



CMAQ & TAP PROJECT SELECTION COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES - DRAFT

Thursday, February 10, 2022

11:00 AM

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1.0 Call To Order

Chair Ferguson called the meeting to order at 11:32 a.m. and reminded the members that the meeting is being recorded. He requested that Mr. Lewis call the roll.

Present: Douglas Ferguson, Gary Grasso, Mark Pitstick, Tom Rickert, and Chris Schmidt

Absent: Darwin Burkhardt, and Jeffrey Sriver

Staff Present: Lindsay Bayley, Michael Collins, Teri Dixon, Kama Dobbs, Elizabeth Ginsberg, Jonathan Haassma, Elliott Lewis, Jason Navota, Yousef Salama, Blanca Vela-Schneider, Mary Weber

Others Present: Joseph Breinig, Len Cannata, Eric Czarnota, Jon Paul Dipla, John Donovan, Jackie Forbes, Michael Fricano, Tony Greep, Scott Hennings, Kendra Johnson, Kristin Kalitowski, Mike Klemens, Heidi Lichtenberger, Brittany Matyas, Cheryl O'Connor, Ryan Peterson, Jada Porter, Troy Simpson, Brian Stepp, Joe Surdam, Sonali Tandon, David Tomzik, Jazmin Vega

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no changes to the agenda.

3.0 Approval of Minutes

Approval of Minutes - October 28, 2021

[22-086](#)

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

Attachments: [DRAFT CMAQ PSC Minutes 20211028](#)

A motion was made by Chris Schmidt, seconded by Mark Pitstick, that the agenda item be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Douglas Ferguson, Gary Grasso, Mark Pitstick, Tom Rickert, and Chris Schmidt

Absent: Darwin Burkhardt, and Jeffrey Sriver

4.0 Program Monitoring

4.1 Project Programming Status Sheets

[22-083](#)

PURPOSE & ACTION: Recurring reports on the programming status of active and deferred CMAQ and TAP-L projects.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

Attachments: [CMAQ TAP-L Program Summary 20220210](#)

Chair Ferguson presented the programming status sheets.

The agenda item was received and filed.

4.2 CMAQ Programming Summary and Obligation Goal [22-084](#)

PURPOSE & ACTION: Update on CMAQ Obligations for federal fiscal year (FFY) 2022.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

Attachments: [FFY22 ob goal table 20220210](#)

Chair Ferguson presented the programming summary and obligation goal report.

The agenda item was received and filed.

5.0 Project Change Requests

5.1 Formal Requests [22-089](#)

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

Attachments: [Project Change Memo Formal Requests 20220210](#)

The agenda item was read into the record.

Approval of the Group Vote

A motion was made by Tom Rickert, seconded by Garry Grasso, to approve these agenda items under one vote. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Douglas Ferguson, Gary Grasso, Mark Pitstick, Tom Rickert, and Chris Schmidt

Absent: Darwin Burkhart, and Jeffrey Sriver

5.1.1 Schaumburg - Golf Road and Meacham Road Multiuse Path (03-19-0022) [22-090](#)

PURPOSE & ACTION: Cost increase of \$196,000 CMAQ for Right-of-Way in FFY 2022.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

Attachments: [03-19-0022 CMAQ Cost Change Request 20220210](#)

5.1.2 Elmhurst - IL 56 Butterfield Rd at York St (08-12-0003) [22-091](#)

PURPOSE & ACTION: Reinstatement of \$128,000 CMAQ and cost increase of \$48,056 CMAQ (\$176,056 total CMAQ) for Phase II Engineering in FFY 2022.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

Attachments: [08-12-0003 REVISED CMAQ Cost Change Request 20220210](#)

approved.

5.2 Administrative Modifications

[22-085](#)

PURPOSE & ACTION: Staff will update the committee on the administrative project modifications made since the last meeting.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

Attachments: [Project Change Memo Admin Requests 20220210](#)

The agenda item was read into the record.

5.2.2 Rolling Meadows - Quentin Road Bike Path (03-19-0041)

[22-093](#)

PURPOSE & ACTION: Restoration of \$762,400 CMAQ for Construction and Construction Engineering from FFY 2023 to FFY 2022. The phase was placed in FFY 2023 during carry-over with the intention to move back into FFY 2022 following demonstration of fiscal constraint.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

The administrative project change request was presented to the committee and discussed.

The agenda item was received and filed.

5.2.3 Aurora - Aurora Transportation Center Access Improvements (09-19-0039)

[22-092](#)

PURPOSE & ACTION: Cost increase of \$277,036 CMAQ for Construction and Construction Engineering in FFY 2022.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

Attachments: [09-19-0039 CMAQ Cost Change Request 20220210](#)

The administrative project change request was presented to the committee and discussed.

The agenda item was received and filed.

6.0 FFY 2024-2028 Program Development

Chair Ferguson introduced the process for presenting potential changes for the next call for projects. At the October 28, 2021 meeting of the CMAQ and TAP-L Project Selection Committee, the idea was raised that a minimum score threshold should be set for a project to qualify for selection because some projects selected for funding had low cost effectiveness scores. The committee was updated on the scoring process for the estimated air quality benefits. The process uses a cap already in the scoring process where projects that have an air quality benefit cost benefit greater than \$50,000 per kilogram of Volatile Organic Compound (VOC) eliminated will receive a score of zero. The scoring has a built in threshold and staff does not recommend instituting another threshold in the selection process. Committee members asked clarifying questions of staff.

7.0 Other Business

Mr. Pitstick asked a clarify question on the Project Change Memo and the unprogrammed balance for the TAP-L program in 2022. Mr. Lewis indicated that staff would look into that balance but was not sure why it was so high.

Mr. Schmidt asked Mr. Donovan if he had any federal updates from FHWA. Mr. Donovan indicated that he did not have anything for today's meeting. Mr. Schmidt brought up some of the new federal

programs that were included in the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA).

8.0 Public Comment

Mr. Hennings with the McHenry County Division of Transportation address the committee on measure of transit availability index scoring and how projects in McHenry County projects score may be adversely affected by Pace's new strategic plan and the potential reductions in fix route bus service run in McHenry.

Mr. Tomzik with Pace made a comment about Pace's Driving Innovation plan and how Pace will still be serving McHenry County. The definition of what constitutes transit needs to be updated so that on-demand service is included along with fix-route service.

9.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 14, 2022 at 11:00 a.m.

10.0 Adjournment

A motion was made by Tom Rickert, seconded by Mark Pitstick, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by a voice vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:41 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Doug Ferguson