

CITY OF NEWTON

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

FINANCE COMMITTEE AGENDA

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2007

7:45 p.m.  
 Room 222  
 City Hall

**NEW BUSINESS:**

***\*\*\*items to be discussed:***

#32-07 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting an appropriation in the amount of \$7,500 from Budget Reserve for the purpose of purchasing supplies necessary for the maintenance of the Automatic External Defibrillators (AED's) that are maintained by the Fire Department. [01-30-07@5:07PM]

**REFERRED TO PS&T AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#33-07 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting an appropriation in the amount of \$116,650 from Free Cash for the purpose of purchasing Communications Consoles for installation in the Dispatch Center at Police Headquarters. These consoles are an important component of the upgrade of the E-911 emergency communication system. [01-30-07@5:07PM]

**PS&T APPROVED 7-0 (Ald. Harney not voting) on 2/7/07**

#28-07 COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS requesting approval of the following mentioned sidewalk/driveway apron and/or curb betterments; said betterments graded and constructed and assessments to be levied under the provisions of MGL Chapter 83, Sec. 26, authorizing the assessment of betterments for sidewalk construction.

<u>PROPERTY OWNER</u>	<u>LOCATION/SBL</u>	<u>BK / PG</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1. Caplis, David J.	118 Winchester St 83-10-15	1194 / 96	\$773.70
2. Krasnow, Jamie A.	134 Winchester St. 83-10-12	1253 / 37	\$725.10
3. Mallory, Margaret M. & Kevin	147 Winchester St. 83-11-10	1104 / 114	\$609.60
4. Gensir, Leslie	151 Winchester St. 83-11-9	1148 / 55	\$626.10
5. Swindle, Anne Borg	155 Winchester St. 83-11-8	13748 / 128	\$1252.20
6. Poster, Jeanine C.	166 Winchester St. 83-10-5	1088 / 20	\$658.20
7. Chari, Susan & Ravii	174 Winchester St. 83-10-3	1080 / 11	\$706.80

8. Buechler, Peter	177 Winchester St. 83-11-3	1233 / 74	\$938.70
9. Guyetsky , Viktor & Dina	193 Winchester St. 83-16-1	1207 / 40	\$577.50
10. McCarthy, John D.	194 Winchester St. 83-19-15	1193 / 73	\$872.70
11. Kanellias, Maria & Michael D.	199 Winchester St. 83-16-2	1301 / 13	\$955.20
12. Kanellias, Maria & Michael D.	199 Winchester St. 83-16-3 (empty Lot)	1301 / 13	\$2,029.50
13. Glukhovskiy, Yakir	229 Winchester St. 83-18-2	33773 / 495	\$1,846.20
14. Edelstein, Gregg & Karen	230 Winchester St. 83-19-11	46021 / 191	\$1,054.20
15. Jonas, Leslie A.	238 Winchester St. 83-19-9	1167 / 68	\$871.80
16. Martins, Paulo Y.	239 Winchester St. 83-18-4	41898 / 44	\$1,368.60
17. Ship, Annabelle	269 Winchester St. 83-28-21	31723 / 464	\$674.70
18. Hinchey, George	275 Winchester St. 83-28-22	32605 / 297	\$970.80

[01-25-07@11:14AM]

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1. Aristarkhov, Sergey	290 Winchester St. 83-27-23	1248 / 139	\$1,021.20
2. Celi, Mary & Francis	291 Winchester St. 83-28-27	35974 / 378	\$953.40
3. Massarsky, Lev	296 Winchester St. 83-27-22	1225 / 162	\$1,235.70
4. Drapkin, Melvin	308 Winchester St. 83-27-20	1229 / 20	\$1,186.20
5. Eby, David	361 Winchester St. 83-28-40	38632 / 519	\$1,021.20
6. Hillis, Duane	499 Winchester St. 83-35-2	15604 / 511	\$2,883.90
7. Ash, Paul B.	48 Greenwood St.	987 / 25	\$1,516.50

	82-9-20			
8. Sharon, Andre	149 Greenwood St. 81-5-39	22157 / 412	\$1,367.70	
9. Mohan, Arni & Ann	141 Greenwood St. 81-5-38	41573 / 55	\$1,072.50	
10. Lipton, Steven B.	166 Greenwood St. 82-7-15	35939 / 239	\$1,071.00	
11. Lipton, Steven B.	170 Greenwood St. 82-7-15A	23223 / 216	\$1,071.00	
12. Goldie, Mark	179 Greenwood St. 81-5-23	21390 / 104	\$1,170.00	
13. Sklover, Susan K.	180 Greenwood St. 82-7-16	30050 / 287	\$1,368.00	
14. Hartstein, David & Lisa	217 Greenwood St. 81-3-19	19674 / 598	\$1,117.50	
15. Kozinets, Alex	229 Greenwood St. 81-3-21	1290 / 175	\$1,302.00	
16. Goldberg, Arthur J.	234 Greenwood St. 82-10-3	26916 / 516	\$1,830.00	
17. Holzwasser, Helen A.	1818 Beacon St. 55-16-1	41839 / 257	\$1,862.70	
18. Seeto, Jean C.	1830 Beacon St. 55-17-4	27737 / 304	\$1,716.00	
19. Unflat, Laura M.	1964/1966 Beacon St. 55-25-8	41784 / 533	\$1,004.70	
20. Bresler, Sheryl	1970 Beacon St. 55-25-7	1078 / 2	\$1,167.90	

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1. Etter, Faye M.	8 Varick Road 55-25-6	996 / 160	\$1,055.10
2. Waxman, Sheila	30 Clements Rd. 73-25-9	26549 / 38	\$1,433.70
3. Wand, Mitchell	62 Clements Rd. 73-25-5	32229 / 109	\$1,219.20

4. Budin, Alina	150 Country Club Rd. 82-10-1	35714 / 44	\$1,089.00
5. Campbell, Christopher	371 Highland St. 32-53-40	31612 / 169	\$1,294.50
6. Sawyer, Linda	146 Forest Ave. 32-52-1	37935 / 155	\$3,183.00
7. D'Ambrosio, Patrick	6 Freeman St. 41-30-21	9944 / 222	\$1,153.00
8. Noble, Christopher & Leslia	148 Kirkstall Rd. 22-21-32	24144 / 446	\$1,165.00
9. Logalbo, Mary	55 Herrick Rd. 65-19-8	39318 / 366	\$2,250.00
10. Cooper, Paul R.	44 Ballard St. 73-31-11	18663 / 53	\$1,206.50
11. Korin, Caren & Hiller	19 Druid Hill Rd. 83-24-7	1256 / 185	\$1,803.00
12. Scott, A.W.	49/51 Pembroke St. 72-13-9	40882 / 284	\$1,080.00
13. Camoscio, Cosmo & Madeline	57 Metacomet Rd. 55-4-1	654 / 167	\$1,452.00
14. McDonald, David J.	356 Linwood Ave. 21-24-8	19532 / 251	\$1,825.00
15. Sequeira, Shobar .	80 Woodchester Dr. 73-16-1	1152 / 191	\$1,380.00
16. Atree, Wayne	65(61?) Pembroke St. 72-13-11	10696 / 498	\$2,892.50
17. Hamilton, Michael	21 Lake Ave. 62-8-8	26377 / 234	\$3,460.50

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<u>PROPERTY OWNER</u>	<u>LOCATION/SBL</u>	<u>BK / PG</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1. Gore, Barbara	1525 Centre St. 52-26-1	32495 / 584	\$1,142.00
2. Bernstein, Stephen	97 Hillside Ave. 32-3-12	28513 / 323	\$1,368.00
3. Parmenter, David & Jennifer	165 Hunnewell Ave. 71-19-4	35663 / 211	\$1,730.00

4. Nibi, Theresa A.	154/156 Langdon St. 13-18-11	33516 / 209	\$2,224.50
5. Logalbo, Mary	55 Herrick Rd. 65-19-8	39318 / 366	\$1,476.00
6. Muzykin, Roman	60 Hatfield Rd. 34-16-44	31943 / 351	\$922.00
7. McLellan, Mary A.	59 Carl St. 83-28-59	41365 / 5	\$726.00
8. Sternberg, Edgardo R.	90 Meadowbrook Rd. 81-8-4	32601 / 425	\$5,097.00
9. Kinney, Leila & Summit, Paul	36 Regent St. 32-47-1	26450 / 316	\$4,171.50
10. Karmel, Marianne M.	391 Highland St. 24-24-2	31700 / 514	\$2,088.50
11. Hutchins, Donald Mrs.	22/24 Melbourne Ave. 14-2-7	11375 / 133	\$516.00
12. Geuss, Anne H.	88 Grasmere St. 71-25-7A	28755 / 414	\$769.00
13. McQuillian, Mark	12 Kimball Ter. 24-17-14	43492 / 565	\$548.00
14. Halem, Lynne & Steve	47 Sargent St. 72-27-1	15118 / 510	\$3,540.00

[01-25-07@11:14AM]

#371-05(2) CITY ENGINEER, in accordance with Ordinance Sec.26-49, **Street Betterments**, paragraph (a)(1) requesting approval of the following list of betterment assessments for the completed project for Silver Lake Avenue Public Way Layout (from Adams Street to #24 Silver Lake Ave.):

<u>PROPERTY OWNER</u>	<u>LOCATION/SBL</u>	<u>BK / PG</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1) Chapel Bridge Park Associates	Silver Lake Avenue 14-009-0003	Reg. Land Cert.#125269 Reg. Book 756, Pg.119 Lots 150,151,152, 153,154 (Plan No.4466a)	\$12,177.90

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| 2) Craig R. Edsall  | 36-38 Silver Lake Avenue<br>14-010-0009    | Reg. Land \$4,253.15<br>Cert.#226584<br>Reg. Book 1263, Pg.34<br>Lots 178,179 (Plan<br>No.4466a) |
| 3) Ethel A. O'Connor,<br>David A. Proia and<br>Carla B. Pavao | 30 Silver Lake Avenue<br>14-010-0010       | Reg. Land \$2,296.76<br>Cert.#231131<br>Reg. Book 1285, Pg.178<br>Lot 180 (Plan No.4466a)        |
| 4) Kit Yee Kwong Tam,<br>Hoi Ping Tam                         | vacant lot Silver Lake Ave.<br>14-010-0011 | Reg. Land \$2,296.76<br>Cert.#192438<br>Reg. Book726, Pg.187<br>Lot 181 (Plan No.4466a)          |
| 5) Kit Yee Kwong Tam,<br>Hoi H.Ping Tam                       | 24-28 Silver Lake Avenue<br>14-010-0012    | Reg. Land \$2,296.76<br>Cert.#192438<br>Reg.Book 1092, Pg.88<br>Lot 182 (Plan No.4466a)          |

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#371-05(3) CHAPEL BRIDGE PARK ASSOCIATES requesting abatement in the amount of \$12,177.90, as assessed to SBL 14-009-0003 by Board Order #371-05(2) for the Silver Lake Avenue Public Layout project.

***\*\*\*item not yet scheduled for discussion:***

**REFERRED TO CMTE. ON COMM. PRES. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#34-07 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending that the sum of \$74,770 be appropriated from the Community Preservation Fund for purposes of funding the *City Archive Preservation* project. [01-25-07 @4:06PM]

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

***\*\*\*items to be discussed:***

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

#14-07 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting an appropriation in the amount of \$30,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of making repairs to the Gath Pool.[1-9-07 @4:54 PM]

**PROGRAMS & SERVICES APPROVED 8-0 ON 2/7/07**

**\*\*\*NOTE: It is expected that the following two items will be voted NAN:**

#206-00(2) HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to expend \$35,000 from Hebrew College pursuant to provisions of Special Permit #66-98(3) and a Traffic Mitigation Agreement between the City and Hebrew College, to be used toward the cost of traffic improvements, studies or transportation programs selected by the City for the purpose of mitigating potential impacts of the Hebrew College project on Herrick and Langley Roads or improving traffic and flow in the Herrick Road area. Note: #206-00, approved 6/5/00, authorized acceptance of these funds; #206-00(3), approved 6/19/00, requested implementation of accounting measures to track future expenditures; #206-00(2), the actual expenditure, was held in Committee on 6/19/00 to allow Board review of proposed mitigation measures and costs on a case-by-case basis.

**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 **PROG. & SERV. NO ACTION NECESSARY 4-0-2 (Parker, Merrill abstaining; Sangiolo not voting) on 3/8/06.**

**\*\*\*items not yet scheduled for discussion:**

#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 FINANCE AND APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES**

#459-06 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR submitting the FY08-FY12 Capital Improvement Program pursuant to section 5-3 of the Newton City Charter which requires Board of Aldermen approval of a plan to finance \$74,304,723 of new local projects over the next several years:

SUMMARY

PUBLIC WORKS	\$ 37,630,557
PUBLIC SAFETY.	\$ 5,256,874
PUBLIC BUILDINGS	\$ 2,889,498
SCHOOL DEPARTMENT	\$ 10,035,826
PARKS AND RECREATION	\$ 2,390,713
OTHER	\$ 6,874,938
CPA – Historic	\$ 615,500
CPA – Open Space	\$ 6,515,418
CPA - Recreation	\$ 2,185,399
TOTAL	\$ 74,304,723

[11-20-06@8:52 P.M.]

*NOTE: The President asks that the following jointly referred item be discussed at the same time by the three Committees involved, since state officials would be invited and such a meeting would also depend on when such officials could attend:*

**REFERRED TO PROG&SERVICES, PUBLIC FAC & FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#357-06 ALD. COLETTI, PARKER, ALBRIGHT, LINSKY, JOHNSON, MANSFIELD, SANGIOLO, & HARNEY requesting discussion with School Building Assistance Bureau representatives regarding factors affecting state reimbursement for Newton school projects, including Newton North High School.

*NOTE: The President asks that the following jointly referred item be discussed at the same time by the three Committees involved to avoid duplication of effort:*

**REFERRED TO PROG&SERVICES, PUBLIC FACILITIES & FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#379-06 ALD. BAKER, SCHNIPPER, HESS-MAHAN & Vance requesting a report from the Executive Department and City Comptroller on state reimbursement and loan subsidies available for Newton School projects, including Newton North High School, as well as how best to ask for further clarification, as desired, from staff of the Massachusetts School Building Authority as to such issues as timing, amount and conditions of such funding.

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

#276-06(2) HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting an appropriation in the amount of \$1,800,000 from bonded indebtedness for the purpose of funding the construction of a new synthetic turf recreation complex at Newton South High School (these funds will supplement the requested CPA funds for this project under item #276-06).

**PROG. AND SERV. HELD AWAITING CCP ACTION ON #276-06 ON 10/18/06**

**PUBLIC FACILITIES TO MEET**

**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%.

#91-06 COMPTROLLER providing interim reports on the financial condition of various City funds and account groups.

**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.



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

- #455-05 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting an appropriation in the amount of  
(21-05.2) \$6,000 from the Riverside Traffic Mitigation Fund for the purpose of  
funding the installation of a radar-controlled speed limit sign at the  
intersection of Concord and Grove Streets. (#65-05)

**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 FINANCE AND PROGRAMS & SERVICES 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.

**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**

- #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.)

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

- #364-04 ALD. SANGIOLO & HARNEY requesting a RESOLUTION to His Honor the Mayor to ask that the City acquire, whether by eminent domain or by purchase, the two parking lots associated with the St. Bernard's property for the purpose of providing commuter parking.  
**ZONING & PLANNING APPROVED AS AMENDED 8-0 ON 9/13/04**

**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.
- #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 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.  
**PROG. & SERV. HELD 5-0 (Sangiolo not voting) ON 3/2/06**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #160-05 ALD. HARNEY, SANGIOLO, PARKER AND HESS-MAHAN requesting an independent audit and possible appointment of an independent commission to investigate the Newton South construction project.  
**PF AND FINCOM HELD IN COMMITTEE ON FLOOR OF THE BOARD ON 11/21/05**

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

#276-06 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending that the sum of \$2,253,000 be appropriated from the Community Preservation Fund for purposes of funding the *Newton South High School Synthetic Turf* recreation project.

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

#453-05 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting that the sum of \$150,000 be appropriated from bonded indebtedness for the purpose of funding a space needs study for the elementary schools throughout the City.

**PROG. & SERV. APPROVED 4-0-1 (Sangiolo abstaining; Baker not voting) ON 3/22/06**

Respectfully Submitted,

Paul E. Coletti, Chairman