



MEMORANDUM

To: Transportation Committee

From: Angela Manning-Hardimon
Deputy Executive Director, Finance and Administration

Date: April 20, 2018

Re: FY 2019 UWP Budget

On January 2, 2018, CMAP issued a Call for Projects for the FY 2019 UWP proposals. Nineteen total proposals were received with 9 for core projects and 10 for the competitive projects.

The FY 2019 Budget reflects efforts to ensure that CMAP remains operational and provides for the core transportation planning dollars for the City of Chicago, the Council of Mayors, Cook County and the transit agencies. The FY 2019 Budget also reflects efforts to ensure that funding for competitive proposals, as indicated by the UWP committee as an important component of the UWP program in terms of advancing and implementing regional priorities, remain available for committee-selected projects. Federal funding is estimated to be \$17,947,242 for FY 2019, an increase of \$724,416 over the FY 2018 federal funding level. With the required match, the total UWP program for FY 2019 is estimated to be \$22,434,053.

CORE PROPOSALS

The core proposals submitted totaled \$22,504,895, of which \$18,003,916 are for federal funds. A brief synopsis of each core program was presented and discussed at the UWP committee meeting on February 14. To meet the operational demands of the UWP committee agencies within a fiscally constrained budget and while maintaining the viability of the competitive program, a 5% increase over the FY 2018 Budget was allocated to each agency. There were two exceptions to this allocation, CMAP received an increase of less than 1% and the COM received a 6% increase due to additional scope required under the STP reform program. The recommendation on funding levels for the core proposals is as follows.

- CMAP request for \$17,499,631 be approved at \$16,874,837, a reduction of \$624,794 (reflects federal funds and state match)

- CDOT request for \$938,548 be approved at \$866,250, a reduction of \$72,298 (\$57,838 federal funds)
- County request for \$562,500 be approved at \$250,000, a reduction of \$312,500 (\$200,000 federal funds)
- Council of Mayors request for \$2,035,466 be approved at \$1,834,158 a reduction of \$201,308 (\$161,047 federal funds; no longer providing overmatch)
- CTA request for \$593,750 be reduced to \$525,000, a reduction of \$68,750 (\$55,000 federal funds)
- Metra request for \$450,000 be reduced to \$420,000, a reduction of \$30,000 (\$24,000 federal funds)
- Pace (TIP Development and Monitoring) request be approved at \$75,000, unchanged from FY 2018, and Pace (Rideshare Service Program) be approved at \$82,500, a reduction of \$67,500 (\$54,000 federal funds).
- RTA request for \$200,000 be reduced to \$105,000, a reduction of \$95,000 (\$76,000 federal funds).

On February 16, CMAP staff met with Cook County to discuss the submission of the Cook County Transit Study in response to UWP committee members’ understanding that this project maybe a duplication of previous transit studies. Cook County advised that this project was not a duplication of previous transit studies, and would assist Cook County to better define its role in transit similar to how the Cook County Freight Plan refined the County’s role. Cook County advised that this project was scalable and previous years’ Counties funding could aid in funding this project. Therefore, the Cook County Transit Study was included in the Core program as the Counties’ annual submission as agreed by the UWP Committee in 2016.

COMPETITIVE PROPOSALS

At the February 14, meeting all competitive proposals were presented and the committee had an opportunity to ask further questions regarding the projects. On February 20, CMAP staff met with Chicago Heights to discuss their Sidewalk Neighborhood Improvement project. Based on that conversation it was determined that STP funding was a more appropriate funding option than UWP funding. As a result, Chicago Heights withdrew its submission from consideration. CMAP staff will work with Chicago Heights to further explore the STP and other capital project funding options. Committee members ranked the proposals as reflected in Table 1.

TABLE 1

FY 2019 COMPETITIVE PROPOSALS RANKING

Agency	Project Title	Total Score
CTA	Next Phases - Red / Purple Modernization (RPM) Core Capacity Expansion	18

Agency	Project Title	Total Score
CMAP - suballocation to RTA	Local Planning Assistance - Community Planning Program	16
Metra	Origin-Destination Survey	16
CDOT	Vision Zero South Side	15
Metra	Train Asset Mgmt. (TAM) Support Tool Development	14
Pace	I-294 Transit Market Assessment	14
CDOT	Complex Intersections Framework Plan	11
CDOT	New Mobility Impacts Study and Synthesis	10
City of Chicago Heights	Sidewalk Neighborhood Improvement	10
Pace	Dynamic Pricing Strategies Planning Model	8

Based on scoring by the UWP Committee and funding of \$1,401,308 available for competitive proposals, it is recommended that the following proposals and amounts be approved:

CTA - Next Phases - Red / Purple Modernization (RPM) Core Capacity Expansion for \$356,000 (reflects federal funds and local match)

CMAP/RTA – Local Planning Assistance – Community Planning Program for \$590,308 (reflects federal funds and state match)

Metra - Origin-Destination Survey for \$325,000 (reflects federal funds and local match)

CDOT – Vision Zero South Side for \$130,000 (reflects federal funds and local match)

Based on funding of \$1,401,308, the top four projects were awarded with the goal of providing at least more than 50% of its federal funding request. Each agency advised during its February 14 presentation that these projects were scalable and/or alternative funding could be identified. Selecting additional projects would have reduced the amount available per project, thereby reducing the feasibility of proceeding with the selected projects.

Table 2 reflects the FY2019 UWP recommended program.

TABLE 2

RECOMMENDED FY2019 UWP

Agency	Project Title	CMAP Recommendations - federal funds	CMAP Recommendations - total funds
Core			
CMAP	MPO Activities	\$13,499,870	\$16,874,837
City of Chicago (CDOT)	City of Chicago Transportation and Programming	\$693,000	\$866,250
Council of Mayors	Subregional Transportation Planning, Programming, and Management	\$1,467,326	\$1,834,158

Agency	Project Title	CMAP Recommendations - federal funds	CMAP Recommendations - total funds
CTA	Program Development	\$420,000	\$525,000
County	Cook County Transit Study	\$200,000	\$250,000
Metra	Program Development	\$336,000	\$420,000
Pace	Rideshare Services Program	\$66,000	\$82,500
Pace	TIP Development and Modeling	\$60,000	\$75,000
RTA	2018 Regional Transit Strategic Plan Support	\$84,000	\$105,000
Total Core		\$16,826,196	\$21,032,745
Competitive			
CMAP/suballocation to RTA	Local Planning Assistance - Community Planning Program	\$472,246	\$590,308
CDOT	Vision Zero South Side	\$104,000	\$130,000
CTA	Next Phases - Red / Purple Modernization (RPM) Core Capacity Expansion	\$284,800	\$356,000
Metra	Origin-Destination Survey	\$260,000	\$325,000
Total Competitive		\$ 1,121,046	\$ 1,401,308
Total Programs		\$ 17,947,242	\$ 22,434,053

APPROVED FY2019 UWP BUDGET

On March 14, the UWP Committee met to approve the FY 2019 UWP budget. During that meeting, Cook County requested an opportunity to present a business case for increased funding consideration. It was agreed by the UWP Committee that Cook County be awarded an additional \$50,000 in federal funds towards their project. To maintain the balanced budget, CMAP agreed to reduce its core program federal request by \$50,000 citing that potential savings may be achieved by the Agency through its hiring cycle.

During this meeting, RTA also requested that its core program federal funds of \$84,000 be reallocated to CTA and Metra competitive projects. Both agencies would receive an additional \$42,000 in federal funds. RTA cited that they would be able to support their core activities through other funding sources. RTA supported CTA's Red/Purple Modernization program and Metra's Origin-Destination Survey projects noting them as important initiatives that required additional funding.

Overall changes resulted in a decrease in the core federal funding of \$84,000 and an increase of \$84,000 in the competitive federal funding.

The table below reflects the changes and the final FY 2019 budget as approved by the UWP Committee.

TABLE 3

APPROVED FY2019 UWP

Agency	Project Title	UWP Committee Final Recommendations - federal funds	UWP Committee Final Recommendations - total funds
Core			
CMAP	MPO Activities	\$13,449,870	\$16,812,337
City of Chicago (CDOT)	City of Chicago Transportation and Programming	\$693,000	\$866,250
Council of Mayors	Subregional Transportation Planning, Programming, and Management	\$1,467,326	\$1,834,158
CTA	Program Development	\$420,000	\$525,000
County	Cook County Transit Study	\$250,000	\$312,500
Metra	Program Development	\$336,000	\$420,000
Pace	Rideshare Services Program	\$66,000	\$82,500
Pace	TIP Development and Modeling	\$60,000	\$75,000
RTA	2018 Regional Transit Strategic Plan Support	\$0	\$0
Total Core		\$16,742,196	\$20,927,745
Competitive			
CMAP/suballocation to RTA	Local Planning Assistance - Community Planning Program	\$472,246	\$590,308
CDOT	Vision Zero South Side	\$104,000	\$130,000
CTA	Next Phases - Red / Purple Modernization (RPM) Core Capacity Expansion	\$326,800	\$408,500
Metra	Origin-Destination Survey	\$302,000	\$377,500
Total Competitive		\$ 1,205,046	\$ 1,506,308
Total Programs		\$ 17,947,242	\$ 22,434,053

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

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