



Northampton Reparations Study Commission

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City Council Chambers

212 Main Street (Room 16)

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- 1. Roll Call (10 min)**
- 2. Welcome, Land Acknowledgment & Grounding (5 min)**
- 3. Approval of Minutes (10 min)**
- 4. Public Comment (10 min)**
- 5. Reminders & Announcements (5 min)**
- 6. Discussion (70 min)**
 - a. City Solicitor Seawald
 - i. Open Meeting Law, Public Records Law, Conflict of Interest Law, general meeting procedures, subcommittees & public hearings
 - b. Updates Admin Position
 - c. Updates Budget
 - d. Outreach
 - i. We need a process that includes a formal opt-in/out for this and other resources obtained through NRSC. i.e. sign up for a NRSC mailing list, ensuring those on it have consented to receiving information preventing any further use outside official NRSC communications for individual purposes.
 - e. Updates on the [joint bill \(H. 1753\)](#)

- i. An Act establishing a commission to study reparations in Massachusetts By Representative Holmes of Boston and Senator Miranda, a joint petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 1753) of Russell E. Holmes, Jason M. Lewis and Mindy Domb for legislation to establish a special commission to study reparations in Massachusetts.
 - f. Relationship building & NRSC representation at City Council Meeting
 - g. Areas for continued study, deadlines & next steps
 - i. Additional community engagement, including survey & interviews
 - ii. Process for addressing monetary reparations & including our conclusions & recommendations in our third report
 - 1. Qualifications & eligibility criteria for funds
 - h. Recommendations, implementation, pace, priorities, partnerships & next steps
 - i. Juneteenth, city-sponsored events, proclamations & City Council endorsements
 - 1. Potential collaborators: [David Ruggles Center](#) & [Sojourner Truth Memorial Statue Committee](#), Northampton Arts Council
 - i. Quorum, Size, Composition, and Appointment Process & Membership Moving Forward
 - i. Language defining quorum, total number of members moving forward
 - 1. No less than 9 and no more than 11
 - ii. Processes for Youth Commission City Councilor & Appointments
 - 1. Kendal Mangum
 - iii. For community members interested in serving on the NRSC they can fill out [this form](#).
7. Suggested Agenda Items For Next Meeting **(5 min)**
8. Adjourn **(5 min)**

***This agenda represents a listing of matters reasonably anticipated by the Chairs which may be discussed at this meeting. Commissioners have an opportunity to suggest agenda items. Every item may not, in fact, be discussed and other items, not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law. Agenda items must be provided at least 48 hours in advance for open meeting laws, and ideally 7 days in advance to be able to access the notice and ensure posting in a timely manner.