



City of Methuen, Massachusetts
Substance Abuse, Mental Health, & Homelessness Committee
OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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Michael Simard, West District City Councilor

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Monday, October 24, 2022 - 12:00pm noon, Remote *Via Zoom Web Conference**
AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA
2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - o 5/24/2021, 6/28/2021, 7/26/2021, 9/27/2021, 12/13/2021, 3/28/2022
4. PRESENTATIONS/OTHER
 - o "Update on Increasing Methuen's Access to Services & Resources Available" - Kelly Townsend, City of Methuen
 - o "Partnerships & Opportunities, Youth Substance Misuse Prevention Programming" - Lawrence/Methuen Community Coalition (LMCC)
 - o "Update on Methuen Public Schools' Progress to Support Student Mental Health and Wellness" - John Crocker, M.Ed, Director of School Mental Health & Behavioral Services, Methuen Public Schools
5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - o Debrief: Nevins Memorial Library, Mental Health First Aid Training
 - o Update: Resources Directory/Handbook
 - o Update: Statewide Opioid Settlement Allocation & Funding Plan
6. NEW BUSINESS
 - o University of Massachusetts' Department of Public Health program and The Movement Family (TMF) partnership - Michael Gorman Founder, TMF & Clr. Jessica Finocchiaro
7. SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS, COMMUNITY RESOURCES, EVENTS
8. NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME, ANY FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS?
9. ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica Finocchiaro, City Councilor

Chair, Substance Abuse, Mental Health, and Homelessness Committee

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

WRITTEN (VIA EMAIL): You may choose to submit your public participation by contacting a City Councilor who is a member of the committee, City Council Clerk Linda Gagnon at lgagnon@ci.methuen.ma.us or reaching out to the Chair at jfinocchiaro@ci.methuen.ma.us prior to the meeting.

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