater impact may make the program more successful. While building upon existing projects would be a criteria for selection, the initial project should also be measured. The RTA has been doing this for years. Finally, this aligns with the Board goals from the start of the LTA program, which was to see projects implemented.

8.0 Future Leaders in Planning (FLIP) Update

CMAP staff Marisa Prasse reported that the FLIP program is now accepting applications for its 2017 summer program, scheduled for the last week of July. Teens across the region will learn about urban planning, take field trips and get involved in the issues that shape our region. Over 270 students from more than 100 schools have participated in the program since its start, Prasse continued, with some having gone on to study and work in

urban planning. The week-long program will explore ON TO 2050's Alternative Futures, tackling one of the five each day. The Board was asked to share the application, due by May 15, and behind-the-scenes video with their communities and any high school students they may know. Approximately 30-45 students attend each year, and along with the completed application, a letter of recommendation from a teacher or member of the community is required.

9.0 State Legislative Update

CMAP staff Gordon Smith reported there were no significant changes to report and no changes in positions that had previously been recommended by staff. Staff will continue to monitor progress, especially HB 2538 (the streaming bill), as well as development of the state budget. Questioned about the trailer bill related to a limitation on planning funds that came about as a constitutional amendment, Smith reported that proponents of the bill were not receptive to any changes and most are proceeding as if nothing had changed. Executive Director Joe Szabo added that IDOT indicated that it would continue to fund our planning needs. A save-the-date memo was distributed, Smith continued, for a CMAP Legislative Forum in Springfield on May 11, implementing the Executive Director's commitment to regularly engage the General Assembly. Staff will take ON TO 2050 to the state Capitol and will discuss changed climate, transportation innovations, constrained funding, performance-based planning, adequate funding for comprehensive transportation planning, and inclusive growth. Additional details to follow, Board members were asked to reply to staff by April 28, of their plans to attend.

Questioned about performance-based programming, staff reported that there is progress, especially where new projects are concerned and a high level overview had been discussed and considered at the MPO Policy Committee.

10.0 Alternative Futures kiosk demonstration

Deputy Executive Director of Communications and Outreach Tom Garritano first thanked Board member Janel Forde for having opened some doors at the City that helped with placing the kiosks, as well as the counties, our own IT group, and the futures and outreach teams. Considered primarily educational, Garritano stated, the 3-5 minute demonstration is also an opportunity for feedback. Garritano guided the board through the Walkable Communities and Innovative Transportation videos, both of which conclude with a link to the MetroQuest survey that collects additional information from viewers. Garritano thanked the board for having made the resources available, reported on media outreach, and reported that one future per month will be featured beginning in April and continuing through August. Two recent outreach engagements had been conducted at schools, Garritano reported and a Spanish version of the videos will also be developed.

11.0 Other Business

There was no other business before the CMAP board.

12.0 Next Meeting

The Board is scheduled to meet next on May 10, 2017.

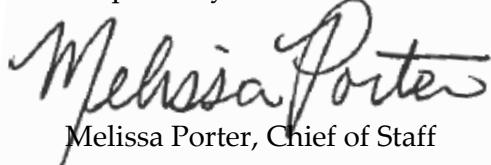
13.0 Public Comment

Heather Armstrong-Access Living addressed the CMAP Board regarding the kiosks, and asked that they also be made available to the disabled community. Garland Armstrong-Access Living asked about the completion of O'Hare's kiss & fly and reported that out-of-towners are having a tough time finding Pace connections at the airport.

14.0 Adjournment

A motion to adjourn at 10:34 a.m., by Peter Skosey was seconded by President William Rodeghier. All in favor, the motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Melissa Porter

Melissa Porter, Chief of Staff

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Approved as presented, by unanimous vote, May 10, 2017