#### CITY OF NEWTON

#### IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

### PROGRAMS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6, 2013

Present: Ald. Linsky (Chairman), Hess-Mahan, Rice, Blazar, Baker and Fischman

Absent: Ald. Sangiolo; 1 vacancy;

Also Present: Ald. Lappin, Lennon and Kalis

Others Present: Robert Rooney (Chief Operating Officer), Dori Zaleznik (Commissioner, Health & Human Services), David Olson (Clerk of the Board/City Clerk), Karyn Dean (Committee

Clerk)

Re-appointment by His Honor the Mayor

#33-13 <u>KATHLEEN McCARTHY</u>, 524 California Street, Newton, re-appointed as a

member of the LICENSING BOARD for a term to expire June 8, 2019. (60 days

03/23/13) [01/11/13 @ 12:47 PM]

**ACTION:** APPROVED 5-0 (Ald. Baker not voting)

**NOTE:** Ms. McCarthy joined the Committee. There was some concern from Committee members about new rules that were being promulgated and adopted by the Licensing Board moving forward. Ms. McCarthy said the regulations of the Licensing Board were revamped a few years ago. They found over time that there needed to be some streamlining and clarification to make them more user-friendly. They are looking at definitions as well as streamlining approval of various processes by making them more administrative. This would eliminate the need for people to come in before the board for some matters. The board has been meeting on these changes and they will present a draft at a public hearing for community input. She welcomed any input from the Board of Aldermen as well. The Committee also felt that there should be more information easily accessible to the community so the regulations could be more easily understood.

Ald. Hess-Mahan moved to approve this appointment and the Committee voted in favor 5-0.

Re-appointment by His Honor the Mayor

#92-13 JOEL FEINBERG, 121 Eastbourne Rd., Newton Centre, re-appointed as a

member of THE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE representing Affordable Housing, for a term to expire February 12, 2016. (60 days 05/03/13)

[02/19/13 @ 5:43 PM]

**ACTION:** NONE

**NOTE**: This appointment was referred to the Zoning & Planning Committee by the Full Board on March 6, 2013.

Re-appointment by His Honor the Mayor

#93-13 MICHAEL CLARKE, 38 Halcyon Road, Newton Centre, re-appointed as a

member of THE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE representing

Open Space, for a term to expire February 12, 2016. (60 days 05/03/13)

[02/19/13 @ 5:43 PM]

**ACTION: NONE** 

**NOTE**: This appointment was referred to the Zoning & Planning Committee by the Full Board on March 6, 2013.

### REFERRED TO PROG. AND SERVICES AND PUB. FACILITIES COMMITTEES

#99-13 SUPERINTENDENT FLEISCHMAN requesting the vote of the Board of

Aldermen to complement the vote of the School Committee to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) the Statement of Interest that will be submitted to the MSBA no later than April 10, 2013 for the consideration in Fiscal Year 2013 for the

Cabot Elementary School. [02/26/13 @ 2:03 PM]

ACTION: PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED 6-0

APPROVED 5-0 (Ald. Baker not voting)

**NOTE**: The Programs & Services Committee met jointly with the Public Facilities Committee on this item. Please refer to the March 6, 2013 Public Facilities report for the details.

*Public Hearings were held for the following two items:* 

#67-13 SRDJAN S. NEDELJKOVIC et al. requesting the Board of Aldermen to expand

by resolution the area represented by the Newton Highlands Neighborhood Area Council pursuant to Article 9, Section 9-4, of the City of Newton Charter.

[01/31/13 @ 9:15 AM]

**ACTION:** HEARING CLOSED; APPROVED 5-0 (Ald. Baker not voting)

NOTE: Srdjan Nedeljkovic addressed the Committee. He explained that the NHAC was formed in 1974 as the first area council in the City. For reasons that are not really understood, the council did not include the part of Newton Highlands south of Route 9. It is believed that the area council was formed within the boundaries of the old Hyde School district, therefore, it included the area of Newton Highlands north of Route 9 and streets in Waban and Newton Center, but not Newton Highlands south of Route 9. In 1979 there was an amendment that added two streets south of Route 9, by petition. A number of residents in the excluded part have been in touch with the area council and would like to be included and represented. The Dedham Street development caused quite a bit of concern in that area and when they approached the area council for help, they found out they were not included. There have been other issues that have come up as well. This year, the petition drive began and they identified 797 potentially eligible residents that could be in the proposed expanded area. (Please see attached map and street listing). This is the area in which there was neighborhood interest, and that is how the expansion area was set. Newton Upper Falls and Waban neighborhood councils have worked with Newton Highlands to try to avoid any gaps in coverage.

Ald. Linsky opened the public hearing:

*Carol McPherson*, 60 Margaret Rd. said she feels more identified with Newton Upper Falls and feels that the area south of Route 9 is Upper Falls. She felt that a school was needed in Upper Falls to take pressure of Zervas and Angier Schools.

*Ronald Mauri* of 35 Bradford Rd. said he has been working with the area council to collect signatures. He found that many people were surprised because they thought they were already part of the neighborhood council. He felt the area council could be a conduit of information to the people who live there.

*Michael Kanelias* of 199 Winchester St. said he learned he was not part of the area council so started the petition drive for the expansion. As he met with people, he found that many had concerns for which they would like a voice and some help from the area council.

Ald. Hess-Mahan moved to close the public hearing. Ald. Blazar moved approval of this item and the Committee voted in favor 5-0

#68-13 <u>JOY HUBER et al.</u> requesting the Board of Aldermen to establish by resolution a

Newtonville Neighborhood Area Council pursuant to Article 9, Section 9-3, of the

City of Newton Charter. [02/01/13 @ 2:22 PM]

ACTION: HEARING CLOSED; APPROVED 5-0 (Ald. Rice not voting)

<u>NOTE</u>: Joy Huber addressed the Committee. The goal in starting the area council is to improve Newtonville. Many subcommittees were started including Beautiful Newtonville, Newton Serves Committee and the area council. She volunteered for the area council because she feels it provides continuity, is involved with the city government, and has more powers to help the community than a neighborhood group. They would like to work with business and property owners to improve the retail environment, the infrastructure, traffic and parking in Newtonville, and promote community social and service events. The Mass Pike divides the community in Newtonville and they would like to bring the community back together. The other important factor is communication with the City on the needs and developments in Newtonville.

The boundaries of the proposed area council were presented on a map. (Please see attached map and petition explanation). As areas showed interest, they added more streets. The goal was to include the main business district, important institutions (like Horace Mann School, The Boys and Girls Club) and include people who identify themselves as Newtonville residents. Portions of five different precincts are included.

Ms. Huber said they have to work out the logistics of elections for the members of the council. She felt that they needed two different voting locations, one north and one south of the Mass Pike. There was some concern from Committee members that this could be a complicated process with so many precincts involved. There is an item docketed for looking at guidelines and policies for neighborhood area council in regard to boundary delineations and council authority. It was felt that another item should be docketed to look at governance and elections.

There was a question about whether the election would have to be held in each precinct or if there might be some flexibility. The map does not follow the current electoral map and even if it did, it would not require a resident to vote in each of those precincts, but some decision has to be made as to where the votes take place. The question remains as to who would make that decision.

There were questions from the Committee about streets that may be very close to other neighborhoods such as Nonantum or West Newton. Ms. Huber said ultimately, she took her cue from people who wanted to be part of the area council and who consider themselves as residents of Newtonville. People tend to define their neighborhood by elementary schools, and there are some "swing" districts that can decide between two different schools. There are no clear geographical boundaries in the various villages, so the distinctions are made by interest and affiliation. There was a question about whether Ward 3 Aldermen would have to attend meetings as well as Ward 2. Ald. Hess-Mahan said that he recognized that the petitioners gathered an incredible amount of signatures and he was in favor of the proposal.

### Ald. Linsky opened the public hearing:

Kelly Sprawls of 77 Brookside Ave said she was in support of the new area council. She served on the School Council and was PTO President for Day Middle School. They received emails from Newtonville residents asking for information, asking to be pointed in the right direction on issues. She feels that the area council would be great in helping the residents of Newtonville in these ways. She looks forward to the work of the council building the community, maybe adding more restaurants, and perhaps a commuter rail opportunity.

Tim Stone of 5 Briar Lane explained that Beautiful Newtonville was founded a little over a year ago. Soon after, the Mayor had his summit and he said that a neighborhood area council for villages would give local representation that would allow a village to negotiate and work with the City. They did an intensive survey of about 5% of Newtonville residents online and about 85% of the mainstream businesses. They found a very strong interest in creating more community, preserving parking, having a pedestrian friendly environment, and having an optimal and much more improved traffic infrastructure. He felt this is a vision they can work on through an elected body. Newton Highlands has provided a fantastic model they can follow and they have an infrastructure in place. They have some potential to integrate NNHS and a whole slew of vocational training and resources. He feels that can do so much to revitalize this neighborhood.

*John Pelletier* of 92 Central Ave said he was on the Newton Bicycle Advisory Committee. He is a new resident of the Newtonville neighborhood. Anything that can start bringing businesses and residents together to start communicating with the City in a way that is beneficial for everyone is a positive thing. There are many positive things about the neighborhood but there is always room for improvement.

*Chris Gaebler* of 62 Page Road asked why two different area councils could not overlap. Some people may feel they are part of two different neighborhoods. The Committee answered that there could be a voting issue, but these questions remain to be answered.

Ald. Linsky closed the public hearing.

The Committee felt there were some questions to answer regarding elections and perhaps there would be other concerns from the Board. The Committee would like to advance this proposal while some questions are being analyzed and could be answered more fully by the time this gets to the Full Board. The petitioners would like to move forward with the hopes of having elections in November. Members also understand that there is a general need to sort out questions around neighborhood area councils. Ms. Huber said anyone can get information or get in touch via BeautifulNewtonville.org

Ald. Linsky moved approval of this item and the Committee voted in favor 5-0

#94-13 <u>ALD. LAPPIN</u> requesting a Resolution from the Board of Aldermen to allow the

City Clerk/Clerk of the Board to act as the interim Executive Secretary of

Elections until June 30, 2013. P02/21/13 @ 9:01 AM]

**ACTION:** APPROVED 5-0 (Ald. Baker not voting)

**NOTE:** Ald. Lappin addressed the Committee. She explained that the Interim Executive Secretary, Peter Koutoujian, will be completing his contract on March 15<sup>th</sup>, and there are several more elections through the spring and fall. The Board would like to support the appointment of the City Clerk, David Olson, as the new Interim Executive Secretary of Elections through the end of the fiscal year. The combination of departments will come to the Board in the new budget cycle for the next fiscal year and they would like to continue this model under a reorganization. There have been discussions about streamlining departments and combining responsibilities, and Newton is one of very few communities in Massachusetts which does not have the City Clerk and Elections departments under the same authority.

The Committee wanted to be sure that Mr. Olson felt comfortable taking on the extra responsibility and if he felt he had the staff to accomplish this. Mr. Olson explained that he has been learning about Elections procedures from Clerk's meetings he has been attending over the years because half the time is spent on Clerk matters, and half on Election matters. He is also an election Warden in his community. There is already an Assistant Clerk for Vital Records and he would need to hire an Assistant Clerk for Elections The two will work together to coordinate the staff within the office and will help with efficiencies. The staff will be cross-trained and the workload will be more evenly spread out as there are ebbs and flows in each department. There is a plan for the DPW space next to the Clerk's office to be divided in half with some of that space used for the Elections staff. After the reorganization is officially put in place, the wall separating the space will come down.

Ald. Rice moved to approve the Resolution and the Committee voted in favor 5-0.

### REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#74-13 <u>HIS HONOR THE MAYOR</u> requesting authorization to transfer the sum of one hundred thirty six thousand dollars (\$136,000) from current year salary savings from attrition in various departments' salary accounts to the Elections

Department. One hundred twenty eight thousand dollars (\$128,000) would be used to fund the cost of a special primary and special election to fill the vacancy resulting from the resignation of Senator John Kerry and eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) would be used to fund temporary staffing for the Elections Department. [02/11/13 @ 5:14 PM]

**ACTION:** APPROVED AS AMENDED 5-0 (Ald. Baker not voting)

<u>NOTE</u>: Bob Rooney, Chief Operating Officer addressed the Committee. He explained that the Mayor is asking for an amendment to this item, increasing the amount by \$35,000 for a total of \$171,000. The original item did not take into consideration the costs for the Special Election to fill the Alderman-at-Large seat for Ward 1. (Please see attached letter.) Since the Board is considering holding that election in conjunction with the Senate election, the extra funds would be necessary. If the Board does not approve that election, the request will be withdrawn, but they would like to have this expenditure approved so that they will be poised to move forward if necessary.

There was some concern from Committee members that perhaps a second set of poll workers to check in voters was not necessary. The state had to be consulted on that issue and the state said that each election needed its own set of checkers. It was felt that extra poll workers should be on hand at the busier times of day, perhaps first thing in the morning when lines tended to be the longest, and later in the day when the ballots come out of the ballot boxes. The ballots need to be separated by hand and stored separately along with the voting lists that go with those ballots. Should there be a need for a recount, the counters need to access the ballots for just that particular race.

Ald. Hess-Mahan moved to approve the item as amended to \$171,000. The Committee voted in favor 5-0.

#333-12 <u>ALD. CROSSLEY AND HESS-MAHAN</u>, on behalf of Green Decade Newton, requesting a discussion and possible Resolution, asking that Newton join the Center for Biological Diversity's Clean Air Campaign by sending a Resolution to the US Administration and Environmental Protection Agency urging them to assert and enforce certain provisions of the nation's Clean Air Act in order to help communities achieve cuts in greenhouse gas pollution. [10/11/12 @ 5:05PM]

APPROVED 4-0 SUBJECT TO SECOND CALL MOTION TO RECOMMIT TO PROGRAMS AND SERVICES WAS

APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE

**ACTION:** APPROVED 5-0 (Ald. Rice not voting)

**NOTE:** Ald. Hess-Mahan addressed the Committee. A draft resolution was submitted by Ald. Baker, and one co-written by Ald. Hess-Mahan and Ald. Crossley. Attempts were made to shorten and simplify the previous iterations of the resolution. The Committee agreed to support Ald. Hess-Mahan's draft with a few edits.

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Marcia Cooper and Carol McPherson, representing Green Decade Newton, spoke in support of this resolution. They would like Newton to take a leadership role in encouraging the EPA to enforce the regulations in the Clean Air Act.

Ald. Hess-Mahan moved approval of the Resolution and the Committee voted in favor 5-0. The draft is attached to this report.

#95-13 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, SETTI WARREN AND BOARD PRESIDENT,

SCOTT LENNON seeking an amendment to Chapter 12, Section 68 of the Newton City Ordinances to increase the number of members of the Health Care Advisory Committee if there are any concerns relative to the composition of the

committee. [02/25/13 @ 2:24 PM]

**ACTION: HELD 5-0 (Ald. Baker not voting)** 

<u>NOTE</u>: Ald. Lennon asked that this item be held until after the appointees to the Health Care Advisory Committee are met with and approved. A Special Meeting of the Programs & Services Committee will be held on March 18<sup>th</sup> at 7pm prior to the Full Board Meeting to take up the appointments. This item was docketed so that the Board and the newly formed HCAC can weigh in with any concerns about the composition of the Committee should there be any.

Ald. Hess-Mahan moved to hold this item and the Committee voted in favor.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen Linsky, Acting Chairman

# Petition to Expand the Area Represented by the City Clerk

# Newton Highlands Neighborhood Area Country PM 12: 28

# **Background Information**

David A. Olson, CMC Newton, MA 02459

# What is the Newton Highlands Neighborhood Area Council?

The nine-member Newton Highlands Neighborhood Area Council (NHNAC) is an official elected body under the city charter that has existed since 1974. It is a voluntary organization whose members do not receive compensation or other city benefits.

# What Does the Area Council Do? What Are Its Purposes?

Its purposes are to facilitate communication between Highlands residents and the Board of Aldermen and other elements of city government, to serve as a forum for dealing with various local issues, and to foster community spirit through annual events such as Village Day, the Halloween party and haunted house, and the Winter Social.

In addition to giving residents a focal point for local initiatives and events that contribute to the quality of life in Newton highlands, it also is a mechanism for discussing and communicating to City government neighborhood issues and concerns about matters such as land use, economic development, traffic and parking controls, and the quality and use of our parks and open spaces.

# Why Is There a Petition to Expand the Area Covered by the NHNAC?

A number of residents in an area adjacent to the Newton Highlands village center expressed an interest in becoming more involved in the activities of the NHNAC. Signatures from 20% of registered voters in the covered area are required for an expansion. The expansion will not affect taxes paid by residents.

# Where Can I Learn More about the Area Council?

Official Website: http://www.ci.newton.ma.us/gov/neighborhood/highlands/default.asp

Facebook Page: http://www.facebook.com/nhnac

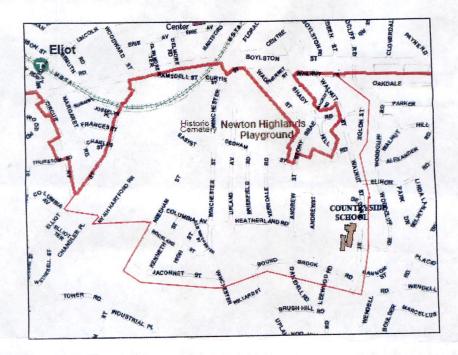
# Where/How Can I Sign the Petition?

Please sign the petition provided by a volunteer. If someone else would like to sign the petition, send an email to <a href="mailto:areacouncilexp@gmail.com">areacouncilexp@gmail.com</a> and we will contact you if more signatures are needed.

# Petition to Expand the Area of the Newton Highlands Neighborhood Area Council

The undersigned registered voters of the City of Newton residing in the area described in this petition request that the Board of Aldermen of the City of Newton incorporate the streets noted into the existing Newton Highlands Neighborhood Area Council.

The expanded Newton Highlands Neighborhood Area Council shall represent all residents and include the area on the accompanying map.



# Streets and Addresses in expanded area:

Jaconnet St #11-70 Rockland St # 14-38 Winchester St # 31-249 Verndale Rd #9-66 Bound Brook Rd #5-98 Solon St #11-66 Ashcroft Rd #7-15 Leewood #7 Kenneth St #1-62 Columbia Ave # 95-122 Upland Ave #89-222 Andrew St #10-89 Dedham St #5-257 Walnut St #1265-1412 Needham St #9-170 Cannon St #2-3 High St #9-51
Old Winchester St # 17-19
Brierfield Rd #22-68
Heatherland Rd #18-77
Ledgewood Rd \$7-20
Walnut Place #14-60
Dane Hill #105-106
Woodcliff #312

For full description of services, please refer to Board of Aldermen resolution #441-74 dated July 1, 1974 adopting the Newton Highlands Neighborhood Area Council.

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Winchester Street	#31	Ward 5-2	_
Winchester Street	#31-#256	Ward 8-3	85 eligible
Upland Avenue	#89-#222	Ward 8-3	66 eligible
Brierfield Road	#22-#68	Ward 8-3	10 eligible
Verdale Road	#9-#66	Ward 8-3	28 eligible
Andrew Street	#10-#147	Ward 8-3	69 eligible
Heatherland Road	#18-#77	Ward 8-3	23 eligible
Bound Brook Road	#5-#98	Ward 8-3	35 eligible
Dedham Street	#5-#257	Ward 8-3	43 eligible
Dedham Street	#74-#162	Ward 5-2	20 eligible
Woodcliff Road	#312	Ward 8-3	2 eligible
Cannon Street	#2-#3	Ward 8-3	5 eligible
Ledgewood Road	#7-#20	Ward 5-2	4 eligible
Solon Street	#11-#66	Ward 5-2	27 eligible
Walnut Street	#1265-#1401	Ward 5-2	61 eligible
Walnut Street	#1400-#1412	Ward 8-3	2 eligible
Walnut Place	#14-#60	Ward 5-2	16 eligible
Ashcroft Road	#7-#15	Ward 5-2	7 eligible
Danehill Road	, #105-#106	Ward 8-3	4 eligible
Leewood Road	#7	Ward 8-3	2 eligible
Needham Street	#9-#170	Ward 5-2	199 eligible
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			159 required
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Please note that the streets and addresses noted above are immediately contiguous with the existing service area of the Newton Highlands Neighborhood Area Council.

We have collected 195 signatures from the area noted above. Of those signatures, we have been able to match 176 names to the "Annual Listing of Residents" as of January 1, 2012. As this number (176) exceeds the projected number that are required to be collected (159), we believe that we have obtained an adequate number of signatures for this petition to be presented to the Board of Aldermen. Enclosed is a list of names from the proposed expansion zone with the names of residents who have signed our petition denoted in red ink.

Along with the signatures we have collected and this letter, we are sending a copy of the Board of Alderman resolution establishing the NHNAC (1974) that notes streets in the original service area, a Board order authorizing a prior expansion of the NHNAC (1979), and a map of our current service area.

We look forward to the Election Commission validating the enclosed signatures. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Srdjan S. Nedeljkovic, President

On behalf of the Newton Highlands Neighborhood Area Council

NHNAC Memo

Election Commission memo (December 18, 2012)

PETITION TO ESTABLISH A NEWTONVILLE AREA COUNCIL

RECEIVED Newton City Clerk

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The undersigned registered voters of the City of Newton residing in the area described in this petition request that the Board of Aldermen and the City of Newton establish a Newtonville Area Council. The Area Council will provide the services described in Section III, for the geographic area designated in Section IV.

#### **LEADERSHIP** 11.

The Newtonville Area Council shall represent residents of the designated service area. The Council shall be comprised of nine members elected by and from residents of the Newtonville service area for 2-year terms. If there is a vacancy, members may be appointed.

#### **SERVICES** III.

- The council shall have advisory but not substantive authority in the provision of regular services of the city A. government. The main function of the Council is to serve as an auxiliary means of communication between the City of Newton and the residents of the area so as to advise all departments, agencies, boards, and commissions of the City of Newton about the current reactions and attitudes of the area voting members to impending neighborhood issues or actions.
- Other services of the Council may include communicating the needs, wants, and desires of the area in B. regard to city-owned land, buildings, and services to the appropriate city agencies.
- Other services of the Council may include the responsibility to inform the area of any potential changes in C. the village shopping area.
- Other services to be provided may include proposing measures for the preservation of a healthy economic D. center in Newtonville. These may relate to physical development. Measures may also include determining and communicating the commercial needs of the area residents to present and prospective merchants, after consultation with the City Planning department and the Law Department of the City of Newton.
- Other services of the Council may include drawing up proposals for the development of transportation E. facilities based on needs demonstrated by area residents.

# PETITION TO ESTABLISH A NEWTONVILLE AREA COUNCIL

- F. Other services of the Council may include acceptance of funds from public sources, not including the City of Newton, and private sources, including public subscriptions; and expenditure of monies to meet overhead cost of Council administration and support for Newtonville area projects. Other services of the Council may include self-help projects such as beautification, establishment and maintenance of a neighborhood community center, street fairs and festivals, cultural activities, and recreation.
- G. Other services of the Council may include preparing and presenting petitions to the Board of Aldermen for permission to amend the services to be provided by the Neighborhood Area Council. Such petitions must be signed by 20% of the voters residing in that area and shall specify the services to be provided. Upon receipt of the petitions and after verification of signatures, the Board of Aldermen shall, within thirty days, hold a public hearing. The hearing may be adjourned from time to time but shall be completed within sixty (60) days. Following the public hearing, the Board of Aldermen by resolution shall approve or disapprove the amendment of services to be provided.

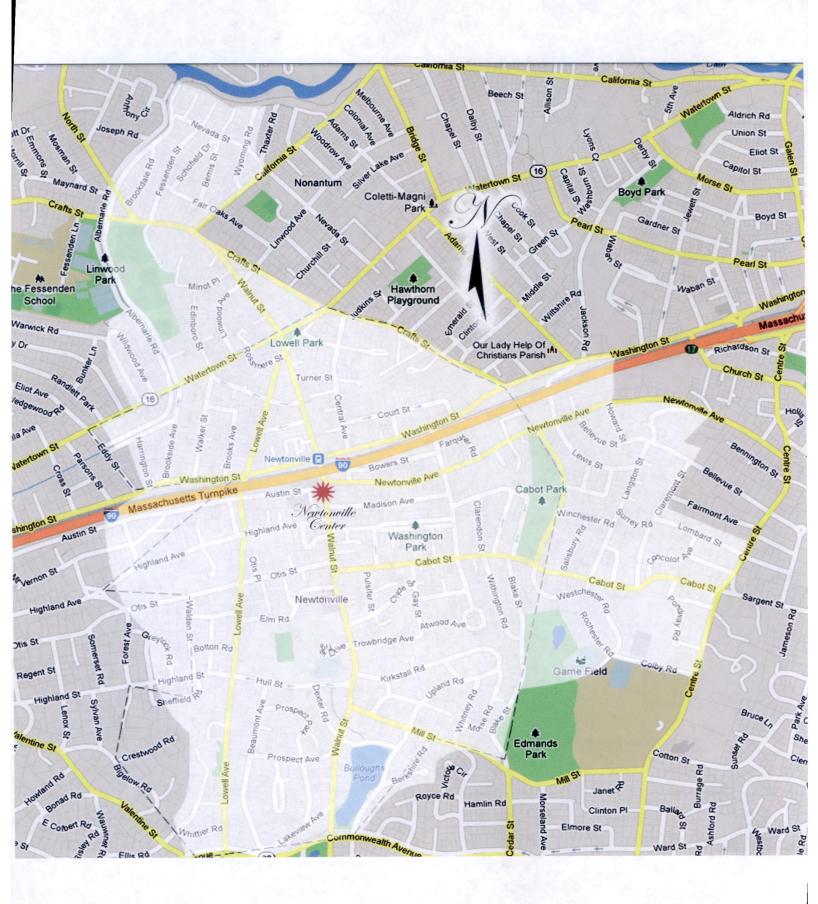
### IV. SERVICE AREA

The Newtonville Area Council will represent residents on the following streets:

Abermarle Rd 16-250 even Academy Rd Albany St Arden Rd	Berkshire Rd Birch Hill Rd Birch St	Brooks Ave Brookside Ave Bulloughs Pk Bunny Cir	28-84 even	Clarendon St	15-121 odd, 80, 88, 98
Atwood Ave Austin St 12-256 Bacon Rd Badger PL	Blake St Blithedale St Bolton Rd Bonwood St	Cabot St California St. Calvin St Carter St	537-621 odd	Clyde St Coelia Ter Comm Ave Concolor Ave	1063-1125 odd
Bailey Pl Beach St Beaumont Ave Bellevevue St 148-240	Bowers St Briar Ln Bridges Ave Brookdale Rd	Central Ave Centre St Charlesden Pk Chelsea Pl	673-735 odd	Converse Ave Court St Craft St Craigie Ter	36-330 even, 345-409

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Newton, MA 02459

March 1, 2013

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

Re: Amendment to Docket Item #74-13: appropriation for Special Election funding

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board amend Docket #74-13 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of one hundred thirty six thousand dollars (\$136,000) from current year salary savings from attrition in various departments' salary accounts to the Elections Department. One hundred twenty eight thousand dollars (\$128,000) would be used to fund the cost of a special primary and special election to fill the vacancy resulting from the resignation of Senator John Kerry and eight thousand dollars (\$8,000) would be used to fund temporary staffing for the Elections Department [02/11/13 @ 5:14] by adding an additional appropriation of \$35,000 from June 30, 2012 Free Cash to fund the Special Election for the Alderman at Large seat in Ward 1.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Setti D. Warren Mayor

Cc: Maureen Lemieux, Chief Financial Officer

Peter Koutoujian, Sr., Interim Executive Secretary for the Elections Commission

Donnalyn Kahn, City Solicitor

1 March 2013

# City of Newton, Massachusetts Special Primary/Election Costs April 30, 2013 & June 25, 2013

•	Poll workers, Police Details, Ballots for Primary	\$62,500
•	Poll workers, Police Details, Ballots for Election	\$62,500
•	Ballots, Add'l workers, Postage - Alderman-at-Large	\$35,000
•	Salary for temporary and interim employees	\$11,000

Total Cost: \$171,000

Newton City Clerk .

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Newton, MA 02459

### THE CITY OF NEWTON

#### IN THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN

#### BE IT RESOLVED:

WHEREAS, according to the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Greenhouse gas (GHG) concentrations in the atmosphere, including concentrations of carbon dioxide, will continue to increase unless the billions of tons of our annual emissions decrease substantially; and

WHEREAS, increased GHG concentrations are expected to increase Earth's average temperature, influence the patterns and amounts of precipitation, as well as influence increasingly frequent extreme weather events, reduce ice and snow cover, as well as permafrost, raise sea level, and increase the acidity of the oceans; and

WHEREAS, the EPA has determined that current and future GHG concentrations endanger public health; and

WHEREAS, for four decades, the Clean Air Act has protected the air we breathe through a proven, comprehensive, successful system of pollution control that saves lives and creates the economic benefits exceeding its costs by many times; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in *Massachusetts vs. EPA* (2007) that GHG are "air pollutants" as defined by the Clean Air Act and the EPA has the authority to regulate them; and

WHEREAS, The City of Newton has taken a number of local initiatives to reduce the environmental impact of its activities, but cannot directly regulate GHG emissions, which requires action at a large scale of government.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that climate change is not an abstract problem for the future or one that will only affect far-distant places but rather climate change is happening now, we are causing it, and the longer we wait to act, the more difficult the problem will be to solve; and we, the Newton Board of Aldermen, on behalf of the residents of Newton, do hereby urge the Administrator of the EPA and President Barack Obama to move swiftly to fully employ and enforce the Clean Air Act to do our part to reduce carbon in our atmosphere as swiftly and assertively as possible to meet the objectives President Obama stated at the 2009 world summit in Geneva.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk shall forward a copy of this resolution to the Administrator and Deputy Administrator of the EPA, Newton's Congressional Delegation, and President Barack Obama.