



Rockford Metropolitan Agency For Planning

RESOLUTION 2009-8

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING FOR COOPERATIVE TRANSPORTATION PLANNING

- WHEREAS** the Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning (RMAP) has been designated by the Governor of the State of Illinois, acting through the State of Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT), as the federally required Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), for the Rockford Metropolitan Area (RMA) ; and
- WHEREAS** the Rockford Metropolitan Planning Area (MPA) comprises all of the Rockford urbanized area as defined by the U.S. Bureau of the Census along with all surrounding areas forecasted by RMAP to become contiguously urbanized within the next 20 years, including a large portion of Boone County and the City of Belvidere but not encompassing areas to the north that are under the jurisdiction of the State Line Area Transportation Study; and
- WHEREAS** the Rockford Mass Transit District (RMTD) is an independently chartered public agency under the laws of the State of Illinois established for the purpose of providing public mass transit services in Rockford and vicinity and acting on behalf of and under the authority of the RMTD Board of Trustees; and
- WHEREAS** the Boone County Council on Aging (BCCA) is an established public provider of mass and paratransit throughout the County of Boone acting on behalf of and under the authority of the Boone County Board; and
- WHEREAS** it is the responsibility of RMAP to direct, coordinate and administer the continuing, comprehensive and cooperative transportation planning process in the RMA under title 23 U.S.C., Section 134 and Title 49 U.S.C., 5303-5306, et. Seq., as amended; and
- WHEREAS** the Rockford MPO adopted resolution 2000-9, which includes the previously adopted and followed "Memorandum of Understanding for Cooperative Transportation Planning" ; and
- WHEREAS** the Metropolitan Planning Rules and Regulations (Federal Register, Wednesday, February 14, 2007) in section 450.314(a) state: "The MPO, the State(s) and the public transportation operator(s) shall cooperatively determine their mutual responsibilities in carrying out the metropolitan transportation planning process. These responsibilities shall be clearly identified in written agreements among the MPO, the State(s) and the public transportation operators serving the MPA. To the extent possible, a single agreement between all responsible parties should be developed. The written agreement(s) shall include specific provisions for cooperatively developing and sharing information related to the development of financial plans that support the metropolitan transportation plan (see 450.322) and the metropolitan TIP (see 450.324) and development of the annual listing of obligated projects (see 450.332)" ; and
- WHEREAS** the above requirements for cooperative planning and agreement regarding planning responsibilities are further substantiated in the Rule on Metropolitan Transportation Planning, as published in the Federal Register on February 14, 2007; and
- WHEREAS** the Rockford Metropolitan Agency for Planning, the RMTD and the BCCA have developed a mutually acceptable "Memorandum of Understanding for Cooperative Transportation Planning" (Dated May 28th, 2009), thus updating the previously adopted Resolution 2000-9 and its attached "Memorandum of Understanding for Cooperative Transportation Planning"



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NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

that the RMAP Policy Committee approves the Memorandum of Understanding for Cooperative Transportation Planning (Dated May 28th 2009), authorizes the Chairman of the Policy Committee and the RMAP Executive Director to sign the Memorandum on behalf of the Policy Committee, and directs the RMAP Technical Committee and staff to proceed with the RMAP planning process in accordance with the terms of the Memorandum

Dated this twenty-eighth day of May 2009

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City of Belvidere

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