

**Combined Sewer Overflow Master Plan  
Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC)  
Meeting #4 Notes**

Thursday, April 9th, 2014, 4:00 PM – 5:40 PM  
Buchwald Conference Room, Millennium Library, 251 Donald Street

**In Attendance:**

Karla Zubrycki	International Institute of Sustainable Development
Megan Krohn	Manitoba Eco-Network
Dale Karasiuk	Chalmers Neighbourhood Renewal Corporation
Carmine Militano	Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce
Siobhan Burland Ross	Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship (Environmental Approvals)
Christine Hutlet	Lake Friendly Stewards Alliance
Andrew McMillan	City of Winnipeg – Water and Waste
Patrick Coote	City of Winnipeg – Water and Waste
Tiffany Skomro	City of Winnipeg – Water and Waste
Michelle Kuly Holland	Facilitator
David Marsh	Consultant – Dillon

**Regrets:**

Joy Kennedy	Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship (Water Quality)
Henry David (Hank) Venema	International Institute of Sustainable Development
Chris Lorenc	Manitoba Heavy Construction Association
Colleen Mayer	Old St. Vital BIZ
Yvonne Hawryliuk	Manitoba Conservation and Water Stewardship (Environmental Operations Compliance and Enforcement)
Colleen Sklar	Lake Friendly Manitoba; Partnership of the Manitoba Capital Region
Dennis Heinrichs	Consultant – Dillon

**Agenda:**

1. Session opening & administrative items
2. CSO Symposium update and review
3. City of Winnipeg CSO Master Plan update
4. Input on vision & community values for CSO Master Plan
5. Session wrap up and next steps

## **1. Session opening & administrative items**

Introductions were given. Administrative items were noted. The previous meeting's notes were adopted.

### Meeting #4 Purpose:

- To review and recap the CSO Symposium Event
- To provide an update on the overall Winnipeg CSO Master Plan project
- To provide input on Vision & Community Values for CSO Master Plan

## **2. CSO Symposium Debrief and Discussion**

Tiffany Skomro provided an update and overview of the CSO Symposium event. A Word Cloud graphic was presented to summarize key words heard during the facilitated table conversations.

SAC members had the following comments and observations about the CSO Symposium event:

- Liked having facilitators at each table to facilitate discussions;
- Presentations & speakers were very good: interactive, use of technology, dialogue at the tables show the diversity of views and opinions;
- Good energy in the room, people were engaged in the event; size and number of people were good; how do we move from 'spend' to 'investment'?
- Having speakers first may have introduced some 'bias' into the conversations e.g. Winnipeg's CSOs 1% contribution to Lake Winnipeg phosphorus. How do we avoid or address bias from having dialogue after speakers? Understood that speakers needed to provide some context for discussion.

### **June Public Events**

Tiffany Skomro provided an overview and update for the public engagement events. Sessions will be held in the afternoon and evening, and dates will be sent out to the SAC members when confirmed. The content/format of the June public events are being refined, but will include:

- Information for the public on different options;
- Focus will be on the control options, and input from the public on the values and criteria that should be used to evaluate the various control options;
- Will involve a combination of engagement approaches, including polling technology, open house boards, and presentation.

### **3. Update on CSO Master Plan Process**

Patrick Coote presented an update on the overall CSO Master Plan project, including:

- Current project status;
- Overall timelines;
- Approach;
- Background and modeling progress;
- Regulatory liaison meetings with the Province;
- Evaluating and Reporting Progress;
- Decision Making Roadmap;
- Control Limits;
- Developing a Common Vision for the CSO Master Plan; and
- Developing Performance Measures for CSO.

The SAC members received this update as information.

### **4. Input on Vision & Community Values for CSO Master Plan**

Michelle Kuly Holland provided introduction on vision and community values in regards to the CSO Master Plan, and provided a handout summarizing community values identified in input gathered to-date from SAC meetings and the public symposium. Michelle introduced a discussion exercise for the SAC members to review and dialogue on these values, in order to provide additional detail and thoughts for inclusion in the June public event materials.

The SAC members then broke into two sub-groups to work through themes, and reconvened to back brief the wider group and discuss.

The following points were raised by SAC members during their discussion:

- Lake Winnipeg – impact on nutrients, lake health and use
- Value for Money – maximize benefits, basement flooding (integration), low hanging fruit (best value for money)
- CSOs in broader context – recognize other contributors and factors related to water quality, coordinate with related initiatives
- Vision - need to keep in mind future generations, social acceptability (image)
- Innovation & Transformation – keeping in mind the cost of doing business in Winnipeg, cost of retaining good talent, costs & innovation, incentives (where do they fit in), disincentives, coordination with other projects
- Construction Industry – capacity of industry, potential to create artificial economy and reduce buying power
- Livability – Construction fatigue (residents getting fed up with the extent and duration of construction related disruption)

- River Use – Coordinate with other plans & projects, perception of what will actually be achieved in river quality
- Social acceptability – New category suggested. Image, doing our part, education awareness

The feedback was taken by the City to use in finalizing the criteria to go to the public in June.

## **5. Session wrap up**

Next steps:

- Once vision & values are defined, what are the relative importance of these in terms of to each other, and to each control option;
- Update on submission to Province;
- SAC members invited to attend and participate in the June public events.

Next SAC meeting:

- There was a discussion amongst those in attendance about the need to have a SAC meeting in May, versus capturing feedback on-line. SAC members generally concurred, but wanted the decision to be made by the wider group.
- There will be no SAC meeting in the fall. An update will be provided via email in regards to the submission to Province.

Attendees were thanked for their participation, and the meeting was adjourned.

## **6. Summary of Action Items and Administrative Follow-ups**

In progress:

- CITY PROJECT TEAM/FACILITATOR: Confirm and provide further details for the June Public Events to SAC. SAC members are encouraged to attend and participate.
- FACILITATOR: Confirm cancellation of May SAC meeting to SAC members.
- CITY PROJECT TEAM: Share meeting notes and PowerPoint presentation publicly on City of Winnipeg project website following Committee feedback.
- CITY PROJECT TEAM: To provide email update on status of provincial submittal in the fall.