

CITY OF NEWTON  
IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN  
PROGRAMS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE AGENDA

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 4, 2012

**7:45 PM Room 222**

**ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:**

**REFERRED TO LAND USE AND PROGRAMS & SERVICES COMMITTEES**

- #474-08(2) ALD. HESS-MAHAN & VANCE proposing that Article X of the Rules & Orders of the Board of Aldermen be amended to conform with a proposed amendment to Chapter 30 re transfer of the special permit granting authority to the Zoning Board of Appeals and/or the Planning & Development Board for projects that are not classified as Major Projects pursuant to Article X.  
**LAND USE VOTED NO ACTION NECESSARY on 11/1/11**  
**RULES SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDED NAN ON 12/7/11**
- #306-08 ALD. BAKER, DANBERG, MANSFIELD & PARKER requesting discussion of how swimming at Crystal Lake might be lawfully and safely extended beyond mid-August. [08/26/08 @ 5:03 PM]
- #287-07(2) ALD. PARKER requesting a discussion with Parks and Recreation Department in regards to an appropriate marker or plaque to honor and recognize Olympic figure skater and Newton resident Tenley Albright and her skating exhibition at the Crystal Lake upon her return from the 1956 Olympic Games where she won a gold medal. [09/20/07 @ 1:22 PM]
- #370-06 ALD. SANGIOLO, PARKER, MANSFIELD requesting home rule legislation to allow advisory questions to be asked in a Newton special election.

**ITEMS NOT YET SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:**

**REFERRED TO PROG & SERV, PUB FACIL. & FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #130-11 PAUL COLETTI, ALD. SANGIOLO, DANBERG, & JOHNSON requesting Home Rule Legislation to create a Capital Preservation Fund for the City of Newton modeled on the Community Preservation Fund to address the capital needs of the City. [04/11/11 @9:42 PM]  
**FINANCE VOTED NO ACTION NECESSARY ON 10/12/11**

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**PUBLIC FACILITIES VOTED NO ACTION NECESSARY ON  
10/19/11**

- #207-08(2) PROGRAMS & SERVICES COMMITTEE requesting discussion with the Executive Department and various City Department heads regarding use of debt exclusions to address city needs. [03-14-11 @ 10:26AM]

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

- #312-10 ALD. LENNON, LAPPIN, SCHNIPPER, SANGIOLO requesting a discussion with the School Committee on its plans to address space needs in the Newton public schools. [10-27-10 @ 11:07 AM]

**FINANCE VOTED NO ACTION NECESSARY on 10/12/11  
PUBLIC FACILITIES VOTED NO ACTION NECESSARY on 11/18/11**

- #114-11(2) ALD. HESS-MAHAN & ALD. SALVUCCI requesting a discussion on the definition of “tot lot” in the ordinance and whether there are other play areas/structures which should be protected from the presence of dogs.

**REFERRED TO FINANCE AND APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES**

- #383-11 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR submitting the FY13-FY17 Capital Improvement Program pursuant to section 5-3 of the Newton City Charter and the FY12 Supplemental Capital budget which require Board of Aldermen approval to finance new capital projects over the next several years. [10/31/11 @ 3:12 PM]

**REFERRED TO PROG & SERV AND PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEES**

- #245-10 ALD. SCHNIPPER requesting discussion with National Grid regarding the possible damage to trees as a result of gas leaks. [09/01/10 4:00 PM]

**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES 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]

**FINANCE VOTED NO ACTION NECESSARY on 3/8/10**

- #205-11 ALD. SANGIOLO, GENTILE, HARNEY, LINSKY requesting a discussion with the School Committee regarding a proposal to enter into contractual relationships with the Newton Schools Foundation to sell naming rights on behalf of the Newton Public Schools. [06/22/2011 @ 8:32AM]

**REFERRED TO PROG & SERV. AND PUB. FACIL. COMMITTEES**

- #99-11 ALD. ALBRIGHT, JOHNSON, DANBERG requesting that the Department of Public Works coordinate data on the impact of the snow removal ordinance from the Departments of Public Works, Parks & Recreation, Executive and Senior Services into a monthly report for the winters 2012 and 2013, which will be sent to the Public Facilities

Committee that includes the following data: (1) the number of people requesting exemptions; (2) the number of exemptions awarded; (3) the number of warning letters sent; (4) the ability of the City to maintain the same standard regarding treating the surface to preserve safe passage; and (5) cost of the implementation of the program.

**PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEE APPROVED 4-0 on 10/5/2011**

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

#422-06(2) ALD. HESS-MAHAN requesting that a task force be established to meet and prepare a report and recommendations regarding the regulation of noise, air pollution and best practices with respect to the operation of power equipment used in landscaping, property and yard maintenance, including, without limitation, leaf blowers. [01/27/09 @ 3:47 PM]

#298-09 ALD. MANSFIELD proposing Home Rule Legislation to amend **Article 2, Section 2-1(c) Composition; Eligibility; Election and Term** of the Newton Charter to establish four-year terms for Aldermen-at-Large with the provision for one Aldermen-at-Large to be elected from each ward at each biennial municipal election. [09-29-09 @ 6:45 PM]

**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]

**FINANCE VOTED NO ACTION NECESSARY ON 3/8/10**

**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]

**FINANCE VOTED NO ACTION NECESSARY ON 3/8/10**

**PUBLIC FACILITIES NO ACTION NECESSARY ON 11/3/10**

#329-05(3) ALD. YATES requesting a discussion relative to amending the noise control ordinance to (A) prohibit the cumulative noise level from multiple pieces of equipment operating simultaneously on the same site to exceed the maximum noise levels allowed when measured at the nearest lot line and (B) to eliminate various exemptions in residential districts.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sangiolo, Chairman

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October 3, 2011

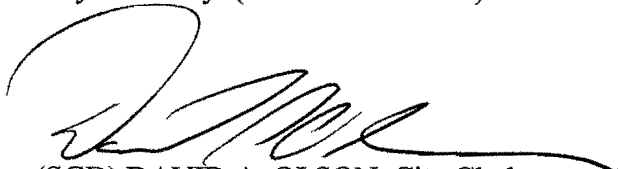
WHEREAS: Deborah Fogel, et al. filed with the City Clerk on July 26, 2011 a Group Petition with 52 qualified voter signatures, pursuant to Sec. 10-2 of the City Charter, requesting the Board of Aldermen hold a public hearing "to allow regulated but unsupervised swimming at Cronin's Cove on Crystal Lake;"

WHEREAS: Section 10-2 of the Charter requires the Board of Aldermen to hold a public hearing and act within three months of such filing;

WHEREAS: the Programs and Services Committee held a public hearing on September 21, 2011 and, while recognizing that the Parks and Recreation Commission has sole authority to regulate swimming at Crystal Lake, voted to approve a *Resolution* to the Commission asking it to explore the possibility of allowing swimming opportunities at Cronin's Cove and/or other location on Crystal Lake;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That, the Board of Aldermen in accordance with the recommendation of the Programs and Services Committee through its Chairman Amy Mah Sangiolo, requests the Parks and Recreation Commission explore the possibility of allowing swimming at Cronin's Cove and/or other locations on Crystal Lake as expressed at the public hearing on September 21, 2011.

Under Suspension of Rules  
Readings Waived and RESOLUTION Approved  
23 yeas 1 nay (Alderman Gentile)

  
(SGD) DAVID A. OLSON, City Clerk