

# New England Municipal Sustainability Network Fall Meeting

November 13-14, 2017

Cambridge, Massachusetts

## AGENDA

### Monday November 13th

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- **LOCATION** – City Hall Annex, 344 Broadway, Cambridge, MA, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room  
T: Central station on the Red Line  
(Parking: We recommend parking at either the hotel [\$28; available to overnight guests] and taking the T over, or at the [Green Street Garage](#) [by hour], a 10 minute walk from the Annex. There is no parking, street or off-street, at 344 Broadway.)  
Contact: Nikhil Nadkarni (o: 617.349.6434, m: 781.439.5454)
- 11:30-12:30     **Lunch** together, **welcome** and review of agenda
- 12:30-2:30     **Round Robin**  
*NEMSN members*  
Each participant gives a short (approximately 3-4 minute) overview of the highlights of your work at present. We will do “light” facilitation to try to keep this primarily as a report-out, but will flag items that arise as topics of mutual interest, for discussion in small groups later in the meeting.
- 2:30-3:00     **Break**
- 3:00-4:00     **Proposed Framework for Collaboration – How Can We Scale Up Our Impact?**  
UNHSI Fellows compiled and analyzed information about what all the Network members are currently doing, what areas are most ripe for collaboration, and how we might focus some resources to support existing projects and priorities in NEMSN communities. Based on that analysis the Steering Committee has some recommendations about how we might move forward that it would like to bring to the group for discussion.
- 4:00-4:45     **Fellows Debrief and Brainstorm**  
Lessons learned from 1<sup>st</sup> summer of NEMSN/UNHSI partnership with Fellows program and a brainstorm about how to make the program even more valuable for mentors and fellows—as well as for the Network as a whole—next year.
- **Check-In**     **The Porter Square Hotel, 1924 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge**  
T: Porter station on the Red Line and Commuter Rail  
[www.theportersquarehotel.com](http://www.theportersquarehotel.com)
- 5:30-6:00     Check in, drop bags (for those who reserved a room)
- **Dinner**     **Christopher’s, 1920 Massachusetts Ave., Cambridge**  
~2 min. walk from hotel  
[www.christopherscambridge.com](http://www.christopherscambridge.com)  
(617) 876-9180
- 6:45     Group dinner

## Tuesday November 14th

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- **Meeting Location** – City Hall Annex, 344 Broadway, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room.  
*(Breakfast suggestions near hotel to be provided.)*
- 8:30-9:15      **Network Business**  
Development Committee updates and membership  
Steering Committee updates and membership  
Website  
Spring 2018 Meeting
- 9:15-10:00    **DARTS update and discussion**  
*Wayne Frieden – Northampton MA*
- 10:00-11:00   **Net Zero and Low Carbon Energy Strategies in Cambridge**  
*Seth Federspiel – Cambridge MA*
- 11:00-12:15   **Working Towards Net Zero Schools – the MLK and King Open Schools**  
*Michael Black, City of Cambridge, and Jana Silsby, Perkins Eastman*  
With time for group discussion of net zero strategies
- 12:15-1:00    **Lunch**
- **Site Visit**      **Western Ave. and Mass Ave.**  
[www.cambridgema.gov/cdd/projects/transportation/westernavenue](http://www.cambridgema.gov/cdd/projects/transportation/westernavenue)
- 1:00 -2:30      Walking tour: the environmental and transportation benefits of the Western Avenue Improvements Project; the MLK School (exterior); and separated bike lanes on Massachusetts Ave., supported by residents through Participatory Budgeting  
*Susanne Rasmussen – Cambridge MA*
- 2:30-3:30      **Topical Discussion/s** (City Hall Annex)  
Either one big group discussion or two smaller group discussions on topics of interest from yesterday's round robin
- 3:30-3:45      **Evaluation and Closing**