

CITY OF NEWTON  
IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

MONDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2010

7 PM  
Room 222

**ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:**

#296-10     NEWTON RETIREMENT BOARD requesting Board of Aldermen acceptance of Chapter 131, Sections 27 and 28 of the Acts of 2010 related to local option to supplemental pension allowance to surviving spouses of disabled employees.

**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#230-10     HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting an appropriation in the amount of eight hundred twenty-one thousand six hundred sixty-four dollars (\$821,664) from FY'11 Revenue for the purpose of supplementing the FY11 School Department budget. This sum represents a portion of the state aid for the City of Newton in the Commonwealth's adopted FY'11 budget. [08/02/10 @ 4:59 PM]

**Programs & Services Approved 8-0 on 10/06/10**

#229-10     HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting an appropriation in the amount of eight thousand three hundred eighty-six dollars (\$8,386) from FY11 Revenue for the purpose of increasing the FY'11 State assessment appropriation. [08/02/10 @ 4:59 PM]

#297-10     HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to accept and expend a grant from the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency in the amount of six thousand five hundred dollars (\$6,500) to be used to offset training equipment costs for members of the Newton Auxiliary Police Force. [10/08/10 @ 2:20PM]

#236-10     NEWTON POLICE DEPARTMENT requesting authorization to accept from Mr. Jay Hirshberg, 1428 Commonwealth Avenue a new Dell Computer Service TAG D944MMI as a gift of Tangible Property without restrictions pursuant to §2-10 of the City of Newton Ordinances.

#273-10     NEWTON POLICE DEPARTMENT requesting authorization to accept as a gift of Tangible Property without restrictions pursuant to §2-10 of the City of Newton Ordinances a 1995 Fleetwood Binder, Model 35U to be used as a mobile incident command center donated by Mr. Warren David Dues a retired Newton Police Officer and accept and expend gifts and donations for the renovations and improvements to the new police incident command vehicle. 09-23-10 @4:21 PM]

The location of this meeting is handicap accessible, and reasonable accommodations will be provided to persons requiring assistance. If you have a special accommodation need, please contact the Newton ADA Coordinator Kathleen Cahill, 617-796-1125, via email at [KCahill@newtonma.gov](mailto:KCahill@newtonma.gov) or via TDD/TTY at (617) 796-1089 at least two days in advance of the meeting date.

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAF. & TRANS. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #263-10 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) from Parking Meter Receipts Reserve Fund to be used as the City's required 20% match to leverage the \$160,000 awarded by the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization for the City's Traffic Signal Retiming Project. [09/13/10 @ 3:03 PM]  
**A) PS&T APPROVED APPROPRIATION OF \$40,000 4-0 (Ald. Johnson, Freedman, Shapiro and Swiston not voting) on 10/6/10**  
**B) PS&T APPROVED AUTHORIZATION TO EXPEND \$160,000 4-0 (Ald. Johnson, Freedman, Shapiro and Swiston not voting) on 10/6/10**

- #207-07(5) ALD. FREEDMAN AND JOHNSON proposing that the city's Financial Management Guidelines adopted under Board Order #207-07 be amended to require that any proposed capital expenditure above a certain amount have a cost-benefit or a return-on-investment analysis performed prior to approval by the Board of Aldermen. [12/21/09 @ 5:55 PM]

**ITEMS NOT SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:**

**REFERRED TO CMTE. ON COMM. PRESERV. AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

- #299-10 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE requesting that budgeted FY11 revenue from state matching funds to the Community Preservation Fund be revised from \$681,605 to \$618,181, to reflect the final amount confirmed by the Massachusetts Dept. of Revenue to the Newton Comptroller on October 8, 2010. [10/12/2010 @ 1:42pm]

**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #298-10 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) from the FY2011 Budget Reserve to the Parks & Recreation Forestry Vehicle Rentals Account for the purpose of supplementing the accounts related to tree emergencies. [10/08/10 @ 2:20PM]

**REFERRED TO CMTE. ON COMM. PRESERV. AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

- #274-10 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending that the sum of forty-six thousand six hundred forty dollars (\$46,640) be appropriated from the fiscal 2011 historic resources reserve of the Community Preservation Fund and expended under the direction and control of the City Clerk, to survey all archival collections held by the City of Newton and set broad priorities for their preservation, as detailed in the Community Preservation Committee's funding recommendation to the Board of Aldermen. [09-24-10 @ 12:18 PM]

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #264-10 ALD. CROSSLEY, SCHNIPPER & FULLER requesting a discussion of the status of new water meter installations, and to consider payment mechanisms to help customers if they receive an extraordinary, one-time, water bill from an accurate accounting of past usage over an extended period of time. [09/16/10 @ 11:59 am]

#259-10 COMPTROLLER transmitting Annual Financial Report for the audit of fiscal year ending June 30, 2010 for Board of Aldermen review/acceptance. [09/13/10 @ 12:26 PM]

#78-10 ALD. FULLER, GENTILE, FREEDMAN, JOHNSON, DANBERG AND BAKER requesting a review of the elements of the Financial Management Guidelines of January 2008, together with the Mayor's Office, to ensure they meet the current needs of the City. [03/09/10 @ 8:23 AM]

**REFERRED TO ZONING & PLANNING AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#391-09(2) ALD. DANBERG, MANSFIELD, VANCE & HESS-MAHAN requesting the establishment of a municipal parking mitigation fund whose proceeds, derived from payments-in-lieu of providing off-street parking spaces associated with special permits, will be used solely for expenses related to adding to the supply of municipal parking spaces, improving existing municipal parking spaces, or reducing the demand for parking spaces.

**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#363-09 ALD. SANGIOLO requesting a discussion to increase the tobacco seller license fee. [09/13/09 @ 1:07 PM]

**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#87-09 ALD. SANGIOLO, BRANDEL, FREEDMAN AND HESS-MAHAN requesting a Home Rule Petition to allow the City of Newton to require elected officials to contribute a higher percentage rate for health insurance benefits than is required for other employee groups. [03-10-09 @ 9:17 AM]  
**PROGRAM & SERVICES APPROVED 5-1-1 (Baker opposed; Merrill abstaining; Parker not voting) on 4/15/09**  
**RECOMMITTED TO FINANCE ON 07/12/10**

**REFERRED TO COMM. PRES., PUB FAC & FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#147-08 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending that the sum of \$359,400, including \$2,000 for legal costs, be appropriated from the FY'08 Community Preservation Fund's historic resources and general reserves, for a project to rehabilitate and expand storage space for the research library and archives at the Newton History Museum, to preserve the existing collections, and enhance public access to the collections. [04-01-08 @ 4:10 PM]  
**COMMUNITY PRESERVATION APPROVED 6-0 on 4-29-08**  
**(A) DESIGN FUNDS ESTIMATE \$37,500.00 – BOA APPROVED ON 07/21/08**  
**(B) BALANCE OF PROJECT ESTIMATE \$321,900.00 – HELD**  
**PUBLIC FACILITIES VOTED NO ACTION NECESSARY ON PART B 8-0 on 05/05/10**

#207-07(4) ALD. COLETTI proposing that the city's Financial Management Guidelines adopted under board order #207-07 be amended to allow the adjustment of self-funded health insurance plan rates in the event that rates and any accumulated excess resources not meet actual resource requirements. [07-02-08 @12:12 PM]

#207-07(2) ALD. COLETTI proposing that the city's Financial Management Guidelines adopted under board order #207-07 be amended, effective FY10, as follows:

- (A) total resources devoted to all forms of employee compensation shall not exceed the estimated growth in total general fund revenue for the following fiscal year;
- (B) funds for salary and wage adjustments shall not exceed the difference between total estimated revenue growth and resources needed to fund growth in health/dental and life insurance benefits and growth in the actuarial required contribution for the city's retirement system for each fiscal year;
- (C) if collective bargaining contracts are not resolved at the time of budget submission, funds budgeted for such contracts shall be held in "municipal and compensation" reserve. [07-02-08 @12:12 PM]

Respectfully submitted,

Leonard J. Gentile, Chairman

*Newton Contributory Retirement System*

#296-10

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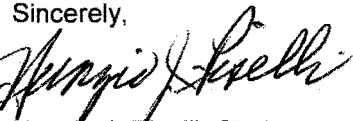
Dear Ald. Lennon;

The Newton Retirement Board unanimously voted at its meeting held on September 22, 2010 to accept the provisions of Section 28 of Chapter 131 of the Acts of 2010, copy enclosed. This is a local option bill that also requires the approval of the City of Newton Board of Aldermen (BOA). I respectfully request that you docket this item for acceptance by the BOA at your earliest convenience.

The acceptance of this bill would increase the annual survivor allowance of approximately ten (10) pension benefit recipients of the Newton Retirement System to \$9,000.00 pursuant to MGL Chapter 32, Section 101 effective upon the date of approval, but not earlier than January 1, 2011. Acceptance of this provision would increase the annual pension payroll by approximately \$17,488.00.

These benefit recipients are spouses of accidental disability retirees (job related injury) who died from a cause that was unrelated to their job-related injury. The Section 101 survivor allowance is provided to the spouse of a disability retiree who retired prior to 1996 and was legally precluded from selecting Option (C), which could have provided a higher monthly pension benefit to their spouse. It should also be noted that the Section 101 survivor allowance is not available to spouses of post-1996 accidental disability retirees as they were given the choice to select Option (C), therefore the Section 101 benefit will eventually no longer require funding.

I wish to thank you in advance for your support in accepting the provisions of this legislation.

Sincerely,  
  
Nunzio J. Piselli, Chairman  
Newton Retirement Board

Enclosure

10 SEP 30 1 A 12:08  
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## MEMORANDUM #28, 2010

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### MEMORANDUM

TO: All Retirement Boards

FROM: Joseph E. Connarton, Executive Director

RE: Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Items Relating to Public Retirement, Chapter 131 of the Acts of 2010

DATE: July 15, 2010

10 SEP 30 A 12:00  
 CITY CLERK  
 NEWTON, MA 02159

The recently enacted FY11 State Budget (Chapter 131 of the Acts of 2010) contained several sections that impact G.L. c. 32 and public retirement systems in Massachusetts. Sections of the Budget dealing only with the State and Teachers' Systems and the Essex Regional Retirement System are not discussed. This Memorandum will deal with those sections that were signed and briefly discuss the section that was returned to the Legislature with proposed amendments. It is not a substitute for a careful reading of the statutes.

#### Cap on Pension Earnings

Section 23 establishes a cap on the amount that will be considered "regular compensation" for contributions and for calculation of the retirement allowances for persons who become members of a System after January 1, 2011. Each year PERAC will issue a Memorandum that will outline the limits, both under this section and under Chapter 46 of the Acts of 2002 (the federal limitations that are applicable to current members). When a post January 1, 2011 member's regular compensation exceeds the amount allowable, contributions must cease. This measurement is made on a calendar year basis, so Boards must take steps to identify impacted members and stop contributions in a timely manner. When these persons retire, their calculations will be based on a high three year average that includes regular compensation within the limits for the relevant years. As this provision becomes applicable to more members, further guidance will be issued.

#### Pension Funding Schedules

Section 24 amends that definition of "Retirement System Funding Schedule" and will allow the PERAC Actuary to require Boards to revise funding schedules after any actuarial valuation to reflect any increase or decrease in the projected actuarial liability that may result from a review of the actuarial, economic and demographic assumptions upon which such funding schedule is based.

#### Interest Rate on Returned Retirement Deductions

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Section 25 provides that effective July 1, 2010, for members who became members after January 1, 1984, the annual rate of interest that will be paid when a member voluntarily withdraws his or her contributions with less than 120 months (10 years) of creditable service will be 3%. Interest payable on all other withdrawals will be set at regular interest. This provision applies only to withdrawals by members with less than 10 years of creditable service, so the amount of interest credited to members' accounts before withdrawal remains unchanged at regular interest. Likewise, the 2 year limitation on interest remains unchanged. The interest is calculated and applied only when the member withdraws his or her funds.

Amendment to Procedural Provisions of Appeals to CRAB

Section 26 amended G.L. c. 32, § 16(4) changing the procedural requirements for appeals to the Contributory Retirement Appeal Board. The Governor returned this section to the Legislature with amendments. G.L. c. 32, § 16(4) has not been amended as of the date of this writing.

\*\*\* Supplemental Pension Allowance to Surviving Spouses of Disabled Employees

Sections 27 and 28 establish a local option to increase the benefit paid under G.L. c. 32, § 101. If the Board accepts this local option and the legislative body approves that action, the increased allowance will go into effect on the date of approval, but not earlier than January 1, 2011. The acceptances are effective upon filing of certifications of the votes with the Commission. Upon acceptance, the allowances of all individuals receiving an allowance pursuant to G.L. c. 32, § 101 will be increased to \$9,000. This provision can be accepted at any time. If the acceptances do not take place, the allowance remains payable at \$6,000 per year.

Proration of Health Insurance Premiums Between Employers

Although Section 29 has no direct impact on PERAC or Retirement Systems, Retirement Boards will need to provide governmental units and treasurers with information to verify the amounts of creditable service from the various governmental units for post-January 1, 2011 retirees.

Definition of Wages for Retirement - Clothing Allowance

Section 116 will allow clothing allowances upon which contributions have been made to continue to be considered regular compensation temporarily. No action will be required with respect to retirees whose allowances were calculated including amounts paid for clothing allowances. For active members, clothing allowances upon which contributions are paid will continue to be considered to be regular compensation if they are contained in a collective bargaining agreement or employment contract that was in effect on May 12, 2009. These payments will continue to be considered to be regular compensation during the term of the contract, but not after June 30, 2012.

Attachment

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**ATTACHMENT TO FY11 BUDGET MEMORANDUM**  
**(Chapter 131 of the Acts of 2010)**

Cap on Pension Earnings

SECTION 23. The definition of "Regular Compensation" in section 1 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, as most recently amended by section 2 of chapter 21 of the acts of 2009, is hereby further amended by inserting after the second paragraph the following paragraph:-

Notwithstanding any provision of this chapter to the contrary, regular compensation for any person who becomes a member after January 1, 2011, shall not include salary, wages or other compensation in whatever form in any calendar year in excess of 64 per cent of the annual limitation that may be imposed under federal law on the amount of compensation that may be taken into account when calculating benefits under plans described in 26 U.S.C. 401(a) including, but not limited to, the applicable limits for any calendar year under 26 U.S.C. 401(a)(17). Faculty, librarians and administrators in public higher education, as well as any physicians employed by the commonwealth who are eligible for the state retirement system, shall not be prohibited from participating in the college retirement equities fund or the optional retirement program by the Teachers Insurance and Annuity Association.

SECTION 200. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary and except as expressly provided otherwise, **section 23 shall apply only to employees who become members of a retirement system after January 1, 2011** and section 29 shall apply only to employees who are members of retirement systems who retire after January 1, 2011. (Emphasis added)

Pension Funding Schedules

SECTION 24. Said section 1 of said chapter 32 is hereby further amended by striking out, in line 488, as appearing in the 2008 Official Edition, the word "may" and inserting in place thereof the following word:- shall.

Interest Rate on Returned Retirement Deductions

SECTION 25. Subdivision (1) of section 11 of said chapter 32 is hereby amended by striking out paragraph (a), as so appearing, and inserting in place thereof the following paragraph:-

A member entitled to a return of the member's accumulated total deductions as provided for in paragraph (c) or (d) of subdivision (1) of section 4, in subdivision (4) of section 10, in paragraph (b) of subdivision (2) of section 13 or in subdivision (3) of section 25 shall, subject to subdivision (8) of section 3, this section and section 15, be paid in 1 sum the amount of his accumulated total deductions within 60 days after the member's filing with the board on a prescribed form his written request therefor. For any such member who becomes a member subsequent to January 1, 1984, who voluntarily withdraws from service with creditable service of less than 120 months, the rate of regular interest for purposes of calculating accumulated total deductions shall be 3 per cent. Any other member entitled to return of his accumulated total deduction shall receive 100 per cent of the rate of regular interest payable.

Amendment to Procedural Provisions of Appeals to CRAB



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Section 26 amended G.L. c. 32, § 16(4) changing the procedural requirements for appeals to the Contributory Retirement Appeal Board. The Governor returned this section to the Legislature with amendments. G.L. c. 32, § 16(4) has not been amended as of the date of this writing.

\*\*\* Supplemental Pension Allowance to Surviving Spouses of Disabled Employees

SECTION 27 Section 101 of said chapter 32, as so appearing, is hereby amended by striking out, in line 8, the words "six thousand dollars" and inserting in place thereof the following words:- either \$6,000 or, in a retirement system accepting the supplemental annual allowance as provided in this section, \$9,000.

SECTION 28. Said section 101 of said chapter 32, as so appearing, is hereby further amended by adding the following paragraph:-

Notwithstanding the previous paragraph, a retirement system may accept a supplemental annual allowance fixed at the rate of \$9,000, by a majority vote of the board of each such system, subject to the approval of the legislative body thereof. For the purposes of this section, "legislative body" shall mean, in the case of a city, the city council in accordance with its charter, in the case of a town, the town meeting, in the case of a county, the county retirement board advisory council, in the case of a region, the regional retirement board advisory council, in the case of a district, the district members and, in the case of an authority, the governing body of such authority. Acceptance shall be deemed to have occurred upon the filing of a certification of such votes with the commission. For purposes of this section, the state teachers' and state employees' retirement systems shall be deemed to have accepted the supplemental annual allowance provided for by this section.

SECTION 201. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, no increases in allowances provided pursuant to sections 27 and 28 shall take effect before January 1, 2011.

Proration of Health Insurance Premiums Between Employers

SECTION 29. Said chapter 32B is hereby further amended by inserting after section 9A the following section:-

Section 9A1/2. Whenever a retired employee or beneficiary receives a healthcare premium contribution from a governmental unit in a case where a portion of the retiree's creditable service is attributable to service in 1 or more other governmental units, the first governmental unit shall be reimbursed in full, in accordance with this paragraph, by the other governmental units for the portion of the premium contributions that corresponds to the percentage of the retiree's creditable service that is attributable to each governmental unit. The other governmental units shall be charged based on their own contribution rate or the contribution rate of the first employer, whichever is lower.

The treasurer of the first governmental unit shall annually, on or before January 15, upon the certification of the board of the system from which the disbursements have been made, notify the treasurer of the other governmental unit of the amount of reimbursement due for the previous fiscal year and the treasurer of the other governmental unit shall immediately take all necessary steps to insure prompt payment of this amount. In default of any such payment, the first governmental unit may maintain an action of contract to recover the same, but there shall be no such reimbursement if the 2 systems involved are the state employees' retirement system and the teachers' retirement system.

SECTION 200. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary and except as expressly provided otherwise, section 23 shall apply only to employees who become members of a retirement

system after January 1, 2011 and **section 29 shall apply only to employees who are members of retirement systems who retire after January 1, 2011.** (Emphasis added)

*Definition of Wages for Retirement - Clothing Allowance*

SECTION 116. Section 23 of chapter 21 of the acts of 2009 is hereby amended by adding the following 2 sentences:-

The retirement allowance of any retired member which included in the calculation of such allowance amounts paid as clothing allowance upon which contributions were made shall not be reduced, modified or changed because of the inclusion of such clothing allowance payments. Notwithstanding any special or general law to the contrary, any amount paid to an active member for clothing allowance upon which contributions were made and included in any applicable collective bargaining agreement or individual contract for employment in effect on May 1, 2009, shall continue to be included in the definition of "regular compensation" during the term of that collective bargaining agreement or contract; provided, however, that any such amount, benefit or payment received after June 30, 2012, shall not be considered regular compensation.

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Docket Item# 296-10 will be first discussed by the Finance Committee meeting on Monday, October 25, 2010. This is local option bill that would increase the annual minimum survivor allowance for 10 widows of the Newton Retirement System from \$6,000 to \$9,000.

Dave Wilkinson asked that I contact our Actuary to receive an estimate as to what the increase in the annual appropriation that the City provides the retirement system would be. The Actuary has estimated the annual increase in the appropriation to be approximately \$6,000 per year.

Thank you,  
Kelly Byrne, Director  
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October 8, 2010

Honorable Board of Aldermen  
Newton City Hall  
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Newton, MA 02459

10 OCT -8 P 2:20  
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NEWTON, MA. 02159

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to accept the sum of \$6,500 from a Citizen Corps and Volunteers in Police Services grant recently awarded to the Police Department by the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency.

Per the attached memo, these funds will be used to offset training equipment costs for members of the Newton Auxiliary Police Force.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Setti D. Warren  
Mayor

1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton, Massachusetts 02459

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*Police Department*



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MATTHEW A. CUMMINGS  
CHIEF OF POLICE

October 1, 2010

Hon. Mayor Setti D. Warren  
Newton City Hall  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton, Massachusetts 02459-1449

Dear Mayor Warren:

Request authorization to expend funds in the amount of \$6,500.00 from a Citizen Corps and Volunteers in Police Services (VIPS) grant recently awarded to the Police Department by the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA). These funds will be used to offset training equipment costs for members of the Newton Auxiliary Police Force.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter. Please contact me at extension 2101 if I may provide any additional information.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew A. Cummings".

Matthew A. Cummings  
Chief of Police

Attachments:

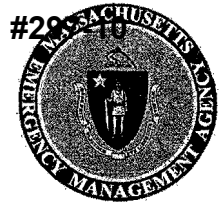
1. MEMA Grant Award Letter dated September 30, 2010
2. Citizen Corps/VIPS Grant Application

FIRST ACCREDITED CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT IN MASSACHUSETTS





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Mary Elizabeth Heffernan  
Secretary

September 30, 2010

Chief Matthew A. Cummings, Grant Manager  
Newton VIPS  
1321 Washington St.  
Newton, MA 02465-2011

RE: Citizen Corps FFY2007 and FFY2008 Grant Award

Dear Chief Matthew A. Cummings:

It is my pleasure to inform you that your Citizen Corps program is eligible to receive a total of \$6,500.00 in Citizen Corps grant funds. These funds come from two sources: \$2,990.00 will come from the FFY2007 federal grant to Massachusetts, and \$3,510.00 will come from the FFY2008 federal grant to Massachusetts. Because these funds are coming from relatively older federal grants, you must expend them fairly quickly. More particularly, the FFY2007 funds must be expended by December 31, 2010, and the FFY2008 funds must be expended by June 30, 2011.

This grant opportunity will be structured as a reimbursement grant. This means that you will be required to expend the funds, or at least issue a purchase order for the expenditure, and then seek reimbursement from MEMA. Our intention is to provide you maximum discretion in the use of these grant funds. Accordingly, we will reimburse you upon receipt of appropriate documentation establishing that the funds were used for any expense deemed allowable under guidelines issued by FEMA for the Citizen Corps program. Lists of allowable expenses may be found by following the user resource link (url) <https://www.rkb.us>. Contract and fiscal documents will follow this letter over the next couple of weeks. If you have any questions about this grant award, please contact Elaine Denniston at [Elaine.Denniston@state.ma.us](mailto:Elaine.Denniston@state.ma.us) or 508-820-1447.

Please note that there is NOT a match requirement under the Citizen Corps grant program.

In early 2011, we will award the FFY2009 Citizen Corps funds. As this is a newer grant, you will have a longer period of time to expend these funds.

Sincerely,

Kurt N. Schwartz, Acting Director  
Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency

CC: MEMA Regional Managers

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## Massachusetts Citizen Corps Grant Program

### Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency

#### APPLICANT INFORMATION

<b>Citizen Corps Council:</b>	Massachusetts State Citizen Corps Partner
<b>Community or Region Served:</b>	Newton, Massachusetts
<b>Number of Residents Served:</b>	83, 829
<b>Program Name:</b>	Newton Auxiliary Police Department
<b>Program Coordinator:</b>	Deputy Chief Jeffrey D. Silton
<b>Contact Information: Address</b>	P.O. Box 600254
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#### GRANT ADMINISTRATION

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#### PROGRAM DETAILS

Type of Citizen Corps Program: select multiple types if joint application

- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)
- Medical Reserve Corps (MRC)
- Fire Corps
- Volunteers In Police Service (VIPS)**
- Neighborhood Watch/USA on Watch

Please note that each application will be considered separately on its own merit. A community may submit applications for multiple programs.

Date Program Founded:	September 1, 1962
Participants:	45
Activations Per Year:	
Emergency:	10-20 (as needed)
Non-emergency:	200+ (on average)
Total Funding:	
State:	\$0.00
Local or Regional:	\$0.00
Private (Donation):	\$0.00

Please describe the organization and leadership of your Citizen Corps Program:

The Newton Auxiliary Police Department is a paramilitary organization comprised of five separate platoons to meet staffing objectives. The personnel assigned to each platoon rotate duty assignments a minimum of two times per month to fulfill dedicated weekend patrol duties and "ad hoc" weekly night patrols. The rank structure of the Auxiliary Police consists of the following:

1 - Deputy Chief, 2 - Captains, 5 - Lieutenants, 5 - Sergeants, 32 - Patrol Officers

Additional organizational and leadership program information is available to members of the general public at the following website addresses:

[http://www.policevolunteers.org/programs/index.cfm?fa=dis\\_pro\\_detail&id=537](http://www.policevolunteers.org/programs/index.cfm?fa=dis_pro_detail&id=537)

<http://newtonauxpolice.com/default.aspx>

Please provide the Mission Statement of your Citizen Corps Program:

**Mission Statement of The Newton Auxiliary Police**

- Maintain preparedness for emergencies or disaster through training and education.
- Provide visibility within the community while observing and reporting criminal activity.
- Augment sworn police officers in the performance of traffic and crowd control duties.
- Deploy basic and incidental police patrols for planned and unplanned special events.

Please describe the training plan of your Citizen Corps Program:

The primary goal of our training plan is to provide quality training and education for our volunteer service members so they will be proficient in assigned duties and responsibilities when activated. As we are a uniformed police service volunteer organization our training must mirror the training received by full-time police officers so our volunteers will be able to work in the field safely, efficiently and effectively, especially in this post 9-11 era. Therefore, our training plan must be consistent with our equipment plan and concentrate on the following core tasks:

- First Responder / CPR / Defibrillator (gloves, masks, boots, eye & face protection, etc.)
- OC / Baton Training / Defensive tactics
- Basic handcuffing
- Firearm Safety



Training Plan cont'd

- Applied patrol procedures (Need for Body Armor)
- Anti-Terrorism training (Need for Body Armor)
- Hazardous Materials Awareness – Needs for PPE Equipment (hazmat suits, gloves, boots, etc.)
- Blood-Borne Pathogens - Needs for PPE Equipment (hazmat suits, gloves, boots, etc.)
- Communications Equipment Usage (Mobile & Portable Radio Communications devices)
- Traffic and Pedestrian Control (Traffic Safety Vests, Emergency Signage)
- Response to Critical Incidents (Traffic Safety Vests, Emergency Signage)

Training in the above core tasks will enhance our mission to serve during emergencies, improve the knowledge base and skills of our police volunteers in their response to incidents involving anti-terrorism, mass casualties, small or large-scale critical incidents, and, when required, modeled on the Incident Command System (ICS) and National Incident Management System (NIMS) philosophy.

Please describe the equipment plan of your Citizen Corps Program:

If the Newton Auxiliary Police Department is fortunate enough to receive funding from the Citizen's Corp Grant Program we will immediately set out to acquire the equipment necessary to fulfill the goals and objectives of our training plan. The purchase of all grant-funded equipment will be compliant with Massachusetts' procurement laws, regulations, guidelines and the State Contract or Vendor Bid process.

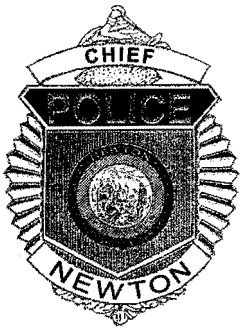
Specific examples of the equipment we seek includes Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) such as hazmat suits, masks, gloves, traffic vests, body armor and emergency signage that is necessary to properly protect the public and Auxiliary Police officers upon activation and field deployments to support full-time police or emergency management operations. We also have a significant need for "updated" interoperable communications equipment such as fixed, portable and mobile radio systems that will enable the Auxiliary Police to maintain constant communications with the City's Combined Dispatch Center and the Emergency Operations Center during local, regional or statewide critical incident mobilizations.

List any accomplishments or achievements made by your Citizen Corps Program:

- May 2008 - MBTA Train Crash at Woodland Station in Newton (Provided Traffic & Pedestrian Site Control)
- March 2010 Floods – Road closures, set up detours, (Assisted Fire and Police personnel, as required)
- June 2010 – MWRA Water Main Break in Weston (Staffed Bottled Water Deployment Distribution Stations)
- Annual Activations - Ice Storms, Snow Storms, Street Flooding, Downed Wires, Structure Fires, BAA Boston Marathon, Walk-for-Hunger, etc.

I certify that this program will comply with all applicable rules and regulations. I also certify that the information given in this application is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Grant Manager Signature: //SIGNED// Date: 08/19/2010



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**MATTHEW A. CUMMINGS**  
CHIEF OF POLICE

July 27, 2010

Honorable Board of Aldermen  
Newton City Hall  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton, MA 02459-1449

**Re: Gift of Tangible Personal Property (Desktop Computer)**

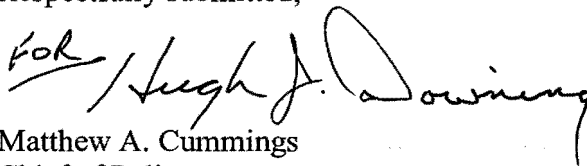
Dear Honorable Board Members:

In compliance with Newton City Ordinance, Section 2-10, para (b), and Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 44, Section 53A, a donated new Dell Computer Service TAG D944MM1 was accepted as a gift to the Newton Police Department without restrictions from Mr. Jay Hirshberg, 1428 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton, Massachusetts, 02465-2830, 617-548-5840.

This computer will be placed into the Range and Armory office area in the Police Headquarters building to enhance classroom operations and to facilitate weapons and defensive tactics training.

Please direct any questions regarding the gift acceptance of this new vehicle to me at (617) 796-2101 or Director Steven Smith at 617-796-2130.

Respectfully submitted,

*for* 

Matthew A. Cummings  
Chief of Police

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CITY CLERK  
NEWTON, MA. 02159

cc: Hon. Mayor Setti D. Warren  
Ms. Donnalyn Kahn, Newton City Solicitor

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**Sec. 2-10. Gifts of tangible personal property, acceptance thereof**

(a) Definitions: For purposes of this section, the following words shall be defined as follows:

*Gift receiving entity*: The mayor, a department, board, agency, commission, or committee of the city that receives a gift of tangible personal property.

*Tangible personal property*: Property that has physical form and characteristics that can be seen, weighed, measured, felt, or touched, or is in any way perceptible to the senses. Money, interests in real property, and intangible property are specifically excluded from this definition.

(b) Whenever a gift receiving entity receives and accepts a gift of tangible personal property, such gift shall be deemed accepted pursuant to G.L. c. 44, §53A½, provided, however that each such gift is subject to the following restrictions:

- (1) A gift may be received and used by the gift receiving entity only in accordance with the purpose of such gift, or if no restrictions are attached to the gift, for such other purpose as it deems advisable; and
- (2) The gift receiving entity may accept only those gifts which are consistent with its respective duties and functions; and
- (3) The receipt and use of such gift may not incur new and different costs on the part of the gift receiving entity.

(c) Gifts of tangible personal property that do not come within the restrictions in subsection (b) may be accepted pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c. 44, §53A½.

(d) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (b), gifts of tangible personal property valued at \$1,000 or more that are offered to a gift receiving entity on the condition that such property be named in a particular manner may be accepted pursuant to the provisions of G.L. c. 44, §53A½.

(e) Each gift receiving entity shall submit annually to the mayor and the board of aldermen a list containing each gift of tangible personal property valued at \$1,000 or more received during the prior calendar year. Such gift list shall be submitted on or before March 31 of each year and shall include the identity of the donor of each such gift unless the donor has requested in writing that his/her identity not be revealed. (Ord. No. W-40, 4-2-01)

**Secs. 2-11—2-24. Reserved.**

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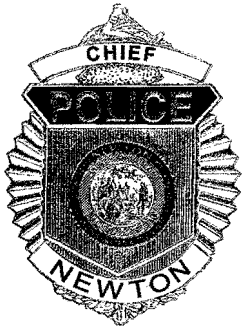
**PART I ADMINISTRATION OF THE GOVERNMENT**  
(Chapters 1 through 182)

**TITLE VII CITIES, TOWNS AND DISTRICTS**

**CHAPTER 44 MUNICIPAL FINANCE**

**Section 53A Grants and gifts; acceptance and expenditure**

Section 53A. An officer or department of any city or town, or of any regional school or other district, may accept grants or gifts of funds from the federal government and from a charitable foundation, a private corporation, or an individual, or from the commonwealth, a county or municipality or an agency thereof, and in the case of any grant or gift given for educational purposes may expend said funds for the purposes of such grant or gift with the approval of the school committee, and in the case of any other grant or gift may expend such funds for the purposes of such grant or gift in cities having a Plan D or Plan E form of government with the approval of the city manager and city council, in all other cities with the approval of the mayor and city council, in towns with the approval of the board of selectmen, and in districts with the approval of the prudential committee, if any, otherwise the commissioners. Notwithstanding the provisions of section fifty-three, any amounts so received by an officer or department of a city, town or district shall be deposited with the treasurer of such city, town or district and held as a separate account and may be expended as aforesaid by such officer or department receiving the grant or gift without further appropriation. If the express written terms or conditions of the grant agreement so stipulate, interest on the grant funds may remain with and become a part of the grant account and may be expended as part of the grant by such officer or department receiving the grant or gift without further appropriation. Any grant, subvention or subsidy for educational purposes received by an officer or department of a city, town or school district from the federal government may be expended by the school committee of such city, town or district without including the purpose of such expenditure in, or applying such amount to, the annual or any supplemental budget or appropriation request of such committee; provided, however, that this sentence shall not apply to amounts so received to which section twenty-six C of chapter seventy-one of the General Laws, and chapter six hundred and twenty-one of the acts of nineteen hundred and fifty-three, as amended, and chapter six hundred and sixty-four of the acts of nineteen hundred and fifty-eight, as amended, apply; and, provided further, that notwithstanding the foregoing provision, this sentence shall apply to amounts so received as grants under the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, (Public Law 89-10). After receipt of a written commitment from the federal government approving a grant for educational purposes and in anticipation of receipt of such funds from the federal government, the treasurer, upon the request of the school committee, shall pay from the General Fund of such municipality compensation for services rendered and goods supplied to such federal grant programs, such payments to be made no later than ten days after the rendition of such services or the supplying of such goods; provided, however, that the provisions of such federal grant would allow the treasurer to reimburse the General Fund for the amounts so advanced.



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**MATTHEW A. CUMMINGS**  
CHIEF OF POLICE

September 22, 2010

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

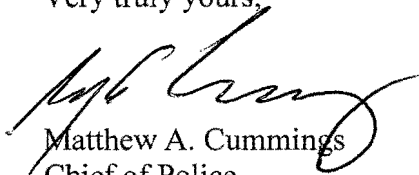
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CITY CLERK  
NEWTON, MA. 02159

Dear Honorable Board Members:

I respectfully request authorization to accept and expend additional gifts and donations for the renovations and improvements to the new police incident command vehicle.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

  
Matthew A. Cummings  
Chief of Police

cc: Hon. Mayor Setti D. Warren  
Ms. Donnalyn Kahn, City Solicitor

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July 20, 2010

Honorable Board of Aldermen  
Newton City Hall  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
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CITY CLERK  
NEWTON, MA 02159

**Re: Gift of Tangible Personal Property (Mobile Home)**

Dear Honorable Board Members:

In compliance with Newton City Ordinance, Section 2-10, para (b), and Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 44, Section 53A, a donated white 1995 Fleetwood Binder, Model 35U, Vehicle Identification Number 3FCMF53G7SJA03274, was accepted as a gift to the Newton Police Department "without restrictions" from retired Newton Police officer, Mr. Warren David Dues, 441 East Main Street, Milford, Massachusetts, 01757-2809, 617-968-8117.

This mobile home vehicle was inspected by Mr. Ron Mahan, Superintendent of Equipment from the Department of Public Works (DPW), and Director Steven Smith and Officer Thomas Geagan from the Police Department's Support Services Bureau on Tuesday, July 20, 2010. The vehicle body, engine and drive train were found to be mechanically sound.

The primary function of the vehicle is to serve as a mobile Incident Command Center. It will also provide central staging capabilities with communications and support material for command, operations, planning and logistics staff in the event of natural or manmade disasters.

Please direct any questions regarding the gift acceptance of this new vehicle to me at (617) 796-2101.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew A. Cummings  
Chief of Police

cc: Hon. Mayor Setti D. Warren  
Ms. Donnalyn Kahn, Acting City Solicitor

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August 2, 2010

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 amend the Adopted FY2011 Municipal Budget as follows:

- Increase the FY2011 state assessment appropriation by \$36,904 to \$5,589,086, and
- Increase the FY2011 Newton Public School appropriation by \$793,146 to \$167,175,474

The Adopted FY2011 Municipal Budget was developed with the anticipation of a 10% reduction in state aid. However, the final state aid and assessment information in the Commonwealth's adopted FY2011 budget included an additional appropriation in the amount of \$830,050 for the City of Newton.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Setti D. Warren  
Mayor

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August 4, 2010

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

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to amend a request that was originally submitted to your Honorable Board on August 2, 2010.

The original request was to amend the Adopted FY2011 Municipal Budget by increasing the appropriation for the Newton Public Schools by \$793,146 and increasing the appropriation for State Assessments by \$36,904.

After further analysis, I ask that, rather than adjusting the budget by the above mentioned amounts, that your Honorable Board make the following adjustments:

- Increase the FY2011 State Assessment appropriation by \$8,386, to \$4,970,628, and
- Increase the FY2011 Newton Public School appropriation by \$821,664 to \$167,203,992

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Setti D. Warren  
Mayor

From: Est. Revenue - FY 2011 \$830,050

To:	Newton Public Schools	
	98001080-5790	\$821,664
	State Assessments	
	0110781-562011	\$ 8,386

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Board of Aldermen  
 City Hall  
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 Newton, Massachusetts 02459

Dear Members of the Board of Aldermen:

The purpose of this communication is to request that you make two changes in the City's adopted fiscal year 2011 General Fund budget, based upon final state aid and assessment information for Newton that was included in the Commonwealth's adopted FY 2011 budget.

	Adopted City Budget	Final State "Cherry Sheet"	Increase/ (decrease)
Chapter 70 school aid	\$ 12,832,503	\$ 13,343,503	\$ 511,000
Unrestricted general government aid	4,659,964	5,321,500	661,536
Other cherry sheet aid	426,233	83,747	(342,486)
Total cherry sheet aid {1}	<u>17,918,700</u>	<u>18,748,750</u>	<u>830,050</u>
State assessments	<u>(5,552,182)</u>	<u>(5,589,086)</u>	<u>(36,904)</u>
Net state aid increase/(decrease)	<u>\$ 12,366,518</u>	<u>\$ 13,159,664</u>	<u>\$ 793,146</u>

{1} Excludes \$32,219 in school lunch program aid and \$90,403 in public library aid that are included on the Cherry Sheet, but are restricted for program purposes.

The recommended changes to the City budget are as follows:

- 1) Increase the fiscal year 2011 state assessment appropriation by \$36,904 to \$5,589,086.
- 2) Increase the fiscal year 2011 Newton Public School appropriation by \$793,146 to \$167,175,474

The funding source for these two budget changes is the \$830,050 increase in state aid referenced in the table presented above.

## NEWTON

## A. EDUCATION:

## Distributions and Reimbursements:

1. Chapter 70	13,343,503 ✓
2. School Transportation <i>Chs. 71, 71A, 71B and 74</i>	
3. Retired Teachers' Pensions <i>Ch. 32, s. 20 (2) (c)</i>	
4. Charter Tuition Reimbursements <i>Ch. 71, s. 89</i>	83,747 ✓

## Offset Items – Reserve for Direct Expenditure:

5. School Lunch <i>1970, Ch. 871</i>	32,219
6. School Choice Receiving Tuition <i>Ch. 76, s. 12B, 1993, Ch. 71</i>	

Sub-Total, All Education Items	13,459,469
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## B. GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

## Distributions and Reimbursements:

1. Unrestricted General Government Aid	4,970,628 ✓
2. Local Share of Racing Taxes <i>1981, Ch. 558</i>	
3. Regional Public Libraries <i>Ch. 78, s. 19C</i>	
4. Police Career Incentive <i>Ch. 41, s. 108L</i>	55,113 ✓
5. Urban Renewal Projects <i>Ch. 121, ss. 53-57</i>	
6. Veterans' Benefits <i>Ch. 115, s. 6</i>	40,518 ✓
7. Exemptions: Vets, Blind, Surviving Spouses & Elderly <i>Ch. 58, s. 8A; Ch. 59 s. 5</i>	255,241
8. State Owned Land <i>Ch. 58, ss. 13-17</i>	

## Offset Item - Reserve for Direct Expenditure:

9. Public Libraries <i>Ch. 78, s. 19A</i>	90,403
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Sub-Total, All General Government	5,411,903
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## C. TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS, FISCAL 2011

18,871,372
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## NEWTON

## A. County Assessments:

1. County Tax: <i>Ch. 35, ss. 30, 31</i>	0
2. Suffolk County Retirement <i>Ch. 61, Acts of 2009, s. 10</i>	0
<b>Sub-Total, County Assessments</b>	<b>0</b>

## B. STATE ASSESSMENTS AND CHARGES:

1. Retired Employees Health Insurance <i>Ch. 32A, s. 10B</i>	2,856 ✓
2. Retired Teachers Health Insurance <i>Ch. 32A, s. 12</i>	
3. Mosquito Control Projects <i>Ch. 252, s. 5A</i>	
4. Air Pollution Districts <i>Ch. 111, ss. 142B, 142C</i>	32,034
5. Metropolitan Area Planning Council <i>Ch. 40B, ss. 26, 29</i>	24,764
6. Old Colony Planning Council <i>1967, Ch. 332</i>	
7. RMV Non-Renewal Surcharge <i>Ch. 90; Ch. 60A</i>	169,460
<b>Sub-Total, State Assessments</b>	<b>229,114</b>

## C. TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITIES:

1. MBTA <i>Ch. 161A, ss. 8-9; 1974, Ch. 825, ss. 6-7</i>	5,026,100 ✓
2. Boston Metro. Transit District <i>1929, Ch. 383; 1954, Ch. 535</i>	2,404
3. Regional Transit <i>Ch. 161B, ss. 9, 10, 23; 1973, Ch. 1141</i>	
<b>Sub-Total, Transportation Assessments</b>	<b>5,028,504</b>

## D. ANNUAL CHARGES AGAINST RECEIPTS:

1. Special Education <i>Ch. 71B, ss. 10, 12</i>	48,549
2. STRAP Repayments <i>1983, Ch. 637, s. 32</i>	
<b>Sub-Total, Annual Charges Against Receipts</b>	<b>48,549</b>

## E. TUITION ASSESSMENTS:

1. School Choice Sending Tuition <i>Ch. 76, s. 12B, 1993, Ch. 71</i>	7,800
2. Charter School Sending Tuition <i>Ch. 71, s. 89</i>	275,119
3. Essex County Technical Institute Sending Tuition <i>1998, Ch. 300, s. 21</i>	
<b>Sub-Total, Tuition Assessments</b>	<b>282,919</b>

## F. TOTAL ESTIMATED CHARGES, FISCAL 2011

5,589,086

For additional information about how the estimates were determined and what may cause them to change in the future, please click on the following link: [Local Aid Estimate Program Summary](#).

**Rebecca Smith**

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Date sent: Fri, 24 Sep 2010 15:28:33 -0400  
Subject: FY11 Newton Public Schools Supplemental Appropriation  
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"David Fleishman" <david\_fleishman@newton.k12.ma.us>, secker@newtonma.gov,  
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dolson@newtonma.gov, "Mary Burns" <Mary\_Burns@newton.k12.ma.us>  
From: "Sandy Guryan" <sandy\_guryan@newton.k12.ma.us>

I am writing to confirm that the funding for the completion of the Newton Public Schools FY11 Budget as agreed in June 2010 was based on final Massachusetts State Aid to the City of Newton. These funds in the amount of \$821,664 will close the budget gap as agreed for FY11. The funds will be used to complete the school budget funding for Health Insurance and will be applied to one line item.

Please contact me if you have any questions about the FY11 school budget.

Thank you,

Sandy Guryan



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August 2, 2010

Honorable Board of Aldermen  
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August 4, 2010

Honorable Board of Aldermen  
Newton City Hall  
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to amend a request that was originally submitted to your Honorable Board on August 2, 2010.

The original request was to amend the Adopted FY2011 Municipal Budget by increasing the appropriation for the Newton Public Schools by \$793,146 and increasing the appropriation for State Assessments by \$36,904.

After further analysis, I ask that, rather than adjusting the budget by the above mentioned amounts, that your Honorable Board make the following adjustments:

- Increase the FY2011 State Assessment appropriation by \$8,386, to \$4,970,628, and
- Increase the FY2011 Newton Public School appropriation by \$821,664 to \$167,203,992

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Setti D. Warren  
Mayor

From: Est. Revenue - FY 2011 \$830,050

To:	Newton Public Schools	
	98001080-5790	\$821,664
	State Assessments	
	0110781-562011	\$ 8,386

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Board of Aldermen  
 City Hall  
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Dear Members of the Board of Aldermen:

The purpose of this communication is to request that you make two changes in the City's adopted fiscal year 2011 General Fund budget, based upon final state aid and assessment information for Newton that was included in the Commonwealth's adopted FY 2011 budget.

	Adopted City Budget	Final State "Cherry Sheet"	Increase/ (decrease)
Chapter 70 school aid	\$ 12,832,503	\$ 13,343,503	\$ 511,000
Unrestricted general government aid	4,659,964	5,321,500	661,536
Other cherry sheet aid	426,233	83,747	(342,486)
Total cherry sheet aid {1}	<u>17,918,700</u>	<u>18,748,750</u>	<u>830,050</u>
State assessments	<u>(5,552,182)</u>	<u>(5,589,086)</u>	<u>(36,904)</u>
Net state aid increase/(decrease)	<u>\$ 12,366,518</u>	<u>\$ 13,159,664</u>	<u>\$ 793,146</u>

{1} Excludes \$32,219 in school lunch program aid and \$90,403 in public library aid that are included on the Cherry Sheet, but are restricted for program purposes.

The recommended changes to the City budget are as follows:

- 1) Increase the fiscal year 2011 state assessment appropriation by \$36,904 to \$5,589,086.
- 2) Increase the fiscal year 2011 Newton Public School appropriation by \$793,146 to \$167,175,474

The funding source for these two budget changes is the \$830,050 increase in state aid referenced in the table presented above.

## NEWTON

## A. EDUCATION:

## Distributions and Reimbursements:

1. Chapter 70	13,343,503 ✓
2. School Transportation <i>Chs. 71, 71A, 71B and 74</i>	
3. Retired Teachers' Pensions <i>Ch. 32, s. 20 (2) (c)</i>	
4. Charter Tuition Reimbursements <i>Ch. 71, s. 89</i>	83,747 ✓

## Offset Items – Reserve for Direct Expenditure:

5. School Lunch <i>1970, Ch. 871</i>	32,219
6. School Choice Receiving Tuition <i>Ch. 76, s. 12B, 1993, Ch. 71</i>	

Sub-Total, All Education Items	13,459,469
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## B. GENERAL GOVERNMENT:

## Distributions and Reimbursements:

1. Unrestricted General Government Aid	4,970,628 ✓
2. Local Share of Racing Taxes <i>1981, Ch. 558</i>	
3. Regional Public Libraries <i>Ch. 78, s. 19C</i>	
4. Police Career Incentive <i>Ch. 41, s. 108L</i>	55,113 ✓
5. Urban Renewal Projects <i>Ch. 121, ss. 53-57</i>	
6. Veterans' Benefits <i>Ch. 115, s. 6</i>	40,518 ✓
7. Exemptions: Vets, Blind, Surviving Spouses & Elderly <i>Ch. 58, s. 8A; Ch. 59 s. 5</i>	255,241
8. State Owned Land <i>Ch. 58, ss. 13-17</i>	

## Offset Item - Reserve for Direct Expenditure:

9. Public Libraries <i>Ch. 78, s. 19A</i>	90,403
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Sub-Total, All General Government	5,411,903
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C. TOTAL ESTIMATED RECEIPTS, FISCAL 2011	18,871,372
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## NEWTON

## A. County Assessments:

1. County Tax: <i>Ch. 35, ss. 30, 31</i>	0
2. Suffolk County Retirement <i>Ch. 61, Acts of 2009, s. 10</i>	0
<b>Sub-Total, County Assessments</b>	<b>0</b>

## B. STATE ASSESSMENTS AND CHARGES:

1. Retired Employees Health Insurance <i>Ch. 32A, s. 10B</i>	2,856 ✓
2. Retired Teachers Health Insurance <i>Ch. 32A, s. 12</i>	
3. Mosquito Control Projects <i>Ch. 252, s. 5A</i>	
4. Air Pollution Districts <i>Ch. 111, ss. 142B, 142C</i>	32,034
5. Metropolitan Area Planning Council <i>Ch. 40B, ss. 26, 29</i>	24,764
6. Old Colony Planning Council <i>1967, Ch. 332</i>	
7. RMV Non-Renewal Surcharge <i>Ch. 90; Ch. 60A</i>	169,460
<b>Sub-Total, State Assessments</b>	<b>229,114</b>

## C. TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITIES:

1. MBTA <i>Ch. 161A, ss. 8-9; 1974, Ch. 825, ss. 6-7</i>	5,026,100 ✓
2. Boston Metro. Transit District <i>1929, Ch. 383; 1954, Ch. 535</i>	2,404
3. Regional Transit <i>Ch. 161B, ss. 9, 10, 23; 1973, Ch. 1141</i>	
<b>Sub-Total, Transportation Assessments</b>	<b>5,028,504</b>

## D. ANNUAL CHARGES AGAINST RECEIPTS:

1. Special Education <i>Ch. 71B, ss. 10, 12</i>	48,549
2. STRAP Repayments <i>1983, Ch. 637, s. 32</i>	
<b>Sub-Total, Annual Charges Against Receipts</b>	<b>48,549</b>

## E. TUITION ASSESSMENTS:

1. School Choice Sending Tuition <i>Ch. 76, s. 12B, 1993, Ch. 71</i>	7,800
2. Charter School Sending Tuition <i>Ch. 71, s. 89</i>	275,119
3. Essex County Technical Institute Sending Tuition <i>1998, Ch. 300, s. 21</i>	
<b>Sub-Total, Tuition Assessments</b>	<b>282,919</b>

## F. TOTAL ESTIMATED CHARGES, FISCAL 2011

5,589,086

For additional information about how the estimates were determined and what may cause them to change in the future, please click on the following link: [Local Aid Estimate Program Summary](#).



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September 13, 2010

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to appropriate the sum of \$40,000 from Parking Meter Receipts Reserve Fund to be used as the City's required 20% match to leverage the \$160,000 awarded by the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization for the City's Traffic Signal Retiming Project.

Per the attached memo from Candice Havens, Interim Director of Planning and Development, the timing at approximately 85% of the City's 90 traffic signals will be evaluated and changed.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Setti D. Warren  
Mayor

From: Parking Meter Receipts  
14D401-5901 \$40,000

To: Traffic Signal Retiming  
C114023-5301 \$40,000

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# CITY OF NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS

#263-10

Planning & Development Department

Setti D. Warren  
Mayor

August 10, 2010

Mayor Setti D. Warren  
City of Newton  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton, MA 02459

Dear Mayor Warren:

I am writing to ask your approval to docket an item requesting an appropriation of \$40,000 from the Parking Meter Receipts Reserved Fund to be used as the City's required 20% match to leverage the \$160,000 awarded by the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization for our traffic signal retiming project.

The traffic signal retiming project will evaluate and change, if necessary, the timing at approximately 85% of the City's 90 traffic signals. Traffic signals will be evaluated for both safety and efficiency for all roadway users. Upon implementation, we expect to see a significant decrease in delays for roadway users, decreases in both fuel consumption and green house gas emissions, and a reduction in crashes at all intersections included in the study. All work can be accomplished using existing City infrastructure, and will not require costly construction projects such as roadway expansion.

If you have any questions regarding this subject, please call me. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "C. Havens".

Candace Havens, Interim Director  
Planning and Development Department

Cc: Robert Rooney, Chief Operating Officer  
Maureen Lemieux, Chief Financial Officer  
David Wilkinson, Comptroller



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September 20, 2010

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to amend Docket #263-10 requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) from Parking Meter Receipts Reserve Fund to be used as the City's required 20% match to leverage the \$160,000 awarded by the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization for the City's Traffic Signal Retiming Project.

In view of the fact that the City will be a party to a reimbursable grant agreement I request that your Honorable Board further authorize the expenditure of and ultimately the acceptance of the sum of \$160,000 representing the reimbursement by the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization for the City's Traffic Signal Retiming Project.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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Mayor

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