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**Northwest Municipal Conference
Transportation Committee**

Thursday, November 17, 2016

8:30 a.m.

NWMC Offices

1600 East Golf Road, Suite 0700 Des Plaines

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Approval of October 27, 2016 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A)**
Action requested: Approval of minutes
- III. CMAQ and TAP Call For Projects**
Staff will discuss the upcoming call for Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement and Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) projects scheduled to open in January 2017 and review CMAQ and TAP funded projects currently underway in the conference area.
Action Requested: Informational
- IV. NWMC Bike Plan Updates**
NWMC Staff will present a draft RFP for updates to the NWMC Bicycle Plan
Action Requested: Discussion/Approval
- V. Legislative Issues**
Staff will provide an update of the approved constitutional amendment to restrict transportation revenues in Illinois, both state and local, for transportation purposes and the impact the election may have on federal transportation policy.
Action requested: Informational
- VI. CMAP Update**
An update on relevant activities from CMAP's committees will be provided.
Action requested: Informational
- VII. Agency Reports**
- VIII. Other Business**
- IX. Next Meeting**
The next meeting is scheduled for December 22 at 8:30 a.m. NWMC offices.
- X. Adjourn**

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, October 27, 2016
8:30 a.m.
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Members Present:

Bill McLeod, Mayor, Village of Hoffman Estates, Co-Chair
Jerry Turry, Mayor, Village of Lincolnwood, Co-Chair
Jeff Berman, Trustee, Village of Buffalo Grove
Tim Frenzer, Village Manager, Village of Wilmette
Bob Israel, Trustee, Village of Northbrook
Al Larson, Mayor, Village of Schaumburg
Maria Lasday, Village Manager, Village of Bannockburn
Don Owen, Deputy Village Manager, Village of Glenview
Matt Roan, Deputy Village Manager, Elk Grove Village

Others Present:

Steve Andrews, Pace
Rick Mack, Metra
Maria Choca Urban, Cook County
Tim Grzesiakowski, TMA of Lake-Cook
Dan Jedrzejak, Chastain and Associates
Karyn Robles, Village of Schaumburg
Matt Schmitz, Cook County
Brian Pigeon, NWMC
Mike Walczak, NWMC

I. Call to Order

Co-Chair Turry called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. and had those present provide introductions.

II. Approval of September 22, 2016 Meeting Minutes

On a motion made by Mr. Frenzer, seconded by Mayor Larson, the committee voted to approve the September 22, 2016 meeting minutes.

III. Cook County Transportation Plan

Ms. Choca Urban gave a presentation on the recently adopted Cook County Transportation Plan. She explained that the plan focuses on three factors: the economy; livable communities and multimodal needs, and does not just focus on the county-maintained road system since it is not contiguous. She stressed the need for building and improving on relationships with other agencies, including municipalities, in regional transportation planning. The county has started additional investments by eliminating diversions from its transportation funds. Responding to a question from Mayor Turry about next steps, Ms. Choca Urban stated that the county is starting to work on an implementation plan to prioritize projects over the next five years as well as planning a call for projects, named

“Invest In Cook” for 2017. Mr. Israel asked where the funds which were no longer being diverted were being spent. Ms. Choca Urban stated they are being focused on their backlog of languishing projects. Mayor Turry urged the county to come back to the conference when the implementation plan is completed.

IV. Federal Automated Vehicles Policy

Mr. Pigeon discussed the recently released comprehensive guidelines from the US Department of Transportation to address automated vehicles. The focus of the policy is to guide development of vehicles which can take full control of driving. It also describes the division of responsibilities between federal and state jurisdictions and the current and future regulatory tools that can be used to regulate the new technologies. Mr. Pigeon and Mr. Walczak discussed recent development in automated vehicle technology and the committee agreed that the topic, with a focus on the impacts for municipalities, should be discussed at future meetings.

V. Legislative Issues

Mr. Walczak and Mr. Pigeon discussed the impacts of the proposed constitutional amendment to restrict transportation funding solely to transportation purposes in the state of Illinois. CMAP has put out new analysis on potential problems with the implementation of the amendment and anticipates numerous legislative fixes needed if the amendment should pass. They also discussed the proposed Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) Consolidation Rules, noting that no action has been taken by the USDOT at this point to finalize the rules.

VI. CMAP Update

Mr. Walczak provided the CMAP update, informing the committee of an upcoming call for CMAQ and TAP projects in January and that future scenario planning work is continuing for the On To 2050 comprehensive plan. CMAP will likely present this work to the committee in early 2017.

VII. Agency Reports

Mr. Mack reported that Metra’s 2017 budget was approved and included fare increases for the coming year. He also announced that Norm Carlson has been selected as the new Metra Chairman and praised his previous work on the board and in the railroad industry.

Mr. Andrews announced that Pace will be holding hearing on its budget through October and is expecting it to be approved in November. He announced that updated service in the I-90 corridor would begin on December 19th and that construction on the Pulse Milwaukee Line is expected to begin this spring.

Mr. Grzesiakowski provided a recap of the TMA of Lake-Cook Fall Meeting, which featured IDOT Secretary Randy Blankenhorn and Congressman Bob Dold. He also noted that more shuttles are being planned in the Illinois 22 corridor with the Village of Bannockburn.

VIII. Other Business

Mr. Walczak announced that Niles and Park Ridge has received Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) grants for streetscaping projects.

IX. Next Meeting

Co-Chair Turry reported that the next meeting of the Transportation Committee is scheduled for 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, November 17, 2016.

X. Adjournment

On a motion by Mayor Larson, seconded by Trustee Israel, the committee unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.