Wards 2 and 3 Neighborhood Planning Assembly

Thursday March 12, 2020, 6:30pm-8:30pm

Old North End Community Center, 20 Allen Street

wards2and3npa.weebly.com

Community Dinner at 5:30pm (by donation)

http://onecommunitydinner.weebly.com

NPA Announcements | 10 minutes

- Tonight's purpose - State legislative updates and allocating NPA funds
- Financial Report – NPA Budget process notification update
- Suggestion Box
- Introduction of Steering Committee Members
- In an effort to allow more people to participate in discussions, we ask that both questions and answers be kept as short as possible and concise (our recommendation is 1 minute questions and 2 minute answers).
- These meetings are both live streamed and available for later viewing on YouTube. The meeting videos can be found by searching YouTube for "Burlington Wards 2 & 3 NPA"

Public Forum | 15 minutes (one minute per speaker)

Share your announcements, comments, issues, or suggestions

Mid-session Senate Update | Presentation and Q&A | 15 minutes

Tim Ashe

Mid-session Senate Update | Presentation and Q&A | 15 minutes

Christopher Pearson

Mid-session House Update | Presentation and Q&A | 15 minutes

Brian Cina

Mid-session House Update | Presentation and Q&A | 15 minutes

Jill Krowinski

NPA funding proposals | Presentation and Q&A | 30 minutes

Jean Waltz, Trav Fryer, Allegra Williams, Jane Knodell, Jessica Hyman, Janet Carscadden

NPA Budget allocation | Vote | 30 minutes

$2500 per ward, voted on by residents in attendance

Door Prize Drawing | 5 minutes

Folino's gift card ($25)

Adjourn

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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Ward 3	Brian Pine	Progressive		bpine@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	Liz Curry	578-5793	lcurry@bsdvt.org

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Chittenden-6-3	Jill Krowinski	Democrat	802.363.3907	jkrowinski@leg.state.vt.us
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Operational Budget and Creative Community Outreach Initiatives

Operational Budget: Things we need to keep running the meeting and community dinner.

Creative Community Outreach Initiatives: Projects proposed by community members to get the word out about and encourage more attendance to the Wards 2/3 NPA Meetings while simultaneously uplifting community engagement, agency, and care in our wards more broadly.

Name	Type	Funds Requested
Old North End Repair Cafe	Creative Community Outreach Initiative	$505
Neighborhood Toy Share	Creative Community Outreach Initiative	$594
Put Your $ Where Your ❤ Is	Creative Community Outreach Initiative	$500
The Ramble	Creative Community Outreach Initiative	$1500
ONE Community Dinner	Operational Budget/Outreach Initiative	$1018.22
NPA Operations	Operational Budget	$882.78
	Total:	$5000

Old North End Repair Cafe

Laboratory B
trav.fryer@gmail.com
Creative Outreach Initiative
Funding Requested: $252.50 per Ward; Total: $505

Old North End Repair Cafe is a monthly event where people can bring things to be repaired for free. Volunteer repair experts will either repair their item or assist them to repair it themselves. Junior repair helpers can work with experts to learn repair skills. Items that can be repaired are anything under the sun that can be carried into the event (at 12-22 North st). Examples include: clothing, computers, bicycles, small appliances, and furniture.

Repair Cafe brings many benefits to the community including keeping broken items out of the landfill, connecting neighbors to help each other, providing assistance for low-income residents, and providing skills training.

Budget:
~$54.46 - Repair Cafe Kit https://repaircafe.org/en/start/

$150/event for 3 events - Food for volunteers (bagels, cream-cheese, clementines, coffee in the morning, pizza or similar for lunch)

total: $505

Project Timeline:
Saturday March 14th:
Repair Cafe
11am - 3pm

Saturday April 11th:
Repair Cafe
11am - 3pm

Saturday May 9th:
Repair Cafe
11am - 3pm

assuming those go well, continuing on monthly on the second saturday.

Neighborhood Toy Share

Allegra Williams
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Creative Outreach Initiative
Funding Requested: $297per ward; Total: $594

The ONE Neighborhood Toy Share would consist of a network of toy share stations (similar to little free libraries) which families could use to exchange toys, games, puzzles, action figures, dolls, and so forth with others in the community via a system akin to little free libraries. The funding would be used to purchase materials to construct the toy share stations, with a goal of holding a build workshop during the ONE Ramble this coming summer. Several families in the neighborhood are already enthusiastic about the idea and are interested in building stations to be installed in their front yards. We hope the network will grow with time!

The ONE Neighborhood Toy Share would encourage new connections between families and young people, beautify streetscapes with brightly colored stations for toy exchanges, involve local businesses with expertise and/or services to contribute to the project, and capitalize on the ONE's spirit of generosity and kindness to recycle and redistribute items that spread joy.

Budget:

Lumber	$250
Paint & Brushes	$96
Plexiglass	$98
Hinges & Additional Hardware	$102
Official Toy Share Placard from Gordon Stamp & Engraving (Recognizing the NPA's support)	$48
Tools (in kind/borrowed)	$0
TOTAL	$594

Project Timeline:

March - Reconnect with families and institutions that previously expressed interest in joining a toy share network and hosting a station in front of their home/building
April - Research best practices/building techniques for toy share stations (similar to little free libraries)
May - Purchase materials and build sample toy share station
June - Solicit additional donations for materials and publicize the opportunity to join network
July - Offer workshop at the ONE Ramble to construct 6-8 toy share stations
August - Install toy share stations around the ONE, get the word out, and start exchanging toys!

Put Your $ Where Your ❤ Is: 2020 ONE Challenge

Jane Knodell & Jessica Hyman
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Creative Outreach Initiative
Funding Requested: 250 per ward; Total: 500

The Old North End Arts and Business Network is a volunteer-driven organization working to stimulate the economic vitality of the Old North End's diverse arts and business community. The ONE Challenge is a month-long shop-local challenge that celebrates the diverse stores, restaurants, and services in the neighborhood and inspires people to visit as many Old North End businesses as they can during the challenge period.

Customers will get a special card that gets stamped when they make a purchase at each participating business and are eligible to enter weekly raffles. Joining the ONE Challenge is open to all ONE retail businesses, services, restaurants, and artists and it is free for community members to participate. We encourage businesses to offer an incentive to Challenge Card holders, such as a percent discount, a special price on a single item or service, or a free item.

The ONE Challenge will launch on April 1st and run through April 30th with weekly prize drawings.

In the past, the ONE Challenge has been promoted primarily through word of mouth. NPA funding will allow the ONEABN to market the Challenge through a range of print and online advertising channels, reaching a broader array of neighborhood residents, as well as UVM students and Burlingtonians living in other areas of the city. This expanded marketing will draw more people to the ONE, supporting our local artists and businesses.

NPA funding will also allow us to hold a Challenge Kick Off Celebration at a local business. This event will foster connections and relationship building between neighbors

A survey conducted by the Old North End Arts and Business Network in January 2020 found that the number-one need of artists and businesses located in the ONE is support with marketing and promotion. The ONE Challenge is designed to meet that need, while creating opportunities for connection and relationship building between neighborhood residents and business owners.

This initiative will also help boost neighborhood pride and raise awareness about the wealth of businesses, services, and artists in the Old North End.

Project Timeline:
February 15 - March 15: Business outreach and sign up
March 15 - March 31: ONE Challenge promotion, distribute materials to all participating businesses
April 1: ONE Challenge Kick Off Celebration at local business
April 1 - April 30: Continue ONE Challenge promotion, conduct weekly prize drawings

Rough Itemized Budget:

Item	Cost	W2 NPA Grant	W3 NPA Grant	Business Contributions	Other Fundraising
Printing: flyers, cards, signs	**$200**	$60	$60	$80	
Misc. supplies	**$100**	$25	$25	$50	
Targeted social media ads	**$500**			$110	$390
Online Ad in UVM Cynic	**$350**				$350
1/8 page ad in Seven Days	**$260**				$260
1/8 page ad in North Avenue News	**$170**	$85	$85		
Challenge Kick Off Celebration	**$420**	$80	$80	$260	
Total	**$2000**	$250	$250	$500	$1000

The Ramble

Jean Waltz
jwaltz@rockpoint.org
Creative Outreach Initiative
Funding Requested: $750 per ward; Total: $1500

Now in its 17th year, “The Ramble” is an annual, all-day festival celebrating the creativity and culture of The Old North End. Taking place throughout The ONE neighborhood, residents and businesses will exhibit their fortes, specialties, and creative inclinations by transforming The ONE into a “pop-up” confluence of activities on Saturday, July 25th.

Both vessel and vehicle, The Ramble acts as a hub for ONE community members to share and promote whatever they wish to, and in doing so, convey the eclectic attributes of The Old North End to the greater Burlington area, fostering morale and commerce in highlighting its denizens.

The Ramble will encourage, support, solidify and promote this through volunteer coordination, marketing, fundraising and by obtaining required permits and insurance, achieving the main goal of leveraging resources to support the many events that comprise The Ramble.

First and foremost, in coming together with the common goal to produce and provide a “Ramble,” we forge genuine relationships with our neighbors and business owners. We further a respectful rapport—honoring, empowering and strengthening our connections and our sense of community. In providing an event that welcomes freedom of expression, The Ramble encourages ONE residents to recognize the value of their own talents and draw attention to the densely diverse, creative mindset the Old North End embodies.

Budget:
Insurance: $500
Portable Toilets: $400
Printing: $600

Old North End Community Dinner

Janet Carscadden
onecommunitydinnerbtv@gmail.com
Operational Budget/Creative Outreach Initiative
Funding requested: ~$500 per ward. Total request $1018.22

The ONE Community Dinner provides a healthy, mostly locally sourced four-course meal before the Ward 2-3 NPA meeting to help to increase participation in the NPA. Dinners are held September through June.

The dinner brings members of our community together to meet and discuss local issues face to face over a shared meal. The dinner builds community by allowing real time interaction and discussion of issues important to the city and it's neighborhoods.

The funding helps to purchase supplies for the children's craft table and purchase equipment for food preparation such as oven mitts, food processor blades, and this year we would like to purchase hats and aprons for the prep staff to improve food safe handling practices.

Budget for ONE Community Dinner non food 2019-2020 Expenses

Item	Number	Cost	Total
Robot Coup Slicing Disc	1	62.4	62.4
Anti-microbial cutting boards	2	52.91	105.82
Kids craft station supplies/mo	10	25	250
Hats for kitchen staff	15	20	300
Aprons for Kitchen Staff	15	20	300
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			0
			1018.22

NPA Operations

NPA Steering Committee
wards2and3npa@googlegroups.com

Operational Budget
Funding requested: $441.39 per ward. Total: $882.78

The money will support the continuation and facilitation of the NPA meeting, including purchasing more tables, gift cards for the door prize, and other needed supplies.

The NPA provides community members a place to meaningfully interface with local politics as well as build community with each other.

Budget:
6 plastic 8'x30" folding tables: 80x6 = $480
Door prize gift cards: 25x10 = $250
Miscellaneous supplies = $152.78

Neighborhood Planning Assembly Draft Minutes

NPA: *(choose one)*	*Wards 1 &8*	*Wards 2 &3*	*Wards 4 &7*	*Ward 5*	*Ward 6*

Date of Assembly : 03 / 12 / 2020 Start Time: *(Commence):* 6:30

Location: ONE Community Center Finish Time: *(Adjourn):* 8:30

Note taker: Sydney Hinckley Please forward these official minutes to: Phet Keomanyvanh

Steering Committee Members in Attendance:
Charlie Giannoni
Kevin Deutermann
Andrew Champagne
Amanda Hannaford
Patrick Johnson

Discussion Topics	Actions Taken / Decisions Made
• *These can be copied from agenda items* • *Content of discussion not required*	• *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:

Please Remember to Enter Adjournment Time!

7:10 Meeting Starts

- Encouraging streaming and watching it live. Very small crowd, with 9 people in attendance.
- Kevin, steering committee member, discusses safety, keeping community conversations going, and not letting things get in the way of normalcy, where we can. Grateful to CCTV for setting this up and livestreaming this event. We have an amended agenda and were planning on having presenters present on how to spend NPA budget through proposals, but will be postponed. Please stay tuned.

7:16 Public Forum

- Jess Hyman, Ward 3 and works at Fair Housing Project at CVOEO. Wanted to make an announcement for Fair Housing Month, which celebrates the passing of the Fair Housing Act and protections against housing discrimination. There are series of art work, events, and celebrations. Given COVID19, there will still be art exhibits up, but the bigger events will probably change and try to do it virtually. Please look at thrivingcommunitiesvt.org.
- Andrew Champagne thanks for people supporting Town Meeting Day and especially to those who didn't win. He discusses concern about graffiti in the city and asks person to please stop. All for creative artwork, but there is a time and place for it.

7:21 Mid-session House Update – Brian Cina

- Universal precaution and social distancing are very important. Hard to talk about other things during this time. Working from home and participating in committee over the phone, due to cold and social distancing. Discusses hoarding, mutual aid network, getting through this and take care of one another. Brian talks about the Health Care Committee with affordability, telemedicine, and accessibility. Discusses emergency rooms, primary care doctors, and recognizing that we have a finite number of resources. Professionals in the Health Care System are working together and

legislatures are also working to pass bills to support the community during this time. It's worth it to invest in a social safety net. Brings up childcare and access to it.

7:33 Mid-Session Senate Update – Tim Ashe

- Tim Ashe discusses spread of the virus, leadership of the administration, accessibility of visiting elderly relative, and how things are changing hour by hour. He chairs Joint Chair Committee, and they have been discussing public safety, public access, and still doing good legislative work. They have canceled all gatherings at the State House and are requiring those that enter to take the prescreening tool. We have discussed, should we vote to close the state house for a certain amount of time? In the coming weeks, and coming months, this will be a hard time for folks with childcare, working, testing kits, and food security. If legislature is not in session, we may not be able to address those issues. He also discusses minimum wage bill and overriding the governor's veto. Also, raises topic of questionable acts of staff at corrections facilities and criminal justice system in Vermont. Raises the topic of redistricting the senate district and how people will benefit from this. Governor did veto the paid family leave and Ashe discusses paid and sick leave as a benefit that community members could benefit from them right now. Community member asks about Governor's performance with COVID19 and Ashe replied that the Governor and his team has replied quickly to any questions and appreciates work from the Department of Aging and Independent Living.

7:50 Council Update Max Tracy

- Thanks the NPA Steering Committee and discusses City's involvement with support for COVID19. The City is continuing to evaluate the situation and trying to ensure that essential city services are maintained. Preserving and prioritizing all of Burlingtonians and the city has opened an Emergency Response Center, not open to the public, but focused as a center of control to respond COVID19. The city has a senior specific plan and the city is using *Work at Home* model starting Monday, March 16th. The city is asking for people not to go to city buildings, unless they absolutely have to. Please call/email any inquiries because this can help prevent the spread of COVID. On the city's website, burlingtonvt.gov, there are regular updates and fact sheet translated into ten different languages and trying to get that out. Every time I have reached out the Mayor and his staff, they have been really responsive. Please give me a call or email me at mtracy@burlingtonvt.gov. Emphasizes social distancing and staying up to date with city's efforts.

7:57 Mid- Session Senate Update – Christopher Pearson

- Discussing COVID19 at the State House: halting mortgage foreclosures, boosting access to unemployment fund, what do we do for childcare workers, affordable housing, and many other economic issues. No one in the world is having a debate on whether or not the tests should be free. Unsure about legislative progress and next week we have to approve judges or they will not be able to sit. Looking at something for free access to primary care and this could reduce cost of emergency rooms. What about youth under 18? This would cost .1%. The response was that it is scary to see what health care costs will be during this time, so hopefully we will come back to it. Discusses Climate Solutions Caucasus and transportation emissions. Are there any questions about doing session or interfacing with legislatures over the internet? Many different parts of Vermont do not have complete internet access and having public access for everyone. What's the easiest way to reach out? All of our senators have our emails on the legislature's website, Facebook, twitter, and phone calls.

8:13 Adjourn