



**Jersey City START – November 6, 2020 1-2:30 PM**  
Meeting Minutes

*Present:* Kate Lawrence, Mo Kinberg, Marques Eley, Joe Newman, Lindsey Sigmund, Alan Miller, Lee Clark, Kevin Force

**Next Meeting:** TBD

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**I. Introductions**

**II. Project and Policy Updates**

**a. PVSC**

Selection of Alternatives/Final Plans have been submitted to NJDEP for the October deadline

Main report/summary of what has been completed and the appendices for each permittee

2 options were given – each town individuals plan AND the potential for a regional option should enough of the permittees agree to work together to agree to cost sharing

DEP requires an outline of what each permittee will commit to

PVSC's secondary bypass moving forward regardless

Kearny not participating in regional option, no reason was given. This should not materially affect the regional alternative because their individual option will be sewer separation therefore removing them from the CSO program altogether

Regional sharing must be figured out within the next 6 months, since an agreement has not been reached

Difference to JC (which option) impacts the difference in the amount of storage tanks – will have to double check numbers

Next step – issuance of new permits (5 year cycle with milestones) based on commitments from permittees

Link to LTCP submittals: : <https://www.nj.gov/dep/dwq/cso-ltcsupmittals.htm>

- **Jersey City is Appendix J**
- **PVSC is Appendix F**

**Action Item:** JCSTART to draft comment letter - Due January 31, 2021

Could go through LTCP during next call

No Update on Columbia Park GI project

**b. MUA**



No Update

### **City Planning**

- Master Plan Surveys close 11-20
- Master Plan website: [jcnj.org/ourjc](http://jcnj.org/ourjc)

### **Office of Sustainability**

- Resilient NJ Grant moving forward. Kick-off meeting next month. Arcadis is the consultant for the region (JC, Hoboken, Bayonne, Newark, Hudson County Planning, HOPES, Ironbound)
- Climate Action Plan: Project pause during Covid, but securing a consultant to finalize draft plan to post publicly by the end of the year. To adopt final plan early 2021
- Put in grant app for Sustainable Jersey to implement transition city fleet over to electric
- Tree Plantings in collaboration with forestry is underway. Moving excess concrete, removing stumps. Trees to start going in next week (330 trees)
- Sustainable STEAM Challenge happening, all virtual

### **Hudson County Planning**

- JFK Blvd Project (St Pauls to Pavonia) - reached out to county engineer's office
  - Had initial meeting on what residents want to see – interest in GI, especially for curb bump outs
  - Project in conceptual design phase, being designed to incorporate those comments however there are issues with maintenance of GI. Potential to partner with JC and/or a community
- Ferry Study underway: <https://hudcoferrystudy.com/>

### **NJDEP**

- 9/18 Gov signed Environmental Justice Bill
- Guidance document: <https://www.nj.gov/dep/ej/docs/furthering-the-promise.pdf>
- Will be advocating for state cooperation in CCI areas, including Jersey City
- Plastic bag and bottle ban taking effect in 18 months

### **NJ Future/Sewage Free Streets and Rivers**

- Register for the **Jersey Water Works Conference!**  
<https://conference.jerseywaterworks.org/registration2020/>
- December 9-11, registration is FREE and will be held virtually



- Two sessions of particular interest to START – Water Work Force Presentation and “How do we fund LTCPs?”

**NJ League of Conservation Voters**

Link shared: <https://secure.everyaction.com/TM7QF2Ph4Eu3TP1p-Ih-AQ2>

**NJCU**

Working with Office of Sustainability to continue tree mapping