

**CITY OF NORWALK  
STRATEGIC HARBOR PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE  
VIA TELECONFERENCE  
February 24, 2025**

**ATTENDANCE:** Norm Bloom, Matt Gifford, Jason Patlis, Alan Kibbe, Chris MacDonnell, Jeff Mangels, Jerry Toni, Gary Wetmore

**STAFF:** Steve Kleppin, Robert Stowers, Amelia Williams

**CONSULTANT:** Laura Kenny, Alix Pauchet, Shea Thorvaldsen, Anna Messer

**CALL TO ORDER**

Ms. Williams called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. The members of the Steering Committee and consulting team introduced themselves.

**PURPOSE**

Ms. Kenny described the reasoning behind the study and that the focus would be more on the Harbor itself and less on the landward aspects.

**PROCESS, SCHEDULE, AND ROLE**

Ms. Kenny gave an overview of the timeline and described the background work that was currently underway. There was discussion of what the consulting team will expect from the Steering Committee, including their knowledge and expertise of the Harbor.

**SCOPE OF WORK**

Ms. Kenny reviewed the tasks and deliverables of the project.

**NEXT STEPS**

There was a discussion about the time and frequency of meetings. Ms. Messer led a discussion about the definition of water dependent uses. Mr. Toni inquired about the results of the study impacting zoning regulations and Mr. Patlis asked about the inclusion of environmental jobs on the water as they pertain to water dependent uses. Mr. Kibbe brought up his concerns about equity and access to the Harbor.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

There was no public participation at this time. Mr. MacDonnell will provide the consultants with information he has already collected regarding the “street ends” portion of the study.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.