VILLAGE OF HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON Comprehensive Plan Update & Local Waterfront Revitalization Program

MEETING SUMMARY

Purpose:	Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU) and LWRP Committee Meeting #5
Date and Time:	April 6, 2023, 7:00 pm
Location:	James Harmon Community Center, 44 Main Street, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY
	10706
Attendees:	See Below

Ray Dovell, CPU & LWRP Committee Chair, welcomed Committee members, Village staff, consultants, and members of the public to the meeting and initiated introductions.	Agenda Item	Discussion	Key Decisions & Outcomes
Welcome & Ray Dovell Mary Beth Murphy Trustee Fleisig Chris Thomas Edward Kuch John Patrick Diggins Meg Walker Meghann Donahue Natalie Barry MJ Engineering and Land Surveying, P.C., the lead consultants assisting the Village with the Comprehensive Plan Update & LWRP process, was represented at the meeting by: Jaclyn Hakes, AICP Nora Culhane Friedel 		Committee members, Village staff, consultants, and members of the public to the meeting and initiated introductions. Members of the CPU & LWRP Committee in attendance: Ray Dovell Mary Beth Murphy Trustee Fleisig Chris Thomas Edward Kuch John Patrick Diggins Meg Walker Meghann Donahue Natalie Barry MJ Engineering and Land Surveying, P.C., the lead consultants assisting the Village with the Comprehensive Plan Update & LWRP process, was represented at the meeting by: Jaclyn Hakes, AICP	N/A

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Approval of Minutes/Meeting Summary	 Ray Dovell, CPU/LWRP Committee Chair, initiated the approval of past meeting minutes and summaries. Meeting Summary for March 1, 2023 meeting approved. 	Meeting Summary for March 1, 2023 meeting approved
Project Status Update	 Ray Dovell introduced Jaclyn Hakes (MJ), who provided an update of the project status. Key current/upcoming project milestones include: Spring 2023 – Second round of public engagement, comp plan strategies and recommendations, LWRP proposed projects Summer 2023 – Third round of public engagement, initiate Draft Comp Plan, and Draft LWRP Fall 2023 – Public hearing, Draft Comp Plan, and Draft LWRP Winter 2023 – Spring 2024 – Final Comp Plan, Final LWRP, Adoption 	N/A
Public Engagement Update	Jaclyn Hakes (MJ) provided an update on Public Engagement. The Community Survey is now live through April 15. The survey is available online through the project website and also through hard copies available at key locations in the Village including Village Hall, the Library and the Community Center. 913 responses received to date; the consultant team has not reviewed any responses yet. A Spanish language version has been made available. Publicity for the survey includes: Village and Project Website Village email Survey cards CPU/LWRP Committee Flyers	Committee members are encouraged to share the survey through their networks

	 Stakeholder Group Meetings have been held virtually on March 30, April 3, April 4 with Key Groups: Local & Regional Partners, Infrastructure and Transportation Sustainability, Open Space, & Recreation Arts, History & Community Organizations Business & Economic Development Planning, Zoning & Land Use Education Emergency Management & Preparedness 50+ participated in the stakeholder meetings in total and follow up meetings will be scheduled for key stakeholders that were unable to attend. The consultant Team is preparing summaries. Public Engagement #2 is still to be scheduled, looking to host an in person, Open House Style with stations set up. Station Examples: Recreation Neighborhoods & Housing Economic Growth Transportation & Mobility Sustainability & Natural Resources 	
Vision, Goals and Smart Growth Principles Discussion	Jaclyn Hakes (MJ) provided an update of the revised Vision and Goals. The consultant team drafted a community vision which incorporates themes from the previous Comprehensive Plan, Committee Feedback from the January Visioning session and Community feedback from the first Public Meeting. The Committee feedback received was throughout the month of March and feedback currently being incorporated into revised Draft Vision.	Committee members to provide additional feedback on the revised Vision and Goals via email. Consultant team will provide a revised draft in the next few weeks.
LWRP Proposed Land and Water Uses and Proposed Projects	Jaclyn Hakes (MJ) shared an overview of demographic data to set the stage for proposed projects. 2021 ACS data was used. Committee members commented on the large amount of growth the community experienced, and the large senior population compared to the town/county/state. Committee member asked a question regarding the breakdown for older data to compare as it relates to age	Consultant team will prepare further demographic data requested and collaborate with committee members to procure.

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	trends and include peer communities (Dobbs Ferry, Ardsley).	
	Committee member requested a closer examination of the statistics on vacancy within the Village.	
LWRP Proposed Land and Water	Jaclyn Hakes (MJ) led a continuation of the previous meetings conversation regarding proposed projects and proposed land and water uses. The committee was tasked with identifying ideas for proposed land and water projects – the consultant team received over 64 ideas from committee.	Consultant team asked committee to provide feedback
Uses and Proposed Projects (cont.)	Committee member wanted to ensure that stakeholder group ideas would be incorporated as well – consultant team assured they would be.	on initial draft proposed projects list. Consultant team will share
	Committee members asked if we would be sorting each of these projects into either the Comprehensive Plan or LWRP so as not to duplicate or including critical projects in both as a statement of importance – consultant team will work on this with the DOS representative.	document in the coming weeks.
	 Key categories that have begun to emerge: Housing & Economic Development Infrastructure Improvements Transportation, Mobility and Pedestrian Connections Recreation & Trails 	
	Environment & Sustainability	
Introduction to Local Consistency Review Law	 Jaclyn Hakes (MJ) introduced Consistency Review Law. Each municipality with an approved LWRP has a Waterfront Consistency Review Law to implement the LWRP. This local law provides a mechanism to determine whether the actions in the waterfront revitalization area (WRA) directly undertaken, funded, or approved by the municipality are consistent with the policies and provisions of the LWRP. A Waterfront Consistency Review Law establishes which local actions are subject to review by a local committee or official for its consistency with the LWRP. Each municipality with an approved LWRP has a lead agency and a local official or administrator that is responsible for implementation and management of the LWRP. 	

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	 Procedures for local consistency review of proposed actions in the WRA are established by each municipality by local law. 	
	Committee member asked about what can be included in review specifically as requirements.	
	Committee member asked if planning board does the SEQRA review currently – they do and the Village board does as well sometimes depending on the action type.	
Subcommittee Tasks	 Jaclyn Hakes (MJ) provided an overview of the upcoming tasks for the Committee. Public Engagement Assistance Continue publicity for Community Survey Feedback on revised Vision and Goals Feedback on Initial Projects List 	Committee to complete tasks prior to the next CPU/LWRP meeting.
Next Steps	 Jaclyn Hakes (MJ) provided an overview of the next steps in the process: Community Survey Closes April 15 Refine Initial Project List Next Committee Meeting May 3, 2023 @ 7 pm Public Open House #2 – Late May Committee Tasks & Feedback Promote Community Survey Feedback on Revised Vision and Goals by April 26th or sooner Feedback on Initial Project List 	The next CPU & LWRP meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 3, 2023 at 7:00 PM
Public Comment	 There will be a dedicated time for public comment at each CPU & LWRP meeting. Member of public, Ted Andreasian, asked: What the mission and vision are? For whom are they being crafted for – current or future citizens? Are they still being drafted? Shared that they completed the survey – wanted to know who the stakeholders were? Wants to know the ultimate goal of this? How to make Hastings-on-Hudson a destination? Ray Dovell thanked all those in attendance and closed the meeting. 	N/A

This meeting summary conveys our understanding of the items discussed and agreements reached at this meeting. Please forward any additions, corrections and/or questions to my attention.

Submitted by:

Nora Culhane Friedel, MJ Engineering and Land Surveying, P.C. cc: Consultant Team, Comprehensive Plan Update Committee, Village, File

Name	Present
Ray Dovell	
Mary Beth Murphy	
Trustee Drake	
Trustee Fleisig	
Chris Thomas	
Dave Gunton	
Edward Kuch	
John Patrick Diggins	
Meg Walker	
Meghann Donahue	
Natalie Barry	
Richard Bass	
Samantha Merton	
Sarah Dupere Ostro	

Comprehensive Plan Update & LWRP Committee

Village Representatives & Planning Support

Name	Present
Fiona Mathews	

State Representatives

Name	Present
Joshua Hunn	

Consultant Team

Name	Affiliation	Present
Jaclyn Hakes, Project Manager	M.J. Engineering	
Nora Culhane Friedel	M.J. Engineering	

Members of the Public

The following members of the public were in attendance:

- Marcia Brewster
- Ted Andreasian