



Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)

Board Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2018

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, Franco Coladipietro-representing DuPage County, Janel Forde-representing the City of Chicago, Al Larson-representing northwest Cook County, Andrew Madigan-representing the City of Chicago, John Noak-representing Will County, Marty Oberman-representing the City of Chicago, Carolyn Schofield-representing McHenry County, Matthew Walsh-representing suburban Cook County, Terry Weppler-representing Lake County, Diane Williams-representing suburban Cook County, and non-voting member, Leanne Redden-representing the MPO Policy Committee.

Staff Present: Joe Szabo, Melissa Porter, Angela Manning-Hardimon, Tom Garritano, Gordon Smith, Jake Koepsel, Russell Pietrowiak, Simone Weil, Austen Edwards, Lindsay Hollander, Patrick Day, and Sherry Kane.

Others Present: Garland and Heather Armstrong-Access Living, Allison Buchwach-Metra, Mark Baloga-DMMC, Jack Cruikshank-WCGL, Ernestine Beckham Ford-Village of Ford Heights, Michael Fricano-WCMC, Emily Karry-Lake County, Mike Klemens-WCGL, Kelsey Mulhausen-Southwest Conference, Leslie Phemister-SSMMA, Brian Pigeon-NWMC, Joseph Roudez, III-Village of Ford Heights, Vicky Smith-SW Conference, and Lilliane Webb-Metro Strategies.

1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

CMAP Board Chair Mayor Bennett called the meeting to order at approximately 9:33 a.m., and asked Board members to introduce themselves.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

Board Chair Mayor Bennett welcomed CMAP's newest Board member, Diane Williams, representing suburban Cook County.

3.0 Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the CMAP Board meeting of February 14, 2018, as presented made by Carolyn Schofield was seconded by Mayor Al Larson, and with all in favor, carried.

4.0 Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Joe Szabo reported on the following topics. The Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program update was included in the packet. The LTA Call for Projects has been moved to the fall this year to align with ON TO 2050 recommendations. The dues program has seen a collection rate of more than 96%. The launch event for ON TO 2050 is scheduled for October 10, at Millennium Park. CMAP committees have begun preliminary review of the draft chapters following the three years of work that has covered seven snapshot reports, and fifteen strategy papers, and public engagement having reached more than 60,000. April and May will have staff revising and finalizing the draft chapters, a proposed list of regionally significant projects will be presented to the Transportation Committee in April, and the draft plan will be issued for public comment from June 15 to August 14. Final changes from the public comment period will be completed in September and scheduled adoption of the plan is slated for the October 10 joint meeting of the CMAP Board and Policy Committee. A brief update was also given on the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee Subcommittee on Transportation Revenues. A meet-and-greet of board members will follow the April meeting of the board and a representative from the Chicago Regional Growth Corporation (CRGC) is scheduled to give a presentation, also at the April board meeting.

5.0 Procurements and Contract Approvals

Deputy Executive Director for Finance and Administration Angela Manning-Hardimon presented the following procurements and contract approvals: a contract amendment and additional funding request for Envision Sustainability Tools, Inc. (MetroQuest) in the amount of \$32,000; a contract approval with UrbanSim, Inc., for parcel model development in the amount of \$660,000; a contract approval with Teska Associates for the Sauk Village comprehensive plan at a cost not to exceed \$117,262; and, a contract approval with SLG Innovation for IT consulting services at a cost not to exceed \$1,035,854. A motion by Frank Beal seconded by Marty Oberman to approve the contract awards as presented, with all in favor, carried.

6.0 Resolution adopting revised CMAP Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy

CMAP staff Jake Koepsel presented Resolution No. 2018-001 and reported that Public Act 100-0554 mandates all government units must establish a policy prohibiting sexual harassment, with certain specific requirements. CMAP's policy meets those requirements and conforms to that act. A question regarding CMAP's existing policy compared to this version (that contains the four requirements) resulted in staff suggesting that the red-lined version of the policy be forwarded following the meeting. A motion by Carolyn Schofield was seconded by Andrew Madigan to adopt Resolution No. 2018-001 establishing CMAP's Non-Discrimination and Anti-Harassment Policy in compliance with Public Act 100-0554. All in favor, the motion carried.

7.0 Transportation Consent Agenda: Semi-Annual GO TO 2040/TIP Conformity Analysis & TIP Amendment

CMAF staff Russell Pietrowiak reported that the GO TO 2040/TIP Conformity Analysis & TIP Amendment were included in the Board materials, reported on nonattainment, the Clean Air Act regulation regarding TIP amendments, and CMAF's opening up of the TIP to accept new projects and amendments that are subject to the regional emissions analysis. Pietrowiak also reported that the region conforms to the VOC budget for 2025, but only by a very small margin. The material were subject to a 30-day public comment period and no comments were received. A motion by Mayor John Noak was seconded by Marty Oberman to approve the semi-annual GO TO 2040/TIP conformity analysis and TIP amendment, as presented. All in favor, the motion carried.

8.0 Committee Reports

Planning Committee Chair Carolyn Schofield reported that the committee had met and discussed recommendations of three chapters of the plan. The Environment chapter, focused on resilience, planning for the water cycle, and preservation and stewardship of our natural and agricultural assets, will be presented to the Board in April. Presentations will be given to the board today on the other two chapters—Governance, and the Economy. Schofield went on to say that each of the chapters will be presented to CMAF's working committees and full drafts of each chapter will be distributed for feedback this month.

Programming Committee Chair Rita Athas reported that the committee had also met and considered the following. Staff gave an overview of ON TO 2050 Draft Review Process, and discussed the proposed Land Use recommendations. When developing ON TO 2040, suburban sprawl was of great importance, compared now to ON TO 2050 and urban development. Staff gave a presentation on a pilot pavement management program (a follow up to the new STP agreement). Athas reported that 59 communities applied to the program, and resources were available for only 5. The LTA program 2018 call for projects is pushed back to fall to correspond with the release of ON TO 2050, as an early implementation activity. The current LTA program update was presented, and staff gave a state legislative update.

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

9.0 ON TO 2050: Draft Economy Recommendations

CMAF staff Simone Weil and Austen Edwards provided a presentation on the regional economy chapter which builds off GO TO 2040's focus on industry clusters, innovation, and workforce. The chapter incorporates the three key principles of ON TO 2050 (prioritized investment, inclusive growth, and resilience). The presentation focused on context related to the following: slow growth (relative to our history, peers, and national averages), entry-level jobs requiring more education, and disparate outcomes by race and ethnicity. Corresponding goals were also presented (slowing the erosion of our historic strengths, a workforce prepared for the 21st century, and reduction of economic inequalities that drag on the region's economic growth). The proposed ON TO 2050 regional economic development recommendation include the following: pursue regional economic development, support the region's traded clusters, align economic development

planning with regional goals, improve the provision of tax incentives for economic development, and enhance economic innovation.

Points made by the board included the following. The CRGC is an agency that can help municipalities participate in a regional approach to economic development. Continuing to understand the role of CMAP as it relates to inclusive growth, equity, and social justice. Some investments in economic development do not generate new activity but are rather net neutral for the regional economy. Where economic development is happening at the county versus municipal level. Different types of innovation throughout the region. Best practices in economic development incentives and transparency when considering proprietary information. Need for up-to-date data to inform the conversation.

Included in the human capital portion of the presentation were the macro trends (technological change, job market polarization, lack of economic mobility, and the resulting growing demand for education and training). The proposed recommendations addressing human capital included the following. Conduct regional planning for workforce development by enhancing coordination between industry and the workforce, and community colleges, and improving access to education and employment opportunities that promote upward mobility. Prioritize pathways for upward mobility (investing in career pathway programs--manageable steps that make career advancement possible--that lead to ready job opportunities). Expand data-driven approaches in the workforce and educational systems (integrated workforce and education data systems, measuring regional progress, and maintaining adequate data).

10.0 ON TO 2050: Draft Governance Recommendations

CMAP staff Lindsay Hollander and Patrick Day gave the presentation related to the governance chapter reiterating the draft review timeline that concludes with adoption of the plan in October. Again, the recommendations are aligned to support three key principles of ON TO 2050 (prioritized investment, inclusive growth, and resilience), with material having been drawn from six strategy papers. Why governance needs to become more effective (strained resources, infrastructure needs, and inconsistent capacity to implement goals) was discussed. The following three goals, the strategies to accomplish the goals, and examples actions were also highlighted and discussed. Collaboration at all levels of government, through sharing or consolidating services, consolidating local governments, and coordinating infrastructure operations and maintenance. Greater capacity to achieve local and regional goals through technical assistance programs (like LTA), prioritized training for local government officials and staff, and developing tax policies that strengthen communities and the region (developing new funding solutions, reforming tax policies, ability for local governments to implement user fees, and increase the motor fuel tax and replace with vehicle miles traveled fee). Data driven and transparent investment decisions, a big part of the plan's goal of promoting prioritized investment and improving resiliency (basing investment decisions on data and performance, and improving access to public information with technology and transparency).

Comments made by the board included the following. When allocating resources, favorable consideration should be given to projects that are regional in nature. The question, is data available that would support cost sharing and combining services by communities, prompted a hearty discussion by the board. Consolidation of dispatching

services was given as an example of where cost savings have been realized. Consolidating health services on a township level might be a good example too, as well as managing investments on pension funds. A recent examination of consolidating sewage treatment plants in Lake County actually found would result in higher costs. A standardized approach and analysis (taking into account different union contracts, capital expenses, and delivery of service) should be implemented. Local governments have been in conversations with one another for years to identify ways to voluntarily consolidate to save costs and deliver quality services. An LTA project in McHenry County will look at where services can be shared to produce efficiencies and, once completed, will serve as a model throughout the region. Is there a way the state can help incentivize debt?

Finally, a question regarding the motor fuel tax in ON TO 2050 and the possibility of 75% of vehicles being more fuel efficient with less gas consumption, had staff reporting that the MFT would actually be transitioned out, and replaced with a vehicle miles travelled (VMT) fee to ensure sustainable revenue to support the transportation system over the planning period.

11.0 Legislative Agendas and Update

CMAP staff Gordon Smith reported that the state legislative report included in the Board packet and no recommendations to take any new positions on any of the new bills we are tracking. Things are slow this spring session because of the election. A fuller report is expected in the months ahead. A suggestion that the board look at the legislative summary of the bills we call your attention to. Every bill and resolution that comes out of the general assembly is examined (4,000 right now), and we are tracking 100 and identify which are relevant to GO TO 2040, ON TO 2050, the principles and agenda you approved recently, and the policy positions you have taken. The list will expand and contact throughout the legislative process. The Board was asked to save-the-date (May 10) for the spring open house in Springfield.

12.0 FLIP Update

CMAP staff Katanya Raby gave a brief recap and ran a snapchat video from last year's program and announced that staff are currently developing the curriculum for this year's program partnering with the Chicago Architectural Foundation to create more design elements. The focus will continue to be the ON TO 2050 principles of resilience, inclusive growth and prioritized investment. Applications are due May 7, participation is limited to High School students in the region, and corresponds nicely with the high school curriculum. There are 45 available slots this year, but because we are partnering with the CAF, CPS will fill 15 of those from their Teens Fellow program, while CMAP fills the remaining 30.

One board member suggested co-sponsoring a youth delegate to the National League of Cities in the fall to talk about youth initiatives.

13.0 Other Business

There was no other business before the CMAP board.

14.0 Next Meeting

The Board is scheduled to meet next on April 11, 2018.

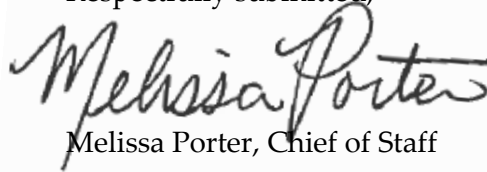
15.0 Public Comment

Scott Figved raised concerns about Lake Cook Road in Barrington, a village issue perhaps, with upkeep of the sidewalks on the school route, access to the train is impeded, and there is no fixed bus route. Because of construction (perhaps) related to a sewer project in the area, the lights are out on Lake Cook Road, a safety concern especially at night. Further, the intersection at Route 14 and Lake Cook Road contains no signage—a school route with crossing guards during the day, and the “no turn on red” signs are ignored. Requests to IDOT for assistance have been met with they have nothing going on in that area, and therefore cannot help.

16.0 Adjournment

At approximately 11:17 a.m., a motion to adjourn by Mayor Al Larson, seconded by Mayor John Noak, and with all in favor, carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Melissa Porter, Chief of Staff

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Approved as presented, by unanimous vote, April 11, 2018