

Meeting Minutes - NPA Ward 5

Posted Agenda

- 7:00-7:10 Introductions and Welcome
- 7:10-7:35 Champlain Parkway - What's Next? Chapin Spencer - DPW
- 7:35-7:50 School Board Updates
- 7:50-8:20 planBTV South End Update, Alec Bauer, Steering Committee Member
- 8:20-8:40 City Council Updates
- 8:40-9:00 Wrap Up and Open Forum

Ward 5 NPA Steering Comm members in attendance: Alec Bauer, Bill Keogh, Hans Manske, Mary Sullivan

NOTES: Prepared by Alec Bauer

- Introductions and Welcome
- Champlain Parkway - What's Next? Chapin Spencer - DPW
 - EIS approved, Act 250 Permit approved. 3 of 4 Act 250 appellants have settled, the 4th was ruled against.
 - Railroad spurs (South of Innovation Center + West side of Pine) still remain challenging issues to solve for
 - Chapin announced City meets weekly on the Parkway
 - Fielded questions on signalization, multi-modal access, the possibility of it not moving forward and concerns about traffic load on Pine Street
- School Board Update - Patrick Halladay, Commissioner
 - Superintendent Search Advisory Committee is working in earnest on finding a replacement for the current interim superintendent

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- Budget season underway, through October and November. Looking better than last year's process.
- \$720,000 in Payment In Lieu Of Taxes (PILOT) funds were found at BED as part of an overall overpayment from the Schools (and City's General Fund) to BED. Funds are returned for this budget year and are prioritized for shoring up existing financial concerns rather than new programs at this time.
- The City also receives a refund in approximately the same amount

- planBTV South End Update, Alec Bauer, Steering Committee Member
 - After a lengthy selection process the City has engaged Goody-Clancy to perform the PlanBTV master plan process specifically for the South End.
 - Scope area is from Queen City Park Rd at the South, Shelburne Rd to the East, Lake Champlain to the West, and Maple St to the North
 - Multi-month design and charrette process which will include a variety of opportunities for citizen and community-wide engagement, similar to the PlanBTV master plan for the Downtown core and Waterfront areas.
 - <https://www.facebook.com/planbtvsouthend>
 - <http://www.burlingtonvt.gov/planBTV/SE>

- City Council Updates, Joan Shannon, CC President and Ward 5 Rep
 - Presented current potential ballots the CC is reviewing:
 - 1. Non-Citizen Voter Eligibility
 - 2. Amnesty for past offenses for marijuana that would be considered decriminalized now

- Open Forum
 - Christ The King bells are a topic of interest
 - There is a desire on the part of gathered citizens to have the BPD come give a general presentation to the NPA as it has been some time. Questions about

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current crime rates, new Community Outreach position, including a query about any “militarization” of the BPD as was seen in Ferguson, etc

- NPA is looking into how we might tape future meetings