



**City of Poughkeepsie
Waterfront Advisory Committee
Meeting Agenda**

Common Council Chambers
Wednesday, November 30, 2022
6:00 PM

I. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

1. Approval of October 25, 2022 Meeting Minutes

Motion: _____

Second: _____

Carried: _____

II. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. Review of November 18, 2022 Draft LWRP
[Local Waterfront Revitalization Program - Draft November 18, 2022](#)
2. Discussion of Common Council Timeline for Review of LWRP
 - Public Hearing scheduled for December 19th @6:00PM

POUGHKEEPSIE WATERFRONT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 25, 2022 MEETING

Members Present: Europa McGovern (Chair), Harvey Flad, Mike Young, Lia Harris

Members Absent: Terricena Brown, Jim Nelson

Also Present: Natalie Quinn, Development Director

Meeting called to order: 6:07 PM

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Mike Young, seconded by Harvey Flad, the Committee voted to receive in print and approve the September 27, 2022 meeting minutes. The motion passed unanimously 4:0:0.

II. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. Discussion of LWRP changes and additions requested by the NYS Department of State and assignment of tasks

Following an update by staff, there was general discussion of proposed changes and additions to the LWRP requested by the New York State Department of State and assignment of tasks. Staff presented an overview of the changes requested by NYS DOS as well guidance on how to review the various documents. Staff has identified edits within two topic areas that might be most appropriate for the WAC to assist with based on the expertise of the committee member. The two topic areas include (1) additional discussion of existing water and shoreline uses, such as fishing and boating, and potential conflicts between those uses to the harbor management plan, as well as (2) additional discussion of climate resilience and adaptation needs on the waterfront. Staff also requested that the committee review Part 3, paying specific attention to points where DOS has requested removal of sub-policies and relocation of the sub-policy language into the “explanation of policy.”

There was discussion regarding the timeline for review and approval of the revised LWRP. A communication before the Common Council is scheduled for November 7th, will staff will review the summary of changes requested by DOS. The goal is to have a full revised draft posted by November 7th in time for the communication, if possible.

There was general discussion about the potential need to create a standalone project that focuses on resiliency to flooding and climate change, and integrates ideas from previous work such as the Fall Kill Plan, CaD Studio, and resiliency workshop with Hyde Park. The alternative of adding a resiliency lens to existing projects within the document was also discussed, such as the project on

landscape management, green infrastructure, waterfront park improvements, and implementation of the Fall Kill plan.

The Commission also agreed to assist in drafting a narrative on air quality issues within the WRA. This could include discussion of Route 9 and car exhaust from that facility, the local water to energy facility or incinerator, EPA standards surrounding air quality, etc.

There was discussion of proposed changes to section three. There are a handful of DOS suggestions to remove statements that are not directly supported by the existing code of ordinances or the existing zoning code. So for example, with regards to policy one we state that both public and private marinas are permitted uses, because Marina is listed as a permitted use within the zoning code, but we say the city has a preference for public marinas. DOS responds that the code does not say anything about a preference, so we should remove that from the LWRP or propose a change to the code. If a change to the code is proposed, that local law must be adopted by the Common Council at the same time the LWRP is adopted. There was a similar comment regarding the stated preference for native plants. There was discussion with how the adoption of the LWRP might overlap with proposed revisions to the city-wide zoning code. At this time staff does not have a clear timeline on the review and adoption of the zoning code, so it was advised that is best to proceed with drafting the LWRP in reference to code that currently exists.

NEW BUSINESS

City staff will send out potential dates for a work session in November for either the week of November 7th or 14th to further work on revisions recommended by DOS. The regular meeting for November 22nd will be cancelled if there are no active applications for consistency review.

A motion was made by Europa McGovern and seconded by Mike Young to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 PM.