



## **MPO POLICY NOMINATING SUBCOMMITTEE**

### **MEETING MINUTES - DRAFT**

Friday, September 13, 2024

11:00 AM

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

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## 1.0 Call To Order

Aimee Lee, Research, Analysis and Programming Deputy, called the meeting to order.

**Present:** CoM Representative, McHenry Co Representative, RTA Representative, and CDOT Representative

**Absent:** CMAP Representative

Jeff Schielke served as CoM Representative, Scott Hennings served as McHenry Co Representative, David Powe served as CDOT Representative, and Kyle Whitehead served as RTA Representative.

**Staff present:** Teri Dixon, Aimee Lee, Blanca Vela-Schneider

## 2.0 Approval of Minutes

### 2.01 Minutes from September 13, 2023

[24-388](#)

**Attachments:** [MPO Nominating Subcommittee minutes - 09.13.23](#)

*A motion was made by CoM Representative Jeff Schielke, seconded by RTA Representative Kyle Whitehead, to approve the September 13, 2023 meeting minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:*

**Aye:** CoM Representative, McHenry Co Representative, RTA Representative, and CDOT Representative

**Absent:** CMAP Representative

## 3.0 New Business

### 3.01 Nomination of the Office of Vice-Chair of the MPO Policy Committee

[24-381](#)

**Attachments:** [Memorandum for nomination of Vice-Chair](#)

Aimee Lee, Research Analysis and Programming Deputy, reported that Jennifer "Sis" Killen has served two consecutive one-year terms as is customary for the vice-chair of the MPO Policy Committee. For calendar year 2025, staff has recommended that Cassaundra Rouse, Executive Director of the Illinois Tollway, serve as vice-chair.

A motion was made by CoM Representative Jeff Schielke, seconded by McHenry Co Representative Scott Hennings, to nominate Cassaundra Rouse, Executive Director of the Illinois Tollway, to the MPO Policy Committee for the vice-chair position for calendar year 2025.

A motion was made by RTA Representative Kyle Whitehead to nominate Jim Derwinski, Chief Executive Officer and Executive Director of Metra, to the MPO Policy Committee for the vice-chair position for calendar year 2025. He indicated that Mr. Derwinski would be best suited to serve the MPO Policy Committee as vice-chair due to Metra's ongoing transition to a regional rail model and his leadership as transit agencies face a financial fiscal cliff.

Discussion ensued regarding the need to ensure there is need for someone who can demonstrate impartiality related to the programming of federal funds, the need for someone to understand what transit agencies are experiencing, and the need to have a balanced representation of vice-chairs.

*A motion was made by CoM Representative Jeff Schielke, seconded by McHenry Co Representative Scott Hennings, to submit the name of Cassaundra Rouse as the nominee for vice-chair to the MPO Policy Committee for calendar year 2025. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:*

**Aye:** CoM Representative, McHenry Co Representative, and CDOT Representative

**Nay:** RTA Representative

**Absent:** CMAP Representative

#### **4.0 Other Business**

There was no other business before the committee.

#### **5.0 Public Comment**

There were no comments from the public.

#### **6.0 Next Meeting; To be determined**

The next meeting will be scheduled in 2025.

#### **7.0 Adjournment**

*A motion was made by CoM Representative Jeff Schielke, seconded by RTA Representative Kyle Whitehead, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:*

**Aye:** CoM Representative, McHenry Co Representative, RTA Representative, and CDOT Representative

**Absent:** CMAP Representative

The meeting was adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Blanca Vela-Schneider.