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General Comments	<p>Reach 5 is generally like a town square for BPC, it is a crossroads for different reaches and purposes</p> <p>Reach 5 is about community event space, want to preserve piazza feeling and general character</p> <p>Is the wall going to be 15ft from the water?</p> <p>Questions about how the reaches are interfaced because of the need to have a “bathtub” around lower Manhattan how will it connect to other resiliency projects</p> <p>what will lighting look like, have we thought about that?</p> <p>Hood is now family oriented so would nice to have it feel more family friendly, not so utilitarian</p> <p>why is there only one option being shown?</p> <p>Avoid perpetual walled-in city</p> <p>What engineering has been done to see effect of new design on the boats using the marina?</p> <p>Adaptability: What if higher wall is needed in future (future adaptability)</p> <p>Should show visualization for different seasons – we will not have blooming flowers all year long and look will change with the seasons</p> <p>Will be developed after parts are finalized; have to determine if everything can be done at once or in parts.</p> <p>Interest in the flood Wall being more natural and less concrete</p> <p>more natural ways to absorb water, more shade</p> <p>Current design is emotionally cold, make more children friendly</p> <p>Maintenance is concern, which options will take require maintenance? Concrete walls vs greening</p> <p>Views and public space is priority</p> <p>More bike parking</p> <p>Want walls to be as seamless as possible</p> <p>Planters along top of wall</p>
Waterfront Plaza	<p>Residents enjoy the events, but don’t want an increase</p> <p>No stage on the water</p> <p>Brookfield considered good neighbors</p> <p>Events which people like – ice rink, white dinner, cinema</p> <p>Will skating rink remain? Will it change in size?</p> <p>Switchback are waste of space – the hardscape is nice because it allows for large event space and we don’t want that to be cut up</p> <p>Make seating between flood wall and trees with less switchbacks</p> <p>When it comes to shade vs mobility – mobility is more important because shading infrastructure becomes intrusive to view</p> <p>Walls proposed are not too intrusive, which is good</p> <p>Remove trees</p> <p>Like the idea of a 3ft wall</p> <p>Open up wall looking out from winter garden</p> <p>Take trees out, only shrubs</p> <p>Look at gaiting to get up and over rather than walls</p> <p>Space important eliminate or limit ramps for space</p> <p>Esplanade level trees block views</p> <p>maybe more deployables here</p> <p>“the get down”</p> <p>Functional space</p> <p>Community wants to keep the space</p> <p>Enjoy having steps going down to the waterfront</p> <p>Extra shade would be appreciated</p> <p>Will the scenic view be impacted by trees?</p> <p>Use materials that will reflect the sun rather than absorb it</p> <p>“the most foot traffic” is found here</p> <p>Kawasky playground: not discussed</p> <p>Marina improvements its the rockiest marina in the northeast- Can access for historic boats be improved</p> <p>Want to preserve plaza use like the Tribeca Film Festival can we then get more shade</p> <p>Need to ensure same amount of seating with umbrellas</p> <p>Prioritize public spaces with view to water over lobby view but Winter Garden view of water is key</p> <p>Are the tables outside going to lose the view from the wall?</p> <p>Too much switchback</p> <p>Consider eliminating proposed trees/landscaping on lower plaza</p> <p>More shade but not obtrusive to views</p> <p>Reserve water view from winter garden</p> <p>Expand restaurant seating</p> <p>Like the central deployable wall in front of waterfront</p> <p>Keep current 2 water features</p> <p>Use moveable chairs and tables at waterfront</p>
Pumphouse Park	<p>On which side of FBS would people circulate?</p> <p>Important transit corridor – should do pedestrian study</p> <p>Don’t care about liberty ramp – (rats, pigeons, plantings – all ugly) – should be redesigned</p> <p>North Side of Pumphouse Park stays wet during day and is much less used than south side – opportunity to improve and widen access to the Marina</p> <p>Park itself will not be affected</p> <p>Any bicycle parking/area for activities?</p> <p>Can’t ride bike through it</p> <p>More about pedestrian comfort by increasing greenery</p>

	<p>Area between wall and park is quite narrow</p> <p>Impact area won't harm trees</p> <p>Playground &amp; dog park gets much use</p> <p>How high will the wall be (view from walker's perspective)</p> <p>Wildlife impact</p> <p>Wildlife is impacted and may disappear for a while, but should come back post construction</p> <p>Setting is serene as is, want to keep that</p> <p>Plant beds are large here, could be more seating instead</p> <p>Keep the BPC style here – traditional benches not modernized design</p> <p>Can we put water absorbing tiles here?</p> <p>Move wall further east, would rather take away more trees here than have the wall so close</p> <p>Tables here are always used in the summer</p> <p>Don't get rid of the existing trees, very nice in the spring</p> <p>Water absorbent tiles</p> <p>Smaller plant beds</p> <p>Wall goes back</p> <p>Prioritize circulation at pumphouse park</p> <p>concern with height of wall around park</p> <p>natural landscaping key here</p> <p>as little disruption as possible to gateway</p> <p>space between gateway and park is too tight for major walkway</p> <p>How can it be designed to leave trees around Pumphouse Park preserved</p> <p>Reduce trees to keep the current location for the wall for pedestrian traffic</p> <p>Move wall further east to reduce congestion</p> <p>Use water absorbent pavers</p>
<b>Belvedere Plaza</b>	<p>Existing steps are great (kids play on them), but it is a very hard scape focused design currently</p> <p>Like the new design</p> <p>It has some nice step elements as well</p> <p>Generally a very windy area – this will have to be reflected in the plantings</p> <p>Currently very underutilized (sometimes workers use it)</p> <p>Risk that flood wall separates neighborhood from park -Big gates are most notable (maybe there is something to minimize wall-off effect)</p> <p>Turn Belvedere Plaza into a hammock grove or a park</p> <p>Proposed wall in Belvedere Plaza has too much concrete (meaning to much hardscape)</p> <p>Not an enormous impact</p> <p>Not effecting plaza or runner's path</p> <p>Acceptable design by project team</p> <p>Event space is priority</p> <p>Transforming the space could be a mistake</p> <p>Big preservation element</p> <p>General character as it exists is good</p> <p>Types of trees being determined</p> <p>Stairs: accessibility challenge</p> <p>Canopies overlap for shade, but more would be appreciated</p> <p>Could wall be closer to river, there are concerns about congestion coming out of the building in emergency situations (it's where south offices in the building would exit in case of fire etc.)</p> <p>Plant more trees closer to water</p> <p>Would love to see potential openings in the wall outside Brookfield</p> <p>Make flower beds smaller for congestion</p> <p>More public seating that is normal and traditional in the style of BPC (traditional benches, not stair seating )</p> <p>Work on looking at making flood walls transparent</p> <p>Keep entertainment platform</p> <p>Event space is priority</p> <p>Views from lobby are important</p> <p>Relocate wall closer to river</p> <p>Tree beds should be smaller to accommodate more seating and traffic</p> <p>Cut Path here (refer to photo)</p> <p>Smaller plant beds – more benches</p> <p>enjoy water features</p> <p>Belvedere Plaza design is low impact and has good balance between needs</p> <p>more trees are good</p> <p>yes to seating with wall</p> <p>maintain clear path for runners and walkers</p> <p>Desire for it to look like the environment aka South Cove include greenery</p> <p>Exact wall height needed</p> <p>Smaller tree beds here</p> <p>More traditional benches/seating open to public</p> <p>Consider opening to preserve lobby views</p> <p>Maintain entertainment platform</p>
<b>Kowsky Plaza</b>	<p>Like the approach to “needle” it through the existing infrastructure</p> <p>Can the existing infrastructure be flooded? Is it made for that?</p> <p>In Kowsky Park keep the children's fountain</p> <p>Sigh of relief that Kowsky is staying as is</p> <p>Ramp to Kowsky is a great idea</p>
<b>Esplanade Plaza</b>	<p>Keep the volleyball court area as is – great place</p> <p>Don't extent the Reach 6 park too far towards the volleyball court area</p> <p>Width of walking for cyclists</p> <p>Keep volleyball court space</p>

	<p>Improve/Consider Port Authority access needs to water tunnels under Esplanade Plaza (can there be access via North Cove)?</p> <p>Want to preserve volleyball court</p>
Current Design	<p>Current Tree Cuts (squares) very nice</p> <p>Experience today is full open views to the water/can this be designed to keep it that way</p>
Public Art & Memorials	<p>What happens to the permanent art with this design? Concern re Scott Burton design</p> <p>will there be space for temp art installations</p> <p>Is Berlin Wall moving from where it is now?</p> <p>Police memorial is very important and residents like the understated solemn nature of it – very nice</p> <p>Memorial concerns</p> <p>Berlin wall, police memorial to remain</p> <p>keep poetry at belvedere</p> <p>Artwork: poetry details should stay</p> <p>Police memorial is not affected by wall construction</p> <p>Must keep poetry along fence and pavement, art installations, Berlin Wall, Police Memorial, classic looking BPC benches</p>
Construction/Logistics	<p>Why do we have to replace the platforms in some areas?</p> <p>Logistics will be a top concern – Trucking? Circulation? Schedule? How many reaches at the same times? Can we build in the winter?</p> <p>Concerned about intrusiveness of construction</p> <p>Minimize construction time</p> <p>Concerned about what is being closed off for construction</p> <p>Would like volleyball courts to remain open</p> <p>Want to know more about the construction phasing</p> <p>Will Pylons be kept?</p> <p>Can the wall be built in a particular material to keep cohesiveness?</p> <p>Is the idea of a glass wall that blocks the view gone</p> <p>Timeline for construction of project?</p> <p>Can there be something other than plain concrete</p> <p>Material for wall - stone, steel, needs to blend into existing</p>
Emergency & Security Concerns	<p>Ensure Emergency Water Access for evacuations</p> <p>Security concerns if permanent wall creates pockets where people can't be seen if kids are out on their own particularly dangerous</p> <p>Consider emergency egress of 300 Vesey – push wall back if feasible</p>
Accessibility / Circulation	<p>Accessibility Think of elderly tenants, motorized wheelchairs, scooters and accessibility</p> <p>ADA/wheel mobility concerns</p> <p>Concerned about the materials used on the ground by the gate openings so people with wheelchairs/strollers can easily go through them</p> <p>Consideration for bicycles and pedestrians: can there be a safe separation through the use of plantings</p> <p>Explore incorporating elements that slow bikes down but don't do undo damage to people who use mobility devices</p> <p>Circulation more important than park size at pumphouse</p> <p>Pumphouse park currently inaccessible --&gt; planning on adding ramps</p> <p>Highly frequented to walk to ferry, flow very important</p> <p>Step seats are not good for older adults – ramps everywhere take away space</p> <p>more accessibility is key at belvedere</p> <p>Accessibility of strollers/wheelchairs are a concern</p> <p>Use designs to slow bike traffic w/o impact to people in wheelchairs</p> <p>ramp Liberty street</p> <p>access and circulation are important - includes SE corner of marina</p> <p>Like the ADA access and stroller access in designs</p>
Water Features	<p>More outdoor water features</p> <p>Fountains/ water feature What happens to existing fountains? People like the existing water fountains its like a piece of art</p> <p>Fountains/ water feature want to prioritize keep a water feature</p> <p>Overall liked by group</p> <p>Water feature should go into a natural area from a flow perspective – this would be the triangle in front of the winter garden steps – splash pad would be great (with option for other plaza uses)</p> <p>enjoy water features at waterfront plaza</p> <p>Like the current water elements at belvedere, do something similar</p> <p>water element for waterfront plaza</p> <p>Water features</p>
Commercial Interests	<p>Large commercial events should be secondary to the resident's needs</p> <p>Events are intruding into the resident's daily life</p> <p>Events should be secondary use, primary use should be for residents</p> <p>People come to Battery Park City because of the green space public spaces should not be taken over by commercial uses</p> <p>Residents object to any changes to the volleyball court (seasonal in south side of Marina). Statement made every Sunday in the summer the Volleyball court use is taken away by commercial events</p> <p>If the ice skating rink were made free and smaller it would be more inviting for the community</p> <p>What portion of the project is Brookfield paying for?</p> <p>What are the funding sources for this project?</p> <p>One of the early concepts showed a floating stage that is moveable</p> <p>any property that Brookfield owns that is benefitting- they should pay 100% of the bill</p>
Flood Design / Concerns	<p>Design flood elevation: When will the design flood elevation be finalized?</p> <p>Design flood elevation: How high is wall above the ground</p> <p>Design flood elevation: Can the flood barrier wall be moved back to the face of the building at the restaurant and enclose the overhang space?</p> <p>Design flood elevation: finalize D.F.E. across all reaches to move forward and finalize recommendations</p>

	<p>Design flood elevation: when we know the DFE height that the foundation can support?</p> <p>Confusion about flood levels and swells as the water moves further up or down reach 5 on the river</p> <p>Concerns about sea level predictions, are they from FEMA? What do other predictions say? Why are designs used for 100-year floods?</p> <p>How would it differ for 50-years?</p> <p>Q re heavy rainfall</p> <p>Q re impact on NJ coastline by of movement of water</p> <p>Desire for reabsorption for water that comes in what are we thinking about for that concept</p> <p>Q: why is wall so low will water adversely impact the buildings</p> <p>Desire for water absorption by the fbs as part of the design</p> <p>Question about ease of maintenance of the fixed fbs</p> <p>Designing to sea level rise is of concern</p> <p>Can wall around Pumphouse be rising deployable or temp FBS?</p> <p>The Belvedere plaza OFE – 16.5 ftis lower than Rockefeller – why?</p> <p>Can wayfinding be incorporated into the fixed FBS at Belvedere</p> <p>what kind of material is going to be used for the fixed fbs at Belvedere</p> <p>Based on Hurricane Sandy, are there areas of the neighborhood that are more prone to flooding, even with the construction of new wall?</p> <p>Flat gates could be an option for design instead of installing individual planks</p>
Heat/ Shading	<p>Reach 5 is the hottest area in the summer there is no shade in the summer consider water misters</p> <p>Look for more ways to cool the plaza</p> <p>Maintain visibility to the water</p> <p>Planted areas are places were people can sit</p> <p>Place the trees on top of the pile caps (resident was relating to prior knowledge on how the park was originally designed)</p> <p>More planted areas less concrete-you cannot have too many trees</p> <p>Area in front of Brookfield is very hot in the summer</p> <p>It gets hot in the summer so it would be good to explore options that make it cooler like greenery</p> <p>gets really hot - waterfront plaza. Extra shade would be appreciated but not at expense of views</p> <p>Maybe umbrellas could be an option for more shade</p> <p>Want to see more trees</p> <p>Consider temperature management in front of winter garden</p> <p>Are more trees really necessary? Would like to know impact of current trees + additional trees</p> <p>15 foot offset of trees</p> <p>Do not want big trees near water, can be small bushes</p> <p>a response plan would have to be adhered to that is according to FEMA standards in the case of emergency</p>
Deployables	<p>Stop logs are used for efficiency (cost of maintenance, etc.)</p> <p>What is the max amount of time between systems being activated for flood protection?</p> <p>No activation protocols in place yet; will be analyzed to prevent false alarms in activating the wall</p> <p>Q: Has this technology/design been used before? Like are we the guinea pigs?</p> <p>Q re how the gates will be deployed-concern about how many people would be required to deploy it</p> <p>Can an adjustable gate be contemplated so that waves do not come over the low wall</p> <p>Remove wall add deployable at waterfront plaza</p> <p>Can the wall be made retractable?</p> <p>Fold up gates vs roll in and out gates</p> <p>Concerned about the types of deployables, how they work, what they look like and how they affect the view</p>
Clearer Designs/physical models	<p>Wanted clearer plans that clearly show what is existing and what is proposed</p> <p>Want a physical model of the work being done to visualize</p> <p>Access/Gateways to the Park very important for orientation</p>
Orientation	<p>Flow and views are very important orient yourselves intuitively</p> <p>Canopy and Landscape are great for orientation as well</p> <p>Use the tree lines (as today) to orient people towards the winter garden</p> <p>Need to make sure that if greenery is put in that view plain is available for those on the “land” side so that even a child can orient themselves and experience the view</p> <p>North cove has sound-wise Amphitheatre effect (which can be an issue for adjacent residents during/after evening events)</p>
Sound	<p>Love the walkway in front of Le district – very effective also to absorb sound</p> <p>gets loud, good to have white noise</p>
Pinch Point	<p>Pinch point along South Corner of Marina</p> <p>Chokepoint in front of Pumphouse Park</p> <p>Walkways: We like the pinch point relief at the northeast and southeast corners of the marina</p> <p>Great that pinch point will be widened</p> <p>Access to Marina/Waterfront Plaza huge pinch point today</p> <p>Potentially build a berm instead of gate to South End Ave – there is enough space to slope it and it would minimize the pinch point created by gate</p>
Skateboard/Graffiti	<p>concern about skateboards and graffiti</p> <p>Obstacles to prevent skateboarding</p> <p>concern to make it a surface that keeps it from attracting graffiti artists</p>
Ferry Terminal	<p>move ferry terminal south</p> <p>Concern about lack of discussion from Ferry Terminal to Belvedere (the turn from into Belvedere from Ferry) and all the existing planting and seating what’s the plan for this</p> <p>Move ferry terminal south to ease traffic</p>