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Honorable City Council  
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To the Honorable City Councilors:

I am pleased to appoint Amy Dain of 9 Frederick Street, Newton 02460 as a full member of the Planning and Development Board. Her term of office shall expire on February 1, 2025 and her appointment is subject to your confirmation. Ms. Amy Dain is currently serving as an Alternate member on the Planning and Development Board. Ms. Dain will be completing Mr. Christopher Steel's term ending February 2025.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Warmly,

Ruthanne Fuller  
Mayor

# Application Form

## Profile

Amy

First Name

Middle Initial

Dain

Last Name

[Redacted] Email Address

9 Frederick St Home Address

Suite or Apt

Newton City

MA State

02460 Postal Code

## What Ward do you live in?

Ward 2

[Redacted] Primary Phone

Alternate Phone

Dain Research Employer

Consultant Job Title

## Which Boards would you like to apply for?

Newton Affordable Housing Trust: 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 grew up in Newton, and now my kids are attending the same schools I went to, and my parents live around the corner. My professional work is in housing policy and I would like to help the city in this area, and to also learn from the experience on the board. I also have experience in issues of municipal public management.

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# AMY DAIN

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9 Frederick Street, Newton, MA 02460

- education**
- HARVARD UNIVERSITY, John F. Kennedy School of Government** Cambridge, MA  
Master in Public Policy, 2003  
Course Assistant for *Quantitative Analysis and Strategic Management of Public Organizations*  
Thesis on federal regulation of municipal departments of public works
- WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY** Middletown, CT  
Bachelor of Arts in Russian and Eastern European Studies, 1996
- experience**
- 2015 - present **DAIN RESEARCH** Newton, MA  
**Consultant.** Researched, wrote, and presented landmark study on zoning for multi-family housing in Greater Boston, for Massachusetts Smart Growth Alliance.
- Presented findings at 25 events and meetings, with 1,300+ people in attendance
  - Published policy brief on zoning for accessory dwelling units
  - Garnered more than 40 media hits
  - Also wrote reports for Lincoln Institute for Land Policy, MassINC, MAPC, Mass Housing Partnership, and Rappaport Institute
- 2008 - 2016 **COLLINS CENTER FOR PUBLIC MANAGEMENT, UMASS BOSTON** Boston, MA  
**Associate.** Launched and led initiative to convene hundreds of managers and analysts from city/town governments to learn from each other about using data and evidence in decision-making.
- 2004 - 2008 **PIONEER INSTITUTE FOR PUBLIC POLICY RESEARCH** Boston, MA  
**Project Manager.** Designed and implemented first-of-its-kind research project on municipal land use regulation in Massachusetts. Authored two papers and oversaw production of four papers by outside authors.
- Presented findings at 30 events/briefings, with 1,400+ people in attendance
  - Created on-line database with answers to 130 questions about zoning, subdivision, wetlands, and septic regulations in 187 communities
  - Recruited, trained, and supervised 10 researchers, and oversaw consultants for website and database design
  - Garnered more than 70 media hits about the research
- summer 2003 **AMERICAN JEWISH WORLD SERVICE** Kharkiv, Ukraine  
**Group Leader.** Led 26 college students on a community service mission to Ukraine.
- summer 2002 **MA EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS** Boston, MA  
**Rappaport Public Service Fellow.** Received scholarship from the Rappaport Institute for Greater Boston to intern at Boston-based public agency.
- Designed protocol for conducting annual greenhouse gas inventories of the state Executive branch
  - Researched and wrote memos on outdoor lighting policy, performance indicators, and dioxin
- 1998-2001 **JEWISH COMMUNITY RELATIONS COUNCIL** Boston, MA  
**Program Coordinator.** Worked with lay leaders of the Jewish community to advance domestic and international policy agenda.
- Established and organized annual Jewish Community Advocacy Day at the State House which drew over 400 participants by the third year
  - Coordinated mission to Israel for 28 Massachusetts public officials
- 1997-1998 **PROJECT OTZMA** Israel  
**Fellowship Recipient.** Participated in Jewish leadership training program.
- 1996-1997 **MASSACHUSETTS PUBLIC INTEREST RESEARCH GROUP** Berkshires, MA  
**Campus Organizer and Assistant Canvass Director.** Trained students in public interest advocacy. Recruited, trained, and motivated a staff of 25 political canvassers to raise approximately \$100,000.

**special  
skills/  
personal**

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**Languages:** Fluent in Russian, knowledge of Hebrew

**Computer skills:** Word, Excel, Access, PowerPoint, (learned Stata at grad school)

**Travel:** Russia, Ukraine, Israel, Malaysia, Singapore, Estonia, Ireland, Germany, Jordan, Czech Republic.  
Also 90+ cities and towns in Greater Boston in the last few years

**Activities:** Member of Rappaport Institute Board of Advisors, Falmouth Marathon Relay 2018, member of Congregation Dorshei Tzedek, opinion writer for Commonwealth Magazine, street photography