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## Kane Kendall Council of Mayors

### Transportation Policy Committee January 21, 2021 Meeting Minutes

#### Members in attendance

Tony Speciale, Chairman  
Tim Weidner  
Rahat Bari  
Scott Marquardt  
Phil Cotter  
Mike Pubentz  
Coleen Jaltuch  
John Laskowski  
Brandon Tonarelli  
Susan Quasney  
Jeff Cook  
Mike Millette  
Ken Jay  
Carl Schoedel  
Fran Klaas

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Kama Dobbs  
Marilyn Solomon  
Joe Evers  
Amy McSwane  
Jim Bibby  
Tony Standish  
Jason Fluhr  
Vince DiPrima  
Chris Lirot  
Max Heidgen

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Planning Liaison  
Asst. Dir. of Transportation  
Programming Senior  
Field Engineer  
Project Manager  
Treasurer  
President  
Director of Practice  
Vice President  
Construction Services Manager  
Construction Engineer  
Engineer

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Kane County  
CMAP  
IDOT D1 Local Roads  
Chastain Engineers  
HLR  
Rempe-Sharpe  
Strand, Inc.  
Baxter & Woodman  
WBK  
HR Green  
City of Elgin

## I. Opening of Meeting

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## II. Approval of October 15, 2020 Meeting Minutes

A motion was made to approve the October 15, 2020 meeting minutes. The motion was made by Mike Millette and was seconded by Carl Schoedel. The motion passed unanimously.

## III. Public Comment on Agenda Items

There were no public comments on agenda items.

## IV. General Business

### A. Planning Liaison Update

Noah Jones gave the Planning Liaison Update on behalf of the Council.

### Upcoming Meetings

The next KKCOM Bike Ped Committee will be taking place on **February 18, 2021** on Zoom.

The next KKCOM Transportation Policy Committee will be taking place on **April 15, 2021** on Zoom.

### Funding Opportunities/Announcements

#### CMAP FY22-26 Call for Transportation Projects

From January 8 to March 5, 2021, CMAP is accepting funding applications for surface transportation projects that improve transit, bicycle facilities, freight and traffic movement and safety, fix bridges, reconstruct roads, and invest in alternative fuel vehicles and equipment. Funding for these projects will be distributed through federal sources that CMAP programs: [Surface Transportation Program](#) (STP) Shared Fund, [Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality Improvement Program](#) (CMAQ), and locally programmed [Transportation Alternatives Program](#) (TAP-L). Project sponsors must submit applications to Planning Liaisons for review on **February 19, 2021**. See more on the call for projects [website](#).

#### Five Star and Urban Waters Restoration Program

The Five Star and Urban Waters Restoration Program, through the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, focuses on the stewardship and restoration of coastal, wetland and riparian ecosystems across the country. Those interested can view the [Request for Proposals](#) for more information. Proposals are due by **January 28, 2021**.

#### FEMA Flood Mitigation Assistance Program (FMA)

The Flood Mitigation Assistance Program is a competitive grant program that provides funding to states, local communities, federally recognized tribes and territories. Funds can be used for projects that reduce or eliminate risk of repetitive flood damage to buildings insured by the National Flood Insurance Program. Recipients are chosen based on the ranking as well as the eligibility and cost-effectiveness of the project. Recipients are required to develop and adopt a hazard mitigation plan as a condition for receiving the funds. Applications are due to FEMA on **January 29, 2021 at 3:00 pm**, with awards anticipated in Summer 2021. Read more on the FEMA [website](#).

#### Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities

The [Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities](#) grant replaces the former Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program, supporting states, local communities, tribes, and territories as they undertake hazard mitigation projects, reducing the risks they face from disasters and natural hazards. The Application period closes **Friday, January 29, 2021**.

### Highway safety grant opportunities

The Illinois Department of Transportation's Bureau of Safety Programs and Engineering posted notice of funding opportunities for five highway safety programs: Pedestrian and Bicycle Safety Program, Motorcycle Awareness Program, Non-Enforcement Program, Traffic Records Local Agency Program, and Sustained Traffic Enforcement Program. Applications close on **Wednesday, February 3, at 4:00 pm**. Find the applications and other materials on the [Illinois Traffic Safety Grants webpage](#).

### DCEO grants to Support Local Governments in Infrastructure and Economic Development Projects

The [DCEO](#) has several grants available, including [Rebuild Illinois Programs](#) as well as grants targeted towards businesses that have experienced interruptions or losses due to the COVID outbreak or recent civil unrest. Those opportunities can be viewed on the DCEO [website](#).

### IDOT FY2022 Surface Transportation Program Federal Funding Allotments

IDOT has released a Circular Letter ([CL 2021-03](#)) detailing the FY2022 Surface Transportation Program allotments for STR, STU and STP-Br. The STU amount for the Chicago region is \$153,112,168.77, from which the programming mark for the Council for FY22 will be derived. Updated numbers will be posted to the Council STP program as they are made available official via CMAP.

### IDOT Local Agency Bonds Third Issuance Estimates and Allocation Procedure

IDOT released a Circular Letter ([CL 2021-04](#)) detailing the bond disbursements to local agencies as well as outlining a process to identify projects through an information exchange. The Circular has not been posted to the IDOT website as of 1/13/2021; however, local agencies can find the bond estimates [here](#) and the non-committal project form [here](#). Submissions of projects are due **February 16, 2021**.

### KKCOM Staff Activities

Staff attended the 2020 IDOT Fall Planning Conference sessions throughout **October** on the Effects of COVID-19 on Transportation Planning, Active Transportation Funding, Mapping and Access, Electrification and Planning and Environmental Linkages.

Staff attended sessions for the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Summit on Regional Competitiveness from **November 16 – November 20**, hosted by the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago and the Alliance for Regional Development. Of note were transportation-heavy sessions on systematic Impacts of Mobility Innovations, Reshaping Mobility, and Transforming the Great Lakes Port.

Staff have attended sessions and committees of the Transportation Research Board Conference throughout **January**. Attended sessions have included the Pedestrians subcommittee and the Bicycle and pedestrian data subcommittee.

### Fox Valley Bike Share System

The Fox Valley Bike Share System launched on July 31. Four sponsors participated in this initial season: City of Aurora, City of Batavia, Elgin Downtown Neighborhood Association, and Village of Montgomery. The system has registered 272 rides (July 31 – November 16) and total system revenue of \$1,716. Of the total revenue, 29.4% is generated by users that have an annual membership as opposed to single riders. The top-half stations for ridership include Aurora City Hall, Festival Park in Elgin, Fountain Square in Elgin, and the Depot Museum in Batavia.

Council staff held a year-end discussion with the 2020 municipal sponsors, which generated a list of concerns for the initial launch. An overview of those concerns was provided at the December 10 KKCOM Bike Ped Committee, and the vendor is currently working on a response. KKCOM staff continue to update our contracts with potential partners that may be interested in joining the system in 2021 for an anticipated launch date between **May 15 and June 1**.

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## **Other**

### **IDOT D1 Letting schedule updated**

IDOT D1 has updated their letting schedule to include dates out to CY2023. Find the updated letting schedule on the KKCOM STP Program [webpage](#).

### **Regional Transportation Authority COVID Dashboard**

The RTA continues to update their region-wide dashboard for ridership and fare box trends due to the ongoing pandemic. Other data include revenue impacts to the RTA Sales Tax. Current data show ridership resilience as strongest for bus services, both in the suburbs and the city, with Metra seeing the greatest overall declines in ridership. See the dashboard on the RTA [website](#).

### **MUTCD Proposed Updates**

A Notice of Proposed Amendments (NPA) was released on December 14, 2020 detailing wide-ranging change proposals to the MUTCD. These would constitute the 11<sup>th</sup> edition of the MUTCD. See the changes and comment until March 15 at the [Federal Register](#). Changes of note include:

- Incorporation of provisional traffic control devices currently under Interim Approval, including pedestrian-actuated Rectangular Rapid-Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) at uncontrolled marked crosswalks, green-colored pavement for bicycle lanes, red-colored pavement for transit lanes, and a new traffic signal warrant based on crash experience.
- Improvements to accessibility and safety for pedestrians, including the location of pushbuttons at signalized crosswalks, crosswalk marking patterns, and accommodations in work zones.
- Expanded traffic control devices to improve safety and operation for bicyclists, including intersection bicycle boxes, two-stage turn boxes, bicycle traffic signal faces, and a new U.S. bicycle route design.
- Considerations for agencies to prepare for the deployment of automated driving systems.
- Revised procedures for the posting of speed limits, new criteria for horizontal alignment change warnings, new application of traffic control devices for part-time shoulder travel, and new application of traffic control devices at busway crossings.

### **USDOT [DRAFT] Strategic Plan on Accessible Transportation**

The U.S. Department of Transportation published a draft of its first Strategic Plan on Accessible Transportation, which aims to help make America's transportation system more accessible for all travelers. The plan is anticipated to guide the USDOT's efforts in Fiscal Years 2021-2025. View the draft plan [here](#).

## **B. CMAP Updates**

Kama Dobbs gave the CMAP Updates.

Most of the updates I had are covered in the attachment for the previous agenda item.

I do want to remind everyone that CMAP recently reached out to municipalities to complete a short survey about innovations within your community in response to the pandemic. So if you were the recipient of that outreach this is just a reminder to take the survey.

Also as reported at last week's CMAP Board meeting, CMAP is placing increasing attention on traffic safety as the number of fatalities and injuries continue to increase, and we've lacked progress towards meeting federally required safety performance targets.

As part of our commitment to safety, CMAP is kicking off a Safety Resource Group to inform a 'Regional Safety Action Agenda' to recommend safety improvements through the lenses of equity, engineering, education, enforcement and emergency services and public health. The Resource Group will include members from across these fields to prioritize actions, build consensus and develop safety tools, resources and policy for our regional partners.

We will keep you informed as this work progresses.

## **Program Status Updates**

### **Regional Transportation Call for Projects**

The call for projects to be funded with CMAQ, TAP and the STP Shared Fund is currently open through March 5. All application materials, webinar recordings, FAQs and resources are available on the CMAP website at [cmap.is/2021callforprojects](http://cmap.is/2021callforprojects) (this link is in the Council updates item of your agenda packet). Like the last cycle, applications must be completed online with the eTIP database. Local agency applicants should save their applications as final by February 19<sup>th</sup> in order to allow time for a preliminary review of completeness by your planning liaisons that will give you an opportunity to make any needed updates that they identify ahead of the final submittal date of March 5<sup>th</sup>.

Answers to frequently asked questions are available on the web site, along with recordings of two webinars held earlier this month. Your council staff are also great resources for application and project-specific questions, and I'm happy to answer any questions you have right now.

### **C. Capital Projects Delays Standing Inquiry**

Noah asked members if their respective municipalities had experienced any delays as a result of COVID impacts as a part of a standing agenda item. No delays were reported from the attendees at this time.

## **V. Surface Transportation Program (STP)**

### **A. FY2021-FY2025 KKCOM Program Evaluation Process**

Troy Simpson outlined a proposal for a program evaluation process following the FY21-25 KKCOM STP-L Call for Projects:

The completion of the FY21-25 KKCOM STP-L call for projects means it is time to evaluate the program outcomes and look into adjusting parameters for the upcoming call for federal fiscal years 2023-2027.

Similar to the process outlined by CMAP for the 2019 Call for Transportation projects, KKCOM staff will discuss some preliminary findings today and ask that committee members provide some direction for adjusting the program criteria. Council staff propose to come back at the April Transportation Policy Committee with text proposals for review and comment, and propose to target a final committee approval in July to provide ample time for project development.

### What we already know is changing

- Updating IDOT crash data to the most recent three years available
- Clarifying definition of ADT to AADT for traffic volumes
- Stratifying complete streets policy points
- Adding digital bicycle/pedestrian trails map to methodology document

#### Considerations for potential changes

- Council staff presentation on program variables
- Unlisted program categories desired?

Troy Simpson gave a presentation of the impacts and variability of the various program scoring criteria as a primer for the process.

#### **B. Sub-regional Priority Points – CMAP STP-Shared Fund 2021 Applications**

Noah Jones gave an overview of the current policy and process proposal for the allocation of KKCOM Sub-Regional Priority Points:

Council staff would like to notify members of the Transportation Policy Committee of the updated procedure for distributing priority points on behalf of the Kane Kendall Council of Mayors as a part of the FY22-26 STP-Shared Fund application scoring process. The guidance can be found in the STP Application Booklet, [page 42](#).

Each sub-regional council, including KKCOM, will be given authority to identify 5 projects in order of priority. The first will receive 5 points, the second 4, and so on. Councils are permitted in this round to select projects from outside of their borders for consideration in their rankings and in doing so may increase the maximum number of points a project receives (ex: Northwest Council ranks an Elgin road third and KKCOM ranks said project fourth, this project would receive 5 points as would a project ranked first by only one council). This procedure is subject to limitations; chiefly the need to demonstrate a clear transportation benefit to the council awarding the points.

Council staff will be aware of applications submitted via the eTIP as they are due for review to us by February 19. We will bring a list with estimated scoring before the committee at our April meeting for a determination, in accordance with the deadline to submit these points to CMAP by **April 30, 2021**.

#### **C. IDOT STP Report**

Marilin Solomon gave the IDOT District 1 report. Marilin noted that Anthony Quigley retired and that Jose Rios has been promoted from Regional Operations Engineer to his position as the IDOT District 1 Bureau Chief.

#### **D. Current FY21-25 STP Active and Contingency Programs**

KKCOM staff presented the new program format and updates to the FY21-25 STP Active and Contingency Programs. Carl Schoedel motioned to approve the program and the motion was seconded by Mike Millette. The motion passed unanimously.

### **VI. Other Business**

Troy Simpson gave an overview of the current KKCOM policy on cost increase requests and reminded members of the current un-programmed balance available. Council staff requested cost increases to be prepared for the April 15, 2021 KKCOM Transportation Policy Committee.

### **VII. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

## **VIII. Next Meeting**

January 21, 2020 – Quarterly STP Project Updates due Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> (At the latest)

A motion for adjournment was made by Tony Speciale and seconded by Mike Millette. The meeting was adjourned at 2:07 pm.

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April 15, 2021

### Meeting Minutes

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Asst. Dir. of Implementation  
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### Funding Opportunities/Announcements

#### Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Call for Candidate Projects

IDOT is requesting candidate projects for the Highway Safety Improvement Program that will be initiated in FY2023. IDOT provided a Notice of Funding Opportunity ([NOFO](#)) on March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021, along with a Circular Letter ([CL 2021-11](#)). Applications for this funding program will be received through **Friday, May 7, 2021 at 5:00p.m.**, and the announcement of the selected projects for funding will be made during the week of July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

#### Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program

The [Section 5310 Call for Projects](#) is open through noon on **Thursday, April 22, 2021**. The RTA invites local governments, private non-profit organizations, and transportation providers to apply for FY2020 and FY2021 Section 5310 funding. The total funding available is approximately \$9.7 million. Applications should be submitted via email to [Section5310@rtachicago.org](mailto:Section5310@rtachicago.org).

### KKCOM Staff Activities

Staff attended sessions and committees of the Transportation Research Board Conference throughout January. Attended sessions included the Pedestrians Subcommittee, Bicycle and Pedestrian Data Subcommittee, Roundabouts and Alternative Intersections, and Complete Streets and Travel Demand.

### Fox Valley Bike Share System

Council Staff are pleased to announce that the Fox Valley Bike Share System will be open for riders beginning **April 15, 2021** at the earliest (weather cooperating). Staff gave a presentation with the bike share vendor (Koloni) to stakeholders in Oswego, including representatives from the village, park district, library district, and local developer Shodeen. Oswego joining the system would create a continuous series of stations from the Aurora area into Northern Kendall County.

The contracts from the vendor continue to be individually negotiated with municipal and special district governmental units, though Council staff will continue to solicit feedback. We are excited to see more of the system come into play in 2021.

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## **Other**

### **2021 National Roadway Safety Awards Program**

The 2021 National Roadway Safety Awards Program is currently accepting applications. This is a biennial program to recognize innovative and cost-effective roadway safety projects and programs that move the U.S. towards zero deaths and serious injuries on the nation's roadways. Applications must be submitted via the Roadway Safety Foundation's [online portal](#) by **May 28, 2021**. More information can be found on the [FHWA](#) website or the [Roadway Safety](#) website.

### **How Federal Funding Reaches Communities in Northeastern Illinois**

CMAP has launched a [video](#) highlighting how federal funding for infrastructure projects reaches communities throughout northeastern Illinois. The video explains four key programs that fund important road, transit, and pedestrian projects for the region. You can also learn more about how public transportation dollars help improve regional mobility [here](#).

### **ICC Announces FY2022-2026 Crossing Safety Improvement Plan**

The Illinois Commerce Commission has approved its annual five-year Crossing Safety Improvement Program to begin implementing highway-rail safety capital projects for local roads across the state. For Fiscal Years 2022-2026, the ICC will spend \$341 million from the Grade Crossing Protection Fund (GCPF) to help local communities and railroads pay for safety improvements at nearly 500 crossing locations. The plan also allocates \$78 million from the Rebuild Illinois (RBI) capital program for the installation of grade crossing protection or grade separations not limited to local routes or other restrictions. Read more [here](#).

## **B. Section 1440 Procedure**

Jackie Forbes gave an overview of the Section 1440 Procedure:

IDOT recently released [Circular Letter 2021-10](#) At-Risk Project Pre-Agreement Authority for Preliminary Engineering (Section 1440 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act). The letter describes a process local agencies may use for Phase 1 Engineering and Phase 2 Engineering that will allow work to begin prior to a full IDOT review of agreements. As many of you know, that process could take many months. The county engineers championed this new procedure and worked closely with IDOT to make this happen.

Key Points:

- This is only for Phase 1 Engineering and Phase 2 Engineering agreements. ROW and Phase 3/Construction Engineering are not eligible
- The local agency should submit a letter to the local IDOT District requesting permission to use the Section 1440 procedure. The letter must include the STIP or TIP number. For District 1, this letter should be submitted with the PPI and the PPI should have a note in the comments section requesting approval to use the Section 1440 procedure

- The local agency must follow the QBS process outlined in Chapter 5 of the BLRS manual for consultant selection.
- Once IDOT provides the Section 1440 procedure Notice to Proceed, the local agency may locally execute the engineering agreement and work may commence.
- The Local Agency Agreement will still be submitted for review and the local agency must wait until it receives notification to locally execute the agreement.
- The Circular Letter has all the details including an FAQ section.

Council staff thanks IDOT for creating a procedure that will allow local agencies to begin the preliminary engineering process sooner and keep projects on schedule.

### **C. CMAP Updates**

Russell Pietrowiak gave the CMAP Updates.

## **V. Surface Transportation Program (STP)**

### **A. Council Bonus Points**

Noah Jones provided an overview of the staff proposed council bonus points allocations for the FY22-26 CMAP Call for Transportation Projects:

As part of the Shared Fund Call for Projects, each sub-regional council, including KKCOM, was given authority to identify 5 projects in order of priority. The first received 5 points, the second 4, and so on. Councils were permitted in this round to select projects from outside of their borders for consideration in their rankings. In doing so, it could increase the maximum number of points a project receives.

Project receiving Priority Points:

- Randall Road at Hopps Road (5 points)
- Kautz Road (5 points, 4 from KKCOM and 1 from DuPage)
- Reinking Road Roundabout (4 points, 4 from McHenry)
- Wolf's Crossing (3 points)
- Indian Trail (2 points)
- Dundee Avenue (1 point)

How all of the projects scored:

- Dauberman Road (60 points)
- Randall Road at Hopps Road (48.5 points)
- Kautz Road (48.5 points)
- Wolf's Crossing (35.5 points)
- Indian Trail (35 points)
- Dundee Avenue (32 points)
- Randall Road at Illinois 72 (28 points)
- Reinking Road Roundabout (28 points)
- Randall Road at Big Timber (24 points)
- Blackberry Creek (22 points)

A motion to approve the recommended points allocation was made by Rahat Bari, seconded by Scott Marquardt and passed unanimously.

### **B. Nominations for Transportation Policy Committee Chairman**

Jackie Forbes requested nominations for the Transportation Policy Committee chair and gave an overview of the process:

According to the Kane Kendall Council of Mayors' Bylaws, the "Council Chairman shall appoint a Chairman for the Transportation Policy Committee. The term of the committee Chairman shall coincide with the term of the Kane Kendall Council Chairman." The Council Chairman term is up in the odd-numbered years and therefore we will need to appoint a Chairman this year.

To assist the Council Chairman with the appointment, staff is asking for nominees interested in serving as the Transportation Policy Committee Chairman for the next two years. This term would begin with the July 2021 meeting. The Chairman runs the meeting with administrative assistance from Council Staff. Please contact staff (call or e-mail: [planningstaff@co.kane.il.us](mailto:planningstaff@co.kane.il.us)) with nominations by Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Nominees will be presented to the Council Chairman and the appointment will take place at the April 29<sup>th</sup> Full Council meeting. The Chairman will take the nominations into consideration, but reserves the right to choose the Chairman from any of the Transportation Policy Committee members.

### **C. IDOT STP Report**

Marilyn Solomon gave updates on local projects through IDOT District 1  
Katie Herdus gave updates on state projects through IDOT District 1

### **D. Current FY21-25 STP Active and Contingency Programs**

Troy Simpson presented the FY21-25 STP Active and Contingency Programs and two cost increase requests for the City of Aurora's Eola Rd Resurfacing (09-20-0074) and the Village of South Elgin's Spring St Resurfacing (09-20-0053).

A motion to approve the cost increase requests and both programs was made by Mike Pubentz, seconded by Carl Schoedel and passed unanimously.

### **E. Methodology Review and Changes**

Troy Simpson presented potential methodology changes to the committee, and opened the items up for discussion:

At the January 21, 2021 KKCOM Transportation Policy Committee meeting, Council staff kicked off the process for reviewing and revising the Council STP Methodology based on the results of the FY21-25 Call for Projects. Council staff would like feedback from the Transportation Policy Committee on the following:

- Regional Impact
  - Functional classification – significant variances between ADT and functional class
- Safety
  - Currently no direct link between proposed improvements and improvements to safety conditions. Potential to use Crash Modification Factors
- Traffic Volumes
  - Recommendation to standardize data source for traffic counts
- Complete Streets Policy
  - Two potential options: stratify points based on type of policy or eliminate category and re-allocate points
- Local Commitment
  - Add in points for ROW funding commitment
- Inclusive Growth
  - Reclassify from current two factor scoring?
- Road Condition (Asset Management)
  - PCI data consideration
- Regional Need (Asset Management)

- Functional class vs. ADT
- New Asset Management Category: Prior per Capita/Tax Base Funding?
  - Based on previous funding years

Discussions were held on each potential direction for change:

#### Regional Impact

- Carl Schoedel (KDOT) noted that the system is unlikely to change very rapidly, though he does not have any major issues considering functional classification.
- Troy Simpson (KKCOM) noted that there is a potential to re-allocate the points awarded for functional classification to the ADT category, because many applications had Daily travel rates that exceeded that category's cap of 20 points.
- Carl noted that placing greater emphasis on ADT vs. functional class would have a benefit from the County DOT perspective. He noted that Fran Klaas (Kendall County Highway Department) agreed with him. Fran noted that he always agrees with him.
- Mike Millette noted that in order to be classified, roads would have to have met criteria already. He noted that taking a look at the ADT could be more nuanced than functional classification. He also noted that the number of lanes could be taken into consideration.
- Troy Simpson noted that the existing methodology has a denominator under the ADT category that factors in two lane versus four lane alignments.
- Troy Simpson noted that there are other potential sources for congestion and road usage, including regional Travel Time Reliability data.

#### Safety

- Troy noted that the current safety scoring only takes into account the prevalence of crashes on a particular project area. The scoring does not take into account the mitigation measures being taken as a part of the proposed scope of work.
- Troy mentioned the Crash Modification Factors developed by the Virginia DOT, and mentioned that those data have already been used in our region through CMAP's programming.

#### Traffic Volumes

- Troy mentioned that there were some significant variations in the data sources used for the ADT scoring. He mentioned that the goal of the ADT scoring is to compare projects along a similar plane.
- Tim Weidner (City of Aurora) inquired about what would happen if there was an absence of data for ADT or if the year of collection was different from the majority of projects being evaluated.
- Troy Simpson noted that in such an instance, the ADT could be collected independently.
- Fran Klaas noted that the state rotates counties when collecting ADT for the Getting Around Illinois map.
- Russell Pietrowiak (CMAP) noted that the upcoming Census could have an impact on the Council of Mayors boundaries.

#### Complete Streets Policy

- Troy mentioned that during the previous methodology revision, the Council had discussed whether or not they would stratify points for different types/elements of complete streets policies. At that time, it was decided that any form of a complete streets policy would be accepted for the first round of applications, but that in the next methodology revision, staff would come up with a range of scores for the different types of policies submitted.
- Mike Pubentz (City of Elgin) asked if it may be preferable to reward projects in the program for complete streets elements included as opposed to on the municipal policy.
- Rahat Bari (City of Batavia) mentioned that complete streets policies can have a real impact on the project development process for municipalities and suggested keeping those points as a category.

#### Local Commitment

- Troy Simpson suggested based on the locally funded phases in the FY21-25 Call for Projects that the Council consider adding ROW to the list for cumulative local commitment points. He noted that nearly all of the project applications had committed to funding Phase 2 engineering.
- Rahat agreed that adding ROW local funding commitment for points consideration should be considered.
- Rahat also mentioned that the local commitment to fund ROW could be paired with an increase in the maximum federal match, similarly to how local commitment to fund Phase 2 Engineering

#### Inclusive Growth

- Troy noted that the initial numbers used for the inclusive growth variable were arbitrary because the scoring mechanism was new. He suggested that the Council consider changing the gradation to something more comprehensive now that the first call for projects has passed.
- Fran inquired why the data for the scoring category included both low-income and users of color classifications as opposed to low income. Troy mentioned that the data were provided by CMAP's travel modeling team, so Council staff were only able to take a snapshot of that for the subarea as opposed to developing our own.

#### Road Condition (Asset Management)

- Troy Simpson mentioned the significant variation in the pavement condition scores that KKCOM staff collected in the last call for projects. He mentioned that the Council could look at using the PCI (Pavement Condition Index) data available through CMAP.
- Jackie Forbes (KKCOM) mentioned that it would be worth taking a look into.

#### Regional Need (Asset Management)

- Troy inquired if there was value to having functional classification taken into account with the Asset Management section of the scoring, noting that there are fewer scoring categories overall and functional classification can be tied to the types of vehicles that travel along a roadway in terms of weight.
- Mike Millette mentioned that vehicle weight is the largest factor in the degradation of roadways and suggested that functional classification continue to be taken into account.

#### New Asset Management Category: Prior per Capita/Tax Base Funding

- Troy mentioned that with the completion of the first call for projects, the Council could consider a scoring category based on prior year funding for LAFO/Resurfacing type projects in relation to factors such as per capita tax base. This would support the Council's goal of ensuring that the money is spread around.
- Mike Pubentz (City of Elgin) mentioned that he'd like to see more detail on the idea.

Troy gave an overview of some potential methodologies for prioritizing bikeway facilities for the council. He mentioned that Council staff collaborated with the County Health Department in procuring sources of information that could be used to implement health equity in the scoring. He reminded those attending that significant increases in cycling and walking activity have occurred since March of 2020, with indication of continuation into 2021. Jackie mentioned that contextualizing the bikeway data can help project sponsors understand the trail system in the context of their communities. Troy mentioned that any scoring mechanism developed would ultimately be produced as an online map so project sponsors could estimate their score.

## **VI. Other Business**

There was no other business.

## **VII. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

### **VIII. Next Meeting**

July 15, 2021 – Quarterly STP Project Updates due June 30<sup>th</sup> (At the latest)

A motion for adjournment was made by Rahat Bari and seconded by Mike Millette. The meeting was adjourned at 2:56 pm.