



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

Virtual Meeting

Meeting Link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7255580895182149134>

Tuesday, January 25, 2022

6:00 PM

I. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

1. Approval of December 28, 2021 Meeting Minutes

II. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. Adoption of 2022 Meeting Schedule
2. Old Business
 - A. LWRP Update: Public Hearing before the Common Council held on January 18, 2022 and adjourned to February 22, 2022. City to engage consultant to make final edits.
 - B. Hudson Rivery Estuary Program CaD Studio
3. New Business

POUGHKEEPSIE WATERFRONT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 28, 2021 MEETING

Members Present: Europa McGovern (Chair), Harvey Flad, Lia Harris, Terricena Brown

Members Absent: Michael Young, Jim Nelson

Also Present: Natalie Quinn, Planning Director

Meeting called to order: 6:04 PM

Director Quinn read the following notice into the record:

Under Governor Hochul's Executive Order, which suspends certain provisions of the open meetings law to allow municipal boards to convene public meetings and public hearings via video conferencing, which is how we are meeting here tonight via this platform. In accordance with that executive order, the public has been provided with the ability to view tonight's meeting. And a recording and a transcript will be posted on the city's website following this meeting.

I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Harvey Flad and seconded by Terricena Brown to receive in print and adopt the meeting minutes for the following meetings: April 27th 2021, June 22nd, 2021 and September 28th, 2021

II. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1. Adoption of 2022 Meeting Schedule

Meeting schedule was not adopted as it was not posted in time for review. The 2022 schedule will be posted on the city's website prior to the next WAC meeting on January 25, 2022.

2. Old Business / Updates

i. LWRP Update – Public Hearing before the Common Council on 1/18/22

At their last meeting in December, the Common Council voted to set a public hearing regarding the LWRP update for January 18, 2022. A number of comments from members of the Common Council were made in regards to edits received from Department of State back in 2019, and how those comments have or have not been incorporated into the final draft of the document.

Planning staff and the LWRP consultant, BFJ Planning, will prepare a memorandum outlining those changes.

A December 10, 2021 draft of the LWRP was posted to the city's website in mid-December, and that will be the draft that is open for comment at the January 18th public hearing. A few minor edits were made to produce the December 10th draft, but the document is largely unchanged from the November 2019 draft that has been posted on the city's website for the past two years while awaiting comments from the Common Council.

Lia Harris makes the point that she was under the impression that the document was held up due to legal battles in court. Natalie Quinn confirms that she believes those legal matters have been settled, although none were directly related to the LWRP itself, and that the city is allowed to proceed. Confirmation from the City's Corporation Counsel will be requested and shared with the WAC.

It was noted that official comments were never received from the LWRP Working Group that the Council created back in 2020.

ii. CAD Design Studio Update

Natalie Quinn provides an update that the Cornell students presented 13 design concepts at a virtual public workshop on December 13 2021. The design concepts ranged from very practical to pretty creative and innovative. One creative example was a skate park that also served as a stormwater catch basin in storm events. Most proposals included some aspect of natural plantings and elevated pedestrian walkways. The next step in the project is a debrief with city administration and key stakeholders to identify key aspects within the various concepts that should be highlighted and moved forward.

A recording of the workshop and final designs will be made publically available.

iii. PK4Keeps: Comprehensive Plan & Zoning Code Update

Planning staff and project consultants will be presenting an update at the January 18, 2022 Common Council meeting. In 2021 the project team held two open houses, released two online surveys, conducted data analysis and held a number of steering committee meetings and kitchen table conversations to identify existing conditions and priorities within the community. While 2021 was focused on public engagement, 2022 will focus on document creation and adoption. The project is slated for completion in August 2022. Project information and a document library can be found at pk4keeps.org.

Going back to the previous agenda item, Lia Harris requested clarification on lawsuits between the Common Council and administration that may have impacted the LWRP.

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 PM was made by Lia Harris, and seconded by Harvey Flad.

WATERFRONT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING DATES 2022

City Hall – Common Council Chambers* – 6:00 P.M.

*Meetings will be held remotely via videoconferencing until further notice. Each month, the meeting link and agenda will be posted on the city's website one week prior to the scheduled meeting date.

TUESDAY JANUARY 25

WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 23

TUESDAY MARCH 22

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