

CITY OF NEWTON

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT

MONDAY, MARCH 18, 2013

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

Absent: Ald. Rice; One vacancy

Others Present: Karyn Dean (Committee Clerk)

Appointment by His Honor the Mayor

#82-13 ELEANOR SOEFFING, Halcyon Road, Newton Centre, appointed as a member of THE HEALTH CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE for a term to expire February 25, 2014. (60 days 05/03/13) [02/25/13 @ 5:06 PM]

**ACTION:** **APPROVED 6-0**

Appointment by His Honor the Mayor

#83-13 DEAN HASHIMOTO, 153 Westchester Road, Newton, appointed as a member of THE HEALTH CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE for a term to expire February 25, 2015. (60 days 05/03/13) [02/25/13 @ 5:06 PM]

**ACTION:** **APPROVED 6-0**

Appointment by His Honor the Mayor

#84-13 BRUCE LANDON, 40 Olde Field Road, Newton Centre, appointed as a member of THE HEALTH CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE for a term to expire February 25, 2015. (60 days 05/03/13) [02/25/13 @ 5:06 PM]

**ACTION:** **APPROVED 6-0**

Appointment by His Honor the Mayor

#85-13 KRISTEN APGAR, 92 Cotton Street, Newton Centre, appointed as a member of THE HEALTH CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE for a term to expire February 25, 2016. (60 days 05/03/13) [02/25/13 @ 5:06 PM]

**ACTION:** **APPROVED 6-0**

Appointment by His Honor the Mayor

#86-13 ELIZABETH CAPSTICK, 77 Lakewood Road, Newton Highlands, appointed as a member of THE HEALTH CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE for a term to expire February 25, 2016. (60 days 05/03/13) [02/25/13 @ 5:06 PM]

**ACTION:** **APPROVED 6-0**

Appointment by the President of the Board

#87-13 PETER NEUMANN, 163 Plymouth Road, Newton Highlands, appointed as a member of THE HEALTH CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE for a term to expire February 25, 2014 (60 days 05/03/13) [02/25/13 @ 5:06 PM]

**ACTION:** **APPROVED 6-0**

Appointment by the President of the Board

#88-13 DANIEL SANDS, 56 Solon Street, Newton Highlands, appointed as a member of THE HEALTH CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE for a term to expire February 25, 2014. (60 days 05/03/13) [02/25/13 @ 5:06 PM]

**ACTION:** **APPROVED 6-0**

Appointment by the President of the Board

#89-13 JOHN FREEDMAN, 390 Dedham Street, Newton Centre, appointed as a member of THE HEALTH CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE for a term to expire February 25, 2015. (60 days 05/03/13) [02/25/13 @ 5:06 PM]

**ACTION:** **APPROVED 6-0**

Appointment by the President of the Board

#90-13 VINAY MEHRA, 60 Solon St., Newton, appointed as a member of THE HEALTH CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE for a term to expire February 25, 2015. (60 days 05/03/13) [02/25/13 @ 5:06 PM]

**ACTION:** **APPROVED 6-0**

**NOTE:** Detailed resumes were provided for the appointees to the Health Care Advisory Committee (HCAC) and the Committee had a chance to review them. Each appointee had a brief discussion with the Committee, highlighting their areas of expertise and their enthusiasm for the work of the HCAC. The Aldermen were impressed with the highest levels of professional and educational experience represented by the appointees as well as their diverse knowledge and commitment to their community and professions. The Committee expressed their gratitude for their willingness serve on the HCAC and to fulfill its mission to help the City find solutions regarding ways to control the cost of employee and retiree health insurance while maintaining or improving the quality of health care.

Scott Lennon, President of the Board, also expressed his personal thanks for the commitment of the appointees and said he looked forward to a very productive process. Ken Parker, former Aldermen and an initiator of the HCAC concept several years ago, said he was happy to see the Committee come together and felt that it would be a model not only for the City, but for the country as well.

Ald. Baker moved approval of all the appointees and the Committee voted in favor 6-0.

Appointment by the President of the Board

#91-13      MARK WENNEKER, 223 Upland Road, Newtonville, appointed as a member of THE HEALTH CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE for a term to expire February 25, 2016. (60 days 05/03/13) [02/25/13 @ 5:06 PM]

**ACTION:**      **HELD 6-0**

**NOTE:** Mr. Wenneker was unable to attend the meeting this evening. The Committee voted to hold this appointment by a vote of 6-0.

#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 6-0**

**NOTE:** Ald. Linsky explained that this item was for the benefit of the newly formed HCAC. If they found that they needed to change the composition of the Committee they would have this discussion item available to them. The Committee voted to hold this item by a vote of 6-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen M. Linsky, Acting Chairman