

meeting summary

City of Rochester Vacuum Oil Brownfield Opportunity Area

Project Advisory Committee Meeting #6

May 23, 2018 • 6:00 PM

MEETING ATTENDEES

- Refer to attached sign-in sheet

MEETING SUMMARY

- A copy of the meeting presentation is attached for reference.

Welcome and Introductions

Kimberly Baptiste (Bergmann) commenced the meeting by thanking and welcoming attendees, she also reviewed the meeting agenda and passed meeting over to Frank Sowers (NYSDEC) who reviewed his agenda on BCP topics to be discussed, key Agenda items included primary objectives to develop a common understanding of facts and discuss Community's Expectations for Fact-Based BCP information and how to meet those expectations.

Brownfield Cleanup Program Updates

Frank Sowers opened the discussion of the Brownfield Cleanup Program and provided information on the status of the City properties, Facts Sheet summarizing BCP cleanup in March was given to attendees. General discussion points are summarized:

- How many cleanup near rivers
 - Dorian: this is unique
- Level of use drives cleanup, not track
- Community air quality program
 - Will be set up
- There are no sign/warning
 - DOH will look into that further
- Frank stated what can we do to avoid any future misunderstanding?
- Information easier to access - DEC site, not DOS
- Press conference
- No such thing as a level 4 cleanup!
- Website more user friendly – don't have server space for large reports, such as a R.I.R.
- DEC wants people to be informed based on facts. Talk to Frank before repeating statements
- Who owns the "BCP group? Reasonable group to disseminate information.

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- End date is February 2019
- Who own it?
 - PAC? Infrastructure is in place
 - Other technical review committee?
- Exxon Mobil role?
 - Remedial Investigation Phase, City has an agreement with them for this phase only.
- Sarah (NYSDEC) discussed the role of the NYSDOH in the BCP which included routes of exposure and exposure pathways
- Clarification of Inaccurate Information in Media was summarized by Frank.

Take Home Messages from NYSDEC

- Frank closed with the following:
 - The BOA and DGEIS do not (and should not) identify cleanup levels and tracks for BCP sites.
 - The public will be notified and have a chance to review and comment on proposed final cleanup plans.
 - **Restricted residential, track 4 cleanups are NOT the lowest level of cleanup possible and are commonly used throughout the state.**
 - All cleanups are required to be **protective of public health and the environment** for the intended future use of the property.

Final EIS Update / Status

Kimberley Baptiste gave a status summary on FEIS process, she also noted twelve primary topic areas. The topic areas within the GEIS include:

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| • Land Use | • Infrastructure and Utilities |
| • Housing | • Flood Hazard |
| • Traffic Operations | • Parks and Open Space |
| • Street Configuration Alternatives | • Water Quality and Wetlands |
| • Public Transit | • Wildlife Habitats |
| • Pedestrian / Bicycle Circulation | • Cultural and Historic Resources |

Park and Trail Master Plan Updates

- Kimberly gave a status on “What we heard from the Community” see topic areas:
 - Neighborhood green space
 - Neighborhood accessibility
 - History and interpretation
 - Safety / Lighting
 - Plex Park
 - Water access

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- Waterfront programming
- West River Wall (WRW)

West River Wall Project Update

Anthony Borrelli (Bergmann) provided updates on the status of work efforts associated with advancing the West River Wall project. Andy noted that some initial tasks associated with the WRW project are being completed through the BOA process. Anthony summarized work completed to date and on-going tasks, including: soil borings and geotechnical investigations, wall stability and structural analysis, schematic alternatives and alternative cost estimates.

Next Steps

The meeting concluded with a review of next steps:

- PAC Meeting to review Park Alternatives (June, 2018)
- Public Workshop (July, 2018)
- Grading Plans (On-going)

The meeting concluded at approximately 7:45 PM.

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