



**City of Los Angeles Bureau of Engineering**  
**2020 Floodplain Management Plan Revision**  
 Steering Committee Meeting #2  
 Thursday, August 8, 2019, 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.



**Meeting Participants**

Government	Affeldt, Michael	Director, LA RiverWorks – Mayor's Office
Government (NV)	Bulkacz, Vanessa	Public Affairs, Department of Public Works
Government	Reed, Lynette	Alternate, Port of Los Angeles
Government	Gross, Aaron	Chief Resiliency Officer-Mayor's Ofc.
Government	John Campos	<i>Alternate</i> , Los Angeles Police Department
Government	Nepomuceno-Juacalla, Carolynn	<i>Alternate</i> -Department of Building and Safety
Government	Ignatczyk, John	City of Los Angeles Fire Department
Government	Orval Hernandez-Marcial	<i>Alternate</i> -LA Sanitation & Environment
Government	Munongo, Patrick	<i>Alternate</i> -Emergency Management Department
Government (NV)	Nemick, Mary	Bureau of Engineering
Government	Pallini, Conni	Department of City Planning
Government	Shu, Susan	Bureau of Engineering
Government	Lin, Chang	<i>Alternate</i> -Bureau of Engineering
Government	Le, Tuyen	<i>Alternate</i> -Bureau of Engineering
Government	Tan, Emmanuel	Department of Water and Power
Non-Government	Alexander, Desmian	USC Public Policy
Non-Government	Manny Gomez	Friends of the Los Angeles River
Non-Government	Duboff, Jessica	Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce
Non-Government	Ellis, Andre	CSULA Geosciences & Environment
Non-Government	Greenspan, Mike	Resident
Non-Government	McOمبر, Britta	UCLA Luskin School of Public Affairs
Non-Government	Rascon, Sarah	Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority
Non-Government	Brian Baldauf	<i>Alternate</i> -Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority
Non-Government	Robinson, Alex	USC Landscape Architecture
Non-Government	Underwood, Scott	Red Cross of Greater Los Angeles
Non-Government	Wood, Patricia	Los Angeles County Flood Control District
Non-Government	Tran, Larry	<i>Alternate</i> -Los Angeles County Flood Control District
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Team Support	Artz, Ira	Tetra Tech, Inc.
Team Support	Flaner, Rob	Tetra Tech, Inc.
Team Support	Hernandez, Lorena	KPA
Team Support	Padilla, Katherine	KPA
Team Support	Parker, Steve	Tetra Tech, Inc.
Team Support	Schloss, Melissa	Tetra Tech, Inc.

(NV) = non-voting



## **Planning Process**

### **Welcome and Introductions**

Aaron Gross, Chief Resilience Officer welcomed attendees, and everyone introduced themselves.

### **Review Agenda**

Rob Flaner, Tetra Tech welcomed attendees and noted this is the first meeting to start the planning process and all upcoming agendas will be organized this way; New and Old Business. Rob introduced Melissa Schloss as the newest member of the Tetra Tech team to replace Denise Davis.

### **Approve SC Meeting #1 Summary**

Rob Flaner stated that the Mayor's office has reviewed and approved the Charter's roster. The City indicated that a few Alternates need to be edited.

### **Review/Approve Final Charter**

*MOTION by Michael Affeldt to approve the Steering Committee Charter and second by Aaron Gross. Motion carried unanimously.*

### **Receive Public Comment**

Rob Flaner asked members of the public if they wished to address the committee. No public comments were expressed.

## **New Business**

### **SC Homework-Prior Plan Review**

A SC member asked if the plan would include an internal document as well as an external (public facing) document as well as creating an add-on public comprehensive handbook as the executive summary and bookmarks and the SC agreed. A SC member suggested widening the flood mitigation action tables.

Rob Flaner noted the BAT Tool can be used to monitor the progress of the plan and action items and he will demonstrate how the BAT Tool works and will provide City Planning with access.

### **Review Table of Contents for Proposed Plan**

Rob Flaner stated that this FMP update will mirror the City's HMP since the two should work together. He also stated this FMP update can also be used as a functional annex to the City's next HMP update.

### **Review Prior Action Plan**

Rob Flaner stated that the SC needs to understand what priorities were set in the old plan so we have a starting point for the update. He also stated the RLAA will be a component for the 2020 plan as a functional annex



### **Mission Statement and Goal Setting**

Rob Flaner, Tetra Tech reviewed the previous FMP’s mission statement and the SC had a discussion on how to update it. The SC agreed on the following mission statement: “Improve community resilience to flood hazards and protect the health, safety, quality of life, environment and economy of the City of Los Angeles through partnerships and integrated planning.”

*MOTION by Michael Affeldt to approve the above mission statement and second by Conni Pallini. Motion carried unanimously.*

### **Review Goals and Objectives**

Rob Flaner, Tetra Tech reviewed the previous FMP’s goals and objectives and the SC had a long discussion on how to update them. Of note was whether to include “social equity” as a goal, which would necessitate a cascade through all of the objectives and subsequent action items, or to include it as an objective, to which certain action items would be impacted. Rob Flaner highly recommended putting social equity as an objective rather than a goal. After debate, the new Goals were finalized as follows:

1. Reduce flood risk.
2. Protect life.
3. Protect property.
4. Increase resilience of critical facilities and infrastructures.
5. Increase community awareness and public education.
6. Pursue cost effective, environmentally sound and multi-benefit mitigation measures.
7. Coordinate with other programs that can support or enhance flood mitigation.
8. Pursue social equity.

*MOTION by Manny Gomez to approve the above goals and second by Scott Underwood. Motion carried unanimously.*

Updating the objectives were tabled due to time and the SC was given homework: the generation of a matrix to cross reference the existing objectives to the goals, and potentially suggest new objectives to align with the new “social equity” goal.

### **Public Outreach Strategy**

Katherine Padilla of KPA, subcontractor for Tetra Tech presented the proposed outreach strategy. Approving the proposed outreach strategy was tabled due to time, and its review was given as homework to the SC.

### **Action Items and Next Steps**

Tetra Tech to provide the minutes of this meeting for SC review prior to the next meeting. SC to review the previous plans objectives (crosswalk them to the new goals) and proposed public outreach strategy and provide comments for the next meeting. Provide City Planning with access to BAT.

### **Adjourn**

Next Meeting: September 12, 2019 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.