

### **Finance Committee Report**

## City of Newton In City Council

### Wednesday, February 15, 2017

Present: Councilors Gentile (Chair), Norton, Brousal-Glaser, Rice, Blazar, Fuller, and Lappin

Absent: Councilor Ciccone

City staff present: Sue Dzikowski (Comptroller), Phil McNulty (Director of the Library), Jim McGonagle (Commissioner of Public Works), Lou Taverna (City Engineer) and Maureen Lemieux

(Chief of Staff/Chief Financial Officer)

**Chair's Note:** External Auditor Matt Hunt was unavailable to attend the rescheduled meeting; therefore, the Committee will review the June 30, 2016 Independent Financial Audit Report on March 13, 2017.

#27-17 Mayor's reappointment James Shaughnessy to the Board Assessors

<u>JAMES E. SHAUGHNESSY</u>, 17 Whirty Cirle, Hopkinton, reappointed to the Board of Assessors for a term of office to expire on February 1, 2020. (60 days

04/07/17) [01-30-17 @ 12:46 PM]

Action: Finance Approved 7-0

**Note:** Jim Shaughnessy is the City's Residential Assessor and is being re-appointed to the Board of Assessor. He is well known to most of the members of the Finance Committee; therefore, the Chair did not feel it necessary to invite Mr. Shaughnessy to attend the meeting. Mr. Shaughnessy did provide the attached letter to the Committee summarizing his experience with the City of Newton and expressing his pride in being reappointed to the Board of Assessors. Councilor Fuller moved approval of Mr. Shaughnessy's reappointment, which carried by a vote of seven in favor and none opposed.

#28-17 Grant Acceptance to support the operations of the City Council

<u>CITY CLERK/CLERK OF THE COUNCIL</u> requesting the acceptance of a grant of two thousand nine hundred forty-seven dollars (\$2,947) from the Amelia Sillman Rockwell and Carlos Perry Rockwell Charities Fund to support the operations of

the City Council.

Action: Finance Approved 7-0

**Note:** Above docket item is a request to accept a \$2,947 grant from the Amelia Sillman Rockwell & Carlos Perry Rockwell Charities Fund. The fund was established in 1925 and there have been a number of recipients of the grant funds over the years but the grantees have either passed on or closed their business. At this point, the City Council is the next in line to receive the grant funds. The City Council will receive grant funds each year until there is no longer funding. The amount of the grant will vary depending on market performance.

The Committee asked that the City Clerk/Clerk of the Council provide information on how the funds will be used once that is determined. With that, Councilor Fuller moved approval that carried unanimously.

### #30-17 Increase the staff at the Newton Free Library

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to increase the authorized number of full-time employees at the Newton Free Library by one full-time employee as the part-time archivist position is being increased to a full-time position. [01-23-17 @ 5:17 PM]

Action: Finance Approved 7-0

**Note:** Library Director Phil McNulty presented the request to increase the archivist position from a part-time to a full-time position. The City's previous archivist retired in October and recommended that the position be increased to a full-time position with agreement from City Clerk and the Chief of Staff. The position is currently vacant but there is an excellent candidate for the position, who is waiting for the approval of the increase to a full-timeposition. The position is being graded as an H7, which results in a starting salary in the range of \$64,000.

In 2011 the archivist position was moved from the City Clerk's budget to the library's budget but the City Clerk maintained direct supervision of the archivist. The Library Board of Trustees recently voted to recommend the transfer of the archivist position back to the City Clerk's budget in the proposed Fiscal Year 2018 budget. If the budget is approved with the recommendation, the increase to the authorized full-time complement of library employees is temporary. The funding for the increase is available in the library's budget because of salary savings due to vacant positions.

Committee members asked why the position is being increased to a full-time position. Mr. McNulty believes that it is in part due to the changes to the Public Records Law. The changes require municipalities to keep logs of requests, charge less, and provide digital records in most cases that are readily available for others to review. Many of the City public requests are for archived material and the City Clerk anticipates an uptick in the number of public record requests. The archivist position will be the point person for public record request management and will also be involved in developing a strategic plan for housing all of the City's archives.

The Committee requested that the City Clerk/Clerk of the Council provide specific information on the new public records request law and the job responsibilities of the archivist.

### #114-16(2) Amendment to a previously approved Betterment Council Order

<u>CITY CLERK/CLERK OF THE COUNCIL</u> requesting that the City Council revote the following mentioned sidewalk/driveway apron and/or curb betterments; said betterments to be levied under the provisions of MGL Chapter 83, Sec. 26, authorizing the assessment of betterments for construction. **Note:** Council Order #114-16 was approved on April 4, 2016 but since that date, the Law Department made the Clerk's Office aware of some required amendments that

are needed before the Order could be registered with the Registry of Deeds, which requires a revote of the item.

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1790 Commonwealth Ave	Holland Ward, III & Christine H. Ward	59610/426	43008 0001	\$3,237.50
76 Annawan Road	Steven D. Weatherhead & Sarah M. Weatherhead	59840/001	55041 0004	\$3,237.50
88 Annawan Road	William & Stacia Baker	35754/0494	55041 0003	\$2,705.00
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98 Baldpate Hill Road	William C. Hahn & Ivana K. Kim	1454/0056 Cert. 256812	82026 0011	\$5,272.50
105 Baldpate Hill Road	Janice P. Lipof	1177/196 Cert. 238389	82025 0058	\$3,745.00
30 Berwick Road	Philip E. & R. Heather Palmer, Trustees	50134/0279	52017 0001	\$2,522.50
290 Central Street	Terence P. Farmer	36493/409	43023 0015	\$2,055.00
295 Central Street	Leslie David Whitham & Donna Cahaly Whitham	26726/573	43029 0011	\$2,055.00
315 Central Street	Neritan Mustafa & Mimoza Mustafa	62468/082	43029 0013	\$2,477.50
321 Central Street	Melissa H. Parente & Gregg H. Nelson	68358/576	43029 0013A	\$3,400.00
330 Central Street	James E. & Louise Kennedy Corrigan	31297/420	43024 0002	\$2,172.50
347 Central Street	Wendy R. Woodruff & Jeffrey Pike	35169/526	43029 0015	\$3,615.00
348 Central Street	Joel Shames & Janet K. Linder	22103/426	43025 0004	\$2,587.50
29 Fern Street	Dennis Howard	63271/410	43025 0008	\$2,867.50
51 Lake Ave	Marc H. Fogel & Deborah R. Fogel, Trs.	46206/501	62008 0009	\$2,587.50

7 Leewood Road	Jed M. Roberts & Suzanne 1074	4/024 83022 000	)1 \$3,120.00
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12 Leewood Road	Richard Green Tr., Richard 1430	0/079 83023 000	9 \$5,467.50
	Green 1996 Revocable Trust & Cert	t. 253301	
	Esme H. Green, Tr., Esme H.		
	Green 1996 Revocable Trust		
15 Leewood Road	Eugene L. Pogany & Judith 1449	9/0086 83022 000	)2 \$2,900.00
	Bond Pogany Trs., Pogany Cert	t. 256107	
	Family Revocable Living Trust		
24 Leewood Road	Arthur T. Noonan III & Kathryn 857,	/075 83023 000	7 \$2,770.00
	M. Noonan Cert	t. 145245	
274 Otis Street	Mary E. Kirsch 2223	39/298 32050 000	6 \$5,817.50
70 Varick Road	Susan R Heyman & Kenneth E. 151	90/447 55025 001	18 \$2,347.50
	Heyman		
362 Waban Ave	Steven M. Smith & Sarah 499	62/367 42008 000	)2 \$3,505.00
	Prager Smith		

Action: Finance Approved 7-0

<u>Note:</u> City Engineer Lou Taverna explained that this is a request to revote previously approved betterment assessments. Unfortunately, there were a number of typographical errors in the original list of betterments that were discovered when Assistant City Solicitor Bob Waddick went to record the betterment list with the Middlesex Registry of Deeds. The above docket item contains the correct information and the betterments will be recorded as soon as the item is approved by the Council. The sidewalk and/or curb installations have been complete since 2015. The Department of Public Works completes all of the betterments in a calendar year and then submits the list for approval by the City Council the following spring.

The Chair pointed out that according to City ordinance the Department should be submitting the betterment list for approval before installing the betterments. Mr. Taverna explained that it is difficult to assess the betterment before installing the betterment because the actual cost for the curbing or sidewalk betterment is not yet known. It was suggested that the Administration may want to look at docketing an item to amend the ordinance to reflect current practice. With that, Councilor Fuller moved approval, which carried unanimously.

### #29-17 Appropriation of \$164,166 to cover costs associated with the bond sale

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend one hundred sixty-four thousand one hundred sixty-six dollars (\$164,166) from Bond Premium Receipts Reserved for Appropriation to Treasury Expenses to fund bond issuance costs associated with the City's January 2017 bond sale.

[01/30/17 @ 12:46 PM]

Action: Finance Approved 7-0

**Note:** Chief of Staff Maureen Lemieux presented the request for authorization to appropriate \$164,166 to fund costs associated with the January 2017 bond sale. The funds will

be appropriated from a Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Account to the Treasury. The costs of the sale are being funded with initial bond premium received as part of the bond sale. The bond sale was successful for the City and generated \$1.7 million in premiums.

It was pointed out that the Municipal Modernization Bill made some changes in how bond premiums are used by the city. The premiums no longer go into the General Fund but are either applied to directly to the bond issuance for a capital project reducing how much needs to be borrowed or premiums can be placed in a separate fund to be appropriated for a capital project.

Councilor Rice moved approval of the item, which carried unanimously.

### **Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees**

### **#31-17** Ordinance Amendment to eliminate sewer cleaning fees

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR proposing an ordinance amendment to remove Section 29-67A, Sewer cleaning fees from the City of Newton Revised Ordinance, 2012. [01/30/17 @ 3:39 PM]

Public Facilities Approved 7-0 on 02/08/17

Action: Finance Approved 7-0

<u>Note</u>: City Engineer Lou Taverna presented the request to eliminate the section of the City ordinances that establishes fees for the City to provide private sewer cleaning services. By eliminating Section 29-67A, the City will no longer be in the business of providing sewer cleaning services. The Utilities Division currently provides the service but would like to use the resources dedicated to the service to maintenance of the public infrastructure. There are a number of private companies that offer sewer cleaning services; therefore, eliminating the City service is not a hardship to residents or business in Newton. The Committee was supportive of eliminating this service and Councilor Lappin moved approval of the amendment, which carried unanimously.

### **Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees**

### #32-17 Transfer \$55,000 for engineering services

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000) from the Department of Public Works Engineering Full-time Salaries Account to the Department of Public Works Engineering, Engineering Services Account to hire engineering consultants to prepare final engineering design services for the Newton Corner ADA Ramp and Sidewalk Improvements Project. [01/30/17 @ 3:39 PM]

Public Facilities Approved 7-0 on 02/08/17

Action: Finance Approved 7-0

**Note:** Commissioner of Public Works Jim McGonagle reviewed the request to transfer \$55,000 from Engineering Salaries to Engineering Services to contract engineering services for

final design of ADA ramps and sidewalk improvements in Newton Corner. The improvements are Phase 1 of a larger Newton Corner project. The ramps and sidewalks are in such disrepair that they need to be addressed now. The construction portion of the project is being funded through CDBG, Committee on Disability and City funds.

The plan was to design all of this phase of the project in-house but the City's design engineer resigned. There is a candidate for the position but even if that person is hired tomorrow, it would not be possible to provide the final design in time to keep this phase of the project close to on schedule. The Committee understood the need and Councilor Lappin moved approval.

### **Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees**

#33-17 Appropriate \$121,000 for engineering services for West Newton Square Project
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend

one hundred twenty-one thousand dollars (\$121,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of funding additional design engineering services for the West Newton Square Rehabilitation Project. [01/30/17 @ 3:39 PM]

Public Facilities Approved 7-0 on 02/08/17

Action: Finance Approved 7-0

<u>Note:</u> Commissioner of Public Works Jim McGonagle presented the request for an additional \$121,000 for design services for the West Newton Square Project. The request includes a 10% contingency. The City Council originally approved \$250,000 for design services. If this request is approved total design costs for the project will be \$371,000.

The scope of the project is larger than originally anticipated. The first estimate for the project was \$3 million, which grew to \$4 million dollars. With the new design scope, the project estimate is \$4.65 million. The Administration expects to meet and start the value engineering process for the project over the next few weeks to bring the costs more in line with the \$4 million estimate. Once value engineering is complete and a final design is available, the Department of Public Works will present the design to the public and the Council.

This is the City's first full "Complete Streets Project" and Committee members expressed hope that the design makes sense and strikes a balance by moving traffic and enhancing bicycle and pedestrian safety. The Committee discussed what the plan is to stop illegal left turns out of Waltham Street onto Washington Street. City Engineer Lou Taverna and Commissioner McGonagle believe that the concept plan allows for a left turn from Waltham Street to Watertown Street but not Washington Street. Commissioner McGonagle provided the attached final concept plans, which show no left out of Waltham Street with a small island in front of Waltham Street to discourage the illegal left turn.

### **Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees**

### #34-17 Transfer \$1 million for snow and ice removal expenses

<u>HIS HONOR THE MAYOR</u> requesting authorization to transfer the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) from the Budget Reserve – Snow and Ice Removal Account to the following accounts:

Personnel Costs – Overtime

Sand & Salt

[01/23/17 @ 5:17 PM]

Public Facilities Approved 7-0 on 02/08/17

Action: Finance Approved as Amended 7-0 @ \$2 million

Note: Chief of Staff Maureen Lemieux provided the attached letter requesting that the request be increased from \$1 million to \$2 million. The amended request includes authorization to transfer \$1,250,000 from Snow and Ice Budget Reserve and authorization to appropriate \$750,000 from Free Cash. To date the City has spent \$3.7 on snow and ice operations. Approval of this funding will bring the total allocation to \$4.5 million. There is an additional \$2.7 million available for snow operations, if needed.

Commissioner of Public Works Jim McGonagle requested that \$500,000 of the requested funds be allocated to Public Works' salaries and \$1.5 million be allocated to Public Works' expenses for contractors and salt costs. Ms. Lemieux will come back to the Committee at the end of the winter to provide a true accounting of all snow line items in the Public Works Department's budget.

The Commissioner reviewed the breakdown of snow removal costs to this point. The City has expended \$900,000 for personnel costs, \$1.5 million for contractors, \$1.1 million for salt, and \$200,000 for equipment repairs. There was concern that additional money was needed for salt. Commissioner McGonagle explained that the City filled its salt sheds at the beginning of the season; however, they are now only a quarter full. There have been 37.2" of snow and the cost of removal is averaging just under \$100,000 per inch, which is in line with the average cost per inch in 2016.

The Committee members discussed limiting night work for snow removal in village centers and other areas of the City. In the Chair's opinion crews should not be working in that capacity after midnight unless it is absolutely necessary. The Commissioner explained that he will look at limiting night work but it is hard to clean village centers without working into the night.

There was a request that the Administration provide the snow account numbers and how much money is being allocated to each account. Councilor Lappin moved approval as amended to increase the request to \$2 million dollars and authorize the transfer and

appropriation of the requested funds. The motion carried by a vote of seven in favor and none opposed.

### Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#386-16 MWRA loan financing for homeowners to replace lead service lines

<u>COUNCILORS CROSSLEY AND GENTILE</u> proposing to establish policies and procedures for the use of approved Massachusetts Water Resource Authority (MWRA) no interest loan financing to encourage homeowners to participate in the lead service line replacement program. [10/26/16 @ 3:12 PM]

Public Facilities Approved 8-0 on 02/08/17

Action: Finance Approved 7-0

Note: Commissioner of Public Works Jim McGonagle presented the item to the Committee. There are 585 properties that have been identified as properties with suspected lead service lines. The owners of these properties have been notified. The Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) is offering municipalities a 10-year, no-interest loan to replace lead pipes. Newton applied for the loan and the MWRA approved a loan of \$4 million. The City Council has already authorized the loan. The City is offering the exact terms of the MWRA loan to property owners who wish to replace their suspected lead service lines. If a property owner opts to replace the suspected lead line and during excavation it is discovered that the line is not lead, the property owner is still eligible to participate in the program.

The service line replacement cannot be classified as a betterment because it is not a public improvement; therefore, the City cannot use the same process as they do for the betterments. The Administration is working with the Law Department to finalize the loan program. The loan payment program is being modeled after the estimated read billing program. The Administration is still working on a mechanism to ensure that the loan is paid in full before a property is sold. There have been discussions regarding recording the loan with the Registry of Deeds but as long as the outstanding balance on a loan shows up on a municipal lien certificate there is no need to record the loan. It was suggested that the Administration check with the MWRA on how other communities are handling the loan program.

A property owner that opts to participate in the program will be provided with an estimate for the work with language clarifying that the cost may increase due to unforeseen circumstances. Any property owner participating in the program will be required to use the City's contractor. There will also be a statement explaining that the City's contractor will only restore to grass and not replace things like pavers and specialty landscaping if they are removed. The property owner will have to make arrangements for those types of restorations. The property owner will receive a utility bill with the full amount of the cost for the replacement and can either pay the full cost up front or opt to participate in the loan program. If the property owner opts for the loan program they will pay 10% of the cost of the replacement each year for 10 years.

It was pointed out that some people with suspected lead service may not participate in the replacement program. It is likely that the lead services lines are connected to lead pipes that the City is responsible for replacing. When the City replaces its lines and a property owner does not replace their service line, the property is likely to experience issues with water pressure. It is important that the City explain this to property owners and strongly encourage them to replace the service line. There was question regarding whether a property owner needs to disclose that there is a lead water service line at the time of sale of the property. There is no requirement but the list of suspected lead service lines is public records and a potential buyer has the right ask about the service line.

Councilor Rice moved approval, which carried unanimously.

**Chair's Note**: The Chair reviewed the schedule for the items requesting approval of design funding for the Crescent Street Project. The Programs & Services Committee will discuss the funding on February 22, 2017 and the Land Use Committee will discuss funding on February 28, 2017. If both Committees recommend approval, the Finance Committee will discuss the item at a special meeting on Monday, March 6, 2017 at 7 PM. The Chair provided a packet of information from the Community Preservation Committee on the project and requested that the Committee members review the material and submit any requests for additional information or questions before the March 6<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The Finance Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, February 27, 2017 is cancelled.

All other items before the Committee were held without discussion and the Committee adjourned at 8:50 PM. Draft Council Orders for the above items that are recommended for City Council action are attached.

Respectfully submitted;

Leonard J. Gentile, Chair

February 8, 2017

Newton Finance Committee Councilor Leonard Gentile, Chairman 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton, MA 02459

Re: Reappointment to the Newton Board of Assessors

Dear Councilor Gentile and Members of the Finance Committee:

I would like to respectfully express my sincere pride in being reappointed to the Board of Assessors for the City of Newton. I have been a member of the Board of Assessors since 1995 (I started working for the City in 1993) and I have loved working here since then.

I have spent over 20 years working here for one of the most prestigious and well known communities in Massachusetts. There are very few communities that are known throughout Massachusetts like Newton. We are a well-respected and well-run community. I am proud to be serving the residents of Newton in my capacity as a member of our Board of Assessors. For those of you who know me, you understand and appreciate how much I enjoy working here.

I have the knowledge and experience of working in Newton, so I am keenly aware of the procedures and expectations that come with our jobs. We have a great financial team here in the City and I am honored and humbled to be a part of our financial team. I am thankful for the great staff currently employed in our office. Their contributions should not go unnoticed. I personally feel we have the best staff in the City of Newton. We constantly strive to represent all Newton employees, both elected and appointed, in the best possible light when dealing with our residents.

I would like to thank you all for the opportunity to continue as a member of the Newton Board of Assessors.

Sincerely,

James Shaughnessy

### **IN CITY COUNCIL**

2017

ORDERED:

That in accordance with the recommendation of His Honor the Mayor be it known that JAMES E. SHAUGHNESSY,17 Whirty Circle, Hopkinton, MA is hereby re-appointed as a member of the Board of Assessors for a term of office to expire on February 1, 2020.

Under Suspension of Rules Readings Waived and Approved

(SGD) DAVID A. OLSON City Clerk

#28-17

**CITY OF NEWTON** 

**IN CITY COUNCIL** 

2017

ORDERED:

That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Finance Committee through its Chair

Leonard J. Gentile, the authorization to expend a grant by the Amelia Sillman Rockwell and Carlos

Perry Rockwell Charities Fund in the amount of two thousand nine hundred forty-seven dollars

(\$2,947) to be used for support of the operations of the City Council be and is hereby approved.

Under Suspension of Rules Readings Waived and Approved

(SGD) DAVID A. OLSON City Clerk

### **IN CITY COUNCIL**

2017

ORDERED:

That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Finance Committees through its Chair Leonard J. Gentile, authorization be and is hereby approved to increase the authorized number of Full Time Equivalent (FTE) in the Newton Free Library by one (1) FTE position to increase the Archivist position to a full-time position.

Under Suspension of Rules Readings Waived and Approved

(SGD) DAVID A. OLSON City Clerk

Date			
Date			

### **IN CITY COUNCIL**

### ORDERED:

That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Commissioner of Public Works and the Finance Committee through its Chairman Leonard J. Gentile, the following mentioned sidewalk/driveway apron and/or curb betterments to be graded and constructed and assessments to be levied under the provisions of MGL Chapter 83, Sec. 26, be and are hereby authorized:

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(SGD) DAVID A. OLSON City Clerk

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### IN IN CITY COUNCIL

2017

ORDERED:

That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Finance Committee through its Chairman Leonard J. Gentile, the sum of one hundred sixty-four thousand one hundred sixty-six dollars (\$164,166) be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of funding the costs of the City's bond sale in January 2017, as follows:

From: Bond Premium Receipts Reserved for Appropriation

(14N10401-5901).....\$164,166

To: Treasury - Expenses

(0110701-5316)......\$164,166

Under Suspension of Rules Readings Waived and Approved

(SGD) DAVID A. OLSON City Clerk

Date:	

### IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDINANCE NO. A-

2017

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF NEWTON AS FOLLOWS:

That the Revised Ordinances of Newton, Massachusetts, 2012, as amended, with respect to Chapter 29 be further amended as follows:

Delete in entirety the provisions of Sec. 29-67A. Sewer cleaning fees.

(a) Whenever the city is engaged to rod-out, unclog or otherwise clean a building sewer, a fee shall be charged. Except in those cases involving excavation, such fees shall be as follows:

\$220.00 flat rate for a service call during normal hours; \$225.00 flat rate for a service call during overtime hours

(b) All charges for services under this section shall be billed and collected in the same manner as is provided for sewer use charges pursuant to section 29-80 subsections (d) through (i).

Approved as to legal form and character:

**DONNALYN B. LYNCH KAHN** 

City Solicitor

Under Suspension of Rules Readings Waived and Adopted

(SGD) <u>DAVID A. OLSON</u> City Clerk

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IN CITY COUNCIL

2017

ORDERED:

That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Public Facilities and Finance Committees through their respective Chairs Deborah J. Crossley and Leonard J. Gentile, a transfer of funds in the amount of fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000) from the Department of Public Works Engineering Full-time Salaries Account to the Department of Public Works Engineering Division Engineering Services Account to hire engineering consultants to prepare final engineering design services for the Newton Corner ADA Ramp and Sidewalk Improvements Project, be and is hereby approved as follows:

FROM: Engineering Services – Full-time Salaries

(0140112-511001)......\$55,000

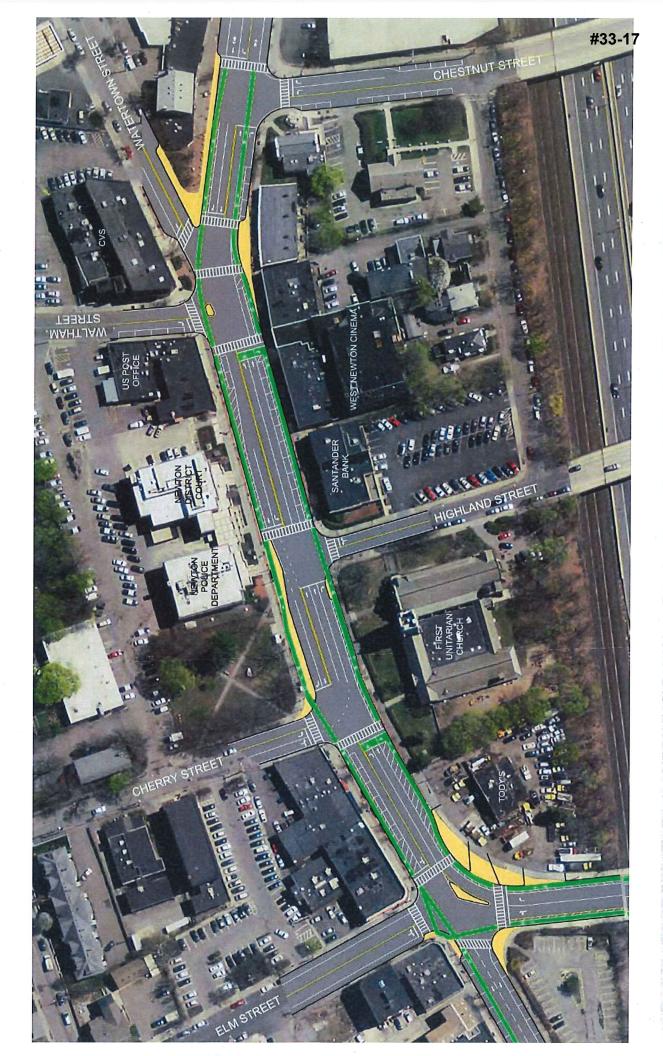
TO: Engineering Services – Engineering Services

(0140112-530203)......\$55,000

Under Suspension of Rules Readings Waived and Approved

(SGD) DAVID A. OLSON City Clerk (SGD) SETTI D. WARREN Mayor

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



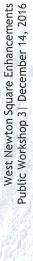


## New Sidewalk Plan





# Sidewalk Zones - Gateway













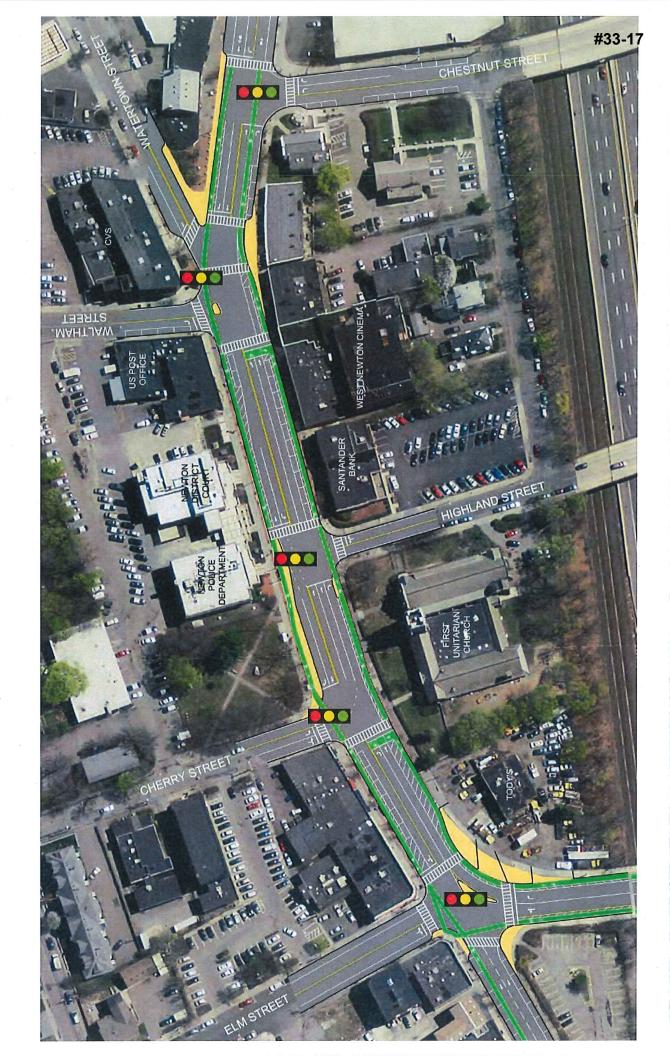














### IN IN CITY COUNCIL

2017

ORDERED:

That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Public Facilities and Finance Committees through their respective Chairs Deborah J. Crossley and Leonard J. Gentile, the sum of one one hundred twenty-one thousand dollars (\$121,000) be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of funding additional design engineering services for the West Newton Square Rehabilitation Project, as follows:

From: Free Cash

(01-3498).....\$164,166

To: Treasury - Expenses

(0110701-5316)......\$164,166

Under Suspension of Rules Readings Waived and Approved

(SGD) DAVID A. OLSON City Clerk

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### IN CITY COUNCIL

2017

### ORDERED:

That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Public Facilities and Finance Committees through their respective Chairs Deborah J. Crossley and Leonard J. Gentile, the transfer of the sum of one million two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$1,250,000) from Budget Reserve/Snow and Ice to the Public Works Salaries Account and the sum of seven hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000) be and is hereby appropriated from Free Cash is hereby approved as follows:

FROM:	Snow/Ice Reserve (0110498-5794)\$1,250,000
	Free Cash
	(01-3498)\$750,000
TO:	Public Works Salaries
	(0140110-513001)\$500,000
	Public Works Expenses

(0140110-5273)......\$1,500,000

Under Suspension of Rules Readings Waived and Approved

(SGD) DAVID A. OLSON City Clerk

### IN CITY COUNCIL

2017

ORDERED:

That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Public Facilities and the Finance Committees through their respective Chairs Deborah J. Crossley and Leonard J. Gentile, the following item is hereby approved.

### **Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees**

#386-16 MWRA loan financing for homeowners to replace lead service lines

COUNCILORS CROSSLEY AND GENTILE proposing to establish policies and procedures for the use of approved Massachusetts Water Resource Authority (MWRA) no interest loan financing to encourage homeowners to participate in the lead service line replacement program.

Under Suspension of Rules Readings Waived and Approved

(SGD)	DAVID A. OLSON
	City Clerk

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