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Chicago Mobility Collaborative Meeting
Investing in Major Capital Projects
Thursday, June 26, 2025
6:00 – 8:00 p.m.
DePaul Center – Loop Campus

- **Welcoming Remarks**– Joe Schwieterman, DePaul Chaddick Institute
- **Panel Discussion** – Investment on Major Capital Projects
 - Nina Idemudia, Center of Neighborhood Technology – Moderator
 - Audrey Wennink, Metropolitan Planning Council – Panelist
 - Dawveed Scully, Department of Planning and Development – Panelist
 - Molly Poppe, Chicago Transit Authority – Panelist
 - Samantha Anderson, Harris School of Planning and Policy – Panelist
 - Tom Carney, Chicago Department of Transportation – Panelist
- **Community Tables Overview** – Romina Castillo
- **Community Tables break out**
 - **Table 1.** *Transit and Better Streets for Buses: Connectivity and Accessible Mobility*
Options in the Central Region and beyond – Jennifer Henry, CTA; Jason Meter, CTA; Heidi Sperry, DPD; Audrey Wennink, MPC

This community table offers an opportunity to discuss connectivity and mobility in the Central Region and beyond. Building on high-level concepts from the *Central Area Plan* and the *Better Streets for Buses* initiative, we'll focus on how to better connect downtown with surrounding neighborhoods through more accessible, efficient, and inclusive transportation networks.



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Facilitators will share updates on major capital investments aimed at enhancing accessibility and mobility in the Central Region—such as train station renovations, infrastructure upgrades, and transit service improvements. Updates will also be shared on investments in corridor planning to revitalize downtown with more mixed-used developments. Participants will be invited to share feedback, explore challenges and opportunities, and contribute ideas for advancing a more integrated and equitable mobility system citywide.

- **Table 2. Divvy Program and Expansion: Electrification of stations** – Kyle Peppin,
CDOT

Chicago's Divvy bike share program utilizes the extensive data collected on micromobility to constantly improve operations. Early this year, CDOT staff visited all Divvy stations over 7 years old – over 500 stations! – to assess conditions. CDOT combined those assessments with data on ridership, maintenance costs and amount of time stations were empty or full to create a list of recommendations on improving station locations by expanding them, moving them, or upgrading them.

At this roundtable, Divvy representatives will share how CDOT is putting these recommendations into action to make more bikes available, affordable, and accessible to more people. Efforts are underway to deploy densified stations with higher capacity, to repurpose salvaged stations, and to relocate and expand existing stations to better serve riders. The result is an improved user experience with more bikes, more available docks, and even more opportunities to enjoy long summer rides on a Divvy!

- **Table 3. Safe Travel for All Plan: Cook County Safety Action Plan**
recommendations and implementation – Joseph Seymour, Cook County
Department of Transportation & Highways

The discussion table will focus on the recommendations from the Cook County Safety Action Plan and how they inform safety improvements in future major capital projects. First, the discussion will revisit the plan's crash analysis findings and public engagement input and how those shaped policies, program, and infrastructure



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recommendations. Next, the discussion will focus on how the plan prioritizes projects in disadvantaged areas to reduce disparities in crash risks and outcomes. Finally, the

discussion will address implementation issues such as what happens after the plan, how projects are selected and funded, and the roles of communities, municipalities, the County, and the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) in reaching the plan's goal of zero traffic fatalities by the year 2025.

- **Announcements**
- **Meeting Close**