

## **Appendix B**

### **CEDS Meeting Minutes & Attendance Record**

Hudson County CEDS Meeting  
Hudson County Culinary Conference Center  
Jersey City, NJ 07306  
June 18, 2008

**In Attendance:**

**Gina Boesch, Roberto Caliera? Jay DiDomenico, David Donnelly, Joel Freiser, John Fussa, Jeff Kaplowitz, Stuart Koperweis, Alan Lambiase, Suzanne Mack, Allen Magrini, Julian Malloy, Stephen Marks, Michael Marra, Heather Martin, Raj Menon, Kennedy Ng, Michael Rodgers, Paul Silverman,**

**Guests:**

**Daniela Ciammaruconi, Hudson County Planning; Edward Hummel, US EDA; David Behrend, NJTPA; Robert James, Exeter Properties; Hon. Bret Schundler, Mayor Jersey City.**

The meeting was called to order with welcome remarks by **Chairman Jeff Kaplowitz at 12:40 pm.**

*Item 2.1: Adoption of Minutes – April 16, 2008*

A MOTION was made to adopt minutes by **A. Lambiase** and seconded by **K. Ng**. **The motion was approved.**

*Item 3.1: Endorsement – Draft Master Plan Re-examination Report.*

There was brief discussion regarding the Report from previous meeting review. A motion was made by **T. Corsi** and seconded by **D. Donnelly**. **The motion was approved**, P. Silverman abstained.

*Item 4.1: Transportation Sub-Committee Update.*

D. Behrens, from NJTPA gave an update on new plans; stating that public comments were being accepted. He also mentioned that the visioning process and the mapping were very good.

*Item 4.2: Draft Hudson County Transportation Map.*

**S. Marks** presented and an explanation of the new County Transportation Map. He stated that there are two purposes for today's action to adopt the draft: 1. to show CEDS support for the map as an economic development tool; 2. to work with the NJTPA showing Hudson County' intentions and as a guiding document.

There will be a 60 day public comment on the Map before adoption by the Chosen Board of Freeholders. **B. Schundler** commented that there should be a new station added between Newport and Hoboken on the Light Rail system; and **D. Donnelly** concurred that he would like to see this added as well. **P. Silverman** noted that the Kinsley stop in Kearny is for employees only; and suggested that this should be added. **D. Donnelly** noted that the map was excellent and a job well done by the Planning Department.

A motion was made by **P. Silverman**, Seconded by **J. Freiser** to support and endorse the map with the additional stop on the Light Rail and the Kearny stop. **The motion was approved.**

*Item 4.3: Draft Land Development Regulations.*

**S. Marks** briefed the Committee on the new Land Regulations being proposed. There will be a 60 day public comment period before the Chosen Board of Freeholders considers adoption. Today CEDS action is to show support for the introduction and endorsement of the Regulations.

A motion was made by **P. Silverman**, Seconded by **K. Ng** to introduce and endorse the introduction of the Regulations. **The motion was approved.**

*Item 5.1: Business Development Incubator.*

**Gina Boesch**, from NJ City University Business Incubator and **Ed Hummel** from US EDA presented the NJCU Business Incubator program.

**Chm. Kaplowitz** opened floor to members.

**A. Lambiase** stated that the NJ DOT and the US Coast Guard are to have a meeting on July 1, 2008 to discuss the Whittpen Bridge. They are intending to make the new bridge 6 lanes and increase the height of the span. In so doing this will have a significant impact

on Fish House Road. **D. Donnelly** also stated that the PSE&G receives fossil fuels in the waterway; and is supporting the raised height.

**J. Freiser** told the Committee that on June 18, 2008 Kearny will be holding a Community Design Workshop and all are invited.

**S. Koperweis** spoke on the Urban Enterprise Zone changes being made at the State. He testified in support of S.1980 and A. 2889, two companion bills that would move the UEZ to Department of Community Affairs.

**S. Koperweis** also informed the Committee that we are in need of a sub committee to review the responses for the CEDS RFQ being prepared, which would set up a new five year CEDS plan. **Chairman J. Kaplowitz** volunteered and asked for additional members. **J. Fussa, J. Freiser and D. Donnelly agreed to serve.**

**Chm. Kaplowitz** informed members that the next meeting of the CEDS Committee is scheduled for Sept. 17, 2008.

*Adjournment*

**A. Corsi** made a motion to close meeting and **P. Silverman** seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:55pm.

Hudson County CEDS Meeting  
Hank Gallo Community Room  
Lincoln Park Administration Building  
Jersey City, NJ 07306  
Sept 17, 2008

**In Attendance:**

**Gina Boesch, Roberto Cabana, Anthony Cammarata, Jr., Jay DiDomenico, David Donnelly, John Fussa, Doug Greenfield, Jeff Kaplowitz, Stuart Koperweis, Alan Lambiase, John Lane, Suzanne Mack, Julian Malloy, Stephen Marks, Michael Marra, Kennedy Ng, Jesse Anne Ransom, Patricia Robinson, Michael Rodgers, Paul Silverman, Elizabeth Spinelli, Joanne Van Dorne**

**Guests:**

**Daniela Ciammaruconi, Hudson County Planning; David Behrend, NJTPA; Amy Magnusan, NJTPA; James Griller, HCIA; Ernest Swiger, Swiger Associates;**

The meeting was called to order with welcome remarks by **Chairman Jeff Kaplowitz at 12:10 pm.**

*Item 2.1: Adoption of Minutes – June 18, 2008*

A MOTION was made to adopt minutes by **E. Spinelli** and seconded by **M. Rodgers**. **The motion was approved.**

The Chairman opened the floor for discussion of items pertinent to representatives.

**E. Swiger** made a presentation of a "white paper" he is drafting regarding Manufacturing and Industrial Land. He is concerned that manufacturing sites are being priced out of the real estate market in Hudson County.

Comments were made by **J. Kaplowitz** (cost of land too high), **D. Greenfield** (protect land via zoning), **E. Spinelli** (sites in N. Bergen, Century 21 looking for distribution center headquarters), **A. Lambiase** (Rail and water access, MOTBY, River Terminal 99% occupancy rate); and by **D. Donnelly** (Rt. 440 A & B Warehouse), **J. Van Dorne** (Meadowlands development) and finally by **J. Griller** (public transportation is in place).

It was decided that further conversation should take place at the December meeting; and that there is a definite connection to and with CEDS.

*Item 3.1: Transportation Sub committee - Update*

**D. Behrend**, from NJTPA gave an update on new plans for 2035. This is a long range visioning process for the County and the other 13 counties of the NJTPA. Mr. Behrend's would like our input and the involvement of the CEDS. He will make a presentation at the December meeting. **M. Rodgers** asked if transportation issues in the Master Plan will be incorporated, and they will. **J. Lane** also commented on traffic patterns and why we drive the way we do.

**J. DiDomenico** of the HTMA told the committee that Coach USA has dropped routes in Jersey City and that New Jersey Transit is examining the effects. It was recommended by the committee that Hudson County look into a circulation study, reviewing the Jitney service.

*Item 3.2: CEDS RFQ* – It was approved by the committee and forwarded onto the Freeholders for approval. We are awaiting authorization to proceed.

*Item 4: Board of Chosen Freeholders Comments* – **S. Koperweis** presented an update on the conversations with the Freeholders regarding Items 4.1 – 4.4 below.

*Item 4.1: Affordable Housing Land Costs.* This was discussed by **S. Koperweis** with DCA Commissioner Doria regarding researching the effects of land costs in urban centers vs. rural and the impact on affordable housing requirements. It was determined that the study is pre-mature at this time.

*Item 4.2.: Convention and Visitor Bureau.* **S. Marks** told the committee that the Freeholders are concerned that there is nothing, no programs, to promote Hudson County as a tourist destination. There should be an opportunity for tourism supporting hotels and restaurants in the County.

**J. Van Dorne, E. Spinelli, G. Boesch, and J. Griller** all discussed the issues and merits of a "world class" marketing campaign should be outward bound international to bring in tourists. The buzz words identified are: Live/Work/Play. **J. Lane** mentioned there should be a virtual tour link set up on the Web. Other comments were that the Port Authority should set up a shuttle bus from Newark Airport to Liberty State Park; that there are 65,000 riders on the Light Rail and that the Destination Jersey City members should be included.

**NOTE: J. Kaplowitz left, J. Van Dorne presides as vice-chair.**

*Item 4.3.: Urban Transit Hub Tax Credit Program.* **S. Marks** spoke about the program and how Harrison was left out. It was agreed that the committee and Hudson County should support revising the legislation. **S. Mack, J. Lane, J. Fussa and J. DiDomenico** will form a sub-committee.

**J. Van Dorne** informed members that the next meeting of the CEDS Committee is scheduled for **Dec. 17, 2008**. *Adjournment* **E. Spinelli** made a motion to close meeting and **J. Van Dorn** seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:28pm.

Hudson County CEDS Meeting  
Hank Gallo Community Room  
Lincoln Park Administration Building  
Jersey City, NJ 07306  
Dec. 17, 2008

**In Attendance:**

**Gina Boesch, Anthony Corsi, Jay DiDomenico, David Donnelly, Aaron Forman, John Fussa, Dan Frohwirth, Johnny Garces, Doug Greenfield, Jeff Kaplowitz, Stuart Koperweis, Alan Lambiase, John Lane, Suzanne Mack, Allen Magrini, Stephen Marks, Heather Martin, Michael Marra, Raj Menon, Paul Silverman, Elizabeth Spinelli**

**Guests:**

**Daniela Ciammaruconi, Hudson County Planning; Ernest Swiger, Swiger Associates**

The meeting was called to order with welcome remarks by **Chairman Jeff Kaplowitz at 12:15 pm**. Happy Holidays to all. Introduction of those present.

*Item 2.1: Adoption of Minutes – Sept. 17, 2008*

A MOTION was made to adopt minutes by **E. Spinelli** and seconded by **A. Lambiase**. **The motion was approved.**

The Chairman opened the floor for discussion of items pertinent to representatives.

**B. Spinelli** spoke on the state of New Jersey economic stimulus program INVEST NJ. The program will be available on the web after Jan. 7, 2009

*Item 3.1: Transportation Sub committee - Update*

**A. Lambiase** mentioned that there will be a meeting on Jan. 20 to discuss Fish House Road and Whittpenn Bridge.

HUB Transit Tax Credit is being discussed by **S. Koperweis** and Freeholder O'Dea. **J. Fussa** said that Bayonne supports the initiative and there should be cross promotion for support by CEDS.

**J. Lane** gave an update of projects from D.O. T. and the economic stimulus plan.

**J. DiDomenico** of the HTMA told the committee that there will be an open meeting on the Bus Transit report, including the Jitney service on Dec. 18, 2008. He also gave out copies of information from HTMA.

**A. Magrini** discussed the light rail extension to the Meadowlands. He wanted to know if there was any news/status.

**S. Marks** reviewed the Transit map that was discussed last meeting. The map was endorsed and adopted by the County Board of Chosen Freeholders. **A. Magrini** wanted to make sure that there was a statement included in the map regarding light rail; where the County Mayors, State Legislators, Congressional Delegation and N.J. Transit are all working together.

*Item 3.2: CEDS RFQ* – **S. Marks** told the committee that EDA rep. Ed Hummel needed a new CEDS five year plan. A RFQ was prepared and forwarded onto the Freeholders for approval. We are awaiting authorization to proceed.

*Item 3.3: FTZ Report* – **E. Swiger**, from Swiger Associates, the consultant for the project gave an update on the final report via a power point presentation handout. Several questions and comments were made on the report.

**A. Magrini** stated that Hartz Mountain Industries owns several industrial properties that could be considered as target sites, however the time frame for approvals from D.C. are too long (9-12 months); and therefore are hesitant to be considered. **A. Lambiase** believes that FTZ designation is not really a marketing tool. The benefits and competition for sites is not local but other national ports. Most end users already know the benefits of FTZ; therefore, site ready does not help. It is State incentives elsewhere that are important.

**J. Kaplowitz** asked if there is a dollar figure amount or size that works ideally for companies. **A. Lambiase** and **E. Swiger** responded that there are several ways to save: duty deferred and combining duty, as well as fees.

*Item 4.1: Industrial Sites* - **S. Koperweis** and **B. Spinelli** are to get input from committee members regarding potential sites to see if this is a viable program/project for EDA support.

*Item 4.2.: Hudson County Community Indicator Report* - **S. Marks** told the committee that the report will look at all aspects of county indicators for local bench marks. These are draft comments and details. It is not to act as a marketing plan for the county. It is looking at benchmarks from 1990 to the present. He stated that the CEDS committee should review and make comments. A copy will be electronically sent to all members for their review. There was discussion regarding Dept. of Labor tracking building permits by municipality and if that would be included. This report is not broken down by municipalities but looks at the County as a whole.

*Item 5.1.: Meeting Dates for 2009 - .* **S. Marks** presented the meeting schedule for 2009. **B. Spinelli** made a motion to accept, seconded by **P. Silverman**. APPROVED.

OPEN ITEMS: **P. Silverman** mentioned that Freeman Decoration in Kearny is expanding due to a new traffic signal that has been approved. They are building 2.5 million square feet of space, with rents at \$30 per sft. Friday Dec. 19 at 1pm is the ground breaking and all are invited.

**J. DiDomenico** said that he was aware that busses are relocating to Hudson County.

**T. Corsi** spoke about the WIRED initiative. Hudson County is part of 1 of 8 districts to set up grants for regional infrastructure projects. They are accepting new ideas and would consider any suggestions. The key is that the projects must be regional, not just one municipality or county.

**J. Kaplowitz** informed members that the next meeting of the CEDS Committee is scheduled for **March 11, 2009**.

*Adjournment:* **S. Koperweis** made a motion to close meeting and **J. Lane** seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:35pm.

Hudson County CEDS Meeting  
Hudson County Community College  
Culinary Conference Center  
Jersey City, NJ 07306  
March 11, 2009

**In Attendance:**

**David Behrend, Gina Boesch, Anthony Cammarata, Jay DiDomenico, David Donnelly, Jim Dugan, Jr., Johnny Garces, Doug Greenfeld, Jeff Kaplowitz, Stuart Koperweis, Alan Lambiase, John Lane, Suzanne Mack, Stephen Marks, Heather Martin, Kennedy NG, Dan Poster, Jesse Ann Ransom, Paul Silverman, Joanne VanDorn**

**Guests:**

**Daniela Ciammaruconi, Hudson County Planning; Ernest Swiger, Swiger Associates**

The meeting was called to order with welcome remarks **by Chairman Jeff Kaplowitz at 12:28 pm**. An introduction of those present was done, with each presenting opening remarks.

**J. VanDorn** requested that we invite the US Dept of Commerce, Census Bureau to our next meeting and see how we can work together for the 2010 census. Discuss. Agreed. Board will invite to June meeting.

**S. Mack** motioned to invite the Census officials to the next CEDS meeting; seconded by **J. VanDorn**. APPROVED.

**D. Greenfeld** stated that Jersey City Master Plan Circulation Element is being presented to the Planning Board at the end of March, with a public meeting to be held sometime in April. All should go to [www.JCMobility2050.com](http://www.JCMobility2050.com) site for more info. He also mentioned that the BayView Project is a driving force for a conceptual plan to divert trucks off of Rt. 440. He will keep us posted.

**J. DiDomenico** stated that the Hudson TMA is working with US Green to assist companies to become LEED Certified. The federal government is offering a 30% tax credit and 42% depreciation for the first year on equipment.

**A. Lambiase** noted that River Terminal would be a good example and should be done first; not as a retro fit.

**J. Lane** mentioned that NJ Alliance for Action did this with a Hartz site.

And **P. Silverman** mentioned the Majestic Theater site, as well.

**A. Cammarata** noted that there are different types of certificates; and that Goldman Tower is the largest LEED certified building in New Jersey.

**D. Donnelly** stated that LEED standards for certification are constantly being upgraded; and there is an affordable housing component that equals \$40-\$50 per month per unit.

**A. Lambiase** provided an update on the Whittpenn Bridge status from the January meeting with N. J. Transit. They will be installing six pumps and a berm, with construction beginning next year.

**P. Silverman** wanted to thank the County Engineer regarding the pumps. He also said that the first two units in Hamilton Square were sold and two were rented. They anticipate having 60 units occupied within three months of the 125 units in Phase I.

**J. DiDomenico** told the committee that Hudson County Plaza will be ready soon. Barclay is moving 800 people to the County; and UBS is moving to Secaucus.

*Item 2.1: Adoption of Minutes – Dec. 17, 2008*

A MOTION was made to adopt minutes with change to P. Silverman comments, by **A. Lambiase** and seconded by **G. Boesch**. **The motion was approved.**

*Item 3.1: Foreign Trade Zone – S. Marks* gave an update since the presentation by Ernie Swiger at the December meeting. The study was over a two year period divided into two parts: Identify Sites and Submit expansion application if there are any businesses wanting to participate. Seeing that there were no businesses willing to participate at this time and eh sites being recommended, the report should be closed and presented to the Board of Chosen Freeholders for adoption.

**S. Marks** told the committee that the three groups and sites under consideration – NRS, MOTBY, and AMB warehouse – were all premature at this time. There was some discussion regarding the sites. Consequently, **S. Marks** believed that a vote today to bring the Freeholders was in order.

MOTION made by **D. Donnelly**, Seconded by **J. Van Dorn**. APPROVED with 2 abstentions.

*Item 4.1: Transportation Subcommittee update – J. Lane* presented information regarding the **Federal Stimulus Package**. He mentioned that Hudson County was the only county in the state trying to get the fund down to the municipal level for distribution. Union City, Weehawken, Secaucus and Bayonne all have projects ready to go. There are deadlines associated with the funds being 180 to 365 days to spend the funds.

The **State DOT** also has plans to spend \$43 million to improve Rt. 1& 9 truck route, Rt. & bridge replacement and resurfacing of most county roads. Hudson County has \$7 million and Jersey City is getting \$4.8 million.

**D. Greenfeld, D. Behrend and D. Donnelly** all mentioned that the projects must be shovel ready, permits in place and funding ready to go once received.

**J. Lane** distributed handouts on the FY '10 Capital Program of the North Jersey Transportation Authority (NJTPA); which directs federal and state funds being spent in Northern New Jersey. He also mentioned then the Bergenline Light Rail Station is the busiest in the state.

D. Behrend said that the NJTPA will be voting to adopt the program this Friday.

*Item 4.2: Hudson County Community Indicators* – **S. Marks** presented an overview of the final draft that was discussed at the December meeting. The report created benchmarks of where we currently are and where we are going as a county. Thus the creation of the document was very difficult, but that the updates will be much easier. He also wanted to note that **D. Ciammaruconi**, should be recognized for her contribution to this document.

He reiterated that this is an Indicator, not to be used or substituted as a marketing piece. For example on pages 23 and 24 there are crime statistics and on page 42 there are light rail growth projections. The indicators tried to aggregate information at the County level not any one specific municipality. The Planning Board has voted to introduce and open to public comment before approving.

**Chairman J. Kaplowitz** commented that the economic conditions numbers maybe skewed due to the current economic downturn. He believes there should be a disclaimer. Though there is one on page 8 it should be moved to inside cover.

**D. Donnelly** stated that the facts in the report are a terrific tool to be used; that it is a great resource of information. He thanked the Hudson County Division of Planning for the wonderful work.

D. Behrend also wanted to commend the Division and the report, stating it is great.

MOTION to Introduce made by A. Lambiase, seconded by **J. DiDomenico** - APPROVED.

*Item 5.1.: New Business* – G. Boesch told that there was a meeting with an Israeli delegation regarding the Incubator. They like the umbrella of Jersey City and Hudson County with small companies; and are looking to relocate a satellite office. She would like any assistance from the committee. **J. VanDorn** and **D. Donnelly** said they would love to collaborate and assist.

**S. Koperweis** asked if the new location was acceptable. All agreed it was wonderful and would like to continue meeting here in the future. He also mentioned that the Downtown New Jersey, Inc. annual conference will be on June 4 at the same location. It is being supported by the Hudson County Community College and the County EDC.

**J. Kaplowitz** informed members that the next meeting of the CEDS Committee is scheduled for **June 10, 2009**.

*Adjournment:* **D. Greenfeld** made a motion to close meeting and **J. VanDorn** seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:30pm.

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June 10, 2009

**In Attendance:**

**Kevin Alli, Gina Boesch, Anthony Cammarata, Jay DiDomenico, Anthony Gude, John Fusa, Dan Frohwirth, Jeff Kaplowitz, Andrew Kemp, Stuart Koperweis, Greg Kowolski, Alan Lambiase, John Lane, Ulysis L., Debbie Lawlor, Suzanne Mack, Stephen Marks, Julian Malloy, Jesse Ann Ransom, Desiree Ramos, Mike Rodgers, Bette Spinelli, Robert Valente, Elnora Watson**

**Guests:**

**Geraldine Clark and Kevin Dericot from US Census Bureau; Daniela Ciammaruconi, Eric Tuvel and Carissa Johnson from Hudson County Planning**

The meeting was called to order with welcome remarks by **Chairman Jeff Kaplowitz at 12:34 pm**. Chairman Kaplowitz requested those present to introduce themselves and organization, as well as provide any pertinent remarks.

**J. Ransom** of the BLRA mentioned MOTBY project is in first stage of development with 80 units of 540 in total. It is also Silver LEED certified.

*Item 2.1: Adoption of Minutes – Mar. 11, 2009*

A MOTION was made to adopt minutes with change to P. Silverman comments, by **A. Lambiase** and seconded by **S. Koperweis**. **The motion was approved.**

*Item 3.1: Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) – S. Marks* gave an update: One year ago the Hudson County Planning (HCP) Division sought to obtain funding for a new CEDS plan as required by the Federal Economic Development Administration. Funding was initially granted by the County but was rescinded due to the financial issues confronting the County. Consequently, the HCP reached out to the Bloustein School at Rutgers to see if they could provide us with two interns to assist in development of a plan.

Two interns have joined the HCP for this project Eric Tuvel and Carissa Johnson. As we were told by EDA that this must be accomplished quickly as the County's last plan was

done in 1999, we have set up an aggressive timeline. With this compressed timeline we should be on target to complete by end of year.

A power point presentation "CEDC 2010" was made by Eric and Carissa, followed by a Q & A. Members pointed out the aggressive schedule and concerns that we do not miss any other potential stakeholders. **S. Koperweis** went over the reach out process to ensure all will be contacted. A copy of the power point will be sent to all members.

*Item 4.1: Transportation Subcommittee update* – **J. Lane** presented information regarding the **Federal Stimulus Package**. He mentioned that the County has 180 days to authorize 50% of the stimulus funds or they will be rescinded. Any State that does not spend their appropriation by Feb. 2010 will be taken back for reprogramming. The county is working with all the municipalities to review and meet all Federal Highway Administration requirements. **J. DiDomenico** reported that NJ Transit will be augmenting the #6 bus route between Journal Square and Hudson Plaza to provide additional service. **S. Mack** told the committee about the NJ Transit board meeting and the Lafayette Loop. Additionally the ARC project is getting national attention.

*Item 4.2: US Census Bureau Presentation* – **S. Marks** introduced **Geraldine Clark** from the US Census bureau to go over the 2010 census. A presentation was made to the committee reviewing the process and how groups can become involved. The goal is to enlist a variety of groups such as local governments, schools, religious organizations to create a Complete Count Committee (CCC). **Ms. Clark** told the Committee that in 2000 Hudson County had the best CCC in the country and would like to repeat in 2010, beginning with the CEDS committee.

An office has been established in Hoboken and there is a web site for people to go to who want information or looking for a job with the Census. They are also asking the Committee to help set up "be counted sites" in the County for blank questionnaires. There has been a change in methodology for 2010, where they will be counting all people, even undocumented as well as citizens; using a short form not long; and will be using wherever one is living as of April 1, 2010 as the date to be counted. The Bureau will be sending counters out six times to ensure all are being counted.

**S. Marks** mentioned that there is an analysis of how the money was allocated based on the census in 2000 effected the county and how it was used. He thanked the Bureau and assured that the CEDS will participate.

*Item 5.1.: New Business* – **J. Lane** presented committee with a variety of hand outs on transportation issues and funding of projects for review.

**J. Kaplowitz** informed members that the next meeting of the CEDS Committee is scheduled for **Dec 9, 2009**.

*Adjournment:* **S. Marks** made a motion to close meeting and **S. Koperweis** seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 2:13pm. .

**A. Lambiase** stated that the Whittpen Bridge is a 4 phase project and is underway.

**J. Kaplowitz** asked about the Pulaski Skyway and the maintenance schedule/replacement. It takes about 10 years and \$10 million each year to maintain. Replacement would be \$4.6 billion. The current FHA rating system can not be used for the skyway because it is so old.

*Item 4.2: Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy 5 Year Plan: CEDS 2010*

**S. Koperweis** presented an overview update, as community reach out is still continuing. We are using SWOT approach and have many interviews to date. We will have a sample draft for next meeting. There are over 700 responses to the survey thus far, we are looking for 1000. Certain zip code areas are under represented.

**G. Boesh** asked how we are compensating for under/over data reporting. The data will be skewed if just based upon that. The data is from those who have actually responded, it is more of convenience sampling and thus can not extrapolate based upon zip code responses.

Another area of support for CEDS will be the upcoming Recovery Zones being set up by the federal government and approved by the County. **S. Mearns'** office of community development will be using the CEDS report and CEDS committee for support.

*Item 5.1.: New Business – No new business.*

**J. Kaplowitz** informed members that the next meeting of the CEDS Committee is scheduled for **Dec. 9, 2009**.

*Adjournment:* **E. Boyce** made a motion to close meeting and **S. Koperweis** seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 1:10pm.

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**Guests:**

**Eric Tuvel and Carissa Johnson from Hudson County Planning**

The meeting was called to order with welcome remarks by **Chairman Jeff Kaplowitz at 12:32 pm**. Chairman Kaplowitz requested those present to introduce themselves and organization, as well as provide any pertinent remarks.

*Item 2.1: Adoption of Minutes – June 10, 2009*

A MOTION was made to adopt minutes by **E. Boyce** and seconded by **A. Lambiase**. **The motion was approved.**

*Item 3.1: Introduction of River Road/Hudson Waterfront Circulation Study, June 2009 – S. Koperweis* gave an update on the Study area which is from Fort Lee to Hoboken. The goal is to see how things can be improved, reviewing engineering and “right of way” issues, and problems. Page 66 is the implementation matrix which shows all the projects timeframe, etc. Copy should be emailed to all.

A motion was made to support the study. MOTION: **S. Koperweis**, second by **A. Lambiase**. Approved.

*Item 4.1: Transportation Subcommittee update – J. Lane* gave the committee an overview of several area projects. Basically Hudson County and Jersey City are very busy with transportation. Access to Regions Core (ARC) tunnel is ongoing and will be until 2018. There are 24 different job categories set up to build the tunnel. Other areas are the Portal Bridges, 14<sup>th</sup> avenue viaduct replacement, and the Manhattan avenue retaining wall. Overall NJTPA adopted the Regional Plan going up to 2035.

**J. DiDomenico** requested that the information be placed on the Web and email to all. **J. Lane** shall do.

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