

CIH Workshop 4: Municipal Planning and Financing for Climate Resilience | July 26, 2023 | 6:30 – 8:00 PM

Workshop Objectives:

- Review shared commitments about how we will interact
- Review workshop goals and agenda
- Cohort members develop in their ability to collaborate with one another and in their sense of shared commitment
- CIH participants discuss recent flooding event and assets they used to cope
- CIH participants make connections between flooding events and municipal roles and responsibility
- Participants understand the roles and responsibilities of municipal leadership and staff
- Participants understand more about the challenges of lower capacity municipalities
- Participants develop in understanding how to collaborate with municipalities on stormwater management

Workshop Schedule

6:10 pm	Facilitators join webinar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Technical troubleshooting ▪ Last-minute check-ins 	15 mins.
6:25 pm	Slide 2 - Start webinar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Admit and welcome participants to webinar ▪ Welcome slide 	5 mins
6:30pm	Set guidelines +	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Zoom basics ▪ Slide of basic commitments ▪ Purpose of CIH - so pressing as we saw with all of the recent storm events. 	3 mins
6:33 pm	Overview of workshop approach	<p>We are going to be doing some review of materials we have covered so far, learning the basics about municipal planning and finance, and then thinking about how we start to build towards our community capstone projects.</p> <p>Today we will have a mix of presentations, small group conversations, and discussion with a panel of experts.</p>	2 mins
6:35 pm	Toolbox	Review of different tools that have been developed	5 mins.

6:40 pm	Breakout Room 1	<p>Small Groups:</p> <p>Let's talk about the rains that started July 4th weekend. What has been your experience? How did you handle things as a household? Did you organize with neighbors? How did your municipality respond? Is there room for improvement?</p>	15 mins.
6:55 pm	Slide Deck (part one)	<p>Slide deck:</p> <p>Municipal financing and planning 101</p> <p>General roles among staff</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Public works/ Engineering ● Planning ● Manager/ Finance <p>Types of Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Comprehensive ● Stormwater ● Disaster ● Capital <p>Types of Financing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tax base ● SRF (now green and gray); equity challenges ● County Funding ● Federal and State funding <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Road rebuild can include stormwater infrastructure ○ FEMA and EPA monies based on disaster planning ● Private grants/ foundations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Civic Innovation Hub 	15 minutes
7:10 pm	Group Discussion	<p>Impacts/Consequences of being in communities without full time engineering, planning, finance staff</p> <p>We just laid out a model way that municipal planning and financing should work. Unfortunately, not all of our municipalities are so well funded. We might not have all of the roles we discussed represented by full time staff - it may be more ad hoc, with consultants sometimes filling in gaps.</p> <p>Electeds and staff can speak to challenges they have because of these gaps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Municipal staff reps here - No Q&A 	10

7:20 pm	Slide Deck Part Two	<p>Public Involvement/ engagement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Public meetings (Open meetings act) ● Public engagement in planning processes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ This unfortunately doesn't happen as much as might be appropriate with engineering/ stormwater projects - this can be an issue especially with outside consultants. ● Public led demands/ organizing <p>Public - Private - Partnerships</p> <p>Funding opportunities</p>	5
7:25 pm	Panel Discussion	<p>Topic: Pathways to Successfully Collaborating with your Municipality</p> <p>Panel discussants:</p> <p>Residents get to ask questions</p> <p>Slide with bullets of main topics</p> <p>Starter/Filler Questions:</p> <p>Who are you? What is your position? In what ways have you collaborated with municipalities to improve stormwater infrastructure?</p> <p>How can we access grant writing assistance?</p> <p>Who is the first person we should talk to if we want a rain garden on public property?</p>	25 mins.
7:50 pm	Wrap-up/ Reflection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Gratitude and thanks ▪ Reflection ▪ Next steps: vulnerability assessment and capstone work session 	5 min.
8:00 pm	End Webinar		