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DATE: November 7, 2019

TO: City Council

FROM: Mayor David J. Narkewicz

**SUBJECT: Appointments to Boards, Committees, and Commissions**

Please find the attached appointments to City Boards, Committees, and Commissions:

## **Conservation Commission**

**Alec Bernstein**, 266 Grove Street, #7, Northampton

Term: October 2019 to June 2022

*To fill a vacancy*



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## Online Form Submittal: Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

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To: mayor@northamptonma.gov

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### Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees and Commissions

City of Northampton Application for Appointment to Boards, Committees, and Commissions

Please return the completed form to: Mayor@northamptonma.gov or David J. Narkewicz, Mayor 210 Main Street, Northampton, MA 01060

First Name	Alec
Last Name	Bernstein
Title, if applicable	Field not completed.
Address1	266 Grove Street #7
Address2	Field not completed.
City	Northampton
State	MA
Zip	01060
Home Phone	Field not completed.
Work Phone	Field not completed.
Cell Phone	7324474960
Occupation & Place of Employment	Hydrosystems Group Manager - UMass Amherst
Email	bernstein.alec@gmail.com
Are you a Northampton resident?	Yes
Years Lived in Northampton	3
Age	30 - 39
Sex	Male
Racial / Ethnic Background	white
Boards and Committees	Conservation Commission
Please list "other" board or committee of interest	Field not completed.
What skills and experience will you bring to this committee assignment?	As a trained water resource and environmental engineer (and current water planner on international water management projects), I will bring years of experience in understanding water to the Conservation Commission. I have a detailed knowledge of water from my career experiences. I have quantified water's movement through our environment in

computer simulation models, and I have recreationally enjoyed (many) a day on the Connecticut River or at the beach. My current position as a manager for the Hydrosystems Group involves planning water infrastructure investments and developing innovative policies to manage water through the uncertainty of climate change. On previous projects, I have quantified and evaluated the tradeoffs between meeting ecological objectives and other uses for water (i.e. hydropower, water supply, etc.). Locally, I have used my skills to evaluate re-operation of several hydropower dams along the Connecticut River to improve ecological benefits for migrating fish and floodplain species. Through this and other experiences, I have experience in objectively analyzing the value of the environmental ecosystems around us, and making decision, based on quantitative information, to meet specific objectives. Personally, I am an avid environmental steward, and I intend to always respect and care for the environment in my town. I am a life long hiker/camper/kayaker and I understand and appreciate the intrinsic value of accessing natural spaces around me (for economic, environmental, health and wellness benefits, among others). I intend to bring my strong quantitative background as a water resource manager with my passion for environmental conservation to the Northampton Conservation commission.

Are you currently serving or have you served on any city committee? Yes

Please list other city committees you have served on n/a

Required: Please read the following, by signing below you state that you understand and agree.

*The filing of this form does not guarantee my appointment. An application is kept on file for two (2) years; after that I must file a new application. Being appointed to a committee, board, or commission means that I am considered a Municipal Employee under MGL Chapter 268A and thereby subject to Conflict of Interest Law MGL Chapter 268A, Financial Disclosure Law MGL Chapter 268B, as well as Open Meeting Law MGL Chapter 39: Section 23B. I understand that I will take the conflict of interest test after being appointed and that I also must be sworn in by the City Clerk. I will contact the appointing authority with any questions about my service. Important: Once this form is submitted it becomes a public document, if there is information you do not want open to the public please do not include it on this form.*

Signature Alec Bernstein

Date 5/13/2019

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**Mayor of Northampton Mass.** <mayor@northamptonma.gov>  
To: Sarah LaValley <slavalley@northamptonma.gov>

Mon, May 13, 2019 at 3:47 PM

Hey Sarah-

What do you think of Alec Bernstein for Con. Com?

~Court

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