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1. Mr. Roland Infante of Con Edison made a presentation regarding Drake Park (African Burial Site) findings and installation of gas regulations. The Con Edison Engineering Construction Project Plan is to be done on Hunts Point Avenue next to Drake Park. Con Edison will conduct a ground study. It will also conduct a GPR Investigation and its results.

The main focus of the work will be two large stage gas regulations. The work is scheduled to begin in the spring of 2018. The GPR will go down 8 feet into the ground to make sure there are no skeletal remains. An archeologist will be hired to be on site during the excavation. If there are any findings, Con Edison will stop the project and an archeological study will be conducted.

2. Ms. Effie Ardizzone of the Department of Environmental Protection and her colleagues made a presentation on the Hunt's Point Waste Treatment Plant Digest Project. Four new digester tanks will replace the old digesters. This project will result in improved bio-solids being produced at the Waste Water Treatment Plant.

3. Mr. Ted Enoch and Dyaami D'Orazio of the Partnerships for Parks made a presentation. Partnerships for Parks makes small grants of up to \$5,000.00 to Support Community groups in order to improve parks. For more information contact Grants@CityParksFoundation.org or call 212-602-5349.

4. A presentation was made by the students of Cornell University College of Architecture, Art and Planning. The students made an in depth presentation on how the Hunt's Point Community can shape our waterfront and how to promote access, resiliency and ecology at the Oakpoint water's edge.

The Environmental Committee voted to grant a letter of support for the concept of the Oakpoint waterfront Public Access Plan.

Special thanks to Robert Balder Executive Director of Cornell University's Program of Urban Planning, and the Sarah Dougherty Program Associate of the Waterfront Alliance.