

# City of Chelsea

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Chairperson

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Conservation Agent

## MEETING MINUTES: August 22, 2018

Members Present: Dakeya Christmas, Alan Orloff, Robert Linch, Stephen N. Sarikas. Others Present: John DePriest, Conservation Agent. Absent: Judith Dyer

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM in Room 102 of Chelsea City Hall.

### 1. Meeting Minutes, July 29, 2018

On a motion made by Alan Orloff and seconded by Dakeya Christmas, it was VOTED unanimously (4-0-0) to approve the minutes of the July 29, 2018 meeting.

### 2. DEP #011-136 Dave Traggorth

### 3. DEP #011-TBD Eric Davis, Global Companies LLC – 11 Broadway – Request to Amend OOC

Charlie Roberts explained that the proposal is to repair Dolphin #2. Goal is to minimize impacts on the environment. Parts that are in disrepair will be replaced. There will be temporary piles to support the dolphin while work is in progress. Six piles will be replaced and two new permanent piles added. The equipment is heavily corroded and in need of immediate replacement. New steel will be welded where needed. At some point in the future, there will be a submittal to replace the dolphins in whole. According to Eric Davis of Global, that new work will probably occur sometime next year. In response to questions from the Commission, Mr. Roberts stated that the impact to Land Under Water is only eight square feet.

Upon a motion by Robert Linch and seconded by Alan Orloff, it was VOTED unanimously (4-0-0) to issue an order of conditions.

### 4. DISCUSSION – Community Preservation Committee

Jen Goldson and Anna Callahan, CPC consultants, explained that they are working on developing a plan for the CPC on identifying priorities and developing a process for distribution of funds. They are visiting a number of boards and commission to identify their priorities. They have been holding focus groups sessions with various stakeholders to get community input. For others, they are conducting telephone interviews. In August, there will be an online survey for more ideas and priorities. At the end of September, there will be a community meeting. The report will be issued in December.

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Ms Goldson explained that there are four categories of work that are eligible: 10% for housing: 10% for historic Preservation: 10% for open space/recreation. Those are minimums: a community can allocate more for any of these eligible activities. Some communities allocate the funds on a case-by-case basis each year.

Eligible activities include, but are not limited to, acquisition; public and private preservation (except for religious purposes); allow for the creation of housing; direct assistance to low income households; purchase land for preservation of natural resources, passive recreation, or preservation of scenic vistas; and outdoor active recreation.

In response to questions, Ms. Goldson stated that on-road bike paths are not eligible as they are viewed as transportation and not recreation. There was a court case that related specifically to sidewalks saying that it is transportation.

The Commission identified the following issues/projects:

- community housing: there is a need more affordable housing;
- open space is important;
- more access to the waterfront;
- more greenspace/parks;
- access for boating to the river;
- use funds to address the environmental concerns relative to the salt pile.

5. Adjournment

Upon a motion by Alan Orloff and seconded by Dakeya Christmas, it was VOTED unanimously (4-0-0) to adjourn. Adjournment was at 6:53 PM.

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*Judith Dyer*

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