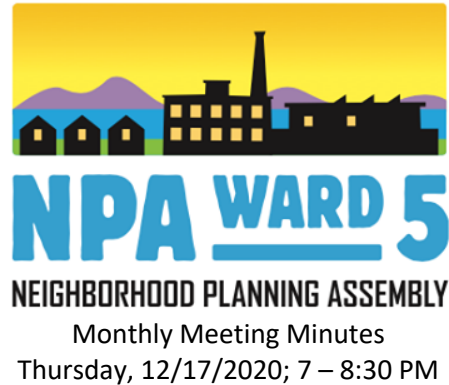




I. Participation

- a. Steering Committee Attendance & [Contact Information](#): Kirstin Boehm; Lucia Campriello; Billy Clark; Joe Dery; Jillian Kirby; Nate Lantieri; Scott Pavak; Andrew Simon; Ben Traverse
- b. Total Attendees: 31

II. Minutes

a. 7:00 – 7:15 – Public Forum

- i. Join a bell-ringing session at 6:00 PM on New Year Eve!
- ii. Secret Elf Society in the South End; the society is naming honorary elves and it's a lovely, spontaneous
- iii. Ward 5 NPA posted images on the Ward 5 Facebook page of the Juniper Creative mural in progress on the ceiling of Main Street Landing building (as a follow on to last month's meeting)
- iv. Public condemnation of harassing behavior toward city councilor members lately

b. 7:15 – 7:30 – [Chip Mason](#) & [Joan Shannon](#), South End City Councilors

- i. Councilors provided an update on recent City Council debates and actions, including four charter change proposals ([view 12/14/2020 city council meeting in full here](#))

c. 7:30 – 8:00 – Dr. David Grass, VT Dept of Health, Deputy Director for Epidemiology Branch for COVID-19 Response

- i. Latest COVID news, contact tracing, Q&A; visit VDOH website for [incredible resources](#), including:
 - 1. [Testing information](#) (expectations & testing locations)
 - 2. [Travel & Quarantine](#) (Vermonters Traveling Out of State, Visitors to Vermont, International Travel)
 - 3. [Current Activities](#) (VT dashboard, COVID-19 in Communities, Weekly Data Summary)

4. COVID-19 among Vermonters who are Black, Indigenous, and People of Color ([Data Brief](#))

- d. 8:00 – 8:30 – [Tyeastia Green](#), Burlington City Director of [Racial Equity, Inclusion and Belonging](#) (REIB) & Pablo Bose, Member of the [Reparations Task Force](#), Ward 5 Resident, & Professor of Geography at the University of Vermont & [Skyler Nash](#) (task force member)
- i. [REIB mission statement](#): The City of Burlington's Racial Equity, Inclusion & Belonging Office focuses on promoting racial equity and inclusion throughout the City of Burlington both internally and externally through engagement, facilitation, and education.
 - ii. [Reparations Task Force](#): The City of Burlington officially formed a Task Force to study Reparations in Burlington when Mayor Miro Weinberger signed City Council Resolution 7.06 on August 18th, 2020. This resolution formally established the task force and charged it with studying a proposal for reparations in Burlington and considering an official apology from the City of Burlington for the Institution of Slavery. With this task force, Burlington joins Providence, Ashville, and Evanston as the only four cities in the United States to explore reparations for the Institution of Slavery.
 - iii. [Additional Resources](#) include works by: [Nikole Hannah-Jones](#), [Ta-Nehisi Coates](#),

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, January 21 @ 7:00 PM

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Minutes taken by: Lucia Campriello & supplemented by Lian Daugherty

Attendees List:

Jillian Kirby	Joe Dery
Joan Shannon	Alec Bauer
Andy Simon	Andy Vota
Ben Traverse	Beth Sachs
Bill Keogh	Carolyn Bates
Chip Mason	Danny Weiss
David Grass	John Bakewell
Jonathan Sands	Kirstin Boehm
Lucia Campriello	Mike Fisher
Nate Lantieri	Patti Wehman
Scott Pavek	William Grass
Tyeastia Green	Pablo Bose
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