## For Immediate Release



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(Springfield, MA) The Springfield Community Preservation Committee (SCPC) will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, October 6, 2020 at 6:00 pm by remote technology.

The annual meeting provides citizens an opportunity to comment on Springfield's needs, opportunities and resources in regard to open space, historic preservation, outdoor recreation and community housing. As part of its responsibilities, the SCPC annually updates its Community Preservation Plan. Public comments aid the Committee in development of the Plan which will offer guidance and criteria for selecting projects. Once the plan is approved, new applications will be available in early 2021. The SCPC will review the submitted applications & recommend projects to the City Council.

Implementation of the CPA in Springfield is overseen by the city's Community Preservation Committee and is composed of representatives from the city's Conservation Commission, Historical Commission, Planning Board, Park Commission, Springfield Housing Authority, Springfield Preservation Trust Inc., and three neighborhood appointees by the City Council President.

The Community Preservation Act was adopted by Springfield voters in November 2016 and passed in 63 of 64 precincts. The act established a local

dedicated fund, financed by a voter-approved property tax surcharge and matching funds from the statewide CPA Trust Fund to undertake open space, historic preservation, outdoor recreation and community housing projects.

## To view the remote meeting:

- <a href="https://www.facebook.com/SpringfieldCommunityPreservationCommittee">https://www.facebook.com/SpringfieldCommunityPreservationCommittee</a>
- Channel 17 on the local Comcast network
- <a href="http://focusspringfield.com/">http://focusspringfield.com/</a>
  If time permits, comments left on the Facebook stream will be read into the record and considered received by the Committee.

## Register to give a live comment:

- E-mail cpc@springfieldcityhall.com
- Telephone 413-530-1268 by October 5th

## Send a comment by October 31, 2020:

- CPC, City Hall Room 412, 36 Court Street, Springfield 01103
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