

June 19, 2017

Memorandum #2017-73

TO: Coastal Resiliency Committee

BY: Ben McFarlane, HRPDC Senior Regional Planner

**RE: Meeting of the HRPDC Coastal Resiliency Committee – June 23, 2017
RSVP – June 21, 2017**

The next meeting of the **Coastal Resiliency Committee** will be held on **June 23 from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. in the HRPDC Board Room, the Regional Building, 723 Woodlake Drive, Chesapeake.** The agenda and related materials are attached.

Please RSVP by June 21, 2017 so we may make appropriate logistical arrangements. If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Attachments

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Coastal Resiliency Committee Voting Members:

Alan Archer, NN
Mark Carter, YK
Anne Ducey-Ortiz, GL
Fran Geissler, JC
Donald E. Goodwin, FR
Vincent Jones, PO
David Kuzma, IW
Thomas Leahy, VB
Beth Lewis, SH

Eric Martin, CH
Scott Mills, SU
Carolyn Murphy, WM
James Peterson, HA
Rhonda Russell, SY
William Saunders, SM
Scott Smith, NO
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AGENDA
MEETING OF THE HRPDC COASTAL RESILIENCY COMMITTEE
June 23, 2017
10:00 A.M.

1. Summary of the March 24, 2017 Meeting of the Hampton Roads Coastal Resiliency Committee.

The summary and attendance sheets of the above meeting are attached.

Attachments: 1A – March Coastal Resiliency Meeting Summary
1B – March Coastal Resiliency Attendance

ACTION: Accept the Meeting Summary

2. Public Comments

3. Update on Discussions with FEMA Region III Regarding Requirements for Permitting Development in Special Flood Hazards Areas

Over the past several months the HRPDC Chief Administrative Officers Committee has been engaged with FEMA Region III staff regarding proposed guidance for development permit requirements in special flood hazard areas. This process included two briefings of the full CAO committee and several conferences calls between FEMA, DCR Floodplain Management, and a working group of four CAOs. The final guidance was released for public comment on May 16, 2017, and public comments will be accepted until August 23, 2017.

The HRPDC staff will brief the Committee on the final guidance and lead a discussion on potential comments to recommend to the Commission. the Committee on the status of discussions with FEMA regarding permit requirements in special flood hazard areas.

Attachments: 3A – FEMA Guidance for Participating Communities on Satisfying National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Development Permit Requirements

ACTION: Recommend that the Commission provide comments to FEMA.

4. Joint Subcommittee on Coastal Flooding

The Joint Subcommittee on Coastal Flooding is scheduled to meet on June 20, 2017. The agenda for the meeting includes updates from the Commonwealth Center for Recurrent Flooding Resiliency and the HRPDC staff. The HRPDC staff will brief the Committee on the discussion from the meeting.

ACTION: None required.

5. Storm Surge Modeling and Water Level Sensors

At the March meeting Dr. Derek Loftis, Virginia Institute of Marine Science, briefed the Committee on the StormSense project for predicting flooding. The HRPDC staff has continued discussions with Dr. Loftis on developing a plan for expanding the network, and will brief the Committee on a proposal to expand the network.

Attachments: 5A – WLSensorProposal_1stdraft
5B – WL Sensor Map

ACTION: Recommend that the HRPDC staff continue development of the network and identify potential sources of funding.

6. Joint Land Use Studies

Joint Land Use Studies (JLUS) are funded by the Department of Defense Office of Economic Adjustment to help communities identify and address civilian development and other issues that adversely affect military missions and readiness. The HRPDC is currently managing two multi-jurisdictional joint land use studies, one for Norfolk and Virginia and one for Portsmouth and Chesapeake, addressing needs and concerns of Navy installations in South Hampton Roads. The HRPDC and consultant team for the Norfolk-Virginia Beach JLUS recently conducted interviews with a wide range of stakeholders to identify issues, concerns, and opportunities. The HRPDC staff will brief the Committee on some of the initial findings from those interviews related to resiliency.

ACTION: None required

7. Coastal Hazards Grant Update

The HRPDC is currently working on a project funded by the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program that is assessing the current state of local planning and sea level rise in Virginia localities. As part of this project, the HRPDC recently conducted a workshop for local government staff and other interested groups. The HRPDC staff will update the Committee on the project and the workshop.

ACTION: None required

8. Update on Federal and State Efforts Related to Sea Level Rise and Recurrent Flooding

The HRPDC staff will update the Committee on federal and state efforts related to resiliency, sea level rise, and recurrent flooding.

ACTION: None required

9. Updates on PDC and Local Efforts Related to Sea Level Rise and Recurrent Flooding

Members will be given an opportunity to brief the Committee on their respective efforts.

ACTION: None required

10. Other Matters