

DRWC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

OCTOBER 3, 2025

MINUTES

A meeting of the Delaware River Waterfront Corporation was held on October 3, 2025, at 8:00 a.m. via Zoom and in-person at 121 North Columbus Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA pursuant notice duly given under the Pennsylvania Sunshine Act and the By-Laws.

Attending: Jay Goldstein, Bill Hankowsky, Ellen Yin

Also attending: Joe Forkin, Lizzie Woods, Sarah Eberle, Katie Piztick, Jackie Lai, Larry Bell, Lavelle Young, Karen Thompson, Tre Rials, Jessica Roberts, Gina DiBiase

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The minutes of the September 5, 2025th DRWC Executive Committee were approved as submitted.

BUDGET & FINANCE

Larry Bell reported that the FY'25 audit is in process. He said that DRWC met with the Carpenter's Union regarding an audit for the year 2023 thru 2025.

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Lizzie Woods presented photos of the Cap construction and described the progress and the upcoming construction plans. In response to a question from Bill Hankowsky, Ms. Woods said that the project is fundamentally on schedule and that the project should be substantially complete by 2029.

DELAWARE RIVER TRAIL - PENN TREATY PARK TO BATTERY SEGMENT

Ms. Woods described the environmental review process and stated that DRWC had a positive meeting with the City of Philadelphia. She said that the project will go out to bid and then construction will commence at the end of 2025 or the beginning of 2026 with a spring 2026 opening.

WASHINGTON AVENUE CONNECTOR

Lizzie Woods described the progress of construction and confirmed that the project is still expecting a late spring 2026 completion date.

WATERFRONT SUSTAINABILITY

Ms. Woods said that the final plan would be drafted soon and then recommendations will be brought to the board. She added that DRWC is seeking grant opportunities for the improvements.

FACILITIES & OPERATIONS

Lavelle Young stated that the Riverlink Ferry will take part in a Naval celebration from October 9th to 16th. He added that ridership was down by 30% from last season due to the lack of concerts

PARKS & ATTRACTIONS

SPRUCE STREET HARBOR PARK

Jackie Lai reported that presently SSHP is open on weekends only and will close for the season on October 13th.

SUMMERFEST

Mr. Lai stated that Summerfest was closed for the season and work on transitioning the site to Winterfest has already begun.

CHERRY STREET PIER

Jackie informed the committee that the fall décor is in place at the Cherry Street Pier and that this year there have been 182,000 visitors which is an increase from last year.

MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS

Joe Forkin stated that the report will be given at the annual meeting in October.

PROGRAMMING & WATERFRONT ARTS

Sarah Eberle said that there was a great end of the summer concert series at SSHP with Dead Milkmen performing. She said that they are gearing up for the fall season and Winterfest. She said that the tree lighting is scheduled for

December 5th. She added that October 4th would be the second annual Trails & Ales at SSHP.

Ms. Eberle then reported that applications for the new cohort of artist studios for the Cherry Street Pier are being reviewed and that in December the new artists will be announced. Sarah added that a \$250,000 grant was received from the Pew Foundation towards an exhibition for 2026 when DRWC is hosting a partnership with Art Philly, Sail through this to That.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There being no public comment, the meeting was adjourned.