

Ward 1 Neighborhood Planning Assembly (NPA)
Wednesday, September 9, 2026
In-person at the Friends Meeting House, 173 North Prospect Street
And Zoom online: <https://zoom.us/j/96245939050> Webinar ID: 962 4593 9050
Or by phone: +1 929 205 6099 ID = 962 4593 9050

Facilitator: Carol Livingston

Recorder: Gretchen Platt or Jonathan Chapple-Sokol

6:15 Welcome and Food

6:30 Formal Start - project agenda and read Participation Guidelines
Introductions & Announcements (Ward 1 Polling station help needed)
Index cards out: potential topics or speakers for future NPA meetings

6:45 Speakout

7:05 School Commission update - Matt Price & Gary Golden

7:15 City Council update - Allie Schacter & Carter Neubieser

7:40 Steering Committee - organization for upcoming year 2026-27

- Volunteers for: setting up space (3 meetings); picking up food (3 meetings);
Updating our Instagram and Facebook accounts; updating mailchimp
Thank you to volunteers for your help on our 2025-26 projects:
Dave Cawley for Sept. BBQ & ice rink liner; Julie Springer for
Flyers & distribution; Sarah Morris for sticker design
- Budget: \$3,000 year funding
 - Rental of Friends Meeting House = \$750 - paid in full
 - Food (estimate \$135 - 150/meeting) = \$1500
 - Balance = \$750
- Calendar
- Future topics for NPA presentations - Jonathan

8:00 Bella Fearn (Vermonters for Community Justice Reform) Overdose Prevention Ctr

8:30 Adjourn

Ward 1 NPA Steering Committee

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Participation Guidelines:

The Ward 1 NPA is sustained by community involvement and encourages engagement at our monthly meetings per the following guidelines:

1. We are collectively responsible for following the NPA Meeting Agenda as closely as possible regarding both presentation/discussion topics and time.
2. Participants at the NPA will act in a positive, courteous manner that respects all of those present (both participants and presenters/guests) and their differing opinions, experiences and perspectives.
3. Any attendee requesting to speak who has not yet spoken at a meeting will be called on before others who have already had a chance to speak. Priority is given to Ward 1 residents.
4. Whenever speaking, please be sure to project your voice and use the provided microphone if provided.
5. If the facilitator feels the need to redirect activity in the room based on these guidelines, the facilitator will do so per point number 1 above.