

# Planning & Sustainability - City of Northampton

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## **Disability Commission** **4:00 PM, Tuesday July 13th, 2021**

Due to the Covid-19 emergency, this will be a Zoom virtual meeting: <https://umass-amherst.zoom.us/j/8291877456>

OR for audio only +13017158592 Meeting ID: 8291877456#

### **MEMBERS**

Jeremy Macomber-Dubs, Chair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	City Councilor Marianne LaBarge <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Keith Benoit, Staff <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Emma Cornwell, Vice Chair <input type="checkbox"/>	Gene Page <input type="checkbox"/>	
Linda Kakos <input type="checkbox"/>	Clare Marilyn <input type="checkbox"/>	Kathy Murri <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Rodney Kunath <input type="checkbox"/>	Michael Morton <input type="checkbox"/>	

1. Notice that meeting is being recorded
2. Noted that the Disability Commission could not make quorum so no votes could be taken.
3. Main St. for Everyone group shared a presentation of some existing conditions and their design for potential redesign. They discussed their outreach activities with all the different City meetings, challenges with preparing for climate change, and the economic stability of downtown. They asked for feedback from the Disability Commission. Discussion ensued regarding access to businesses and parking accessibility.
4. The Chair of the Easthampton Disability Commission discussed a survey that they were doing in Easthampton and asked for advice that would be helpful to running a disability commission. The Northampton Disability Commission was enthusiastic to fill out the survey which closes in October.
5. Conversation regarding inaccessible businesses
6. Updates:
  - A. CT River Accessible Parking
  - B. Other accessible parking ordinance updates
  - C. Accessible recreation areas
7. Next Meeting:



- A. Approve June 8 Minutes
- B. Updates from Easthampton Disability Commission survey
- C. Updates from Keith Benoit on:
  - CT River Accessible Parking
  - Other accessible parking ordinance updates
  - Accessible recreation areas
8. Conversation regarding inaccessible businesses
9. Adjourned at 5:04 PM