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**Northwest Municipal Conference
Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee
Tuesday, February 12, 2013
10:30 a.m.
NWMC Offices
1616 East Golf Road
Des Plaines, IL**

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order/Introductions – Chair Buehler**
- II. Approval of January 15, 2013 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A)**
Action requested: Approval of minutes
- III. Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) Update (Attachment B)**
On January 30, IDOT announced the latest round of ITEP awards for bicycle, pedestrian, streetscape and other improvement projects around the state. NWMC members were very successful, with 11 projects totaling just under \$8 million in federal funding. Municipalities who received funding have been invited to give a brief presentation on their project.
Action Requested: Discussion
- IV. Des Plaines River Trail Plan Update**
The Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Des Plaines River Trail Corridor Plan is set to be released this month by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning. Staff will provide an update including more specifics on the anticipated final release date.
Action Requested: Informational
- V. CMAQ Application Update (Attachment C)**
The call for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) projects closed on February 8. Staff will review the municipal bicycle and pedestrian projects that were submitted.
Action Requested: Discussion
- VI. Local Project Updates**
Committee members are encouraged to share updates related to bicycle and pedestrian projects or plans.
Action Requested: Informational

VII. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for March 19 at 10:30 a.m. at NWMC offices.

VIII. Other Business

IX. Adjournment

**Northwest Municipal Conference
Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee
Tuesday, January 15, 2013
Draft Meeting Minutes
10:30 a.m.
NWMC Offices**

Committee Members Present:

A.C. Buehler, Trustee, Village of Northbrook, Chair
Bill Blanchard, Village of Schaumburg
Andrew Jennings, Village of Wheeling
Kevin Kramer, Village of Barrington
Ashley Monroe, Village of Hoffman Estates
Derek Peebles, City of Des Plaines
Bob Pfeil, Village of Buffalo Grove
Briget Schwab, Village of Arlington Heights
Harry Spila, Village of Palatine

Others Present:

Jim Baxa, Village of Northbrook
Nellie Beckner, Village of Mount Prospect
Barb Cornew, Active Transportation Alliance
Carrie Haberstich, Village of Skokie
Brooke Jones, Village of Wheeling
Matt Lawrie, Village of Mount Prospect
Scott Mangum, City of Des Plaines
Tiffany Schmoker, Village of Arlington Heights
Chris Staron, NWMC
Bruce Sylvester, Village of Niles
Mike Walczak, NWMC

I. Call to Order/Introductions

Chair Buehler called the meeting to order at 10:33 a.m. and asked those present for introductions.

II. Approval of the October 16, 2012 and November 20, 2012 Meeting Minutes

On a motion made by Mr. Spila, seconded by Mr. Kramer, the committee voted unanimously to approve the meeting minutes from the previous two meetings.

III. 2010 Bicycle Plan Implementation

Mr. Staron reported that it has been just over two years since adoptions of the 2010 NWMC Bicycle Plan. He explained that at the end of each year, staff has looked back at the progress made towards implementing the priorities in the plan. He highlighted the completion of the regional signage plan and the Northwest Highway Bicycle Facility Plan. He noted that Antioch is receiving help from CMAP under the Local Technical Assistance Program. He further reported that a number of municipal plans have been completed or are in the works that incorporate the NWMC regional bicycle corridors. He said that funding has been secured and progress is being made on projects addressing barriers on the Deerfield Rd. Corridor, the Dundee Rd. Corridor and

the Golf Rd. Corridor. He highlighted projects in Evanston, Skokie and Hoffman Estates as completing segments of tier one corridors. He reported that 64 percent of tier one corridors are complete and six percent of the corridors is programmed.

IV. Des Plaines River Trail Plan

Mr. Walczak reported that staff is working with CMAP to put together the scope for the RFP for the Des Plaines River Trail Plan. Mr. Walczak asked for volunteers to review the scope and RFP. Mr. Jennings, Mr. Peebles and Mr. Lawrie volunteered to review the draft RFP and provide input.

V. CMAQ Application Update

Mr. Staron reported that applications are due to planning liaisons by January 25. He reminded the committee of the phase I engineering programming requirements. In addition, he reported that pedestrian projects should be serving high capacity transit service.

Mr. Staron reported that communities and the NWMC are still pursuing the Skokie Valley Trail as a directly identified project, which makes it eligible for phase I engineering. He said that there have been some conflicting messages from CMAP staff about the appropriate process for direct identification and eligibility for phase I engineering. The committee discussed the process and policies. Mr. Staron said he would keep the communities along the corridor informed moving forward.

VI. Local Project Updates

Ms. Schwab reported that Arlington Heights is moving forward with the Davis and Arthur intersection, which lies within the Northwest Highway Bikeway. Mr. Kramer reported that Barrington will be installing a flashing beacon on Lake-Cook Road. Mr. Jennings said that Wheeling has approved its Active Transportation Plan. He reported that the Dundee Rd. project has run into some bureaucratic hurdles at IDOT regarding the shifting of ITEP funds.

VII. Meeting Dates and Times

Chair Buehler reported that the next meeting will be on February 12. The committee discussed changing the meeting time, but there was no consensus so the meetings will remain at 10:30 a.m.

VIII. Other Business

Mr. Kramer informed the committee that the League of Illinois Bicyclists is developing a driver's education curriculum. He noted that sample questions were included in the League's last newsletter. Ms. Cornew said that getting schools to teach bicycle safety is difficult.

IX. Adjournment

X. *On a motion made by Ms. Schwab, seconded by Mr. Kramer, the committee voted unanimously to adjourn.*

Approved 2013 ITEP Projects in NWMC Municipalities

Project Sponsor	Project Title	Approved Federal Funds	
Niles	Milwaukee Avenue Corridor Improvements - Phase IV	\$	747,840
Northfield	Willow Road Enhancements	\$	733,990
Skokie	East Oakton Streetscape Improvements	\$	1,442,060
Glenview	Village-wide Bike Route Signage and Pavement Marking	\$	97,920
Mount Prospect	Northwest Highway Streetscape Project	\$	678,000
Park Ridge	Uptown Streetscape	\$	841,380
Lake Forest	Historic Train Station Rehabilitation	\$	1,236,520
Evanston	Ladd Arboretum Multiuse Trail	\$	580,000
Palatine	Bicycle Transportation Plan Implementation	\$	147,560
Hoffman Estates	Shoe Factory Road & I-90 Bicycle and Pedestrian Project	\$	676,000
Barrington	Hart Road Path Improvements	\$	798,880
	Total	\$	7,980,150

CMAQ 2014-2018 Call For Projects Application Summary - NWMC Municipalities

Project Sponsor	Project Title	Phases Requested	Proposed Federal Funds (all phases)
Evanston	Dodge Ave. Protected Bicycle Lanes	Construction	\$ 480,000
Glenview	West Lake Ave. and Greenwood Rd. Intersection Improvement	ROW	\$ 80,000
Glenview	Waukegan Rd. and Overlook Dr. Path	E2 and Construction	\$ 294,000
Prospect Heights	Willow Road sidewalks	Construction	\$ 284,000
Rolling Meadows	Euclid Avenue multiuse path	E2 and Construction	\$ 679,000
Schaumburg	Metra Station Bike Lockers	Implementation	\$ 36,000
Skokie	Gross Point Rd. Bike Lanes and Sidewalks	E2 and Construction	\$ 478,000
Skokie	Gross Point Rd. and Golf Rd. Intersection Improvement	E2, ROW and Construction	\$ 1,131,000
Skokie	Main St. Bicycle Lanes	E2 and Construction	\$ 456,000
Skokie	Church St. Bicycle Lanes	E2 and Construction	\$ 472,000
Streamwood	Lake Street sidewalks	Construction	\$ 348,000
Streamwood	Irving Park Multi-Use path	Construction	\$ 960,000
Wilmette	Skokie Valley Trail	E1	\$ 394,000
			\$ 6,092,000