



Ward 1/8 NPA

September 12, 2018, 6:30-9:00pm

Mary Fletcher Meeting Room on the third floor of the main ACC building (East Wing).

UVM Medical Center

Provisional Agenda

6.30 p.m.: UVM MC Director of Facilities Planning, Dave Keelty, will introduce UVM MC's plans for discussion of public input into the design and installation of a "Noise Barrier" along the Eastern perimeter of the hospital campus. This will include an announcement of a forthcoming public "charrette" on the topic later this autumn.

7.00: At 7.00 p.m. we will re-"convene" the NPA with the usual welcome and introductions.

7.05: Speak Out

7.20: City Councillors' update, Cllrs Bushor, Deane, Roof.

7.40: Sophie Quest is looking to inaugurate an "Old East End" community group following the AARP Walk Audit highlighting dangers for pedestrians and others in the Chase/Grove Street community and at the confluence of Barrett/Colchester/Riverside.

7.50: DPW Director Chapin Spencer will review the summer's Citywide construction season and update on specific Ward 1 / Ward 8 projects/issues.

8.25: CCSWD Outreach co-ordinator Lauren Layn will update on the new latest CCSWD initiatives and forewarn us about the implementation of Act 148 (ban on food scraps in landfills).

8.45: Keep The Park Green: Donna Walters introduces a proposed election "ballot item" regarding the plans for City Hall Park.

9.00 p.m.: Close

Steering Committee Anne Brena, Ward 8 NPA, Cindy Cook, Ward 1, Richard Hillyard, Ward 1.

1). We are meeting at UVM Medical Center, in the Mary Fletcher Meeting Room, replacing the intended Co-Housing venue which is unavailable @ 6.30 p.m.. This room is located on the 3rd floor of the Medical Center, on the 3rd floor of the East atrium, just before "Dermatology".

2). Park in the Medical Center's Main Garage and bring your ticket to the NPA where Maria McClellan will validate it to ensure your parking is free, courtesy of UVM MC. When you have parked, take the elevator to the 3rd Floor and proceed as above in 1).

Neighborhood Planning Assembly Attendees



NPA (choose one)	Wards 1 & 8	Wards 2 & 3	Wards 4 & 7	Ward 5	W
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Date of Assembly : 9-12-18 Location: UVM Medical

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- 1 Howard Taylor
- 2 Richard Huiyong WARD 1
- 3 Chris Celato
- 4 Jean Hopkins
- 5 Donna Walters
- 6 Kirsten Kowenhoven
- 7 Nancy Kirby
- 8 Angie Chappie-Soker
- 9 Patricia Seelan WARD 1
- 10 David Cawley WARD 1
- 11 Cindy Cook
- 12 Sharon Bashor
- 13 Nicole Losch DPW
- 14 Sandy Cyrone
- 15 Linda O Sheehy
- 16 Richard Dent
- 17 Lauren Layr
- 18 Kathy Shwell
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Draft Minutes

Start: 7:00pm

Steering Committee member present: Cindy Cook-Ward 1, Richard Hillyard-Ward 1

Noise barrier

- Public input on design of sound barrier
- Noise issues for quite some time
- Analysis and acoustic testing completed in neighborhoods
 - Areas identified: loading dock, Mary Fletcher drive, CCTA busses
- Potential solution: erecting a sound barrier around perimeter of Mary Fletcher drive
 - Studying how this could be accomplished
 - Deciding on materials, sizing
 - Acoustic testing shows that 21 homes would see an reduction in sound
 - Design challenges: slope of bank, ecology of area
- Seeking input on October 3rd
 - Several options will be displayed by architects, building consultants
- Will inform neighborhood about project through the whole process

Introductions and Announcements

- Donna Walters- Keep the Park Green. Seeking endorsement of NPA for ballot item. Opposing new City Hall Plan, which will cut down 40% of its trees.
- UVM "Welcome" bags mistakenly placed on long-time residents doorways.
- Jet Blue/ Simon & Schuster initiative- Jacksonville, Florida won books and a library makeover. Burlington came in third. Citizens should be notified officially, as well as the press.
- Loomis/Mansfield Ave intersection- gets confusing because of bump out and stop sign configuration. Department of Public Works should examine this issue.

City Councilor Update: Sharon Bushor

- Wanted to alert UVM to significant vandalism in community gardens at Medical Center over Labor Day weekend. Unsure if it's students.
- Wants UVM to encourage students to use internal walkways, not East Ave.
- Board of Finance meeting last week
 - Debt policy for city of Burlington. Currently none in place, working towards one
 - School board request for bond for BHS (\$70 million dollars.)
 - Request from DPW for wastewater improvement bond (\$30 million dollars) to go on ballot. Will be paid for by people who use the system (user fee).

Joe Spiedel, UVM

- If students are found to be involved in garden vandalism, it will be dealt with.
- Will encourage students to use internal routes while traveling.

Richard Deane

- Winooski Bridge
 - CCRCP did cost analyses, gave City Council good idea of what alternatives made sense
 - Likelihood of finishing project in next few years is small
 - Would get addressed in 5-10 year range
 - Includes bicycle and pedestrian friendly accommodations
- New quick-build solutions in neighborhood- "shared roads"
- Took citizen opinion from Front Porch Forum into account, shared with DPW

Adam Roof

- Meeting with constituents throughout the past two weeks in Ward 8
- Prevalent issues: City place bike lanes, quality of life issues, AirBnB, Memorial Auditorium, city wide property re-assessment
- Council is focusing heavily on debt policy and large spending items (school, wastewater project, auditorium)
- Passing of Ryan Murphy

Old East End

- Class 2 highway, people driving too fast
 - Making signage encouraging people to slow down
 - Councilors have helped, DPW has helped
 - New white crosswalk lines for children to cross, pedestrian signal lights

DPW Citywide Construction Update

- Latham Court and Colchester Ave have been a challenge, but lots of work has been done
- Replacing 6 inch line on Latham Court with 8 inch court to improve water quality
 - Will be finished by next week with initial temporary coat of asphalt.
- Winooski River Bridge has been closed for critical railing repairs
 - Work will last approx. 2 months
 - Another crossing close to the bridge is being explored (Mill St, potentially)
- CCRPC has excellent resources online regarding 5 alternative plans for Winooski Bridge
- East Ave sidewalk will be looked at
- Repaving uphill from Barret St intersection towards East India House
 - Current downhill line will become slightly wider
 - Parking will be preserved, as well as small bike lane

Responses:

- How is DPW budgeting for maintenance? How will success be evaluated? (Response: 3 year landscaping contract for planters with Pinnacle Properties supported by City Council.

Painting contract through Council support as well, budget for painting has been increased. The goal is to create a better designed transportation system for all modes.

-Is construction on pace? (Response: doing all this work at once has been a challenge. DPW is on-track to hit targets for paving, sidewalks, and water main replacement.)

-What was cost of planters? Why aren't we taking that money and using it to improve sidewalks? (Response: sidewalk is \$85 per linear foot. Unsure of cost of planters. Quick build and planters are comparatively an inexpensive project installation. Greenway was a recommendation from Walk/Bike Plan.)

-Some approaches to speed-calming DPW is taking seem misguided. Police department should be stopping speeders.

Lauren Lane, CCSWD & Act 148

-Board-run organization, 18 towns in CCSWD.

-6 drop-off centers, composting facilities, material recovery facilities, hazardous waste facilities

-CCSWD runs a hotline for education, also has website

Responses:

-No longer resource shed at recycle centers. More people will put things on greenbelt, and more people will dump in resource shed until doors are closed.

-Sharon Bushor: Unhappy to see that CCSWD charges people that only come with composting. Seems like a disincentive, doesn't seem environmentally sound. Also, hazardous waste facility has limited hours. (Response: waste facility is opened Weds thru Sat, not just Weds AND Sat. CCSWD is one of the only places in the country with year-round hazardous waste facility. As for composting, we had to charge because we have to pay to haul to Green Mountain Compost.)

-Market for recycled materials has dropped, particularly paper and cardboard. Will CCSWD have to landfill those materials? (Response: CCSWD is not landfilling any recyclable materials. China is no longer accepting contaminated recyclables so CCSWD has to pay to get rid of it. There was a measure passed through the state that IF districts needed to, they could landfill it.)

-Can you send mixed paper to McNeil generating plant? (Response: unsure, only natural untreated wood goes there.)

Keep the Park Green

-New redevelopment plan calls for tree loss of healthy, mature trees and increases paved area to cover 1/3 of the park space.

-Wants NPA to endorse "keep the park green" measure to be on the ballot.

-Misconceptions regarding ADA accessibility- only one additional path in new plan will be accessible.

--Ward 1 supports the petition and advises their elected officials to place the petitioned City Hall Park resolution on the ballot. Vote: 18 say yay, 4 say nay. Ward 8- no one present to vote.

Responses:

-Adam Roof: Undecided. In all the processes and public engagement, was under the impression a decision had been made. What happened to that decision? (Response: Keep the Park Green wanted a more collaborative process. Had three meetings, City Councilors tied hands of committee by requesting no design changes.

-Why would we spend \$4 million on this park? We need so many other things.

-Request for more hardtop space for performances and events doesn't make sense- space already exists for these things.

-Sharon Bushor: should we be committing these extra dollars to the park? Wants to bring this up with Board of Finance.

Minutes taken by Hannah Carpino, CEDO intern

End 9:00pm