

**TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE****MEETING MINUTES - DRAFT**

Friday, April 29, 2022

9:30 AM

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**1.0 Call to Order and Introductions**

Chair Jessica Hector-Hsu called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and reminded the members that the meeting is being recorded. She requested that Mary Weber call the roll.

**Present:** Academic Research Representative 1, Academic Research Representative 2, Bike/Ped TF Representative, CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative, CNT Representative, Cook Co Representative, CTA Representative, DuPage Co Representative, IDOT-D1 Representative, IDOT - OIPI Representative, IDOT - OP&P Representative, Kane Co Representative, Kendall Co Representative, Lake Co Representative, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, MPC Representative, Pace Representative, SEWRPC Representative, Tollway Representative, Will Co Representative, and RTA Representative

**Absent:** CoM Representative, IEPA Representative, and NIRPC Representative

**Non-Voting:** FHWA Representative, and FTA Representative

Jessica Hector-Hsu (Chair) served as representative to RTA; Kevin Carrier (Vice-Chair) served as representative to Lake County; Joe Schofer served as representative to Academic Research 1; P.S. Sriraj served as representative to Academic Research 2; Jessica Ortega served as representative to Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force, Vig Krishnamurthy served as representative to CDOT; Teri Dixon served as representative to CMAP; Heidy Persaud served as representative to CNT; Tara Orbon served as representative to Cook Co; Leah Mooney served as representative to CTA; Chris Snyder served as representative to DuPage Co; John Donovan served as representative to FHWA; Tony Greep served as representative to FTA; John Baczek served as representative to IDOT D1; Chuck Abraham served as representative to IDOT OIPI; Doug Delille served as representative to IDOT OP&P; Jackie Forbes served as representative to Kane Co; Heidi Lichtenberger served as representative to Kendall Co; Jon Paul Diipla served as representative to McHenry; David Kralik served as representative to Metra; Audrey Wennink served as representative to MPC; Eric Llewellyn served as representative to Pace; Chris Heibert served as representative to SEWRPC; Rocco Zucchero served as representative to Tollway; Christina Kupkowski served as representative to Will Co;

**Staff Present:** Laurent Ahiablame, Erin Aleman, Victoria Barrett, Lindsay Bayley, Nora Beck, Aaron Brown, Michael Brown, Jonathan Burch, Anthony Cefali, Daniel Comeaux, Austin Edwards, Kate Evasic, Elizabeth Ginsberg, Craig Heither, Mitch Hirst, Leroy Kos, Jen Maddux, Linda Mastandrea, Tim McMahon, Martin Menninger, Jason Navota, Arthur Nicholas, Stephane Phifer, Russell Pietrowiak, Katie Piotrowska, Greta

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Ritzenbthaler, Yousef Salama, Todd Schmidt, Elizabeth Scott, Jennie Vana, Mary Weber, Laura Wilkison

**Others Present:** Garland Armstrong, Noel Basquin, Joseph Breinig, Kevin Brubaker, Len Cannata, Eric Czarnota, Eva De Laurentiis, Tina Fassett Smith, Mike Fricano, Henry Guerriero, Malika Hainer, Rick Harnish, Kendra Johnson, John Paul Jones, Thomas Kelso, Tom Kotarac, Aimee Lee, John Loper, Brittany Matyas, Daniel Maziarz, Laura McFadden, Laura McMahan, Melissa Meyer, Andrew O'Donnell, Ellen Partridge, Leslie Phemister, Linda Pilecky, Jerome Quandt, Chad Riddle, Steven Schilke, Shane Schneider, Troy Simpson, Brian Stepp, Joe Surdam, Daniel Thomas, Jazmin Vega, Bill Wetzel, Kyle Whitehead

## 2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes or announcements.

## 3.0 Approval of Minutes

### 3.01 Meeting Minutes from February 25, 2022

[22-211](#)

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

**Attachments:** [TC\(DraftMinutes\)02-25-22](#)

A motion was made by DuPage Co Representative, seconded by Lake Co Representative, that the agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Academic Research Representative 1, Academic Research Representative 2, Bike/Ped TF Representative, CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative, CNT Representative, Cook Co Representative, CTA Representative, DuPage Co Representative, IDOT-D1 Representative, IDOT - OIPI Representative, IDOT - OP&P Representative, Kane Co Representative, Kendall Co Representative, Lake Co Representative, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, MPC Representative, Pace Representative, SEWRPC Representative, Tollway Representative, Will Co Representative, and RTA Representative

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## 4.0 CMAP Board Meeting Updates

Staff will provide updates from recent CMAP Board meetings and other agency activities.

Executive Director Erin Aleman, CMAP, informed the committee that the CMAP Board met in March but did not meet in April. At the March meeting the Board discussed the ON TO 2050 update and CMAP's Mobility Recovery work. Linda Mastrandrea was introduced as CMAP's new ADA Planning Director and committee members were asked to make connections between their agencies' ADA coordinators and CMAP's ADA team. With the strategic realignment of CMAP's committees, four new working groups have been established which are Complete Streets and Safe Streets, Transportation Technology and Operations Coalition, Freight, and Safety.

These various activities were discussed.

## 5.0 Items for Approval

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

[22-212](#)

PURPOSE & ACTION: TIP Amendment 22-05 was published to the eTIP web site on April 22, 2022 for committee review and public comment. A memo summarizing formal TIP amendment 22-05 and administrative amendments 22-05.1 and 22-05.2 are included in the meeting materials. Staff requests approval of TIP Amendment 22-05.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

**Attachments:** [TC\(Memo\)TIP Amend22-05 Amendment 22-05](#)  
[Administrative Amendment 22-05.1](#)  
[Administrative Amendment 22-05.2](#)

Russell Pietrowiak, CMAP, presented an overview of the formal TIP amendment 22-05 and the administrative amendments 22-05.1 and 22-05.2.

A motion was made by Cook Co Representative, seconded by Lake Co Representative, that the agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** Academic Research Representative 1, Academic Research Representative 2, Bike/Ped TF Representative, CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative, CNT Representative, Cook Co Representative, CTA Representative, DuPage Co Representative, IDOT-D1 Representative, IDOT - OIPI Representative, IDOT - OP&P Representative, Kane Co Representative, Kendall Co Representative, Lake Co Representative, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, MPC Representative, Pace Representative, SEWRPC Representative, Tollway Representative, Will Co Representative, and RTA Representative

**Absent:** CoM Representative, IEPA Representative, and NIRPC Representative

**Non-Voting:** FHWA Representative, and FTA Representative

6.0 Information Items

6.01 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) Update

[22-208](#)

PURPOSE & ACTION: Staff will provide an update on the implementation of the IIJA's formula and competitive opportunities.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

**Attachments:** [IIJA Regional Coordination](#)

Laura Wilkison, CMAP, discussed the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) and provided an overview on some of the new and updated funding programs contained in the bill. CMAP's efforts to build regional consensus on applications for the competitive program and coordinate access to funding opportunities were shared.

The agenda item was discussed.

6.02 ON TO 2050 Plan Update

[22-209](#)

PURPOSE & ACTION: CMAP is developing the federally required update to ON TO 2050, which is due in October 2022. Staff will present on the identification of regionally significant projects.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

**Attachments:** [Prelim-Draft RSPs Benefit Report Appendix1-TC V2](#)

Yousef Salama, CMAP, provided an overview of the work on the ON TO 2050 Update which included a summary of the Regionally Significant Project (RSP) process, evaluation and selection.

The agenda item was discussed.

**7.0 Legislative Update**

Staff will provide an update on relevant federal and state legislative activities.

Laura Wilkison, CMAP, gave a state legislative update on the state budget, RTA -transit funding report, the temporary suspension of the motor fuel tax inflation increases, the local government exemption from GATA requirements, the new design-build legislation, the increase to local government distributed fund and local government consolidation requirements. With note to CMAP's Fee, Fines and Fares report, the state increased the earned income tax credit which was a recommendation of the report.

This matter was discussed.

**8.0 Other Business**

Leah Mooney, CTA, highlighted the study being done jointly by the CTA and CDOT on Better Streets for Buses plan.

**9.0 Public Comment**

This is an opportunity for comments from members of the audience. Since this meeting will be held virtually, members of the public are encouraged to send an email to [transportation@cmmap.illinois.gov](mailto:transportation@cmmap.illinois.gov) by April 28, 2022 indicating that they would like to make a public comment. The amount of time available to speak will be at the chair's discretion.

Kyle Whitehead, Active Transportation Alliance, read a letter from a coalition of advocacy groups including Active Transportation Alliance, Center for Neighborhood Technology, Climate Reality Project, Environmental Law and Policy Center, Shared Use Mobility Center, Illinois Environmental Council, Illinois PIRG, Illinois Chapter of the Sierra Club, NRDC, and the Respiratory Health Association. The statement shared concerns on the Regionally Significant Projects (RSP) and the number of arterial widening projects that will hinder the shared goals on safety, equity and sustainability. The statement called into question the analysis and evaluation of the arterial and expressway widening projects and asked for these projects to be removed from the list of RSPs to allow for further analysis and for CMAP to improve the RSP evaluation criteria. [Copy of the letter attached]

Garland Armstrong (former Illinois resident) expressed thanks to the City of Chicago and its efforts to getting the people mover at O'Hare Airport operating 24/7, encouraged ADA improvements to increase access to O'Hare, and encourage more coordination at Metra stations on freight interference and platform boarding.

Rick Harnish, High Speed Rail Alliance, expressed concern with the RSP process and the region missing an opportunity to modernized the rail system so that frequency is increased, operations costs reduced, better connections to transit are made, and the benefits of improved inter-city rail are realized.

**10.0 Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be June 3, 2022

**11.0 Adjournment**

A motion was made by CTA Representative, seconded by DuPage Co Representative, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Minutes prepared by Doug Ferguson