Twin Cities Sustainable Harbor Strategy
Project Goal

The goal of the Twin Cities Sustainable Harbors Initiative is to facilitate the development of long-term, sustainable strategies that enable the communities to maximize the benefits of their harbors and waterfront.
Project Study Area
Engagement Strategy

• Presentations
• Facebook (@TwinCitiesHarborVC)
• Webpage
• Focus Groups (Neighborhood,
• Technical Meetings (Parks & Rec Commissions, Planning
  Commissions, Zoning Boards, DDA/COC)
• Design Charrette
• Harbor Governance Meetings
THREE VISITS TO THE COMMUNITY

September 19

INITIAL VISIONING MEETING
1 DAY
a. Assets
b. Weaknesses
c. Barriers
d. Connections

October 9 - 11

DESIGN CHARRETTE
3 DAYS
a. Public Input Workshop
b. Open House: Selecting A Preferred Option
c. Public “Work in Progress” Session

TBD

FINAL PRESENTATION
1 DAY
Presentation to City/Village Council
a. Updated graphics
b. Final Report

Iterative process balancing community input and expert design work.

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Twin Cities Harbor Community Design Workshop

PUBLIC INPUT WORKSHOP
Table Introduction

- Introduce all people at the table
- Pick a representative at each table to take notes
- Pick a representative at each table to present the final thoughts of the group (2 minutes)
What's On The Table
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- Today
- Future
- Assets
- Ideas
Community Description Exercise

1. Pass Out Pink Today and Yellow Future Post-Its (one per person)

2. Describe in one Word your community TODAY (Pink)

3. Describe in one Word your vision of your community in the FUTURE (Yellow)
Community Mapping Exercise

1. Pass Out Yellow Assets and Pink Barriers Post-Its (one per person)

2. Identify Three Assets/Best Places in the Study Area (Yellow)

3. Identify Three Challenges in the study Area (Salmon)
Community Mapping Exercise

1. Locate the Assets and Challenges on the tracing paper overlay of the Aerial Map

2. Talk with your pen and verbalize your ideas out loud
Community Visioning Exercise-Ideas

1. Handout Green Post-Ideas (one per person)

2. Write down Top 3 Ideas for your vision of the future
A community representative from each table is to be selected to give a brief summary of the top vision items discussed at each table to the whole group.