Hampton Underserved Community Meeting #2
Summary Report

Meeting Date: October 5, 2021

Meeting Time: 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Location: Thomas Nelson Community College

Attendance: 17 in person; 19 via Zoom

Commonwealth Staff: Josh Saks

Overview: Thomas Nelson Community College president, Dr. Towuanna Porter Brannon welcomed everyone. Josh Saks conducted a power point presentation. He addressed participants' questions. Participants made notes about flooding challenges on the maps and circled where they lived. There were questions and comments posted in the Zoom chat.

Participant Comments and Questions

- Buckroe
    - Floods regularly with high tides, significant rainfall, and severe storms
- Concern is that a lot of construction is taking place, but this may be causing Hampton to sink with frequent flooding throughout the city.
- Grandview Island
    - Lost house in the Grandview Island area, due to flooding during hurricane Isabel
    - New home in Grandview Island has lots of flooding that often floods the attendees' backyard.
- Foxhill and Grandview deal with significant flooding after 3-4 inches of rain.
- Briarwood Terrace (New Market Creek specifically) deals with significant flooding
- Can you explain the pollution allowance?
- Shoreline hardening and environmental justice concern
- Since Hampton is sinking, how can citizens be protected?

- Is the state working with Hampton so that the state can address Hampton's direct concerns?
- How can wetlands move in to protect communities from flooding if construction is still occurring? Zoning concerns.
- Since the Newmarket Creek also runs through Newport News, are the two cities working together?
- What practical steps can the community (specifically Phoebus) take to follow the Coastal Resilience Master Plan?
- Is there any kind of plan to help people rebuild instead of relocating?
- Who can apply for the fund? What does the funding go to?
- What do NGO and PDC stand for?
- Are there any specific tree funds?