



**Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)
Transportation Committee
Draft Minutes
November 16, 2018**

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

- Committee Members Present:** Jennifer (Sis) Killen – Cook County, Chairman, Darwin Burkhart – IEPA (via phone), Brian Carlson – IDOT D1, Kevin Carrier – Lake County, Lynnette Ciavarella – Metra, John Donovan – FHWA, Doug Ferguson – CMAP, Jackie Forbes – Kendall County, Jessica Hector-Hsu – RTA, Scott Hennings – McHenry County, Tom Kelso – IDOT OP&P, Christina Kupkowski – Will County, Aimee Lee – Illinois Tollway, Leah Mooney – CTA, Kevin Muhs – SEWRPC, Tom Rickert – Kane County, David Seglin – CDOT, Lorraine Snorden – Pace, Chris Snyder – DuPage County, P.S. Sriraj – Academic & Research, Trey Wadsworth – NIRPC, Audrey Wennink – MPC
- Absent:** Tony Greep – FTA, Jacky Grimshaw – CNT, Adrian Guerrero – Class 1 Railroads, Robert Hann – Private Providers, Beth McCluskey – IDOT OIPI, Randy Neufeld – Bicycle & Pedestrian Task Force, Leon Rockingham – Council of Mayors, Joe Schofer – Academic & Research
- Others Present:** Garland Armstrong, Heather Armstrong, Elaine Bottomley, Jack Cruikshank, Michael Fitzsimons, Cole Jackson, Emily Karry, Mike Klemens, Josh Klingenstein, Daniel Knickelbein, Kelsey Mulhausen, Dan Persky, Ryan Peterson, Leslie Phemister, Lauren Platt, Chad Riddle, Karen Rogulja, Nathan Roseberry, Cody Sheriff, Troy Simpson, Kristian Skogsbakken, Holly Waters, John Yonan
- Staff Present:** Anthony Cefali, Diana Cooke, Teri Dixon, Kama Dobbs, Jesse Elam, Lindsay Hollander, Erin Kenney, Leroy Kos, Stephanie Levine, Jen Maddux, Tony Manno, Martin Menninger, Russell Pietrowiak, Melissa Porter, Todd Schmidt, Jeff Schnobrich, Liz Schuh, Tina Fassett Smith, Joe Szabo, Aseal Tineh, Simone Weil

1.0 Call to Order/Introductions

Chairman Killen called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes or announcements.

3.0 Approval of Minutes – September 28, 2018

A motion to approve the minutes of the September 28, 2018 meeting, as presented, made by Mr. Seglin and seconded by Mr. Carrier, carried.

4.0 Coordinating Committee Reports

Chairman Killen reported that the Planning and Programming Committees met jointly on October 3 and recommended approval of ON TO 2050, the FFY 2019-2024 TIP and the associated conformity analysis. The committees also received a presentation on the City of Des Plaines Comprehensive Plan LTA project, and updates on the 2018 LTA call for projects and status of the current LTA program.

Chairman Killen announced that on Wednesday, November 14 the CMAP Board accepted staff recommendations to make revisions to CMAP committees to facilitate a transition from development of ON TO 2050 to implementation. The changes include establishing a single coordinating committee in place of Planning and Programming to be made up of the chairs of the five working committees and CMAP Board members (2 collar counties, 2 Cook County, 2 Chicago). The CMAP Board delegated responsibility to the Executive Director to implement these recommendations, including determining a meeting schedule for the new coordinating committee. Approval of the restructured committees is anticipated in January.

5.0 FFY 2019-2024 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendments and Administrative Modifications

Mr. Kos reported that since the September meeting there has been significant activity to close out federal fiscal year 2018 and transition into federal fiscal year 2019 in the eTIP database. Programmers reviewed the status of their projects in eTIP and carried forward over 1,600 active projects along with making administrative updates. Those actions are documented in TIP Amendment 19-00, which transitioned the active years of the TIP to 2019 through 2023. He explained in addition to the projects carried forward in 19-00, there were an additional 79 formal amendments requested in amendment 19-01, which was published to the eTIP website for committee review and public comment on November 9. A memo summarizing the requested amendments and administrative changes was included in the packet. A motion to approve FFY 2019-2024 TIP amendment 19-01, made by Mr. Rickert, and seconded by Ms. Ciavarella, carried.

Mr. Kos reminded the committee that the semi-annual ON TO 2050/TIP Conformity Analysis and TIP amendment requests are by Tuesday, December 4, 2018. The committee will be asked to release the semi-annual ON TO 2050/TIP Conformity Analysis and TIP amendment for public comment at the January 18, 2019 meeting.

6.0 2019 CMAP Safety Targets

Mr. Schmidt gave an overview of the proposed safety performance targets. Mr. Snyder asked if the state data is current or lagging behind. Mr. Schmidt responded the data is

currently behind and IDOT is still processing the 2017 crash data with assistance from CMAP. Mr. Snyder asked if there is a penalty for not achieving targets. Mr. Schmidt responded that the penalties are that the state would have to spend 100% of its Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds on safety projects, which the state already does, and come up with a plan for achieving its safety targets, which it already does with the Strategic Highway Safety Plan. Chairman Killen made the suggestion that eligibility criteria for HSIP funding should be reviewed by the state because intersections with state routes are currently not eligible to receive HSIP funds. She stated that increased eligibility will make the greatest impact on the safety targets because many of those intersections have high fatality rates. Mr. Carlson stated District 1 has more shovel ready projects than currently allocated funding will allow. Mr. Snyder asked how work on the Tollway factors into the safety targets. Mr. Carlson replied that safety targets include Tollway facilities. A motion to recommend approval of the 2019 CMAP Safety Targets to the MPO Policy Committee, made by Mr. Snyder, and seconded by Mr. Rickert, carried.

7.0 ON TO 2050 Regionally Significant Projects: Proposed amendment process

Ms. Schuh gave an overview of the proposed process for requests to amend ON TO 2050 Regionally Significant Projects (RSPs). The process sets forth the analysis methods, submittal requirements, and timelines for consideration of requests to add, remove, or significantly modify RSPs. Mr. Rickert asked how long the process takes. Ms. Schuh stated that the goal is six months but it will depend on whether or not data is readily available. It takes about four to six weeks for analysis and public comment. Mr. Rickert stated that the process for the Circle Interchange could have been better. He stated that there should be ways for certain projects to move forward without being slowed down by the process. Ms. Mooney asked what informed the arterial projects process to become more streamlined. Ms. Schuh stated that the arterial projects are much smaller and, consistent with ON TO 2050 methods, are not evaluated for 2050 performance. Ms. Lee asked if projects that are already going through an environmental review could be streamlined since they already have a public comment period and public hearings. Ms. Schuh stated she does not think that is possible because of the need to evaluate changes to the TIP and ON TO 2050 conformity, so it would be preferred to understand where the project is after the public comment and determination of a preferred alternative during environmental review.

8.0 Service Board Presentations

Mr. Fitzsimons presented an overview of the CTA capital program. Ms. Waters presented an overview of the Metra capital program. Mr. Skogsbakken presented an overview of the Pace capital program. Chairman Killen asked if new or enhanced Pace service is restricted by the space in the garages. Mr. Skogsbakken replied that it is and gave an example of one of the most successful routes on I-55 being restricted from getting more capacity because of a small garage. Chairman Killen stated that with new capacity coming on the Tollway it is important to understand those restrictions. Mr. Skogsbakken stated that Pace is currently leasing a space in East Dundee so that Pace can launch the I-90 service on time. Ms. Mooney stated that she wants to clarify a part of the CTA presentation and said that bond funds are not an option moving forward because they are not sustainable. She stated she would also be interested to hear similar presentations from the other implementers including the counties, CDOT, and IDOT. Ms. Hector-Hsu commented that next step in the

service boards' budget process is a special RTA Finance Committee meeting on November 28, where all the Service Board directors will present their entire capital programs and budgets.

9.0 Roadway Improvements to Support the Update to South Lakefront Framework Plan (TIP ID 01-17-0025)

Mr. Roseberry presented an overview of the project development process and planned improvements included in the South Lakefront Framework Plan. Ms. Wennink asked if there are any rail connections. Mr. Roseberry stated that there are improvements at the Metra Electric station at 59th Street. He added that for the CTA, CDOT is looking at making sure there are north-south and east-west connections to the Green Line.

10.0 2019 Transportation Committee Meetings

The proposed meeting dates were included in the packet. A motion to approve the 2019 Transportation Committee meeting dates, made by Mr. Carrier, and seconded by Mr. Rickert, carried.

11.0 Transportation Revenue Initiatives

Mr. Schnobrich provided an update on recent transportation revenue ballot initiatives across the country and how the results relate to ON TO 2050 recommendations.

12.0 Status of the Local Technical Assistance (LTA) Program

Mr. Manno gave a brief update on the status of LTA program development. He stated that the call for projects for LTA and the RTA Community Planning Program closed on October 26. Jointly, 74 applications were received from 66 different applicants. A memo summarizing all of the applications will be released soon. Chairman Killen stated that the regular update of the ongoing LTA program was included in the packet.

13.0 Other Business

There was no other business.

14.0 Public Comment

Mr. Armstrong said congratulations for the completion of the O'Hare Kiss n' Fly. He expressed concerns about the South Lakefront Framework Plan and how that would affect the Chicago Marathon. Mr. Seglin said that he would check with Mr. Roseberry.

15.0 Next meeting

The next Transportation Committee meeting is scheduled for January 18, 2019. Chairman Killen announced that this meeting is her last meeting as the chairman. A new chairman and vice chairman will be appointed by the MPO Policy Committee in January. She thanked the committee for their collaboration during the planning process.

16.0 Adjournment

On a motion by Mr. Seglin, seconded by Ms. Ciavarella, the meeting adjourned at 11:02 a.m.