

RiverRenew Workgroup Meeting Notes

Meeting No. 6 / April 24, 2019

Meeting Attendees:

RiverRenew Workgroup	City of Alexandria	Alexandria Renew Enterprises
Councilman Justin Wilson	Lalit Sharma	Karen Pallansch
Councilwoman Amy Jackson	Emily Baker	Liliana Maldonado
John Hill, AlexRenew Board		Caitlin Feehan
Patti Turner, AlexRenew Board		Justin Carl
		Sheeva Noshirvan
		Bill Dickinson, AlexRenew Board

The meeting convened at 5:35 p.m.

The highlights of the presentation included:

- An interactive virtual tour of a tunnel boring machine (TBM).
- A summary of the proposed AlexRenew rate adjustments for FY 2020 and FY 2021.
- An update on the RiverRenew Stakeholder Advisory Group (SAG) which included a summary of the first two meetings held in February and March.
- A technical update that reviewed the environmental studies conducted as part of the construction haul routes and rates.
- A permitting update on the Environmental Assessment (EA) and Development Special Use Permits (DSUP) needed for the Program.
- A community engagement update that highlighted outreach efforts around the proposed AlexRenew rate adjustments, as well as a look ahead to the community Listening Sessions as part of the 30-day comment period for the EA. Ms. Pallansch asked the group for feedback on the community outreach for the upcoming Listening Sessions on the EA release.

The following is a summary of the questions asked by the Workgroup and the answers provided by City and AlexRenew staff.

 Councilman Wilson asked if the loans needed to fund RiverRenew is structured differently from traditional borrowing methods.

Ms. Pallansch explained that one potential funding source is through the Virginia Clean Water Revolving Loan Fund (VCWRLF) which provides a lower rate that is typically below market rates.

Councilman Wilson asked where the excavated soil will be hauled to.

Ms. Pallansch indicated the excavated soil would likely be hauled to a landfill to be used as cover.

Other discussion points:

The next Workgroup meeting will be Wednesday, July 24, 2019 at AlexRenew headquarters.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.



