



Attendance:

Planning Committee Members:

John Besant	Springfield/Rosedale Community Action Association
Gloria Boyce-Charles	Eastern Queens Alliance; Rosedale Civic Association
Barbara Brown	Springfield/Rosedale Community Action Association Eastern Queens Alliance
Valencia Butler	Springfield/Rosedale Community Action Association
Patrick Evans	Springfield Taxpayers Civic Association
Lonnie Glover	Springfield Gardens Community Civic Association
Bill Perkins	Rosedale Civic Association

GOSR Representatives:

Claudia Filomena	Governor's Office of Storm Recovery
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Consultant Team:

Bethany Bearmore	Louis Berger Group
Arnie Block	Fitzgerald & Halliday
Ari Daman	Perkins Eastman
Eric Fang	Perkins Eastman
Jennifer Gonzalez	Louis Berger Group
Simon Kates	BFJ Planning
David Kirk	PACO Group
Todd Poole	4Ward Planning
Sarah Yackel	BFJ Planning

Community Members:

Tamara Mitchell	Eastern Queens Alliance
Kamal Saleem	Rochdale Village, Environmental Conservation Committee
Earnest Flowers	NYS Assemblyman Scarborough
Louis Kilkenny	Springfield/Rosedale Community Action Association
Andrea Fisher	Resident
Lekecia Henry	Resident
Terryl Ebony De Mondonca	Misunderstood Youth Development Center; Community Board 13
Lynette Shelborne-Barfield	NYS Senator James Sanders, Jr.



The purpose of the first NYRCR Planning Committee Meeting was to introduce the Planning Committee to the NY Rising Community Reconstruction (NYRCR) Program, GOSR representatives and the Consultant team that is working on their behalf to put the plan together. The meeting began at approximately 7:00 p.m. with an introduction by Claudia Filomena, the New York City Regional Lead for the NYRCR Program. The consultant team then explained the NY Rising Community Reconstruction Program and the planning process and presented a preliminary discussion of the impacts of Superstorm Sandy and Hurricane Irene. The consultant team then led a discussion to clarify the study area, plan for the first Public Engagement Meeting and begin the process of developing a Vision Statement for the Plan. Meeting schedules, next steps and questions from the committee were addressed. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m. The following was noted:

Agenda Item: Presentation of the Community Reconstruction Plan Process

Presenter: Eric Fang

Summary of Discussion:

1. NYRCR Program Overview

Notes:

- Members of the Planning Committee emphasized that the NYRCR process should build upon the findings of the Eastern Queens Alliance White Paper, which was produced in 2006.
- Importance of including large scale capital projects to express community priorities, even if not funded by NYRCR.
- Importance of coordinating with ongoing capital projects, including DDC work at Brookville triangle to ensure that NYRCR projects are supportive, not duplicative. Additionally, it was noted that NYRCR projects should not be overly dependent upon other capital projects, as some long term projects are not completed.
- Noted that funding for NYRCR communities was determined by FEMA individual assistance claims after Superstorm Sandy, Hurricane Irene, and Tropical Storm Lee.

2. What Happened and Why: Impacts of Superstorm Sandy and Hurricane Irene

Agenda Item: Geographic Scope

Presenter: Eric Fang

Summary of Discussion:

Notes:



- It was noted that key assets in Springfield Gardens are located north of the Belt Parkway and outside of the preliminary geographic scope presented at this meeting, including Rochdale Village.
- Planning Committee Members pointed out that assets that are located outside of the floodplain could be viewed as opportunities to provide support for those who live or work in low-lying areas.
- The committee suggested expanding the Planning Area Boundary to include the section of Springfield Gardens that is north of the Belt Parkway (western border: Baisley Blvd; northern border: Merrick Blvd). This will allow the committee to consider two types of projects: Projects that increase protections from flooding for residents and businesses within the floodplain, and projects that increase response capacity for assets that are located on higher ground.

Agenda Item: Vision Statement

Presenter: Simon Kates

Summary of Discussion:

Notes:

- It was noted that the three communities of Springfield Gardens, Brookville, and Rosedale have a history of working closely together.
- Visioning assignment was distributed to committee members to be completed and returned to the Consultant Team.

Agenda Item: Public Engagement

Presenter: Arnie Block

Summary of Discussion:

Notes:

- The Planning Committee discussed several potential venues for the first Public Engagement Event.
- It was suggested to hold a series of public events at civic association block parties, during the month of August.
- Resolution is to hold a standalone workshop on 7/31 and follow up with a station at each civic association event during the month of August.

Agenda Item: Nomination of Co-Chairs

Presenter: Claudia Filomena



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Summary of Discussion:

Notes:

- Two nominees were put forward to serve as co-chairs: Barbara Brown and Bill Perkins.
- The Planning Committee voted and both nominees were confirmed.