

Northampton Youth Commission

Chair: Amelia Durbin
Vice-Chair: S. Helen Tejirian

Meeting Notice:
2nd Floor Hearing Room, Northampton City Hall

AND

Online Video Conference
Meeting Date: February 4th, 2026
Meeting Time: 7 PM

Instructions for virtual attendees: Join Zoom Meeting ↴

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Meeting ID: 867 295 8504

Passcode: 051928

Procedural note: Due to time constraints, discussion items may be postponed to future meetings.

Items for discussion:

1. Welcome, intros and icebreakers
2. Vote to approve [minutes](#) from previous meeting
3. City Council Update
4. Update from the Youth Commission liaison to the Northampton Reparations Study Commission
5. General updates and opportunities
 - Vote16MA Coalition Monthly meetings
 - MA HS Dems Chapter
 - Youth Representative to the Northampton Democratic City Committee
 - Wastewater Treatment Plant Tour
 - i. Wednesday April 1, 2026, 1:30pm
 - Youth MassEnergize Climate Competition
 - Massachusetts Youth Climate Coalition Advocacy Day
 - Hampshire County Jail tour
 - i. Sunday March 15, 2026, 2:00pm - 3:00pm
 - Youth Commission Superbowl potluck & watch party!
 - Anything else??
6. Items (updates, discussions, and votes) relating to subcommittees and initiatives
 - Housing & Sustainability Subcommittee
 - Budget & Education Subcommittee
 - i. Meeting with Secretary Ortega

- ii. Budget teach-ins
 - o Race & Culture Subcommittee
 - i. Juneteenth event planning
 - o Op-Ed Writing Subcommittee
 - o Vote16 Subcommittee
 - i. Elect new Subcommittee Chair
 - o Fundraising & Outreach Subcommittee
7. State House trip
 8. Vote to approve Op-Ed on housing in Northampton
 9. Discussion with Climate Action & Project Administration (CAPA) Director, Dr. Ben Weil, on the Northampton High School Geothermal Project
 10. Adjourn