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Gretchen H. Klock
Regional Planning Liaison

Kane Kendall Council of Mayors (KKCOM) Transportation Policy Committee

January 16th, 2025 1:00 pm
Hybrid – Kane County Government Center & online via Zoom
Meeting Minutes

Voting members in attendance

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| Mike Millette | Chairman, Public Works Director | KKCOM, Village of South Elgin |
| Tim Weidner | Engineering Coordinator | City of Aurora |
| Rahat Bari | City Engineer | City of Batavia |
| Scott Marquardt | Project Manager | Village of Campton Hills/HR Green |
| Phil Cotter (online) | Director of Public Works | Village of East Dundee |
| Mike Pubentz | Public Works Director | City of Elgin |
| Rich Babica (online) | Director of Public Works | City of Geneva |
| Chris Ott | Village Engineer | EEL/Village of Montgomery |
| Brandon Tonarelli | Village Engineer | Village of North Aurora |
| Curt Cassidy | Public Works Director | Village of Oswego |
| Martin Shanahan | City Administrator | City of Plano |
| Todd Latham | Mayor | City of Sandwich |
| Chris Gottlieb | PW Engineer Manager | City of St. Charles |
| Brian Schiber | Public Works Director | Village of Sugar Grove |
| Carl Schoedel | County Engineer | Kane County |
| Fran Klaas | County Engineer | Kendall County |

Others in attendance

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|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Jackie Forbes | Executive Director | KKCOM |
| Heidi Lichtenberger | Council Director | KKCOM |
| George Kandathil | Regional Planning Liaison | KKCOM |
| Gretchen Klock | Regional Planning Liaison | KKCOM |
| Alex Nugent | PE | City of Aurora |
| Jeffery Schielke | Mayor, Executive Chair | Batavia, KKCOM |
| Jason Fluhr | Vice President of Transportation | Baxter & Woodman |
| Jon Haadsma | Program Analyst | CMAP |
| Chris Ott | Engineer | EEL |
| Ken Anderson | Environmental Project Manager | ERA, Inc |
| Chris Lirot | Client Services-- Construction | HR Green |
| Amy McSwane | Corporate Treasurer | HLR |
| Troy Strange | Project Manager | HLR |
| Kelsey Passi (online) | Community Relations Corridor Manager | IL Tollway |
| Kurt Nika (online) | Assistant Director of Transportation | Kane County |
| Adam Kucharski | Project Manager | Kimley-Horn |
| Chris Rose | Community Relations Representative | Pace Bus |
| Zach Braun | Associate, Government Affairs | RTA |
| Matt Baldwin | Senior Project Manager | TranSystems |
| Andy Sikich (online) | Vice President of Civil Engineering | WBK |

I. Opening of Meeting and Roll Call

Chairman Mike Millette called the meeting to order at 1:01 pm. Gretchen Klock called the role.

II. Remote Attendance Requests

Mayor Todd Latham representing the City of Sandwich, Scott Marquardt representing the Village of Campton Hills, and Mike Pubentz representing the City of Elgin requested permission to participate remotely. This request was approved by the committee.

III. Approval of October 17th, 2024 Meeting Minutes

Mayor Latham of Sandwich made a motion to approve the meeting minutes, Brian Schiber of Sugar Grove seconded, and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

IV. General Business

A. Planning Liaison Update

George Kandathil of KKCOM delivered the update.

Upcoming Meetings:

KKCOM Full Council: TBD Spring 2025

KKCOM Transportation Policy: April 17th, 2025

KKCOM Bike/Ped: TBD Spring 2025

Funding Opportunities:

USDOT FY 2025 RAISE Grant Opportunity

The U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Rebuilding American Infrastructure with Sustainability and Equity (RAISE) program provides grants for surface transportation infrastructure projects with significant local or regional impact. Funding minimums for RAISE grant awards are \$5 million for projects in urban areas and \$1 million for those in rural areas. There is no minimum award amount for planning grants. The maximum award size for both capital and planning grants is \$25 million. More information about this opportunity can be found here: [RAISE Notice of Funding Opportunity](#). Complete instructions on how to register and apply can be found at Grants.gov: [RAISE Grant](#). Application for Round 2 are due **January 30th** and awards are expected to be announced by June 28, 2025.

FHWA PROTECT Grant Opportunity

Information for the 2024 – 26 cycle of the Promoting Resilient Operations for Transformative, Efficient, and Cost-Saving Transportation (PROTECT) Discretionary Grant Program, is now available online. This grant program was created by the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to help make surface transportation more resilient to natural hazards, including climate change, sea level rise, flooding, extreme weather events, and other natural disasters. This funding cycle offers a total of up to \$876 million in funding through two application periods, including up to \$576 million for FYs 2024 and 2025, and up to \$300 million for FY 2026. The FY 2024-2025 application period will remain open through **February 24th**. To assist potential applicants for this funding opportunity, CMAP has released new climate vulnerability assessment data that may support PROTECT applications See [Climate Vulnerability Assessment Data](#) or email Kate Evasic (kevasic@cmapp.illinois.gov) for more information.

IDOT Bureau of Safety Programs and Engineering (BSPE) Highway Safety Program Grant Opportunity

To meet its goal of zero fatalities on Illinois roadways, IDOT's BSPE has posted six Highway Safety Program Notice of Funding Opportunities (NOFO) for the grant year of October 1, 2025 - September 30, 2026. These NOFOs are for local agencies and organizations. Visit [IDOT BSPE Safety Grants](#) for links to the NOFOs and application information. All NOFO applications must be submitted through the State of Illinois' grant management system. Applications for FY26 are due by **March 3rd, 2025. at 4:00 p.m.**

Partner Updates:

Illinois Tollway Board Approves New 7-Year, \$2 Billion Capital Plan

Illinois Tollway's \$2 billion Bridging the Future capital plan establishes a path for infrastructure modernization and maintenance needs for 2025-2031 across the five roadways on the Tollway system. Funding for the Bridging the Future capital plan is not expected to require any adjustments in the Illinois Tollway's current tolling structure nor any additional debt financing beyond that already planned for the Move Illinois Program. More information is on the Illinois Tollway website: [Illinois Tollway Capital Plan](#).

2023 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 their condition. The results of the most recent NHS pavement condition assessments and bridge inspections, along with performance measures and targets, may be accessed here: [IDOT Pavement and Bridge Performance Data](#).

2023 IDOT Statewide Crash Data

IDOT released [Circular Letter 2024-15](#) announcing that 2023 statewide crash data is available. This information can be accessed by logging into "IDOT's Safety Portal" via this [link](#). If you are a first-time user, please select "Create a New Account" and enter the required information.

RTA Board Approves 2025 Regional Operating Budget

RTA Board of Directors voted to adopt the [2025 regional transit operating budget and 2025-2029 capital program](#), the last one supported by federal COVID relief dollars. The 2025 budget includes \$4.147 billion in operating expenses, and a 2025- 2029 Regional Capital Program of \$9.469 billion: [RTA Budget](#).

CTA Launches Long-Term Strategic Planning Process

The Chicago Transit Authority (CTA) announced the launch of a planning process to determine the strategic direction for the agency over the next several years. As part of the process, the public is invited to share their opinions as well as receive updates on other opportunities to engage through the webpage [Powering our Transit Future](#). Additional community forums and listening sessions will be scheduled through spring 2025. The CTA aims to release the Plan in the second half of 2025.

ReVision: Pace's Network Restructuring Project

Pace is seeking to update the region's bus network to reflect how travel patterns have changed, building on the principles of accessibility, equity, and productivity. As part of this effort, Pace is gathering public input through open houses and a short survey. This project is developing a proposal for a reimagined fixed route and on-demand network, which will lead to major service changes in 2026. A recently released [public survey](#) regarding Pace's transit concept maps can be filled out online. The Pace team will propose a Draft Plan for public comment in mid-2025 with a Final Plan developed for implementation in late-2025. More information including the Driving Innovation strategic plan, signing up for email updates, and a recording of the virtual open house are available online: [Pace ReVision Project](#).

Kane/Kendall Counties Updates:

Kane County Safety Action Plan Update

Work continues on the Kane County Safety Action Plan and the team is working on engaging the public through

pop-up events, open houses, and the interactive website. The online [survey](#) and [map](#) are available through February and we encourage partners to take the survey and drop pins on the map to identify areas of concern. If you would like to share the survey and map information on your social media accounts and websites, staff can send copy and graphics upon request. An open house is scheduled for Saturday, February 22nd and details will be available on CMAP’s Kane County Safety Plan [website](#) once the event is finalized.

B. CMAP Report

Jon Haadsma of CMAP delivered the CMAP report. Jon said that the 2024 CMAP Annual Report has been released and is available online. The 2024 Call for Projects for the STP-Shared Fund, CMAQ/CRP, and TAP-L programs closed back in December and CMAP staff are in the process of determining eligibility of applications. The staff recommended program will be shared in April, then there will be a public comment period before the program is voted on by the CMAP Board and MPO Policy Committee. Award letters for selected projects would be sent out at the end of June or early July. Jon added that the 2nd meeting of CMAP’s Regional ADA Coordinator’s group will meet on February 11th and he encouraged local ADA coordinators to attend in person.

C. Nominations for Transportation Policy Committee Chair

Jackie Forbes of KKCOM asked anyone with a nomination for Transportation Policy Committee Chairperson to reach out to planning staff.

V. Surface Transportation Program (STP)

A. Sub-regional Priority Points—CMAP STP-SF 2024 Applications

Gretchen Klock presented the methodology for awarding the council’s priority points for CMAP’s STP-Shared Fund Call for Projects. The council can award points to five priority projects and received five STP-Shared Fund applications. The projects receiving priority points are below.

| | <u>Points</u> | <u>Score</u> |
|-------------------------------------|---------------|--------------|
| • Farnsworth Ave – City of Aurora | 5 | 37 |
| • US 20 – City of Elgin | 4 | 31 |
| • Kimball St Bridge– City of Elgin | 3 | 30 |
| • Main St – City of Batavia | 2 | 26 |
| • Chicago St Bridge – City of Elgin | 1 | 13 |

Carl Schoedel of Kane County made a motion to approve the points, Chris Gottlieb seconded and the motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

B. City of Aurora Cost Increase Request (09-24-0046)

Before presenting the six cost increases, Heidi Lichtenberger of KKCOM gave a recap of the council’s cost increase process and the status of the regional redistribution fund. Heidi stated that KKCOM is on-track to fully obligate its STP-L mark at the March 2025 letting. Currently, CMAP has a large balance of regional distribution funds that councils can access upon fully obligating their mark. Heidi presented a chart that shows the projects that are using the STP-L council mark and the projects that are planning to use funding from the regional redistribution funds. The cost increases presented are planning to use this regional redistribution funding. Heidi recapped the cost increase schedule and the thresholds at which council approval is required for an increase.

Heidi answered questions regarding cost increases. Jon said that approximately \$176 million is in the regional distribution fund with \$160 programmed, but it may not all be used. Heidi clarified that the STP-L policies states a not to exceed amount, but that can be exceeded since

there are plenty of funds to accommodate that. Heidi confirmed that only FY25 letting dates can qualify so November 2025 is the last letting that can currently request a cost increase. Jon stated that CMAP is tracking the planned use of redistribution and it is fiscally constrained.

Heidi presented a cost increase request from the City of Aurora for the Stonebridge Boulevard Resurfacing project. This project is on target for the June 2025 letting and is requesting an increase of \$937,500 for a total award of \$1,687,500. The council will hear all 6 cost increases and then vote on all of the cost increases together as one item.

C. City of Aurora Cost Increase Request (09-24-0048)

Heidi presented a cost increase request from the City of Aurora for the Diehl & Molitor Road Resurfacing project. This project is on target for the June 2025 letting and is requesting an increase of \$1,500,000 for a total award of \$2,500,000.

D. Kane County Cost Increase Request (09-21-0019)

Heidi presented a cost increase from Kane County for the Randall at IL 72 project. This project also has STP-Shared Funding and is on target for the April 2025 letting. The County is requesting an increase of \$3,496,000 for a total award of \$4,896,600.

E. City of Plano Post-Obligation Cost Increase Request (09-22-0007)

Heidi Lichtenberger presented a cost increase request from the City of Plano for the Hale Street rehabilitation project. This is a post-obligation cost increase. The city is requesting an increase of \$175,300 for a total award of \$972,900.

F. City of Sandwich Post-Obligation Cost Increase Request (09-20-0055)

Heidi Lichtenberger presented a cost increase request from the City of Sandwich for the Latham Street reconstruction project. This is a post-obligation cost increase. The project has experienced unforeseen delays and additional costs due to utility work. The city is requesting an increase of \$452,725 for a total award of \$2,267,725.

G. City of Aurora Post-Obligation Cost Increase Request (09-20-0002)

Heidi Lichtenberger presented a cost increase request from the City of Aurora for the Indian Trail reconstruction project. This is a post-obligation cost increase. The city is requesting an increase of \$2,500,000 for a total award of \$3,851,103.

Mark Rennels of Plano made a motion to approve the cost increases (Items V. C-G) with Mike Pubentz of Elgin seconding. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

H. Current FFY25-29 STP-L Active and Contingency Programs

Chairman Mike Millette asked for a motion to approve the current FFY2025-2029 STP-L Active and Contingency programs. A motion was made by Scott Marquardt of Campton Hills and seconded by Brian Schiber of Sugar Grove. Heidi Lichtenberger asked municipalities to look over their projects and to contact herself and George Kandathil if there are any errors. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

I. IDOT STP Report

IDOT was not present to give the STP report.

VI. Other Business—Project Updates

Mike Millette gave project updates for South Elgin. Il 31 by the trolley Museum culvert is reopened. McLean Road will remain closed through July/August.

Chris Gottlieb gave a project update for St. Charles. The 7th Avenue culvert under Route 25 just north of Geneva will be closed in March through mid-April.

VII. Public Comments

Jackie Forbes of KKCOM recognized the retirements of Jen Hughes, Public Works Director of Oswego, and Carl Schoedel from Kane County. Jackie thanked both for their contributions to the council and presented a certificate for each of them. Jen was not able to attend, but Carl was present and gave some reflections on his career, highlighting the completion of Longmeadow Parkway and the Stearns Road Corridor as major achievements.

Jackie Forbes presented flyers for Pace's ReVision survey. She stressed the importance of the survey as it will inform big changes to Pace's routes. The survey will be open until January 24th.

Mayor Schielke thanked everyone for coming.

VIII. Next Meeting

April, 17th, 2025. || STP, CMAQ, & TAP Quarterly Status Updates due March 31st, 2025.

IX. Adjournment

Carl Schoedel of Kane County made a motion to adjourn, Fran Klaas of Kendall County seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 1:50 pm.