City of Seattle Resilience District Advisory Group Meeting Notes (RK 5/22 Draft)

Meeting Details

Date:	Friday, May 19, 2023	
Location:	Online via Zoom	
Participants:	Advisory Group Members:	
	<u>City of Seattle Staff and Consultants</u> : David Goldberg, Priya Saxena, Raman Khanna, Seferiana Day, Saumya Kini, Ken Pirie, Stefanie Loomis, and Mike Chang	
Agenda Items:	Please see page three for the meeting agenda used to guide this session.	

Follow Up Tasks

- Upcoming meetings scheduled
- Following up about meeting in August or September via email
- Open house June 3rd Event Announcement at the Duwamish River Community Hub
- Google Form and Zoom Recording will be delivered
- Need to follow up on stipend payments for a select few
- Sending the Survey and Meeting Recap by Wednesday

Summary Notes

The following notes summarize information shared and group member conversations. Notes were compiled and drafted by Raman Khanna (Equitable Future).

Welcome and Meeting Overview

Saumya and Priya led meeting overview which consisted of going over the agenda for the 3 hour meeting and a brief round of introductions highlighting favorite smells of the Duwamish River. Introduced JC Wilbur for his first meeting.

Project Overview

[brief summary, no bullet points needed]

Led by Ken Pririe, overview of the history of the Duwamish River Valley and the state of the region today. Looking at the Duwamish River when it was thriving to look for opportunities to reintegrate natural flood barriers removed for industry. Highlighting the Duwamish River Valley's particular vulnerabilities for communities that will be experiencing more extreme funding.

Sea Level Rise 101

[brief summary of presentation with detailed bullet points on question and answer]

Discussion led by Saumya with assistance from David defining what Sea Level Rise Adaptation is, the different types of flooding caused, the scope of the problem, and previewing possible solutions. If left unaddressed, flooding will go as far as the South Park Community Center and the 2050-time line for floods is happening now ahead of schedule. Breakdown of the King Tide system and discussion with group members.

Sea Level Rise Opportunities

[brief summary of presentation with detailed bullet points on question and answer]

Discussion led by Stefanie Loomis and Priya Saxena where different group members raised different ways Sea Level Rise adaptation can create new or support existing community efforts. The main example given was a landscape berm (?) (green trapezoid) that helps keep pedestrian walkways from being exposed to flooding while allowing for the development of wet lands and habitat recovery closer to the coast line. Different options discussed by group members centered on looking through Reconnect South Park's recommendations, different future water maintenance strategies like waterways, and opportunities for young people & businesses.

Evaluation Criteria

[brief summary, add bullet points of draft evaluation criteria after meeting]

Collected on Miro curated by Mike Chang going over different considerations (RK Note for PS: There were to many suggestions to include – please let me know if this doesn't suffice)

Decision-Making Models

Vigorous debate within the group on the merits of consensus decision making versus majority/democratic decision making. Final decision tabled until meeting during Municipal Financing 101 on June 22^{nd.}

Meeting Agenda

Expected Duration	Agenda Item	Purpose
10 minutes	(Part 1) Sea Level Rise 101 Project Overview	Participants are clear on our agenda and are oriented to our meeting space. Participants can also share announcements, offerings, or requests!
10 minutes		Share key terms and definitions, reviews information about coastal inundation, and gives in depth context for flooding issues affecting Georgetown and South Park.
30 minutes	(Part 1) Sea Level Rise Adaptation and Opportunities	Review different ways to adapt for sea level rise and opportunities for the community.
10-minute break	Break	Participants take a moment for themselves and to connect with each other.
50 minutes	(Part 2) Develop Evaluation Criteria	Share example evaluation criteria for discussion, refinement, and proposal.
10-minute break	Break	Participants take a moment for themselves and to connect with each other.
45 minutes	(Part 3) Decision Making Discussion	Priya will share different models for making decisions on solutions for Resilience District.
15 minutes	(i die 3) needp & next steps	Announcements, recap conversation, discuss next steps, and close out our time together.