CITY OF NEWTON

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

MONDAY, AUGUST 10, 2015

7 PM Room 211

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:

- #177-15 <u>HIS HONOR THE MAYOR</u> requesting authorization to appropriate of five thousand one hundred sixty-two dollars and twenty- two cents (\$5,162.22) from the Workers' Compensation Trust Fund for a claim of loss of function as a result of a left shoulder rotator cuff tear suffered in a work related injury. [07/08/15 @ 1:46 PM]
- #176-15 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) from the Department of Public Works Stormwater Cleaning Catch Basins Account to the Department of Public Works Stormwater Wages for the purposes of funding additional work that was done toward the end of the fiscal year on stormwater infrastructure. [07/08/15 @ 1:47 PM]

ITEMS NOT SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:

REFFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#175-15 <u>HIS HONOR THE MAYOR</u> requesting authorization to appropriate and expend one hundred six thousand six hundred seventy-five dollars (\$106,675) from the Energy Stabilization Account to purchase Class 1, New England Certified Renewable Energy Credits (RECs). [07/08/15 @ 1:47 PM]

REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#164-15 <u>HIS HONOR THE MAYOR</u> requesting authorization to appropriate and expend one million four hundred sixteen thousand two hundred fifty eight dollars (\$1,416,258) to continue projects in City owned buildings under Phase 2 of the energy efficiency program. Funding from the following sources is requested:

Energy Stabilization Fund	\$804,380
Green Communities Grant	\$236,878
Utility Rebates to be Deposited	\$375,000
Into the Energy Stabilization Fund	

The location of this meeting is handicap accessible and reasonable accommodations will be provided to persons requiring assistance. If you need a special accommodation, *please contact Jini Fairley, at least two days in advance of the meeting: <u>jfairley@newtonma.gov</u>, or 617-796-1253. For Telecommunications Relay Service dial 711.*

REFFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#133-15 <u>HIS HONOR THE MAYOR</u> requesting authorization to enter into negotiations for the potential lease on city properties for purposes of third-party construction, ownership, and operation of on-site renewable solar energy generation from which the City will purchase electric output and/or net metering credits.

[05/11/15 @ 5:00 PM]

REFERRED TO ZONING & PLANNING, LAND USE AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#104-15

ALD. JOHNSON, LAREDO, AND GENTILE requesting a report from the Planning Department with the following information: How many of the affordable units developed at Commonwealth Avenue, Pearl Street, and Eddy Street qualify to be included on the State's Subsidized Housing Inventory List. If a property is not currently on the list, what can be done to make it eligible. [04/09/15 @ 12:00PM]

REFERRED TO PS&T, PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

- #85-15

 ALD. SANGIOLO requesting discussion with the Director of Transportation and the Transportation Coordinator to determine whether a fee could be imposed on all residents who own automobiles in the City. Such fee to be placed into a transportation fund to pay for roadway and sidewalk improvements. Residents would get a parking sticker in return for each automobile they have registered with the City that would enable them to bypass parking restrictions in the City except for Tow Zones and Fire Hydrants and any other emergency zones determined by the Police and Fire Departments.
- #84-15 <u>ALD. GENTILE</u> requesting a discussion with the Newton Community Development Foundation (NCDF) regarding their plans for repayment of the deferred rental payments and accrued interest on their ground lease with the City for the former Warren Junior High School site. [03/30/15 @ 2:57 PM]
- #25-15

 ALD. GENTILE requesting a discussion regarding the establishment of an Investment Advisory Committee to be comprised of the Treasurer, Chief of Staff/Chief Financial Officer, Comptroller, Chairman of Finance and three residents of the City of Newton. [01/09/15 @ 1:57 PM]

REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANS AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#465-14 <u>ALD. SANGIOLO, GENTILE AND HARNEY</u> requesting a discussion regarding reducing the fee charged to residents for permit parking programs. [11/17/14 @ 12:40 PM]

REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#464-14 <u>ALD. SANGIOLO</u> requesting discussion with the Department of Veteran's Services and the Executive Department regarding updates on programming at the Newton Senior Center and budgeting for new initiatives. [11/24/14 @ 3:41 PM]

#461-14 <u>ALD. FULLER AND JOHNSON</u> requesting a report from the Executive Department regarding the current open positions with a report listed by Department of the days open, current month/quarter forecasted to fill, and candidate pipeline/strategy for hiring. [11/17/14 @ 9:22 AM]

REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#455-14 <u>HIS HONOR THE MAYOR</u> recommending amendment to Chapter 29, Section 80 **Sewer/Storwater use charge.** of the City of Newton Ordinances to create a storm water rate fee structure based upon square footage of impervious surface area.

PUBLIC FACILITIES HELD 7-0 on 04/08/15

REFERRED TO LAND USE AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

- #375-14(5) HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting that Sec. 17-3. Fees for certain licenses and permits. of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Newton, 2012, relative to Special Permit fees, be amended by striking in (15)a) "\$350.00" and in (15b) "\$750.00" and by substituting "\$500.00" and "\$1,000.00," respectively, and by deleting (15c) in its entirety and re-lettering d) to c) and e) to d), effective July 1, 2015. [04/15/15 @ 4:57 PM]
- #375-14(6) HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting that Sec. 17-6 Fees for building, electrical, gas and plumbing permits. of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Newton, 2012 be amended by deleting the section and inserting the following in to take effect July 1, 2015:

CERTIFICATION OF USE AND OCCUPANCY FEE SCHEDULE

2. Condominium Certificate of Inspection (not required for new construction) \$100.00

FEE AMENDMENT HELD PENDING ACTION ON DOCKET ITEMS #102-11 AND #95-11

REFERRED TO ZONING & PLANNING AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#315-14

ALD. HESS-MAHAN, ALBRIGHT, CROSSLEY AND DANBERG proposing an amendment to Chapter 2 of the City of Newton Ordinances setting forth requirements for procurement of materials and services by non-governmental recipients of federal, state or local funds administered by the City, such as CDBG and CPA funds. In order to encourage non-profit and other private organizations to participate in affordable housing, cultural and other public-private collaborations, such procurement requirements should accommodate the needs of non-governmental recipients for flexibility given the multiple public and private sources of funds necessary for any project by not placing undue or unreasonable burdens on them. [08/04/14 @ 5:08PM]

REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

- #216-14 ALD. HESS-MAHAN, ALBRIGHT, BAKER, CROSSLEY, NORTON AND SANGIOLO proposing the following amendments to Chapter 12 Health and Human Services of the Revised Ordinances to:
 - require owners of dwellings requiring a Certificate of Habitability under Section 12-1 and real estate agents/brokers who receive compensation in connection with the particular real estate transaction to notify the Commissioner of Health and Human Services whenever an apartment, tenement, or room in a lodging house is vacated by the occupant or when an area in an existing building is converted to a condominium prior to being reoccupied by a new tenant, lodger or occupant;
 - require educational institutions to disclose addresses of undergraduates living off-campus in Newton;
 - require a fee for certification; and
 - impose a fine for violation of these provisions. [05/14/14 @11:51 AM]
- #104-14 <u>ALD. JOHNSON</u> requesting that the Executive Department conducts a complete review and analysis of the policies governing data privacy and the security of resident/business information on the Treasurer's website to be followed with an action plan to protect our residents' data to be completed by the end of Fiscal Year 2014. [02/26/14 @ 9:07 AM]

REFERRED TO LAND USE AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

- #49-14 LAND USE COMMITTEE requesting discussion with the Chief Financial Officer and the Chief Information Officer regarding the critical need to implement technology which enables the development, management and use of shared, searchable, mobile-accessed (both read and write) database which contains parcelbased information that can be accessed by all city departments (including Planning, Inspectional Services (ISD), Assessing, Engineering, Fire, Police, Health), the Board of Aldermen and the community. This technology must support the work of ISD and other departments in both the office and the field to more effectively and efficiently monitor and enforce compliance with approved special permits and other related Board Orders. [02/10/14 @ 6:47 PM]
- #34-14 <u>ALD. FULLER</u> requesting a discussion with the Executive Office regarding the current status and challenges related to the City of Newton pension and retiree healthcare (OPEB) systems. [01/11/14 @ 5:22 PM]

REFERRED TO FINANCE AND PROGRAMS & SERVICES COMMITTEE

#402-13

ALD. FULLER, GENTILE, RICE and LINSKY requesting a Home Rule Petition to amend Article 9 of the Charter to clarify that Neighborhood Area Councils shall maintain and control their own financial accounts and records, independent of City finances; and to further clarify that such independent financial accounts and records shall remain subject to City audit. [10/28/13 @ 10:18 AM]

REFERRED TO ZAP, PROG & SERV AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#397-13(3) <u>ALD. SANGIOLO AND DANBERG</u> requesting creation of an ordinance to protect trees deemed historic significant by the Historical Commission and the City's Tree Warden with the advice and counsel of the Urban Tree Commission. [05-05-14 @ 4:32 PM]

REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#41-13

<u>ALD. CROSSLEY, FULLER AND SALVUCCI</u> requesting a discussion with the administration to review how the city inventories, plans for, budgets and accounts for needed smaller capital expenditures (currently set at under \$75,000), which are excluded from the Capital Improvement Plan (CIP); how to make these non-CIP capital maintenance items visible, and how to integrate them with the overall planning, CIP, and budgeting processes. [01/14/13 @ 5:02 PM]

REFERRED TO ZONING & PLANNING, LAND USE & FINANCE COMMITTEES

- #273-12 <u>ALD. CROSSLEY & HESS-MAHAN</u> requesting a restructuring and increase in fees for permits charged by the Inspectional Services Department and fees charged by the Planning Department and City Clerk to assure that fees are both sufficient to fund related services provided and simple to administer.
- #254-12 (3) PROGRAMS & SERVICES COMMITTEE proposing an ordinance to require a fee, charged to consumers, for the use of paper bags at certain retail establishments in the City of Newton. [01/10/14 @ 3:36 pm]

REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#185-12

ALD. BAKER, BLAZAR, SANGIOLO, LINSKY, ALBRIGHT & DANBERG requesting that the Board of Aldermen adopt a RESOLUTION to His Honor the Mayor asking that, when the Mayor seeks future Board approval for bonding the cost of additional capital facilities or equipment for the schools, he include in that funding request, as well as in the city-wide Capital Improvement Plan, the estimated costs needed for funding the capital technology needs of the Newton Schools, including the appropriate portions of the estimated project costs of the School Committee's three-year district-wide technology plan not anticipated to be funded by the Information Technology Department budget; the anticipated technology grants from Boston College for the elementary schools; and/or estimated revenue from the E-rate Technology Reimbursement Program.

PROGRAMS & SERVICES APPROVED 6-0 on 07/11/12

REFERRED TO ZONING AND PLANNING AND FINANCE COMMITTES

#102-11

ALD. HESS-MAHAN, JOHNSON, COMMISSIONER LOJEK, AND

CANDACE HAVENS requesting an amendment to Chapter 17 to establish a fee for filing a notice of condo conversion. [03-29-11 @ 4:55PM]

ZONING & PLANNING APPROVED 6-0 on 6/10/13

REFERRED TO ZONING AND PLANNING AND FINANCE COMMITTES

#95-11

ALD. HESS-MAHAN proposing an ordinance requiring that a notice of conversion to condominium ownership be filed with the Inspectional Services Department and that the property be inspected to determine compliance with all applicable provisions of the state and local codes, ordinances and the rules and regulations of all appropriate regulatory agencies. [03-24-11 @ 9:30AM]

ZONING & PLANNING APPROVED 6-0 on 6/10/13

REFERRED TO LAND USE & FINANCE COMMITTEES

#276-10 <u>ALD. FULLER, CROSSLEY, DANBERG, LINSKY</u> requesting a review of guidelines for mitigation fund provisions to maximize the use of such funds on behalf of the city together with mechanisms by which the city can better track such funds to ensure they are used in a timely fashion.

REFERRED TO FINANCE AND APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES

- #257-12

 RECODIFICATION COMMITTEE recommending (1) review of the Fees, Civil Fines/Non-Criminal Disposition contained in Chapter 17 LICENSING AND PERMITS GENERALLY and Chapter 20 CIVIL FINES/NON-CRIMINAL DISPOSITION CIVIL FINES to ensure they are in accordance with what is being charged and (2) review of the acceptance of G.L. c. 40 §22F, accepted on July 9, 2001, which allows certain municipal boards and officers to fix reasonable fees for the issuance of certain licenses, permits, or certificates.
- #248-12 <u>RECODIFICATION COMMITTEE</u> recommending that **ARTICLE IV. PURCHASES AND CONTRACTS, Secs. 2-182 through 2-205**, be amended to make it consistent with state law.
- #247-12 <u>RECODIFICATION COMMITTEE</u> recommending that Chapter 18 MEMORIAL FUNDS AND TRUSTS be reviewed relative to the consequences and practices of special legislation passed by the General Court in 2007, Chapter 75 of the Acts of 2007, in which the City sought and was granted an exemption from G.L. Chapter 44 §54, which intent was to allow the City greater flexibility in terms of investments.

REFERRED TO PS&T, PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#310-10(2)

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ALD. DANBERG, BLAZAR, KALIS, SCHWARTZ, ALBRIGHT, HESSMAHAN, RICE, COTE, LEARY, AND NORTON requesting amendments to
Sec. 26-8D of the City of Newton Ordinances to modify and make permanent the
trial program for removal of snow and ice from sidewalks and to provide for
enforcements and fines for violations. [09/10/14 @ 2:12 PM]

Respectfully submitted,

Leonard J. Gentile, Chairman



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July 7, 2015

Honorable Board of Aldermen Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton, MA 02459

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to authorize the appropriation of \$5,162.22 from the Workers' Compensation Trust Fund for a claim of loss of function as a result of a left shoulder rotator cuff tear suffered in a work related injury. Kelly Brown, the City's Workers' Compensation Manager will be available at the Finance Committee meeting to discuss the case.

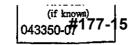
Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Setti D. Warren

Mayor

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July 8, 2015

Honorable Board of Aldermen Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton, MA 02459

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to transfer the sum of \$15,000 from the Stormwater Cleaning Catch Basins account to Stormwater Wages to cover additional work that was done toward the end of the fiscal year on stormwater infrastructure.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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City of Newton



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton Centre, MA 02459-1449

July 8, 2015

To: Maureen Lemieux, Chief of Staff

From: Richard J. Pishkin, DPW Business Manager

Subject: Request to transfer from Storm Water Cleaning Catch Basins Account to F/T Wages

to cover Payroll for FY-2015

I am requesting a transfer of \$15,000 from the Storm Water Cleaning Catch Basins account (26A401A-52923) to Storm Water F/T Wages (26A401A-51102)

Please docket this item for Honorable Board of Aldermen consideration.

Thank you.

Richard Pishkin, DPW Business Manager

cc: David Wilkinson, Comptroller

Shane Mark, Interim Commissioner DPW

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