

June 14, 2018  
**Jersey City START**  
**Meeting Notes**

**Jersey City Municipal Utilities Authority, 555 Route 440, Jersey City, NJ 07304**

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

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- I. Introductions
  - a. New Members included Joe Newman, a Staff Engineer with JCMUA; Laura Piraino, the new Community Relations Specialist for the JC Office of Sustainability; and Brittany Kelly, a Project Manager with JCMUA with a focus on website, branding and public outreach.
  
- II. Project Updates
  - a. Martin Luther King Dr. Project: Elmer reported that this project is still pending NJDEP review and approval in order to solicit bids. Project includes enhanced tree pits along MLK drive. Action Item: Kate to check with Rutgers regarding the evaluation of risk that this project could cause flooding in adjacent buildings.
  - b. Colombia Park: Marques reported that JCMUA's attorney is preparing a 3-way agreement between City, JCMUA, and PVSC outlining responsibilities and terms for this pilot project. MUA has agreed to provide maintenance for the project. The Office of Innovation is organizing an internal GI maintenance training provided by Rutgers in September. Action Item: Attorney Frank Borin to complete contract review, Rich Haytas to follow up with Frank.
  - c. Other projects:
    - i. SJC reported on the status of the Open Sewer Atlas and requested that we set up a meeting to demonstrate the benefits to MUA. Deb to schedule with MUA for a Monday or Wednesday in June.
    - ii. Tree mapping: SJC to upload NJCU tree data this month.
    - iii. Green Roof Project: SJC completed building assessments SJC campus and identified Student Lounge for Green Roof project. SJC is preparing proposal to JCMUA for funding.
    - iv. JCMUA Created New Website: Brittany reported about the creation of a new website for JCMUA and the organization's objective to make applications paperless.
  
- III. Policy Updates
  - a. Stormwater Ordinance Updates: Kate noted that a meeting is scheduled for June 19<sup>th</sup> to review the ordinance with the MUA team.
  - b. Year of Energy: Laura reported on Jersey City's Year of Energy and other initiatives including a 4000 LED bulb give-away, educational videos, carbon and GHG inventory and solar energy events. All planned for coming months.
  - c. Resilient Design Guidebook – This guidance document is complete and available on the Jersey City Make it Green website ([www.jcmakeitgreen.org](http://www.jcmakeitgreen.org))

IV. MUA Updates – Elmer/Rich/Tom

- a. Tom reported on MUA’s intention to create a sustainable building to serve as its new headquarters and an example of green building and green architecture for the community. The plan will integrate sustainability into all aspects of design, and take into account climate change, especially as it affects water and storm water management
- b. Rich discussed the LTCP status and deadlines for public participation and the evaluation and selection of alternatives. Coordination with both public and other city entities would be beneficial.
- c. Rich reported that JCMUA would be requesting a 5-year extension on the consent decree deadline in order to allow additional time to replace waterlines along with sewer lines.

V. Action Items

- a. Kate to check with Rutgers regarding the evaluation of risk that the MLK Drive project could cause flooding in adjacent buildings.