

# VICTORIA ANTONINO

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## OBJECTIVE

Appointment to the Somerville Urban Forestry Committee

## SKILLS & ABILITIES

Designing, installing maintaining private urban gardens and civic green spaces. Planting, pruning, caring for, and identifying trees, shrubs and herbaceous plants. Tending tree wells. Chairing meetings and taking minutes. Applying for grants. Collaborating on projects, documents and presentations. Giving presentations

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### *INSPIRATIONAL GARDENS*

FALL 2011-FALL 2015

Worked as a laborer with an organic landscaping company. Trained in traditional landscaping.

### *WILD CITY GARDENS*

Spring 2015

Learned about ecological gardening and design

### *VICTORIOUS GARDENS*

Spring 2015-Present

## MEMBERSHIPS, AFFILIATIONS

Ecological Landscape Alliance  
Grow Native Massachusetts  
New England Wildflower Society  
Massachusetts Land Trust Coalition  
Climate Coalition of Somerville  
Somerville Community Growing Center  
Somerville Climate Action  
Soil4Climate  
Our Revolution Climate  
Friends of Somerville Urban Forest  
Co-founder Green and Open Somerville

## CONTINUED LEARNING

Regularly attend conferences, classes and seminars with the ELA, NEWF, New England Grows, Garden in the Woods, Umass extension, and Somerville Garden Club Also participate in ELA Webinars and watch youtube videos on ecology, sustainable landscaping, planting for pollinators, creating bioswales, soil microbes etc

## ACHIEVEMENTS

Co-founded Green and Open Somerville (GOS)  
Helped create GOS Green Standard Document  
Worked with Dan Bartman, staff and Katjana Ballantyne on Somerville's Green Score

Elected to the Union Square Neighborhood Council Board  
Elected Co-chair of the USNC Built Environment Committee  
Helped organize two native plant sale fundraisers for the Growing Center

## CITY AND STATE PROCESSES

Participated in:  
Urban Ag Ambassador Program  
GLX  
Gehl Study  
Union Square Redevelopment:  
CAC, LOCUS, Neighborhood Plan, Union Square Zoning, Union Square Redesign, US2  
Open Houses, Neighborhood Meetings, presentations etc  
Union Square Neighborhood Council Working Group  
Union Square Neighborhood Council  
MEPA Waiver for D2  
City-wide Zoning Overhaul  
CPA for the Morse-Kelley Butterfly Garden Pocket Park  
Somerville Climate Forward  
Park re-designs: Lincoln Park, Hoyt Sullivan, the Growing Center, Nunziato, Prospect Hill, Allen Street, Harry Hansen

## COMMUNICATION

Regularly announce important events through list serves. Give presentations to the community, CPC, and aldermen. Lead workshops during USNC Community Benefit Meetings Summit. Frequently write and speak public testimony on legislation, developments and designs. Work with community, alderpeople, and city staff to pass legislation. Advocate for Somerville's, green spaces, civic spaces, sustainability and climate change preparedness. Regularly review updates on local and state grants and share with relevant organizations.

## LEADERSHIP

Board member of the Union Square Neighborhood Council, Co-Chair of the USNC Built Environment Committee. Participate in meetings of the Climate Coalition of Somerville and Our Revolution Climate Working Group. Recent board member of the Somerville Growing Center

## REFERENCES

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