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MAYOR ANNOUNCES RESCHEDULING OF DOWNTOWN STAKEHOLDER MEETING – HOLIDAY LIGHTS WILL GO ON

Mayor David J. Narkewicz announced this morning that the downtown stakeholder meeting scheduled for 2:00pm today has been rescheduled to Tuesday, December 2, 2014 at 2:00pm in the Hampshire Room of the Hotel Northampton to allow more time for outreach and planning.

“I am rescheduling this meeting to ensure the broadest participation of downtown stakeholders regardless of their position on the now-dissolved Northampton Business Improvement District (BID),” said Mayor Narkewicz. “We need to all work together to move downtown Northampton forward and I want to ensure that we begin that conversation on a positive and inclusive footing.”

Mayor Narkewicz also announced that the City of Northampton has retained the services of Creative Illuminations of Easthampton, MA to turn on the downtown holiday lights, most of which are on city property and powered via the city’s electrical outlets. The Mayor has established a gift fund for residents, property owners, and merchants who wish to contribute to this season’s holiday lighting until a permanent arrangement can be set up in the aftermath of the BID dissolution.

Those wishing to help support this year’s downtown holiday lighting can send their contribution to “City of Northampton Holiday Lighting Gift Fund”, City Hall, 210 Main Street, Northampton, MA 01060.