

Preckwinkle launches start of Cook County 40 year transportation plan



Cook County Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) will be developed over the next 18 months. *Downtowngirl/Wikimedia/CCA2.0SA*

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Today, <u>Cook County</u> President <u>Preckwinkle</u> named her 17-member Advisory <u>Committee</u> on <u>transportation</u> that will help devise her plan for Cook County's transportation network and its impact over the next 25 years. Preckwinkle named Michael Tang, CEO of National Material LP, and member of Preckwinkle's Council of Economic Advisors, to chair the Advisory Committee. She also named her 15member Program Committee of experts to focus on specific areas in plan development. Her plan, called "Connecting Cook County," the Long Range Transportation Plan (LRTP) will be developed over the next 18 months.

Over a nine month period the public will be asked to voice their opinions and ideas via a web site and through kiosks equipped with interactive planning software that will rotate through high-traffic County locations. The County will also use social media and newsletters for updates on the plan. When the plan is fully developed the Cook County Board will review and give their voice of approval. The plan will be guided by the Cook County Department of Transportation and Highways.