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**Circulation Element of Jersey City Master Plan
Technical Advisory Committee Meeting
Wednesday, May 7, 2008, 10 AM**

Minutes

In attendance:

- Vince Mantero, Port Authority of NY and NJ
- Jay DiDomenico, Hudson Transportation Management Association
- Hong Yuan, NJ Meadowlands Commission
- Joao D'Souza, Jersey City Traffic
- Bill Goble, Jersey City Engineering
- Chuck Lee, Jersey City Division of Engineering
- Claire Davis, Jersey City Division of City Planning
- Jeff Wenger, Jersey City Division of City Planning
- Bob Cotter, Jersey City Division of City Planning
- Doug Greenfeld, Jersey City Department of Housing, Economic Development and Commerce
- Lee Klein, T&M Associates
- John Jennings, T&M Associates
- Naomi Hsu, Jersey City Division of City Planning

The following were available to those in attendance:

- Agenda for May 7 TAC meeting
- Summary of on-line survey
- Draft presentation for Public Meeting 1
- List of potential locations for traffic counts
- List of NJDOT Capital Projects in Jersey City

The TAC discussed the draft map of anticipated major developments in Jersey City by the year 2050 (Build-Out Analysis). TAC Comments included:

- The boundary for Journal Square should be redrawn to include the current O/R (office - residential) district and the number of anticipated residential units should be revised to 6,000 units (from 4,000 units) with 1 million square feet of non-residential space.
- The map should include the 1,000 residential units anticipated in the northeast section of the Morris Canal Redevelopment Plan area.
- The 250 residential units at Avalon Cove will be replaced by 2,000 residential units

by the year 2050.

- 2-30 Montgomery Street will be replaced by 1 million square feet of office space by the year 2050.
- Most development will occur on vacant land or will require minimal demolition of residential space. Therefore, the TAC agreed that 2% of the anticipated development can be subtracted to account for future demolitions.

Bill Goble proposed the examination of one-way coupled streets, including Central and Summit Avenues and West Side and Mallory Avenues.

Brenda Johnson noted that the on-line survey will be on the project website (www.jerseycitymobility2050.com) until Wednesday, May 14. Claire Davis offered to reach out to her contact in the Marion neighborhood to solicit responses from residents in that neighborhood, as the percentage of respondents from Marion was lower than the percentage of total Jersey City population they represent.

The TAC discussed the draft presentation for Public Meeting 1 on Tuesday, May 20 at Public School 3, 111 Bright Street, and provided the following comments:

- The presentation should include a slide on the outreach efforts associated with the on-line survey of workers and residents.
- The presentation should include a list of problem streets and intersections identified by the public through the survey.
- The presentation should be no more than 20 minutes long.

Additional TAC suggestions for the public meeting included:

- The TAC discussed the possibility of administering the survey at the public meeting. However, the TAC concluded that this was not an option, because the survey would no longer be on-line at the time of the public meeting, which would be necessary to input the data.
- Comment cards could be distributed to the attendees of the public meeting as an additional method of collecting input from the public.
- The possibility of placing an ad in the newspaper should be explored.

The following TAC members volunteered to serve as facilitators for break-out sessions at the first public meeting: John Jennings, Lee Klein, Jeff Wenger, Bob Cotter, Claire Davis, Doug Greenfeld, Dave Donnelly, and Naomi Hsu. It was noted that other City staff members had volunteered to facilitate the break-out sessions. Facilitators will meet at 4 PM on May 20 at Public School 3 for a pre-meeting to go over the script for the break-out sessions before the public meeting.

Bill Goble asked if the new Circulation Element would examine Jersey City's transportation network on a "macro level" including emergency evacuation routes, access to and from Jersey City (not just within Jersey City), and flooding and drainage issues. It was noted that the Circulation Element will include the City's transportation priorities

and recommend further study or action where appropriate.

As part of the data collection effort, the consultant team will conduct traffic counts throughout the City. Members of the TAC reviewed the list of possible locations for traffic counts and proposed three additional locations: Route 7 at Routes 1&9 Truck, Garfield and Communipaw Avenues, and Grand and Communipaw Avenues (at the Junction). Location 11 has been revised to Grand Street and Summit Avenue (instead of Grand and Baldwin).

The next meeting of the TAC is scheduled for Wednesday, June 4 at 10 AM.