

Draft Agenda Ward 5 NPA
December 19, 2019
6:30pm to 8:30pm
South End City Market community room

Agenda:

6:30- Open Forum

6:45 - Making Clean Water Affordable (Megan Moir, Burlington Water Resources)

7:15 - Break (conversation & holiday treats)

7:25 - Burlington's Energy Future (Darren Springer/Jen Green, BED)

7:55 - An Innovative Proposal: Electric Vans! (Spencer Smith)

8:15 – Adjourn

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For more information about Wards 5 NPA visit their CEDO webpage

<https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/CEDO/Neighborhood-Services/NPAs/Ward-5-NPA>

Keep Current on their Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Ward5NPA>

In collaboration with Channel 17 cctv.org, we will also now be live streaming our meetings on YouTube, which will permit the submission of online comments during Q&A portions of the meeting: <https://www.youtube.com/channel17townmeetingtv>

Neighborhood Planning Assembly Ward 5
DRAFT Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date/Time: Thursday, 12/19/2019; 6:30 – 8:30 PM

Location: City Market Community Room, 207 Flynn Ave ****New location beginning Jan-2020*

- I. Steering Committee Attendance: Kirstin Boehm, Lucia Campriello, Ben Traverse, Ashley Dembinski, Andy Simon, Mohamed Jafar
- II. Total Attendance: 15
- III. Agenda Items
 - a. 6:30-6:45 – Open Forum, questions included:
 - i. Community Voices for Immigrant Rights (Laura & Betsy, Ward 3) is advocating for humane boarder policies and initiating a local campaign Nomas Polimigra; CVFIR meets every other Monday from 5:30 – 7:30 PM @ 241 N. Winooski Ave with next meeting on 1/6
 - ii. Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
 - iii. Town Meeting Day quickly arriving and democratic caucus will occur Sunday, 1/12 @ 5:30 PM @ Edmunds Middle School gym
 - iv. Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) policy adjustments will be discussed at both city council level and upcoming public forums where input will be solicited
 - b. 6:45-7:05 – Making Clean Water Affordable (Megan Moir, Burlington Water Resources)
 - i. Access to clean water is core value and in order to provide this service we must invest in the system; investments were minimal for many years in the 1990s and as such we are investing more now (Rate Study information can be found here, which articulates affordability options, a phased approach and project workplan and schedule); the presentation generated conversation from residents eager to learn how individual property owners can implement best practices re: stormwater and pollution control, as well as questions regarding rules/regulations surrounding new development responsibilities as well (Chapter 26 Ordinance promotes responsible and environmentally friendly stormwater supports via rules and regulations for the control and operation of the municipal water pollution control department (ex: Cambrian Rise)
 - c. 7:25 – Burlington's Energy Future (Darren Springer, Jen Green, BED)
 - i. Net Zero Energy goal is to reduce and eventually eliminate fossil fuel usage in heating and ground transportation; (Net Zero Energy Roadmap can be found here, which includes incentives for consumers practicing energy efficiency); most ambitious local climate change initiative in the country; economically BED has held rate steady since 2009 and is less expensive for consumers (ex: \$1 on gas = 80% leaves state v \$1 charging a vehicle at BED = 50% remains in the city); stay tuned for

upcoming incentives and partnerships with local car dealers and state and local rebate programs (up to \$13K rebate!)

- d. 7:55 – An Innovative Proposal: Electric Vans! ([Spencer Smith](#))
 - i. A proposal For Members of Vermont State Legislature, Joint Committees on Transportation and Energy was shared proposal the use of electric public transportation ([LightningElectric Ford Transit passenger van](#) is only passenger van in the U.S.); a sign up sheet to receive more information and get involved was shared – contact Spencer directly!
- e. Burlington School Board Budget Process ([Jeff Wick](#), [Mike Fisher](#))
 - i. Finalizing 2021 budget by end of Jan-2020; budget information can be found [here](#) (primary adjustments revolve around fully supporting students with behavioral challenges); approach is to do the right thing for kids.
 - ii. Discussion included 1.) question surrounding facilities specific to Champlain Elementary School property, which has been pulled back for further community engagement; 2.) new superintendent search includes bringing on professional search capacity, develop job description and post liberally to attract a diverse candidate pool with a desired start date of a 7/1/2020 (co-chairs will lead public process)

IV. Next Meeting: 1/16/2019 @ 5:30 – 8:30 PM @ Pizza 44 Event Space

- a. 5:30 – 6:30 PM NPA sponsored pizza dinner**
- b. 6:30 – 8:30 PM NPA Ward 5 Meeting**

Minutes by Lucia Campriello

Neighborhood Planning Assembly Attendees



NPA (choose one)	Wards 1 & 8	Wards 2 & 3	Wards 4 & 7	Ward 5		
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Date of Assembly : 12-19-19 Location: City Market Fly

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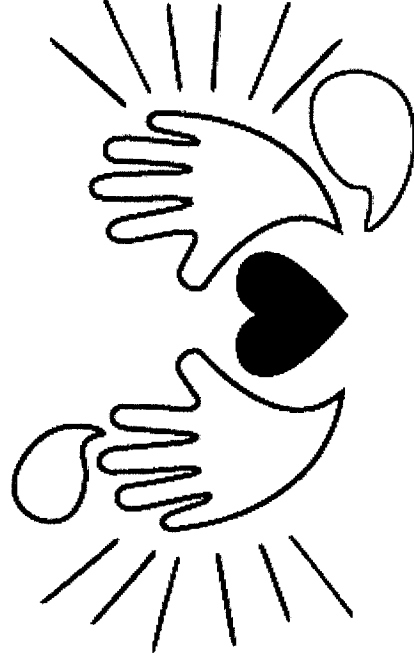
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4	Laura Mistretta	23
5	Betsy McGavisk	24
6	Carolyn Rote	25
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8	Kirstin Boehm	27
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JUSTICE FOR CHIRI!

On November 22nd, Luis (Chiri) Ulloa, a farmworker, was traveling from the farm to Burlington with friends when his car was pulled over by Deputy Jeffrey Turner. Chiri was the passenger, not the driver, but Deputy Turner demanded to see his ID and radioed Border Patrol, holding the car on the side of the interstate until agents arrived and detained Chiri.



These actions violate Deputy Turner's own department's Fair and Impartial Policing Policy (FIPP), which states that "members of Chittenden County Sheriff's Department shall not initiate or prolong stops for the purpose of enforcing civil immigration laws, such as suspicion of undocumented status, nor shall they prolong stops for the purpose of allowing federal immigration authorities to conduct such investigation."



COMMUNITY VOICES FOR IMMIGRANT RIGHTS

Meetings: Every other Monday, 5:30-7:30p
Every Thursday, 7:00-8:30p
241 No Winooski Ave in Burlington

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STOP POLICE COLLABORATION WITH DEPORTATION AGENTS!

EVERYONE SHOULD LIVE FREE FROM FEAR, BIAS, AND DISCRIMINATION

IMPARTIAL POLICING POLICY (FIPP) IMPORTANT?

- **Human rights:** Everyone should be treated equally under the law. The process of getting a traffic ticket or a DUI should be the same for every person, regardless of outward appearances or immigration status.
- **Public safety:** the current system causes immigrant and New American communities to not trust law enforcement and not contact or work with them, which creates a less safe community for everyone
- **Resource utilization:** Spending public resources on local police officers helping to deport our undocumented neighbors means that those resources are not being spent addressing actual problems that affect the daily lives of people in our community

THE #NOMASPOLIMIGRA CAMPAIGN AIMS TO BRING AWARENESS TO THE FIPP LOOPHOLES AND TO WORK WITH CITY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS AND CITIZENS TO CLOSE THEM.
“POLIMIGRA” IS A COMBINATION OF THE SPANISH WORDS FOR POLICE (POLICIA) AND IMMIGRATION AGENTS (MIGRA). IT IS USED TO DESCRIBE WHEN POLICE COLLABORATE WITH IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS.

- It allows for the reporting of immigration status of victims and witnesses of crimes to deportation agents
- It evades prohibitions on asking about immigration status by allowing officers to rely on the pretext that the person is suspected of having recently crossed the border
- It allows the sharing of confidential information with immigration agents, so long as it's justified on grounds of “public safety” or “law enforcement needs”
- It grants deportation agents access to individuals in police custody, effectively turning local police stations into temporary holding cells for ICE and Border Patrol

WHAT CAN WE DO TO STRENGTHEN THE FIPP?

- Our citizen-led coalition, Community Voices for Immigrant Rights, is working with Migrant Justice to pass a city-wide resolution, in which City Council would pass a police department directive to close the loopholes.
- **WE NEED YOU** to pressure on your city councilor to support the new resolution:
 - Write them a letter or go to your NPA to ask them to support the resolution
 - Learn more at our panel discussion at **6pm on 1/21** - Fletcher Free Library, Fletcher Room
 - Come to rally and vote on the city council resolution at **6:30pm on 1/27** - steps outside Contois Auditorium

2014: Farm workers and Migrant Justice leaders and activists won passage of Act 193, mandating all police departments in the state implement Fair and Impartial Policing policies (FIPP) and gave a July 1st 2016 deadline for departments to adopt the model state policy.

2016: FIPP protected all Vermonters from biased policing based on personal characteristics (like race, gender, or sexual orientation) or immigration status and greatly limited local police from engaging in federal immigration enforcement.

2017: Due to many departments not fully implementing the policy, a law compelling all departments to implement it in full was passed. Police officials took advantage of this to reopen discussions on the model policy, in an attempt to water it down. On December 12th, 2017, a group of law enforcement officials voted to weaken Vermont's FIPP, effectively opening the door for increased discrimination and police collaboration with deportation agents.

VERMONT'S STATEWIDE POLICY IS FLOOR, NOT A CEILING. OTHER CITIES, INCLUDING WINDOSKI, ARE BUILDING ON THE STATEWIDE POLICY BY ADOPTING STRONGER LANGUAGE THAT HELPS PROTECT THEIR RESIDENTS; ITS FIPP CLOSED THE LOOPHOLES IN 2018.