



## MPO POLICY COMMITTEE

### MEETING MINUTES - FINAL

Thursday, January 13, 2022

9:30 AM

**January 13, 2022**

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### 1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

Chair Secretary Osman called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m.

**Present:** IDOT Representative, CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative 1, CMAP Representative 2, CTA Representative, Cook Co Representative, CoM Representative, DuPage Co Representative, Tollway Representative, Kane Co Representative, Kendall Co Representative, Lake Co Representative, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, Pace Representative, RTA Representative, and Will Co Representative

**Absent:** Class I Railroads Representative

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

Secretary Omer Osman served as representative for IDOT; Gia Biagi served as representative for CDOT, Frank Beal served as representative for CMAP Representative 1, President Matt Brolley served as representative for CMAP Representative 2, Michael Connelly served as representative for CTA, Jennifer (Sis) Killen and Jesse Elam alternately served as representatives for Cook County, Mayor Jeffrey Schielke served as representative for Council of Mayors, Chair Dan Cronin and Scott Chris Snyder alternately served as representatives for DuPage County, Arlene Kocher served as representative for FHWA, Tony Greep served as representative for FTA, Rocco Zuccherro served as representative for the Tollway, Chair Corrine Pierog served as representative for Kane County, Scott Koepfel served as representative for Kendall County, Shane Schneider served as representative for Lake County, Scott Hennings served as representative for McHenry County, Jim Derwinski served as representative for Metra, Melinda Metzger served as representative for Pace, Leanne Redden served as representative for RTA, County Executive Jennifer Bertino-Tarrant served as representative for Will County.

**Staff present:** Erin Aleman, Jonathan Burch, Anthony Cefali, David Clark, Michael Collins, Daniel Comeaux, Stephen Di Benedetto, Teri Dixon, Kama Dobbs, Austen Edwards, Doug Ferguson, Elizabeth Ginsberg, Jane Grover, Craig Heither, Lindsay Hollander, Elliott Lewis, Angela Manning-Hardimon, Alexis McAdams, Amy McEwan, Martin Menninger, Jason Navota, Russell Pietrowiak, Yousef Salama,

Todd Schmidt, Gordon Smith, Matt Stern, Blanca Vela-Schneider, Laura Wilkison

**Others present:** Ama Baljinnyan, Jason Biernat, Elaine Bottomley, Leonard B. Cannata, Lynette Ciavarella, Eric Czarnota, Doug DeLille, John Donovan, Jesse Elam, Jackie Forbes, Kendra Johnson, Tom Kelso, Mike Klemens, Daniel Knickelbein, Jon-Paul Kohler, Aimee Lee, Brittany Matyas, Leah Mooney, Heather Mullins, Kelsey Passi, Tom Rickert, Leon Rockingham, Jeff Schielke, Christopher Snyder, Joe Surdam, Mike Vanderhoof

## 2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

Secretary Osman congratulated former Pace Director Rocky Donahue on his recent retirement. Melinda Metzger will serve as Interim Executive Director with Pace. Secretary Osman announced that Jason Osborn will serve as the new Intermodal Project Implementation Director effective January 18, 2022.

## 3.0 Approval of Minutes

- 3.01 CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee Meeting Minutes from October 13, 2021

[22-010](#)

**Attachments:** [CMAP Board-MPO Policy Committee 10.13.21 Minutes](#)

A motion was made by CDOT Representative Biagi, seconded by CoM Representative Mayor Schielke, that the agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** IDOT Representative, CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative 1, CMAP Representative 2, CTA Representative, Cook Co Representative, CoM Representative, DuPage Co Representative, Tollway Representative, Kane Co Representative, Kendall Co Representative, Lake Co Representative, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, Pace Representative, RTA Representative, and Will Co Representative

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## 4.0 Committee Reports

- 4.01 Executive Director's Report

[22-011](#)

Executive Director Erin Aleman reported that Jackie Grimshaw's was awarded the Sharon D. Banks award from the Transportation Research Board. Director Aleman's report included updates on the following: the implementation of the Legistar Agenda Management System, CMAP's local dues contributions, the upcoming governor's State of the State address, the Infrastructure, Investment, and Job Act (IIJA), her upcoming trip to the National Association of Regional Councils, COVID relief funding for transportation projects, CMAP's technical assistance FY 2022 project group, and the WTS (local chapter) Innovative Transportation Solutions Award for CMAP's Fees, Fines, and Fares Project.

Executive Director Aleman reported on the January 10, 2022 UWP Committee meeting. The committee discussed the UWP budget. Executive Director Aleman discussed the development of the FY 2023 budget and the challenges that occurred this year and reviewed projects and programs that would occur in the new fiscal year.

The Executive Director's report was read into the record.

- 4.02 CMAP Board Report

[22-012](#)

Vice-Chair Redden reported that at the November CMAP Board meeting, two presentations were

provided: one was on economic recovery and its impact on mobility, the other was on strategic direction engagement strategy. At the January CMAP Board meeting, presentations on the budget and Regional Transit Vulnerability Assessment were provided. Additionally, the Highway Safety Targets were approved and referred for consideration to the MPO Policy Committee.

Vice-Chair Redden reported that the CMAP Board, after a discussion in September 2021 to restructure committees, also considered and approved the committees for 2022. She reported that there was substantial conversation regarding it. She reported that she expressed concern at the January CMAP Board meeting regarding the process, noting that she had requested in September 2021 that the issue be brought to the MPO Policy Committee for discussion but that it had never occurred. She clarified that she was not against the concept or principle of committee restructuring but the process that was taken. Discussion ensued.

The CMAP Board report was read into the record.

#### 4.03 Council of Mayors Report

[22-013](#)

Mayor Schielke reported on the October 19, 2021 Council of Mayors meeting. The FY 2023 funding proposal for the planning liaisons program in the UWP program was approved, an overview of the STP Program's FFY 2021 accomplishments and projects for FFY 2022 - 2026 was given, and an update on IDOT Bureau of Local Roads was presented. Staff presented preliminary results of the 2020 census, the Community Data Snapshots, and the Local Technical Assistance call for projects. An update was provided on the Local Government Network initiatives and recent progress of the agency's legislative priorities at the state and federal levels. The next Council of Mayors meeting will be January 25, 2022.

Mayor Schielke reported that at its January 10, 2022 meeting, the Unified Work Program Committee deferred approval of the FY 2023 UWP Core and Competitive Proposals. As a representative of the Council of Mayors on the Unified Work Program, Mayor Schielke reported that he voted to approve the FY 2023 Core and Competitive Proposals, adding that CMAP has been instrumental in providing guidance and funding to aid municipalities in serving their communities. Mayor Schielke also remarked on IDOT's work over the last 10 years that has provided guidance to municipalities and has been successful in its execution of programs and projects. He reported that with the additional funding from the Infrastructure and Investment Job Act (IIJA), it is critical that CMAP receive its requested share of funding so that it has the staff to support the work that will result from the IIJA.

Secretary Osman agreed with Mayor Schielke's statements and concerns. Secretary Osman reported that there is a need to submit a timely budget to IDOT and added that the IIJA will increase funding of several programs that will aid all agencies and municipalities. Secretary Osman reported that there are several external factors related to the IIJA and IDOT budget approval process, and because of the need to expedite the approval process, he directed staff to delegate the consideration of the FY 2023 UWP Core and Competitive Proposals from the Unified Work Program Committee to the Transportation Committee. Executive Director Erin Aleman reported that she will move this item to the Transportation Committee based upon Secretary's Osman's direction.

This Council of Mayor's Committee Report was read into the record.

#### 5.0 Approval Items

##### 5.01 Appointment of the Chair and Vice-Chair of the CMAP Transportation Committee

[22-007](#)

Research, Analysis, and Planning Deputy Executive Director Yousef Salama reported on Chris Snyder's service, contributions, and accomplishments as the Chair of the Transportation Committee. He

presented the request to appoint Jessica Hector-Hsu of RTA as Chair, and Kevin Kerrigan of the Lake County Division of Transportation as Vice-Chair of the Transportation Committee. He reviewed their qualifications.

*(Cook Co representative Jennifer (Sis) Killen left the meeting. Jesse Elam stepped in as CDOT representative. DuPage County Representative Dan Cronin left the meeting. Chris Snyder stepped in as DuPage County Representative.*

A motion was made by CoM Representative Mayor Schielke, seconded by Tollway Representative Zuccherro, that the agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** IDOT Representative, CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative 1, CMAP Representative 2, CTA Representative, Cook Co Representative, CoM Representative, DuPage Co Representative, Tollway Representative, Kane Co Representative, Kendall Co Representative, Lake Co Representative, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, Pace Representative, RTA Representative, and Will Co Representative

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5.02 Semi-annual ON TO 2050/TIP Conformity Analysis and TIP Amendment

[22-006](#)

**Attachments:** [Conformity Amendment 22-03](#)  
[ON TO 2050/TIP Conformity Analysis](#)

Russell Pietrowiak, CMAP, presented the semi-annual ON TO 2050/TIP Conformity Analysis and TIP Amendments. The CMAP region is required to demonstrate that projects in the TIP conform to the motor vehicle emissions budget for its region through a regional transportation analysis. New or amended projects were subject to a 30 day public comment period which has passed; no public comments were received.

A motion was made by CTA Representative Connelly, seconded by McHenry Co Representative Hennings, that the agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** IDOT Representative, CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative 1, CMAP Representative 2, CTA Representative, Cook Co Representative, CoM Representative, DuPage Co Representative, Tollway Representative, Kane Co Representative, Kendall Co Representative, Lake Co Representative, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, Pace Representative, RTA Representative, and Will Co Representative

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5.03 2022 Highway Safety Targets

[22-008](#)

**Attachments:** [2022 Highway safety performance targets](#)

Todd Schmidt, CMAP, provided a presentation of the 2022 highway safety targets, a component of the Transportation Performance Management (TPM) intended to track national goals at the state and regional levels. He reported that the state and CMAP region have seen an increase in fatalities during the last five years but that the number of serious injuries has decreased. The state did not meet or make significant progress towards meeting its safety targets and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) will be required to use all Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds for safety projects and develop a HSIP Implementation Plan. Mr. Schmidt reviewed a number of safety initiatives implemented by CMAP.

A motion was made by CDOT Representative Biagi, seconded by Pace Representative Metzger, that the agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** IDOT Representative, CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative 1, CMAP Representative 2, CTA Representative, Cook Co Representative, CoM Representative, DuPage Co Representative, Tollway Representative, Kane Co Representative, Kendall Co Representative, Lake Co Representative, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, Pace Representative, RTA Representative, and Will Co Representative

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## 6.0 Information Items

### 6.01 ON TO 2050 Update

[22-029](#)

**Attachments:** [ON TO 2050 update financial plan for transportation](#)

Laura Wilkison, Deputy Executive Director of Plan Implementation and Legislative Affairs, reported that staff is federally required to provide certain elements of the plan every four years. This update focuses on the socio-economic forecast, the federal targets and system performance report, the financial plan for transportation, and regionally significant projects evaluation.

Alexis McAdams and David Clark, CMAP, discussed the demographic forecast overview and demographic and employment projections. Martin Menninger, CMAP, discussed the federal performance measures based on five focus areas: highway condition, highway safety, system performance, transit asset condition, and transit safety. Lindsay Hollander, CMAP, provided an update on the financial plan for transportation, noting the overall condition of the system has declined since the ON TO 2050 plan, that federal, state and local actions have increased available revenues, and that the impact has had a negative impact to the revenue stream. Draft revenue recommendations was provided. Doug Ferguson, CMAP, reported that there were 69 regionally significant projects (RSP) projects submitted for consideration and discussed the RSP process.

A presentation on the ON TO 2050 was received and filed.

## 7.0 Other Business

Erin Aleman, Executive Director, reported that staff will schedule a special meeting of the Transportation Committee. Staff will also evaluate whether there is a need for a special meeting of the MPO Committee.

## 8.0 Public Comment

This is an opportunity for comments from members of the audience. The amount of time available to speak will be at the chair's discretion. It should be noted that the public comment period will immediately follow the last item on the agenda.

There were no comments from the public. Erin Aleman, Executive Director, reported that Heather and Garland Armstrong, former Illinois residents, attended the CMAP Board meeting.

## 9.0 Next Meeting: The MPO Policy Committee will meet on March 10, 2022

## 10.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:18 a.m.

A motion was made by CTA Representative Connelly, seconded by Pace Representative Metzger, that

the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote:

**Aye:** IDOT Representative, CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative 1, CMAP Representative 2, CTA Representative, Cook Co Representative, CoM Representative, DuPage Co Representative, Tollway Representative, Kane Co Representative, Kendall Co Representative, Lake Co Representative, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, Pace Representative, RTA Representative, and Will Co Representative

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Minutes prepared by Blanca Vela-Schneider.