



TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

MEETING MINUTES - FINAL

Friday, October 25, 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

Vice-Chair Tara Orbon called the special meeting of the Transportation Committee meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Present: Academic Research Representative 1, CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative, CNT 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, Pace Representative, RTA Representative, Tollway Representative, and Will Co Representative

Absent: Academic Research Representative 2, CoM Representative, NIRPC Representative, and SEWRPC Representative

Non-Voting: FHWA Representative, and FTA Representative

Noting a physical quorum of the committee, Vice-Chair Orbon reported requests were received from Lake Co Representative Kevin Carrier and CNT Representative Pam Jones, to attend the meeting virtually in compliance with the Open Meetings Act. A voted is needed to approve their virtual attendance.

A motion was made by CMAP Representative Aimee Lee, seconded by IDOT OIPI Representative Chuck Abraham, to permit Lake Co Representative Kevin Carrier and CNT Representative Pam Jones to attend virtually. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Academic Research Representative 1, CDOT Representative, CMAP 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, McHenry Co Representative, Metra Representative, MPC Representative, Pace Representative, RTA Representative, Tollway Representative, and Will Co Representative

Absent: Academic Research Representative 2, CoM Representative, NIRPC Representative, and SEWRPC Representative

Non-Voting: FHWA Representative, and FTA Representative

Not Present: CNT Representative, and Lake Co Representative

Joe Schofer served as Academic Research Representative 1, Mary Nicol served as CDOT Representative, Aimee Lee served as CMAP Representative, Pam Jones served as CNT Representative, Tara Orbon served as Cook County Representative, Cara Bader served as CTA Representative, John Loper served as DuPage Co Representative, Steve Schilke served as IDOT D1 Representative, Chuck Abraham served as IDOT OIPI, Megan Swanson served as IDOT OP&P Representative, Jack Cruikshank served as IEPA Representative, Jackie Forbes served as Kane Co Representative, Heidi Lichtenberger served as Kendall Co Representative, Kevin Carrier served as Lake Co Representative, Scott Hennings served as McHenry Co Representative, Audrey Wennink served as Metropolitan Planning Council Representative, David Kralik served as Metra Representative, Charlotte Obodzinski served as Pace Representative, Kyle Whitehead served as RTA Representative, Henry Guerriero served as Tollway Representative, Christina Kupkowski served as Will Co Representative, Jon Paul Diipla served as FHWA

Representative, and Mark Kane served as FTA Representative

Staff present: Bill Barnes, John Carpenter, Enrique Castillo, Kama Dobbs, Phoebe Downey, Doug Ferguson, Jane Grover, Craig Heither, Russell Pietrowiak, Ryan Thompto, Blanca Vela-Schneider, Laura Wilkison

Others present: Garland Armstrong, Erin Fiorini, Michael Fitzsimons, Brandon Geber, Joseph Iacullo, Rochelle Jason, Kenra Johnson, Mike Klemens, Gretchen Klock, Brittany Matyas, Tom McKone, Bill Mooney, Lee Overholser, Jada Porter, Joe Surdam, Daniel Thomas

2.0 Agenda Changes and Announcements

There were no changes to the agenda.

3.0 Items for Approval

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

[24-433](#)

Attachments: [Formal TIP Amendment 25-01](#)
[TC\(Memo\)TIP Amend25-01](#)

Russell Pietrowiak, Senior Programming Analyst, presented FFY 2023-2028 TIP amendment 25-01 that contains two formal amendments. The formal amendments resulted in an increase of \$1.56 billion in total project costs for all prior, current, and future years. The CTA Red Line Extension project is a significant investment in transit and is listed as a Regionally Significant Project (RSP) in CMAP's ON TO 2050 Plan. State, federal, and local funds will be used to implement the project and moves FTA Section 5309 Capital Investment Grant Funds from MYB to various TIP years. The funding comes from additional discretionary funds and not the FTA formula funds that are received annually. The second project is the Blue Line Forest Park Reconstruction project and is also an RSP in the ON TO 2050 Plan. The project will be funded through a \$111 million discretionary grant award from FTA's Reconnecting Communities and Neighborhoods (RCN). The TIP is fiscally constrained.

Discussion occurred regarding FTA 5309 grants, the debt CTA will be incurring to complete these projects, and the overall impact it would have on the agency's budget.

CTA Representative Cara Bader, seconded by RTA Representative Kyle Whitehead, to approve TIP amendment 25-01.

4.0 Other Business

There was no other business before the committee.

5.0 Public Comment

CMAP Representative Aimee Lee reported two written comments were received.

The first written comment was received on October 23, 2024 from John Paul Jones, Redline Extension TIF Coalition, and Janet Bell, Golden Gate Community Association, regarding support for the Redline

Extension project.

The second written comment was received on Thursday, October 24, 2024 from Robert Kastigar suggesting a bike lane on Foster Avenue rather than on Bryn Mawr.

Garland Armstrong, former Illinois resident, commented on the need to have a plan in place as transit agencies face the looming fiscal cliff.

5.01 Written Public Comments for October 25, 2025 Special Meeting of the Transportation Committee

[24-469](#)

Attachments: [Public Comment-JP Jones-CMAP Special Meeting](#)
[Public Comment - Robert Kastigar CMAP Special Meeting](#)

Written comments were received and filed.

6.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for November 22, 2024.

7.0 Adjournment

A motion was made by Academic Representative 1 Joe Schofer, seconded by CMAP Representative Aimee Lee, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: Academic Research Representative 1, CDOT Representative, CMAP Representative, CNT 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, Pace Representative, RTA Representative, Tollway Representative, and Will Co Representative

Absent: Academic Research Representative 2, CoM Representative, NIRPC Representative, and SEWRPC Representative

Non-Voting: FHWA Representative, and FTA Representative

The meeting was adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

Minutes prepared by Blanca Vela-Schneider.