



Board Members Attending:
Joseph Liccardo, *Chair*
Henry Sanchez, *Vice Chair*
Stephen D. Marks, *Secretary*
John Baier
Jacob DeLemos
William LaRosa
Patricia Sebron

Others Attending:
Jonathan Luk
HC Planning
Daniela Ciammaruconi
HC Planning
Johnny Garcis
On behalf of Mayor/Senator Brian P. Stack
Patricia Giordan
Friend of Loew's
Charlene Burke
Citizen

The meeting began at 12:25 pm with Chairman Joe Liccardo calling for order and Board Secretary Stephen Marks reading the Open Public Meetings statement. The Advisory Board then conducted the roll call and the flag salute.

Mr. Henry Sanchez motioned to adopt the minutes from the March 26, 2008 meeting with Chairman Joe Licardo seconding. **The motion was approved.**

The 2008 "Draft" Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Recommendations Report was distributed to all board members. A motion to introduce the draft report was made by Ms. Patricia Sebron and seconded by Mr. Bill LaRosa. **The motion was approved.**

With the "draft" report having been officially introduced, Mr. Marks stated that the "draft" will be sent out to each municipality in the county and notice will be posted in the Jersey Journal. There will be a 20 day public comment review period and it will be brought to public hearing on June 25, 2008.

Mr. Marks stated that T&M Associates was commissioned by the City of Jersey City to create an Open Space Master Plan and the City may adopt a municipal Open Space Trust Fund. Mr. LaRosa asked if a municipalities' Open Space Trust Fund will have any effect on the applications submitted to the Hudson County Open Space Trust Fund. Mr. Marks explained that the application will be separate and apart because each municipality still contributes to the county fund. Mr. LaRosa then asked about the possibility of applicants requesting funding only from the HC Trust and not from their municipalities' trust fund. Mr. Marks explained that any application that solely applies to the county for funding will have weaker scores.

Copies of the "Draft" Hudson County Master Plan Re-examination Report were distributed. Mr. Marks spoke about the "special" points of the re-examination including the impacts of global warming on urban areas and the susceptibility of our coastal community. The Plan also makes recommendations to combat greenhouse gas emissions, increase mass transit and opportunities for biking and walking. Over the next month public comments are being accepted and written comments will be accepted through July 7, 2008.

The Hudson County Land Development Regulations "Draft" was distributed to board members. Mr. Marks suggested that the board members review the document and pay special attention to the stormwater management sections. This set of regulations will also reinforce access to the waterfront by State regulations for a continuous walkway along the waterfront. Mr. Marks also suggested that the board make a recommendation to the Freeholder Board.

In regards to the Hudson County Master Plan, Mr. LaRosa would like to see a stronger statement about cultural recreation in the plan. He expressed concern over the lack of cultural recreation for children and families in the county. Mr. Marks stated that all comments are welcomed. Mr. Sanchez would like the Land Use Regulations Report to say "DRAFT" on the front cover and the words "to be" added before the "Adopted by Freeholder Board" where the date is required in the document.

Mr. LaRosa made a motion to adjourn with Tom McCann seconding at 1:55 pm.

Respectfully prepared and submitted by: Daniela Ciammaruconi