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# KANE KENDALL COUNCIL OF MAYORS



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## Kane Kendall Council of Mayors

March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019 9:30 a.m.  
Batavia City Hall, Council Chambers  
Meeting Minutes

### Members in Attendance

Bob Hausler  
Dale Berman  
Phil Cotter  
Tony Speciale  
John Skillman  
Matt Brolley  
Jeffery Schielke  
Ken Jay  
Dan Di Santo  
Fran Klaas  
Chris Lirot  
Michael Millette  
Bart Olson

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Mayor  
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Village Administrator  
County Engineer  
Road and Bridge Coordinator  
Director of Public Works  
City Administrator

City of Plano  
Village of North Aurora  
Village of East Dundee  
Village of Sugar Grove  
Village of Carpentersville  
Village of Montgomery  
City of Batavia  
City of St Charles  
Village of Oswego  
Kendall County  
City of Aurora  
Village of South Elgin  
City of Yorkville

### Others in Attendance

Jackie Forbes  
Troy Simpson  
Ryan Peterson  
Tom Rickert  
Steve Coffinbargar  
Tim Weidner  
Andy Plummer  
Kama Dobbs  
Lisa Stark  
Demetri Skoufis  
Mallory Weber  
Marilyn Solomon  
Matt Hanson  
Brad Sanderson  
Colleen Jaltuch  
Ben Brockschmidt  
Rahat Bari  
Akram Chaudry  
Tim Sjogren  
Dave Lawry

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Executive Director  
Assistant Director of Transportation  
Engineer  
Regional/Municipal Consultant  
Senior Program Analyst  
Vice President of Public Affairs  
Legislative Affairs Administrator  
Consultant  
MFT Engineer  
County Board Member  
Municipal Project Manager/Engineer  
Project Manager  
Major Account Manager  
City Engineer  
Vice President  
Senior Engineer  
Director of Municipal Services

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**I. Opening of Meeting**

Chairman Jeffery Schielke called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. All Attendees introduced themselves.

**II. Approval of Nov 27, 2018 Minutes**

A motion was made by John Skillman to approve the Nov. 27, 2018 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Tony Speciale and passed unanimously.

**III. Action Items**

- a. A motion was made by Tony Speciale to approve the FFY19-FFY21 program. The motion was seconded by Dale Berman and passed unanimously.
  
- b. Demetri Skoufis gave a presentation on behalf of Metra on a proposed resolution of support for an Illinois state capital bill. The presentation mentioned the age of Metra's rolling stock and the age of system bridges, and that Metra was seeking support from regional partners in signing the resolution. Mayor Schielke signaled support for Metra's efforts, and insisted that the resolution should include language to be inclusive of other transportation providers in the region. Demetri mentioned that the resolution could be edited to accommodate those suggestions. Andy Plummer of the RTA additionally suggested the inclusion of other transportation agencies explicitly. The resolution was called to a vote for council support and received unanimous support, with the provision that the resolution include language inclusive of partner agencies.

Those in attendance that voted to support the resolution were:

Village of South Elgin  
Aurora  
Kendall County  
Oswego  
Yorkville  
St. Charles  
Kane County  
Carpentersville  
Montgomery  
Sugar Grove  
East Dundee  
North Aurora  
Plano

Those opposed:

(None)

Demetri mentioned that DuPage Mayors and Managers, West Central Council of Governments, and the Southwest Council of Mayors have all approved related resolutions or are in the process of doing so.

Mayor Schielke reaffirmed the importance of the transportation system to the region and mentioned the primacy of the state in having the capacity to handle capital issues on the matter.

- c. Steve Coffinbargar gave updates on the Longmeadow Parkway project. He mentioned that the project is 20-30 years in the making. Steve mentioned that sections B-2, C-1, and D were under construction as of last year, and that B-2 has a November 2019 completion date and D has a June 2019 completion date. He mentioned that section C-3 has a November 2019 completion date. It was mentioned that there are 4 parcels of right-of-way left on the C-2 and C-4 sections to clear for construction. C-2 and C-4 will be targeting a winter 2020 letting contingent upon the right-of-way acquisition. The construction of C-4, the toll collection facility, was reported to begin in 2021. It was reported that the corridor should reach completion in its entirety by 2021, with the facility opening to traffic in 2022 as planned.

Fran Klaas asked if the toll facility would be I-Pass compatible, to which Steve responded that it would be and would be an open-tolled facility.

Mayor Schilke recalled the Fox River Bridge Siting Committee and the hurdles faced by the project over many years. Mayor Schielke commended KDOT staff for commitment to the projects. Mayor Skillman and Fran Klaas commended staff in addition.

- d. Dan Di Santo of Oswego gave updates on the ongoing feasibility study of expansion of Metra service into Kendall County. Highlights in support of the expansion included that Kendall County is the fastest growing region in Illinois, that the county has beat MPO population projects in the past, and that a majority of Kendall County is at least 30 minutes from any major highway.

The current study was reported to differ from the 2001 study on the project in that it includes a population that is now double the previous measure, and assumes stations not only in Montgomery and Oswego, but in Yorkville, Plano, and Sandwich.

A recent history of the project was given, citing the inclusion of the service extension in the fiscally constrained, low priority list of the GOTO 2040 plan. It was mentioned that preliminary engineering and environmental assessment contracts were approved in 2012; however, were rescinded in 2015 by Metra, due to fiscal constraints. It was mentioned that in the Spring of 2016, Metra authorized a restart of the studies following letters of support from state, local, and federal officials, this time including Plano and Sandwich in addition to the formerly proposed Yorkville yard. Dan mentioned the commitments on behalf of the Village of Oswego regarding the project since, including land acquisition in 2016 and the approval of a 2017 strategic plan which supports Metra service to Kendall County as a priority project.

The current status and short-term projection of the project was reported:

- BNSF authorization has been received to proceed with the studies
- The 2012 studies have been cancelled, and Metra has rebid them.
- Metra is currently interviewing firms as part of the RFP process.
- The new preliminary engineering and environmental contracts are expected to be executed in early 2019, and the studies are expected to be complete in 2020.

Dan stated that one of the goals for the project moving forward will be to get the project on CMAP's fiscally constrained list once studies are complete and the costs are more secure.

Dan shared that the funding strategy for the project may include pursuit of the FTA "New Starts" grant program, with local funding options including potential state capital bill funding as well as bonding local sales taxes.

Dan mentioned that the City of Yorkville and the Village of Oswego have invested in a lobbying firm to help secure funding for the project in any proposed future capital bill.

It was mentioned that Kendall County is not currently a part of the RTA, and that there are multiple options to go about joining or participating, including full "annexation" by referendum in the county and "Extra-Territorial authority", whereby the RTA can sign an agreement with another local government to allow a service extension.

- e. Liisa Stark gave updates on the ongoing UP West Line Third Mainline Track project. A history of the project was given, beginning with the original agreement in 2008 between the Union Pacific Railroad and Metra. It was mentioned that phase 4 out of 4 total phases is complete. Benefits of the project were cited as increased freight/passenger fluidity, reduced gate down time, reduction in idling trains, incident recovery facilitation, and preservation of Metra's performance.

Infrastructural highlights of the project included Complete Pedestrian Gate Coverage, End of Platform Diversions, ATWS (Another Train Warning System), Inter-Track Fencing, and 2 new commuter grade separations.

Andy Plummer of the RTA commended the project as a high-performance investment, citing increased ridership on the UP-W line. Mayor Schielke expressed support as well.

Liisa Stark clarified that the project was due to increase the fluidity of vehicles along the corridor, and that the number of trains being run per day would not increase, but rather the length of trains could increase given the enhancements.

- f. Tom Rickert gave a presentation regarding a potential state capital bill, specific to projects that could occur within the Kane County area of IDOT D1. He mentioned that Kendall County has not been as closely studied, but will be in the near future. Tom iterated that he is not representing IDOT, and that the focus of the presentation will be with regards to transportation, despite the governor's interest in a capital bill that covers a larger scope. He mentioned that there will be hearings in regard to the state capital bill in the near future, the closest of which being on April 22, 2019 at 1p.m. in the Gail Borden Public Library in Elgin.

The list of potential projects was presented as follows:

US20 from Randall Road west to IL 47  
US20 at Randall Road Interchange  
US20 from Randall Road to east of Shales Pkwy  
US30 at Dauberman Road Interchange  
US30 from IL47 to IL31 – widening to 4-lanes  
IL31 at Fabyan Parkway – intersection improvements  
IL31 at Miller Road – intersection improvements  
IL31 from N. County Line to Huntley Rd – widening to 4-lanes  
IL38 from Peck Road to Randall Rd – widening to 4-lanes  
IL47 at Main Street S. of Elburn – intersection improvements  
IL47 at I-88 – interchange improvement  
IL47 between Yorkville and Sugar Grove – widening to 4-lanes  
IL47 at Empire Road an Plato Rd – (2) intersection improvements  
IL47 from Big Timber Road to US20 – widening to 4-lanes  
IL56 from IL25 easterly – widening to 4-lanes  
IL62 from IL25 easterly to IL68 – widening to 4-lanes  
IL64 from Burlington Road to Randall – widening to 4-lanes  
IL72 from Randall Road to Locust Road – widening to 4-lanes  
McLean Nolevard from Hopps to Stearns – widening to 4-lanes  
Longmeadow Parkway Bridge Corridor

Mike Millete mentioned cooperation with Senator DeWitte through the Metro West COG with regards to a potential capital bill.

#### **IV. General Business**

- a. Council Director's Report

##### STP Working Group

With the changes to STP funding and the new agreement between the City of Chicago and CMAP Council of Mayors, all Councils in the region must update their STP methodology to include several planning factors from CMAP's recently approved ON TO 2050 Plan. This will ensure that each Council's methodology aligns with the principles described in the ON TO 2050 Plan.

The group has met three times to discuss the drafting of the new version of STP methodology. Once finalized, Council staff will present updated methodology and bylaws to the Full Council for approval at the spring meeting.

##### Funding Opportunities

The Shared Fund/CMAQ/TAP call for projects opened on January 15, 2019. All projects must have Phase 1 Engineering completed by June 1, 2019 to be eligible for funds. Council projects will have a call in January 2020. Project Applications will be due by March 1, 2019 to PLs. For more information, visit the CMAP website.

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources is accepting grant applications for the Recreational Trails, Off-Highway Vehicles, and Illinois Bike Path Grant Programs between January 14, 2019 and March 14, 2019. Details on funding levels, stipulations, and application

documents for each program can be found on their website.

The Illinois APA has relaunched and is currently accepting applications for Pro Bono Planning Service. Eligible applicants include municipalities, neighborhood associations, non-profits, or community organizations that are seeking help with a planning project. Details can be found on their website.

#### KKCOM Staff Activities

- KKCOM staff will be attending the National Shared Mobility Summit in Chicago from March 5-7. Subjects will include the impact of shared mobility on the transportation landscape, Pilot-to-Program coordination, Public-Private Partnerships, newly emerging modes, electric and autonomous vehicles, and the impacts of shared mobility on urban form.

#### CMAP News

- CMAP has published recordings from webinars for the STP-Shared Fund, CMAQ, and TAP-L call for projects. Information can be found at the program site. Included in the link is the official schedule for the call for projects, as well as application resources.
- CMAP is still conducting the My Daily Travel Survey, with an incentive of \$50 per household to participate. The survey asks households in northeastern Illinois about the trips people make for work, school, shopping, errands, and socializing with family and friends. The information will help build a complete picture of local and regional transportation needs, so decision-makers can effectively recommend where to make improvements. The survey is open through May. Those interested can sign up at <https://mydailytravel.com/signup/cmap>.

#### Upcoming Meetings

April 18th – KKCOM Transportation Policy Committee Meeting

May 9th – KKCOM Bike & Pedestrian Committee Meeting

#### KKCOM Bike Report

In January, KKCOM published their first annual Bike Report. This report will provide current information on bike and pedestrian infrastructure projects within Kane and Kendall County, while highlighting several key data points that can assist municipal leaders in guiding their transportation planning for the future. This report will also provide recommendations to municipalities within Kane and Kendall County on how they can improve their pedestrian and bike infrastructure and/or programming based on best practices and relevant case studies. You can access the report through the KKCOM website.

#### KKCOM Seminar Series

KKCOM hosted their first seminar of 2019, which focused on bike sharing and Complete Streets policies, on January 25th at The Centre in Elgin. Staff from Kane Kendall Council of Mayors and McHenry County Council of Mayors gave presentations on the topics. They were followed by a panelist discussion by staff from the Active Transportation Alliance, Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, and Kankakee County Visitors Bureau.

The next seminar will be hosted on March 18th from 10:00 am until noon at the Kane County Government Center in Geneva. Ed Barsotti, the Chief Program Officer of Ride Illinois will be presenting on bikeway design in suburban and rural areas. The seminar is free but attendees must register online.

#### b. CMAP Council of Mayors Executive Committee Report

January 15, 2019

The Council of Mayors Executive Committee met on January 15, 2019. Staff reported that the call for projects for the STP-Shared Fund, CMAQ and TAP-L will be open through March 15th. The Committee discussed legislative activity including a capital bill, transportation revenues, and information distributed to the Governor and members of the General Assembly. Additional discussion on legislative engagement will take place at a special committee meeting on March 5, 2019. The Planning Liaison scope of services for the FY 2020 Unified Work Program was approved. CMAP and IDOT staff gave an overview of STP-L expenditures and actions, and CMAP staff gave an overview of the Village of South Holland's Comprehensive

Plan LTA project. The next meeting is scheduled for March 5, 2019.

Mayor Schielke announced that the next Council of Mayors Executive Committee Meeting would be taking place on March 5, 2019.

c. CMAP Report

Kama Dobbs gave the CMAP Updates

FLIP (Future Leaders in Planning)

Kama announced that the application period was open for the Future Leaders in Planning program for high school students. She said that participation from Kane and Kendall Counties has traditionally been low. She said that transportation costs for participants would be covered by CMAP.

Calls for Projects

Invest in Cook

The Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways has announced a third round of Invest in Cook, an \$8.5 million program to cover the cost of planning and feasibility studies, engineering, right-of-way acquisition, and construction associated with transportation improvements sponsored by local and regional governments and private partners. The 2019 application for Invest in Cook opened on Tuesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> and closes on March 15, 2019. More information can be found at: <https://www.cookcountyil.gov/investincook>

Recreational Trails Program (RTP), Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV), and Illinois Bicycle Path Grant Programs

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) is now accepting applications for RTP, OHV, and Illinois Bicycle Path Program through March 14, 2019. For more information, consult the IDNR website at <http://www.dnr.illinois.gov> the IDNR Grants main line at (217) 782-7481.

The Recreational Trails Program (RTP) is a reimbursement grant program that provides 80 percent of project funding with a required 20 percent local match. The funds can be used to assist governments agencies and trail groups in the rehabilitation, development, maintenance, and acquisition of recreational trails and related facilities.

The primary purpose of the Off-Highway Vehicle Recreational Trails Program (OHV) is to provide financial aid to government agencies, not-for-profit organizations, and other eligible groups or individuals to develop, operate, maintain, and acquire land for OHV parks, trails, and trail side facilities that are open and accessible to the public in Illinois, and to restore areas damaged by unauthorized OHV use.

The Illinois Bicycle Path Grant Program (Bike Path) provides financial assistance to eligible local units of government to assist them with the acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of public off-road, non-motorized bicycle paths and directly related support facilities.

ON TO 2050 Regional Water Demand Forecast

CMAP developed the ON TO 2050 Regional Water Demand Forecast to inform decisions about land use, transportation, and infrastructure that affect water supply and demand. The forecast is based on the ON TO 2050 Socioeconomic forecast and presents estimated water use in 5-year intervals to the year 2050 at the municipal, county, and regional scale, as well as by drinking water source and sector. The data provides individual forecasts for 245 municipalities in the region, downloadable from the CMAP Data Hub. As a long-range water demand forecast, it is intended for planning purposes and is not suited for assessing infrastructure capacity. CMAP is hoping to get this resource out to communities via a presentation that provides an overview of the regional results as well as how to use and access the municipal-scale forecasts. Please contact Nora Beck ([nbeck@cmapp.illinois.gov](mailto:nbeck@cmapp.illinois.gov) or 312-386-8677) to schedule a presentation.

Illinois Technology Transfer Center Training

Grant Accountability and Transportation Act (GATA)

June 13, 2019, Hoffman Estates AM/PM

PURPOSE: This seminar includes a presentation by the Illinois Department of Transportation discussing GATA and its impact on highway agencies. It will also provide a Q/A session at the end of the training session. TOPICS COVERED: GATA and other federal/state laws and standards. LENGTH: ½ day PDH's: 3.0

More information can be found in the T2 FY2019 Spring Training Program.

d. RTA Report

Andy Plummer gave updates on behalf of the RTA.

Andy commended the council resolution efforts that are taking place in the region; however, stressed the need over the coming months for municipalities and COGs to go beyond those efforts. He mentioned the economic importance associated with the transportation system, and that without a capital bill, the region will see a lower LOS on the whole of the transportation system.

Andy mentioned that the RTA recently passed their calendar year budget with the operating capital component. Operating capital was reported at around 3 billion, served by fares, the RTA tax, and a match of the RTA tax by the State of Illinois. Andy mentioned that the component from Illinois has been historically stable, but that getting the match in a timely manner from the state can still be an issue. Andy mentioned that the current capital budget is around 700 million, less than half of what is needed to provide a good state of repair moving forward. He mentioned that 77% of the capital bill could potentially be federal, although that would be at the high mark. Andy gave some history behind the prior state capital bill, Illinois Jobs Now, suggesting that it was a relatively small capital bill, and that the last major capital bill was roughly 30 years old. Andy suggested that any future capital bill should be sustainable and dedicated.

Andy mentioned the transportation impacts of the Polar Vortex weather pattern, and that winters may become more difficult to deal with from a transportation perspective. He mentioned the impact of perceived reliability that is associated with those events and the potential impacts to ridership that could ensue.

**V. Other Business**

Mayor Schielke mentioned that the next meeting date for the Full Council is TBD, and that the topic of strategic planning will continue. He mentioned the severity of the transportation funding issue in the State of Illinois and how critical the next few months will be.

**VI. Announcements**

Dale Berman announced that the nominating committee for the Council will be meeting on March 26<sup>th</sup>.

Jackie Forbes mentioned that status sheets were available from IDOT, although IDOT did not give a presentation at this meeting of the full council.

**VII. Next Meeting**

TBD

**VIII. Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Mayor Skillman, seconded by Dale Berman. The meeting adjourned at 11:13 a.m.