



Wards 2 and 3 Neighborhood Planning Assembly

SPECIAL MEETING

September 14, 2021, 6:30-7:30pm

HYBRID FORMAT: Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85860854764>

or In-person at Queen City Room on the third floor of City Hall

Zoom participation is strongly encouraged since the Queen City Room is a VERY small room

6:30 pm Announcements | 5 min

- Introduction of Steering Committee Members
- Next meeting notification: October 14, 2021
- Recordings can be found on [youtube](#) or [cctv](#)'s website

6:35 pm Public Forum | 10 min

NOTE: 2 minutes maximum

6:45 pm Ad Hoc Redistricting Committee Candidate Statements & Vote | 45 min

Ward 2 and 3 Steering Committee

See Appendix 2 for more info.

APPENDIX 1: ZOOM INFO

When: Sept. 14, 2021 6:30 PM

Join the webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85860854764>

WebinarID: 858 6085 4764

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APPENDIX 2: AD HOC COMMITTEE ON REDISTRICTING INFO

- Recording of Sept. 9 Wards 2 & 3 NPA meeting with redistricting discussion:

<https://youtu.be/kVDPeRkZyJM>

- Redistricting Slide Presentation:

https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/sites/default/files/Agendas/SupportingDocuments/Redistricting%20Powerpoint%20Presentation%20by%20City%20Attorney%20Blackwood%20to%20City%20Council%205.24.21_0.pdf

- City Council Resolution creating the Ad Hoc Committee:

https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/sites/default/files/Agendas/SupportingDocuments/Signed%20CC%20Resolution%20Establishing%20An%20Ad%20Hoc%20Committee%20On%20Redistricting%20For%202021_0.pdf

- CCTV recording of the Aug. 18 informational forum:

<https://cctv.org/watch-tv/programs/npa-informational-forum-city-council-redistricting-resolution>

Ad Hoc Committee on Redistricting

An Ad Hoc Committee on Redistricting is to be formed by **September 16:**

- Committee will be independent of the City Council and School Board.
- Staff support will be provided by CEDO and the City Attorney.
- Will **include eight community members, one community member from each ward selected by the NPAs**. Should there be more than one person from a ward who expresses an interest in this position, the NPA will vote to select a representative to the Committee.

The primary responsibility of the Committee will be to take public input and gather community input to the current districting plans and review the past plans:

- Will hear opinions about the number of councilors per ward/district, and consider the current wards/districts configuration.

It is assumed the Ad Hoc Committee will need to meet at least 4-6 times between Sept. 16 and Oct. 25th.

- **The Committee will hold two public meetings** where community input will be taken.
- It is presumed that each representative will want to hold a meeting with their NPA.
- The Committee will also need to meet to process feedback and recommendations.

The Committee will report back to the Council with feedback and recommendations by the last Council meeting in October, **Oct 25th.**

The Council will then use this community feedback to offer guidance by resolution to a mapping specialist identified by the City Council; the resolution will include guidance **on the preferred council/board structure**, including the concepts of ward/district representation versus a ward only or district only configuration, the number of councilors, number of wards

and/or districts, and whether regard to incumbency will be considered.

If the Census results show a population deviation of more than 10% in the existing districts or wards, **then the mapping specialist will use the Committee’s guidance** and the Census figures that will be available by September 30 **to redraw the lines if necessary**, keeping in mind the need to respect neighborhoods, contiguousness, and compactness, as well as redrawing lines with consideration to the current lines, when possible, given the other directives.

The mapping specialist and the City Attorney will report to the City Council at the Council’s last meeting in November and will include a proposed map or set of maps for the Council to consider; and **the Council will try to place a redistricting plan on the March 2022 ballot.**

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....

Wards 2 and 3 NPA Steering Committee:

TO EMAIL FULL STEERING COMMITTEE: wards2and3npa@googlegroups.com

Andrew Champagne	Ward 2	802-540-0717
Kevin Deutermann	Ward 2	kdootz@gmail.com
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Mollie Klepack Flanigan	Ward 3	mollieklepack@gmail.com
Barbara McGrew	Ward 3	bmcgrew@aol.com
Tony Redington	Ward 3	TonyRVT99@gmail.com

Burlington City Elected Officials Wards 2 and 3

Mayor Miro Weinberger	Democrat	802-865-7272	mayor@BurlingtonVT.gov
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City Councilors:

Central District (Wards 2 & 3)	Perri Freeman	Progressive	203-623-9490	pfreeman@burlingtonvt.gov
Ward 2	Max Tracy	Progressive	802-373-1968	mtracy@burlingtonvt.gov
Ward 3	Joe Magee	Progressive	(802) 279-5513	jmagee@burlingtonvt.gov

School Board Members:

Central District (Wards 2 & 3)	Jean Waltz	355-7856	jwaltz@bsdvt.org
Ward 2	Stephen Carey		scarey@bsdvt.org
Ward 3	Polly Vanderputten		pvanderputten@bsdvt.org

Vermont State House Representatives

Chittenden-6-3	Jill Krowinski	Democrat	802.363.3907	jkrowinski@leg.state.vt.us
Chittenden-6-3	Curt McCormack	Democrat	802.318.2585	cmccormack@leg.state.vt.us
Chittenden-6-4	Brian Cina	Progressive/ Democrat	802.448.2178	bcina@leg.state.vt.us
Chittenden-6-4	Selene Colburn	Progressive	802.540.0546	scolburn@leg.state.vt.us
Chittenden-6-2	Emma Mulvaney Stanak	Progressive/ Democrat	802.828-2228	emulvaneystanak@leg.state.vt.us

Vermont State Senators (Chittenden County)

Philip Baruth	Progressive/Democrat	802.503.5266	pbaruth@leg.state.vt.us
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Neighborhood Planning Assembly Minutes

NPA:
(choose one)

Wards 1 & 8	Wards 2 & 3	Wards 4 & 7	Ward 5	Ward 6
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Date of Assembly: 9/14/21 Start Time: (Commence): 6:38 PM

Location: Zoom and Queen City Conference Room, City Hall, 149 Church Street

Finish Time: (Adjourn): 7:02 PM

Note taker: Tony Redington, reformatted by Kirsten Wilson (CEDO)

Steering Committee Members in Attendance:

Barbara McGrew (Ward 3), Charlie Giannoni (Ward 3), Kevin Deutermann (Ward 2), Mollie Klepack Flanigan (Ward 3), Tony Redington (Ward 3)

Discussion Topics

- 6:30 pm Announcements
- 6:35 pm Public Forum
- 6:45 pm Ad Hoc Redistricting Committee Candidate Statements & Vote

Actions Taken / Decisions Made

- George Love is named the Ward 2 representative on the Ad Hoc Committee on Redistricting as the only Ward 2 resident interested in the role.
- Tony Redington of Ward 3 made a motion for the election of Chris Haessly as the Ward 3 Redistricting Committee representative and Daniel Munteanu as the alternate. Barbara McGrew of Ward 3 seconded the motion.
- Chris Haessly unanimously elected as Ward 3 Representative to the Ad Hoc Committee on Redistricting and Daniel Munteanu unanimously elected as an alternate.

Attendance:

Zoom Participants:

Barbara McGrew	Christopher-Aaron	Kevin Deutermann
Barrett	Daniel Munteanu	TOWN MEETING TV
Charlie Giannoni	Gordon	TONY Redington

In-Person Participants:

Chris Haessly	Mollie Klepack Flanigan
Michelle Borbas	Kirsten Wilson (CEDO)

Agenda Items and Actions:

6:30 pm Announcements

- There were no announcements.
- Tony Redington spoke about the need for assisted housing, specifically the 10% of BTV population (excluding college students) represented by the 1,000 on our housing authority list. He challenged a City Councilor and state legislator to propose a Section 8 (30% income max rent) legislation to create housing help program similar to the feds.

6:45 pm Ad Hoc Redistricting Committee Candidate Statements & Vote

- There was a discussion on the procedure for selection of a person to represent each ward on a Redistricting Committee authorized by the City Council to be advisory.
- In Ward 2 only one candidate applied as of meeting time and George Love was selected by Ward 2 residents present at the meeting.
- After discussion among two Ward 3 candidates, they agreed that Chris Haessly would be the representative of the Ward and Dan Munteanu would be named alternate.
- Tony Redington of Ward 3 moved the election of Haessly as the Ward 3 Redistricting Committee representative and Daniel Munteanu as the alternate. Barbara McGrew of Ward 3 seconded the motion and after discussion the vote was taken and was unanimous in passing the motion.