

CITY OF NEWTON

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2009

**7:30 PM NOTE EARLY TIME**

Room 222

**ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:**

**TO BE DISCUSSED JOINTLY WITH PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANS. COMM.**

**REFERRED TO PUB. SAFETY & TRANS. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #39-09      HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend thirty one thousand one hundred dollars (\$31,100) from Budget Reserve to the Fire Department for the purpose of purchasing a new replacement vehicle for the utility pick-up truck with plow. [01/27/09 @ 6:05 PM]
- #37-09      HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer twenty five thousand dollars (\$25,000) from payroll to expenses within the Treasury Department for the purpose of paying the MUNIS consultant who provided training on policies and procedures in the Treasury Department. [01/27/09 @ 6:05 PM]
- #354-08      ALD. COLETTI requesting monthly report on cash and receivable reconciliations by Treasurer and status of Consultant work in Treasurer's Office. [09-30-08 @ 1:54 PM]  
**HELD 8-0 on 1-12-09**
- #35-09      HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend thirteen thousand eight hundred sixty dollars (\$13,860) from Budget Reserve to the Information Technology Department for the purpose of purchasing software that will enable downloading of data from MUNIS into Microsoft applications. [01/27/09 @ 6:06 PM]
- #36-09      HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend eighteen thousand eight hundred fifty dollars (\$18,850) from Budget Reserve to the Information Technology Department for the purpose of upgrading the Sungard Pentamation Community Plus Software. [01/27/09 @ 6:06 PM]

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #42-09 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting to appropriate and expend two hundred twenty five thousand dollars (\$225,000) from Bonded Indebtedness to the Building Department for the purpose of replacing a boiler at Angier School. [01/27/09 @ 6:04 PM]  
**PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED 6-0 on 02-04-09**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #41-09 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting to appropriate and expend one million dollars (\$1,000,000) from Free Cash for the purpose supplementing the snow and ice budget in the Department of Public Works. [01/27/09 @ 6:05 PM]  
**PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED 5-0-1 (Lennon abstaining)  
on 02-04-09**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #40-09 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer funds in the Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds. Transferring the funds from MWRA assessments to utilities as follows: Sewer Fund transfer \$53,000; Water Fund transfer \$38,000. [01/27/09 @ 6:05 PM]  
**PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED 5-0 (Lennon not voting)  
on 02-04-09**

- #38-09 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend two hundred seventy six thousand seven hundred twenty five dollars (\$276,725) from Budget Reserve to various departments to supplement gasoline, diesel and heating oil accounts. [01/27/09 @ 6:05 PM]

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #13-09 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend three hundred eighty-five thousand dollars (\$385,000) from bonded indebtedness to the Public Works Department for the purpose of replacing both the salt shed and the Quonset hut at Crafts Street. [12-30-08 @ 5:04 PM]  
**PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED 4-0-2 (Ald. Gentile and Mansfield abstaining) on 01-07-09**

- #353-08 ALD. COLETTI requesting monthly report by Executive Office before Post Audit and Oversight Committee on snow and salt expenditure from November 2008 through April 2009. [09-30-08 @ 1:54 PM]  
**HELD 5-0 (Ald. Parker not voting) on 1-26-09**

- #349-08 ALD. COLETTI requesting discussion on preparation and submission of a new Capital Improvement Plan by the Executive Office. [09-30-08 @ 1:54 PM]  
**HELD 5-0 (Ald. Parker not voting) on 1-26-09**

- #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. [7-2-08 @ 12:12 PM]
- HELD 5-0 (Ald. Parker not voting) on 1-26-09**

**ITEMS NOT SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:**

Re-appointment by His Honor the Mayor

- #28-09 MICHAEL P. FLYNN, 23 Thelma Road, Dorchester, re-appointed to the Board of Assessors for a term expiring February 1, 2012. (60 days: 03-19-09) [01-06-09 @ 2:49 PM]

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #469-08 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting to appropriate five hundred seventy five thousand dollars (\$575,000) from Free Cash to the School Department for the costs related to the conversion of the boilers at nine school buildings. The School Committee agreed to spend this amount from the school utility budget with the understanding that it would be restored once free cash became available. Including this sum, it is estimated that the school department will require a smaller supplemental appropriation to cover of heating this winter than would have been necessary without this conversion. [11-25-08 @ 4:58 PM]  
**PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED 7-0 on 12-17-08**
- #352-08 ALD. COLETTI requesting discussion monthly reports from the Chief Budget Officer and Comptroller on the status of the Health Insurance Trust Fund. [09-30-08 @ 1:54 PM]  
**HELD 7-0 on 12-22-08**
- #351-08 ALD. COLETTI requesting discussion on the status of School Building Authority reimbursements to the City of \$46.6 million for the Newton North High School project. [09-30-08 @ 1:54 PM]  
**HELD 7-0-1 (Ald. Lennon not voting) on 1-12-09**
- #348-08 ALD. COLETTI requesting discussion on the Executive Department submission of a new 5-year forecast for FY2010 budget preparation. [09-30-08 @ 1:54 PM]  
**HELD 7-0 on 12-22-08**

**REFERRED TO POST AUDIT & OVERSIGHT AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #300-08 ALD. JOHNSON AND SWISTON requesting discussion with Mayor David Cohen and Superintendent Jeffrey Young as to the procedures that are in place to ensure accountability of their staff in respect to adherence to the authorization of purchasing and expenditures policy and procedures. [07-21-08 @ 9:03 AM]  
**POST AUDIT & OVERSIGHT HELD on 11-25-08**  
**HELD 8-0 on 1-12-09**
- #299-08 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting that the Board of Aldermen accept the provisions of §18 of Chapter 32B of the General Laws which requires all eligible municipal retirees to enroll in Medicare, the acceptance of which will allow the City to enroll them in health insurance plans that supplement Medicare coverage for cost savings to both retirees and the City. [08-04-08 @ 12:35 PM]  
**HELD 6-0-2 (Ald. Freedman and Salvucci not voting) on 1-12-09**
- #299-08(2) HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting that the Board of Aldermen accept the provisions of §19 of Chapter 32B (as amended) of the General Laws to allow all subscribers for whom the City provides health insurance to transfer to the Group Insurance Commission (GIC) pursuant to Section 19(e) of Section 32B, which authorizes the City to engage in so-called coalition bargaining re the issue of the City joining the GIC. [08-04-08 @ 12:35 PM]  
**HELD 6-0-2 (Ald. Freedman and Salvucci not voting) on 1-12-09**

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

- #274-08 ALD. JOHNSON AND SANGIOLO proposing a RESOLUTION to His Honor the Mayor requesting that he create a plan to move the Child Care Commission to a self-sustaining model for FY2010. [07-17-08 @ 9:53 AM]

**REFERRED TO PROG. & SERV., ZONING & PLANNING, PUB. FACIL.  
PUB. SAFETY AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #273-08 ALD. JOHNSON proposing a RESOLUTION to His Honor the Mayor requesting that the Executive and Human Resources Departments develop a comprehensive human capital strategy for the city to include: performance management, talent development, succession planning, and compensation. [07-17-08 @ 9:53 AM]  
**PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION HELD 6-0 (Ald. Ciccone and Coletti not present and voting) on 9-3-08**

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

- #272-08 ALD. JOHNSON proposing a RESOLUTION to His Honor the Mayor that he work with the Board of Aldermen, School Department, and School Committee in order to determine the most effective and efficient way to organize the Human Resources Departments. [07-17-08 @ 9:53 AM]

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

- #270-08 ALD. JOHNSON proposing a RESOLUTION to His Honor the Mayor requesting that he work with the Board of Aldermen, School Department, and School Committee in order to determine the most effective and efficient way to organize the Information Technology Departments. [07-17-08 @ 9:53 AM]

**ITEM RECOMMITTED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE on 11-3-08****REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES & FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #265-08 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend one hundred fifty thousand five hundred eighty seven dollars (\$150,587) from capital stabilization for the purpose of restoration of the exterior of the Jackson Homestead. [7-8-08 @ 5:17 PM]  
**RECOMMITTED TO PUB FAC & FINANCE COMMITTEES ON 10-20-08**  
**PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED 1-0-3 (Ald. Lennon, Albright and Mansfield abstaining, Salvucci and Gentile not voting) on 10-22-08**  
**FINANCE APPROVED AS AMENDED 4-2-1 @ \$122,976 (Ald. Lennon and Gentile opposed; Johnson abstaining) on 10-27-08**

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

- #261-08 ALD. SANGIOLO requesting discussion with the Executive Department regarding moving the Director of Arts in the Parks' salary to the Arts in the Parks revolving account. [07-08-08 @ 1:29 PM]  
**PROGRAM AND SERVICES HELD 7-0 on 9-17-08 (Ald. Baker not voting)**

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

- #260-08 ALD. SANGIOLO proposing the establishment of a revolving account to receive contributions and rental income to go directly to fund branch libraries for each individual branch. [07-08-08 @ 1:29 PM]  
**PROGRAM AND SERVICES APPROVED AS AMENDED 5-0-3 (Ald. Baker, Freedman, Hess-Mahan abstaining) on 9-3-08**  
**HELD 6-0 (Ald. Johnson not voting) on 9-22-08**

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

- #259-08 ALD. SANGIOLO requesting discussion with the Executive Department regarding moving the salaries of the Parks & Recreation Commissioner and the Recreation Programs Director to the revolving accounts for various programs. [07-08-08 @ 1:28 PM]  
**PROGRAM AND SERVICES HELD 7-0 on 9-17-08 (Ald. Baker not voting)**

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

- #258-08 ALD. SANGIOLO requesting discussion with the Executive Department regarding reorganization of senior transportation services and establishment of intra-village transportation systems. [07-08-08 @ 1:29 PM]  
**PROGRAM & SERVICES HELD 7-0 on 01-7-09**

- #213-08 ALD. LINKSY, JOHNSON, ALBRIGHT, FREEDMAN, HARNEY, HESS-MAHAN, VANCE, MANSFIELD & PARKER requesting the evaluation of the following in conjunction with the contemplated conversion of general fund monies from operational budget uses to debt service use in regard to the Newton North High School project:
- (a) the impact on city and/or school services,
  - (b) the process by which criteria and prioritization will be established when choices need to be made between services, and
  - (c) whether additional revenue will be required in the form of debt exclusions or otherwise. [04-29-08 @ 11:26 AM]

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

- #207-08 ALD. BRANDEL AND SANGIOLO proposing that the following question be put before the Newton voters:  
 “Shall the City of Newton be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition 2 ½ the amounts required to pay for the bond issuance in order to fund Newton North High School?” [05-21-08 @ 12:58 PM]  
**PROGRAM & SERVICES HELD 7-0 (Ald. Baker not voting) on 11-5-08**

**REFERRED TO PUB. SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION & FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #174-08(2) PUBLIC SAFETY/TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE proposing changes to the rate structure and/or enforcement hours for parking meters as well as installation of additional meters citywide. [06-18-08 @ 8:00 PM]

**REFERRED TO COMMUNITY PRESERVATION & 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**  
**(B) BALANCE OF PROJECT ESTIMATE \$321,900.00**  
**Voice vote APPROVED Motion to amend docket to add referral to Public Facilities Committee on 5-19-08.**  
**FINANCE APPROVED (A) Design Funds at \$37,500 6-0 on 7-21-08**  
**FINANCE HELD (B) Balance of Project on 7-21-08**

**REFERRED TO PROG. & SERV., PUB.FAC. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #89-08 ALD. PARKER requesting the following:
- A) review of the maintenance practices for buildings, parks and other properties owned by the City (including School Department facilities and grounds)
  - B) development of a comprehensive maintenance plan that includes regular schedules for preventive maintenance for each specific site or facility
  - C) a RESOLUTION requesting that implementation of said maintenance plan be funded using operating budget funds.
- [02-13-08 @ 12:07 PM]

**PROGRAMS AND SERVICES HELD 6-0 (Ald. Freedman not voting) on 4-9-08**

**REFERRED TO PROG & SERV, PUB FAC AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #54-08(3) PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEE offering a RESOLUTION to His Honor the Mayor requesting that he request and receive from the State Treasurer a review of the project plans and a review of the project's finance plan and submit said reviews to the Board of Aldermen in order to preserve cost-saving options.
- PROGRAMS & SERVICES APPROVED 4-2-1 (Ald. Baker and Hess-Mahan opposed; Merrill abstaining; Parker not voting) on 3-12-08**
- PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED 5-3 (Ald.Gentile, Salvucci, Schnipper opposed) on 2-20-08**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #33-08 ALD. COLETTI requesting review of the scope of work and performance of Turner Construction and review of proposed 18-month extension of the Turner Construction contract. Included in discussion will be the process for review of future invoices of Dimeo and other vendor invoices by Turner. [01-15-08 @ 11:14]
- PUBLIC FACILITIES NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0 on 12-3-08**
- HELD 6-0 on 12-8-08**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #31-08 ALD. COLETTI proposing a RESOLUTION to His Honor the Mayor expressing a no confidence vote pertaining to the current status of the Newton North High School Construction Project and related Financing Plan. [01-15-08 @ 11:14 AM]

**REFERRED TO PUB. SAFETY & TRANS. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #30-08 ALD. COLETTI requesting a list of current vacancies in the Police, Fire and Public Works Departments, with specific discussion in Committee relative to Police Department vacancies. [01-15-08 @ 11:15 AM]
- PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION HELD 7-0 on 1-21-09**

**ITEM RECOMMITTED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE ON 6/19/08  
REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #11-08 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting an appropriation in the amount of \$1,200,000 from bonded indebtedness for the purpose of funding the installation of four modular classrooms. [01-02-08 @ 4:53 P.M.]  
**B) \$1,225,000 from bonded indebtedness**  
*NOTE: Letter received from Mayor on 1/4/08 requesting that appropriation amount be amended to \$1.3 million. Letters received 5/7 and 5/21 requesting that the funding source to capital stabilization for costs incurred for design work and the remaining \$1,225,000 from bonded indebtedness be voted no action necessary. Part A) \$75,000 from Capital Stabilization approved on 6/19/08.*
- #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. [7-2-08 @ 12:12 PM]  
**HELD 8-0 on 9-8-08**
- #207-07(3) ALD. COLETTI proposing that the sum of \$300,000 be removed from various municipal and school department budgets for FY09 and placed in a separate "employee compensation" reserve account until the Mayor and School Committee present to the Board of Aldermen performance pay plan policies. [7-2-08 @ 12:12 PM]  
**HELD 8-0 on 9-8-08**

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

- #83-07 ALD. YATES requesting that the City of Newton take all possible steps to persuade the General Court to adopt the proportion of Governors Municipal Partnership that would allow the City to reduce employee health insurance costs by joining the Group Insurance Commission. [02-27-07 @ 10:21 PM]  
**PROGRAM & SERVICES HELD 6-0 ON 2-4-09**

**ITEM RECOMMITTED TO PUB. FACIL. & FINANCE COMMITTEES 3/19/07:**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #76-07 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting an appropriation in the amount of \$300,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of conducting a study of the municipal buildings throughout the city. [02-27-07 @ 4:16 PM]  
**PUB FACILITIES APPROVED 6-0-1 (Ald. Gentile abstaining) on 3-7-07**  
**FINANCE MOTION TO APPROVE FAILED TO CARRY 2-4-1 (Ald. Lennon, Salvucci, Gentile and Coletti opposed; Linsky abstaining) on 3-12-07**  
**PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED AS AMENDED 5-0 @ \$250,000 on 10-15-07**



- #453-06 LEON JR. AND MARION D. SEMONIAN, 373 Dedham Street, requesting total abatement of betterment assessment in the amount of \$2,690 (assessed for sidewalk/curbing/road improvements to Countryside Road and Patten Circle). [11-16-06@11:02 AM]

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #345-06 ALD. SCHNIPPER requesting that the contingency on smaller Public Buildings projects be increased from 5% to at least 8%.

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

- #267-06(3) ALD. PARKER, BURG, LINSKY, FISCHMAN, HESS-MAHAN, VANCE, HARNEY, JOHNSON, & DANBERG proposing Home Rule Legislation authorizing the City of Newton to apply the ordinance proposed in item #267-06(2) to assets held by the City's retirement system.

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

- #245-06 ALD. JOHNSON AND HESS-MAHAN requesting an amendment to the City Charter to require the Mayor annually to prepare and submit to the Board of Aldermen a long-term financial forecast of anticipated revenue, expenditures and the general financial condition of the City, including, but not limited to identification of any factors which will affect the financial condition of the City; projected revenue and expenditure trends; potential sources of new or expanded revenues; anticipated municipal needs likely to require major expenditures; and a strategic plan for meeting anticipated municipal needs, to include, but not be limited to, any long or short-term actions that may be taken to enhance the financial condition of the City.

**PROGRAM & SERVICES HELD 8-0 on 11-5-08**

- #93-06(2) ROBERT E. & ANNE M. SULLIVAN, 391 Dedham Street, applying for abatement of a street betterment assessment in the amount of \$15, 880 levied by the Board of Aldermen in Board Order #93-06 which improved Countryside Road by the laying out, grading and acceptance of it as a public way. [07-02-07 @ 2:24 PM]

**HELD 5-0 (Ald. Johnson, Coletti and Freedman not present and voting) on 2-11-08**

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

- # 35-06 ALD. JOHNSON AND HESS-MAHAN requesting discussion with the School Department and School Committee members regarding the results of the studies addressing compensation for management and executive personnel and organizational structure of central administrative salaries.

**PROGRAM & SERVICES NO ACTION NECESSARY 6-0 on 4-18-07**

**HELD 6-0 (Ald. Salvucci and Gentile not voting) on 10-27-08**

- #29-06 ALD. JOHNSON AND PARKER requesting creation of a Citizen Financial Advisory Committee to work with city officials and staff to facilitate bench markers, strategic planning, and other initiatives to improve the financial operation of the City.  
(President's Note: While not formally referred to the Long Range Planning Committee, this item might usefully be discussed there in light of prior discussions of similar issues.)

**ITEM RECOMMITTED ON 3-5-07 TO FINANCE COMMITTEE ONLY:  
REFERRED TO PROGRAMS AND SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #23-06 ALD PARKER AND LINSKY requesting that the City adopt §19 of MGL Chapter 32B to allow retiree coalition bargaining of health care benefits  
**PROGRAM AND SERVICES NO ACTION NECESSARY 4-0-2 (Ald. Parker and Merrill abstaining; Sangiolo not voting) on 3-8-06  
FINANCE NO ACTION NECESSARY 5-0-3 (Ald. Lennon, Linsky and Parker abstaining) on 2-12-07  
HELD 8-0 on 9-8-08**
- #209-05 ALD. STEWART requesting that the Mayor provide the Board of Aldermen with a list of all salaried City employees who receive additional compensation (other than overtime) along with an explanation of the exact reasons for said additional payments.

**REFERRED TO PROG. & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #264-03(3) ALD. JOHNSON AND BAKER requesting update on the work of the Taxation Aid Committee established by the Board of Aldermen in March 2004 in administering aid to the elderly taxation fund.  
**PROGRAM & SERVICES HELD 6-0 (Ald. Parker not voting) on 4-23-08**

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

- #168-02 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting that the Board of Aldermen establish new civil fines under Section 20-21 of the City of Newton Ordinances for the violation of various environmental provisions enforced by the Conservation Commission.  
**ZONING & PLANNING APPROVED 6-0 on 12-13-04**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES & FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #55-02 ALD. YATES requesting that the water/sewer discount rate be made available to homeowners who receive Fuel Assistance, Supplementary Security Income, Food Stamps, Supplementary Disability Income, General Relief, Low Income Sewer and Water Assistance, School Breakfast and Lunch and other income based State and Federal programs.  
**PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED 6-0 on 6-16-04**

**REFERRED TO PROG. & SERV., PUB. FAC. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#309-01 ALD. PARKER requesting increase in the income eligibility level of the 30% water/sewer discount for low-income senior citizens.

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul E. Coletti, Chairman



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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to appropriate \$31,100 from Budget Reserve to the Fire Department for the purpose of purchasing a replacement for the utility pick-up truck with plow.

This request is for the cost of a new replacement vehicle. We are exploring the acquisition of a vehicle at auction which would reduce the total cost. We will keep you informed as to the outcome.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

David B. Cohen  
Mayor

DBC:srb

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Honorable David B. Cohen, Mayor  
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09 JAN 27 PM 6:05  
CITY CLERK  
NEWTON, MA 02159

Dear Mayor Cohen,

I am requesting that you authorize the emergency replacement of the Newton Fire Department Service Light Truck.

As you are aware we have not been able to replace our vehicles in a timely manner through the CIP process. As a result this truck, which is a 1995 Ford F-250 pick-up truck with plow, should have been taken off the road due to current condition. I had requested that this vehicle be replaced with the request submitted for the other vehicles in the Department dated November 20, 2008. I was granted the replacement of six vehicles, and hoped to replace the light trucks in the spring. During the last snow storm the front differential cracked in half and the truck is out of service. I am told by Ford that you can not purchase that part for that truck any longer. They have stopped making that model and they do not have any in stock due to the age of the vehicle.

In the interest of supplying the stations and the department with the necessary stock and supplies to function, as well as maintaining the stations during snow emergencies. I respectfully request you seek the necessary funds so that I may replace this light truck. Cost for these replacement vehicles will not exceed \$31,100.00.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joseph E. LaCroix".

Joseph E LaCroix  
Chief of Department

cc: Susan Burstein, Chief Budget Officer



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Honorable David B. Cohen, Mayor  
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Dear Mayor Cohen:

I respectfully request the amount of \$13,860.00 to purchase software from Tyler Technologies, Munis. This software, Munis Office, will enable departments to download information from Munis into Excel spreadsheets and Word documents. This software will facilitate reconciliation of accounts receivables and the generation of reports.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ann L. Cornaro  
Director of Information Technology





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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to appropriate from Budget Reserve \$18,850 to the Information Technology Department for the purpose of upgrading the Sungard Pentamation CommunityPlus software. This upgrade will facilitate data entry of permit receipts from ISD as well as automate other functions in ISD and Treasury.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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Honorable David B. Cohen, Mayor  
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Dear Mayor Cohen:

I respectfully request the amount of \$18,850.00 to upgrade our current Sungard Pentamation CommunityPlus software. CommunityPlus software is used to generate permits, automate plan reviews and track code enforcement. The upgrade to this software would allow for on-line capabilities to apply for and pay for permits. The upgrade will also provide the automatic creation of receipts batches, which will eliminate the need for data entry in two departments, ISD and Treasury. The scope of the project includes: a) conversion of our current data, b) 5 days of training and c) installation of the new software.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

*Ann L. Cornaro*

Ann L. Cornaro  
Director of Information Technology



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Honorable Board of Aldermen  
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to appropriate \$225,000 from Bonded Indebtedness to the Building Department for the purpose of replacing a boiler at the Angier School.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

David B. Cohen  
Mayor

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PUBLIC BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT

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David B. Cohen  
Mayor

January 15, 2009

The Honorable David B. Cohen  
Mayor  
Newton City Hall  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton Centre, MA 02459

RE: Angier School Boiler Replacement

Dear Mayor Cohen:

The Public Buildings Department respectfully requests the sum of \$225,000 to design and replace one of the boilers at Angier School. The new burner will be a combination oil/gas style. Existing boiler #1 has multiple leaking sections and mud drum nipples. This current boiler is over 75 years of age and replacement is recommended. There are two other boilers, however, boiler #3 has the same issues, and boiler #2 has leaking sections, but is currently operational. Reliability is questionable.

Should you have any questions regarding this matter, please feel free to contact my office.

Sincerely,

A. Nicholas Parnell, AIA  
Commissioner of Public Buildings

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Enclosure

CC: Sandy Pooler, Chief Administrative Officer  
Josh Morse, HVAC Technologist  
Susan Burstein, Chief Budget Officer

**Angier School - Estimate for Boiler and related equipment Replacement** #42,09

Boiler and related equipment Demo	\$	25,000
New Boiler and related piping	\$	70,000
Asbestos abatement	\$	35,000
Dual Oil/Natural Gas Burner	\$	27,500
Condensate Return & related boiler room equipment replacement	\$	25,750
Hot water piping replacement	\$	7,500
Design / Contract Administration	\$	23,500
Sub Total	\$	214,250
5% Contingency	\$	<u>10,713</u>
<b>Project Cost</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>224,963 *</b>

Rounded to \$225,000

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Honorable Board of Aldermen  
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to appropriate one million dollars (\$1,000,000) from Free Cash for the purpose supplementing the snow and ice budget in the Department of Public Works to be broken down as follows:

Salaries	\$300,000
Expenses	\$700,000

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

David B. Cohen  
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Mayor

January 27, 2009

Mayor David B. Cohen  
Newton City Hall  
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09 JAN 27 PM 6:05  
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Re: Request for Transfer From Free Cash to Snow and Ice Budget

Dear Mayor Cohen:

The Department of Public Works respectfully requests the Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to appropriate and expend one million dollars (\$1,000,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of supplementing the snow and ice budget in the Department of Public Works. The current snow and ice account balance is \$36,695.

The city has spent (expended, encumbered and to be processed) \$2,371,245 through January 22<sup>nd</sup> on snow and ice broken down as follows:

Plow Contractors	\$788,570
Salt/Sand	\$983,243
Labor/Parts/Etc.	\$599,432

To date, the city has had 44.5" of snow through 10 weather events. We have performed six full plowing operations and an additional one that only involved city vehicles for plowing, along with numerous sanding operations. More snow is forecast for Wednesday, January 28<sup>th</sup>.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Thomas E. Daley, P.E.  
Commissioner of Public Works

CC: Susan Burstein, Chief Budget Officer  
Sandy Pooler, Chief Administrative Officer  
Ryan Ferrara, DPW Chief of Budget and Finance  
David Wilkinson, Comptroller  
David Turocy, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works



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David B. Cohen  
Mayor

January 30, 2009

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To: Finance Committee  
From: David Turocy, Deputy Commissioner of Public Works  
Subject: Snow Storm Costs

As requested, attached is a cost break-out for each storm event this winter. The report is broken down by weather event, with expense categories of labor, plowing contractors and salt/sand.

While the contractor numbers are exact figures as per our bids' per-inch costs, the labor and salt costs are estimates. The labor figures include overtime expenses and the contractual driving premium paid to the workforce during plowing operations. Exact numbers are difficult to determine due to extended operations both before and after the storm, but these figures are in line with our weekly overtime payroll sheets. Likewise, precise salt costs are based on delivery prices, not usage, but again reasonable estimates can be derived from an understanding of pre and post storm sanding operations and subsequent salt deliveries.

These numbers are inclusive of the recent January 28<sup>th</sup> storm, which was not included in your most recent Snow and Ice Update from the Department. There are also a number of smaller operations and expenses that occur outside of the storm events so that these figures will not exactly match those of our Snow and Ice Update.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have in regard to this report.

cc: T. Daley, DPW Commissioner  
R. Ferrara, DPW Chief of Finance/Budget  
S. Pooler, Chief Admin Officer  
S. Burstein, Chief Budget Officer



Storm Report 2008-2009

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Storm Date	Inches	Operation	Conditions	Labor	Contractors	Salt	Total
12/17/2009	1	NEWTON, MA 02459 Plow	Light Snow	20		50	70
12/19/2008	11	Plow	Snow	90	194	100	384
12/20/2008	1.5	Sand	Snow	10.0		50	60
12/21/2008	5	Plow	Snow W/ Rain at End	80	114	100	294
12/31/2008	6.5	Plow	Snow	80	114	100	294
1/5/2009		Sand	Rain and Sleet	10		50	60
1/7/2009	1.5	Plow (City only)	Snow and Ice	25		50	75
1/10/2009	5	Plow	Snow	80	114	100	294
1/18/2009	7.5	Plow	Snow	80	139	100	319
1/19/2009	4.5	Plow	Snow	40	114	100	254
1/28/2009	4.5	Plow	Snow	40	114	100	254
	48.0			\$555	\$903	\$900	\$2,358



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Honorable Board of Aldermen  
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration two requests to transfer funds in the Water and Sewer Enterprise Funds. In the Sewer fund, transfer \$53,000 from MWRA assessments to utilities and in the Water Fund transfer \$38,000 from MWRA assessments to utilities. Final MWRA assessments for FY09 are lower than budgeted and fuel accounts are in need of additional funds because of the unusually high costs.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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January 22, 2009

Mayor David B. Cohen  
Newton City Hall  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton Centre, MA 02459

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NEWTON, MA 02159

Re: Request for Transfer of Funds in Water and Sewer Enterprise Accounts

Dear Mayor Cohen:

The Department of Public Works respectfully requests the following transfers to cover projected year end shortfalls in the Utilities Division gasoline and diesel accounts:

Amount

\$18,000

From

27A10781-563001 (MWRA Assessments - MWRA Charges)

To

27A401L2-5480 (Vehicle Equipment Maintenance - Gasoline)

Amount

\$35,000

From

27A10781-563001 (MWRA Assessments - MWRA Charges)

To

27A401L2-5481 (Vehicle Equipment Maintenance - Diesel)

Amount

\$15,000

From

28A10781-563001 (MWRA Assessments - MWRA Charges)

To

28A401L2-5480 (Vehicle Equipment Maintenance - Gasoline)

Amount

\$23,000

From

28A10781-563001 (MWRA Assessments - MWRA Charges)

To

28A401L2-5481 (Vehicle Equipment Maintenance - Diesel)

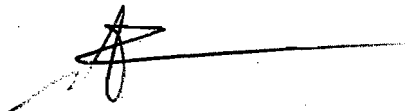
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The FY09 Water and Sewer fuel line items were increased on average by 16% from the FY08 budget in anticipation of higher fuel costs. Actual FY09 fuel charges were significantly higher than budgeted. Based upon the contracted per gallon charge, which was unavailable at the time the FY09 budget was finalized, and revised five-year (FY04-08) average fuel use estimate, DPW is requesting a net transfer of \$91,000 into the Utilities fuel budget. Funds are available from the MWRA Assessment line items since the budgeted MWRA wholesale charge, based on MWRA's February 13, 2008 preliminary assessment, was \$339,982 higher than the final combined water and sewer wholesale charges.

The FY10 fuel rates were bid in the beginning of January 2009 and are significantly lower than the FY09 figures. Based on the five-year (FY04-08) average fuel use and the recently contracted fuel rates, the total FY10 Utilities fuel budget will likely remain unchanged from the FY09 budget. Essentially this transfer is needed to cover a one-time increase in fuel costs reflecting unprecedented fluctuations in the oil market.

If you agree with this request, I ask that you docket this item with the Board of Alderman. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Thomas E. Daley, P.E.  
Commissioner of Public Works

CC: Susan Burstein, Chief Budget Officer  
Sandy Pooler, Chief Administrative Officer  
Ryan Ferrara, DPW Chief of Budget and Finance  
David Wilkinson, Comptroller  
Dave Turocy, Deputy Comm. of P.W.  
Fred Russell, Utilities Director

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January 27, 2009

Honorable Board of Aldermen  
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to appropriate a total of \$276,725 from Budget Reserve to various departments, as detailed below, to supplement the fuel accounts. As you know, the cost of liquid fuels is higher this year than originally budgeted.

	Gasoline	Diesel	Heating Oil	TOTAL
Police	45,000			45,000
Fire		25,000	56,000	81,000
Human Services	600			600
Assessing	500			500
Weights & Measures	125			125
Public Works		110,000	11,500	121,500
Parks & Recreation		5,000	23,000	28,000
TOTAL	46,225	140,000	90,500	276,725

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

David B. Cohen  
Mayor

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December 26, 2008

Honorable Board of Aldermen  
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to appropriate \$385,000 from bonded indebtedness to the Public Works Department for the purpose of replacing both the salt shed and the Quonset Hut at Crafts Street. The plan is to install a single pre-engineered structure to meet the needs of the existing deteriorating structures.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

David B. Cohen  
Mayor

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## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

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Mayor

TO: Honorable David B. Cohen, Mayor

THRU: Sanford Pooler, Chief Administrative Officer  
Susan Burstein, Chief Budget Officer

FROM: Thomas E. Daley, P.E., Commissioner *TD*

RE: Funding Request for Craft St. Salt Sheds and Quonset Hut

DATE: December 18, 2008

08 DEC 30 PM 5:05  
CITY CLERK  
NEWTON, MA 02159

Dear Mayor Cohen:

The CIP has contained a couple of items for many years now. They are new Salt Sheds for the Craft St. Highway Facility along with a new "Quonset hut". Due to the extreme deterioration of the salt sheds and the Quonset hut I hereby request funding in the amount of \$385,000 to replace all of the structures.

The Crafts Street Highway Facility has two wooden salt storage sheds that combined hold less than the single shed at Elliot Street (2,000 tons versus 5,000 tons). This is insufficient capacity for extended snow and ice operations. Furthermore, both of these sheds are in very poor condition, containing damaged walls and broken/missing roof support trusses. One shed has had its doorway frame dislodged off its foundation and should only be entered upon emergency situations.

We propose to install a single pre-engineered Quonset-style building built over the footprint of the two existing salt sheds. It will provide increased storage capacity along with improved accessibility for equipment.

The Craft St. metal Quonset Hut is in such disrepair that it is not cost effective to attempt renovations and repairs. The "Hut" is used for storage of sand trucks in winter and sweepers in summer.

Should you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you.

cc: D. Turocy, Deputy Commissioner  
S. Tocci, Director of Highway Operations  
K. Griffey, Dir. Of DPW Admin.  
R. Ferrera, DPW Budget Officer  
N. Parnell, Commissioner of Public Buildings

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David B. Cohen  
Mayor

TO: Honorable Board of Alderman  
THRU: Honorable David B. Cohen, Mayor  
Sanford Pooler, Chief Administrative Officer  
FROM: Thomas E. Daley, P.E., Commissioner *td*  
RE: Funding Request for Craft St. Salt Sheds and Quonset Hut  
DATE: January 8, 2009

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Dear Board Members:

During last evening's deliberations by the Public Facilities Committee, Alderman Lappin requested the following breakdown of our construction cost estimate for the above referenced project. It is as follows:

SALT SHED:

1) Demolition (in-house):	\$0
2) Material Disposal:	\$10,000
3) Site Preparation:	\$35,000
4) Electrical Work (lights, etc.)	\$5,000
5) Block Foundation (construct in-house):	\$30,000
6) Structure (by contractor):	<u>\$200,000</u>
	Sub-Total: \$280,000

QUONSET HUT:

7) Demolition (in-house):	\$0
8) Foundation Prep.:	\$5,000



9)	Electrical Work (lights, etc.)	\$5,000
10)	Garage Door:	\$5,000
11)	Structure (by contractor):	\$80,000
	Sub-Total:	\$95,000

Project Total: \$280,000 + \$95,000 = \$375,000 + \$10,000 contingency = \$385,000

Also please note that Alderman Gentile asked about our Dept. capital priorities. To the best of my knowledge these requests have been in the CIP for several years. Considering only General Fund DPW items (non-enterprise account) after a multi-million dollar Road and Sidewalk Reconstruction Program these structures would be our top priorities. The Union President has also expressed deep concern to me about the safety of "his" employees working within the building. He has mentioned requesting they be condemned. Considering the staff safety issue along with the commodity value of the salt being stored, the public safety need for adequate salt storage volumes and the value of the large construction vehicles and sweepers kept in the Quonset hut we believe these structures are very important to replace as soon as possible.

Should you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Thank you.

cc: D. Turocy, Deputy Commissioner  
 S. Tocci, Director of Highway Operations  
 L. Taverna, City Engineer

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