Thursday, May 16, 2013

SEWRPC Office Building
Commissioners’ Conference Room
W239 N1812 Rockwood Drive
Waukesha, Wisconsin 53187-1607

Present:  

Committee Members:

David L. Stroik, Chairman  
William R. Drew, Vice-Chairman  
Gilbert B. Bakke  
Thomas H. Buestrin  
Michael A. Crowley  
James T. Dwyer  
Nancy L. Russell  
Daniel S. Schmidt  
Gustav W. Wirth, Jr.

Excused:  

Adelene Greene

Staff:

Kenneth R. Yunker  Executive Director  
Elizabeth A. Larsen  Business Manager  
Debra A. D’Amico  Executive Secretary

ROLL CALL

Chairman Stroik called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum declared present. Mr. Yunker noted that Ms. Greene had asked to be excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING OF APRIL 25, 2013

Chairman Stroik asked if there were any changes or additions to the April 25, 2013, meeting minutes.
CONSIDERATION OF THE ADJUSTED YEAR 2010 MILWAUKEE URBANIZED AREA BOUNDARY AS DEFINED BY THE U.S. CENSUS

Mr. Yunker presented Resolution 2013-06, for the adjustment of Year 2010 Milwaukee Urbanized Area boundary as defined by the U.S. Census.

He stated that one of the responsibilities of the Commission as the Metropolitan (Transportation) Planning Organization (MPO), is to work with local governments from each urbanized area within Southeastern Wisconsin and the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WDOT) to propose for adoption adjusted urbanized area boundaries. He noted that after each decennial U.S. Census, the U.S. Census Bureau identifies the boundaries of each urbanized area principally based on population and population density. The U.S. Department of Transportation requires that these boundaries be adjusted through expansion to include the complete urbanized area by also including commercial and industrial development, and to avoid having an arterial facility being located inside, and then outside, the urbanized area for short distances. He also noted that Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section 5307 funding and Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Surface Transportation Program funding allocated to each urbanized area would be available to the entire adjusted urbanized area. He stated that the Commission’s Advisory Committee on Transportation System Planning and Programming for the Milwaukee urbanized area has reviewed and unanimously approved the year 2010 adjusted Milwaukee urbanized area boundary proposed for adoption.

In response to an inquiry by Mr. Drew, Mr. Yunker stated that the U.S. Census Bureau has changed the criteria for defining urbanized areas after recent decennial censuses. He noted that these changes, along with population and population density changes, result in the delineation of new urbanized areas and changes in urbanized area boundaries. He said that the year 2010 Census now identifies a West Bend urbanized area.

There being no further questions or comments, on a motion by Mr. Wirth to approve Resolution No. 2013-06, seconded by Mr. Dwyer, and carried unanimously by a vote of 9 ayes and 0 nays, Resolution 2013-06 was approved (copy of Resolution 2013-06 attached to Official Minutes).

CONSIDERATION OF THE ADJUSTED YEAR 2010 ROUND LAKE BEACH URBANIZED AREA BOUNDARY AS DEFINED BY THE U.S. CENSUS

Mr. Yunker presented Resolution 2013-07, for the adjustment of Year 2010 Round Lake Beach Urbanized Area boundary as defined by the U.S. Census. He indicated that the Commission’s Advisory Committee on Transportation System Planning and Programming for the Round Lake Beach Urbanized Area would be meeting on May 21st to review and consider approval of this adjusted urbanized area and that the Executive Committee is being requested to approve this urbanized area with the condition that the Advisory Committee approves the adjusted boundary at their May 21st meeting. He noted that should the Advisory Committee approve a modified boundary, the staff will bring those revisions to the Executive Committee for approval.

[Secretary’s Note: The Advisory Committee on Transportation System Planning and Programming for the Round Lake Beach Urbanized Area unanimously approved the proposed adjusted urbanized area boundary at their May 21st meeting.]
In response to an inquiry by Mr. Stroik, Mr. Yunker stated that while it is necessary to expand the urbanized area boundary to include the true urbanized area and to avoid having an arterial facility located alternately inside and outside the urbanized area, there is a need to make the necessary adjustments without unnecessarily expanding the area, as the FTA and FHWA funding allocated to an urbanized area is based on the U.S. Census boundary, and not the adjusted boundary.

There being no further questions or comments, on a motion by Mr. Wirth to approve Resolution No. 2013-07, seconded by Mr. Schmidt, and carried unanimously by a vote of 9 ayes and 0 nays, Resolution 2013-07 was approved (copy of Resolution 2013-07 attached to Official Minutes).

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:36 p.m., on a motion by Mr. Dwyer, seconded by Mr. Schmidt, and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth R. Yunker  
Deputy Secretary