



## **Howard Beach Planning Committee Meeting #3**

October 28, 2013

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# Agenda

## 1. Project Update 7:30 - 7:40

Program Status & Key Dates

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## 3. Conceptual Plan 8:00 – 8:45

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Today's meeting will finalize key materials generated to date and review the key content for the Conceptual Plan.

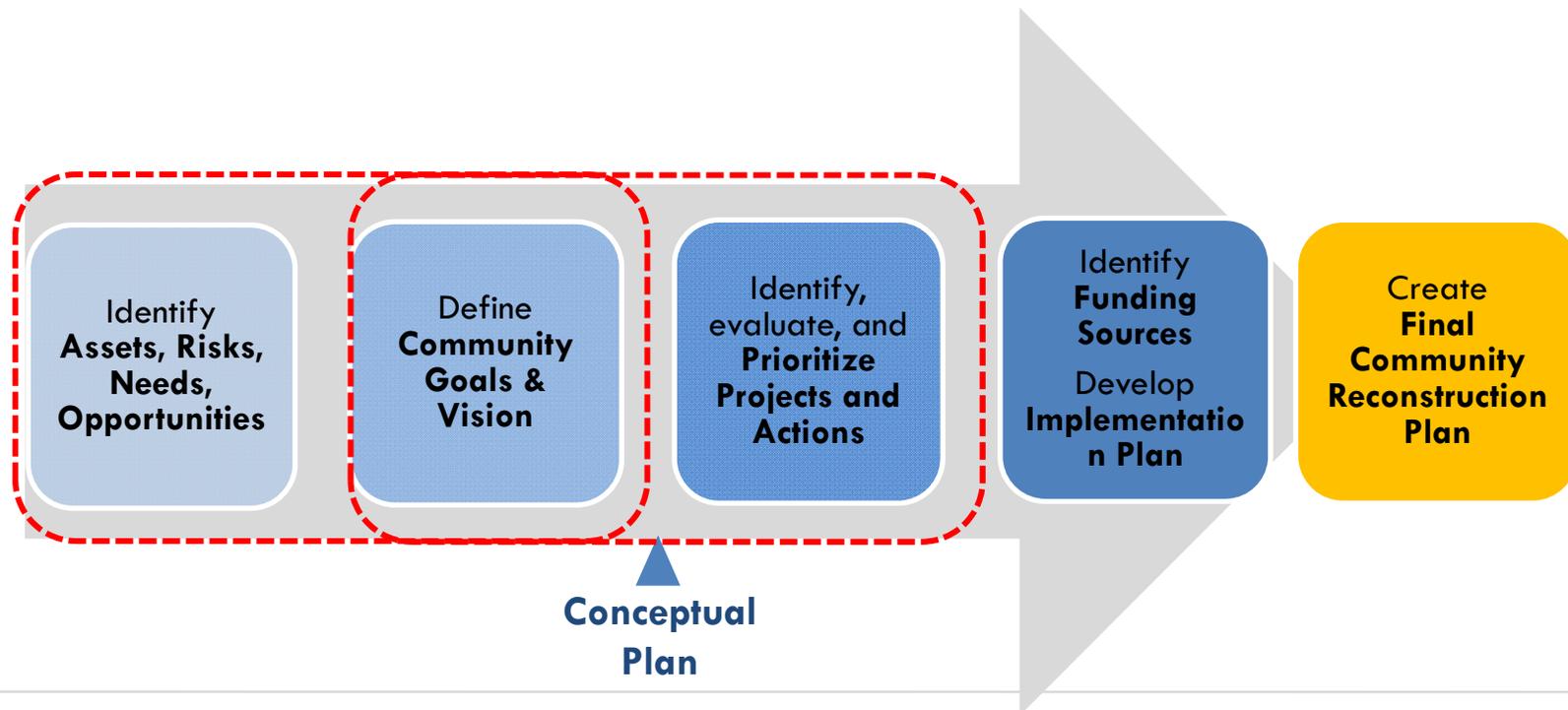
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**Objectives:**

Finalize assets, needs and opportunities, short- and long-term goals, and community vision

Begin to discuss strategies and projects

Provide feedback for all other sections in the Concept Plan



# NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program Schedule

- Planning Committee Meeting
- Public Meeting
- Deliverable Due Date



# Governor's Conference – October 22, 2013



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## Direct CDBG-DR funding sources dedicated to this project

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### **NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program Funds:**

- Howard Beach: \$18.3 million
  
- Possible additional funds (\$3 million per program) for exemplary performance:
  - Regional collaboration
  - Use of Technology in planning process
  - Community involvement
  - Inclusion of vulnerable populations
  - Use of Green Infrastructure
  - Innovative and Cost-Effective Financing
  - Infrastructure investment with multiple co-benefits

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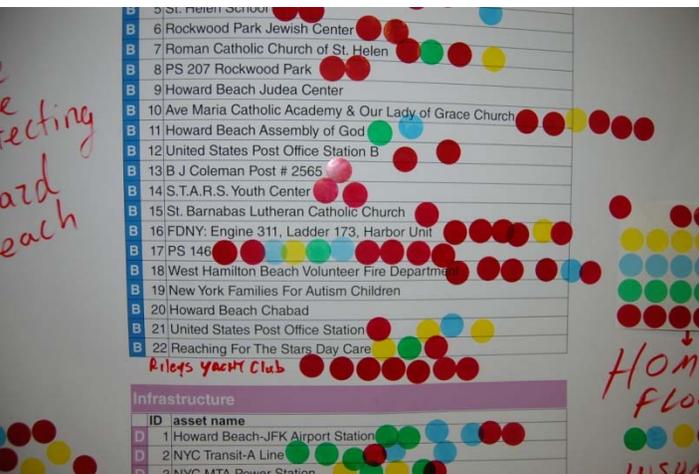
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# What We Learned – Meeting #1

## ■ Prioritization of Assets

- DEP Pumping Station (13)
- Our Lady of Grace & Ava Maria Catholic Academy (10)
- PS 146 (10)
- West Hamilton Beach Volunteer Fire Department (10)
- Howard Beach – JFK Airport Station (10)



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# Needs and Opportunities List

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## ■ Additional Needs and Opportunities

### Infrastructure

- Prevent surge for future flooding /bulkheads/levies
- Raise the streets
- **Better transportation system**
- Close off sewer into canal. Duck flap.
- **Sidewalks are cracked**
- Clean out catch basins/prevent flooding in town
- High ground area to park cars

### Natural and Cultural

- **Remove over grown trees / Better tree maintenance**

### Health and Social Services

- **Centralized location after storm to display information**

### Economic

- **160<sup>th</sup> Ave and 102<sup>nd</sup> Street needs to be protected**

### Housing

- Aid in helping raise home to meet new FEMA flood map/ Not a lot of the houses can be raised
- Help to understand the new regulations from NYC DOB

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## Public Meeting #1 Committee Take-Aways

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- Earlier Outreach
- More interaction with local Newspapers (post Governor meeting)
- Other Issues and Ideas:

## Openplans Feedback

Date	Comment	Type	From	Category	Location name	Location address	Asset type
2013-10-21	This location is the parking lot for St.Helen's Church & School which served as a staging area after Sandy.	Correction			ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH	157 AVENUE	A
2013-10-22	This is St Helen School, not the Church.	Correction	Richard Elrose		ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH	157 AVENUE	A
2013-10-22	costal protection is the main issue	Issue	marianna iaboni	Infrastructure	General comment		N/A
2013-10-22	There's a small boat yard in front of this property	Issue				99-59 165 AVENUE	C
2013-10-22	we need a permitted boat launching and parking lot at cross bay blvd. more accessibility to water.	Issue			GATEWAY NATIONAL RECREATION AREA	83 STREET	E
2013-10-22	This is Senator Addabbo's office where relief station was located and a place where information can be disseminated.	Correction			IRENE D'AMBROSIO	159-53 102 STREET	C
2013-10-22	A berm, levee or seawall should be built from the railroad to Hawtree Basin east bank in Hamilton Beach Park. A flood gate should be built at the mouth of Hawtree Basin. A berm, levee, or seawall should be built from Hawtree Basin west bank to Shellbank Basin east bank. A flood gate should be built at the mouth of Shellbank Basin. A berm, levee or seawall should be built from Crossbay Blvd to the Kings County line at Spring Creek Park.	Issue			General comment		N/A

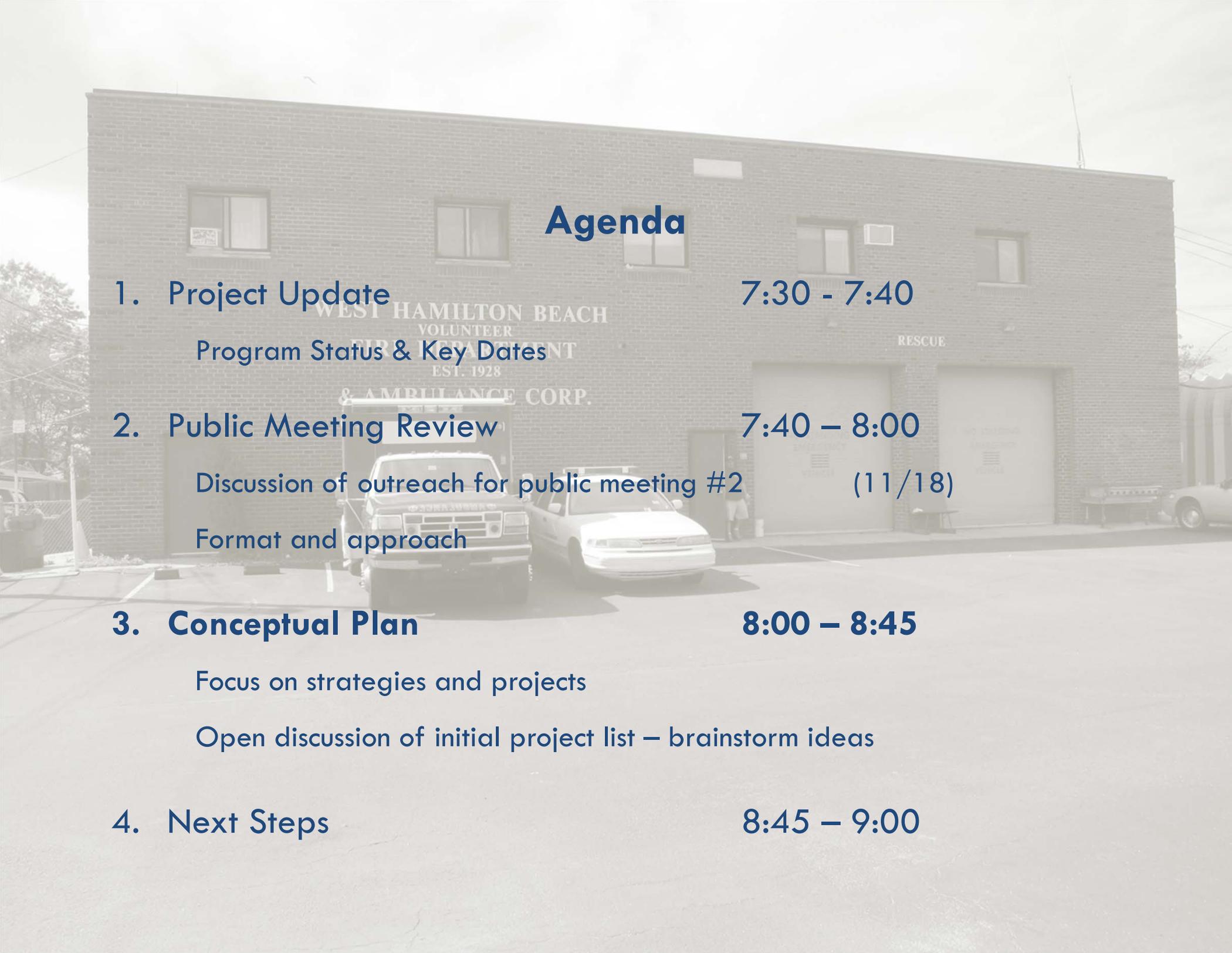
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## Proposed Public Meeting #2 Agenda

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### Possible Topics:

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# Draft Conceptual Plan

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## Public document for broad audience

- Howard Beach residents and greater NYC community
- Local, state and federal government agencies
- Elected representatives

## 2-Step Process

- **Draft Conceptual Plan - Monday, October 28**
- Final Conceptual Plan - March 2014

### **Howard Beach Community Reconstruction**

Conceptual Plan  
October 28, 2013



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# Draft Conceptual Plan – Key Sections

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## **I. Introduction –4**

New York Rising Community Reconstruction Program  
Approach to Public Outreach 6

## **II. Community Context –8**

Geographic Scope 8  
Community Overview 9

## **III. Storm Impacts and Risk – 10**

Summary of Storm Impacts 10  
Recovering from the Storm 10

## **IV. Rebuilding and Resiliency Planning – 12**

Process Overview 12  
Community Assets 13  
Needs and Opportunities 20  
Community Goals & Vision 23

## **V. Additional Considerations –24**

Regional Perspectives 24  
Existing Plans, Studies, and Projects 26

## **VI. Preliminary Strategies and Projects –28**

Preliminary Strategies, Projects, and Actions 28  
Next Steps and Implementation Planning 29

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## Draft Conceptual Plan – Comments and Suggestions

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- Balance pictures between Hamilton Beach, New Howard, Old Howard and Lindenwood (?)

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## Proposed Projects – Follow DOS Categories

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# Community Reconstruction Plan

## Six Recovery Functions

Community Planning  
& Capacity Building



Economic  
Development



Health &  
Human Services



Housing



Infrastructure



Natural &  
Cultural Resources



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## Proposed Projects – Initial List

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### Infrastructure

- Develop a protection strategy for local power stations
- Increase access to isolated sections of the community – especially Hamilton Beach
- Raise low-lying streets

### Natural and Cultural

- Protect the edge

### Health and Social Services

- Expand healthcare and social infrastructure to support the community's senior population
- Build dual- or multi- purpose service center(s)
- Enhance the resiliency of the New York Fire Department Harbor Unit in New Howard Beach and West Hamilton Beach Volunteer Fire Department

### Economic

- Protect commercial areas and corridors, such as Cross Bay Boulevard and Lindenwood commercial area
- Surge protection for Coleman Square
- Training and communication programs around rebuilding program and financing options

### Housing

- Low-cost financing to help residents fund housing resiliency improvements



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## Q&A and Next Steps

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### General Questions?

### Next Steps

- Nominate Regional Working Group Representative
- Discuss Future Meetings
- Other issues/concerns