



Date: June 28, 2023
To: City Council
From: Andreae Downs, Chair, Public Safety & Transportation
Re: Marathon Docket item #148-23

Colleagues:

At our June 21 meeting, PS&T discussed how to include public comment on item #148-23.

I mentioned at the time that the Human Rights Commission had taken comment the previous week (see: https://newtonma-gov.zoom.us/rec/share/YpA0Dw27VixC6O-mVGDCXIqqE0jeyudLVhDyTEDSorG4gN9knfzkIGfTQzGOyZJ2.vzi_rojnaE6hBnne?startTime=1686779035000)

The HRC is planning a moderated conversation to hear from all sides on the harm done on Marathon Monday, and to hear what reparative actions may be needed. They are in direct contact with all parties.

As yet, there is no date for this conversation, but I will post it when it happens. I urge all interested in this item to attend, if possible.

If, after this event concludes, we still feel that a public comment session is needed, we will have that discussion.

Andreae Downs
Newton City Council
Chair of Public Safety & Transportation Committee