



Neighborhood Planning Assembly Minutes

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Date of Assembly : **10 / 20 / 2016**

Start Time: (Commence): **7:05 PM**

Location: **DPW Building, Pine St.**

Finish Time: (Adjourn): **9:00 PM**

Notetaker: **Nate Orshan**

Steering Committee Members in Attendance:

Bill Keogh
Hans Manske
Elisa Nelson
Nate Orshan

Discussion Topics and Action Items:

(1) Presentation: Upcoming Bond Vote and BFD Fire Trucks - Chief Steve Locke and Union President Mike Curtin, Burlington Fire Department

Explained that the approval of upcoming Ballot Items 1 and 2 would assist the FD in replacing needed fire trucks and improving water flow during firefighting.

(2) Update: School Board – Miriam Stoll, South District School Board Commissioner, and Susanmarie Harrington, Ward 5 School Board Commissioner

Explained that they were not yet at liberty to discuss recent contract agreement with the teachers' union; external factors such as shifting Federal dollars have an impact on the budgeting process; and that there will most likely be one or two bonds on the ballots in March 2017 to address maintenance needs and high school rehabbing or construction.

(3) Presentation: Recommendations re Champlain Parkway – Tony Redington and Diane Gayer, Coalition for a Livable City

Described an alternative design the CLC is recommending for the Parkway and advised re an upcoming public forum on December 1.

(4) Presentation: Upcoming Ballot Items 3 and 4 re Burlington Town Center Redevelopment Project – Genese Grill and Charles Simpson, Coalition for a Livable City

Advocated against Ballot Items 3 and 4, stating that the zoning change is contraindicated by PlanBTV Downtown and that the TIF bond would essentially shift costs to taxpayers outside the TIF district.

(5) Presentation: Upcoming Ballot Items – Mayor Miro Weinberger and Joan Shannon, City Councilor, South District

Advocated for Ballot Items 1 and 2, stating that they fund investments in important public infrastructure, and advocated for Ballot Items 3 and 4, stating that both the project and the work on reconnecting St. Paul St. and Pine St. are in keeping with PlanBTV Downtown and that the TIF funds public infrastructure and is intended for the public good.

(6) NPA Related Open Forum and Closing

No action items.

Motion to adjourn adopted at 9:05 PM.