

TO: Northwest Council of Mayors Technical Committee  
FROM: Mike Walczak, Program Manager for Transportation  
RE: August 25, 2010 Meeting Minutes  
DATE: October 14, 2010

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The Northwest Council of Mayors Technical Committee met on Thursday, August 25, 2010 at Arlington Heights Village Hall. The following persons were in attendance:

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

President Arlene J. Mulder, Chair  
Sharon Caddigan  
President Karen Darch  
Ken Fritz  
Jim Norris  
Mayor Ken Nelson  
Ray Rummel

**REPRESENTING**

Village of Arlington Heights  
Village of Streamwood  
Village of Barrington  
Village of Schaumburg  
Village of Hoffman Estates  
City of Rolling Meadows  
Elk Grove Village

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Akram Chaudhry  
Joy Schaad  
Mary Donner  
Earl Dunn  
Mike Hankey  
Chuck Kmen  
Brian Lovering  
Rick Mack  
Amy McSwane  
Tim Merrihew  
Mike Pagonos  
Jon Duddles  
Brian Plum  
Kevin Stallworth  
Greg Summers  
Fred Vogt  
Mike Walczak

**REPRESENTING**

SEC Group  
CMAP  
Pace  
IDOT  
Hoffman Estates  
Lochner  
Elk Grove Village  
Metra  
HLR  
Village of Wheeling  
Village of Arlington Heights  
City of Des Plaines  
Traffic Control Corp.  
IDOT  
Barrington  
City of Rolling Meadows  
NWMC

**I. Call to Order**

The Chair, President Arlene Mulder of the Village of Arlington Heights, called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

**II Approval of Minutes – March 18, 2010 meeting**

*The minutes of the March 18<sup>th</sup> meeting were deferred.*

### III. Agency Reports

#### a. **CMAP Report**

Ms Schaad reported that the Go To 2040 comments had been received and highlighted the changes that resulted from those comments. The plan will be adopted on October 13, with a launch celebration being planned.

#### b. **CATS Council of Mayors Executive Committee**

Ms. Schaad reported that the Committee met on June 29. Advanced funding requests were approved, and she presented the regional STP and ARRA expenditure reports through June.

#### c. **IDOT Highways Report**

Mr. Dunn distributed the IDOT status sheets and noted that there will be a fall open house for the 2011-2016 program to be scheduled soon.

#### d. **IDOT Local Roads Update**

Mr. Stallworth distributed the latest Local Roads sheets and provided an update on the projects. He noted a variety of letting changes.

#### e. **Cook County Highway Department**

Mr. Walczak distributed CCHD's update sheets.

#### f. **Metra**

Mr. Mack reported that Metra's ridership is down 4.7% over the past year. He summarized the Up-N bridge project, which will replace 100 year old bridges in the Chicago portion of the line over a 8 year timeline.

#### g. **Pace**

Ms. Donner outlined Pace's new budget, with no routes cut or fares increased. Local routes, including the 209, 240, 241, and 616 are being reevaluated, with hearings to be scheduled soon. All savings from proposed service reductions will be shifted to other routes in the immediate area.

### IV. NW Council FY 10-14 Surface Transportation Program

#### a. **Current Program Update**

Mr. Walczak updated the committee on changes to the STP program.

#### b. **Changes to Current Programs**

##### *i. Rolling Meadows – Commuter Drive (Attachment C)*

Mr. Vogt from the City of Rolling Meadows requested a cost increase for the construction phase of its Commuter Drive project from \$526,000 to \$740,000 due to additional required work related to special waste removal and disposal, wetland protection, drainage and inflation. This project is currently programmed in FY 2011.

##### *ii. Arlington Heights – Arthur/Davis/US 14*

The Village of Arlington Heights is requesting moving the above project from FY 2010 to FY 2011 due to ongoing land acquisition problems.

*The requests were approved on a motion by Mr. Norris and seconded by Mr. Rummel.*

**c. Addition to Current Programs**

***i. Schaumburg – Springinsguth Road***

The Village of Schaumburg requesting the addition of its Springinsguth Road resurfacing project to the active program in FY 2010. The project is targeting a November letting.

***ii. Schaumburg – Golf Road and Plum Grove Road Lighting***

The Village of Schaumburg requested the addition of its Golf Road and Plum Grove Road Lighting projects to the active program in FY 2011. The projects are targeting a January letting.

*The requests were approved on a motion by Mr. Norris and seconded by Mr. Rummel.*

**d. New Project**

***Des Plaines – Lee Street at Perry Street Intersection Improvement***

The City of Des Plaines requested the addition of the above project to the Council's STP program in FY 2011. Staff explained that the IDS is approved, and they have local and DCEO funds already secured for the project. Mr. Walczak noted that the project has not been on the MYB list for the one-year waiting period, but there is room in FY 2011. It would be up to the committee to waive the one year wait.

*The request was approved on a motion by Mr. Norris and seconded by Ms. Caddigan.*

**V. Other Business**

Mayor Nelson raised the issue of the proposed but possibly withdrawn proposal by the state to raid MFT funding. The Committee members explained the ways that this would harm local communities. The committee members expressed fear that relying on capital funds, without a well defined revenue source, would be dangerous. Mr. Walczak said that NWMC was tracking the issue and would work with Policy Director Larry Bury to draft an opposition letter.

**VI. Next Meeting**

The next meeting was set for October 14 at 8:30 a.m. at Arlington Heights Village Hall

**VII. Adjourn**

*The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m. on a motion by Mayor Nelson, seconded by President Darch.*