



TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES - FINAL

Friday, May 31, 2024

9:30 AM

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

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1.0 Call to Order and Introductions

Chair Kevin Carrier called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m. and reminded the audience that the meeting was being recorded.

Present: CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative, CNT Representative, CoM Representative, Cook Co Representative, CTA Representative, DuPage Co Representative, IDOT-D1 Representative, IDOT - OIPI Representative, IDOT - OP&P Representative, IEPA Representative, Kane Co Representative, Kendall Co Representative, Lake Co Representative, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, MPC Representative, NIRPC Representative, Pace Representative, Tollway Representative, Will Co Representative, and RTA Representative

Absent: Academic Research Representative 1, Academic Research Representative 2, and SEWRPC Representative

Non-Voting: FHWA Representative

Absent (NV): FTA Representative

Grant Davis served as representative to CDOT; Aimee Lee served as representative to CMAP; Pamela Jones served as representative to CNT; Tara Orbon served as representative to Cook Co; Leon Rockingham served as representative to Council of Mayors; Cara Bader served as representative to CTA; John Loper served as representative to DuPage Co; Steve Schilke served as representative to IDOT D1; Chuck Abraham served as representative to IDOT OIPI; Megan Swanson served as representative to IDOT OP&P; Jack Cruikshank served as representative to IEPA; Jackie Forbes served as representative to Kane Co; Heidi Lichtenberger served as representative to Kendall Co; Kevin Carrier (Chair) served as representative to Lake Co; Scott Hennings served as representative to McHenry Co; Lynnette Ciavarella served as representative to Metra; Thomas Bamonte served as representative to MPC; Tom Vander Woude served as representative to NIRPC; Dave Tomzik served as representative to Pace; Henry Guerriero served as representative to Tollway; Jon Paul Diipla served as representative to FHWA; Christina Kupkowski served as representative to Will Co; Kyle Whitehead served as representative to RTA

Staff Present: Laurant Ahiablame, Victoria Barrett, Lindsay Bayley, John Carpenter, Caroline Caruso, Ashley Cruz, Teri Dixon, Kama Dobbs, Phoebe Downey, Austen Edwards, Ryan Ehlke, Kate Evasic, Doug Ferguson, Katie Gienapp, Elizabeth Ginsberg, Evan Hay, Craig Heither, Jaemi Jackson, Matt Marth, Alexis McAdams, Martin Menninger, Nikolas Merten, Richard Norwood, George Perkins, Stephane Phifer, Russell Pietrowiak, Julie Reschke, George Rivera, Elizabeth Scott, Clarke Shupe-Diggs, Mike Sobczak, Sarah Stolpe, Ryan Thompto, Jennie Vana, Blanca Vela-Schneider, Laura Wilkison, You Zhou

Others Present: Aaron Brown, Rocco Zuccherro, Justine Sydello, Mike Klemens, Genevive Zilmel, Kendra Johnson, Makala Morales, Brian Schumacher, Michael Vanderhoof, Leonard Cannata, Kevin Peralta, Daniel Thomas, Mike Klemens, Chad Riddle, George Kandathil, Mark Kane, Zubair Haider, Brian Larson, Joe Surdam, Leslie Rauer, Mellissa Meyer, Heather Zuber, Neil James, Matt Pasquini, Joe Surdam, Garland Armstrong, Robert Kastigar, Kevin Brubaker, Kristi DeLaurentiis, Brandon Geber, Todd Schmidt, Kevin Brubaker, Quinn Kasal, Eric Czarnota

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no agenda changes or announcements.

3.0 Approval of Minutes

3.01 Minutes from April 26, 2024

[24-249](#)

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

Attachments: [TC\(DraftMinutes\)04-26-24](#)

A motion was made by Council of Mayors Representative Leon Rockingham, seconded by DuPage Co Representative John Loper, that the April 26, 2024 committee meeting minutes be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative, CNT Representative, CoM Representative, Cook Co Representative, CTA Representative, DuPage Co Representative, IDOT-D1 Representative, IDOT - OIPI Representative, IDOT - OP&P Representative, IEPA Representative, Kane Co Representative, Kendall Co Representative, Lake Co Representative, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, MPC Representative, NIRPC Representative, Pace Representative, Tollway Representative, Will Co Representative, and RTA Representative

Absent: Academic Research Representative 1, Academic Research Representative 2, and SEWRPC Representative

Non-Voting: FHWA Representative

Absent (NV): FTA Representative

4.0 CMAP Updates

Aimee Lee, Deputy of Transportation, Research, Analysis, and Programming, reported that staff is working on the Transportation Resilience Improvement Plan (TRIP), a multi-year effort that identifies vulnerabilities in the region's transportation network to climate risks. Phase I entails finalizing the draft results of the asset level assessment of transit infrastructure to flooding as well as transit asset and rider vulnerabilities to extreme heat. A workshop will be held in June to discuss their findings and risk scores are anticipated to be published later in the summer. More information will be presented at a future Transportation Committee meeting.

On June 13, 2024, the MPO Policy Committee will consider two cooperative agreements for the coordination of land use-transportation planning with neighboring MPOs. They will also review and reaffirm the MPO boundary agreement.

Deputy Lee reported on the Safe Travel for All Roadmap program, including the formation of a regional steering committee comprised of collaborators connected to broader state, legislative, mobility equity, and traffic culture concerns. The next Transportation Committee meeting will be held on Friday, August 2.

CMAP updates were received and filed.

5.0 Items for Approval

5.01 FFY 2023-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) amendments and administrative modifications

[24-250](#)

PURPOSE & ACTION: TIP amendment 24-07 was published to the eTIP web site on May 24, 2024 for committee review and public comment. A memo summarizing formal TIP amendment 24-07 and administrative amendments 24-07.1 and 24-07.2 is included in the meeting materials. Staff requests approval of TIP amendment 24-07.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

Attachments: [TC\(Memo\)TIP Amend24-07](#)
[Formal TIP Amendment 24-07](#)
[Administrative TIP Amendment 24-07.1](#)
[Administrative TIP Amendment 24-07.2](#)

Russell Pietrowiak, Senior Analyst, presented the FFY 2023-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) amendments and administrative modifications. There are 42 formal amendments for the committee's consideration and 100 administrative amendments that were submitted, reviewed, and accepted by staff.

He identified a correction in the memo, noting that the total federal cost should be \$1,763.6 million and should reflect a total decrease of \$7.4 million. He noted that the I-80 project is underway and that \$94 million was added for improvements at the I-80 and IL53/Chicago Street Interchange.

Administrative amendments added \$18 million to the TIP in all prior, current, and future years. The net change for the total cost in the TIP, including all amendments, is \$158.61 million for prior, current, and future years. The memo and the amendments proposed were posted for committee and public review on May 24, 2024.

A motion was made by RTA Representative Kyle Whitehead, seconded by CDOT Representative Grant Davis, that the FFY 2023-2028 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) amendments and administrative modifications be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative, CNT Representative, CoM Representative, Cook Co Representative, CTA Representative, DuPage Co Representative, IDOT-D1 Representative, IDOT - OIPI Representative, IDOT - OP&P Representative, IEPA Representative, Kane Co Representative, Kendall Co Representative, Lake Co Representative, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, MPC Representative, NIRPC Representative, Pace Representative, Tollway Representative, Will Co Representative, and RTA Representative

Absent: Academic Research Representative 1, Academic Research Representative 2, and SEWRPC Representative

Non-Voting: FHWA Representative

Absent (NV): FTA Representative

5.02 ON TO 2050/2023-2028 TIP conformity analysis & TIP amendment

[24-252](#)

PURPOSE & ACTION: ON TO 2050/2023-2028 TIP Conformity Analysis and TIP Amendment 24-08 was released for public comment through May 21, 2024. CMAP staff requests approval recommending the ON TO 2050/2023-2028 TIP conformity analysis and TIP amendment 24-08 to the MPO Policy

Committee for their consideration. A memo summarizing the conformity amendment is included in the meeting materials.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

Attachments: [ONTO 2040 2024-2028 TIP Conformity Analysis & TIP Amendment 24-08](#)
[Formal TIP Conformity Amendment 24-08](#)

Russell Pietrowiak, Senior Analyst, presented the ON TO 2050/2023-2028 TIP conformity analysis & TIP amendment 24-08. CMAP's region is a non-attainment area for ozone and as a result, is required to comply with the Clean Air Act and demonstrate that projects in its TIP conform to the motor vehicle emissions budget, through a regional emissions analysis.

He noted that MOVES3, the current emissions modeling software being used, will be replaced with MOVES4 for future analyses. He highlighted the updated software's ability to expand and model newer technology such as heavy-duty battery electric and fuel cell vehicles.

Discussion ensued regarding the projected reduction of greenhouse gases and the capabilities of the Moves4 software.

A motion was made by IDOT OIPI Representative Chuck Abraham, seconded by Council of Mayors Representative Leon Rockingham, that the ON TO 2050/2023-2028 TIP conformity analysis & TIP amendment be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative, CNT Representative, CoM Representative, Cook Co Representative, CTA Representative, DuPage Co Representative, IDOT-D1 Representative, IDOT - OIPI Representative, IDOT - OP&P Representative, IEPA Representative, Kane Co Representative, Kendall Co Representative, Lake Co Representative, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, MPC Representative, NIRPC Representative, Pace Representative, Tollway Representative, Will Co Representative, and RTA Representative

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5.03 FFY 2025-2029 STP local programs in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) [24-251](#)

PURPOSE & ACTION: Programming for locally-programmed STP funded projects for all local Councils and the City of Chicago is complete. The programs were subject to 30-day public comment periods from February to May 2024. Staff requests the committee recommend approval to the MPO Policy Committee for the attached amendments to be included in the TIP.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

Attachments: [FFY 2024-2029 STP local programs in TIP memo](#)
[Formal TIP Amendment 24-09.1 Chicago](#)
[Formal TIP Amendment 24-09.2 North Shore](#)
[Formal TIP Amendment 24-09.3 Northwest](#)
[Formal TIP Amendment 24-09.4 North Central](#)
[Formal TIP Amendment 24-09.5 Central](#)
[Formal TIP Amendment 24-09.6 Southwest](#)
[Formal TIP Amendment 24-09.7 South](#)
[Formal TIP Amendment 24-09.8 DuPage](#)
[Formal TIP Amendment 24-09.9 Kane/Kendall](#)
[Formal TIP Amendment 24-09.10 Lake](#)
[Formal TIP Amendment 24-09.11 McHenry](#)
[Formal TIP Amendment 24-09.12 Will](#)

Kama Dobbs, Senior Analyst, presented the FFY 2025-2029 STP local programs for inclusion in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Eleven councils and CDOT submitted 358 projects for consideration. The total STP-Local funding programmed by the councils is \$893.99 million over FFY 2025 - FFY 2029. A breakdown of project types and funding amounts was provided.

A motion was made by CDOT Representative Grant Davis, seconded by DuPage Co Representative John Loper, to approve the FFY 2025-2029 STP local programs in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative, CNT Representative, CoM Representative, Cook Co Representative, CTA Representative, DuPage Co Representative, IDOT-D1 Representative, IDOT - OIPI Representative, IDOT - OP&P Representative, IEPA Representative, Kane Co Representative, Kendall Co Representative, Lake Co Representative, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, MPC Representative, NIRPC Representative, Pace Representative, Tollway Representative, Will Co Representative, and RTA Representative

Absent: Academic Research Representative 1, Academic Research Representative 2, and SEWRPC Representative

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5.04 FFY 2024 FTA subarea allocation between Indiana-Illinois and Wisconsin-Illinois of 5307/5340 Urbanized Area, 5337 State of Good Repair, 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities and 5310 Enhance Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities funds [24-253](#)

At its May 16, 2024 meeting, the RTA Board approved the splits of FFY 2024 FTA \$5307/\$5340, \$5337, \$5339 and \$5310 funding with northwestern Indiana and southeastern Wisconsin as presented in the attached memo. Staff requests approval recommending the subarea allocations between northwest Indiana- northeastern Illinois and southeastern Wisconsin-northeastern Illinois to the MPO Policy Committee for their consideration.

ACTION REQUESTED: Approval

Attachments: [FTA Funding Splits memo](#)

Russell Pietrowiak, Senior Analyst, presented the FFY 2024 FTA subarea allocation splits between

Indiana and Illinois, and Wisconsin and Illinois. Splits are established in a letter of understanding between the RTA, NIRPC and SEWRPC and the RTA approved the funding allocations at its May 16, 2024 Board of Directors meeting.

A motion was made by Metra Representative Lynnette Ciavarella, seconded by IEPA Representative Jack Cruikshank, that the FFY 2024 FTA subarea allocation between Indiana-Illinois and Wisconsin-Illinois of 5307/5340 Urbanized Area, 5337 State of Good Repair, 5339 Bus and Bus Facilities and 5310 Enhance Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities funds be approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative, CNT Representative, CoM Representative, Cook Co Representative, CTA Representative, DuPage Co Representative, IDOT-D1 Representative, IDOT - OIPI Representative, IDOT - OP&P Representative, IEPA Representative, Kane Co Representative, Kendall Co Representative, Lake Co Representative, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, MPC Representative, NIRPC Representative, Pace Representative, Tollway Representative, Will Co Representative, and RTA Representative

Absent: Academic Research Representative 1, Academic Research Representative 2, and SEWRPC Representative

Non-Voting: FHWA Representative

Absent (NV): FTA Representative

6.0 Information Items

6.01 RTA Safety and Security Summit recap

[24-255](#)

PURPOSE & ACTION: RTA staff will present on policy recommendations that emerged from the agency's regional Public Transit Safety and Security Summit in February. RTA joined with CTA, Metra, Pace, the City of Chicago, State of Illinois, and other municipal and social service partners to explore holistic solutions to the safety issues the transit system is facing. Attached is the recently released final report which features ideas the transit agencies and their partners inside and outside government can pursue to improve rider and worker personal safety.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

Attachments: [2024-Safety-Summit-Report](#)

Kyle Whitehead, RTA Principal in Government Affairs and RTA Representative, provided an update on the RTA Safety and Security Summit from February 27, 2024. More than 75 regional leaders and riders explored holistic solutions to safety concerns on transit. The group identified new strategies and initiatives that complement work of the police departments. The summit's area of focus included enhancing security and addressing perception of crime, incorporating transit in social services initiatives, and creating safe, more welcoming environments at stations and stops. A video recapping the summit was presented and additional information regarding the areas of focus was provided.

RTA Representative Whitehead stated that a station activation pilot program has been created as part of the 2024 Community Planning Call for Projects. It was open to non-traditional applicants such as chambers of commerce and community-based organizations. The RTA received 18 applications and recommended eight activation projects with a budget of \$123,000 for this initial round.

Discussion ensued regarding existing conditions related to overall crime on the transportation

systems.

A recap of the RTA Safety and Security Summit recap was provided.

6.02 Regional Transportation Plan update

[24-254](#)

PURPOSE & ACTION: CMAP staff will present a summary of goals featured in transportation plans adopted in northeastern Illinois to frame a discussion about potential priorities for the Regional Transportation Plan.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

Attachments: [Plan inventory memo](#)

Julie Reschke, Policy Analyst, provided an update on the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP). The RTP was previously embedded in the ON TO 2050 Plan. It fulfills the federal requirements established for metropolitan planning organizations (MPOs), is essential for access to the federal funding, and is due October 2026.

As staff prepares the update to the RTP, they are guided by the following questions: What is the future transportation system we want?; What are the challenges and opportunities to get there?; and How will we achieve the transportation system we want?

The RTP must align with federal goals as well as comply with state mandates and should take into account existing plans from transit agencies and local governments. As part of this process, CMAP reviewed approximately 30 plans adopted by federal, state, county, transit, and other agencies to identify common goals, objectives, and strategies. Increased mobility and accessibility, improved safety and security, and preservation of the existing transportation system were a few of the common goals shared by these agencies.

The RTP will build on the transportation vision in the ON TO 2050 Plan, last updated in 2022. The ON TO 2050 Plan includes transportation recommendations on mobility, community, prosperity, environment, and governance.

Policy Analyst Reschke identified the goals of the RTP, the work that has taken place and is underway to achieve these goals, and the region's vision for transportation. Next steps include stakeholder engagement, a public survey, an opportunity to submit research, ideas, policy stances, and the creation of an engagement webpage to coordinate future outreach.

Discussion ensued regarding ability to implement the plan, preservation of agriculture, the need for more in-depth conversations regarding tradeoffs and competing goals, and involving freight agencies in the discussion.

An update of the Regional Transportation Plan was presented.

6.03 Legislative update

[24-246](#)

PURPOSE & ACTION: Update on legislation related to CMAP funding and operations and an update on recent legislative activity of interest to the Transportation Committee.

ACTION REQUESTED: Information

Attachments: [May TC Committee Memo Legislative Update](#)

John Carpenter, Intergovernmental Affairs Director, provided a legislative update. Senate Bill (SB) 3389, known as the Regional Planning Act Modernization bill, passed both chambers unanimously. The amendment allows for a simple majority vote on certain CMAP operational items. SB3388/HB5077, the Appropriation Bill, requests \$5 million to carry out the agency's broader scope of regional planning obligations that were detailed in the Regional Planning Act, but never funded. CMAP will continue to lobby to move this legislation forward.

The RTA Act requires the Road Fund to annually deposit \$150 million to the Public Transportation Fund (PTF) and provide additional funds for RTA debt service. The remainder of the funding to the PTF has typically come from the General Fund. For the state's FY 2025 budget, the General Assembly approved an increase of \$75 million in allocation to the PTF from the Road Fund. It also calls for a \$50 million allocation from the Leaking Underground Storage Tank Fund to the PTF. It was noted that this is only a change to the funding mechanism and does not address the looming fiscal cliff.

Director Carpenter reported that language previously stricken related to the public-private partnerships in HB5511, the Procurement omnibus bill, has been restored. Staff continues to review and follow the Climate and Equitable Transportation Act and the Transportation Choices Act.

A legislative update was received and filed.

7.0 Other Business

There was no other business to conduct.

8.0 Public Comment

Garland Armstrong, former Illinois resident, expressed concern regarding the state of repair needed on sidewalks in and out of the city and how the deteriorating infrastructure impacts individuals in wheelchairs. He also expressed the need for improved ADA accessibility on Metra trains.

9.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, August 2, 2024.

10.0 Adjournment

Chair Kevin Carrier called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

A motion was made by McHenry Co Representative Scott Hennings, seconded by Kane Co Representative Jackie Forbes, that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carries with the following vote:

Aye: CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative, CNT Representative, CoM Representative, Cook Co Representative, CTA Representative, DuPage Co Representative, IDOT-D1 Representative, IDOT - OIPI Representative, IDOT - OP&P Representative, IEPA Representative, Kane Co Representative, Kendall Co Representative, Lake Co Representative, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, MPC Representative, NIRPC Representative, Pace Representative, Tollway Representative, Will Co Representative, and RTA Representative

Absent: Academic Research Representative 1, Academic Research Representative 2, and SEWRPC Representative

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The meeting was adjourned at 11:11 am.

Minutes prepared by Blanca Vela-Schneider.