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Honorable City Council
Newton City Hall
1000 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton, MA 02459

To the Honorable City Councilors:

I am pleased to reappoint Carl Valente of 84 Sumner Street, Newton as a member of the Sustainable Materials Management Commission. His term of office shall expire on March 15, 2026 and his appointment is subject to your confirmation.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Warmly,

Ruthanne Fuller
Mayor

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Application Form

Profile

Carl _____ F _____ Valente _____
 First Name Middle Initial Last Name

 Email Address

84 Sumner Street _____ Suite or Apt _____
 Home Address
 Newton _____ MA _____ 02459 _____
 City State Postal Code

What Ward do you live in? _____

Ward 6

 Primary Phone Alternate Phone

Retired _____ Town Manager _____
 Employer Job Title

Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Financial Audit Advisory Committee: Submitted
 Sustainable Materials Management Commission: Submitted

Interests & Experiences

Please tell us about yourself and why you want to serve.

Why are you interested in serving on a board or commission?

I served in local government management positions for nearly all of my 40 year professional career. Even after I 'retired' I have done municipal consulting, primarily in the finance area. For the first 13 or so years my focus was in municipal finance. When I moved to chief executive positions, I continued to keep abreast in local government financial management and the network of finance professionals. I learned early on in my career, from one of my mentors, that just about everything in local government revolves around finances, a key competency for a municipal manager. I found that advice to be true to this day. There are few normative standards in municipal finance and no one correct way to manage a city or town finances. That being said, I would hope to be able to assist the City in overseeing its finances and financial management practices based on my experiences, my sense of best practices and an overall interest in this aspect of local government.

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Carl F. Valente

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Professional Experience

Town Manager, Lexington MA, 2005 to August 2018 (retirement)

Perform local government chief executive duties for town of 32,000, including oversight of all Town operating departments, appointment and management of all Town staff and negotiations of all contracts.

- Prepare and recommend to Board of Selectmen the annual operating and capital budget.
- Conduct all collective bargaining with ten municipal unions, the Employee Health Insurance Coalition, and serve as voting member of the School Committee for the purpose of School Department collective bargaining contracts.
- Responsible for the Town's economic development efforts, including negotiating mitigation agreements related to significant commercial developments.

Town Manager, Weston MA, 2001 to 2005

First Town Manager of town of 11,500 after Charter Change. Perform local government chief executive duties, including oversight of all Town operating departments under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen.

- Develop and propose to the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee a consolidated operating and capital budget for all general government departments.
- Develop programs and strategies to advance the general policies and directions of the Board of Selectmen.
- Provide leadership in bringing together senior staff for inter-departmental, customer driven solutions.
- Represent the Town before State and local officials, business representatives and citizen groups.

Town Administrator, Needham MA, 1990 to 2001

Chief Administrative Officer of town of 28,000. Responsible for overseeing all operating departments under the jurisdiction of the Board of Selectmen.

- Develop all revenue and long-term financial projections.
- Develop and propose to the Board of Selectmen and Finance Committee the capital improvement plan.
- Develop programs and strategies to advance the general policies and directions of the Board of Selectmen.
- Conduct all collective bargaining with municipal unions.
- Serve as staff or member of numerous Town committees

Director of Finance, Needham MA, 1988 to 1990

Chief Financial Officer responsible for planning and directing the Town's financial management operations, and for overseeing the Comptroller's Office, Treasurer/Collector's Office, Information Services and all Risk Management activities.

Section Chief for Technical Assistance, Massachusetts Department of Revenue, Division of Local Services Boston MA, 1984 to 1988

Directed a technical assistance and training program that worked toward building the financial management capacity of appointed and elected officials in Massachusetts cities and towns. Organized and led a staff of six professionals to provide local officials with assistance in budgeting, cash management, capital planning, forecasting, reorganization studies and other financial management programs.

- Produced technical assistance manuals and conducted financial management workshops.
- At request of local officials, conducted studies of a community's overall financial condition, identifying strengths and weaknesses in the revenue, expenditure and debt structure.

Director for Financial Management, International City/County Management Association (ICMA) Washington DC 1979 to 1984

Directed technical assistance and training projects whose goals were to: 1) enhance the ability of municipal managers to understand and better manage the financial operations in their communities; and 2) enable municipal managers to examine creative alternatives for providing and funding municipal services. Authored or co-authored publications on local government financial management topics, including alternative service delivery techniques, exemplary financial management practices, and use of the Financial Trend Monitoring System (FTMS) for evaluating of municipal financial health.

Cost and Price Analyst, Intern, US Army Computer Systems Selection and Acquisition Agency Boston MA Summer 1978

Education

Master of Public Administration, University of Hartford, 1978

Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, University of Connecticut, 1976

Credentialed Manager, International City/County Management Association, 2004-2018

Affiliations

International City/County Management Association (ICMA)

- ICMA Emerging Leaders Development Program – Mentor

Massachusetts Municipal Management Association (MMMA)

- President, 2001
- Executive Committee, 1995-2001
- Chair of following committees: Program Committee (1994-1995), Scholarship Committee (1997-2001), Website Committee (2004 – 2018), Legal Assistance Fund Committee (2011-2018). Member: Future Managers Committee (2010 – 2018)

Massachusetts Municipal Association (MMA)

- President, 2001
- Board of Directors, 1995-1996 and 1999-2001
- Public Works and Transportation Policy Committee, 2005-2013