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Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors

April 30, 2013 9:30 a.m., Batavia City Hall, Council Chambers **Meeting Minutes**

Members in attendance:

Village President Village of Elburn Anderson, Dave Berman, Dale Village President Village of North Aurora Village of West Dundee Keller, Larry Village President County Engineer Kendall County Klaas, Fran

Michelini, Marilyn Mayor Village of Montgomery Ritter, Ed Village President Village of Carpentersville

Schielke, Jeffery Village President City of Batavia

Smith, Patsy Village President Village of Campton Hills **Director of Public Works** Speciale, Tony Village of Sugar Grove City of Aurora

Weisner, Tom Mayor

Others in attendance:

Anderson, Bunny Liaison for Engineering Projects Illinois State Toll Highway Authority

Basquin, Noel City Engineer City of Batavia Bibby, Jim Principal Rempe-Sharpe

Becker, Jennifer Planning Liaison Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors

Vice President Chalidhary, Akram **HR Green Consulting**

Chismark, Greg Vice President Wills Burke Kelsey Associates, LTD.

Cieslica, Steve **Project Manager Trotter and Associates** Dinges, Dan Department of Public Works City of Geneva Devick, Daryl Asst. Director of Public Works City of Aurora Fairwood, Brian TranSystems Senior Associate

Grzesiakowski, Tim **Project Manager Commute Options** Metropolitan Planning Council

Area Programmer IDOT Hooghkirk, Marnie Kellom, Brandy **Art Coordinator** Pace Lawry, Dave **Director of Marketing** Chastain

Deputy Village Administrator Village of East Dundee Maieritsch, Heather

Project Manager HR Green Marquardt, Scott Senior Planner Pace O'Donnell, Charlotte Consultant **RTA** Plummer, Andy

Rickert, Tom **Executive Director** Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors Community Relations Representative Robb, Marv Pace

Smith, Gordon **Director of Government Affairs CMAP** Field Engineer IDOT Solomon, Marilin

Government & Community Relations Metropolitan Planning Council Spencer, Deb **Engineering Manager** Village of Carpentersville Szydlowski, Ed

Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors Sullivan, Mike **Council Director** Vice President Engineering Enterprises, Inc. Talsma, Tom Assistant Village Manager Village of Carpentersville Wade, Joe

Waden, Dave Planner City of Elgin

VSR Young, Rick Senior Project Manager

Opening of Meeting

II. Approval of December 4, 2012 Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Chairman Jeffery Schielke to approve the December 4, 2012 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by President Berman and passed unanimously.

III. Action Items

A. Approval of FFY13-FFY17 STP Program

Transportation Policy Committee Chairman Speciale outlined the most recent STP program financial status.

President Ritter made a motion to approve the FFY13-FFY17 STP Program; the motion was seconded by President Berman and passed unanimously.

B. Approval to KKCOM Administrative Policies Update

Mike Sullivan, Council Director, outlined the proposed changes to the STP methodology as reviewed and approved by the Transportation Policy Committee. Due to the 2010 Census results, the Chicago Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) and the Kane/Kendall Council boundaries have been expanded to include the City of Plano and the City of Sandwich in DeKalb County. Mayor Schielke reported that he had met with the mayors of those communities and welcomed them to the Council.

Mr. Sullivan stated that it is staff's recommendation that a Traffic Safety and Operations Committee be formed as a standing committee under the Transportation Policy Committee. This committee would function as a means to gather local public works and engineering operations officials, emergency responders and law enforcement together to increase communications about traffic safety issues which may affect their operations. He anticipates the meetings will be held quarterly.

Upon a positive motion by Mayor Weisner, seconded by Mayor Michelini, the vote was unanimous.

C. Approval to Resolution for FY2014 Regional Planning Liaison Services

Mr. Sullivan outlined the request to enter into an agreement with Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) for Planning Liaison Services. The Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors receives federal transportation planning funds to perform various planning and programming activities for Kane County and Kendall County. The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning directs these funds to the Kane County Division of Transportation in order that Kane County may continue to provide transportation planning staff to the Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors for regional coordination and planning activities. It is anticipated that Kane County will receive \$159,879.70 in federal funding, with a local match of \$81,610.24, for a total contract amount of \$241,489.94. Primary staff for the Council of Mayors includes: Mike Sullivan – Council Director and Jennifer Becker – Regional Planning Liaison.

Upon a motion by President Anderson, seconded by President Smith, the vote in favor was unanimous.

D. Election of KKCOM Chairman and Vice Chairman

The KKCOM nominating committee, consisting of President Larry Keller, President Marilyn Michelini and Carl Schoedel met by teleconference on 04/25/2013 and 04/26/2013. The nominating committee has chosen to re-nominate Mayor Schielke as Chairman of the KKCOM Full Council because of his wealth of experience, effectiveness in representing the area on a variety of transportation issues and success in securing funding from various sources to the KKCOM area.

President Ritter has been nominated as Vice Chairman. He has shown a desire to actively participate in the regional planning and transportation funding process. The nominating committee also discussed the importance of maintaining a geographic balance within the leadership of the KCCOM.

Upon a motion by President Anderson and seconded by Mayor Michelini, the vote in favor was unanimous.

IV. General Business

A. Director's Report

KKCOM Bicycle & Pedestrian Committee Update

The KKCOM Bike/Ped Committee met on February 27th, in addition to the municipal and park district updates provided at the meeting, Steve Buchtel provided a presentation on the economic development impact of trails and on trail counts at select locations throughout Illinois, including the Fox River Trail. The report is available online: http://trailsforillinois.tumblr.com/maketrailscount. During the spring Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors staff will hold a series of meetings to discuss regional priorities for bicycle projects. The purpose of the meetings will be to gain consensus on municipal, park district, forest preserve

and county projects in order to potentially advance engineering and pursue grant opportunities in a more coordinated manor.

KKCOM Traffic Safety & Operations Committee Update

The KKCOM Traffic Safety & Operations Committee met on April 2nd. KDOT staff provided an update on the County's Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) projects underway for 2013 and 2014, including the use of flashing yellow turn signals on Randall Road, the implementation of rumble stripes on select county roads and installing driver speed feedback signage. Additional topics included Winter Maintenance of LED Traffic Signals and Kane County's Intelligent Transportation System (ITS). The next meeting is scheduled to be held on August 6, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.

KDOT Bicycle Rack Program

Kane County Division of Transportation has secured CMAQ funding to offer bicycle racks at reduced cost to Kane County local agencies. Any taxing body within Kane County may purchase racks through this discounted program. The local agency will be responsible for installation of the racks using current IDOT specifications. Pre-orders are now being taken for this program, and more information can be found here: Bike Rack Program information

B. Executive Council of Mayors Committee Report

Chairman Schielke provided the update. He reported that the 11 CMAP Councils spent 72% of their 2012 mark, and approved \$6 million in advanced funding. He also reported that \$230 million in Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) has been obligated in the Chicago MPO area. He welcomed the communities of Plano and Sandwich to the Council.

C. Transportation Policy Committee Report

Tony Speciale, Transportation Policy Committee Chair reported three (3) significant regional projects were let using STP funds since the last Full Council meeting, including Maple Avenue in Carpentersville, Douglas in Montgomery and Western in Geneva. Four (4) projects are scheduled to be let in during the remainder2013. Based on the remaining letting dates we are on schedule to spend down the majority of the \$9.1 million mark the Council received for FY2013.

The last meeting of the Transportation Policy Committee was canceled due to the recent flooding events. The next regularly scheduled meeting is on Thursday, July 18, 2013. In preparation for the meeting, sponsor STP updates will be due on July 3rd.

D. Surface Transportation Program Update

Marilin Solomon, Field Engineer with IDOT District 1 reported on the status of the STP program. She also asked for the Phase I status of all projects for reporting needed for the CMAQ current application cycle.

E. CMAP Staff Report

Gordon Smith, CMAP Legislative staff presented the CMAP update, including information on the GoTo2040 implementation report, the Local Technical Assistance (LTA) program status, and legislative activities. He also reminded all that the Federal TIGER grant process is open for applications.

F. Transportation Improvement Program Update

IDOT Program Report: Marnie Hooghkirk, IDOT Area Programmer, updated and distributed the State's construction program and highlighted the upcoming lettings for work on Rt. 56 and the intersection of Rts. 47 & 20.

Illinois State Toll Highway Authority Report: Bunny Anderson reported that the Tollway will begin extensive construction work on the I-90 corridor beginning in 2013, with the widening from the Elgin Toll Plaza widening for the Pace Bus Routes.

RTA Report: Andy Plummer provided the group with an update on Senate Bill 1685 stating that the RTA opposes the merger of RTA and CMAP. Mr. Rickert stated that until now the Council has been silent on the merger issue, but that it could be time to discuss and settle on a position.

Mayor Michelini said that would be appropriate for KKCOM to be in opposition to the merger of the two agencies and made a motion to that effect. It was seconded by Mayor Keller, and passed unanimously.

Also, RTA will be starting is proposing more information relating to the Ventra cards, when approved that will be distributing cards to individuals. He relayed information about a lawsuit filed by RTA charging that the communities of Channahon and Kankakee were acting as points of sale to essentially divert RTA sales tax collection. The RTA will continue to be vigilant about collecting sales tax money that is owed to them.

Metra Report: Metra goal for ridership is 95% currently at 95.8%. There has been a decline in ridership. Metra currently has an RFP developed and is working with a consultant for WiFi service. The Geneva Parking deck is to be rebuilt with an estimated start date of spring, 2014. Metra is developing concept plans for the proposed stations at Oswego and Montgomery. Finally, the coroners in the collar Counties are looking into refreshing their policy related to train deaths and accidents.

Pace Report: Brandy Kellom and Charlotte O'Donnell presented the Pace I-90 Expansion Project. The plans show the expanded services at Randall Road, Illinois Route 25 and Barrington Roads. Included in their presentation there were projections for the I90 Ridership in addition to estimated costs and funding. Of special interest was information related to the proposed Park N Ride at the I-90 at Randall Road interchange. This park and ride would be located in property on the north east corner of the interchange currently owned by Pace. This park and ride will service the Bus-on-Shoulder service along I-90 from Randall Road with stops at Rt. 25 and Barrington Road, ultimately leading to the Schaumburg transportation center and east to Chicago. This project includes \$38 million in CMAQ funding to reduce emissions and encourage public transit use.

Kane County Report: Tom Rickert presented Kane County's update:

Stearns Road Bridge Corridor The IL 25 add lanes reconstruction project from Dunham Rd to south of the Stearns Road intersection was on the April letting. McLean Fen Adaptive Management Plan project is targeting a June 2013 completion date.

Orchard Road - S/O Jericho Road to N/O US 30 - Project was completed since the last meeting.

Mooseheart Road at IL 31 – Project was recently let for construction and is anticipating a completion in the fall of 2013

South Street Trail Underpass at Randall/Keslinger Roads – Contractor continues to work on construction submittals for tunnel work. Project completion is anticipated for fall 2013.

Anderson Road Grade Separation – IL 38 to Keslinger Road – Land acquisition continues & engineering plans nearly complete. The goal is to have project under construction during 2013 and 2014.

Longmeadow Parkway Bridge Corridor - Coordination with IDOT continues regarding final elements of Phase I Engineering. Phase II Engineering to start during 2013.

Kendall County Report: Fran Klaas provided an update on projects in Kendall County. He reported an update on Eldamaine Road corridor improvements, including a Fox River bridge crossing.

Municipal Reports:

Mayor Michelini thanked Kane County for the work recently completed on Orchard Road and Montgomery Road.

President Anderson of Elburn reported that the Village of Elburn had completed all the necessary land entitlement processes for the Anderson Road corridor, and was able to let the County take the lead on this important road construction and elevated rail crossing project.

Other Business / Announcements

A. Presentation: MPC Commute Options

Tim Grzesiakowski made a presentation regarding Kane and Kendall Commute Patterns and challenges. Provided information regarding their employer study pilot program. Employers grant various incentives to their employees for switching transportation modes from single rider autos to public transit or bicycling. Approximately 80% concerned by commute time, 66% concerned about commute costs, 40% willing to consider alternatives if challenges are addressed. More information is found here: http://www.metroplanning.org/commuteoptions

B. 2013 Call for Projects

The Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors is announcing a call for Surface Transportation Program (STP) Projects. Eligible applicants are limited to villages, cities, and counties located within the Council area. Information and application form can be found here: STP program information

C. Recognition of Service

Mayor Schielke stated that it was the last meeting for President Larry Keller of West Dundee and Mayor Marilyn Michelini of the Village of Montgomery. He commended them on their service and dedication to their communities, to the Kane/Kendall COM and on CMAP boards. A plaque was given to each in recognition and appreciation of their service to KKCOM.

The next meeting of the Council will be on call in fall, 2013. There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 11:43 a.m.