

Wards 2 and 3 Neighborhood Planning Assembly

Thursday May 9, 2018, 6:30pm-8:00pm

Old North End Community Center, 20 Allen Street

wards2and3npa.weebly.com

Community Dinner at 5:30pm (by donation)

<http://onecommunitydinner.weebly.com>

NPA Announcements – 5 minutes:

- Boards and Commissions appointments are currently going through City Council (<https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/CityCouncil/Public-Boards/Vacancies>)
- Please write down your questions / discussion topics regarding CityPlace Burlington. We will have a discussion/Q&A with the developers and stakeholders at our June meeting.

Public Forum– 15 minutes

- Announcements / Comments / Issues / Suggestions (one minute per speaker)

Public Safety in our Neighborhoods (Panel Discussion) – 30 minutes

- Recap of recent events in the Old North End (5 min)
- Opening remarks for Chief Del Pozo and CJC (5 minutes total)
- Questions / Comments / Public Discussion (20 min)
 - How should we understand the causes of two shootings in our neighborhood?
 - What should our expectations be for public safety?
 - What should our expectations be for police conduct in our city?
 - What can neighbors do about known “problem houses” other than call police?
 - How can neighbors in the ONE contribute / behave to prevent violent acts in our community?

Available for questions:

Chief of Police, Brandon Del Pozo

Community Justice Center Staff Member

Mayor and City Council Public Safety Committee

City Reports (Council and Mayor) – 20 minutes

Mayor Miro Weinberger

Perri Freeman, Central District

Max Tracy, Ward 2

Brian Pine, Ward 3

Community Development Block Grants for 2019 Summary – 10 minutes

Alissa Faber and Kevin Deutermann, Wards 2 and 3 Representatives

State Representatives Report – 20 minutes (7:30 - 8:00)

Curt McCormack, Chittenden 6-3

Topics Include:

- Transportation Bill and the Miscellaneous Motor Vehicle Bill
 - Primary enforcement of seat belts, Electric Vehicles incentive program, commuter train study, automobile air emission inspections, fee bates and other future funding study, Town Highway Program (side walks), etc.

Gift Certificate Door Prize (8:00)

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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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 and 3)	Jane Knodell	Progressive	862-2469	jknodell@burlingtonvt.gov
Ward 2	Max Tracy	Progressive	373-1968	mtracy@burlingtonvt.gov
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School Board Members:

Central District (Wards 2 and 3)	Jean Waltz		355-7856	jwaltz@bsdvt.org
Ward 2	Stephen Carey			scarey@bsdvt.org
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Neighborhood Planning Assembly Attendees



NPA (choose one)	Wards 1 & 8	Wards 2 & 3	Wards 4 & 7	Ward 5	Ward 6
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Date of Assembly : 5-9-19 Location: 20 Allen St. ONE C

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or email to nmiller@burlingtonvt.gov

- 1 Kevin Deutermann
- 2 Carl Barkman
- 3 Michelle Rinebold
- 4 Don Mac Donald
- 5 CHRIS STAATS
- 6 BRIAN PERKINS
- 7 Jen Berger
- 8 Kim Jordan
- 9 Nicholas Parrish
- 10 Hayden Boska
- 11 Meghan Bramblitt
- 12 Wiley Runking
- 13 Barbie Akop
- 14 Solveig Overby
- 15 Brennan Guerriere
- 16 JEAN MEUNIER
- 17 Jess Hyman
- 18 Todd Taylor
- 19 Margaret Russell
- 20 Brendan O'Neill

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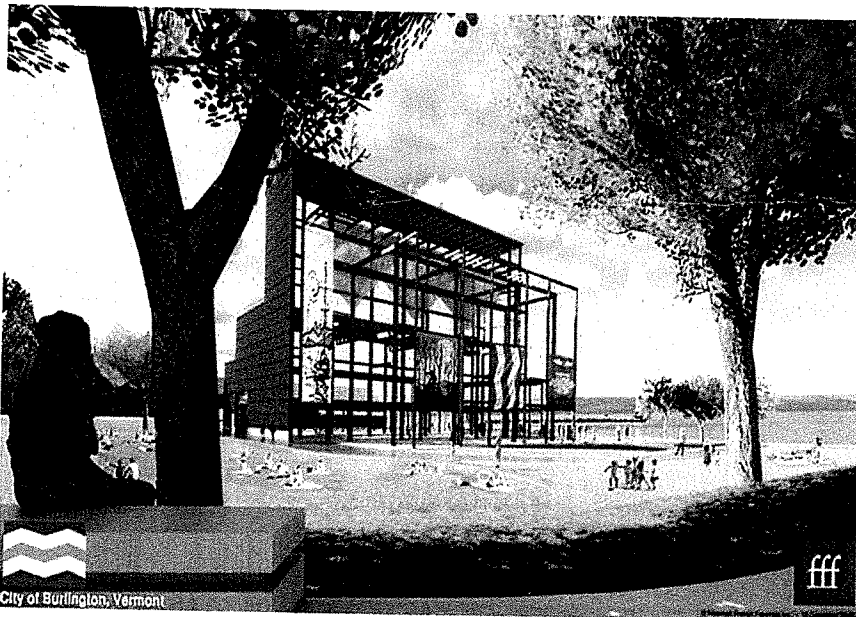
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Moran Plant: What's Next?

Called "FRAME," the new concept for Moran would peel back much of the exterior of the building to reveal the structure beneath, and in the process, transform an eyesore into a sculptural landmark along our waterfront, create new opportunities for public access to the waters edge, and add public restrooms to the recently reborn northern waterfront. Down the road, the structure could also provide a "frame" for other activities, like ice skating or outdoor movies and other amenities.

This concept is different from past ideas for Moran in a crucial way: It is affordable and achievable. The City has about \$5.4 million of voter-approved economic development funds reserved for Moran our Waterfront TIF district to complete the first phase of the project quickly with no impact on Burlington property tax rates.

On February 19, 2019, Burlington's City Council unanimously approved advancing the Moran FRAME project with a budget of \$5.649 M to meet the TIF bonding deadline of December 31, 2019. The FRAME concept is a partial demolition of Moran to reveal a community icon.



The FRAME concept does the following:

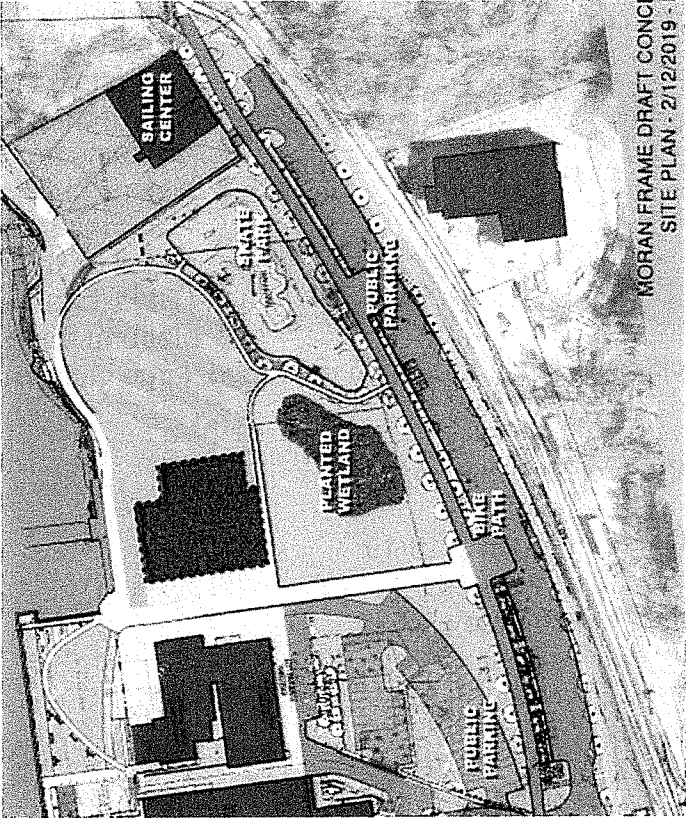
- Demolishes a portion of the existing building
- Activates and stabilizes a derelict site
- Improves public access to the waterfront
- Creates a seasonal boardwalk/path integrating closely with other waterfront facilities
- Retains the character of an important historic building
- Creates an amazing public gathering space on the waterfront
- Stabilizes the site and creates a platform for possible future phases, such as elevated viewing decks, winter ice rink, summer stage, large children's playground, etc.

The schedule for advancing the project is below:

- Approval by Board of Finance on 2/19/19
- Approval by City Council on 2/19/19
- Hiring of consultants – March –May, 2019
- Permitting June– July 2019
- Plan Development and Estimating - May – November 2019
- Bond closing November 2019

more information or comments, visit <https://www.burlingtonvt.gov/CEDO/Moran>

What is included in the Base Plan?



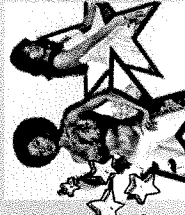
The City currently only has funding to complete the base plan and it is very basic. Future opportunities are not yet determined or funded at this time.

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a	Walkways (pavers at E-W alley only, concrete, asphalt)
b	Utilities
i	Building Power
ii	Site Lighting + Power
iii	Building Sanitary
iv	Building Stormwater
v	Site Stormwater Area Drains
vi	Building Water
c	Plantings and Lawns -minimal to meet Corrective Action Plan
Demo Masonry Steel & Stabilize Frame	
a	Demo Brick and Block
i	Brick for full east elevation - Stabilize, brace, patch, cap at perimeter and openings.
ii	Remove Coal Bunkers
iii	Add Moment Connection Plates
iv	Remove accessory and miscellaneous steel
v	Prep and coat remaining steel with zinc enriched system (Tremec or similar).
b	Demo one story structure under the "spaghetti works"
c	Demo and salvage "spaghetti works" steel
d	Complete interior demolition (includes generator bases)
e	Hazardous materials abatement (from CEDO report 3/2017)
f	Sub-slab vapor mitigation system (partial under restrooms only)
g	Level 3 Roof (no occupancy)
h	Level 4 Roof (no occupancy)
i	Observation Level Roof (no occupancy)
j	Bird Control
Foundation Infill & Perimeter Paving	
a	Flowable and structural fill basement infill to 103' to perimeter of existing building.
Add Ground Level Support Spaces	
a	Restrooms
Historic Preservation Mitigation	
a	Present the site history, possibly some artifacts or other mitigation
c	Refurbish, add illumination, and reinstall City of Burlington sign on upper south face

THE
GOLDEN
YEARS

SATURDAY,
JULY 27TH

The Ragtime



**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED!**

email

Bombay/Volunteers@gmail.com



Neighborhood Planning Assembly Draft Minutes

NPA:
(choose one)

Wards
1 & 8

Wards
2 & 3

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Date of Assembly : 5 / 9 / 2019 Start Time: (Commence):

Location: Family Room Finish Time: (Adjourn):

Note taker: Hannah Carpino Please forward these official minutes to:

Steering Committee Members in Attendance:

Andrew Champagne, Perri Freeman, Patrick Johnson, Amanda Hannaford, James Lockridge, Vikas Mangipudi, Kevin Deutermann

Discussion Topics

- These can be copied from agenda items
- Content of discussion not required

Actions Taken / Decisions Made

- Immediately following Agenda Item
- Generally includes: electing a new steering committee member, voting as a body to send a formal communication to the City, decisions to spend money.

Agenda Items and Actions:

NPA Announcements

-Many openings on boards and commissions

-Cemetery commission, Church St, Marketplace commission, CSWD commission, fire commission, and more all have openings coming up in June

-Any Burlington resident (non-citizens as well) can join a commission

-Historically, not a lot of representation from the Old North End

-Financial report for NPA

-As of April 20th, every ward is in support of a funding increase for the NPAs (\$2,500/year)

-City Clerk's office says release of schedule for City department budget presentations will be released

soon

Public Forum

-Dinner is unique feature of our ward's NPA. Thank you to volunteers who make it happen

-Family Room will be getting air-conditioning and new lighting!

-Vermont Senate had a hearing Tuesday to consider the F-35 nuclear bomb deliver system planned for basing in Vermont at the invitation of Mayor Miro Weinberger. Resolution is being brought forward to ban nuclear bomb delivery systems from being based in Vermont. Call or email members of government operations committee to bring resolution to Senate floor.

- Brian Davis, Regional Planning Commission: Last month was presentation of Winooski Ave study. Graphics team has refreshed designs to make them easier to read, working on 3-D computer model as well. Public meeting on May 23rd to further discuss Winooski Ave
- The ONE Ramble is Saturday, July 27th. Volunteers needed! The theme this year is “the Golden Years”. Email ramblevolunteers@gmail.com for more information. Please donate plain t-shirts here through the month
- Monday, May 13th in front of City Hall: Community Speak Out against Burlington Police Department ongoing use of force. 5- 5:30 PM.
- Basketball hoops were replaced in Pomeroy Park as part of Parks and Rec ongoing refurbishment
- This Saturday at New North End Studios- Caribou Fashion Show! New American designers showcasing their original designs. Tickets available online on CVOEO website.
- Kirsten Merriman- Shapiro: Moran Plant plans are in the works, getting zoning permits this summer!
- Kevin Deutermann: Creation of a “Guide to Burlington”- info on food, shelter, getting around, getting involved in Burlington. Looking for a way to put it online. If anyone wants to see a prototype, it can be shared via email!
- Hosting a panel on CityPlace development at June’s NPA meeting

Community Development Block Grant Representative Update

- Made advisory choices that will go to City Council and Mayor soon
- Public comments accepted until tomorrow
- PDF of recommendations available on CEDO website
- CDBG is annual federal grant that non-profits can apply for, we have been looking over these applications and reviewing how to allocate funding
- Process was informative and really interesting, would recommend joining CDBG board in the future!

Q+A with Police Chief, CJC, and Mayor

Perri Freeman:

- People have been asking about neighborhood shootings on Clarke Street and N. Willard
- Invited Chief of Police Brandon del Pozo and Kim Jordan from the Community Justice Center to speak about public safety within Burlington’s neighborhoods

Chief of Police Brandon del Pozo:

- This conversation was originally intended to be about two shootings, but there have since been other issues people will want to discuss. Due to ongoing litigation, only some questions can be answered.
- Shooting on Clarke Street: victim is still alive, which is a miracle. Shooter was last seen in Springfield, MA. U.S Marshals are looking for him.

-Homicide on N. Willard was at a house with a long criminal history. Six people have been arrested and charged, some as accessories.

Kim Jordan, Parallel Justice Specialist at CJC:

-Have been working for CJC for seven months. The Parallel Justice program has existed for seven years, to provide resources for people who are victims of crime

-Collaborate with Burlington Police, but also support people who chose not to report their crimes to the police.

Questions:

Are police officers currently being trained in de-escalation? Recently released body cam footage did not show much de-escalation.

Answers:

-Chief of Police: Shooting on College St in 2016 was very sad moment in Burlington Police Department, when police shot someone they could not de-escalate. BPD has since partnered with nationwide de-escalation curriculum- every officer received training and has become certified instructors as well.

Video of Meli brothers showed BPD pushing someone against the brick wall so hard they fell to the ground. The officer in question was suspended, but the incident occurred in October and public outrage is building due to lawsuit by Meli brothers. How long was their suspension compared to other suspensions?

Answers:

-Chief of Police: City policy is to not discuss ongoing personnel matters. Discipline the officer received broke precedent with prior use of force incidents, but cannot say much else.

-Mayor: Lots of pride in 150-year history of BPD. At the same time, worst moments of being Mayor have often been when there are incidents with police force- shootings, peaceful protests turned violent, etc. Hired new chief in spring of 2015, thought del Pozo was an excellent choice to re-imagine policing in city. More discussion about recent incidents at City Council meeting on Monday.

-Kim Jordan: Parallel Justice Program is not in the business of investigation, but we do help survivors/victims. Two most recent fatal shootings in Old North End show that harm towards one person has a ripple effect, especially in close-knit communities.

How often are there follow-up de-escalation training and refreshers? Is trauma therapy or support offered?

Chief of Police: Homicides and conflicts are difficult, so BPD has a licensed social worker who provides therapy and support for officers. There are also peer support options. As far as de-escalation training, it happens first in academy, then re-occurs annually, as does implicit bias training. Firearms and lethal weapons training also take up a lot of time, because of the associated high stakes.

How do we know Burlington Police is advocating for justice, and not just protecting itself? Also, why isn't there a grant being issued so that there can be public access to bodycam footage without paying/submitting FOIA requests?

Mayor: There are enormous amounts of public records request being made, so we need to charge for city labor. It takes a long time to respond to all the requests, and without process the city would be overwhelmed.

Chief of Police: Body cameras are getting cheaper, quicker, and easier to deal with. Redactions can be made easily, hopefully process will become more efficient and cheap. As far as accountability, we have broken with precedent several times to deal with suspensions/firing to deal with issues within PD.

Kim Jordan: At CJC we have been talking about what to do with victims of harm by police officers. We don't want people to feel like there is nowhere to turn- reach out to CJC, we can be a support for you.

City Council, Mayoral, and State Representative Update

Mayor Miro Weinberger:

- Housing summit coming up on June 11th, hosted at City Hall. All-day activities with working meetings, breakout sessions, Town Hall meeting in evening. Launching focused process to finish a number of tasks from Housing Action Plan, identify future housing reforms. Info on city website.

- City of Burlington has been super focused on building more solar installations, have increased them by 16% since 2011. Has put us up to highest per capita solar installations in America.

- Budget delivered to Council will include increased funding to NPAs, maybe not all of requested amount though.

Brian Pine, Ward 3:

- Behind the NPA funding 100%, closer to amount that NPAs have requested

- GMT is changing routes, raising fares for first time since 2004. College St will remain free from downtown to hospital, will add fares when going outside of Burlington

- CityPlace update: Representative from Brookfield says project is moving forward, has a financing commitment from bank.

- Water rates will be changing slightly to protect lake. Looking at progressive rate structures to [protect low income and low-use people.

Max Tracy, Ward 2:

-Chair of Transportation, Energy, and Utilities Committee, there is a question of e-scooter and e-bikes in city. Conversation around how many, how the roll-out would take place through the summer. Need see exact contract, and create safety framework for new technologies.

Perri Freeman, Central District:

-Request from last meeting for more community engagement from Brookfield, and they did come to City Council. Was not personally satisfied with that meeting, still want to see more engagement and transparency. Invited them to next month's NPA, working with Jeff Glassberg to make that happen and add another city-wide meeting.

-Thankful for conversation with Chief del Pozo and Kim Jordan. Chief will be coming to City Council, get in touch with us about questions you might want to be asked. With input from community, we hope to bring something forward at next meeting (May 20th).

State Representative Brian Cina:

- Only one who could make it out of the state representatives
- Just voted a clean water bill through second reading, voted on a ban on plastic bags
- Budget has made it to conference committee, House and Senate are negotiating