



# Meeting Summary

## Yonkers Planning Committee Meeting #7

October 7, 2014 3-5 pm

Grinton I. Will Library

1500 Central Park Avenue, Yonkers

### Attendance:

Yonkers NYRCR Committee – Rick Magder (Co-Chair), Gail O’Rourke (Co-Chair), Shelley Weintraub (representing Steven Brown), Stephen Force, Kathy Graves, Jagdish Mistry, Leon Nanton, Kerry Smith, Paul Summerfield, Renee Toback, Bob Walters

Elected Officials – Rachel Estroff (representing State Assemblywoman Shelley Mayer)

GOSR – Suzanne Barclay (Regional Lead), Rick Soto-Lopez (Planner)

Consultant Team – Nanette Bourne (AKRF), Jim Finegan (AKRF), Maggie Hopkins (CDM Smith), Ayres Bradford Jr. (HGA)

Members of the Public – John Magiotto (Yonkers Paddling and Rowing Club), Nancy Ruiz (Brooklands), Diane Toledo (representing Ken Jenkins of Yonkers IDA)

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### Welcome and Introductions

Presenter: Suzanne Barclay

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### Old Business

#### Agenda Item: Finalize Vulnerability Scoring

Presenter: Maggie Hopkins

Vulnerability Scores provide a measure of the length an asset was disrupted in the aftermath of Hurricane Irene or Superstorm Sandy. Development of Vulnerability Scores was the last major step of the assessment of risk to assets. Maggie went through the list of outstanding data needs, and the Committee provided input. Based on the results of this session, a final risk assessment will be produced for all assets.

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### Action Items

Action Items	Person Responsible	Due Date
Incorporate final scores into Risk Assessment	Consultant Team	ASAP

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#### Agenda Item: Discuss List of Projects

Presenter: Nanette Bourne

The Committee continued with last meeting’s discussion of the project list. Updates had been made to the list since the last Committee meeting, and Nanette reviewed these updates, as well as discussing projects that had been talked about last time. Order-of-magnitude cost estimates had been produced, and the Committee weighed in on these as well. This discussion will continue at the next meeting, following which a final project list should be ready.

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## New Business

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Agenda Item: **CDBG-DR Eligibility Information Session**

Presenter: Ayres Bradford

Ayres described the requirements for CDBG-DR eligibility, which must be met for all those projects that the Committee wishes to submit for potential funding through the NYRCR program. Ayres provided some examples of hypothetical projects that would meet specific requirements, and then went on to discuss a number of the projects from the Yonkers project list in terms of their eligibility and where each project might run into difficulty in meeting the requirements. The main hurdle is tying each project back to one of the eligible storms (Hurricane Irene, Tropical Storm Lee, and Superstorm Sandy).

Agenda Item: **Looking Ahead**

Presenter: Nanette Bourne

The next Committee Meeting will be held on October 21st at the Riverfront Library, and going forward the Committee will alternate meetings at the Riverfront Library and the Will Library (on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month).

As the ninth Committee meeting would fall on Nov 4th – Election Day – the Committee decided to reschedule the meeting. A Doodle poll will be circulated to the Committee and Team so that a final date for the ninth meeting can be set.

The Committee discussed potential locations for the 3rd Public Engagement Event. The Hudson River Museum was raised as a potential venue, and is the Committee's current favorite pending availability of a suitable space. The Beczak Center is the second choice, followed by Philipse Manor and the Cola Center. The handicapped accessibility of the Philipse Manor was raised as a potential issue and will need to be looked into.