



# BRPC

Berkshire Regional Planning Commission

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## **MEETING NOTICE**

There will be a meeting of the  
BERKSHIRE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
on Thursday, January 21, 2021 at **7:00** p.m.

This will be a **Virtual Meeting** as allowed by Massachusetts Governor Charlie Baker's Executive Order dated March 12, 2020 suspending certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c.30 sec.20.

Information to join the meeting is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3926128831>

Meeting ID: 392 612 8831

Call in information: 312.626.6799, 646.558.8656, 301.715.8592, 346.248.7799, 669.900.9128

**Meeting Material:** All written materials for the meeting are posted on BRPC's website: [www.berkshireplanning.org](http://www.berkshireplanning.org). Click on the Calendar of Events for the meeting and available materials will be listed.

## **Agenda**

- I. Opening (7:00-7:05)**
  - A. Call to Order
  - B. Roll Call
  - C. Approval of Minutes of the November 19, 2020 meeting
- II. Comments from the Public (7:05-7:10)**

*Members of the public may offer comments regarding topics, which are on the agenda, or other matters which they wish to bring to the Commission's attention. Comments are limited to no more than three minutes and are to be directed to the Commission.*
- III. Delegate and Alternate Issues (7:10-7:15)**

*Delegates and Alternates may bring up any issue not on the agenda.*
- IV. Executive Committee Action (7:15-7:20)**

*Executive Committee actions taken on the Commission's behalf at its December 3, 2020 and January 7, 2021 meetings are presented for discussion.*
- V. Amendments to the Zoning Enabling Act in the Economic Development Bill (7:20-7:50)**

*The end of the last legislative session saw the passage of an Economic Development Bill. In addition to many important economic stimulus measures*

*it contained some important changes to the Zoning Enabling Act related to housing. BRPC staff will review those changes.*

**VI. Regional Housing Strategy (7:50 - 8:15)**

*BRPC is partnering with 1Berkshire to develop a regional housing strategy. We would like to engage in an open discussion about some of the challenges and issues related to housing in your community hear your ideas about ways to address those items.*

**VII. The Public Health Response to the COVID-19 Crisis (8:15 – 8:45)**

*The BRPC Public Health Program, in close partnership with other Public Health members and health professionals, has been at the forefront of the COVID-19 crisis in Berkshire County. This includes contract tracing, serving as fiscal agent for region-wide protective gear and equipment and most recently coordinating vaccination clinics for first responders. BRPC Public Health Program Manager Laura Kittross will provide a summary of those activities over the last 11 months.*

**VIII. Executive Director’s Report (8:45 – 8:50)**

**IX. Adjournment (8:50)**

Other interested citizens and officials are invited to attend.

All times listed are estimates of when specific agenda items may be discussed.

City and Town Clerks: Please post this notice