

MINUTES

SOUTHEASTERN WISCONSIN REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Thursday, April 20, 2017

1:45 p.m.

SEWRPC Office Building
Commissioners' Conference Room
W239 N1812 Rockwood Drive
Waukesha, Wisconsin 53187

Present:

Excused:

Committee Members:

Charles L. Colman, Chairman
Michael A. Crowley, Vice-Chair
Thomas H. Buestrin
Mike Dawson
James T. Dwyer
William R. Drew
Aloysius Nelson
Robert W. Pitts
Nancy Russell
Daniel S. Schmidt
David L. Stroik

Gustav W. Wirth, Jr.

Staff:

Michael G. Hahn	Executive Director
Kevin J. Muhs	Deputy Director
Elizabeth A. Larsen	Assistant Director-Administration

ROLL CALL

Chairman Colman called the meeting to order at 1:45 p.m. Roll call was taken and a quorum was declared present. Mr. Hahn noted for the record that Mr. Wirth had asked to be excused.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 16, 2017, MEETING

Chairman Colman asked if there were any changes or additions to the February 16, 2017, meeting minutes.

On a motion by Mr. Stroik, seconded by Mr. Schmidt, and carried unanimously, the minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held on February 16, 2017, were approved as published.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Chairman Colman reported that the Administrative Committee, at its meeting held just before this Executive Committee meeting, had taken the following actions.

1. Reviewed and approved disbursements for four financial periods: Year 2017 Nos. 4, 5, 6, and 7 extending over the period February 6, 2017 to April 2, 2017.
2. Reviewed and approved the Statement of Projected Revenues and Expenditures for the period ending April 2, 2017.
3. Received an update on the repair of the basement water leak.

There being no questions or comments, on a motion by Mr. Drew, seconded by Mr. Crowley, and carried unanimously, the Administrative Committee report was approved.

CONSIDERATION OF CONTRACTS

Chairman Colman asked Ms. Larsen to review the proposed contracts, noting that Committee members had received a two page report with a table listing 10 contracts prior to the meeting. Ms. Larsen then briefly reviewed the contracts with the Committee.

There being no questions, on a motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Dwyer, and carried unanimously, the contract report was accepted and the report was placed on file (copy of report attached to Official Minutes).

WORK PROGRAM REPORTS

Mr. Hahn reviewed the "Work Program Progress Report." He noted that the report identifies key regional and selected community and county assistance efforts (copy of report attached to Official Minutes).

In response to an inquiry by Mr. Buestrin regarding The Gateway to Milwaukee, Mr. Hahn stated that Commission staff, working with Aerotropolis Milwaukee and its partners, has completed the *MKE Aerotropolis Development Plan*. The Plan is focused on economic development around General Mitchell International Airport. The Plan calls for coordinated planning efforts among the municipalities that are most directly influenced by the airport. This Plan is being presented to officials of the Cities of Cudahy, Franklin, Greenfield, Milwaukee, Oak Creek, South Milwaukee, and St. Francis; the Villages of Greendale and Hales Corners; and Milwaukee County for their endorsement.

Mr. Colman commented that this Plan will help to ensure there is no more piecemeal or ad hoc development surrounding the airport.

In response to an inquiry by Mr. Buestrin, Mr. Hahn stated this report was written as a Memorandum Report and did not need to go to the Planning and Research Committee for review.

Mr. Colman suggested that staff could brief Commissioners on this Report at the next full Commission meeting.

In response to an inquiry by Ms. Russell concerning the Regional Land Use Inventory project, Mr. Hahn explained that the Land Use Inventory is updated every five years and is based upon the five year cycle of the orthophotography acquisition. The most recent orthophoto data available is for the year 2015. Staff is working with this 2015 data to update the 2010 land use data.

There being no additional questions, on a motion by Mr. Schmidt, seconded by Mr. Stroik, and carried unanimously, the work program progress report was accepted and the report was placed on file (copy of report attached to Official Minutes).

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO 2017-2020 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (TIP)

Chairman Colman asked the Commission to consider adoption of Resolution No. 2017-02, amending the 2017-2020 Regional Transportation Improvement (TIP). He noted that these materials were provided prior to this meeting. He then called upon Mr. Muhs to present the projects and the resolution.

Mr. Muhs explained that the TIP is a listing of transportation projects proposed by local and State governments to use Federal funds for public transit and arterial streets and highways throughout the Region. He said that the TIP is reviewed by Commission staff to ensure it is consistent with the regional transportation plan. He added that the TIP and its amendments are reviewed and approved by the Commission Advisory Committees on Transportation Improvement Programming (TIP Committees) which include representatives from local governments, the Wisconsin Department of Transportation, the U.S. Department of Transportation, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Mr. Muhs then briefly reviewed the projects on the proposed amendment.

There being no questions or comments, on a motion by Mr. Stroik to approve Resolution No. 2017-02, seconded by Mr. Schmidt, and carried unanimously by a vote of 10 ayes and 0 nays, Resolution No. 2017-02 was approved (copy of Resolution 2017-02 attached to Official Minutes).

CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Hahn reported that there was no correspondence, and announced that Ms. Nancy M. Anderson, Chief Community Assistance Planner had recently retired with 25 years of service from the Commission Staff. Mr. Hahn further stated that Ms. Anderson had received a Resolution of Commendation from the Town of Polk.

Mr. Hahn also noted that a guest opinion article concerning the findings of the VISION 2050 Regional Land Use and Transportation plan was published in the Ozaukee News Graphic and on the Journal Sentinel website.

Mr. Hahn then stated that the Commission hosted the quarterly Quad States Directors at the Global Water Center. The meeting was attended by the Executive Directors of the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning, the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission, and the Southwest Michigan Planning Commission. At that meeting the Directors decided to send a joint letter, signed by each Director, to the U.S. Senate and House Appropriations Committees, expressing concerns with the proposed elimination under the President's budget blueprint of several specific programs affecting Regional Planning Commission programs and local governments.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m. on a motion by Mr. Stroik, seconded by Mr. Nelson, and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael G. Hahn
Executive Director

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