

## **Beacon Hill Basics**

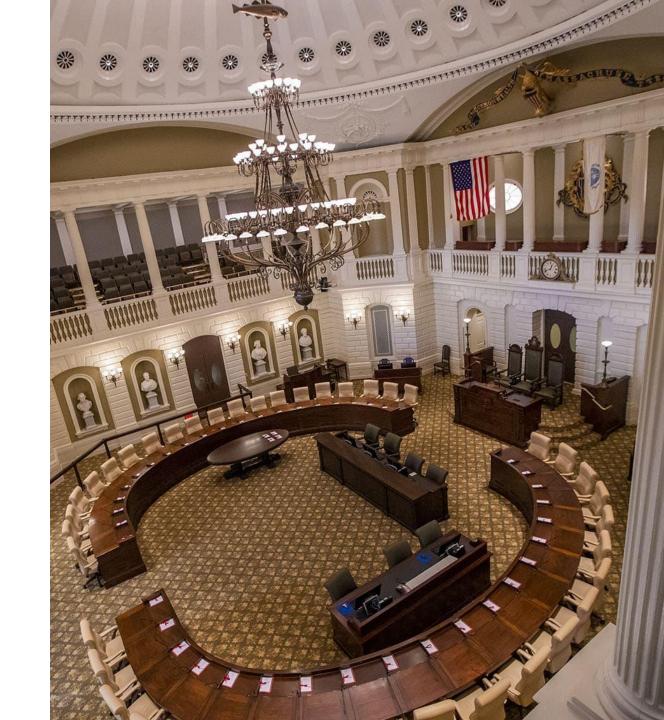
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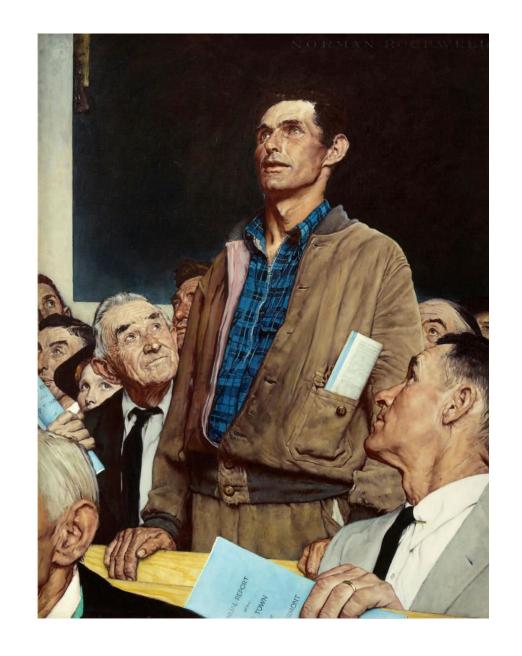
How to be Your Municipality's Best Advocate

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- Making an Impact
- Inside/Outside Work
- 3 Takeaways



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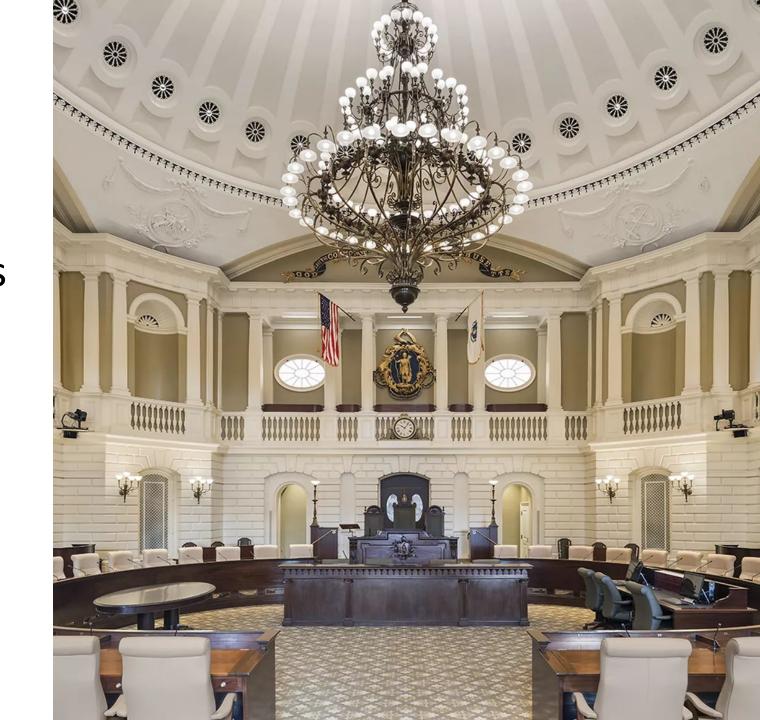
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## The "Building"

- House 160 members
- Senate 40 members
- Leadership
- Committees
- Role of Governor & Administration



### **Legislative Calendar**

- Two-Year Cycle
- Annual Budget
- Segments of the Session



# **The Mysteries**

- Consensus
- Voting
- Making an Impact



# How to Make an Impact

- Messaging
- Genuine Relationships
- Staying in Touch



# Inside/Outside Strategy

- Where & When to be involved
- Inside Game
- Outside Game
- MMA's role



## Remember these 3 Takeaways

1. Understand the Mechanics of Beacon Hill

2. Dedicate Time to Make an Impact

3. Know Where & When to be Involved



# Questions?

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