

COUNCIL OF MAYORS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES - DRAFT

Tuesday, September 24, 2024

9:30 AM

**Cook County Conference Room
433 West Van Buren Street, Suite 450
Chicago, IL 60607**

1.0 Call to Order

Chair Mayor Schielke called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.

Mayor Schielke announced that Mayor Michelle Nelson, Village of Flossmoor, will be joining the committee at the following meeting as a representative of the South Council of Mayors.

Representing agencies present:

Central Council of Mayors: Mayor Mark Kuchler, La Grange
North Central Council of Mayors (online): President Jeffrey Sherwin, Northlake
North Shore Council of Mayors (online): President Greg Lungmus, Northfield
North Shore Council of Mayors: Mayor George Van Dusen, Skokie
Northwest Council of Mayors: President Thomas Hayes, Arlington Heights
Northwest Council of Mayors: Mayor Karen Darch, Barrington
Southwest Council of Mayors: President Dave Brady, Bedford Park
South Council of Mayors: President Mary Werner
Kane Council of Mayors: Mayor Jeffery Schielke, Batavia
Lake Council of Mayors: Mayor Leon Rockingham, North Chicago

Staff present: Laura Wilkinson, Jane Grover, Jennie Vana, Sarah Stolpe, Doug Ferguson, Julie Reschke, Alex Bahls, John Carpenter, Ryan Gougis, Ryan Thompto, Jon Haadsma, Richard Norwood, Isaura Velez

Others present: Joe Surdam, Jackie Forbes, Gretchen Klock, Brian Larson, Drew Duffin, George Kandathil, Eric Czarnota, Brittany Matyas, Chad Riddle

A request was made by both Mayor Sherwin and President Lungmus to participate remotely due to work commitments. A motion was made by Mayor Rockingham, seconded by President Hayes, that Mayor Sherwin and President Lungmus be allowed to participate virtually. The motion was approved by a voice vote.

2.0 Approval of Minutes

2.01 Minutes from March 26, 2024

[24-372](#)

Attachments: [Minutes from 3.26.24](#)

A motion was made by President Hayes, seconded by Mayor Rockingham, that the minutes from the March 26, 2024 meeting be approved. The motion passed by a voice vote.

3.0 CMAP Announcements

Jane Grover, Principal, announced that a resource guide has been developed and distributed to committee members. This resource was created as the culmination of engagement with members and planning liaisons. Laura Wilkison, Deputy Executive Director, shared additional details about resources available to local communities to bolster decision making. Wilkison highlighted the work on long range transportation planning and the 2024 CMAP Community Data Snapshots. Finally, Wilkinson emphasized the importance of the ongoing My Daily Travel Survey to gather representative data on regional travel.

4.0 IDOT Report

4.01 IDOT Programming Background and Update

[24-367](#)

Chad Riddle, IDOT Bureau Chief for Local Roads, provided an update to the committee regarding the procedures for DOT project development and programming. Riddle emphasized the sensitivity of the transportation project implementation timeline and provided information on a typical project schedule. Riddle highlighted the relationship between the work of the each subregional Council of Mayors and IDOT. Riddle also shared key milestones necessary for successfully programmed projects.

The IDOT Bureau of Local Roads update was discussed.

5.0 CMAP Transportation Programming Report

5.01 CMAP Federal Funding Overview

[24-368](#)

Attachments: [Programming Memo CoM](#)

Doug Ferguson, Senior TIP Analyst, presented the committee with an overview of the four federal funding programs administered by CMAP staff. Ferguson walked through the regional allocation, methodologies, and programming policies for the Surface Transportation Program (STP), Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) program, Carbon Reduction Program (CRP), and locally-funded Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP-L).

The CMAP federal funding overview was discussed.

5.02 Surface Transportation Local Program Summaries

[24-369](#)

Attachments: [Central Council](#)
[DuPage Council](#)
[Kane Kendall Council](#)
[Lake Council](#)
[McHenry Council](#)
[North Central Council](#)
[North Shore Council](#)
[Northwest Council](#)
[South Council](#)
[Southwest Council](#)
[Will Council](#)
[Chicago Department of Transportation](#)

Sarah Stolpe, TIP Analyst, provided the committee with an overview of the STP local program (STP-L) summaries. CMAP staff produced summary descriptions and data for all of STP-L funding awarded through each subregional council. Stolpe highlighted the variety of information included in these brochures and the potential for updating the documents to include future programming changes.

The STP-L summaries were discussed.

5.03 Call for Projects: STP-Shared Fund, CMAQ, CRP, and TAP-L

[24-370](#)

Attachments: [CFP25 OnePager TAPL](#)
[CFP25 OnePager STPSF](#)
[CFP25 OnePager CMAQ CRP](#)

Jon Haadsma, TIP Analyst, introduced the upcoming call for projects for federal fiscal year 2026-2030 funding administered by CMAP. The call for projects is scheduled opens October 21, 2024 and closes December 20, 2024. Haadsma shared key resources and information related to the call for projects, including project eligibility requirements, project scoring methodologies, and the application timeline. Haadsma also highlighted changes to the process that had occurred since the last cycle of awarded projects.

The transportation call for projects was discussed.

6.0 Updates

6.01 Socioeconomic Forecast and Regional Transportation Plan Update

[24-320](#)

Attachments: [RTP Memo CoM](#)

Alex Bahls, Senior Research Analyst, introduced preliminary findings of the draft CMAP socioeconomic forecast, with the horizon year of 2050. The forecast estimates jobs and population data on the regional and local level. Bahls discussed how this can effect transportation, land use, and climate action planning. Bahls informed the committee that the agency seeks members for the Local Advisory Group.

Julie Reschke, Senior Policy Analyst, presented on the ongoing development of the regional transportation plan (RTP). Reschke summarized key goals of the RTP and how this ties into the larger regional comprehensive vision plan. The RTP analyzes the wide variety of transportation modes throughout the region and the interactions between them. This plan will focus on capital assets, but also provides guidance on funding investments, system improvements, and developing regional consensus.

The socioeconomic forecast and regional transportation plan were discussed.

6.02 Legislative Update

[24-383](#)

Attachments: [Legislative Update Memo 2024-09-24](#)

John Carpenter, Director of Intergovernmental Affairs, recapped the recent state legislative session and the agency's ongoing work. CMAP staff is working on the 2025-2026 legislative advocacy agenda and will present a draft of this to the committee at a later meeting. Carpenter also highlighted key appropriations within the FY25 state budget. Carpenter discussed changes to the Regional Planning Act. Finally, Carpenter summarized the legislative activities regarding transit improvement in Illinois.

The legislative update was discussed.

7.0 Committee Member Ideas and Innovation

Mayor Schielke encouraged committee members to provide ideas at the next meeting.

8.0 Public Comment

There was no public comment.

9.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.

10.0 Adjournment

A motion was made by Mayor Darch, seconded by President Hayes, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion passed by a voice vote. The meeting was adjourned at 11 a.m.