



Ward 3 Neighborhood Planning Assembly

Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 6:30 PM

Join in person: City Hall, Sharon Bushor Conference Room, 149 Church St.

Join virtually: <https://zoom.us/j/98644635243>

Facilitator: TBD

6:30 pm **Call to Order | 5 min**

Adopt the agenda and review meeting ground rules.

6:35 pm **Elmwood Avenue Shelter Pods | 40 min**

An update on the current status of the Elmwood Avenue shelter pods.

- *Taylor Thibault, Champlain Housing Trust (CHT)*
- *Sarah Russell, Champlain Valley Office of Economic Opportunity (CVOEO)*

7:15 pm **Conflict Assistance Program | 20 min**

A presentation on the free services available to community members.

- *Barbara Shaw-Dorso, Burlington Community Justice Center*

7:35 pm **Public Forum | 10 min**

An opportunity to share opinions, news, and events.

7:45 pm **Adjourn**

Our next meeting is Wednesday, April 1.

Use the QR code to go to any of these links: [Email us](#) • Go to [our website](#) • Watch meeting recordings on [CCTV's website](#) • Connect with us on [Facebook](#) or [Instagram](#) • Request a time slot with the [NPA Request Form](#) • Links from this agenda



Appendix to the Agenda

Ward 3 NPA Ground Rules

- Meetings should have clearly defined agenda and roles.
- Honor Time limits: A best effort must be made to start on time, follow the agenda, and finish on time.
- Wait to be recognized: Members may not speak until recognized by the moderator.
- Listen to others: Make efforts to be an open-minded member of the group.
- Respect the agenda and the process: Try to remain focused on the issue at hand.
- Share your opinion respectfully: Speak out, but not over, others' comments.
- Treat people how you would like to be treated: Be respectful of everyone, including guests.

Public Forum Protocol

- Community members will be required to sign up for the Public Forum before the start of the meeting consistent with the process used by the City Council.
- Participants will have up to two (2) minutes to share their thoughts and will speak based upon the order in which the requests were received.
- Participants may speak only for themselves and individual speakers will not be permitted to yield their time to other speakers.
- Personal attacks will not be tolerated and the moderator reserves the right to limit comments that are disruptive and/or obscene.
- Ward 3 residents will be given priority and, if there is still time, persons who live outside the ward will be provided an opportunity to speak.

Question-and-Answer Protocol

- Please state your full name prior to asking your question.
- Each participant will have thirty (30) seconds to ask one and only one question.
- There will be no follow up questions so everyone has a chance to participate.
- Ward 3 residents will be given priority.

Discussion and Debate Rules

- Members may not speak until recognized by the moderator.
- Each member will have a maximum of two (2) minutes to speak on questions before the NPA.
- No member will be permitted to speak a second time until every member has had an opportunity to speak once.
- No member will be permitted to speak a third time until every member has had an opportunity to speak twice.