PUBLIC AGENDA

OBJECTIVE: Committee members will have an interactive discussion with local stakeholders and decision-makers around impacts of urban flooding in the Houston area.

8:00 – 9:00 am  Continental Breakfast

8:30 – 8:45 am  Welcome and Introductions
- Dr. Lauren Alexander Augustine, Director of Office of Special Projects and Director of Program on Risk, Resilience, and Extreme Events, The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine
- Dr. David Maidment, Committee Chair, Hussein M. Alharthy Centennial Chair in Civil Engineering, The University of Texas at Austin

8:45 – 10:15 am  Panel Session : Overview talks about the four aspects of urban flooding.
David Maidment, Panel Moderator
(20 minutes for each Panelist)
Panelist 1: Physical aspects of urban flooding in Houston
Phil Bedient, Rice University
Panelist 2: Social aspects of urban flooding in Houston
Saundra Brown, Legal Aid
Panelist 3: Informational aspects of urban flooding in Houston
Sam Brody, Texas A&M University
Panelist 4: Decision making and policies in Houston
Steve Costello, Mayor’s Office, Chief Resilience Officer

10:15 – 10:30 am  Break

10:30 am – 12:00 pm  Group Break-out Sessions
- Physical aspects of urban flooding (built and natural environment)
- Social aspects of urban flooding (people and institutions)
- Data and informational aspects of urban flooding (forecasts, maps, demographics)
- Actions and decision making aspects of urban flooding (actions taken pre-flood, during flood event, and post-flood)

12:00 – 1:00 pm  Lunch in meeting room

1:00 – 2:00 pm  Report-outs from each group

*NOTE - The hotel will be conducting a fire drill at 2:00 pm, but we will not be required to leave.