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**Northwest Municipal Conference
Transportation Committee
Agenda
Thursday, May 21, 2026
8:30 a.m.**

NWMC Offices or via Video Conference

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86227723452>

Meeting ID: 862 2772 3452

Passcode: TfzR9M0r

- I. Call to Order/Introductions**
- II. Approval of April 23, 2026 Meeting Minutes (Attachment A)**
Action Requested: Approve Minutes
- III. Agency Reports**
 - 1. Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (Attachment B)
 - 2. IDOT Local Roads Update
 - 3. IDOT Highways Report
 - 4. Illinois Tollway (Attachment C)
 - 5. Metra
 - 6. Pace (Attachment D)
 - 7. RTA (Attachment E)
 - 8. Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways (Attachment F)
 - 9. Collar County Departments of Transportation
- IV. 2026-2027 Meeting Dates (Attachment G)**
Staff will present the proposed meeting dates for 2026-2027.
Action Requested: Approve Proposed Meeting Dates
- V. Transportation Resilience Improvement Program (TRIP)**
CMAP staff will present an overview of the [Transportation Resilience Improvement Program \(TRIP\)](#) which can inform planning work across the region, including data on asset vulnerability and project-based resilience strategies that can be incorporated into transportation projects. CMAP staff will also share TRIP’s recommended organizational strategies that CMAP and others, including local transportation implementers, can implement to advance resilience across the region.
Action Requested: Informational/Discussion
- VI. Transportation Legislation Update**
NWMC staff will provide an overview of transportation-related legislation that is currently advancing through the Illinois General Assembly.
Action Requested: Informational/Discussion

VII. Funding and Planning Opportunities

Staff will provide an update on funding and planning opportunities.

- 1) [Safe Streets and Roads for All \(SS4A\)](#) – May 26
- 2) [Love Your Block](#) – June 1
- 3) [Railroad Crossing Safety Program](#) – June 8
- 4) [League of American Bicyclists Bicycle Friendly Community](#) – June 17
- 5) [Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities \(BRIC\)](#) – July 23

Action Requested: Informational

VIII. Other Business

IX. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the NWMC Transportation Committee is scheduled for Thursday, September 24, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. at the NWMC offices and virtually via Zoom.

X. Adjourn

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**Northwest Municipal Conference
Transportation Committee
Minutes
Thursday, April 23, 2026
8:30 a.m.
Via Video Conference**

Members Present

Lara Sanoica, Mayor, Rolling Meadows, Co-Chair
Rodney Craig, Mayor, Hanover Park, Co-Chair
Wendy Dunnington, Trustee, Arlington Heights
Bob Benton, Trustee, Deerfield
Adam Aronson, Deputy Director of Community Development, Glenview
Bill McLeod, Mayor, Hoffman Estates
Terri Gens, Trustee, Mount Prospect
Lou Arrigoni, Engineering Manager, Park Ridge
Sidney Kenyon, Director of Transportation, Schaumburg
Dan Kaup, Assistant Village Manager/Director of Public Works, Wheeling

Others Present

Ken Jay, Elk Grove Village
Sarah FioRito, Evanston
Kathy Thake, Kenilworth
Aram Beladi, Northbrook
Benjamin Gorski, Schaumburg
Tom Powers, Winnetka
Ryan Ruehle, Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways
Kelsey Passi, Illinois Tollway
Jess Rybarczyk, Pace
Kendra Johnson, RTA
Maggie Czerwinski, Active Transportation Alliance
Joseph Cwynar, EEI
John Beissel, Robinson Engineering
Tom Gill, Thomas Engineering Group
Mark Fowler, NWMC
Larry Bury, NWMC
Eric Czarnota, NWMC
Brian Larson, NWMC

I. Call to Order/Introductions

Mayor Sanoica called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

II. Approval of March 26, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Mayor Craig moved approval of the March 26, 2026 meeting minutes. Mayor McLeod seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

III. Agency Reports**1. Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning**

Report attached.

2. IDOT Local Roads Update

Report attached.

3. IDOT Highways Report

Report attached.

4. Illinois Tollway

Ms. Passi reported that the Tollway will distribute new sticker tags when a customer's existing transponder has reached the end of its service life. Ms. Passi shared that the IPASS On Demand Team is available to attend community events to provide customer assistance and encouraged communities to contact her to have the team attend local events.

5. Metra

Report attached.

6. Pace

Ms. Rybarczyk reported that Pace has social media support available for their Hiring On The Spot events and encouraged communities to contact her to enhance outreach opportunities. She reported that Pace implemented service enhancements in member communities in March, with additional service increases planned for June. She shared that ridership continues to increase year over year, reaching 1.9 million rides, or approximately 70% of 2019 levels, with Express Bus, Bus on Shoulder, and Pace Pulse routes experiencing the strongest growth. Ms. Rybarczyk also reported that the Pace Board recently received updates on the transition to NITA and that a draft ReVision plan is anticipated later this year following completion of NITA compliance requirements. In addition, she shared that Pace completed the purchase of 47 additional hybrid buses for distribution throughout the region.

7. RTA

Ms. Johnson reported that in March the RTA Board adopted ADA Paratransit Action Plan 2, which would allow RAP/TAP users to have 40 instead of 30 rides. She added that the RTA Board was presented with a proposed [operating budget amendment](#) addressing the NITA Act to enable early action on the Act's requirements and she requested that interested communities email the RTA communications team with public comments.

8. Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways (CCDoTH)

Mr. Ruehle reported that there have been two updates to the Cook County Safety Action Plan, with new and expanded content on project visualizations, systemic analysis, and risk-based analysis. He added that adoption of the Safety Action Plan means all Cook County communities are eligible for Safe Streets for All (SS4A) implementation grants.

Mr. Ruehle shared that the Cook County Bike Plan web app, launched in 2024, consolidated existing study areas, planned, and built bike routes into a single location, and encouraged municipalities to reach out to CCDoTH to provide updates to the data.

Ms. Czerwinski shared information on the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) funding and Cook County/ATA technical support program. She added that projects do not have to be huge, but funding has been increased from \$3 million to \$5 million. Ms. Czerwinski said that technical support is available for 15 suburban Cook County municipalities, with seven of those recipients receiving an additional \$2,000 in funding. She also shared information on the upcoming ITEP statewide and Cook County webinars and IDOT Special Programs Assistance Conference.

9. Collar County Departments of Transportation

No report.

IV. ITEP

Mr. Czarnota and Mr. Larson presented an overview of the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) grant, highlighting examples of successful NWMC member ITEP applications.

V. Transportation Legislation Update

Mr. Czarnota provided an overview of transportation-related legislation currently advancing through the Illinois General Assembly. He highlighted SB3336, the e-mobility legislation passed by the Illinois Senate and currently under review by the Illinois House Rules Committee.

Mayor Craig asked whether the bill includes parental liability provisions. Mr. Czarnota said NWMC is seeking clarity on this topic and on how ticketing would be handled.

VI. Funding and Planning Opportunities

Mr. Larson provided an update on funding and planning opportunities, including the [Cook County/Active Transportation Alliance ITEP Technical Assistance](#) and the [US DOT Safe Streets and Roads for All \(SS4A\)](#) grant.

VII. Other Business

No other business.

VIII. Next Meeting

Mayor Sanoica announced that the next meeting of the NWMC Transportation Committee is scheduled for Thursday, May 21, 2026 at 8:30 a.m. at the NWMC offices and virtually via Zoom.

IX. Adjourn

Mayor McLeod moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 a.m. Mayor Craig seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

CMAP news

Land Use Inventory provides updated look at northeastern Illinois

CMAP's Land Use Inventory, a survey of northeastern Illinois' land use, has been updated. This data is a resource for planners, transportation agencies, university researchers, non-governmental organizations, consulting firms, and more. The 2026 inventory features 2023 data, following refinement by CMAP, including a review of 60,000 parcels. The data can be viewed on an [interactive web map](#) and is also available for [download](#).

Comprehensive Climate Action Plan for Chicago released

CMAP, in partnership with the Metropolitan Mayors Caucus and the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, developed the [Comprehensive Climate Action Plan for Greater Chicago](#).

As the first regional framework to address all major sources of greenhouse gas emissions across a 13-county area spanning Illinois, Indiana, and Wisconsin, the plan charts a clear and ambitious path forward. Grounded in rigorous data and shaped by community and partner voices, it offers a coordinated roadmap to reduce emissions, improve public health, and strengthen the economy.

2026 Regional Transportation Plan

CMAP continues to advance the [2026 Regional Transportation Plan \(RTP\)](#) through extensive research, data analysis, and public engagement. Building on the goals and objectives identified in the [Emerging Priorities](#) report, CMAP has prepared a draft list of [strategies](#) for inclusion in the RTP. Also, through coordination with partner agencies and committees, CMAP has identified and recommended 101 regional capital projects (RCPs) for inclusion in the fiscally constrained RTP. The benefits of each proposed project can be reviewed in the [draft RCP Benefits Report](#). The draft 2026 RTP will be available for public comment beginning in June 2026.

CMAP begins regional freight assessment with release of The Freight Landscape

CMAP is undertaking a [four-part assessment of the region's freight system](#) — including the trucks, ships, planes, railroads, and delivery vans we see every day. The assessment will introduce “goods movement” as a key topic of concern for the region's economy, environment, and highway performance, including traffic safety. CMAP has released the assessment's first report, [The Freight Landscape](#), to provide key introductory facts about the region's freight system and to explain fundamental freight concepts.

Job opportunities

CMAP is hiring for full-time a position: a [GIS Architect](#) under CMAP's Deputy of Data. Visit CMAP's [Careers page](#) to learn more.

Program status updates

Surface Transportation Program (STP)

The [STP Project Selection Committee](#) last met on March 26, 2026. The committee's next meeting is scheduled for **May 14, 2026**. [Meeting materials](#) are posted on CMAP's Legistar site one week before the meetings. Program status reports for the STP Shared Fund, based on quarterly updates submitted by project sponsors, and an accounting of available, programmed, and obligated funds for the region are available on the [STP webpage](#).

Staff contact: [Jon Haadsma](#) (312-386-8664)

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Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program (CMAQ), Carbon Reduction Program (CRP), and local Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP-L)

The most recent [CMAQ Project Selection Committee](#) meeting was held on March 26, 2026. The committee's next meeting is scheduled for **May 14, 2026**. [Meeting materials](#) are posted on CMAP's Legistar site one week before the meetings. Information for submitting project change requests can be found on CMAP's [CMAQ Management Resources webpage](#).

Staff Contact: [Doug Ferguson](#) (312-386-8824)

Safe Travel for All Roadmap (STAR)

CMAP's [STAR program](#) continues to work to improve regional travel safety with assistance, resources and policy development. Information on the [Countywide Safety Action Plans](#) adopted by the MPO Policy Committee on May 30, 2025, and more, can be found on the STAR webpage.

In collaboration with the DuPage Division of Transportation (DuDOT) and engineering firm TYLin, CMAP is offering implementation guidance with a [pre-recorded webinar](#) for local jurisdictions interested in funding traffic safety improvements.

Staff contact: [Michael Brown](#) (312-386-8615)

Accessible Communities Program

CMAP launched the Accessible Communities Program to help communities in northeastern Illinois improve accessibility for their residents and visitors with disabilities. Essential information about improving accessibility can be found on this [CMAP webpage](#) and in the Accessible Communities newsletter. Recordings and slides for CMAP's ADA trainings, which cover ADA and Title II requirements, self-evaluations, the role of an ADA coordinator, transition plans, and PROWAG are [available](#). CMAP has also developed [templates and guidance](#) that public entities can use to help meet their legal obligations of providing an ADA notice, grievance procedure, and designating an ADA coordinator.

Staff contact: [Jaemi Jackson](#) (312-386-8706)

CMAP products and data

Transportation Resilience Improvement Plan (TRIP)

In partnership with regional stakeholders, CMAP created the [Transportation Resilience Improvement Plan](#) (TRIP) to identify vulnerabilities in the regional transportation system and highlight how to make the system more resilient to extreme weather and climate change.

TRIP provides a roadmap to inform transportation planning and decision making throughout the region. It meets the Federal Highway Administration's Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Program requirements for a resilience improvement plan — and will help position northeastern Illinois to compete for PROTECT funds as well as other resilience funds. Learn more about the key insights from the plan [here](#).

My Daily Travel Phase One data offers insight into how people travel across northeastern Illinois

Between September 2024 and June 2025, CMAP collected detailed travel behavior data from more than 3,500 households across the region. CMAP has published the [Phase One dataset](#) from its [My Daily Travel household survey](#), marking a major milestone in a multi-year effort to better understand how

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northeastern Illinois residents move through the region. The dataset provides critical insight into daily travel patterns, mode choice, telework, transit use, and barriers to travel — and will inform CMAP’s travel demand modeling, policy analysis, and long-range transportation planning efforts, including the development of the next Regional Transportation Plan.

New eTIP platform available to the public

CMAP has launched a new, modernized [eTIP website](#) that improves public access to information about transportation projects included in the [Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\)](#). The new eTIP platform features an interactive map and expanded search tools that allow users to explore more than 2,000 active projects. Members of the public, local partners, and stakeholders can filter information by geography, project type, funding source, and year.

2025 Community Data Snapshots

The 2025 CMAP [Community Data Snapshots](#) are available. The annual snapshots provide data-driven profiles for every county, municipality, and Chicago Community Area (CCA) in our region. The snapshots include updated demographic, socioeconomic, and employment data from the American Community Survey (ACS) datasets, updated land use summaries using data from the [Land Use Inventory](#), and updated estimated vehicle miles traveled per household.

Explore the CMAP data hub

CMAP’s [Data Hub](#) provides vetted and trustworthy information about northeastern Illinois so local governments, community organizations, academic researchers, and businesses can learn and make informed decisions about their communities. The Data Hub allows you to search or browse by categories and tags. You can find tables or shapefiles for transit routes and stops, land use inventory, greenhouse gas emissions, economically disconnected and disinvested areas, bikeway inventory system, and more!

From our partners

Illinois Adoption of Federal MUTCD

On March 2, 2026 the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) Bureau of Local Roads and Streets (BLRS) released [Circular Letter 2026-01](#) announcing the adoption of the 11th Edition of the Manual of Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), with its FHWA-approved IL Supplement to the MUTCD. This is effective immediately. All local and state standards shall be brought up to this substantial conformance of the MUTCD. Additional information can be found in the letter linked above.

2024 IDOT National Highway System (NHS) pavement and bridge data

IDOT collects condition data on Interstate pavements annually and on non-Interstate pavements on a two-year cycle. Bridges receive a routine visual inspection at least every 2-4 years, depending on the condition. The results of the most recent NHS pavement condition assessments and bridge inspections, along with performance measures and targets, may be accessed on [IDOT's "Performance" webpage](#).

2024 IDOT crash data

On August 11, 2025, IDOT released [Circular Letter 2025-11](#) announcing the availability of 2024 crash data. This data set provides important crash information required for the identification of areas of improvement, work on safety studies, and the analysis on the location and number of crashes. The data can be accessed through [IDOT’s Safety Portal](#).

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Funding opportunities

FFY26 Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Notice of Funding Opportunity

The United State Department of Transportation released the [FFY26 NOFO for the SS4A](#) program. The SS4A program supports the U.S. DOT's [National Roadway Safety Strategy](#) and our goal of zero roadway deaths using a [Safe System Approach](#). The SS4A program provides funding for two main types of grants: Planning and Demonstration Grants for Action Plans, including supplemental safety planning and/or safety demonstration activities, and Implementation Grants.

The deadline for applications is **May 26, 2026**, at 4:00 p.m. (CST). The [SS4A webpage](#) features information on how to apply, FAQs, webinars, and more.

Training opportunities

IDOT Special Program Assistance Conference – All About ITEP (Cycle 17)

The Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) Cycle 17 will open on **August 1, 2026**. IDOT is offering information sessions to learn more about changes being made for this cycle of funding. More information and links for registration will be available online in the coming weeks. Regional dates and locations include:

- **May 11-12:** Orland Park Civic Center, Orland Park
- **May 18-19:** IDOT District 1 Headquarters, Schaumburg
- **May 27-28:** McHenry County Government Center, Woodstock

IDOT BLRS 2025 T2 training

IDOT's Technology Transfer (T2) Center has the [Spring 2026 T2 training](#), along with all past offerings, available online. For more information on how to navigate this training, along with 35+ additional trainings offered by the T2 Center, please reference the [T2 website](#). New users will need to contact Barry.Kent@illinois.gov for credentials.

Engage with CMAP

The CMAP office is open daily and [staff](#) have established hybrid work schedules. All CMAP committee meetings are held in-person, and a quorum of committee members must be physically present. CMAP continues to provide options for non-member attendees to participate in meetings virtually. Meeting materials, webinar links, minutes, and recordings can be found on [CMAP's Legistar page](#). For general questions, complete our [contact form](#). Subscribe to updates from CMAP on transportation, the economy, climate and more [here](#).

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Federally-Funded Project Implementation and Active Program Management Reminders – May 2026

5/15/2026: Pre-final plans due for projects targeting the November 2026 state letting

6/8/2026: Final agreements and ROW documents due for projects targeting the July 2026 state letting

Final PS&E and draft agreements due for projects targeting the September 2026 state letting

This information is compiled from these official sources:

- IDOT Bureau of Local Roads and Streets Region One Letting Schedule (latest version available from IDOT District 1 BLRS staff)
- CMAP's TIP Due Dates and Master Transportation Schedule (latest version posted [here](#))
- [STP Active Program Management Policies](#)
- CMAP's call for projects [web page](#) (Refreshed prior to each call)
- CMAP's [CMAQ and TAP-L Program Management and Resources web page](#)

If there are any discrepancies in dates, the dates listed on the official sources above should be used. Consult with your planning liaison to resolve any questions or concerns.

Illinois Tollway Update

2026 Budget

The Illinois Tollway Board of Directors approved a balanced 2026 Budget with \$1.79 billion in revenue allocated to fund maintenance and operations, debt service transfers and capital investments for the 294-mile system.

The 2026 Budget provides more than \$1.31 billion for direct funding and debt service on capital investments, with \$374 million budgeted for systemwide roadway and bridge repairs, along with funding for key projects including:

- \$328.9 million to continue design and reconstruction work for the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) Project. 2026 Budget

- \$427.4 million to continue planning and construction for the new I-490 Tollway and new the Illinois Route 390 Interchange, as well as providing direct access in and out of O'Hare International Airport as part of the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project.

The 2026 Budget approved by the Tollway Board does not include funding for the next capital program or a passenger vehicle toll rate increase in 2026.

The 2026 Budget Book is posted on the Illinois Tollway website www.illinoistollway.com for public viewing.

I-PASS Sticker Tags

We'll let you know when the time is right to swap out your old I-PASS transponder for a new I-PASS Sticker Tag.

The Tollway will mail new I-PASS Sticker Tags directly to customers whose old transponders are reaching the end of their battery life.

After receiving the swap letter via U.S. Mail, all customers need to do is activate the new I-PASS Sticker Tag by going online or using the Official Illinois Tollway App and then attach the new sticker tag on the inside windshield of their vehicle.

The transition to I-PASS Sticker Tags is being done in coordination with other E-ZPass agencies and will ensure our customers have continuity in service wherever they travel in the 19 states that use E-ZPass. There is no deposit fee for I-PASS Sticker Tags. For customers with current transponders, the \$10 transponder deposit will be transferred into their pre-paid toll accounts once a new I-PASS Sticker Tag is registered to the account.

Once registered to the account, the I-PASS Sticker Tag will be immediately ready to use on the Illinois Tollway and within 24 hours on the Chicago Skyway and other E-ZPass roadways.

I-PASS On Demand

Our I-PASS On Demand team is continuing to provide more customer service at events held across the 12 counties served by the Illinois Tollway than ever. We go where our customers are to provide in-person assistance and help with I-PASS, Pay By Plate and toll invoice questions.

See the [I-PASS On Demand Event Calendar](#) to find an event near you!

Illinois Tollway customers can also stop by an I-PASS On Demand event to learn more about the Official Illinois Tollway App to help manage their accounts or pick up I-PASS Sticker Tags to add new vehicles or replace old transponders.

In addition, customers can find out if they qualify for [I-PASS Assist](#), the Illinois Tollway's program helping income-eligible individuals and families realize the benefits of I-PASS.

Are you interested in hosting an event that you'd like our I-PASS On Demand team to attend? Fill out an [I-PASS On Demand Request Form](#).

Our I-PASS On Demand team is ready to help you plan and promote an event to serve your residents.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Kelsey Passi at kpassi@getipass.com




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Attend Pace's Hire-on-the-Spot Events

At Pace's Hire-on-the-Spot Events, candidates will complete a pre-employment assessment for professional bus operator (driver) positions and interview with division staff. **Same-day job offers will be made for bus operator positions!**

Every Thursday at 9:00am or 1:00pm:

(Applicants should plan to attend a three-hour session)

For jobs in Des Plaines, Elgin, Evanston, Melrose Park, or Waukegan,
Attend the Hire-on-the-Spot at Pace Headquarters
550 W Algonquin Rd, Arlington Heights, IL 60005

For Jobs in Aurora, Bridgeview, Markham, or Plainfield,
Attend the Hire-on-the-Spot at Pace Central Training & Customer Relations Facility
2107B W 163rd Place, Markham, IL 60428

Every Weekday (except on Thursdays) between 1:00pm to 3:00pm

At these Pace Divisions, candidates can show up and be interviewed by division staff right on the spot!

Elgin – 975 S. State St, Elgin
Plainfield – 14539 S Depot Dr, Plainfield
North Aurora – 400 Overland Dr, Aurora
Waukegan – 1400 W. 10th St, Waukegan

Candidates must complete an application online before an event, bring a valid Illinois driver's license and a Court Purpose DMV or Secretary of State Motor Vehicle Report (MVR or "Driving Record Abstract").

Working for Pace has many advantages:

- Competitive starting pay
- Paid on-the-job and on-going training
- Promotion from within
- Working close to home
- Excellent health insurance benefits
- Outstanding retirement benefits
- Paid vacation and other paid time off
- Safe, clean work environment

What to expect at the event:

- Learn directly from Pace staff about rewarding career opportunities.
- Bring your Motor Vehicle Report (also called Driver's Abstract) from the IL Secy of State.
- If you're ready to apply and get interviewed, bus operator candidates can take a 90-minute Customer Service Assessment.
- Get hired right on the spot! Get paid during your training period. Start earning a pay check right away.



To obtain your Motor Vehicle Report



Scan this QR code or visit:
apps.ILSoS.gov/DrivingRecord/

Once obtained, the document can be emailed to: MVR@PaceBus.com

For more information on job postings



Scan this QR code or visit:
PaceBus.com/careers

See available jobs and apply online today!

Pace Locations

Pace Headquarters

550 W. Algonquin Rd. Arlington Heights, IL 60005

Pace Heritage Division

14539 S. Depot Dr. Plainfield, IL 60544

Pace North Shore Division

2330 Oakton St. Evanston, IL 60202

Pace River Division

975 S. State St. Elgin, IL 60123

Pace South Holland Division

405 W. Taft Dr. South Holland, IL 60473

Pace West Division

3500 W. Lake St. Melrose Park, IL 60160

Pace Fox Valley Division

400 Overland Dr. North Aurora, IL 60542

Pace North Division

1400 W. 10th St. Waukegan, IL 60085

Pace Northwest Division

900 E. Northwest Hwy. Des Plaines, IL 60016

Pace South Division

2101 W. 163rd Pl. Markham, IL 60428

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9889 S. Industrial Dr. Bridgeview, IL 60455

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547 W. Jackson Blvd. Chicago, IL 60661



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Rideshare Access Program (RAP) ATTACHMENT D

Pace's convenient transit option for ADA-certified riders

Pace's Rideshare Access Program (RAP) offers a subsidy on Uber or UZURV rides to eligible riders. With RAP, your fare is \$3.25.



Pace ADA-eligible riders now have access to subsidized rideshare services within the ADA service area. You can now choose this more convenient option to get around your community.

- ➔ RAP is a great option for last-minute trips because you can schedule a ride at a moment's notice, instead of booking rides a day in advance.
- ➔ RAP is an added option available to you. Pace will subsidize an ADA-eligible rider's rideshare trip cost up to \$30, after a \$3.25 fare, at a maximum of 30 trips (or 40, if you have been approved for the increase) per month.



How to enroll in RAP, Pace's rideshare subsidy

- ✔ First, make sure you have an active Uber or UZURV account. You can then enroll in RAP by completing the required form available on the Pace website at PaceBus.com/RAP. If you have questions on how to enroll, please contact us at RAP@PaceBus.com. Uber and UZURV will not be able to help you enroll in RAP.
- ✔ You can only get the Pace RAP subsidy for trips on a single service, either Uber or UZURV.
- ✔ Schedule trips directly with your chosen rideshare provider by using that company's mobile app.
- ✔ Once you are enrolled, you'll see RAP as an option within your app to take advantage of the Pace subsidy for eligible trips. Only trips within Pace's designated ADA Paratransit service area are eligible for the \$3.25 fare.
- ✔ Enrollees can apply for an increase to 40 rides per month at <https://fares.RTAChicago.org>.



Visit PaceBus.com/RAP to get started!

Rideshare Access Program (RAP) ATTACHMENT D

Opción de transporte económica para pasajeros de ADA Paratransito

¡El Programa de acceso a viajes compartidos (RAP) de Pace ofrece un subsidio para viajes en Uber o UZURV a los pasajeros elegibles. ¡Con RAP, tu tarifa es de solo \$3.25!

Los pasajeros elegibles para el servicio de ADA Paratransito ahora tienen acceso a servicios de viajes compartidos subsidiados dentro del área de servicio de la ADA. Ahora puede elegir esta opción más conveniente y menos costosa para viajar por su comunidad.



- ➔ RAP es una buena opción para viajes de último momento porque puedes programar un viaje a cualquier hora, en lugar de reservarlo con un día de anticipación.
- ➔ RAP es otra opción disponible para usted. Pace subsidiará el costo del viaje compartido de los pasajeros elegibles para la ADA hasta \$30, después de una tarifa de \$3.25, con un máximo de 30 viajes (o 40, si ha sido aprobado para el aumento de viajes por mes).



Cómo inscribirse en el programa RAP, subsidio para viajes compartidos de Pace

- ✔ Primero, asegúrese que tenga una cuenta activa de Uber o UZURV. Después puede inscribirse en RAP completando el formulario requerido disponible en el sitio web de Pace en **PaceBus.com/RAP**. Si tiene preguntas de como inscribirse, contactenos en **RAP@PaceBus.com**. Uber y UZURV no podrán ayudarle a inscribirse.
- ✔ Solo puede obtener el subsidio Pace RAP para viajar con un solo servicio, ya sea con Uber o UZURV, elija uno.
- ✔ Programe viajes directamente con el proveedor de viajes elegido Uber o UZURV mediante la aplicación móvil.
- ✔ Una vez que estés inscrito, verás RAP como una opción dentro de tu aplicación para aprovechar el subsidio de Pace para viajes elegibles. Solo los viajes dentro del área de servicio ADA Paratransito designada por Pace son elegibles para la tarifa de \$3.25.
- ✔ Los participantes pueden aplicar para un aumento de 40 viajes por mes en: <https://fares.RTACHicago.org>.



¡Visita PaceBus.com/RAP para inscribirte!

REGION WIDE

Transit Signal Priority

Ensuring service reliability through technology

Support from several lawmakers has empowered Pace to play a key role in the national movement to invest in Transit Signal Priority (TSP) technology. TSP improves traffic signal timing for buses by extending green lights or shortening reds, keeping buses on schedule, improving safety, and reducing travel times with minimal impact on overall traffic flow.

Pace is working closely with IDOT, CDOT, and local municipalities to bring TSP to more areas. So far, TSP has been added at **220** traffic lights along Milwaukee Avenue, Dempster Street, 95th Street, 147th Street, Grand Avenue, Roosevelt Road, and Cicero Avenue. Pace has completed signal timing optimization at **400** intersections, with **100** more currently under construction for TSP. Additionally, **420** Pace buses have TSP routers installed, and another 500 will be upgraded in 2027.

Testing shows that TSP works. At 20 intersections, bus travel times dropped by up to **15%** (between 25 seconds and 3.3 minutes), and daily delays fell by **27** minutes.

IMPACTS



Improved bus service reliability



Improved bus efficiency



Reduced travel times

PROJECT MILESTONES

- **2026 Q3**
Cermak Road TSP installation
- **2026 Q3**
159th Street TSP installation
- **2026 Q4**
Halsted Street and 95th Street expansion design
- **2027 Q2**
Queue jump design; equipping 150 buses with routers

Harlem Avenue, Washington Street, and Western Avenue design and implementation
- **2028 Q4**
North Avenue and Golf Road design and implementation

PROJECT FUNDING

TOTAL PROJECT COST**\$35 million**

This work is part of Pace's Capital Program, a set of projects designed to meet the mobility needs of the people of northeastern Illinois now and into the future.

Find more information at pacebus.com/projects-studies

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Local Government Update

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May Local Government Update

RTA Board to consider allocation of new funding to advance safety and security, service improvements

The RTA Board of Directors will meet on Thursday, May 21, to consider a budget amendment that will advance early priorities for the new Northern Illinois Transit Authority (NITA) outlined in the NITA Act. The proposal allocates \$132.2 million in new regional sales tax funds anticipated to arrive to the system later this year, while leaving the balance of new funds to the discretion of the new NITA Board of Directors – which must be seated by the end of September. Nearly half of anticipated new funding has already been allocated to close existing CTA, Metra, and Pace budget gaps and prevent service cuts; while this budget amendment funds near-term initiatives across key policy areas:

- \$59.5 million for **safety and security** initiatives;
- \$53.55 million for **service expansion and enhancements**;
- \$5.4 million for **rider communications**;
- \$10 million for centralized fare system and **affordable fare programs**; and
- \$3.75 million for **land use programs** – including the 2026 Access to Transit and Community Planning grant programs.

RTA staff presented a summary of the budget amendment at the RTA Board's [April meeting](#), hosted a [public meeting](#), and will continue to gather [public feedback through Friday, May 8](#). After feedback is incorporated, the finalized proposal will be considered by the RTA Board in May and by the CTA, Metra, and Pace Suburban Bus Boards in June.



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Transit agencies encourage Chicago region commuters to switch to trains and buses as gas prices spike

As gas prices continue to climb across the Chicago region, public transit remains one of the most affordable ways to travel. CTA, Metra, and Pace in partnership with the Regional Transportation Authority (RTA), are encouraging residents to take transit for more trips to save money amid spiking fuel prices.

According to AAA, as of April 20, 2026, drivers in the city of Chicago are now paying \$4.73 per gallon, while the Chicago metro average has climbed to \$4.45 per gallon, roughly \$1 more than the same time last year. These figures have continued to climb since; meanwhile, transit remains a stable and predictable cost across the region with no fare increases for riders in 2026. [Read more on the RTA website.](#)

Northwest Municipal Conference (NWMC) Transportation Committee
Cook County Department of Transportation & Highways (CCDOH)
2026 First Quarter Report

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2026 DoTH Construction Projects Map

The interactive map includes all construction projects underway or scheduled to begin this year. Projects that preserve, modernize and expand the County's transportation system are featured on the map. There are 53 projects on the mobile-friendly map. Thirteen new projects will break ground this year, while 40 projects are continuing work from previous years. Information shown for each construction project includes an expected start date, overview, benefits, scope and updates. DoTH will add projects as construction begins. The public is encouraged to visit the site regularly throughout construction season for updates. The map can be found at <https://maps.cookcountyil.gov/hwyproject/>



Invest in Cook 2026 Program

The 2026 application period for *Invest in Cook* has closed. The program will be announced in late July. More information can be found at <https://www.cookcountyil.gov/investincook>.



Cook County Safety Action Plan

All Cook County municipalities are eligible for the upcoming FY26 grant cycle under the Cook County Safety Action Plan. The SS4A grant applications are open until **May 26, 2026**. contact DoTH if you're anticipating a submission for a letter of support and a voluntary review to support alignment with the SAP.

There is an addendum to the Safety Action Plan that includes new and expanded content on rail-related crashes, community considerations, project visualizations, and systemic (i.e. risk-based) analyses. The addendum can be viewed at https://cmap.illinois.gov/wp-content/uploads/CookSAP_Addendum.pdf



Cook County Bike Plan Web App

The Cook County Bike Routes and Trail Map online web app, first launched in 2024, consolidates and displays existing, funded, and recommended bicycle routes, along with proposed study areas across the County. DoTH continuously updates the data as it becomes available. Municipalities are encouraged to reach out to DoTH to update any planned or newly completed bike facilities in their community. The app can be viewed here: <https://maps.cookcountyil.gov/bikeplan/>



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TO: NWMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee

FROM: NWMC Transportation Staff

DATE: May 14, 2026

RE: NWMC Transportation Committee Meeting Dates for 2026-2027

Below are the NWMC monthly Transportation Committee meeting dates for 2026-2027. All meetings will be held at the NWMC Offices at Oakton Community College, 1600 E. Golf Road, Suite 0700 in Des Plaines, with videoconference options so that meetings can take place in a hybrid format.

Thursday	September 24, 2026	8:30 a.m. – NWMC Offices/videoconference
Thursday	October 22, 2026	8:30 a.m. – NWMC Offices/videoconference
Thursday	November 19, 2026	8:30 a.m. – NWMC Offices/videoconference
Tuesday	December 8, 2026	10:30 a.m. – NWMC Offices (Joint Networking Social with NWMC Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee)
Thursday	January 28, 2027	8:30 a.m. – NWMC Offices/videoconference
Thursday	February 25, 2027	8:30 a.m. – NWMC Offices/videoconference
Thursday	March 25, 2027	8:30 a.m. – NWMC Offices/videoconference
Thursday	April 22, 2027	8:30 a.m. – NWMC Offices/videoconference
Thursday	May 27, 2027	8:30 a.m. – NWMC Offices/videoconference

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