



City of Lowell - Community Preservation Committee

Community Preservation Committee Agenda

Thursday, October 28 at 6:30 p.m.

This meeting will occur in-person with the option to join remotely. You can choose to attend in-person in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 375 Merrimack Street, Lowell, MA 01852; or you can choose to attend remotely by using one of the following four options to access the meeting:

1. Join via your computer, tablet, or smartphone: <https://lowellma.zoom.us/j/84289520588>
2. Call 646-558-8656 and enter the MEETING ID: 842 8952 0588
3. Watch LTC Channel 99
4. Watch online at: www.ltc.org/watch/channel-99

I. Call to Order

II. Minutes for Approval

September 30, 2021 Meeting Minutes

III. Continued Business

IV. New Business

CPA Application: 243 Worthen Street, Lowell, MA, 01852

The Whistler House Museum of Art has applied to the Community Preservation Committee seeking \$400,000 of CPA funds for an Outdoor Recreation project. The applicant proposes to expand and rehabilitate the existing park at 243 Worthen Street, abutting the Whistler House Museum. The application proposes to turn the existing park into a multi-functional green space.

CPA Application: Clemente Park, 01851

The Clemente Park Committee has applied to the Community Preservation Committee seeking \$110,000 of CPA funds for an Outdoor Recreation project. The applicant proposes to use the funds for improvements to Clemente Park including upgrades to the playground equipment, benches, and the basketball court.

CPA Application: 1413-1415 Varnum Avenue (Rollie's Farm), Lowell, MA, 01854

Lowell Parks and Conservation Trust, Mass Audubon, and Mill City Grows has applied to the Community Preservation Committee seeking \$1,500,000 of CPA funds for an Open Space and Outdoor Recreation project. The applicant proposes to utilize the funding to acquire, preserve, and redevelop Rollie's Farm into an urban wildlife sanctuary, urban farmland, and education center. The project would preserve the area comprising of roughly 20 acres.

CPA Application: 555 Merrimack Street, Lowell, MA, 01854

The Coalition for a Better Acre has applied to the Community Preservation Committee seeking \$500,000 of CPA funds for a Community Housing, and Outdoor Recreation project. The applicant proposes to redevelop the vacant building at 555 Merrimack Street into 27 units of affordable housing, and supportive services for people with substance abuse disorders.

V. Other Business

Community Preservation Committee Dues

The Community Preservation Coalition extended an invitation to join the Community Preservation Coalition. The membership dues are \$2,875 which can be allocated from the Administrative funding category. Member communities receive technical assistance, CPA training sessions, and regional conferences. Additionally, the Community Preservation Coalition advocates on behalf of CPCs at the state level. Coalition membership is not required.

Review and Approve the Proposed 2022 Community Preservation Committee Schedule

VI. Notices

VII. Further Comments from Community Preservation Committee Members

VIII. Adjournment