

South Suburban Mayors and Managers Association

Transportation Committee

March 1, 2022

2:00 PM

Zoom

Those in attendance:

Committee Members

Michael Einhorn,	Mayor, Village of Crete
Richard Reinbold	President, Village of Richton Park
Patty Eidam	Mayor, Village of Lansing
Robert Kolosh	Mayor, Village of Thornton
Michelle Nelson	Mayor, Village of Flossmoor
Mar Jo Seehausen	Administrator, Village of Steger
Robert Polk	Mayor, Village of Burnham
Joseph Roudez	Mayor, Village of University Park

Staff

Leslie Phemister

Others in attendance: Ed Pasel, Earl Dunn, Kama Dobbs, Christine Code, John Schafer, Andrew Smith, Patrick Day, Teri Raney, Jerry Townsend, John Hilsen, Mike Sneed, Johnathan Shaw, Mark Thompson, Justin Pattison, Mike Wegrzyn, Matt Buerger, Scott Drabicki, Mary Weber, B. Holding, Jessica Rybarczyk, Dan Milovanovic, Meghan Milewski, Tim Williams, Tammy Wierciak, Benet Haller

- I. Call to Order.
Chairman Einhorn called the meeting to order at 2:03 PM.
- II. Approval of Minutes- On a motion by University Park, seconded by Thornton, the January 4th and February 1st meeting minutes.
- III. Agency Reports
 - a. IDOT Planning and Programming- Earl Dunn provided updates on the IDOT roadway changes.
 - b. IDOT Local Roads- IDOT Local Roads status sheet was provided.
 - c. Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways- Benet Haller invest in Cook is open with \$8.5 Million available. The Steger Road issues have been resolved. South Transit Metra Pilot Program is underway. The Bike and Transit Plans will be holding Public meetings in South Cook.
 - d. Will County Division of Highways- Report attached.
 - e. Illinois Tollway- No report

- f. CMAP- CMAP's offices are open daily. Staff will be in a hybrid schedule. Committee meetings are being held remotely but may be held in-person depending on Open Meetings Act. CMAP has many open staff positions on their website. The Legistar website for all meeting materials. Individuals can sign up to receive emails for one or all committees. Development began of a scope for the first Regional Transportation Vulnerability Assessment. This will help identify weather related risks for our transportation network. Kama provided information on the upcoming deadlines. Quarterly Updates are due at the end of March.
- g. RTA- No report
- h. Pace- Jessica Pace And RTA are studying the I-294/I-90 (Harvey to Schaumburg) corridor for stations, flex lanes, roadway improvements, and service concepts. The Public Survey is live to provide feedback on recommendations. Pace hosting a virtual job fair. Pace has started a training program with Olive Harvey College. A two week program will providing a course for CDLs. TSA mask mandate are still required till March 18th.
- i. Metra- No report.

IV. Surface Transportation Program

- a. STP-Local- The STP-Local Call for Projects closes on March 22, 2022.
- b. Calumet Park- On a motion by Burnham, seconded by University Park, the Marshfield Ave cost increase to \$349,000 in FFY 2022 was approved.
- c. Richton Park- On a motion by University Park, seconded by Burnham/Thornton, the Poplar Ave FAU Request was approved. On a motion by Thornton, seconded by University Park, the cost reduction to \$280,000 and a move to FFY 2023 was approved.
- d. Calumet City – On a motion by Thornton, seconded by Richton Park, the State Street project moved to FFY 2023.

V. Grants

- a. A list of upcoming grants. If any communities need assistance applying, contact Leslie Phemister.

VI. Next Meeting-April 5, 2022 at 2pm on Zoom.

VII. On a motion by Thornton, seconded by Richton Park, the February 1st meeting was adjourned at 2:55pm.