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FULL COUNCIL

October 26, 2023 – 9:30am

Hybrid – Batavia City Council Chambers & online via Zoom

DRAFT Meeting Minutes

VOTING MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Jeffery Schielke	Mayor, Chairman	City of Batavia, KKCOM
Tim Weidner	Engineering Coordinator	City of Aurora
Mike Zakosek	Assistant County Engineer	Kane County
Barb Wojnicki	President	Village of Campton Hills
Fran Klaas	County Engineer	Kendall County
Mike Pubentz	Director of Public Works	City of Elgin
Jennifer Hughes	Public Works Director	Village of Oswego
Mike Rennels	Mayor	City of Plano
Todd Latham - online	Mayor	City of Sandwich
Chris Gottlieb	PW Director	City of St. Charles
Brian Schiber	Village Engineer	Village of Sugar Grove
Mike Millette	Public Works Director	Village of South Elgin
Phil Cotter - online	Public Works Director	Village of West Dundee

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Kurt Nika - online	Asst. Director of Transportation	KDOT
Tom Rickert	Deputy Director of Transportation	Kane County
Steve Coffinbargar	Assist. Director of Transportation	Kane County
Jackie Forbes	Executive Director	KKCOM
Heidi Lichtenberger	Council Director	KKCOM
Kama Dobbs	Senior Program Analyst	KKCOM
Marilyn Solomon - online	Field Engineer	IDOT
Chris Lirot	Construction Engineer	HR Green
Anthony Cefali	Principal, Government Affairs	RTA
David Lawry	Director Municipal Services	Chastain & Associates
Demetri Skoufis - online	Legislative Affairs Administrator	Metra
Gordon Smith	Gov't Affairs Director	Robinson Engineering
Amy McSwane	Engineering Manager	HLR
Ken Anderson	Project Manager	ERA
Rahat Bari	City Engineer	City of Batavia
Chris Rose	Community Relations	Pace
Scott Marquardt	Engineer	HR Green / Campton Hills

KKCOM Full Council Meeting Minutes October 26, 2023

I. Opening of Meeting, Roll Call

Chairman Jeffery Schielke called the meeting to order at 9:34 am and Jackie Forbes called the roll. Mayor Schielke had a few opening remarks pertaining to the history of the room, new cabinets, and updates to the building.

II. Approval of April 27, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Mike Pubentz made a motion to approve the meeting minutes, Tim Weidner seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

III. Public Comments

No public comments were received.

IV. Action Items

A. CMAP Redistribution Fund

Heidi Lichtenberger presented the FFY 2024 STP-L Programming and Redistribution Guidance:

- Programming strategy to utilize the region’s redistribution funds for cost increases or projects that are ready in 2024
- Currently available for FFY 2024 only; cannot program for out years
- Regional redistribution balance = \$184,761,134
- The availability of redistribution is never guaranteed and the total planned use of redistribution in the region, including the Shared Fund, can never exceed the actual redistribution balance for the region. The redistribution balance is included in all regional accounting reports and CMAP staff will alert the councils and CDOT if it appears at any time that there is going to be a lack of available funding for project phases that are planning to use redistribution.
- It does not matter when a council programmed the planned use of redistribution, redistribution will be used by all councils and the shared fund on a first ready, first funded basis and **no council nor the shared fund will be permitted to use redistribution until they have obligated 100% of their mark**. The only exception is if a project phase planning to use redistribution is scheduled for authorization at the same time (for example on the same letting) as the last phase in that program that is not using redistribution.

B. Cost Increase Request – Geneva/St. Charles, Kautz Road

Heidi Lichtenberger presented this cost increase to the Council. Mike Millette made a motion to approve, Brian Schiber seconded, and the cost increase request passed unanimously.

C. Cost Increase Request – Elgin, US 20 Roundabout

Heidi Lichtenberger presented this cost increase to the Council. Mike Millette made a motion to approve, Tim Weidner seconded, and the cost increase request passed unanimously.

D. Adoption of the FFY 2023-2027 Council STP Active and Contingency Program

Mike Millette presented the current STP-L FFY 23-27 Active and Contingency Program and made a motion to adopt, Brian Schiber seconded, and the program was adopted unanimously.

E. Adoption of STP-L Methodology and Programming Policies and Procedures

Heidi Lichtenberger presented the proposed changes to the STP-L Methodology and Policies and Procedures:

KKCOM’s STP-L Methodology changes since last call:

A. 8. Local Commitment / Project Readiness

Added language for D3

Added “Projects in Contingency Program” receive +5 points

A. 9. Inclusive Growth

No longer weighted

Using different data source, KKCOM’s Inclusive Growth Facility Planning Tool instead of CMAP’s Inclusive Growth Map

B. Asset Management Projects

Programming

Added Project Readiness category

B. 1. Road Condition

Utilizing IDOT's CRS Data instead of CMAP 2018 data

B. 3. Traffic Volumes

Decreased weight of Traffic Volume from 20% to 10%

B. 4. ADA Transition Plans

Added "The webpage link must be provided to earn points. See 17 – 21 in the KKCOM Application Supplement Form."

B. 5. Prior Year Funding

Changed from "time without receiving FHWA authorization" to "year of the Call for Projects when last received funding"

B. 6. Project Readiness

New category

Programming Policies and Procedures revisions:

15. Obligation Deadlines/Extensions

Revised to match CMAP's Active Program Management Revisions from February 2023

16. Asset Management projects

Changed from PCI to IDOT's CRS Data

Tim Weidner made a motion to adopt the proposed changes, Mike Zakosek seconded, and the motion passed with one nay from Fran Klaas.

V. General Business

A. Council Director's Report

Jackie Forbes delivered the following report:

Upcoming Meetings

KKCOM Transportation Policy: January 18, 2024

KKCOM Bike / Ped: Winter 2023/2024 TBD

Funding Opportunities

KKCOM STP-L FFY 2025 – 2029 Call for Projects

KKCOM's biennial FFY 2025 – 2029 STP-L Call for Projects commences November 3rd, 2023. This call will fill FFY's 2028 & 2029. Materials will be sent out next week.



KKCOM FFY 2025 - 2029 STP-L Call for Projects Schedule

Description	Start Date	End Date	Duration (days/weeks)
CFP open for applications	November 3, 2023	December 22, 2023	7 weeks
KKCOM staff scores projects	December 26, 2023	February 23, 2024	9 weeks
KKCOM staff publishes recommended draft program	February 29, 2024	February 29, 2024	1 day
Public comment period	March 1, 2024	April 1, 2024	4 weeks
KKCOM Transportation Policy Committee & Full Council considers recommended program	April 4 or 11, TBD	April 4 or 11, TBD	1 day
CMAP Transportation Committee considers TIP for approval	May 2024 / TBD	May 2024 / TBD	1 day
CMAP MPO Policy Committee considers TIP for final approval	June 2024 / TBD	June 2024 / TBD	1 day

IDOT's FY 2029 Special Bridge Program NOFO

IDOT is pleased to announce the issuance of a notice of funding opportunity for the Illinois Special Bridge Program (ISBP). This announcement will address the FY2029 local increment, as IDOT develops its FY2025-FY2030 proposed Highway Improvement Program. It is beneficial to have received approval of the Bridge Condition Report (BCR) from IDOT prior to applying for ISBP funding to ensure the scope of the project is appropriate. Also, a 'Bridge Deck Overlay' is considered either preservation or maintenance, and not rehabilitation. For clarity, "Bridge Deck Overlay" projects will not be eligible as ISBP rehabilitation candidates. Priority consideration for ISBP funding will also be given to structurally deficient NHS structures to assist in reducing the number of structures in this category that are reported by FHWA. This criterion does not guarantee the selection of these structures. For more information, please read [Circular Letter 2023-28](#).

Electric Vehicle Charger Reliability and Accessibility Accelerator

U.S. DOT has released the [NOFO](#) for the Electric Vehicle Charger Reliability and Accessibility Accelerator grant program. The program will provide up to \$100 million in Federal funding to repair and replace existing but non-operational, EV charging infrastructure. Eligible applicants include only State DOTs and Local Public Agencies; however, the chargers may be publicly or privately owned provided they are available to the public without restriction. Applications are by **November 13, 2023** through [Grants.gov](#).

FY 2023 Thriving Communities Program (TCO)

USDOT has released information on the [FY 2023 Thriving Communities Program](#). Applications are being accepted for two programs. The [Thriving Communities National Capacity Builder Program](#) is for applicants interested in providing support to communities. Additional information can be found in the [NOFO](#). The application period will close on **November 28, 2023**. The [Regional Pilot Program](#) is for applicants seeking to receive support. These applicants must submit a [Letter of Interest](#) by **November 15, 2023**. Webinar for both programs will be held in September. Registration information is available [here](#).

Partner Updates

IDOT Announces Multiple Kane County Capital Projects to Improve Infrastructure

Entering Year Five of [Rebuild Illinois](#), the Illinois Department of Transportation announced multiple projects in the Kane County area are planned or underway, highlighting an ongoing commitment made possible by Gov. JB Pritzker's historic, bipartisan capital program. Six major projects represent a total investment of more than \$177 million, improving safety, mobility and quality of life while sustaining and creating good-paying jobs throughout the region.

- Butterfield Road (IL 56) west of Church Road to DuPage County line in **Aurora**
- U.S. 20 at State Street (IL 31) in **Elgin**
- Lincoln Highway (IL 38) from Main Street (IL 47) to First Street (IL 31) in **Elburn**
- IL 47/U.S. 30 from Jericho Road to south of Galena Road in **Yorkville**
- IL 47/U.S. 30 from Cross Street to Jericho Road in **Sugar Grove**
- U.S. 20 from IL 31 to east of Grace Street in **Elgin**

IDOT Request for Public Feedback on FY 2024-2027 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)

The Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) is seeking input for use in the planning and development of its upcoming Fiscal Years 2024-2027 STIP uploaded on [IDOT STIP website](#). Written comments can be mailed to Bobby Johnson, at the Illinois Department of Transportation, 2300 South Dirksen Parkway, Room 307, Springfield, Illinois 62764 or comments can also be emailed to DOT.STIP@illinois.gov through November 1, 2023.

IDOT Launches Move Illinois: 2024 Long-Range Transportation Plan

The Illinois Department of Transportation is introducing Move Illinois: the 2024 Long-Range Transportation Plan (LRTP). The LRTP will strategically outline goals, objectives and strategies for Illinois' diverse transportation network for the next 20 to 30 years. As part of the initiative, IDOT has launched a project website at www.moveillinois2024.com, which includes an online event and survey for the public to learn more and help identify the plan's goals and objectives. This website also lists the statewide events our team is attending in person. The LRTP will take place through late 2024, with the final plan complete by the end of the year. Community input is critical for developing a well-rounded plan.

Metra Proposes \$1.1B Operating Budget

Metra has released their proposed FY2024 operating budget of \$1.1B which includes major revisions to fare structure. The operating budget projects Metra will start the year at 47% of pre-pandemic (2019) ridership and finish the year at about 54 % of pre-pandemic levels. This results in a projection of \$243.9 million in system-generated revenues, mostly fares. To cover the rest of the expected operating costs, Metra would use \$560.4 million in regional sales taxes and \$223.7 million in federal

COVID-relief funding. The Kane County public hearing is on November 2 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Kane County Government Center Auditorium in Building A. More information can be found on [Metra's website](#).

Pace Draft Operating Budget

Pace Suburban Bus has released their agency's proposed 2024 budget for public hearings. Pace's proposed budget is balanced, with no fare increases or service reductions for Suburban Service or Regional ADA Paratransit. Beginning in 2024, Pace proposes to offer free fares on the Pace fixed-route bus system to ADA-certified customers with a valid RTA ADA Paratransit Permit ID Card. Also included in the budget are resources to improve frequency and add trips where there is demand as well as an additional 15% subsidy to provide continued support to dial-a-ride partners. The public hearing schedule is available on their [website](#) and the press release is available [here](#).

B. Council of Mayors Executive Committee Report

Mayor Schielke presented the CoM Executive Committee Report. At the July 18, 2023 Council of Mayors Executive meeting, the committee received updates from CMAP's Executive Director, as well as updates on transportation safety, the STP Project Selection Committee, IDOT Local Roads, ADA planning, and local government legislative updates. The committee received presentations on the recommendations from CMAP's STP, CMAQ, and TAP-L CFP, the regional climate action plan, and PART. On August 15, 2023, they received updates on CMAP's activities, PART, and IDOT Local Roads. The next meeting is in November 7th, 2023. The Mayor also explained the complexity of PART and how the discussions will continue into 2026.

C. IDOT Local Roads Update

Marilin Solomon presented the IDOT Local Roads update with the status sheets. She mentioned item #9, an Aurora project, is partially on a state route but all is in order. She explained that IDOT's Central Office is reminding all that funding from Rebuild Illinois needs to be authorized by July 1, 2025 and to use this funding first if possible.

D. CMAP Report

Kama Dobbs presented the CMAP report starting with the outcome of the recent joint CMAP Board and MPO Policy meeting. The committees gave authorization of CMAP's PART (Plan of Action for Regional Transit) to be presented to the Illinois General Assembly. The language explains that there are options, not recommendations, presented. At the same meeting, the recent STP, CMAQ, and TAP CFP final approvals were given. Award letters to follow. Lastly, CMAP's STAR program will kick off before the end of the year. The Mayor took a moment to give high praises to Kama and her work at CMAP. Jackie Forbes announced that Kama was a finalist at the IDOT Fall Planning Conference as "Planner of the Year".

E. Transportation Improvement Program Update

- IDOT Program Report D1: no report
- IDOT Program Report D3: no report
- Illinois State Toll Highway Authority Report: The report can be found in the agenda packet.
- RTA Report: Anthony Cefali presented the RTA report and stated ridership has reached a post-pandemic high of weekday ridership well over 1.2 million trips per day. The Access to Transit 2023 Call for Projects is currently open until December 15th. This CFP is seeking applications up to \$1 million for small-scale capital improvement projects that improve access to transit stops and stations for people walking and using a bicycle.
- Metra Report: Demetri Skoufis presented the Metra update starting with the 2024 proposed budget. The proposed operating budget is \$1.093 billion, revenue funding sits around \$244 million from fares (system generated revenues) stemming from their projection of providing 40 million rides or about 54% of 2019 ridership. RTA sales tax is \$560 million with \$223 million covered by covid relief funding. After 2024, that number

is projected to be \$263 million remaining which will be used for 2025 and 2026 leading into the fiscal cliff when covid relief dollars are completely expended. The capital budget is \$575 million with the majority going to infrastructure improvements. They are proposing a new fare schedule and map. There will be four zones, all of Kane and parts of DuPage are in zone four. Lastly, ridership in Kane County shows highest ridership weekdays as Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, with a dip on Mondays and a larger dip on Fridays. Saturdays and Sundays are going well at 90 - 100%, or higher, of pre-pandemic levels. Next he gave an update on the third rail line that is being added from West Chicago to the west side of Geneva and it's at 35% completion. The upcoming downtown Geneva closures are set to begin in March/April with RT 31, followed by the 3rd St. closure, and ending with the Western Ave closure in the summer. Next, he explained that the plans for the new line to Rockford are in-progress so not much is known at this point but there will be a stop in Elgin at Big Timber. Lastly, two ticket vending machines will be placed at every Metra station.

- Pace Report: Chris Rose presented the Pace proposed 2024 budget; a balanced budget for fixed route and paratransit services with no fare increases or reductions in service. For the suburban side, the budget is balanced at \$292.8 million, of that, \$59.7 million of covid relief funding will be used to off-set the shortfall in sales tax and operating revenue. Ridership is projected to increase to 3.6% in 2024 to 15.6 million trips due to expanded service and growth in ridership. Pace's new plan called Revision is Pace's network revitalization and system restructuring plan to meet the existing and projected market demands. Revision will strengthen fixed-route services in high-demand markets while leveraging technology and mobility solutions to better serve the community. The ADA paratransit budget is balanced at \$236 million which includes support for their new Rideshare Access Program (RAP) which will allow ADA paratransit users to use TNC services as an alternative. They are projecting 4.2 million passenger trips. Next, Pace is proposing free fares for ADA paratransit riders on Pace mainline services on fixed routes. Riders will need the RTA certified ADA paratransit card and are proposing to make it a free ride. The Capital budget is \$118.5 million, primarily to support stations, equipment, and passenger facilities, including zero emissions by 2040.
- Kane County Report: Mike Zakosek gave an update on three on-going projects. Bliss/Main/Fabyan is almost complete and will open by Thanksgiving. Dauberman is reaching the half-way point and scheduled to open fall 2024. Lastly, Longmeadow Parkway's soil remediation will be done by the end of the year. The last portion of the project will go to letting next year to construct the gap in the roadway which will be completely open in the fall.
- Kendall County Report: no report
- Municipal Reports: Mike Pubentz mentioned a project in Elgin at Alft Lane and Randall Road which was a great example of partnership with Kane County in splitting costs and responsibilities. Mike Rennels of Plano announced they are holding a PIM that evening regarding the Hale Street project.

VI. Other Business

No other business

VII. Next Meeting

April 2024

VIII. Adjournment

Fran Klaas made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jennifer Hughes. There was a voice vote of unanimous yeas, and Mayor Schielke declared the meeting adjourned at **10:38 AM**.

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OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Erin Aleman	Executive Director	CMAP
Jane Grover	Principal, Public Engagement	CMAP
Jennie Vana	Deputy, Communications & Engagement	CMAP
Leanne Redden	Executive Director	RTA
Peter Kersten	Program Manager	RTA
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Brad Merkel	Director of Public Works	Village of Sugar Grove
Tim Gustafson	Project Manager	Epstein
Brian Schiber	Village Engineer	Village of Sugar Grove
Jon Vama	Engineer	Civiltech

Attendance continued:

Kendra Johnson	Intergovernmental Policy Associate	RTA
Alex Nugent	PE	City of Aurora
Rahat Bari	City Engineer	City of Batavia
Kevin Gadzala	Community Affairs	Nicor
Ron Rudd	City Engineer	City of Elgin
Tom Gill	President	Thomas Engineering

I. Opening of Meeting, Roll Call

Chairman Jeffery Schielke called the meeting to order at 9:31am and Kaci Crowley called the roll.

II. Approval of December 2, 2022 Meeting Minutes

President Skillman made a motion to approve the meeting minutes, Mayor Latham seconded, and the motion passed. Campton Hills and Sleepy Hollow abstained.

III. Public Comments

No public comments were received.

IV. Presentations

A. CMAP 2023 State of the Region

Executive Director Erin Aleman delivered CMAP's 2023 State of the Region address. Erin gave a brief overview of CMAP and pointed out current focus areas such as road safety, ADA compliance, regional greenhouse gas emissions falling short of 2050 goals, and EV charging infrastructure. Erin summarized CMAP's STAR program and how it can improve road safety in Kane and Kendall Counties. Lastly, she recognized the 2023 Regional Excellence Award winners.

B. RTA Strategic Plan: Transit is the Answer

Executive Director Leanne Redden delivered RTA's Transit is the Answer presentation which focuses on how transit has significantly changed in the past few years and how to address the changes while running on a \$3.5 billion annual operating budget with the imminent \$730 million fiscal cliff in 2026. Peter Kersten of RTA presented the plan in greater detail. It is projected that the service boards; CTA, Pace, and Metra, will have expended all remaining covid relief funds, producing a \$730 million annual operating budget gap. Historically when transit agencies have faced such short-falls, they either raise fares and/or cut service, which won't work anymore. This is a national crisis. RTA is exploring different revenue options and moving forward with an agenda for advocacy and action that includes; secure increased funding for transit operations, develop a funding structure that is less reliant on rider fares, build a coalition, support communities efforts, engage with communities, secure increased funding for transit infrastructure, and partner with roadway agencies to build more transit-friendly streets and advance bus rapid transit.

C. Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Update

Tim Gustafson of Epstein delivered KKCOM/KDOT's current Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan that is in-progress and about to commence the public comment period. "The vision of the Kane County Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan is to expand an interconnected network of facilities linking key designations to accommodate people of all abilities." He reviewed the timeline and pointed out that this plan will assist when applying for federal funding for bike/ped projects. The scope of work entailed the following; meeting and coordination, stakeholder engagement and communications, data validation and analysis, design guidelines, capital plan, and draft and final plan document. Key takeaways from the survey include; trail connectivity, technical assistance, wayfinding signage, e-bikes are the most popular bike, creating trail connections to the county's western communities, and two-way bike lanes was the most popular answer for expansion of innovative facility types. Other topics covered by Tim were stakeholder interviews, proposed facilities, recommended development, equity assessment, funding and implementation, design guidance, policy proposals, and templates.

V. Action Items

A. Election of Officers

Heidi Lichtenberger briefly explained KKCOM's process in electing a Chair and Vice Chair for

KKCOM. A nominating committee was formed and that committee agreed on a slate of Mayor Schielke to remain as Chairman and President Skillman to remain Vice Chairman. Mike Millette made a motion that was seconded by Stephen Picket and the motion was approved.

B. Appointment of Transportation Policy Committee Chair

Kaci Crowley briefly explained KKCOM's process in nominating KKCOM's Transportation Policy Committee Chairman. Chairman Schielke appointed Mike Millette as the Kane Kendall Council of Mayors Transportation Policy Committee Chairman for a second term.

C. City of Aurora Functional Class Change Requests

Jackie Forbes presented two Functional Classification Revision Requests from the City of Aurora; Bilter Road from Farnsworth Avenue to Eola Road and Eola Road from US 30 to Keating Drive. Tim Weidner made a motion to approve, Mike Millette seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

D. Annual Planning Liaison Resolution

Kaci Crowley presented the Annual PL Resolution. It is anticipated that the Kane Kendall Council of Mayors will receive \$185,862.37 in federal funding with the local match paid by Kane County Division of Transportation in the amount of \$46,465.59. Stephan Pickett made a motion to pass the PL Resolution, seconded by John Skillman, and the motion passed unanimously.

E. KKCOM STP Shared Fund Sub-regional Priority Points

Jackie Forbes explained how KKCOM staff scored the projects using a combination of KKCOM's and CMAP's methodology.

Projects receiving Priority Points:

	<u>Points</u>
• East New York Street – City of Aurora	5
• Wolf's Crossing – Village of Oswego	4
• Sullivan Road – City of Aurora	3
• Randall at Hopps – Kane County	2
• Ridge Road – Kendall County	1

Mike Pubentz made a motion to approve, Jennifer Hughes seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

F. Adoption of the FFY2023-2027 Council STP Active and Contingency Program

Mike Millette presented the current active and contingency program, made a motion to approve, seconded by John Skillman and motion passed unanimously.

VI. General Business

A. Council Director's Report

Heidi Lichtenberger delivered a condensed version of the Council Director's Report:

Upcoming Meetings

KKCOM Bike Ped Committee: **May 11, 2023**

KKCOM Transportation Policy: **July 20, 2023**

Funding Opportunities/Announcements

2023-2024 Federal Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant

The U.S. DOT published a [Notice of Funding Opportunity \(NOFO\)](#) as part of the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to strategically deploy electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure and other alternative fueling infrastructure projects in urban and rural communities in publicly accessible locations, including downtown areas and local neighborhoods, particularly in underserved and disadvantaged communities. The Charging and Fueling Infrastructure Discretionary Grant Program (CFI Program) investments will make modern and sustainable infrastructure accessible to all drivers of electric, hydrogen, propane, and natural gas vehicles.

This program provides two funding categories of grants: (1) Community Charging and Fueling Grants (Community Program); and (2) Alternative Fuel Corridor Grants (Corridor Program). [Additional resources](#) and an [informational webinar](#) are available. Applications are due **May 30**.

Safe Streets and Roads for All (SS4A) Discretionary Grant Program

Under the [Bipartisan Infrastructure Law \(BIL\)](#), the USDOT announced that the [\(SS4A\) Program](#) will appropriate \$5 billion over five years to assist with ensuring safe streets and roads for all, and to address the national roadway safety crisis. This program provides two funding categories of grants: (1) Planning and Demonstration Grants; and (2) Implementation Grants. Last year Illinois was awarded six planning grants. There will be [three webinars](#) available on three different topics. Applications are due **July 10**.

IDOT Invites Applications for \$2.5 Million in Transit Grants

IDOT is now accepting applications for a competitive grant program that aims to expand safe, equitable access to public transportation throughout the state. Selected projects will feature transit opportunities while furthering the goals of [IDOT's Illinois Long-Range Transportation Plan](#). The grants will fund studies on planning and preliminary engineering issues regarding public multimodal, intermodal and non-motorized transportation. Governmental entities such as counties, metropolitan planning agencies, municipalities, state agencies, public transit agencies and state universities are urged to apply. An informational webinar to explain the grant program and provide assistance to prospective applicants will be held on April 18 at 10 a.m. via [WebEx](#). For additional details, visit [2023 IDOT Transit Planning NOFO.pdf \(illinois.gov\)](#). Applications are due by 5 pm on **May 24**.

Surface Transportation Program

Revised Active Program Management Policies

On February 9, 2023, the CMAP STP Project Selection Committee adopted [revised Active Program Management Policies](#) for projects funded with the STP Shared Fund and/or STP-Local funds, effective immediately. Appendix A (page 38) is a summary of the major policy changes including policies for obligation deadline extensions and policies clarifying requirements and actions for cost changes.

IDOT Updates

Fiscal Year 2024 Federal Funding Allotments

[Circular Letter 2023-02](#) announced the Fiscal Year 2024 funding allotments for the following programs; STP-Rural, STP-Urban, Local Bridge Formula Program (LBFP-formally STP-Br), and State Matching Assistance. Allotment amounts are listed in the Circular Letter.

Salary Cap Increase for Engineering Agreements

The salary cap for Engineering Agreements has increased from \$78/hour to \$86/ hour, according to [Circular Letter 2023-06](#); effective February 7, 2023, with updates to the BLR 05513 and BLR 05514, both used in conjunction with the BLR 05530. For agreements not fully executed by the February 7, 2023 effective date, the new salary cap of \$86/hour will be in effect.

Electronic Signatures – BLR Forms

On January 23rd, IDOT published [Circular Letter 2023-03](#), stating that all BLR Forms have the capability for electronic signatures. Electronic signatures are optional, not a requirement. As always, it is important to utilize IDOT's website, within the Local Roads "tab" to access the latest version of forms each time a new form is needed. A full list of revised forms can be found within the Circular Letter.

Streamlined Environmental Survey Screening Process

The purpose of this [Circular Letter](#) is to announce and inform our Local Public Agency (LPA) and industry partners of significant improvements and changes that are now established to streamline the process of environmental surveys to improve review time. Importantly, this process is structured so the Department remains in full compliance with all Federal and State of Illinois regulations related to natural and cultural resource requirements. Recent Bureau of Design and Environment (BDE) policy changes allow local projects to now be screened for natural and cultural resources by certain qualified and trained Central Office Bureau of Local Roads and Streets (CBLRS) Staff. The intent of the screening process is to also determine which projects must be submitted for more detailed surveys via the BDE Environmental Survey Request (ESR) process efficiently.

2023 Special Programs Assistance Conference (SPAC) Announcement

IDOT and the Special Programs Unit in the Bureau of Programming will be holding informational conferences in each IDOT District this Spring to present 3 (three) grant programs; Economic Development Program (EDP), Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP), and Safe Routes to School Program (SRTS). IDOT staff

will be available each day to offer general information about each program and answer your specific questions one-on-one to help you take advantage of the funding opportunities available from these programs. Additional information, registrations, and appointments are available on the [ITEP](#) and [SRTS](#) websites.

Kane County Updates

ITEP Awards

Governor JB Pritzker and the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) announced that \$127.9 million has been awarded through the Illinois Transportation Enhancement Program (ITEP) to expand travel options and enhance quality of life in communities throughout the state. This year's program is the largest ever due to Gov. Pritzker's historic, bipartisan Rebuild Illinois and dedicates resources to communities that exhibit the greatest need. Congratulations to the following municipalities:

- City of Batavia – Illinois 31 Road Diet: \$1,003,770
- Village of Montgomery – U.S. 30 Ped Bridge Shared-Use Path: \$2,540,528

Kane County Bicycle and Pedestrian Plan Update

The Draft Plan is currently under review by staff and the consultant. Staff encourages residents, municipal leaders, and advocates to submit public comments on the plan. The submitted public comments will help inform the project team of its recommendations before the draft is finalized and brought before the Kane County Board for approval. The public comment period opens on April 27, 2023, and will remain open until May 15, 2023. To submit a public comment, visit the project website (kanecountybikeplan.com) or email planningstaff@co.kane.il.us. Public comments can also be mailed to KDOT offices (41W011 Burlington Rd, Campton Hills, IL 60175).

Fox Valley Bike Share

The Bike Share launched for the 2023 season the week of April 17th. Please visit the Koloni app for locations and to start a rental.

B. Council of Mayors Executive Committee Report

Mayor Schielke delivered this report. The Council of Mayors Executive Committee met on January 17th and April 18th and were presented with CMAP's FFY 2024-2028 program marks. The committee was presented with an overview of the recent CMAQ, TAP-L, and STP-SF CFP. RTA delivered an overview of their strategic plan agenda. Lastly, the committee received a presentation on air quality work and research. The next meeting will be in-person on July 18th.

C. IDOT Local Roads Update

Marilin Solomon presented the status sheets for Local Roads & Streets. She noted project #7 in Aurora that is still awaiting DA. A portion of this project is on a state route, requiring coordination with IDOT on DA. IDOT is working on the reevaluation of three projects; #12, #13, and #24.

D. CMAP Report

In the interest of time, Jane Grover gave a brief update on CMAP's summer program, update on the recent CFP, and information on a federal funding opportunity for wildlife crossings.

E. Transportation Improvement Program Update

- IDOT Program Report District 1: no report
- IDOT Program Report District 3: no report
- Illinois State Toll Highway Authority Report: no audio report but a status sheet is in the packet
- RTA Report: no report
- Metra Report: Demetri Skoufis updated the group on ridership which is at about 50% system-wide. Metra hit 60 – 70% in ridership in certain areas. Service was reduced and they are slowly bringing it back. They are currently adding platform numbering signs and ticket vending machines.
- Pace Report: Martin Sandoval presented a few updates; ridership increased, electric charging stations are being added to their park-and-rides along I-90, and there is a big initiative for hiring with classes being held at Elgin Community College. The Pace board recently gave the green light for a pilot program for on-demand services from Naperville to Aurora, they are expanding this service. Lastly, they have a new program called Van Gough, leaving vehicles on Pace property for riders to use.

- Kane County Report: Mike Zakosek presented a few project updates; Bliss/Main/Fabyan is underway and to be completed this fall, Longmeadow Parkway continues soil remediation with a target to open in fall of 2024, Orchard at US 30 will wrap this summer, Dauberman Road extension is underway and will be completed next fall, and there are five P1/P2's underway for the Randall Road corridor.
- Kendall County Report: Fran Klaas was very pleased to announce that the opening of the Eldamain Road Bridge and the connection of roadways will take place on May 31.
- Municipal Reports: Jackie Forbes thanked Kaci Crowley for her service on the council.

VII. Other Business

None reported

VIII. Next Meeting

TBD – fall

IX. Adjournment

Stephan Picket made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mayor Latham, and Mayor Schielke declared the meeting adjourned at **11:40 AM**.