



## Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)

### Executive Committee

#### Minutes

January 9, 2013

Offices of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)

Will County Conference Room

Suite 800, 233 S. Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois

**Committee Members Present:** Gerald Bennett, Chair -representing southwest Cook County, Susan Campbell-representing the City of Chicago, Elliott Hartstein-representing Lake County, Raul Raymundo-representing the City of Chicago and Rae Rupp Srch-representing DuPage County

**Absent:** Al Larson-representing northwest Cook County

**Staff Present:** Randy Blankenhorn, Jill Leary, Dolores Dowdle and Sherry Kane

#### 1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

CMAP Board Chair, Mayor Gerald Bennett, called the meeting to order at approximately 11:20 a.m.

#### 2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes.

#### 3.0 Approval of Minutes – November 14, 2012

A motion to approve the minutes of the November 14, 2012 meeting as presented was made by Rae Rupp Srch, seconded by Elliott Hartstein and with all in favor, carried.

#### 4.0 Travel Expenses

Travel expense claims for the Executive Director and out of region travel requests for staff were presented for informational purposes.

#### 5.0 Financial Statements

Deputy Executive Director of Finance and Administration Dolores Dowdle reported that the periods ended as planned. The various reports, including the Monthly Cash Report for CMAP and the Peters Fellowship, the Monthly Summary Report, the Monthly Revenue Report, the Monthly Expenditures report, the FY 2012 Project Summary and the

Check Register for the months ending November 30, and December 31, 2012 were presented for approval. A motion by Elliott Hartstein was seconded by Rae Rupp Srch to approve the reports as presented. All in favor, the motion carried.

#### **6.0 Grants, Subcontracts and Procurements**

The monthly update of activities related to grants, subcontracts and procurements was presented. Briefly, staff reported CMAP is awaiting a decision that had been appealed to the U.S. DOT regarding expenditures for a land use project that IDOT had disallowed. A motion by Rae Rupp Srch was seconded by Elliott Hartstein to approve the report as presented. All in favor, the motion carried.

#### **7.0 Expenditure Approval Process**

In the essence of time, the topic of expenditure approval was postponed for a second time.

#### **8.0 Potential Agreement between CMAP and IDOT**

Briefly Executive Director Randy Blankenhorn reported that IDOT had maintained that certain water supply planning expenditures during a previous fiscal year were not consistent with parameters established by the Road Fund and was seeking to recoup \$447,713. Blankenhorn went on to say that negotiations continue surrounding a MOU that IDOT had drafted.

#### **9.0 Proposed CMAP and RTA Merger**

Regarding the possibility of merging the planning activities of the RTA, and bringing additional revenue to CMAP, Board Chair Mayor Bennett suggested that another meeting be scheduled with RTA Board Chair John Gates to pursue either a Board to Board or Executive Committee to Executive Committee conversation to discuss this matter further.

#### **10.0 Other Business**

A question was raised regarding the 15 CMAP employees that are covered under the State Retirement Plan (SERS) and the number of those eligible for retirement (there are 3, including Executive Director Randy Blankenhorn). Blankenhorn also reported that those within a year or two of retirement would not likely make a move to IMRF, and that staff will bring additional information to the next meeting, because the cost of sustaining the current scenario is far too expensive for CMAP.

#### **11.0 Public Comment**

There were no comments from the public.


#### **12.0 Next Meeting**

The Executive Committee will meet next on February 13, 2013.

**13.0 Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn at 11:25 a.m., made by Elliott Hartstein, seconded by Susan Campbell and with all in favor, carried.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dolores Dowdle", followed by a horizontal line extending to the right.

Dolores D. Dowdle, Deputy Executive Director  
For Finance and Administration

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*Approved as presented by unanimous vote, February 13, 2013*