

**Plattsburgh (C) Harborside Master Plan**  
**Project Advisory Committee Meeting #3a and #3b**  
**March 28, 2022 @ 10:00am – Video Conference**  
**April 8, 2022 @ 10:00am – Video Conference**



**PAC Meeting #3a - DRAFT SUMMARY NOTES**

**Attendees:**

Committee Members

- Julie Baughn, ZBA & Farmers Market Mgr.
- Shannon Thayer, Clinton County Planner
- Kim Manion, Business Owner
- Loui Xie, SUNY Plattsburgh & Clinton Co. PB
- Michael Bessette, City DPW
- Jim Abdallah, Planning Board Chair
- Jared Hogle, Outdoor enthusiast
- Jeff Moore, City Councilor
- Jon Ruff, Environmental Manager
- Shelise Marbut, CDO
- Matthew Miller, CDO

Consultant Team

- Bob Murphy, Barton & Loguidice
- Leigh Jones, Barton & Loguidice
- Brian Jones, Aubertine & Currie

**1. Virtual PIM and Survey Summaries**

Mr. Murphy briefed the Committee on the progress of the project based on the DOS Contract Tasks with the City. The project team has been working on Task 5 – Community Workshops, Task 6 – Identification of Priority Waterfront and Community Revitalization Projects, and Task 7- the Draft Master Plan. The next milestone is the Public Workshop at the end of April. The project remains on track to be able to submit for implementation funding for the July 2022 CFA Round. The B&L Team will have cost estimates related to concept plans.

Other comments included:

- Opportunities for public engagement can be utilized through the Plattsburgh Farmers Market on May 7<sup>th</sup>
- Student population engagement is necessary
- Multimodal Access to the sight is key

**2. Detailed Enlargement Plans**

Ms. Jones led the Committee through the project team’s baseline understanding of site design considerations. These included a photo log and regional context map highlighting connections to other destinations and activity nodes in and around Plattsburgh. Comments included:

- Better define “active” recreation versus “passive” recreation in the detailed plans

**3. Committee Feedback and Discussion**



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Ms. Jones led the Committee through a discussion of the Community Survey Summary and PIM Feedback. Comments included:

- Incorporate historical connections to Battle of Plattsburgh
- Stakeholder groups include:
  - o SUNY Plattsburgh
  - o Boaters and fisherman
  - o NYSDEC
  - o Residents outside of the immediate area
- Priorities for Lakefront Subarea:
  - o Still a medium desire for active recreation
- Priorities for Riverfront Subarea:
  - o Active recreation and whitewater
- NYSEG site – Restrictions on development

#### 4. Next Steps

PAC Meeting 3 part II will take place the week of April 4<sup>th</sup> and will focus on the Environmental Learning Center. Public meeting 2 will take place at the city Library at 6pm on April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

#### 5. Adjourn

The Harborside Master Plan Committee Meeting #3a adjourned at 11:30am.



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### PAC Meeting #3b - DRAFT SUMMARY NOTES

#### 1. ELC Location & Overall Site Layout Context

The B&L Team discussed the location and overall site layout context of the ELC with the committee. Comments included:

- Are we trying to create an ECHO Center like in Burlington, Vermont?
- What are we trying to accomplish?
  - o Create a destination or attraction
  - o Turn the WRRF from “functional” to “transformational”
- Would like to see events simultaneous with Farmers Market
- Exhibits will be unstaffed
- Targeting all demographics
  - o Should be beneficial to the City of Plattsburgh and educational groups
- Roof space can be used to rent parties
- Rotating or traveling exhibits are important

#### 2. Preliminary ELC Layout Drawings

Brian Jones and A&C briefed the committee on the location and site layout context of the ELC. Comments included:

- Wayfinding/Landmark will be provided by ELC structure
- 1,000 square feet on ground floor
  - o 2<sup>nd</sup> floor will be 8’x30’
- There will be stairs and an elevator
- Bathrooms and a mechanical room will also be included.

#### 3. ELC Programming Considerations

Jon Ruff led the committee through ELC programming considerations. Comments included:

- Communities are in the middle of the water cycle;



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- The historical relationship between the water structure and drinking water should be a “permanent” exhibit;
- Provide an accessible observation desk for the elderly & wheelchair bound;
- Interactions between children and seniors;
  - o This includes a play area and a sitting space;
- Design the ELC interior and exterior accordingly to accommodate to cold or windy weather conditions;
- Video room or area, rotate the video content;
- Cooperate with organization partners including the Farmers Market and Lake Champlain Research Institute;
- The board and committee need to guide exhibit rotation invents as well as revenue generation and staffing.

#### 4. Next Steps

B&L will compile notes to distribute to the committee. The project team will then discuss these topics with the public at a workshop on April 27<sup>th</sup>. The B&L Team will prepare an “exhibit outline” for A&C and Hadley Exhibits.

#### 5. Adjourn

The Harborside Master Plan Committee Meeting #3b adjourned at 11:05am.