

Metropolitan Beaches Commission to Hold Public Hearing in Hull in February 2019

The Metropolitan Beaches Commission (MBC) will hold nine public hearings in the winter and spring of 2019 in waterfront communities from Nahant to Nantasket to receive public input about the state of the beaches. The first hearing will be held in Hull on Tuesday February 12, from 6:00-8:00pm at the Nantasket Beach Resort and Hotel at 45 Hull Shore Road.

“The region’s public beaches are important recreational, economic, and educational assets,” said State Senator Brendan Crighton, Senate Co-Chair of the MBC. “Working together we have made our beaches cleaner, safer and more accessible, and I am looking forward to continuing our work together this year.”

The Metropolitan Beaches Commission was created in 2006 by the Massachusetts Legislature to make findings and recommendations on ways to strengthen the Boston metropolitan region’s 15 public beaches in Nahant, Lynn, Revere, Winthrop, East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, Quincy, and Hull which are managed by the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR). The Commission is comprised of elected officials and community, civic, nonprofit, and business leaders from Boston and the metropolitan region’s waterfront neighborhoods and beachfront communities.

“Nantasket Beach is not only an incredible space for recreation in our community, but an economic driver as well,” said State Representative Joan Meschino. “The Metropolitan Beaches Commission has done important work

The Metropolitan Beaches Commission
INVITE YOU TO ATTEND
A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE STATE
OF NANTASKET BEACH

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12
6:00 PM- 8:00PM
Nantasket Beach Resort
45 Hull Shore Drive
Hull, Massachusetts 02045

To RSVP or for more information email MBC@savetheharbor.org or contact Andrea Patton at 617-451-2860 x1006

Representative
Joan Meschino

Senator
Patrick O'Connor

Commissioner
Jason McCann

to ensure that we have the resources we need to maintain and improve the area. I look forward to seeing neighbors, residents, and anyone who visits and loves Nantasket Beach at the hearing on the 12th so that we can hear from you.”

In 2013, the Commission reconvened to examine the impacts of the reforms and recommendations made in its first report and issue additional findings and recommendations to better leverage these resources for residents in the future. The MBC was made permanent in 2015. Each year the Commission holds public hearings at the State House and in waterfront neighborhoods and beachfront communities from Nahant to Nantasket, and issues an annual report of its findings and recommendations to the Legislature and to DCR.

“As the Commissioner from Revere Beach, the nation’s first public beach, I know how important these resources

are,” said State Representative RoseLee Vincent, House Co-Chair of the MBC. “Beaches like Revere Beach are premier destinations for millions of visitors from across the Commonwealth and the country, and enhance the lives of the community members who live along their shores.”

The Commission will release its third report on the state of the metropolitan beaches in late spring after the hearings are completed. During the last round of hearings more than a thousand people participated, helping the Commission understand what’s working and what could use improvement.

“One of the most important lessons we have learned is that the region’s residents really love their beaches, and have great ideas about how to make them better,” said Bruce Berman, Director of Strategy and Communications at Save the Harbor/

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Save the Bay, which has helped to lead and manage the Commission since its inception. “We look forward to hearing from the residents of Hull and all those who love Nantasket Beach.”

Each hearing will give community members and beachgoers the chance to share their thoughts on the state of their beach, and share their ideas and recommendations to make them even better. The Commission will hold a hearing in late May to review its draft findings with the public before releasing their final report in June. The Commission will hold hearings in Nahant, Lynn, Revere, Winthrop, East Boston, South Boston, Dorchester, and Hull between February and May 2019. The MBC held a hearing in Quincy in August of 2018, and the feedback received will also be included in the Commission’s report.

The 2019 Metropolitan Beaches Commission hearings will be held on the following dates:

- Tuesday February 12th – Hull
- Tuesday March 19th – Lynn and Nahant
- Saturday March 30th – Dorchester
- Tuesday April 9th – East Boston
- Tuesday April 30th – Revere
- Tuesday May 14th – Winthrop
- Saturday May 18th – Regional Review
- Tuesday June 4th – Report Release at State House

If you love your beach, but can’t attend the MBC Hearing, you can share your thoughts by taking part in the MBC online survey at <https://tinyurl.com/BeachesSurvey>



THE METROPOLITAN BEACHES COMMISSION

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Metropolitan Beaches Commission
Co-Chairs Senator Brendan Crighton of Lynn and Representative RoseLee Vincent of Revere and Hull’s MBC Commissioners Senator Patrick O’Connor, Representative Joan Meschino, and Jason McCann invite you to attend an MBC hearing and share your experiences, thoughts, concerns, and ideas regarding Nantasket Beach.

This hearing is open to the public. Anyone who visits and enjoys Nantasket Beach is welcome and encouraged to attend.

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