

RE: Annapolis, Maryland – Cultural Resource Hazard Mitigation Plan – Call for Assistance

Dear ULI Baltimore Members:

Earlier this year ULI Baltimore and the City of Annapolis received a ULI National grant to assist the City in developing their Cultural Resource Hazard Mitigation Plan. It is an honor to receive this grant, especially considering the national competition. Moreover, what we learn in Annapolis can ideally be translated to help protect all of Maryland's coastal towns and cities. Now the City needs our help. Specifically what the City is looking for is –

“ULI Baltimore members with national or international experience in the field of adaptation for sea level rise / tidal flooding and or, in the case of weather-related disasters, building resiliency. While the project is specific to the Annapolis historic district and the Eastport Conservation District, experience or knowledge of planning and mitigation methods used nationally and internationally would be greatly valued. The City is looking for this expertise in order to facilitate the creation of the City's first Cultural Resources Hazard Mitigation Plan. Annapolis is using FEMA's guidance for integrating cultural resources into hazard mitigation planning, and is nearing the end of the risk assessment phase. In the next phase, the City will engage the community to develop goals, objectives, strategies and an implementation approach. The City seeks ULI Baltimore's assistance with the following:

1. To work with the City of Annapolis Cultural Resource Hazard Mitigation Team to assemble best practices in long term resilience and preparedness that addresses impacts of flooding and sea level rise to historic resources and the Annapolis's Historic District. This will entail assisting with the research on best practices/models; presenting best practices/models at a meeting of the core working team in December (which would be held during the work day) and providing feedback on DRAFT design guidelines and recommendations
2. Participants will be required to attend at least one Town Hall-type meeting, tentatively scheduled for the morning of January 30, 2016, to facilitate design scenarios utilizing draft design guidelines that include mitigation strategies for individual property owners and global best practices in public infrastructure preparedness.
3. A follow-up half-day meeting to work with the planning team to finalize recommendations for the Cultural Resource Hazard Mitigation Plan will also be required.
4. Participants may also have the opportunity to work with the City Department of Public Works, Design and Planning staff from the US Naval Academy and the US Army Corps of Engineers as part of an internal working group.

Expertise is needed in infrastructure, design, real estate development, finance and investment, cultural resources, landscape architecture, planning, public policy and sustainability. “

This is a very exciting project and a great opportunity for our District Council to help impact a major issue in our State. We hope you will consider providing your expertise. If you can provide these skills



and are interested in participating please email me (sdavis@mragta.com), Lisa Norris (Lisa.Norris@ULI.org), and Lisa Craig (lmcraig@annapolis.gov) with the City of Annapolis. Thank you!

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