



**JOINT COUNCIL
TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE
Via ZOOM**

April 28, 2021

9:00 am

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Approval of Minutes**
- III. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)**
 - A. RTA Presentation–Claire Serdiuk
 - B. PACE Report – Mr. Thomas Robbins
 - C. Cook County Highway Report – Mr. Tomohiko Music
 - D. IDOT Bureau of Programming Report – Mr. Earl Dunn
 - E. Metra Report – Mr. Demetri Skoufis
 - F. CTA Report – Ms. Leslie Boucree
 - G. Illinois Tollway Authority-
 - H. Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning – Kama Dobbs
- IV. Other Business**
 - A. Cook County Fair Transit – Jesse Elam
- V. Next Meeting – July 28, 2021**
- VI. Adjournment**

Join Zoom Meeting

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**JOINT COUNCIL
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10:00 am

MINUTES

Members Present

Rudy Espiritu – Berkeley
Nicole Campbell - Berwyn
Sharon Peterson - Countryside
Jeff Sherwin - Northlake
Bill McKenna – Oak Park
Paul Volpe – Elmwood Park
Mark Masciola – Forest View
Tom McCabe – Franklin Park
Arlene Jezierny – Harwood Heights
Russ Wajda - Hillside
Ryan Gillingham – La Grange
Julia Cedillo – La Grange Park
Rick Rade – La Grange Park
Brian Gaseor - Norridge
Tammy Wierciak –
Rosemont/CBBEL/Metro Strategies
Tony Anczer – Schiller Park

Sergio Rodriguez – Summit
Alice Gallagher – Western Springs
Ingrid Velkme – Western Springs

Other's Present

Mary Weber – CMAP
Len Cannata – WCMC
Mike Fricano - WCMC
Thomas Gil
Josh Harris – Baxter
John Mick – Baxter
Claire Serdiuk – RTA
Brian Plum – TCC
Kelsey Passi – ISTHA
Laura Platt – ISTHA
Dan Tabb
Casey Biernacki
Rick Radde

I. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM

II. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

A. RTA Presentation–Claire Serdiuk – Ms. Serdiuk provided the report and it was also distributed with the meeting materials.

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- B. PACE Report – Mr. Thomas Robbins – Pace was not present.
- C. Cook County Highway Report – Mr. Tomohiko Music – Cook County was not present.
- D. IDOT Bureau of Programming Report – Mr. Earl Dunn – IDOT was not present.
- E. Metra Report – Mr. Demetri Skoufis – Metra was not present.
- F. CTA Report – Ms. Leslie Boucree – CTA was not present.
- G. Illinois Tollway Authority- Ms. Passi provided the report. A copy was also distributed with the meeting materials.
- H. Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning – Ms. Weber provided the report.

III. Other Business

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IV. Next Meeting – April 28, 2021

IV. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 10:18 AM.

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North Central Council of Mayors **TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

April 28, 2021
Before WCMC TC
8:40 AM
via ZOOM

Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes
- III. Surface Transportation Program (STP)
 - a. IDOT Bureau of Local Roads – Ms. Solomon
- IV. Other Business
- V. Public Comment
- VI. Adjournment – Next Meeting – July 28, 2021

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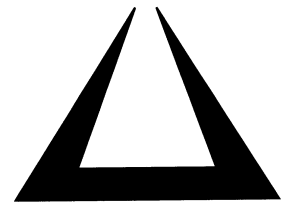
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9:45 AM
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- I. Call to Order – Chariman Sherwin called the meeting to order at 9:48 AM
- II. Surface Transportation Program (STP)
 - a. IDOT Bureau of Local Roads – Ms. Solomon – Ms. Solomon provided the report
- III. Other Business
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Adjournment – Next Meeting – April 28, 2021 – The meeting adjourned at 9:55 AM

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Illinois Tollway Update – April 2021

Board of Directors

Governor JB Pritzker has appointed Jacqueline Gomez Fuentes to fill an open seat on the Tollway's Board of Directors. Gomez Fuentes serves as the Director of Supplier and Workforce Diversity at the Obama Foundation where she is responsible for the implementation and management of the Foundation's diversity and inclusion programming. Previously, she worked as the Director of Contract Compliance for Cook County and the Vice President of Business Development and Marketing at SUMAC Inc. In 2018, Gomez Fuentes received the Advocacy Award for business diversity and inclusion from the Hispanic American Construction Industry Association.

Cashless Tolling – What Customers Need to Know

In March 2020, the Illinois Tollway halted cash toll collection in an effort to help mitigate the spread of COVID-19, protecting its customers and employees from exposure points to the rapidly-spreading virus. Since then, the Illinois Tollway has taken extensive measures to better serve customers who previously relied on cash payments, including measures to provide relief during the pandemic.

Moving forward, Illinois Tollway drivers will continue to have the option to pay tolls with I-PASS, E-ZPass or pay online with the Tollway's Pay By Plate service. The Tollway continues to maintain a 14-day grace period – one of the longest in the nation – allowing customers to pay unpaid tolls without additional fees or fines prior to being mailed an invoice.

Using Pay By Plate, customers simply enter their license plate, payment method and dates of travel, and the Pay By Plate system takes care of the rest. This service has been leveraged by over 650,000 customers to date demonstrating the quick and seamless transition for many cash customers to the new service.

With regard to the future of our toll plazas, over the last year changes were made to ensure the safety of our customers, and throughout 2021 more changes will be made to improve the customer experience. These changes include additional signage, striping and other changes to reduce our maintenance costs and further improve the service to our customers.

This work is common across all toll plazas on the Illinois Tollway system. A long-term plan for each site will be developed to assess the potential to better serve our customers, and as those changes are announced we'll be sure to share them with you.

Operations during COVID-19

Since March 2020, extensive protocols have been in place to protect employees, keeping our essential and front-line workers safe and the entire agency working. The Illinois Tollway Board of Directors has continued to meet virtually each month to keep all business, roadway services and construction activity moving.

The agency is continuing to work closely with contractors to ensure the proper safety precautions are taken to protect workers engaged in outdoor construction activities along our system. Tollway contractors and consultants continuing their work are always required to have comprehensive safety plans in place, and those plans have been updated to account for the safety precautions during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In-person customer service centers are currently offline; however, we are working on a plan for reopening service. In the meantime, the Tollway Customer Service Call Center is operational and assisting customers.

Move Over Law

Once again, we are asking for your support to help draw attention to the state's Move Over laws. Two years ago, the Illinois State Police lost three troopers in one year, two of which were members of the Tollway's own ISP District 15. Trooper Christopher Lambert and Trooper Gerald Ellis – were lost in senseless accidents serving our agency as well as the overall mission of the Illinois State Police.

When driving, we must take care for everyone who works on our roadways, from our troopers, to our roadway and HELP Truck drivers. And remember Illinois' Move Over Law requires drivers to slow down, move over and change lanes, if possible, to make extra room when approaching ANY vehicle with lights flashing, stopped on a roadway.

Construction

The Illinois Tollway has kicked off the 2021 construction season as the 10th year of the Move Illinois capital program begins with some of the biggest and most challenging projects lying ahead.

The Tollway's 2021 capital program calls for investing \$1.53 billion in the region's infrastructure. This includes more than \$451 million to continue planning and advance construction for the new I-490 Tollway and new interchanges connecting to the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90), Tri-State Tollway (I-294), the Illinois Route 390 Tollway, as well as providing direct access in and out of O'Hare International Airport as part of the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project.

Work to reconstruct and widen the Central Tri-State Tollway (I-294) will continue in 2021 with more than \$690 million budgeted to continue design and construction of the roadway, as well as the new BNSF Railway Bridge, the new Mile Long Bridge and to begin work to reconfigure the I-290/I-88 Interchange at I-294. In addition, \$78 million is allocated in 2021 for ongoing work to complete the final ramps for the I-294/I-57 Interchange.

The 2021 capital program also provides \$312.2 million for systemwide roadway and bridge repairs to keep the existing Tollway system in good repair. Several local projects include replacing the Deerpath Road Bridge over the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) in Aurora, rebuilding the Stearns School Road Bridge over the Tri-State Tollway (I-94) in Gurnee, and building a new Windsor Road Bridge at I-88 and I-294 in coordination with roadway improvements by the Village of Oak Brook.

If you have any questions, please reach out to Kelsey Passi at kpassi@getipass.com

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