



Ward 1 and Ward 8 NPA Meeting

April 13, 2016

McClure Conference Room, UVM Medical Center Lobby Conference Room

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Present Steering Committee Members: Anne Breña, Ward 8 and Richard Hillyard, Ward 1

Meeting Start time: 7:06pm

**City Council updates:**

Councilor Adam Roof, Ward 8

Down Town Mall discussion in City Council Executive Session Monday 11th

Predevelopment agreement will be presented at May 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting.

State will not rule for 2 months on Zen Lounge charges and council will need to take action on 4/25<sup>th</sup>

City has open Board and Commissions

Wellness group attention on Boston Globe-promoting health behaviors on 4/20 as alternative to marijuana

Selena Colburn, East District

Updates-Parks, Arts and Culture-Marina being develop past Moran plant and privately operated moving forward. The developer committed to larger park in area and will come to board soon.

Smoking ban-didn't pass in the past and doing public engagement process to define how to implement and confident there will be public support.

Public safety-reviewed and approved new position with background and expertise in Public Health to help with the opiate epidemic

Revitalization committee-request for proposal for city's request for inclusionary zoning ordinance-if building market rate housing 15-20% needs to be affordable housing based on federal mandates. Some concern that delays development and will be revised

East District-development strategies around neighborhood revitalization. The city, UVM looking at student housing in older housing stock to repurpose and create incentives.

Brought resolutions to ban pesticides harmful to bees and plants.

Next council meeting will look at officer review of the killing of Phil Grenon to understand this case to prevent this from happening again

Sharon Bushor, Ward 1

DPW-meeting at end of March focused on residential parking

Steps being rolled out-not take away residential parking but some changes in time, new threshold of people and usage. Looking at fee structure, tiered permit system, issues that may arise, guest parking overuse, reduce parking on lawn. Some changes may move from Planning and Zoning to DPW.

Pilot Program-Loomis, Western, and Henry to see if how many people overlap driver and block visibility to do an inventory of safety concern. Then would have a visual cue. Under way this month

Zoning 2007-2008 Fletcher Place zoning change from institutional to residential-needs to still come back to council

### **Burlington School Board:**

Mark Porter, School Board Chairman

Need to shift school district reduction in force.

1 million surplus helped not reduce force further.

4/12 public forum in City Hall brought questions and concerns about transparency, not caring about kids. School District drive is to have reading proficiency by 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to result in increased graduation rates.

### **HomeShare Vermont:**

Kirby Dunn-Executive Director

HomeShare Vermont provides screening and matching of the right companionship for shared living. HomeShare negotiates the term of the match. HomeShare started 35yrs ago first helping seniors move in with other seniors. Later seniors wanted to stay in their own home which opened an intergeneration approach to match younger adult to seniors in homes. This exchange helped younger adults find reasonable rent while also providing seniors extra help with household chores. Now there's not an age restriction. HomeShare Vermont to helps anyone find the right shared living situation.

The term used for the home owner is; Host and the roommate is; Guest. Moving in to an establish home doesn't affect zoning or permits because it's a roommate situation. 90% become roommates from the initial arrange meeting.

**For more information: Telephone:** (802) 863-5625

<https://www.homesharevermont.org/>

### **Vermont Lake Monsters:**

Kyle Bostwick, and Joe Dow-General Manager

Starting 23<sup>rd</sup> season playing centennial field, 110<sup>th</sup> birthday on Sunday. Opening on Father's Day and the last lay the season is Labor Day, total 38 games.

Hosting high school game.

Juvenile Diabetes Charities. Fireworks Sat. July 9<sup>th</sup> 23, Aug. 5

Call for any parking issues/concerns

Zoning permit to extend 40ft under bleachers

Average of 103 people working to put up an event

Looking for host families to house team member

### **DPW: The BTV Walk/Bike Plan:**

Nicole Losch, DPW-Outreach

Still seeing a lot of crashes of vehicles hitting bikes and walkers. In the next decade want to reduce drivers and increase car pool, walkers, bikers.

The data supports that the traffic is decreasing. Infrastructure is not being maintained. Walking and Biking benefits whole community and environment.

Key areas:

Categories for improvements

Neighborhood slow zone

Shared Space

Raised intersection

Neighborhood traffic circle

Curb extension

Pedestrian places

Focus on top intersections to improve and access the next capital investments

5 and 10 year priority to connect low street areas to other low stress areas

Network and connecting to all parts of City of low stress so it's inviting for people of all ages.

The Walk/Bike Plan does do education for safety to help change high risk behaviors. Full draft will be released next month and encourage public feedback. Plan DPW website

### **S.D. Ireland Development Updates:**

Patrick O'Brien

Project is underway-Started couple months ago

Building I 22 unit, second floor.

Unit J 33 units-parking garage done, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor and roof

Building k like other unit

3 of 6 duplex done B,C,D,E

Off site: Working with Parks on Schmanski Park and working up Colchester

Court. Hoping to finish out Colchester Court and then go across Colchester Ave

Goal come Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> that area will look different and safer

What they do have develop traffic Management plan that's safe

Acting as own general contractor. Met with UVM Medical Center campus planning and big pitch to get tenants. They will help market.

Looking at Loop.net to incorporate transportation and help alleviate traffic congestion. CAPMA helps manage transportation for large employers. Will work with CCTA after get tenants.

S.D. Ireland will be on FPF soon.

Meeting Adjourned 9:15pm

Meeting Minutes submitted by Phet Keomanyvanh-CEDO Community Development Specialist-Public Engagement

