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CHICAGO AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY
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MAYOR JEFFERY D. SCHIELKE, Council Chairman
THOMAS B. RICKERT, Council Director
HOLLY V. SMITH & ERIN E. ROYER, Regional Planning Liaisons

The Transportation Sub-Committee Of the Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors January 19, 2006 1:00 PM

Approved Meeting Minutes

Members in attendance:

Mike Pubentz, Chairman
Richard Babica
Joe Evers
Joe Wywrot
Greg Chismark
Tony Speciale
Scott Marquardt
Dan Dinges
Carl Schoedel
Jerry Weaver
Bob Greene

Dir. Of Public Works
Dir. Of Public Works
City Engineer
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Dir. Of Public Works
Village Engineer
Acting Dir. Of Public Works
County Engineer
Dir. Of Public Works
City Traffic Engineer

Montgomery
West Dundee
City of Elgin
Yorkville
St. Charles
Sugar Grove
Carpentersville
Geneva
Kane County DOT
Oswego
Aurora

Others in attendance:

Tom Rickert
Erin Royer
Holly Smith
Steve Coffinbargar
Manny Gomez
Ronald Naylor
Joy Schaad
Chad Riddle
Karen Young
Mary Ann Wilkison
Kelly Farley
Camie Ferrier
Joseph Heinz
Tom Talsma
Michael Glock
Glenn Schirmer
Salvatore Dieberwardo
Ed Kalina
Reed Scheppmann

Deputy Director
Planning Liaison
Planning Liaison
Chief of Planning and Programming
Assistant Director of Implementation
Project Engineer
Planning Liaison Coordinator
Fed. Aid Program Eng.
Engineer
Village Clerk
Engineer
Engineer
Consultant
Senior Project Manager
Superintendent of Public Works

Chief Structural Engineer
Project Engineer
Project Principal

Kane County DOT
KKCOM
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Kane County DOT
Kane County DOT
EEI
CATS
IDOT Local Roads
Batavia
Burlington
CMT
Smith Engineering
Gerald Heinz & Assoc.
EEI
North Aurora
Chastain & Assoc.
CIORBA Group Inc.
RJN Group
Stanley Consultants

1. Call to Order / Approval of Minutes

Mike Pubentz called the meeting to order at 1:06 pm. Greg Chismark moved and Tony Speciale seconded a motion to approve the minutes for the November 10, 2005 Transportation Sub-Committee meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

MAYOR JEFFERY SCHIELKE, Council Chairman, City of Batavia; PRESIDENT LARRY KELLER, Village of West Dundee, Council Vice-Chairman; PRESIDENT JOHN C. SCHMITT, Village of Algonquin; MAYOR TOM WEISNER, City of Aurora; PRESIDENT DOUG PORCH, Village of Big Rock; PRESIDENT MIKE BLOCK, Village of Burlington; PRESIDENT BILL SARTO, Village of Carpentersville; PRESIDENT JERALD BARTELS, Village of East Dundee; PRESIDENT JAMES WILLEY, Village of Elburn; MAYOR EDWARD SCHOCK, City of Elgin; MAYOR KEVIN BURNS, City of Geneva; PRESIDENT TOM WAJDA, Village of Gilberts; PRESIDENT JEFFREY R. MAGNUSSEN, Village of Hampshire; PRESIDENT BARRY KRECZMER, Village of Lily Lake; MAYOR JAMES MORRIS, Village of Lisbon; PRESIDENT ROSS DEURINGER, Village of Maple Park; MAYOR JANET BLUE, Village of Millington; PRESIDENT MARILYN MICHELINI, Village of Montgomery; PRESIDENT GARY L FRULAND, Village of Newark; PRESIDENT JOHN HANSEN, Village of North Aurora; PRESIDENT CRAIG WEBER, Village of Oswego; PRESIDENT VERNE WESTER, Village of Pingree Grove; MAYOR WILLIAM R. ROBERTS, City of Plano; MAYOR TOM THOMAS, City of Sandwich; PRESIDENT STEPHEN PICKETT, Village of Sleepy Hollow; PRESIDENT JIM HANSEN, Village of South Elgin; PRESIDENT SEAN MICHELS, Village of Sugar Grove; MAYOR DONALD P. DeWITTE, City of St. Charles; PRESIDENT MARK MARION, Village of Virgil; PRESIDENT EILEEN PHIPPS, Village of Wayne; MAYOR ARTHUR PROCHASKA, City of Yorkville; CHAIRMAN KAREN McCONNAUGHAY, Kane County Board Chairman; JOHN CHURCH, Kendall County Board Chairman; CARL SCHOEDEL, County Engineer, Kane County Division of Transportation; FRANCIS KLAAS, Director, Kendall County Highway Department; THOMAS B. RICKERT, Council Director; ERIN ROYER and HOLLY SMITH, Regional Planning Liaisons

2. Director / Regional Planning Liaison Update

Erin Royer gave the planning liaison update:

Priority Places and the Urban Corridor

Please mark your calendar for the annual workshop on **February 22, 2006**, 8:00 a.m., at the Q Center in St. Charles. This year's focus will be on Transportation and Land Use. These workshops are an important tool in the implementation of the 2030 Land Resource Management Plan. Hope to see you there!

FY2007 CMAQ Program

The Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Program is a federally funded program of surface transportation improvements designed to improve air quality and mitigate congestion. The Illinois Department of Transportation administers the program. There is an 80/20 match. There are many different types of projects that are eligible for CMAQ funding, such as:

- Transit improvements
- Commuter Parking Lots
- Traffic Flow Improvements
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility Projects

The deadline to submit applications for CMAQ funding is **January 27, 2006**. For further information, visit <http://www.catsmpo.com/prog-cmaq.htm>.

Bicycle / Pedestrian Planning

Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee members have begun to make updates to the Kane County Bicycle Map. The updated map, which includes existing, proposed, and conceptual bicycle and pedestrian facilities, will be ready for print in early spring and distributed to municipalities, park districts, chambers of commerce, tourism agencies, and local bike shops. To request a copy of the map, contact Erin Royer at 630-444-3142 or royererin@co.kane.il.us.

IDNR Trail Grant Applications

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) administers five (5) grant programs that can provide funding assistance to acquire, develop and, in some cases, maintain trails for a variety of public recreation uses. These programs can also restore areas damaged by unauthorized trail use activity. The programs are: Bike Path Program, Local Government Snowmobile Program, Snowmobile Trail Establishment Fund Program (STEF), Off-Highway Vehicle Program (OHV), and the Federal Recreational Trails Program (RTP). Each program operates on an annual recurring grant cycle with funds awarded on the basis of a review and prioritization of written applications submitted to the IDNR. The applications for these grants are due on **March 1, 2006**. For more information and the application please visit the department's website at <http://dnr.state.il.us/ocd/newtrail2.htm>.

Safe Routes to School

The next task force meeting is scheduled for **February 10, 2006** at 9:00 a.m. at the Thompson Center, in Chicago. For more information, visit www.biketraffic.org or call Melody Geraci at 312-427-3325, ext. 240. For more information, visit www.biketraffic.org.

Metra UP-West Line Extension Update

January 23, 2006, Metra is scheduled to begin providing passenger rail service from Elburn to Chicago on the Union Pacific West Line. The completed UP-West Line Extension will ultimately balance commuter service and freight traffic and resolve existing scheduling and reliability issues. Improvements in operation could mean the addition of more trains to the corridor, including express service, similar to that of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Line. For information, please visit www.metrarail.com.

Kane County Paratransit Coordinating Council

The next meeting is scheduled for **February 9, 2006** at 10:00 a.m. at the Kane County Judicial Center, Multi-Purpose Room - Ground Level, 37W777 Route 38, St. Charles, Illinois.

New Office Location for CATS & NIPC

As of January 9, 2006 CATS and NIPC are now both located in the same office. The new office is located on the 8th floor of the Sears Tower. Their new contact information is: 233 South Wacker Drive, Suite 800, Chicago, IL 60606, phone number (joint with NIPC) 312-454-0400, and fax number 312-386-8840.

3. Discussion of the IDOT Spend-Down Policy

Chad Riddle stated that he met with the Planning Liaisons last week and has updated his status sheets. In light of the spend down there will be some monies left for the April Letting. He stressed that submittal dates need to be met and that the 2007 letting schedule is out for your use when planning future lettings.

4. Council of Mayors Update

Joy Schaad stated that the tentative marks she has show that the appropriations need to increase. There is talk going on that it is possible that 25 million will be set aside just to cover local share of STP project. Joy reminded the members that a recommended letter to the state legislators is available. The Mayors established a sub-committee to head up the jurisdictional-transfer issue. There is a stream of revenue that goes along with the transfer. The sub-committee that the Mayors formed is releasing a list of unmarked state routes that IDOT should keep. Regarding UWP funding the PL program increased 5%. There is also second tier discussions going on for data collection and bike planning. The next executive committee meeting is scheduled for February 14, 2006 at 9:30 a.m. at the CATS new office located in the Sears Tower. Please RSVP to Joy if you would like to be placed on the security list.

5. IDOT's Job Number Request Form/Project Updates

Holly Smith stated that staff created a new Project Update form, which includes an updated milestone schedule as well as information for the IDOT Job Number Request Form. When a municipality receives a Job Number Request form for a STP funded project, staff is asking that the form be forwarded on to a planning liaison who will then fill out the form for them and return it to IDOT with the sponsor copied on the submittal. The project update form will be sent to project sponsors quarterly so that when the job number request form is received the PL will have the most up-to-date information to give to IDOT.

6. September 2005 STP Call For Projects Ranking

Staff put together a ranking system based on the newly adopted methodology. If changes need to be made on the new rankings please let staff know and it will be updated by the next meeting. There was discussion regarding the call for projects that happened in the past. Questions were raised such as if members wanted to put cap on the Annual Allotment. Greg Chismark remarked that the diversity of projects is greater than in the past, the challenge is how to put it all together. Carl Schoedel asked if sponsors could give guidance on priority projects within the community. Tom Rickert and Joe Evers emphasized the point that the high priority projects should be placed on how they affect the region as a whole. The chairman recommended that staff put together a draft program and mail it out to the members of the sub-committee 2 weeks before the meeting on March 16th so that members have time to review the draft program and offer any comments. The chair also recommended that staff keep in mind the cap of the annual allotment at around 3.5 million for the yearly mark when programming for future years. When staff mails out the draft program, a map of all projects submitted will also be available for members use.

7. Program and Project Review and Update by Project Sponsors

Staff put together a fiscally constrained program for the project list. Staff is looking at keeping a five - year program with an additional multi-year list. Since the program is fiscally constrained, some projects were moved around to different years. However, the year that the sponsor stated that the project would be ready is still on the program in parentheses. Even though they are programmed in a different year, staff and IDOT will work together to make sure that the target letting date is met. The fiscally constrained program was tabled until the next meeting for approval based on the call for projects extending the program to five years.

8. Other Business

- a. **Van Buren Street** – Members to consider and recommend to the Full Council for approval increases in STP funding for the Village of East Dundee's Van Buren Street

<i>Previous STP Funding</i>	E2: \$56,000/\$112,000	C/E3: \$1,535,800/\$2,194,000
<i>Requested Funding</i>	No E2 Funding	C/E3: \$1,824,375/\$2,432,500

- b. **Highland Avenue** — Members to consider and recommend to the Full Council for approval increases in STP funding for the City of Elgin's Highland Avenue as a result of increases in Construction costs and approval for changes in allocation of funds for this project.

<i>Previous STP Funding</i>	E2:\$75,000/\$150,000	ROW:\$120,000/\$240,000	C/E3: \$1,144,500/\$1,635,000
<i>Requested Funding</i>	No E2 or ROW Funding		C/E3: \$3,525,000/\$4,700,000

- c. **Main Street** – Members to consider and recommend to the Full Council for approval increases in STP funding for the Village of Montgomery's Main Street as a result of increases in Construction costs and approval for changes in allocation of funds for this project.

<i>Previous STP Funding</i>	C/E3: \$299,475/\$399,300
<i>Requested Funding</i>	C/E3: \$312,300/\$416,400

The chairman requested that the members approve the increases for these projects on contingency of funding for other projects. After further discussion regarding funding increase issues. Carl Schoedel moved for approval for all three-project increases with a stipulation that they will not exceed the maximum of the annual allotment. In the future if maximum allotment is reduced before other projects are moved back, we must remember this decision and match whatever the allotment cap is. Joe Evers seconded this motion and agreed that the funding request for Highland Avenue would be reduced to the annual allotment at 3.4 million rather than 4.2 million as he had requested above. The motion passed unanimously. Tom Rickert also mentioned that staff would be revisiting the multi-year program to make sure that all projects in that program are up-to-date.

d. **Municipal Van Pool Program** – Sue Rushing, a representative of PACE, wanted to bring the Municipal Van Pool Program to the members attention. For \$270 a month a community can lease a van from PACE, they have to set their own operating hours, fares, drivers, fuel costs and insurance, but it does allow public transportation into an area for a relatively small price. There are currently 80 vans in use. Sue has a list of community contacts that are available. She also brought the proto-type vehicle for the members to check out after the meeting.

e. **New Staff at KDOT** – Carl Schoedel introduced a Manny Gomez a new staff member at the Kane County Division of Transportation. Manny will be the Assistant Director of Implementation, some if his duties include assistance during Phase I, II and Construction and Land Acquisition.

f. **2006 Updated Meeting Schedule** - In light of recent changes to the Chicago Area Transportation Study's 2006 meeting schedule, it has become necessary for the Kane/Kendall Council of Mayors to adjust the 2006 meeting dates of the Transportation Subcommittee. Please make note that meetings will occur at 1:00 p.m. on the third Thursday of every other month at the Kane County Government Center, County Board Room, as follows: **March 16, May 18, July 20, September 21 and November 16.**

9. Adjournment

Carl Schoedel moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:33pm. Tony Speciale seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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Doug Paulus
Camie Ferrier
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4. Council of Mayors Update

Joy Schaad stated that the Executive Committee met on February 14, 2006. Ed Hasel gave an update on the Regional Planning Board at this meeting and they are in the process of selecting an Executive Director. The 2007 scope of services for Planning Liaisons has been approved. The next Executive Committee meeting will be the Annual Business Meeting and Luncheon on May 10th or 24th. The statewide appropriation is on the table to see if instead of borrowing within the MPO, we could borrow money between the entire state. There is an extra 25 million Local Only Contribution, but not all this money is available for STP, it is also set up to cover some of the High Priority Projects. CMAQ applications were received and there were approximately 156 applications at 243 million, the proposed marks is lower this year because of the obligation ceiling and federal recissions. Swift Rail is back, the FRA is starting analysis of quiet crossings. Summer data collection will be starting in May, municipalities will be getting a memo of what data is available, CATS will need data collection requests by early May. There is a CATS/NIPC open house on March 29, 2006 from 11:30 – 2:00 p.m., please come and see the new location.

1. Call to Order / Approval of Minutes

Mike Pubentz called the meeting to order at 1:20 pm. Greg Chismark moved and Carl Schoedel seconded a motion to approve the minutes for the January 19, 2006 Transportation Sub-Committee meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Director / Regional Planning Liaison Update

Holly Smith gave the planning liaison update:

FY2007 CMAQ Program

The Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ) Improvement Program is a federally funded program of surface transportation improvements designed to improve air quality and mitigate congestion. The Illinois Department of Transportation administers the program. The Kane County Division of Transportation (KDOT) submitted the following applications for consideration for the FY 2007 CMAQ Program:

1. Stearns Road: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility (\$7,356/\$5,885)
2. Anderson Road: Bicycle and Pedestrian Facility (\$1,375/\$1,100)
3. Randall Road from Main Street to Orchard Road: Signal Interconnect (\$471/\$376)
4. Plank Road and Burlington Road: Traffic Flow (\$1,860/\$1,488)
5. Plank Road and Illinois Rt 47: Traffic Flow (\$1,193/\$954)
6. Main Street and Illinois Rt 47: Traffic Flow (\$2,769/\$2,215)
7. Burlington Road and Illinois Rt 47: Traffic Flow (1,092/\$873)
8. McLean Boulevard and Illinois Rt 31: Traffic Flow (\$1,705/\$1,364)

Total cost: \$17,821,000

Total Federal participation requested: \$14,255,000

KDOT also participated as a co-sponsor for two Pace Suburban Bus applications:

1. Randall Road Infrastructure Transit Improvements (\$650/\$520)
2. Randall Road New Service North of Route 38 to County Line Road (\$1,245/\$996)

Also, per the suggestion of KDOT, the City of Elgin applied for Bicycle CMAQ monies for the Highland Avenue project. (\$111/\$88) For further information, visit <http://www.catsmpo.com/prog-cmaq.htm>.

Kane County Paratransit Coordinating Council (KCPCC)

Recent efforts of the KCPCC have focused on securing funding and strengthening and expanding partnerships. Pace Suburban Bus submitted a Community Transportation Association of America Community-Based Planning Grant Application for user-side taxi subsidy program coordination efforts for the KCPCC. The KCPCC is also working with Work, Welfare and Families to possibly secure State of Illinois funding for a dispatching center similar to the Ride DuPage Model through the Governor's office. If funding is achieved, the money would potentially be used to match New Freedom or JARC funding. The next meeting is scheduled for April 13, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. at the Kane County Judicial Center, Multi-Purpose Room - Ground Level, 37W777 Route 38, St. Charles, Illinois.

FY07 – FY12 Proposed State Highway Improvement Program

The Illinois Department of Transportation has announced its FY 2007-2012 Proposed Highway Improvement Program. The proposed six-year program will improve over 4,280 miles of highways and replace or rehabilitate 884 bridges. The new program totals \$10.425 billion and includes a FY 2007 annual program of \$1.975 billion. Funding for the six-year program is made up of:

- \$7.085 billion in federal funds,
- \$2.695 billion in state funds and
- \$645 million in local funds.
- Kane County Received \$246 million in state and local funds compared to \$122 million that we received last year.
- Kendall County received \$256 million in state and local funds, with a large amount of funding for the Prairie Parkway.

For further information, visit <http://www.dot.state.il.us/hip0712/hwyimprov.html>.

North Central Planning Area Study

The Kane County North Central Priority Places Planning Area Study will investigate land use and transportation in the North Central area that is bounded by IL 47 on the west, Randall Road on the east, the I-90 Northwest Tollway on the north, and Silver Glen Road on the south. The North Central area is also part of the county's critical growth area that is predicted to be the fastest growing area in the State of Illinois. This study will develop recommendations for roadway improvements and land use/zoning for transit supportive development. Emphasis will be placed on Priority Places in the North Central area. Priority Places are locations that represent centers of growth and surrounding areas where smart growth principles can be implemented resulting in mixes of uses, compact design, and pedestrian-friendly environment that results in a sense of place. The overall goal is to reduce vehicle trip generation by 20 percent as compared to the "business as usual" suburbanization trend. A kick-off meeting was held on February 21, 2005. The municipalities that are involved include Elgin, Pingree Grove, South Elgin and Gilberts.

Bicycle / Pedestrian Planning

Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee members have begun to make updates to the Kane County Bicycle Map. The updated map, which includes existing, proposed, and conceptual bicycle and pedestrian facilities, will be ready for print in early spring and distributed to municipalities, park districts, chambers of commerce, tourism agencies, and local bike shops. To request a copy of the map, contact Erin Willrett at 630-444-3142 or royererin@co.kane.il.us.

CATS/NIPC Open House

The Chicago Area Transportation Study (CATS) and the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission (NIPC) will host an open house at their new combined offices at Sears Tower, located at 233 South Wacker Drive, Suite 800, on March 29, 2006 from 11:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Metra Alternative Analysis Studies

The most recent transportation bill provided funding to Metra for four New Start Processes, two of which, the proposed Suburban Transit Access Route (STAR) Line and upgrades to the Union Pacific West Line, fall within the KKCOM area. Council staff is participating on the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) for both projects. The project timeline for both new start initiatives is list below. Visit <http://metraconnects.metrarail.com> more information on New Start Processes.

- (1) Project Initiation: develop purpose and need and identify initial alternatives [February]
- (2) Screen initial alternatives [January – May]
- (3) Refine and evaluate feasible alternatives [May – August]
- (4) Select locally preferred alternative [September – November]

Healthy Streets Conference

On **March 22, 2006** the discussion on speeding and aggressive driving in Chicagoland will finally go beyond speed traps and stop signs. The Chicagoland Bicycle Federation's third annual Healthy Streets Conference offers government officials, planners, engineers and health providers the tools to create safer spaces to drive, walk, bike and live. For further information, visit www.healthystreets.org.

3. Discussion of the IDOT Spend-Down Policy

No Report

5. 5-Year STP Recommendation to Full Council

Erin Willrett stated that the new 5-year program included some of the 2005 Call For Projects LAPP projects to incorporate the stipulation in the methodology to fund a LAPP project that is a minimum of 5% and a maximum of 20% of the council's annual STP program. The LAPP's were put into the 5-year program based on order of significance and fiscal year. Scott Marquardt moved to approve the 5-year program and Tony Speciale seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

6. September 2005 STP Call For Projects Ranking

Staff put together a summary of the projects by calculating all of the projects on the same scale to come up with a percentage total for each project. There have been some changes to this ranking as project sponsors sent in updates. Additional sponsors have been added to some projects:

Anderson Road: Elburn/Kane

Stearns Road: Kane/South Elgin

Longmeadow Parkway: Multiple Sponsors

Red Gate Bridge: St. Charles/Kane

Noel Basquin has concerns over if there was adequate funding for the top three projects (Anderson, Stearns and Longmeadow). Carl Schoedel stated that dollars have been identified and the 102 million shown represents less than full design shown in the EIS. It will be staged construction and as funding becomes available the design can be modified to fit the design in the original EIS. Greg Chismark asked if a project gets approved at the proposed maximum annual mark, if that mark goes up can the project cost increase to the final maximum annual mark. Scott Marquardt stated that the program needed to stay consistent; the committee should either stay at the proposed maximum annual mark, or consider increasing the project cost with the annual mark. The Geneva Parking Deck also presents a new programming challenge. The Chairman feels that the parking deck project is a little outside the box as to what the committee is used to programming and that typically the program is set up with transportation projects. Geneva stated that the funding they are asking for will be to add a 3rd level to the parking deck. It is being currently built as 2 levels; this additional funding will contribute more parking spots for the future. Mr. Schoedel stated that the committee has funded alternative transportation projects in the past (bike and ped projects), although it is a large amount of money, he feels it is a worthwhile project. The Chairman emphasized that what we adopt in this program will potentially set the program through the next 10 years. The Chairman asked staff if they could prepare 2 proposed multi-year lists, one reflecting the inclusion of the Geneva Parking Deck and one excluding funds for the Geneva Parking Deck. He would like staff to send it out 1 week prior to the next transportation sub-committee meeting. He asked members to look over these 2 proposed programs and be ready to take it to a vote at the next Transportation Sub-Committee Meeting on May 18, 2006.

7. Program and Project Review and Update by Project Sponsors

FFY06:

Main Street (Pubentz) – Awarded, Construction this Spring

Orchard Road (Schoedel) – Split into 2 projects, this is intersection only (Orchard at Jericho) May/June Letting

FFY07:

McLean Blvd (Schoedel) – ROW issues on obtaining many smaller lots, still on target

Oak Street (Glock) – 78% finished on Phase I

Dundee – No Report

Game Farm Road (Ferrier) – Phase I should be finished this Fall, starting Phase II at the end of the year

Maple Avenue (Marquardt) – Phase I should be finished this year, with design approval in 07 or 08

IL 31 – Submitting plats and legals next week, beginning ROW Acquisition

8. Other Business

- a. **City of Yorkville/Traffic Signal Improvements** — Joe Wywrot stated that this project has been in the multi-year program for numerous years because of lack of funding. Now the City is coordinating with IDOT's construction plans. The city will be incorporating the pre-emption to help fund the signals at intersections.
- b. **Quarterly STP Project Update**– Project sponsors are asked to complete a Project Update Form and return it to staff by April 3, 2006.

9. Adjournment

Tony Speciale moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:17pm. Carl Schoedel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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Montgomery
KKCOM
St. Charles
Sugar Grove
Carpentersville
Kane County DOT
North Aurora
Elgin
Batavia
Oswego
South Elgin
Geneva
West Dundee

Others in attendance:

Erin Willrett
Holly Smith
Steve Coffinbargar
Manny Gomez
John Ambrose
Ross Patronsky
Chad Riddle
Karen Young
Mohammad Hassan
Scott Marquardt
Camie Ferrier
Laura Jibben
Jerry Heimsoth
Kelly Farley
Heather Tabbert
Dan Dinges
Rick Young

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Chief of Planning and Programming
Assistant Director of Implementation
Vice President
Chief of the CMAQ Program
Office Program Manager
Engineer
Consultant
Village Engineer
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Smith Engineering
Benesch
CIORBA Group Inc.
CMT
RTA
Geneva
American Consulting Engineer

1. Call to Order / Approval of Minutes

Chairman Mike Pubentz called the meeting to order at 1:06 pm. Carl Schoedel moved and Greg Chismark seconded a motion to approve the minutes for the March 16, 2006 Transportation Sub-Committee meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Director / Regional Planning Liaison Update

Erin Willrett gave the planning liaison update:

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Regional Planning Board

Randy Blakenhorn has been named as the new Executive Director of the Regional Planning Board. As the Executive Director he will lead its efforts in comprehensive planning for land use and transportation in northeastern Illinois. He will report to the board while overseeing daily operations of an 80-person planning staff. Blankenhorn has been working as Urban Program Planning bureau chief for the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), where he has been employed since 1984. For IDOT, he has been responsible for metropolitan planning and programming, which includes airport, public transit and railroad capital programs, regional air quality and environmental planning, deployment of Geographic Information Systems and other technology, and coordination of state and federal transportation plans and programs. For more information visit www.rpbchicago.org.

Public Meetings for the 2030 Regional Transportation Plan Update

The Chicago Area Transportation Study (CATS), the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission (NIPC) and the Regional Planning Board (RPB) are conducting interactive meetings where you will have the opportunity to comment on the update of the 2030 Regional Transportation Plan. Seven participatory meetings will be held throughout northeastern Illinois. The meetings are designed to gather your ideas, wherever you live, using the innovative tool TransopolySM. The meeting in Kane County is scheduled for May 31, 2006 at the Kane County Government Center, Building A, Auditorium. All meetings begin at 6:30 with a sign-in and socializing period. The facilitated sessions last from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. For further information, visit www.sp2030.com.

2006 Council of Mayors Annual Meeting

The 2006 Council of Mayors Annual Meeting on Wednesday May 24 will be held at the fascinating Joliet Arsenal redevelopment site in Elwood. There will be interesting luncheon speakers and a bus tour of the Center Point Intermodal Center, the Burlington Northern/Santa Fe Railroad Intermodal operation and other aspects of the Joliet Arsenal Redevelopment site including the National Veterans Cemetery all near Elwood, IL. The timing: is 9:30 registration, 10:00 business meeting, 11:15 social time, noon lunch/luncheon speakers, and 1:00 p.m. bus tour.

Council of Mayors Data Collection Program: Call for Data Requests

CATS Council of Mayors has summer interns available for various data collection this summer. Please see the attached memo for services provided. Requests were due on May 16th; if your community would like to take advantage of the data collection please let Holly Smith or Erin Willrett know as soon as possible to get the request in to CATS.

Kane County Paratransit Coordinating Council (KCPCC)

The next meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2006 at 10:00 a.m. at the Kane County Judicial Center, Multi-Purpose Room - Ground Level, 37W777 Route 38, St. Charles, Illinois.

Bicycle / Pedestrian Planning

Bicycle and Pedestrian Committee members have begun to make updates to the Kane County Bicycle Map. The updated map, which includes existing, proposed, and conceptual bicycle and pedestrian facilities, will be ready for print this spring and distributed to municipalities, park districts, chambers of commerce, tourism agencies, and local bike shops. To request a copy of the map, contact Erin Willrett at 630-444-3142 or royererin@co.kane.il.us.

Prairie Parkway

IDOT held two public meetings on April 4th and 5th regarding the current status of the Prairie Parkway Study. The main purpose of the meetings was to present and receive public input on the roadway alternatives that were announced last year. The initial alignments of the proposed alternatives result from environmental field investigations and engineering studies. Based on the current schedule, the preferred alignment will be finalized at the end of 2006. A draft of the final EIS is set to be released in the fall of 2006. Federal approval for the final alternative is on schedule for late 2007. For further information, visit www.prairie-parkway.com.

UP – West Line Alternatives Analysis

The attached memo announces the first round of public meetings for the alternative analysis for the UP-West Line. The meeting in Kane County is on Tuesday June 13, 2006 from 6 – 8 p.m. at Geneva City Hall.

3. Discussion of the IDOT Spend-Down Policy

Chad Riddle reported that the spend-down policy still aims to spend-down balances over the next four years. IDOT is waiting for the national budget, which will clarify the amount of the State of Illinois appropriation.

4. Council of Mayors Update

Ross Patronsky stated that the Council of Mayors Executive Committee will hold their Annual Business Meeting on May 24th at the Joliet Arsenal Redevelopment Site. Dick Smith of IDOT will speak about possible future rescissions. There will also be discussion and approval of the annual programming marks. NIPC's 2040 Regional Framework plan is now available in Spanish. Mr. Patronsky also briefly touched on the 2007 CMAQ Program. This year the amount of funding available is much smaller due to rescissions and the obligation ceiling. The program is estimated at 24.5 million dollars.

5. September 2005 STP Call For Projects Ranking

Per the request of the Transportation Committee at their March 2006 meeting, staff assembled scenarios to help facilitate programming decisions for use in this meeting. Holly Smith explained the four scenarios, which were based on a conservative \$4 million dollar mark for fiscal years FY11-15, as follows:

- Scenario 1: High level of funding for 5 projects: the top 4 ranking roadway projects and 1 transit project.
- Scenario 2: High level of funding for the top 6 ranking roadway projects, excluding transit project.
- Scenario 3: Lower level of funding for 8 projects: the top 7 ranking roadway projects and 1 transit project.
- Scenario 4: Lower level of funding for top 8 ranking roadway projects, excluding transit project.

Chairman Pubentz commented on the quality and importance of each project submitted. There was some discussion on the history of funding transit projects. Council Director Tom Rickert stated that transit projects have been funded in the past, such as the initial studies of the UP West line extension which received approximately \$100,000 of STP Council funding. Several members expressed support for either scenario 3 or 4, because they provided funding for a maximum number of projects. A member asked for clarification on the funding ratios in the scenarios, since the proposed programming amounts did not follow the Council's typical 75/25 split for construction phase funding. Ms. Smith stated that staff did consider the ratios outlined in the Council's methodology, but due to the size of the projects, the Council's program could not accommodate funding at that level. Staff did recommend that the Committee only allow projects programmed from the 2005 Call to increase by 20% during their life in the program. The Committee further explored the issue of providing funding for the Geneva 3rd Street Parking Deck. The Chairman shared some general questions and concerns received from members by staff, such as how feasible is the local match and how did the Committee feel about one agency receiving STP funding for multiple projects. It was suggested that the Committee revisit their methodology to improve the demonstration requirements for local funding. Mr. Rickert answered the second question by detailing the STP distribution and purpose of the Council of Mayors. The Council's methodology ensures that money is distributed to projects determined by the Council and Subcommittee as important for the region. Carl Schoedel moved and Tony Speciale seconded a motion to approve scenario 4. North Aurora opposed. The motion passed.

6. Program and Project Review and Update by Project Sponsors

Project sponsors provided updates for projects programmed in FFY06-07 as follows:

- FFY06: Main Street – Awarded, Construction in June; Orchard Road – Still acquiring land, to be completed soon, August Target Letting
- FFY07: McLean Blvd – ROW issues on obtaining many smaller lots, Construction 2008; Oak Street – No Report; Dundee – targeting pre-final plans next week, November Letting; Game Farm Road – Draft submittal next month to IDOT; Spring Street – Engineering agreement FY07 schedule; Douglas Road – Preliminary Plans to IDOT in July, FY07 schedule

Chad Riddle indicated \$0 in his project tracking sheets for the New York Street project; if the status of this project changes, we can revisit funding amounts if desired.

8. Other Business

- a. **RTAP Call For Projects** — Heather Tabbert announced a call for RTAP projects. This funding program's purpose is to provide technical assistance to projects that mutually benefit transit. Some examples include ITS, Corridor Plans, County Transit Plans, Stationary Plans, etc. The RTA will consider the project applications received first and then determine a budget. Historically \$1 million for 8 – 10 projects, the 20% match can be negotiated. The Pre-Applications are due July 21st.
- b. Mr. Rickert stated that the Regional Planning Board staff is trying to ensure that the Council of Mayors program is retained. The counties also want CATS to remain as the Northeastern Illinois Metropolitan Planning Organization.

9. Adjournment

Sue McLaughlin moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:10pm. Carl Schoedel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

KANE/KENDALL COUNCIL OF MAYORS

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Transportation Sub-Committee September 21, 2006 Meeting Minutes

Members in attendance:

Mike Pubentz, Chairman
Greg Chismark
Tony Speciale
Carl Schoedel
Sue McLaughlin
Noel Basquin
Daryl Devick
Joe Wywrot
Chuck Behm
Craig Weber
Julie O'Nan

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Chad Riddle
Steve Pertzborn
P.J. Fitzpatrick
Hannah Martin
Michael Plant
Reed Scheppmann
Mark Kazich
Joseph Heinz
Scott Marquardt
Jarrod Cebulski
Camie Ferrier
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RHA & A
Pingree Grove
Baxter and Woodman
Stanley Consultants
Gerald L. Heinz & Assoc.
Carpentersville
Patrick Engineering
Smith Engineering
Engineering Enterprises
Geneva

1. Call to Order / Approval of Minutes

Chairman Mike Pubentz called the meeting to order at 1:11 pm. Tony Speciale moved and Carl Schoedel seconded a motion to approve the minutes for the May 18, 2006 Transportation Sub-Committee meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Director / Regional Planning Liaison Update

Holly Smith gave the planning liaison update:

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Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP)

To integrate planning for transportation and land use, the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) has been created by merging the staffs of the Chicago Area Transportation Study (CATS) and the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission (NIPC). Staff are employees of CMAP and the body formerly known as the Regional Planning Board is now the CMAP Board. CMAP serves the counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, and Will. CATS Policy Committee will continue to serve as the region's federally designated Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), and consensus between the CMAP and Policy Committee must be reached for regional transportation planning and programming decisions and recommendations. In early September, CMAP submitted its strategic report on the agency's vision, governance, and funding to the Illinois General Assembly and Governor Blagojevich. Visit www.chicagoareaplanning.org for more information.

FY2007 CMAQ Program

On July 28th the Work Program Committee recommended approval of the proposed FY 2007 program, including multi-year elements for 2008 and 2009. The program was released for public comment and will be considered for final approval by the Policy Committee on October 12, 2006. Project sponsors will be notified of project eligibility and funding availability after that date. The proposed FY2007 program is available on-line at www.catsmpo.com/prog-cmaq-fy2007.

JARC and NFI - 2006 Call for Projects

The SAFETEA-LU re-authorizes federal surface transportation funding programs through 2009, including two funding programs: Job Access and Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom Initiative (NFI). The RTA has initiated a collaborative planning process for these programs with the Chicago Area Transportation Study (CATS), the RTA Service Boards (CTA, Metra, and Pace), and the region's stakeholders to identify projects. The RTA is currently accepting proposals for the 2006 program. For information on eligible projects and to download an application form, please visit www.rtachicago.com. Applications for the FY2006 program are due November 1, 2006. The RTA is also taking the lead on the development of a Regional Human Services Transportation Plan. The development of the Plan will proceed concurrently with the FY06 program development activities. The Plan will serve as a project selection guide for programming JARC/NFI dollars in forthcoming years, FY07 and beyond.

RTA Moving Beyond Congestion

Moving Beyond Congestion was launched with a collaboration of leaders from government, business, labor, education, tourism, cultural institutions and community organizations. Moving Beyond Congestion is a joint project of the RTA, CTA, Metra and Pace. The priorities for Moving Beyond Congestion are to solve the current transit funding challenge, ensure financial viability and accountability and to meet the region's growing and changing transportation needs. Please visit www.movingbeyondcongestion.org to learn more about Moving Beyond Congestion and to sign up as a Partner for Transit. You may also e-mail movingbeyondcongestion@rtachicago.org or call Dan Johnson- Weinberger at 312-913-3143 for more information.

RTAP Application

The Regional Transit Authority recently requested pre-applications for the 2007 Regional Technical Assistance Program. The goal of the program is for preliminary transit planning and technical assistance. One pre-application was submitted by staff - Randall Road Route 529 Plan to Improve Access to Bus Service. The study will prepare a plan to improve access and ridership through infrastructure and service enhancements.

Metra New Starts Alternative Analysis

Metra is proposing: 1) a first-of-its-kind, suburb-to-suburb commuter rail service between Joliet and O'Hare International Airport, the Suburban Transit Access Route (STAR) line and 2) significant upgrades on the UP-West Line to improve the line's capacity, speed, and reliability of service. Metra is utilizing an Alternatives Analysis process to determine the Locally Preferred Alternatives (LPA) that best meets the needs of the corridors. The final LPA recommendations will be identified and forwarded to the Federal Transit Administration for evaluation in late 2006. For further information and to submit public comment visit the Metra New Start website: metraconnects.metrarail.com.

PACE Transit Signal Priority (TSP) Initiative

PACE has received funding from SAFETEA-LU to develop a Regional TSP Deployment Plan and to design, demonstrate and evaluate TSP on the Halsted Street corridor in southern Cook County. PACE has selected the Randall Road/Orchard Road corridor throughout the County to be included in the development of the Regional TSP Deployment Plan. The Regional TSP Deployment Plan will collect data and prioritize routes based upon a cost benefit analysis. TSP technology gives buses an automated "conditional" priority at signalized intersections should it be needed in order to maintain their bus schedules.

2006 Bike Map Now Available

The Kane/Kendall Bicycle-Pedestrian Committee has developed the 2006 edition of the Kane and Northern Kendall Counties Bicycle Map. A digital version of the map is available at www.co.kane.il.us/dot/COM/Bicycle. Please contact Erin Willrett to request a copy of the map via email at willretterin@co.kane.il.us or by phone at 630-584-1170.

Planning Area Studies

Staff is currently involved in the North Central Planning Area Study to develop land use and transportation recommendations for the area bounded by I-90 to the north, Silver Glen Road to the south, IL Rte. 47 to the west, and Randall Road to the east. Staff has met individually with the Villages of South Elgin, Hampshire, Pingree Grove, Gilberts and the City of Elgin to complete the data collection required for the Place's model. A charrette is planned in the Fall to model land uses for the 4 Priority Places located in the planning area, which will be incorporated into the final plan.

Paratransit Initiatives

The Kane County Paratransit Coordinating Council (KCPCC) is holding special meetings to discuss potential Job Access Reverse Commute (JARC) and New Freedom Initiative (NFI) funding applications. The Council's two ideas for submission for funding include: 1) the extension of the Randall Road Route 529 service north to Algonquin and 2) a centralized dispatch center and taxi subsidy program. The Council is preparing a formal request to Pace to be the lead on both funding applications. The Council's next step includes surveying key stakeholders to determine current needs and resources. The KCPCC will hold an additional special meeting to discuss funding applications on September 7 from 8-10 a.m. at the River Valley Workforce Investment Board offices, located at 150 S. Lincolnway, Suite 200, North Aurora.

The Kendall County Paratransit Working Group is pursuing a partnership with an existing service provider to implement countywide paratransit services, which will improve the likelihood of securing 5311 funding. Ultimately, based on the priorities and goals set forth by the Working Group, it was determined that the resources and experience of the Voluntary Action Center (VAC) of DeKalb best met the needs of the County. Currently, staff is working with the VAC to prepare grant proposals (including 5311, JARC and NFI) and to further define the potential service and implementation strategy. Next steps include meeting with local government officials to discuss the possible service scenarios and funding participation. The next meeting of the Kendall County Paratransit Working Group is scheduled on October 6 at 1:30 p.m. at the Kendall County Historic Courthouse.

Upcoming Events

Long Range Planning for Commuter Rail

Workshop hosted by Kane County

September 27, 2006

Walter Payton's Roundhouse, Aurora, IL 60505

By invitation.

IDOT Fall Planning Conference

October 19 & 20, 2006

Four points by Sheraton Fairview Heights, Fairview Heights, IL

Registration materials available soon.

APA Upper-Midwest Four State Conference

October 4-6, 2006

Pheasant Run Resort, St. Charles, IL

Visit www.ilapa.org/2006conf to register.

Rail-Volution

November 5-8, 2006

Marriott Magnificent Mile Hotel, Chicago, IL

Visit www.railvolution.com to register.

3. IDOT Update

Erin Willrett reported that the IDOT STP update in late August went well. The IDOT sheets has been updated to match the KKCOM FFY06 – FFY11 Program.

4. Council of Mayors Update

No Report

7A. STP Project Funding Increases

A. City of Yorkville/Traffic Signal Improvements – Members to consider and recommend to the Full Council for approval increases in STP funding for the City of Yorkville, Traffic Signal Improvements scope of work update.

Previous STP Funding E2: \$15,000/\$30,000 C/E3: \$112,000/\$160,000

Requested Funding No E2 Funding C/E3: \$147,000/\$196,000

Joe Wywrot requested the above increase due to updated project costs.

B. City of Elgin – IL 31 at Wing Street and Dundee at Summit - Members to consider and recommend to the Full Council for approval increase and decrease in STP funding for the City of Elgin, scope of work updates.

IL 31 at Wing Street:

Previous STP Funding C/E3: \$2,200,000/\$1,540,000

Requested Funding ROW: \$750,000/\$375,000 C/E3: \$2,200,000/\$1,540,000

Dundee at Summit:

Previous STP Funding E2:\$50,000/\$25,000ROW:\$325,000/\$162,500C/E3: \$1,100,000/\$770,000

RequestedFunding No E2 Funding ROW:\$475,000/\$162,500 C/E3: \$1,475,000/\$297,500

Steve Pertzborn requested the above project increases. Erin Willrett had spoken to Joe Evers about IL 31 at Wing Street earlier in the week and found out that in 2004 ROW was removed from the program. Elgin is requesting that the earlier approved ROW be put back in the program at \$375,000. Michael Plant reported that Dundee at Summit is a cost decrease due to CMAQ funding being used.

C. Village of East Dundee – Van Buren Street– Members to consider and recommend to the Full Council for approval increases in STP funding for the Village of East Dundee, scope of work update.

Previous STP Funding C/E3: \$2,432,500/\$1,824,375

Requested Funding C/E3: \$2,490,000/\$1,867,500

F. Village of North Aurora – Oak Street – Members to consider and recommend to the Full Council for approval increases in STP funding for the Village of North Aurora, scope of work update.

Previous STP Funding E2: \$143,650/\$71,825 C/E3: \$1,830,000/\$1,281,000

Requested Funding E2: \$143,650/\$71,825 C/E3: \$2,038,000/\$1,426,600

Sue McLaughlin reported that the funding increase request is due to updated project costs.

G. Village of South Elgin – Spring Street - LAPP – Members to consider and recommend to the Full Council for approval increases in STP funding for the Village of South Elgin, scope of work update.

Previous STP Funding C/E3: \$415,000/\$312,000

Requested Funding C/E3: \$450,000/\$374,400

Chuck Behm reported that the funding increase request is due to updated project costs.

Chuck Behm moved to approve all cost increases and one decrease and Scott Marquardt seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

5. FFY07 – FFY11 STP Program

Erin Willrett presented the new FFY07 – FFY11 STP Program. This program was put together by staff using the August 22, 2006 marks approved for use by Jeffrey Schielke. The program contains all the new 2005 Call For Projects and LAPP's. The program is also fiscally constrained. Tony Speciale moved and Greg Chismark seconded a motion to approve the FFY07 – FFY11 STP Program. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Other Business

- a. The Chairman asked staff to have agenda packets sent out to members 2 weeks prior to the meeting. He reminded members and project sponsors to have everything into staff in ample time to get packets together.
- b. Next Meeting – November 16, 2006, 1:00 p.m., Kane County Board Room

9. Adjournment

Greg Chismark moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:40 pm. Carl Schoedel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.