



GREATER HARTFORD FLOOD COMMISSION

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NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING

November 13, 2024

9:30 AM

50 Jennings Road, 2nd floor Conference Room A

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call of Commissioners
- III. Chair's Comments
- IV. Approval of the minutes of the Special Meeting of September 18, 2024
- V. Report of Flood Control Director
 - a. Administrative Approvals: None
 - b. The Pump Station Improvement Project - final design has been submitted.
 - c. Materials Innovation and Recycling Dissolution Authority (MDA) Closure Plan – DPW Flood has reviewed the MDA's draft levee penetration abandonment report, the Emergency Preparedness Plan and the Operation & Maintenance Plan for the site.
 - d. Connecticut Department of Transportation (DOT) for the Rehabilitation of Bridge No. 01469B I-91 Southbound – State Project No. 63-726 (Design / Build) DPW Flood and USACE Section 408 approvals will be required for the project. A coordination meeting was held with DOT, the contractor, DPW and USACE to discuss the permitting process.
 - e. North Meadows Pump Station Pump #3 repairs – The rebuilt pump assembly has been installed. Hidden damage was discovered in the right-angle gearbox. DPW is working with Philadelphia Gear to investigate and repair the unit. The preliminary cost estimate for the repair is \$125,500.
 - f. North Branch Park River (NBPR) / Granby Street Drainage Study – DPW Flood continues its review of the preliminary study associated with the NBPR.
 - g. DOT for Rehabilitation of Bridge No. 00371A (Founders Bridge) Route #2 over Interstate 91 and Connecticut Southern Railroad State Project No. 63-737 – DOT requested 4f concurrence for Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) associated with access through the Riverwalk Trail System (park usage). The FHWA 4f process cannot be utilized, as the primary purpose of the property is for flood control (levee right of way). DOT acknowledged the primary use and will obtain the necessary access rights during the design phase.
 - h. FY 2024 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program Award No.: EMB-2024-PD-0001 – The City has received preliminary approval of the award. The award is on hold pending the submission of additional information required by FEMA to complete the award process. Federal Share = \$4,213,125 Local Share = \$1,404,375
 - i. Natural Resources Conservation Service and CT DEEP (non-Federal sponsor) inspection of the South Branch Watershed Project is scheduled for November 12, 2024. DPW Flood will be participating in the inspection.
 - j. Cease & Desist notice sent to Andrew Jaroszcz, JWC Steel Company, LLC for unapproved clearing, filling and alternations to property located at #630 Liebert Road which is located within a flood plain district. DPW Flood met with the property owner to discuss the unauthorized work. The property owner is currently coordinating with Development Services on the issue.

k. City Projects / Efforts

- 1) Bankside Grove Improvements – USACE Section 408 and GHFC approvals are required for the project.
- 2) Closure Structure #1 Rehabilitation – City is currently reviewing the acknowledgement of easement associated with the closure structure.
- 3) Toe Drain Replacement Project – DPW is seeking to obtain a final determination letter from the Federal Aviation Authority (FAA) for work adjacent to Hartford-Brainard Airport (FAA Form 7460-1)
- 4) 2024 Control of Aquatic Invasive Vegetation program is complete. Final summary report for South Meadows storage pond is being developed. The North Meadows storage pond summary report is complete.
- 5) Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) grant funding for a study of the North and South Meadows Pump Stations – Public Works is working on developing the necessary request for proposal for professional services.

VI. Old Business

None

VII. New Business

- a. Presentation by Riverfront Recapture and Race Coastal Engineering for the Riverside Park Floating Dock Replacement and Expansion Project.

VIII. Public Comment

IX. Adjournment