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Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) Environment and Natural Resources Committee Minutes Thursday, November 1, 2018

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

Members Present: Martha Dooley – Village of Schaumburg, Deb Stone – Cook County Department of Environmental Control, Mike Prusilla – Lake County Stormwater Management Commission, Joe Schuessler – MWRD, Tom Rickert– Kane County, Sean Wiedel – Chicago Department of Transportation

Members Absent: Ed Collins – McHenry County Conservation District, Lynn Boerman – IDNR, Keary Cragan – U.S. EPA, Jack Darin – Illinois Sierra Club, Danielle Gallet – Metropolitan Planning Council, David Leopold – CityTech, Stacy Meyers – Openlands, Mike Sullivan – IDOT, Kim Wasserman-Nieto – Little Village Environmental Justice Organization, Moira Zellner – University of Illinois-Chicago

Staff Present: Brian Daly, Jason Navota, Sarah Buchhorn, Maggie Jarr, Stephanie Levine, Nora Beck

Others Present: Andreii Nakonechnyi, Secretariat of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine

1.0 Call to Order

Sean Wiedel called the meeting to order at approximately 9:35 a.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

- Divvy is offering free rides on election day, November 6, and is promoting use of the non-partisan [BallotReady](#) website to learn about candidate platforms.

3.0 Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the October 4 meeting was made Tom Rickert, seconded by Martha Dooley. The motion carried with all in favor.

4.0 Adoption of 2019 Meeting Schedule – Nora Beck, CMAP

Staff proposed the [2019 meeting schedule](#), continuing the practice of meeting on the first Thursday of each month at 9:30 am, with the following exceptions: switching the July meeting to July 11 given July 4th holiday, and no meetings in August or December.

A motion to approve the schedule was made by Martha Dooley, seconded by Sean Wiedel with a request for calendar invites. The motion carried all in favor.

5.0 Review of CMAP Working Committees – Stephanie Levine, CMAP

With the adoption of ON TO 2050, CMAP will be identifying structural and procedural opportunities at the committee level to help facilitate a robust implementation of the plan. CMAP staff provided information on the background and activities conducted so far as part of this review process. A primary focus of this effort is to ensure that all committees have representatives that help the agency advance the three principles of the ON TO 2050 plan – resilience, inclusive growth, and prioritized investment. CMAP staff have reviewed the history of committees at CMAP, reviewed best practices on committee structure, requested information from NARC members, conducted a review of committee structures at peer MPOs, and interviewed CMAP staff liaisons, plan and strategy paper authors involved in ON TO 2050 implementation. CMAP staff will be working with the CMAP Board to identify structural and procedural opportunities in the coming months. Committee members asked a number of clarifying questions and had the following comments:

- Noted overlap between the planning and programming (formally local and regional) coordinating committees.
- Review of NIPC and CATS committee structure. Effort right now is focused on coordinating and working committees, but may also review legacy committees – bike and ped task force, freight committee, wastewater committee.

6.0 Stormwater management projects in Cook County – Nora Beck, CMAP

With funding from Cook County, CMAP has been integrating more detailed stormwater management analysis and recommendations in LTA projects over the past few years. Using a [presentation](#), Nora reviewed review the approach, summarized in [the Guide to Flood Susceptibility and Stormwater Planning](#), and highlight four current projects. Committee members asked a number of clarifying questions and had the following comments:

- Applicability of data to assist in development decisions. CMAP has posted data to help communities with a planning level analysis, which may not be appropriate for specific site conditions.

7.0 South Elgin Unified Development Ordinance – Patrick Day, CMAP

South Elgin recently adopted a [Unified Development Ordinance](#), developed through the LTA program. The ordinance is designed to help the community implement their 2030 comprehensive plan and Bicycle and Pedestrian Mobility Plan, including innovative approaches to floodplain management and open space. Using a [presentation](#), Pat outlined

a few of the strategies related to environmental issues. Committee members asked a number of clarifying questions and had the following comments:

- Floodplain overlay district. A committee member supported the standards, finding them to be very protective of future investment. The most common zoning district impacted by the overlay district is residential. Advancements in the UDO will likely improve the community's rating in the NFIP Community Rating System and could lead to lower flood insurance premiums for residents.
- Motivations for increased density. The UDO now allows smaller single family lots, more opportunities for two-family or townhouse, and mixed use in the downtown area as well as Randall Road, which could help with future transit viability of the Bus Rapid Transit envisioned for that corridor.
- Trends in Unified Development Ordinance. UDOs combine zoning and subdivision ordinances and CMAP is seeing an increased number of requests for this structure and an increased number of UDOs being used in the region. Sometimes the UDO includes the stormwater management ordinance as well, as in the case of Park Forest.

8.0 Other Business.

None.

9.0 Public Comment

None.

10.0 Next Meeting

The next ENR Committee is scheduled for January 3, 2019 at 9:30 am in the Lake County conference room.

11.0 Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Nora Beck
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