



Committee on City Services and the Northampton City Council

Committee Members:

Chair: Councilor Karen Foster

Vice Chair: Councilor Jamila Gore

Councilor Marianne L. LaBarge

Councilor Garrick Perry

MEETING AGENDA

Date: October 3, 2022

Time: 4:30 p.m.

Virtual Meeting

The October 3, 2022 City Services Committee meeting will be held by remote participation. The public can follow the committee's deliberations by joining the virtual meeting by phone or computer. The meeting will be recorded for later broadcast on Northampton Open Media (Channel 15) and uploaded to the Northampton Government Video Archive on YouTube.

Live public comment will be available using telephone call-in or video conferencing technology beginning at 4:30 p.m.

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Meeting ID: 895 9411 6636

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1. Meeting Called to Order and Roll Call

2. Announcement of Audio/Video Recording

This meeting is being audio/video recorded.

3. Public Comment

4. Minutes of Previous Meetings

5. Roundtable Discussion - The Impact of Retail Marijuana Sales on City Services

Nearly four years since the commencement of retail marijuana sales in Northampton on November 20, 2018, what has been the effect (if any) on city services such as the number and types of police calls, crime and call activity, substance use prevention programs and addiction and recovery services?

Discussion with city department heads to learn how the growing number of marijuana retailers in Northampton has impacted the delivery of public safety, public health and prevention and recovery services.

Participants will include Health Commissioner Merridith O'Leary and Police Chief Jody Kasper.

Two brief presentations will be followed by questions and answers and an opportunity for public comment.

6. Items Referred to Committee

A. 22.169 Appointments to Various Committees, referred by City Council - 9/1/2022

Arts Council

Kaye Carroll, 91 Pines Edge Drive, Northampton

Term: September 2022-June 2025

To fill a vacancy

Conservation Commission

David Reckhow, 45 High Street, Florence

Term: September 2022-June 2025

To fill a vacancy

Board of Registrars

Mary Lou Stuart, 15 High Meadow Road, Florence

Term: September 2022-March 2025

To fill a vacancy for a Republican Party member

B. 22.174 Appointment to Fill Vacancy in Elected Position on Community Preservation Committee, referred by City Council - 9/15/2022

Process note: Per Chapter Section 5-4, "Whenever a vacancy occurs on the Community Preservation Committee, the city council shall, within 30 days following the date of that vacancy, act to fill the vacancy. A person appointed to fill a vacancy by the city council shall serve only until a person is elected at the next regular city election and is sworn to the office."

7. New Business

8. Adjourn

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