

# Community/End User Panel

Thursday, October 10, 11:00 AM - 12:15 PM

#### **Panelists**





Rosemont
Neighborhood
Council Liaison
Officer



Jonathan Lamb

NOAA NWS, Charleston WFO Meteorologist



Najeema Washington

CCRAB
Community
Research
Director



Nicole Elko

American Shore
& Beach
Preservation
Association,
Executive
Director



**Shawn Smetana** 

Charleston
County Director
of Innovation

#### Skip Mikell

CCRAB Board
Chair and
President of
Union Heights,
Windsor Place
and Howard
Heights
Neighborhood
Association



## **Biographies: Herbert Maybank**

Resident, Council Board Member, Community Liaison Officer: Rosemont Community. Board Member & Vice-Chair, CCRAB. Serves on City of Charleston/USACE Sea Wall Committee.



I am a retired resident in the city of Charleston, Rosemont community. I have sat on the neighborhood council's board for eight years and in the past six years served as the community Liaison Officer to the different agencies/groups who wish to provide information/resources to the community that would improve the residents' quality of life. I am a seven year board member and just recently elected as Vice-Chair of Charleston Community Research to Action Board (CCRAB) the research partner of Lowcountry Alliance Model Communities (LAMC) an environmental justice (E. J. Strong) a non-profit group. I, also, serve on the City of Charleston/ Army Corp of Engineers Sea Wall committee. All my serving are voluntary, remembering my humble beginnings and the willingness to give back with the hope of raising the quality of life for all communities.



### **Biographies: Jonathan Lamb**

NOAA NWS, Charleston WFO Meteorologist



 Jonathan has been a meteorologist at the National Weather Service in Charleston, SC office since 2005. When not forecasting or issuing warnings, he is busy with IT system administration, scripting, and finding better ways to visualize information to help the forecasters.



## **Biographies: Najeema Washington**

#### CCRAB Community Research Director

Najeema Davis Washington currently serves as the Community Research Director for the Charleston Community Research to Action Board (CCRAB). She is a native Charlestonian whose passion for social justice began as the child of Civil Rights Era educators. Najeema is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Spelman College and holds a Master of Public Administration from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. She has enjoyed a professional career that includes over 15 years of federal government service at the Government Accountability Office, experience in higher education, and now environmental justice. Najeema also enjoys cycling, and is a co-founder of Black Women Bike DC. She is a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated.





### **Biographies: Nicole Elko**

#### ASBPA Executive Director

 Dr. Nicole Elko is Executive Director for the American Shore and Beach Preservation Association (ASBPA); President of Elko Coastal Consulting based in Folly Beach, SC; an Executive Director of the U.S. Coastal Research Program, and Administrator of the S.C. Beach Advocates. Dr. Elko has 25 years of experience, leading many coastal resilience projects along the U.S. Southeast and Gulf coasts. She served on Governor McMaster's S.C. Floodwater Commission. Dr. Elko is presently serving as an emeritus civilian member of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Coastal Engineering Research Board (CERB) and also as a member of NOAA's Hydrographic Services Review Panel (HSRP).





### **Biographies: Shawn Smetana**

#### Charleston County Director of Innovation

Shawn Smetana started his new role as the Innovation Director in 2022. The position is tasked with improving internal and external processes and procedures to make Charleston County operate more efficiently. He started in 2013 as the Communications Coordinator before being promoted to Public Information Officer in 2015. Shawn also spent two years as Deputy Director of Environmental Management in 2020 overseeing administration and public outreach.





# **Biographies: Skip Mikell**

CCRAB Board Chair and President of Union Heights,
Windsor Place and Howard Heights Neighborhood Association





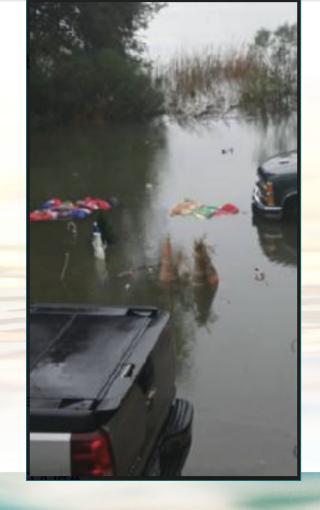
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Odessa St., 12/17/23.





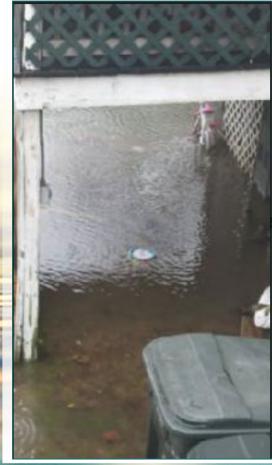














Rosemont: Peace St. near Austin Ave. & Doscher Ave.



North end of Rosemont, 8/6/24









Time-lapse loops of Charleston Harbor are useful to NWS meteorologists for tracking fog and thunderstorms.