

SECTION VIII - Local Commitment

Overview

In order to assure implementation of the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program, the City of Beacon has taken definite steps to involve the public, neighboring communities, interested conservation groups and other affected agencies.

Public involvement has primarily been through the Waterfront Commission, a committee appointed by the City Council to protect Beacon's valuable coastal resources. The Commission's subcommittee, which was formed to complete the draft of the Local Waterfront Revitalization Program, has met regularly since the fall of 1988. All meetings were open to public participation, which has been encouraged throughout the entire LWRP preparation process. Minutes of these meetings are available at the City Offices.

This process has been supplemented with public information meetings, appearances at meetings of local civic and environmental organizations and in addition, a public hearing was held during the environmental review (SEQRA) process.

Fall/1988	Published dates and times of initial meetings
Nov/1988	Presentation to Beacon Sloop Club which gives monthly reports on the LWRP
May/1989	Attended the Greenway Council
May/1989	Presentation to the Dutchess Boat Club which is on Long Dock.
Oct/1989	Update to the City Council
Feb/1990	Presentation to the new City Council (Reports are sent monthly from the LWRP committee to the Council.) Presentation to the Historical Society
Apr/1990	Presentation to the Beacon Business Association
May/ 1990	Initial presentation to the Planning Board Presentation to Kiwanis Club
Jun/1990	Presentation to the year "2000" Planning Committee City Council issued a 6 month moratorium on building in the Coastal Zone area. The Waterfront Commission LWRP subcommittee has met weekly thereafter.
June/ 1990	Presentation at Beacon Community Center

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Aug/1990	Presentation and update to the City Planning Board. (Good press coverage at this time.)
Sep/1990	General Press Release
July/1991	Completion of Draft LWRP
7/91-9/91	Review of Draft LWRP/DFIS by State, Federal, local, and regional agencies
October/1991	Adoption of the LWRP by the City Council
April/1992	Approval of the LWRP by the New York State Secretary of State
August/1992	Incorporation of the Beacon LWRP into the State's Coastal Management Program by the Federal Government
January/1992	Training workshop conducted by Department of State staff for City officials regarding procedures for review of local, State, and federal projects for consistency with the LWRP