



Wards 2 and 3 Neighborhood Planning Assembly

Thursday December 10, 2020, 6:30pm-8:30pm

With live music 6:20-6:30pm

Held in remote locations via Zoom

wards2and3npa.weebly.com

Moderator: Barbara McGrew

6:20pm Live Music!

6:30 pm Announcements | 5 min

- Thanks to (TBA) for sharing their music!
- Introduction of Steering Committee Members
- Next meeting notification
- Recordings can be found on [youtube](#) or [cctv](#)'s website

6:35 pm Public Forum | 15 min

NOTE: 3 minutes maximum

6:50 pm NPA Funded Project Report | 5 min

Aden Haji and Carol Livingston: New American Voting Initiative

6:55 pm ONE Mobility Audit | 10 min

Kelly Duggan, Old Spokes Home: Presentation, Q&A

7:05 pm Just Cause Evictions Charter Change | 20 min

Tom Proctor, Rights & Democracy: Presentation, Q&A, Endorsement request

7:25 pm Reducing Carbon Emissions - 2021 Transportation Climate Modernization Bill | 15 min

Curt McCormack, State Rep.: Presentation, Q&A NOTE: SEE APPENDIX 2

7:40 pm City COVID Response Update & Housing Supports | 20 min

Luke McGowan, CEDO: Presentation, Q & A

8:00 pm Representative Updates | 30 min

Rep. Jean O'Sullivan | 10 mins

School Commissioners, City Councilors, State Legislators: Presentations, Q&A

8:30 pm Adjourn

APPENDIX 1: ZOOM INFO

When: Dec. 10, 2020 06:20 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85860854764>

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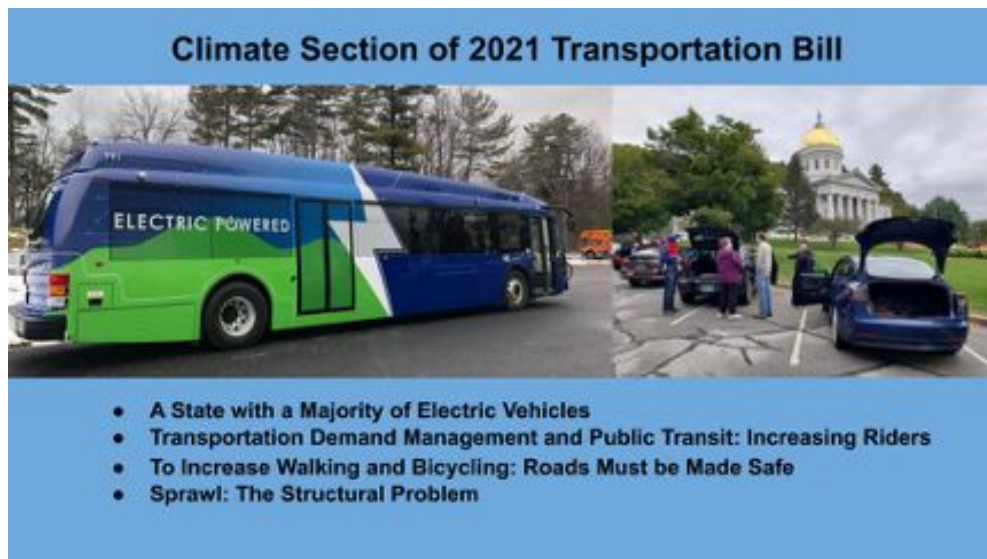
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APPENDIX 2: Climate Section of the 2021 (FY 22) Transportation Bill



Climate Section of the 2021 (FY 22) Transportation Bill

Offered by House Committee on Transportation members

Rep. McCormack, Chair (Burlington)

Rep. Burke (Brattleboro)

Rep. McCarthy (St. Albans City)

Rep. Sullivan (Burlington)

Rep. White (Hartford)

In January, members of the House Transportation Committee will be introducing legislation in the 2021 Session of the Legislature to create a Climate Section of the Transportation Program (T-Bill). As the transportation sector makes up nearly half of Vermont's carbon emissions, these key proposals will produce results to immediately begin achieving the requirements of the Global Warming Solutions Act.

Vermont can proactively work on these measures to develop a 21st Century Transportation system that is Clean, Accessible and Affordable. Vermont can ensure that all people and communities can have their transportation needs met while helping the Vermont economy and increasing Vermonters' quality of life. These thirteen solutions can be achieved with reallocating of existing revenues.

A State with a Majority of Electric Vehicles (EVs)

1. Ensure that Support for Existing EV/Used EV/Vehicle Replacement and Repair Incentive Programs is in Proportion to Meeting the state's Climate Requirements.

Incentives have been successful in increasing the sale of EVs in other states. The Vermont "New EV Incentive Program" that went into effect in December 2019 has already helped 254 EV sales (as of August 25, 2020). As demonstrated in other states and in Europe (in the first half of 2020, 48% of car sales in Norway were fully electric EVs), the most effective things that governments can do is to provide for enough charging stations and incentivize the purchase of EVs.

2. Adequate amount of Level II charging stations in downtowns, schools, park and rides.

While Vermont utilities are offering incentives for level II charging equipment, Vermont should consider incentivizing the installation costs and other methods to enable greater access to Level II charging.

3. All New Transit Buses and School Buses are Electric

Transit and school buses last on the road for typically 12 years, too long a time to be investing in new fossil fuel powered buses. The time has passed for slow, phase-ins. It is time to expedite the electrification of transportation.

4. Require Employers of 50 or more employees to provide Level II Electric Vehicle (EV) Chargers at the workplace.

While presently upwards of 85% of EV charging takes place at home mostly on Level II chargers, availability of Level IIs at workplaces, parking lots and downtowns continues to be sufficiently scant to discourage EV purchases. This State mandate should come with partial funds to install the chargers with the means for the employer to charge the commuter for the charge.

5. Update the Vermont Building Energy Code requirement for EV charging stations for Multi-unit Dwellings to provide Charging stations.

This would apply to new buildings and renovations.

Transportation Demand Management and Public Transit: Increasing Ridership

6. Employers of 50+Employees must have Transportation Demand Management (TDM)

As many Vermonters will be returning to in-person work, Vermont employees must adopt a TDM to discourage single occupancy automobile commutes by employees.

7. Continue Providing Fare-Free Transit

The Federal Cares Act funding has allowed all Vermont Transit Operators to provide fare free transit during the COVID-19 crisis. We should make fare-free permanent State policy. Where fares have been removed, ridership increases by upwards of 50% while speeding schedules and saving low-income people money.

8. Support Innovative Micro-transit Solutions to Ensure Last Mile Options are Available for all Vermonters.

Innovative micro transits options (smaller vehicles operating on-demand, not on fixed routes), such as the pilot program in Montpelier, should be encouraged in all communities where practical.

To Increase Walking and Bicycling: Roads Must be Made Safe

9. Require Serious Complete Streets

Presently this concept in the law is advisory. Hence, we are not seeing many complete streets even when re-constructing.

10. Bicycle Corridor Priority

The Bicycle/Pedestrian Program lacks a clear goal/strategy to accomplish safe roads in the short term. Even the most highly rated corridors on the VTRANS Bicycle Corridor Priority map are not safe yet, including in heavy traffic urban areas of the state such as in Chittenden and Rutland Counties. Starting with VTRANS' "High Use Priority" bicycle corridors, these corridors need to be made safe as soon as possible. Understandably, not feeling safe on our streets or highways is the number one reason more people do not use their bicycles for transportation.

11. Roundabout Development

Roundabouts should be the preferred treatment for intersections. At busy intersections compared to signals, roundabouts cut CO2 emissions by 25% and serious injuries by 90%.

Sprawl: The Structural Problem

12. Discourage Sprawl Development through Stricter Transportation Criteria

Act 250 reform has been largely stalled in the legislature, with too many communities not only allowing but encouraging sprawl development.

13. Authorize Congestion Pricing for Chittenden County

Like electricity, we have to plan, design and build for the peak demand on highways. If the peak can be reduced instead, there are tremendous savings in dollars, land and pollution, including CO2 emissions.

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A section of Burlington City Council resolution first adopted in 1982 establishing provisions for a Neighborhood Planning Assembly in each City ward.

...Neighborhood Planning Assemblies shall... help provide citizens with information concerning city programs and activities; help obtain citizen views of city needs; help provide citizens with the opportunity to participate in making recommendations with respect to governmental decisions including the allocation of revenues.

...Assemblies shall also be encouraged to provide advice to the appropriate commission or this council with respect to community development, housing programs, this City's Comprehensive Plan and its waterfront planning activities, and the city's budget among other issues....

Current NPA 2/3 Steering Committee:

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Wards 2 and 3 Neighborhood Planning Assembly Meeting via Zoom

Thursday December 10, 2020, 6:30pm-9pm

Moderator: Barbara McGrew

Notetaker: Mollie Klepack Flanigan, supplemented by Liam Daugherty

Steering Committee member present: Tony Redington, Ward 2, Barbara McGrew, Ward 3, Kevin Deutermann, Ward 3, Charlie Giannoni Ward 3, Jessica Hyman Ward 3, Mollie Flanigan Ward 3, Patrick Johnson, Ward 2

Meeting start time 6:32pm

Public Forum

Jess Hyman and Megan Humphrey announced that HANDS is offering a hot meal delivery and gift bags for seniors and their household members on Christmas Day by. Please reserve meals by calling Age Well at 802-865-0360 by Dec 18th.

Tony Redington made an announcement regarding a recent study looking at the potential impact of the proposed Champlain Parkway to the Maple-King neighborhood.

Liam Daugherty introduced himself as the new CEDO NPA rep.

Jess ask the NPA if they would like to see a joint, all ward, Mayoral forum in addition to a smaller Ward 2&3 debate. Folks in attendance seem to be supportive and voiced no objections.

NPA Funded Project Report by Aden Haji and Carol Livingston on the New American Voting Initiative

Aden haji and Carol Livingston reported that the effort hosted two evenings in October with three breakout sessions in three different languages for election information with a paid translator, election official, and tech staff member. Trainings in six different languages occurred in total and were attended by approximately 25 people over the two sessions. Identified the need to offer more education opportunities about the candidates and their positions, in addition to how to vote, in future sessions.

ONE Mobility Audit Presentation by Kelly Duggan of Old Spokes Home

Transportation Equity Coalition of the Old Spokes Home is running a mobility audit to see how folks in the ONE access all forms of transportation. The audit will be comprised of a resident survey and a map analysis by Chittenden County Regional Planning Commission. Survey information will be released in January 2021.

Reducing Carbon Emissions - 2021 Transportation Climate Modernization Bill Presentation by Curt McCormack, State Rep.

Representative McCormack presented about the components he is planning on bringing into the Administration's Transportation Bill when it comes to the House Transportation Committee, including

- EV subsidies, especially for lower income populations
- Incentives for the installation of more chargers
- Promotion to businesses to incentive green commuting programs
- Extension of fare free transit
- Investigation of micro transit systems
- Promotion of roundabouts

- Safe and connected bicycle corridors

Just Cause Evictions Charter Change Presentation by Tom Proctor of Rights & Democracy

Charter change for Just Cause Eviction now before the city council to consider putting it to vote at Town Meeting Day. More information can be found at <http://justcausebtv.org/>

After discussion, Jess Hyman made the motion that Ward 3 endorse the proposal to adopt the Just Cause Eviction charter change. Motion seconded by Tony Redington

Patrick Johnson made the same motion for Ward 2, seconded by Kevin Deutermann.

Voice vote passed the motion with at least one dissenting voice.

City COVID Response Update & Housing Supports Luke McGowan, CEDO

Luke McGowan presented about the current status of the COVID pandemic in Burlington. Reported that while case transmission is at the highest it's been to date; the rate is lower than in other comparable communities in the US. Information and resources can be found at <https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/resources>

Representative Updates

Jean O'Sullivan thanked her district constituents for her eight years of service.

Brian Pine:

- Highlighted that Ranked Choice voting for city councilor elections will be on the Town Meeting ballot
- The city is providing grants for BIPOC business owners, up to \$7,000. More information can be found at <https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/covid-19/bipoc-grant-application>

Perri Freeman:

- Gave an update on the policy oversight model work

Max Tracy:

- Gave an update on two other charter change proposals under consideration:
 - Adding a Winooski member to the Airport Commission, along with an additional Burlington member to keep the number odd. South Burlington does have a member already
 - Decarbonization of heating and cooling systems

Emma Mulvaney-Stanak (Rep Elect):

- Has started having Burlington area reps and senators meeting regularly and connecting with city government to discuss collaboration opportunities.
- She highlighted her interest in work on worker rights issues, unemployment system problems

Brian Cina:

- Suggested reps to do a listening session in January to hear from NPA members
- Working on Artificial Intelligence policy development and decriminalization work

Curt McCormack:

- Voiced his intention to help in the VT House if the Burlington charter changes come before the House for approval

School Commissioners – Stephen Carey, Jean Walz:

- Commissioners are trying to make their work more transparent so please be in touch with them and/or tune in to the virtual meetings where public forum is always held.
- The Sea Horse engagement center is now open for student support services
- BHS students now meeting at Edmonds for half days every Wednesday
- Working on getting final arrangements for the old Macy's building to be used as the downtown high school for 3 ½ years for 1.9M/year. Working with state to try to alleviate costs. Planning on having students by February 22nd.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:02

Appendix 1

Links in the Chat

Pat Buono:

<https://www.thelemonflyers.com/>

<https://thelemonflyers.bandcamp.com/releases>

Jess Hyman:

<https://www.handsvt.org>

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1YKFwJogxdGWDBwQhEOXdpi4XBHpZ5T9t7Rvk60CXynI/edit?usp=sharing>

<http://justcausebtv.org/>

<https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/resources>

Contact the RRC:

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BIPOC Small Business and Non-Profit Relief Grant: <https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/covid-19/bipoc-grant-application>

Independent Community Control Board resolution:

[https://go.boarddocs.com/vt/burlingtonvt/Board.nsf/files/BVXLA7553C11/\\$file/Charter%20Change%20-%20Independent%20Community%20Control%20Board%20to%20Oversee%20Police%20Investigation%200%26%20Discipline%20of%20Misconduct%20\(3-2-21%20Annual%20City%20Meeting.pdf](https://go.boarddocs.com/vt/burlingtonvt/Board.nsf/files/BVXLA7553C11/$file/Charter%20Change%20-%20Independent%20Community%20Control%20Board%20to%20Oversee%20Police%20Investigation%200%26%20Discipline%20of%20Misconduct%20(3-2-21%20Annual%20City%20Meeting.pdf)

<https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/CEDO/Neighborhood-Services/Neighborhood-Planning-Assemblies/NPA-Request-Form>

Or email: wards2and3npa@googlegroups.com

<https://www.cctv.org/watch-tv/series/burlington-neighborhood-planning-assemblies-npa-meetings>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLjLFn4BZd2N95y-kUzewxOZNOTf8rLo>

Perri Freeman:

Here is an information sheet on the charter change for an independent Community Control Board for police misconduct: <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1xt3PR-KMOmdVbtubwVN5-Vy2cPg2BIFsKbyfzoLDAWO/mobilebasic?fbclid=IwAR1DPp4t5fi-JjkryAxdclfeTzjLv5TKD77fzonffis3mUPL9TmOolZ9MY>

Here is the link to the interest form to sign up to get more involved!

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScqr9eELJMtOgqpD-JgaYnuCSekplRbUQXxFOamwPSzaoLVLA/viewform?fbclid=IwAR30XDZgzaz6ZeMnLf1_jgauvX9FcA51VXlsOy-XZIV1GdD7YbG5AUrJ6g

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Jean Waltz:

BSD Equity Office is offering an Equity Webinar Series completely free and totally open to the public:

<https://www.bsdt.org/2020/12/08/bsd-equity-office-announces-equity-webinar-series/>