



**Committee on Community Resources
and the Northampton City Council**

Committee Members:

Chair: Councilor Garrick Perry

Vice Chair: Councilor Marissa Elkins

Councilor Alex Jarrett

Councilor Rachel Maiore

Meeting Agenda

Date: March 21, 2022

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Virtual Meeting

The March 21, 2022 Community Resources 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 5:30 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR CALLING IN OR JOINING THE MEETING FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

[PUBLIC MEETING LINK](#)

MEETING ID: 897 6060 4223

PARTICIPANT #: #

PASSCODE: 216457

"Jurisdiction. Matters affecting the community including economic development, local business, tourism, the environment, the arts, planning, zoning, sustainability, land use, housing and affordability, among others"

1. Meeting Called to Order and Roll Call

2. Announcement re: Audio/Video Recording
This meeting is being audio/video recorded.

3. Updates and Announcements from Committee Members

4. Public Comment

5. Rotary Day of Service - April 16, 2022

Barbara Devlin, Project Chair of the Northampton Rotary Club's Tree Planting Project, will let City Councilors and residents know how they can support a special day of activity in the community on Saturday, April 16, 2022.

Documents:

[Updated Northampton Rotary Day Of Service Tree Project Overview.pdf](#)
[Rotary 4-16-22 Day Of Service Press Release.pdf](#)

6. Department of Community Care Update

Implementation Director Sean Donovan will discuss progress to date on establishment of the new Department of Community Care (DCC). Topics will include the status of formation of the implementation advisory committee, proposed use of funds earmarked for consulting services and/or a community needs assessment, and response models under consideration.

7. Items Referred to Committee

A. Set Date for Community Forum on Prohibiting Brokers' Commissions from Being Charged to Tenants

8. New Business

9. Adjourn

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Northampton Rotary Club April 16, 2022 Day of Service Tree Planting Project

Barbara Devlin, Project Chair
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Rotary International President Shekhar Mehta has challenged every Rotary Club across the globe to conduct a Day of Service in their community. Rotary clubs in Connecticut and Western Massachusetts are each planning a Day of Service during the month of April.

In keeping with Rotary International's newest area of focus, Protecting the Environment, the Northampton Rotary Club is working with the City of Northampton and the non-profit, Tree Northampton, to organize a tree planting event from 9 AM to 12 Noon on Saturday, April 16 at Jackson Street and RK Finn Ryan Road Elementary Schools.

Our key contacts for the project are Richard Parasiliti Jr., Superintendent - Tree Warden, Department of Public Works, and liaison to the City of Northampton Urban Forestry Commission, and Susan Lofthouse, Vice Chair of the Commission.

Northampton Rotary is responsible for lining up 20-24 volunteers who will work in teams of two to plant 15 trees at each school site. Anyone interested in volunteering is invited to contact Day of Service Chair Barbara Devlin at bdevlinmn@gmail.com.

In addition to soliciting volunteers, our club is inviting contributions to the Northampton Rotary Foundation in support of the Tree Project. Any contributions received will be used to purchase trees, compost, and other tree planting supplies from vendors recommended by the Tree Warden, for use in future tree plantings. Monetary contributions to support the tree planting project may be directed to the Northampton Rotary Foundation, Inc., PO Box 505, Northampton, MA 01061.

Finally, Northampton Rotary Club is working to increase awareness of the City's Setback Tree Planting Program, in hopes of generating additional applications for setback trees to be planted on business and residential properties within the City.

The Northampton Rotary Club is one of nearly 35,000 clubs across the globe, totaling 1.4 million members. For more than 100 years, Rotary's primary motto has been "Service Above Self" – encapsulating the philosophy of giving back to one's community.

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NORTHAMPTON ROTARY CLUB TO CONDUCT 'DAY OF SERVICE' TREE PLANTING EVENT

NORTHAMPTON MA, MARCH _____, 2022: More than 100 Rotary clubs and 4,000 Rotarians from Connecticut and Massachusetts will conduct a "Rotary Day of Service" in their communities during the month of April.

"Rotarians are known for their tireless efforts to help those in need, but the Day of Service will be the single largest volunteer effort we've ever held in our region," said Joanne Alfieri, Governor of District 7890, which oversees 57 clubs in northern Connecticut and western Massachusetts.

As part of a Rotary International focus on protecting the environment, the Northampton Rotary Club is working with the City of Northampton, the Urban Forestry Commission, and the non-profit Tree Northampton, to organize a tree planting event from 9 AM to 12 Noon on Saturday, April 16, 2022. Trees will be planted at two of Northampton's elementary schools, Jackson Street and RK Finn Ryan Road.

Susan Lofthouse, Vice Chair of the Urban Forestry Commission and a key contact for the project, stated, "Thank you to the Northampton Rotary for your interest in protecting the environment through a partnership with the city! We are very excited to be working with you on this project. The tree plantings at two schools will benefit students and staff for decades to come."

YOU DON'T NEED TO BE IN ROTARY TO VOLUNTEER

The Rotary Day of Service isn't just for Rotarians. Anyone interested in volunteering to help plant trees is invited to contact Day of Service Chair Barbara Devlin at bdevlinmn@gmail.com. Monetary contributions to support the tree planting project may be directed to the Northampton Rotary Foundation, Inc., PO Box 505, Northampton, MA 01061.

About Rotary International

Rotary International is a global network of 46,000 clubs and 1.4 million friends, leaders, and problem-solvers who see a world where people unite and take action to create lasting change – across the globe, in our communities, and in ourselves. For more than 110 years, Rotary's people of action have used their passion, energy, and intelligence to take action on projects ranging from literacy and peace to water and health. We are always working to better our world, and we stay committed to the end.

