

**CITY OF MONTPELIER
CAPITAL CITY OF VERMONT**

City Manager's Weekly Report – 2/03/2017

UPCOMING MEETINGS ...

Monday, February 6 th	Design Review Committee, 5:30 P.M. in the City Council Chambers
	Development Review Board, 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers
Tuesday, February 7 th	Montpelier Transportation Infrastructure Committee, 5:15 P.M. in the Memorial Room
Wednesday, February 8 th	City Council Meeting, 6:30 P.M. in the City Council Chambers
Thursday, February 9 th	Cemetery Commissioners, 12:00 P.M. in the City Manager's Conference Room
	“Welcome Legislators” Reception, 5:00 – 7:00 P.M. in the Capitol Plaza's Ballroom

FOR YOUR CALENDAR ...

Thursday, February 16	Pre-Town Meeting, 7:00 – 9:00 P.M. at the Montpelier Senior Activity Center, 58 Barre Street
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ATTACHMENTS ...

 Public Meeting: 2017 Reconstruction of Northfield Street

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT ...

Zoning

The Planning Commission is meeting on the 13th with the intention of finalizing its zoning proposal. That means the earliest it could come before the City Council is February 22nd. Since that is the final meeting with the current Council make-up, the Mayor and I decided to start the zoning review in March with the new Council.

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Assistant City Manager

As was made official last night, Jessie Baker will be assuming the position of City Manager in Winooski starting on March 13th. Her last day with us will be on February 24th. We will miss her greatly, but she is very deserving of this job. We offer her our sincerest congratulations, best wishes and thanks for all she has done in Montpelier. I will begin the search for a replacement immediately. In the meantime, she and I have been working on transition plans to make sure that we are covering all of the issues and projects that she is handling.

One Taylor

Our team is meeting on the 14th to review the updated cost estimates and revised schedule. Work is wrapping up on the retaining wall. Prep work is underway for the Taylor Street construction this summer. I think we are close with Mowatt.

Legal

Illuzzi vs City, et al: The VT Superior Court of Washington County issued its “Opinion and Order on Defendant’s Motions to Compel, Enlarge, and Amend”. The plaintiff has taken no action since the Opinion & Order was issued. The Court has scheduled a status conference for February 27th in this matter.

VCFA vs. City, Supreme Court Appeal: The Vermont Supreme Court heard oral arguments on Wednesday, October 26th at 2:30 P.M. We now await their decision. Represented by Robert Fletcher.

WEEKLY REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS ...

Montpelier Senior Activity Center’s 50th Anniversary Gala: Save the Date

Save the date for the Montpelier Senior Activity Center’s 50th Anniversary Celebration Gala on Saturday, June 10th, at the Capitol Plaza Hotel! It’s sure to be a great time, with special guests, a 50th Anniversary presentation, dinner, music by Fred Wilbur, dancing, and fun! Everyone of all ages is welcome. More information to follow.

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Montpelier Senior Activity Center Trip to China: One Spot Remaining

Join the Montpelier Senior Activity Center for a 10-day trip to China this April! Visit the Great Wall, Forbidden City, Terra Cotta Warriors, and other landmarks while learning about traditional Chinese medicine and the Chinese approach to aging. One space is remaining, and the deadline is Monday, February 13 to sign up. For more information, contact Janna Clar at 262-6283 or jclar@montpelier-vt.org

Upcoming Events at the Montpelier Senior Activity Center

The Montpelier Senior Activity Center is hosting several great events in February, and you are invited! Learn about black artists in America on Thursday, February 9, at 1:00 P.M. with art historian Debby Tait. Explore Montpelier by the light of the full moon with leader Nancy Schulz on Friday, February 10, at 6:00 P.M. Enjoy photographs from Jamaica and one volunteer's journey to document historic Jewish cemeteries in Kingston on Tuesday, February 14, at 6:30 P.M. All three events are free and open to the public! Call us at 223-2518 to learn more or RSVP.

TOPICS FOR UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS ...

February 8

Paving Ordinance Changes
Ben Huffman – Zoning Issue
Berlin Pond - Stitzel
2017 Project Communication Plan
Tree Board Vacancy
Tax Stabilization Agreement
Street Closure Requests (2)

February 22

Debt Policy
Fund Balance Policy
Personnel Costs
Langdon Street Alive Update

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March 8

Organizational Meeting

Elect Officers

Rules of Procedure

Ethics Policy

Discussion of Goal-setting Process

Discussion re: Orientation/Retreat

Zoning

March 22

Zoning



William J. Fraser

City Manager

PUBLIC MEETING

2017 Reconstruction of Northfield Street

Significant work is planned for Northfield Street in 2017

- New Water Main & Services
- New Sewer Main and Services
- Sidewalk Replacement & Extension
- Addition of a 5ft bike lane
- Street reconstruction and resurfacing

We invite all interested members of the Montpelier community to a PUBLIC MEETING to learn more and provide input on this construction project.

WHEN: Wednesday, February 15, 2017
5:30 P.M. to 7:00 P.M.

WHERE: City Council Chambers, City Hall (39 Main Street)

WHAT: Discussion will include

- * Current project plans
- * Timing of construction
- * Detours planned to accommodate construction
- * Residential Access Impacts
- * Public Outreach

Questions? Contact City Engineer, Kurt Motyka at kmotyka@montpelier-vt.org or Public Works Director, Thomas McArdle at tmcardle@montpelier-vt.org.