

VILLAGE OF HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE & LOCAL WATERFRONT REVITALIZATION PROGRAM

MEETING SUMMARY

Purpose: Comprehensive Plan Update (CPU) and LWRP Committee Meeting #19
Date and Time: November 6, 2024, 7:00 pm
Location: James Harmon Community Center, 44 Main Street, Hastings-on-Hudson, NY 10706
Attendees: See Below

Agenda Item	Discussion	Key Decisions & Outcomes
Welcome	<p>Ray Dovell, CPU & LWRP Committee Chair, welcomed Committee members, Village staff, consultants, and members of the public to the meeting.</p> <p>Members of the CPU & LWRP Committee in attendance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ray Dovell, Chair • Mary Beth Murphey • Trustee Drake • Trustee Fleisig • Christopher Thomas • Dave Gunton • Edward Kuch • John Patrick Diggins • Natalie Barry • Richard Bass • Samantha Merton <p>MJ Engineering and Land Surveying, P.C. (MJ), the lead consultants assisting the Village with the Comprehensive Plan Update & LWRP process, was represented at the meeting by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jaclyn Hakes, AICP • Daniel Madigan 	N/A

Approval Meeting Summaries	Ray Dovell, CPU/LWRP Committee Chair, initiated the approval of past meeting minutes.	Meeting Summary for September 4, 2024, approved.
Project Status Update	<p>Jaclyn Hakes (MJ) provided an update of the project status. Key current/upcoming project milestones include:</p> <p>Remaining Key Committee Steps (Anticipated)</p> <p>November 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review LWRP Section IV and Provide Comments on Proposed Projects and Uses (Completed) <p>Public Engagement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Committee Public Engagement completed The remaining public engagement will be a required Board of Trustees Public Hearing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To be scheduled <p><i>***NOTE: The Village Board of Trustees is required to hold a public hearing on the draft plan prior to adoption.</i></p>	N/A
LWRP Section IV Proposed Land and Water Projects and Uses	<p>Jaclyn Hakes (MJ) provided a draft LWRP Planning Process Refresher:</p> <p>Draft LWRP Planning Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Form Waterfront Advisory Committee Review Previous Planning Inventory & Analysis of Local Resources Draft and Review Required Sections Village “acceptance” of draft 60-day public review Incorporation of public comments Local adaption of LWRP & Local Laws DOS Final Legal Review NYS Secretary of State Approval Federal Approval if required <p>LWRP Required Elements:</p> <p>i. LWRP Revitalization Area Boundary</p>	N/A

<p>LWRP Section IV Proposed Land and Water Projects and Uses</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii. Inventory and Analysis iii. Local Waterfront Revitalization Policies iv. Proposed Land and Water Uses and Proposed Projects v. Techniques for Local Implementation vi. Federal and State Actions and Programs Likely to Affect Implementation vii. Local Commitment and Consultation viii. Compliance with SEQRA <p>Section I: Waterfront Revitalization Area and Harbor Management Area Boundaries</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify the boundaries of the Waterfront Revitalization Area (WRA) where the LWRP will be implemented <p>Section II: Inventory and Analysis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Describes impotent resources, existing or emerging challenges and opportunities in the WRA • Characterized by data and information to support and refine explanations of the LWRP coastal policies <p>Section II: Local Waterfront Revitalization Policies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identifies the refined explanations of the coastal policies that are supported by the data and information in Section II • Local actions and proposed projects are weighed against the coastal policies and their purposes described in this section of the LWRP <p>Section IV: Proposed Land and Water Uses and Proposed Projects</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The proposed projects and uses translate the policies outlined in Section III into the Action strategy of the LWRP 	<p>N/A</p>
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<p>LWRP Section IV Proposed Land and Water Projects and Uses</p>	<p>Section V: Techniques for Local Implementation of the Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outlines how the coastal policies in Section III and the proposed projects and uses in Section IV will be implemented • Identifies local laws to support the future land use <p>Section VI: State and Federal Actions and Programs Likely to Affect Implementation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Includes a list of state actions which should be completed in a manner consistent with the LWRP; and • A list of federal activities impacting uses and natural resources in the coastal area <p>Section VII: Local Commitment and Consultation With Other Affected Federal, State, Regional, and Local Agencies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Described the efforts undertaken by the community throughout the preparation of the LWRP document <p>Draft LWRP Section Update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Section I: Waterfront Revitalization Area and Harbor Management Area Boundaries <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Draft Provided • Section II: Inventory and Analysis <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Draft Provided • Section III: Local Waterfront Revitalization Policies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Draft Provided • Section IV: Proposed Land and Water Uses and Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Draft Provided • Section V: Techniques for Local Implementation of the Program <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Draft Provided • Section VI: State and Federal Actions and Programs Likely to Affect Implementation 	<p>N/A</p>
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<p>LWRP Section IV Proposed Land and Water Projects and Uses</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Language provided by State ● Section VII: Local Commitment and Consultation With Other Affected Federal, State, Regional, and Local Agencies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Draft Provided <p>Dan Madigan (MJ) walked through a discussion on the proposed projects and updates:</p> <p>LWRP Section IV – Proposed Projects, Water Projects and Uses Discussion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Connectivity & Access Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Rowley’s Bridge Trail Project ○ Quarry & Riverview Parks Loop ○ Aqueduct Trail Access ○ Library Plaza ○ Waterfront Access Improvement ● Recreation Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Southern Public Area and Maritime Center ○ Waterside Promenade and Hudson River Connection ○ MacEachron Park Revitalization ○ Kinnally Cove Restoration ○ Beach and Swimming Access ● Economic Development Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Parking Lot Revitalization and Design Study ○ Land Use Feasibility Analysis ○ Hudson River Boat Service ● Environment and Sustainability <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Scheckler’s Brook Restoration ○ Water Quality Enhancement for Saw Mill River ○ Stormwater Management Inventory & Assessment ○ Shoreline Monitoring and Protection ○ Improve the Resiliency of Hudson River Shoreline <p>Connectivity & Access Project:</p> <p>Waterfront Access Improvement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Goal: To improve access to the Village’s waterfront, currently restricted by the 	<p>N/A</p>
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<p>LWRP Section IV Proposed Land and Water Projects and Uses</p>	<p>Metro-North Railroad and conditions of existing bridges by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Widening Dock Street Bridge, restoring Zinsser Bridge, creating new pedestrian pathways, and coordinating with MTA <p>A Committee member noted that landowners will also need to be coordinated with.</p> <p>A Committee member asked if this project could include addressing traffic circulation in terms of access for the future. It was noted that Zinsser Bridge currently has limited access. MJ will rephrase to pedestrian facilities to be all-encompassing.</p> <p>A Committee member noted that improving waterfront access should improve traffic downtown since there will be vehicular access.</p> <p>Recreation Projects:</p> <p>MacEachron Park Revitalization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal: Revitalize MacEachron Park for greater safety and usability by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Stabilizing its eroding shoreline and enhancing amenities by building on previous designs <p>A Committee member asked if there was any consideration for sea level rise of the shoreline and to add language about stabilizing and improving.</p> <p>Kinnally Cove Restoration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal: Restore Kinnally Cove greater safety and usability by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Addressing contamination/pollution, stabilizing the stone retaining wall and upgrading amenities, like kayak launch, rack and rental station 	<p>MJ to incorporate Committee comments</p>
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<p>LWRP Section IV Proposed Land and Water Projects and Uses</p>	<p>The Committee held a discussion regarding the location of the kayak launches and whether these locations should be kept general along the waterfront.</p> <p>It was noted that the proposed project is to explore the feasibility for Kinnally Cove Restoration and MacEachron Park and identify the types of things the Village may be looking for in these areas along the waterfront, and other areas.</p> <p>The Committee agreed to keep Kinnally Cove Restoration and MacEachron Park separate due to the PCB contamination in Kinnally Cove.</p> <p>The Committee held a conversation on the specificity of the projects. Depending on the project and what the Village wants will determine the specificity of the project.</p> <p>The Committee agreed to create an additional project that focuses on Kayak Racks and Launch Project that would note locations along the waterfront like Kinnally and MacEachron for non-motorized boat launches.</p> <p>Beach and Swimming Access</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal: Create a public beach and swimming access at Kinnally Cove or MacEachron Park by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Delineating a lifeguarded swim zone while upkeeping environmental/water quality standards <p>The Committee agreed to remove the specificities from this project. It was also noted that there has been swimming in the southern waterfront.</p>	<p>MJ to incorporate Committee comments</p>
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<p>LWRP Section IV Proposed Land and Water Projects and Uses</p>	<p>Economic Development Projects:</p> <p>Hudson River Boat Service</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal: Explore a ferry or boat service to improve waterfront access and connectivity, and to offer alternative transportation by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Coordinating with other Rivertowns, and other local agencies to develop schedules and routes to serve the broader riverfront community <p>The Committee discussed that this project should not be location-specific but should be discussed in conjunction with other modes of transportation. This project should also fold in the concept of connections.</p> <p>The Committee suggested it be re-written as a transient dock that will have space with a mooring field, launch, and connection.</p> <p>Regarding the Southern Public Are and Maritime Center project, the Committee agreed it should not be location specific and to discuss a mooring field and launch here and potentially exploring a motorized launch. Norwalk, Connecticut would be an example of this.</p> <p>The Committee noted that a noise and speed ordinance would need to be looked at regarding controlling speed and the wake.</p> <p>The Committee discussed oil storage barges and to include language regarding mooring oil storage barges in the Harbor boundary and as a challenge in section 2 of the LWRP.</p> <p>A Committee member suggested language regarding view corridors and preservation of the Hudson or Palisades should be included.</p>	<p>MJ to incorporate Committee comments</p>
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<p>LWRP Section IV Proposed Land and Water Projects and Uses</p>	<p>A Committee member noted there is limited ability to do things in the waterway because it is a federal waterway and federal laws supersede local laws.</p> <p>It was suggested that an anchorage map be added to the LWRP.</p> <p>Dan Madigan (MJ) provided an overview of the Future Land Use Map:</p> <p>A Committee member noted that a Southern portion of the map that is labeled as school property may be incorrect. It was also noted there is another school not depicted on the map.</p> <p>Based on conversations earlier, specificities will be removed from the map except for current waterfront access.</p> <p>A Committee member suggested that the legend color for Schools and Mixed-Use be different colors.</p> <p>The Committee discussed adding an additional project that identifies current wetlands and fits into policy 44 and the new DEC wetlands regulations.</p>	<p>MJ to incorporate Committee comments</p>
<p>Next Steps</p>	<p>Jaclyn Hakes (MJ) discussed the next steps:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Committee Work is Complete! • Submission of Preliminary Draft LWRP to Village and NYS Department of State (NYSDOS) • DOS Review (general and legal) • Complete Draft LWRP revisions and acceptance by Village and submittal to DOS • 60-day review and response to comments (DOS) • Preparation of Final LWRP • Village adoption of LWRP & Local Laws • NYS Secretary of State Approval 	<p>MJ to incorporate Committee comments</p>
<p>Public Comment</p>	<p>There were no comments from the public.</p>	<p>N/A</p>

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:

Daniel Madigan, MJ Engineering and Land Surveying, P.C.

cc: Consultant Team, LWRP/Comprehensive Plan Update Committee, Village, File

Comprehensive Plan Update & LWRP Committee

Name	Present
Ray Dovell, Chair	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mary Beth Murphy	
Trustee Drake	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Trustee Fleisig	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Chris Thomas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Dave Gunton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Edward Kuch	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
John Patrick Diggins	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meg Walker	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Meghann Donahue	
Natalie Barry	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Richard Bass	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Samantha Merton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Sarah Dupere Ostro	
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Consultant Team

Name	Affiliation	Present
Jaclyn Hakes, AICP, Project Manager	M.J. Engineering	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Daniel Madigan, Planner	M.J. Engineering	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Members of the Public

The following members of the public were in attendance and signed in:

- Chloe Spagna
- Camelia Galvan
- Juiana Ortiz
- Emilia Ramirez
- Maria Tsiklauri
- Romeo Cascino-Antouellis
- Colin Sexton
- Roy Griffin
- Jake Chen
- Adele Ringwold Gianopoulos
- Aiden Monlemey