

# Lower Hill (Mellon Arena) Redevelopment Sports & Exhibition Authority of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County

## Interested Party Process

(June 10, 2010)

The goal of Interested Parties consultation is to identify historic properties potentially affected by the project, assess effects to historic resources, and seek ways to avoid, minimize, or mitigate any adverse effects on historic properties resulting from project implementation. The project team, through a good faith cooperative approach with the Interested Parties, will identify project purpose and need criteria, evaluate alternatives that avoid or minimize adverse effects to historic resources, and prepare a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) that documents the process, results, and commitments for the project. The process will be aided by Project Team presentations, meeting handouts, workshop activities, coordination, minute preparation, and discussions. Apart from the meetings, Email will be the primary mode of communication. Information on upcoming meetings, including meeting scheduling and agendas, will be provided in advance of the respective meetings and will be posted on the SEA website: [history@pgh-sea.com](mailto:history@pgh-sea.com).

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## Tentative Process Schedule

### 1 Organizational Activities

- “Request to Initiate Consultation Form” to PA Historical & Museum Commission (PHMC)
  - Status: Ongoing with 30-day review period
- Establish Area of Potential Effect (APE)
  - Status: Mellon Arena identified as the only NRHP eligible resource
- Interested Parties Invitations
  - Status: Ongoing with initial invitations sent
  - Status: Additional Interested Parties being solicited

### 2 Interested Party Meeting # 1 (January 19<sup>th</sup>)

- Lower Hill (Mellon Arena) Redevelopment Project Overview & Status Update
- PA History Code Process Overview
- Interested Party Process
  - Goals
  - Guidelines
  - Approach
  - Minutes
- Project Purpose & Needs Criteria
  - Hill District Community Benefits Agreement (CBA)
  - Project Purpose & Need Identification Exercise
- Interested Parties solicitation
- Meeting Summary & Follow-up Items

### 3 Interested Party Meeting # 2 (February 16<sup>th</sup>)

- Meeting # 1 Minutes Review & Comment
- Draft Purpose & Need Statement
  - Review & Comment
- Alternative 1 – Site Redevelopment with Mellon Arena Demolition
  - Goals & Objectives
  - Purpose & Need Criteria

- Solicit Other Alternative Concepts (Workshop)
    - Goals & Objectives
    - Purpose & Need Criteria
    - Outline of Follow-up Analysis
  - Meeting Summary and Follow-up Items
- 4 Interested Party Meeting #3 (March 17, 2010)**
- Present Penguins' Redevelopment Plan
  - Reuse the Igloo! Plan Presentation
  - Preservation Pittsburgh Plan Presentation
  - Comment & Responses
  - Meeting Summary and Follow-up Items
- 5 Interested Party Meeting #4 (March 30, 2010)**
- Meeting # 3 Minutes Review & Comment
  - Other Alternative Concepts
    - Results of Follow-up Analysis
    - Discussion
  - Workshop (Development Option review & comparison)
  - Meeting Summary & Follow-up Items
- 6 Interested Party Meeting #5 (April 21, 2010)**
- Meeting #3 & 4 Minutes Review & Comment
  - Workshop Continuation (Development Option review & comparison)
  - Economic Analysis of Development Options
  - Public Meeting Announcement (*May 13, 2010 – tentative*)
  - Meeting Summary and Follow-up Issues
- 7 Interested Party Meeting #6 (May 05, 2010)**
- Meeting #5 Minutes Review & Comment
  - Workshop Development Option Summary & discussion
  - Economic Analysis of Development Options discussion
  - Public Meeting Approach
  - Meeting Summary and Follow-up Issues
- 8 Public Informational Meeting #1 (May 13, 2010)**
- Purpose & Needs Statement
  - Development Options
  - Solicit Public Comment (Comment Form)
    - Purpose & Need Statement
    - Development Options Presented
    - Development Options not Considered
    - Solicitation of Development Option Preference / Justification
    - Other Potential Historic Resources

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**9 Interested Party Meeting #7 (June 9, 2010)**

- IP Meeting #6 Minutes
- Presentations
  - Historic Hill Institute
  - Five Mile Development
- Review Draft Effects Report
- Review Draft Options Report
- Mitigation Measure Discussion

*Dateline: June 10, 2010*

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**10 Interested Party Meeting #8 (July 13, 2010)**

- Finalize Options Report
- Finalize Effects Report
- Memorandum of Agreement - draft
- Meeting Summary and Follow-up Issues

**11 Interested Party Meeting #9 (early August, 2010)**

- Memorandum of Agreement - final
- Closing comments