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*Committee updates:*

### **Community Development and Neighborhood Revitalization Committee (Chair)**

- Meeting on Monday, December 14<sup>th</sup> from 6 – 8 pm at the Miller Center I the New North End.
- We'll be providing feedback on the RFP for inclusionary zoning review and getting updates on housing trust fund awards and the CDBG process.
- At our last meeting we discussed the city's evolving support for NPAs and gave feedback on the RFP for Memorial Auditorium and the "Gateway" block at South Winooski and Main.
- As a result of the NPA discussion, I'm committed to advocating for modest grant funding monies for NPAs to award, as part of the FY 17 budget process.
- At our February meeting we'll be hearing from UVM on a number of issues, including a new system for tracking numbers and locations of students living off-campus.

### **Public Safety Committee**

- City has made significant progress on needle discard issues, with enhanced training for city employees and a pilot drop box program coming, starting with sites at city hall
- Regrouping in early 2016 to create a work plan in response to public forums held throughout the city in the fall of 2015. Issues raised included pedestrian, bike and traffic safety; opiate-related crimes; hate crimes, bias and police response; sexual assault; and environmental hazards.

### **Parks, Art and Culture Committee**

- Will be discussing proposed smoking ban in parks and gathering further info in the form of a survey
- Will be discussing Burlington City Arts governance
- Will continue vetting development and agreements on Waterfront projects, including New Moran

### **Divestment Task Force (Chair)**

- Created evaluative criteria, now looking at the financial argument for fossil fuel divestment as well as the approach of other municipalities
- Holding a public forum in January 2016, date TBD

### **Fire Chief Search Committee**

- Mayor Weinberger to announce a candidate tomorrow, to be confirmed on 12/21
- Candidate is well-qualified and brings many strengths to the table