



Programs & Services Committee Report

City of Newton In City Council

Thursday, February 8, 2024

Present: Councilors Krintzman (Chair), Oliver, Micley, Malakie, Lobovits, and Baker

Absent: Councilors Humphrey, and Farrell

City Staff: Jaclyn Norton, Committee Clerk

For more information regarding this meeting, a video recording can be found at the following link: [Programs and Services Committee - February 8, 2024 \(youtube.com\)](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)

#56-24 Appointment of Eliza Spaulding to the Human Rights Commission

HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Eliza Spaulding, 160 Pine Street, Newton as a member of the Human Rights Commission for a term of office set to expire on March 6, 2026. (60 Days: 03/17/24)

Action: Programs & Services Approved 6-0

Note: Eliza Spaulding joined the Committee and described her experiences growing up being the only family of a diverse background in a small community. Ms. Spaulding also spoke regarding her professional experience in conservation and diversity, equity, and inclusion. She noted that while serving on the Commission she would like to increase awareness of the Commission and promote having respectful dialogues throughout the City. Multiple Councilors stated support for her appointment and voted 6-0 on a motion to approve from Councilor Krintzman.

#91-24 Reappointment of John Neville to Newton Commonwealth Foundation

HER HONOR THE MAYOR reappointing John Neville, 68 High Street, Newton Upper Falls as a member of the Newton Commonwealth Foundation for a term of office set to expire on September 18, 2024. (60 Days: 04/05/2024)

Action: Programs & Services Approved 6-0

Note: The Chair read items #91-24, #92-24, #93-24, and #94-24 into the record. A Councilor provided the Committee with a brief history of the Commonwealth Golf Course which is overseen by the Newton Commonwealth Foundation. Councilors citing no concerns with the reappointments voted 6-0 on a motion to approve from Councilor Baker.

#92-24 Reappointment of Peter Doherty to the Newton Commonwealth Foundation

HER HONOR THE MAYOR reappointing Peter Doherty, 110 Washington Park, Newtonville as a member of the Newton Commonwealth Foundation for a term of office set to expire on June 30, 2026 (60 Days: 04/05/2024)

Action: **Programs & Services Approved 6-0**

Note: This item was discussed jointly with item #91-24. A written report can be found with item #91-24.

#93-24 **Reappointing Arlene Franklin to the Newton Commonwealth Foundation**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR reappointing Arlene Franklin, 75 Commonwealth Park, West Newton as a member of the Newton Commonwealth Foundation for a term of office set to expire on September 18, 2026. (60 Days: 04/05/2024)

Action: **Programs & Services Approved 6-0**

Note: This item was discussed jointly with item #91-24. A written report can be found with item #91-24.

#94-24 **Reappointment of Thomas Elkind to the Newton Commonwealth Foundation**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR reappointing Thomas Elkind, 29 Wamesit Road, Waban as a member of the Newton Commonwealth Foundation for a term of office set to expire on September 18, 2025. (60 Days: 04/05/2024)

Action: **Programs & Services Approved 6-0**

Note: This item was discussed jointly with item #91-24. A written report can be found with item #91-24.

The meeting adjourned at 6:44pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Josh Krintzman, Chair