

# 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: January 21st, 2026  
Meeting Time: 7 PM

Instructions for virtual attendees: Join Zoom Meeting ↴

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
  - Vote16USA National Coalition Meeting
    - i. Monday Jan 26, 2026, 4:30pm - 5:45pm
  - MA HS Dems Chapter opportunity
  - Wastewater Treatment Plant Tour
    - i. Wednesday April 1, 2026, 1:30pm
  - Youth MassEnergize Climate Competition
  - Volunteer for Ice Art Festival
  - Jeromie Whalen Youth Leader Listening Event
  - Signature Collection
  - Hampshire County Jail tour
    - i. Sunday March 1, 2026, 2:00pm - 3:00pm
    - ii. Go over dress code
    - iii. Create carpool plan
  - Feb. 9th: Governor Healey's Youth Summit
  - 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
  - Race & Culture Subcommittee
    - i. Juneteenth event planning
  - Op-Ed Writing Subcommittee
  - Vote16 Subcommittee
  - Fundraising & Outreach Subcommittee
    - i. Outreach to Smith Voc about club day
  - Criminal Justice Initiative
7. Finalized questions and second swearing-in ceremony with Mayor Gina-Louise Sciarra
  - Finalize new official voting members
8. State House trip
9. Discussion about high school geothermal and construction projects
10. Adjourn