



City of Rye
Community Reconstruction Program
Committee Meeting #3

Tuesday, July 29, 2014
6:00 PM, Rye City Hall

Agenda

- Welcome and Introductions
- Review Public Engagement #1
- Refine and Finalize Vision
- Review Critical Issues and Community Overview
- Discuss Needs and Opportunities
- Looking Ahead





Welcome and Introductions



Public Engagement #1

What we “heard”



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What we heard

- Assets
 - County-owned Playland and the Rye Nature Center were repeats at the Photo Booth.
 - The seven pump stations received the most votes.
 - The Central Business District was a focus.
 - City resources like Locust Avenue and Milton Point Fire Houses, the Police Station and Rye City Court, and the Department of Public Works were highlighted.
 - Bridges were also an issue.



What we heard about

- Storm Damage
 - Superstorm Sandy was primarily a wind event; however Milton Harbor House was flooded and the loss of power displaced some residents who moved to hotels.
 - Hurricane Irene caused severe flood damage to homes and businesses and led to sewer overflows. Many buildings modified to be more resilient but sewage problems persist.
 - 2007 storms referenced regularly.



What we heard about

- Possible Projects
 - Address sewer overflow problems.
 - Study I-95 culvert problem and possibly expand.
 - Structured parking in or near downtown.
 - Start with the Flooding Mitigation Projects in the Capital Improvement Plan.
 - Address housing with grandfathered flood rates that cannot be resold without renovations.
 - Drainage on Milton Road.
 - Put utilities underground.





Community Vision

Draft Vision

- Our Vision is to preserve and improve the small-town feel of the centralized main street, the range of uses along the Long Island Sound shoreline, the beauty of the streets and parks, and the diversity of ages among engaged neighbors to ensure that the community remains economically and environmentally resilient and resistant to storms and floods.



Draft Values

- **Safeguard** the city against future riverine and coastal storm threats.
- **Upgrade** infrastructure for resilience.
- **Identify** strategies to manage and mitigate stormwater.
- **Leverage** regional opportunities to plan for the Blind Brook and Beaver Swamp Brook watersheds.
- **Coordinate** local and regional communications and services before, during, and after emergencies.
- **Preserve** historic buildings, natural wetlands, and public access to the waterfront.
- **Improve** connections for people walking, running, and cycling.
- **Ensure** that the city remains a vibrant and attractive place for people of all ages.



Critical Issues and Community Overview

Critical Issues

- Increased Frequency and Intensity of Flooding
- Stormwater and Sewer Systems
- Vulnerable Community Services
- Power Loss
- Housing
- Policy Limitations on Resilience
- Watershed Planning



CR Plan Section 1 Draft

- Community Overview
- Geographic Scope
- Description of Storm Damage
- Community Vision
- Critical Issues
- Relationship to Regional Plans





Community Value of Assets

Relative Value of Subcategories

- **High:** Asset(s) that are so significant in the support of that community's day-to-day function that the loss of that asset or extended lack of functioning.
- **Medium:** Asset(s) that are important to the functioning of that community's day-to-day life but whose function could be replaced or duplicated in a mid-term time frame without significant burden to a community's long-term health.
- **Low:** Asset(s) that play a role in the functioning of a community's day-to-day life, but whose loss could be managed and overcome within a community without substantial impact to that community's functioning.





Needs and Opportunities

Recovery Support Functions

Natural/Cultural
Resources



Infrastructure



Health/Social
Services



Community Planning,
Capacity Building



Economic
Development



Housing



Community Planning & Capacity Building

- Needs
 - [insert]
- Opportunities
 - [insert]



Economic Development

- Needs
 - [insert]
- Opportunities
 - [insert]



Health and Social Services

- Needs
 - [insert]
- Opportunities
 - [insert]



Housing

- Needs
 - [insert]
- Opportunities
 - [insert]



Infrastructure

- Needs
 - [insert]
- Opportunities
 - [insert]



Natural and Cultural Resources

- Needs
 - [insert]
- Opportunities
 - [insert]





Looking Ahead

Scheduling

- Next committee meeting: August 12 (tentative)
- Second Public Engagement Event: September 9
discuss strategies, projects, and actions
- Fourth committee meeting: September 16



Draft Agenda for Next Meeting

- Refine and Finalize Asset Inventory
- Review Needs and Opportunities
- Discuss Strategies
- Prepare for Public Engagement Meeting #2



Deliverables

	Draft	Final
Vision Statement	done	August 1
Asset Inventory	done	August 22
Needs and Opportunities	August 1	September 1
Risk Assessment	September 15	November 7
Reconstruction Strategies	September 19	October 3





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www.stormrecovery.ny.gov/nyrcr/

Timeline

July

Aug

Sept

Oct

Nov

Dec

Jan

PLAN DEVELOPMENT

1: Existing Conditions
Analysis & Goal Setting



2: Needs & Opportunities



3: Projects & Strategies



4: Final Plan & Implementation Steps



IN-PERSON COMMITTEE MEETINGS (roughly twice monthly)



Overview of the Process

- Establish vision and goals
- Identify assets and risks
- Assess risk reduction
- Prepare cost estimates
- Develop project profiles with a focus on funding
- Draft final reconstruction plan



CDBG-DR Funding Criteria

- Funds used for recovery efforts involving
 - housing
 - economic development
 - infrastructure
 - prevention of further damage
- Funds may not duplicate funding from
 - Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)
 - the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA)
 - the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers



Elements of the Final Plan

- Executive Summary
- Community Overview: Geographic Scope, Description of Storm Damage, Critical Issues, Community Vision, Relationship to Regional Plans
- Assessment of Risk and Needs: Description of Assets and Assessment of Risk, Assessment Needs and Opportunities
- Reconstruction and Resiliency Strategies
- Implementation - Project Profiles
- Additional Materials



Role of the Community

- 10 Planning Committee Meetings
- 4 Public Engagement Events
 - Community input on vision, geographic scope, and community asset maps
 - Community input on needs and opportunities, strategies, and projects and actions
 - Community input on proposed projects
 - Share Final Plan and next steps



CDBG-DR Funding Criteria

- Buying, constructing, or rehabilitating public facilities (streets, neighborhood centers, sewer systems)
- Buying storm damaged properties
- Rehabilitation of storm damaged buildings
- Helping businesses retain or create jobs in disaster areas
- Public services (< 15% of grant)
- Planning and administration costs (<20% of grant)
- Code enforcement
- Debris removal

