Copies to: dolson@newtonma.gov

From: Sherry Israel <israel@brandeis.edu>

Subject: area council proposal

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 12:20:16 -0400

To: rsmith@newtonma.gov

I welcome the general idea of forming an area council, but I oppose the current proposal.

It draws the boundaries of the area much too narrowly. This is the Village Center for many of us who live beyond these boundaries, and it is inappropriate to exclude us from discussions and decisions about the uses of the Center, its development and its future.

Those proposing the council, and the aldermen who will consider the proposal (#123-13), need to expand their outreach.

Sherry Israel 38 Ballard Street

I am sending this letter to my aldermen as well, via the city clerk, whom I am requesting to pass it on.

From: "Roberta Leviton" <robertaleviton@comcast.net>

To: <rsmith@newtonma.gov>

Subject: Newton Centre Village Area Council
Date sent: Wed, 16 May 2012 19:03:19 -0400

Dear Ms. Smith,

I cannot attend the May 23 meeting, and I am writing to strongly support creation of the Newton Centre Village Area Council.

I have lived in Newton Centre since 1971 and have seen the quality of life decline. Traffic now makes crossing the street extremely hazardous for adults and children. The nature of commercial activity has changed. I used to do my errands in the center at the hardware store, two supermarkets, a produce and cheese shop, a fish store, a childrens' clothing store, moderately-priced womens' clothing stores, shoe stores, etc. Now there are fewer establishments such as these.

I believe that the Newton Centon Area Council is needed to help residents create the kind of community they want.

Sincerely,

Roberta and Alan Leviton 84 Sumner St. Newton, MA 02459

To: "Roberta Leviton" <robertaleviton@comcast.net>

Subject: Re: Newton Centre Village Area Council

Date sent: Thu, 17 May 2012 09:25:19

On 16 May 2012 at 19:03, Roberta Leviton wrote:

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- > Newton, MA 02459

To: Date sent:	Subject: (Fwd) Re: Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council Wed, 23 May 2012 14:35:42
Forwarded mes From: Date sent: Subject: To: Copies to:	Hal Abelson <hal@mit.edu> Mon, 21 May 2012 17:29:34 -0400 Re: Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council newtoncentrenortheast@googlegroups.com rsmith@newtonma.gov, rblazar@newtonma.gov</hal@mit.edu>
Hi Lisa,	
area. All it requires is	petition would be more than happy to include Bowen and vicinity in the service senough people in the neighborhood (20%) who want to join, and the boundaries uld you like to help arrange that?
Best,	
== Hal t	
	2012 11:46:06 AM UTC-4, Lisa Ganley-Leal wrote: Programs and Services Committee:
not include our street,	s my concern that the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council boundaries do which is right in the heart of Newton Centre. The Council must be expanded to d and those in the greater Newton Centre vicinity.
Sincerely,	
Lisa Ganley-Leal Domingos Leal	
63 Bowen Street ==Hal <u>hal@mit.edu</u>	
End of forwarde	ed message

To: Subject: (Fwd) Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 13:27:47

----- Forwarded message follows ------

Subject: Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council

From: Bbarnewolt

bbarnewolt@gmail.com> Date sent: Mon, 21 May 2012 11:51:15 -0400

To: "rblazar@newtonma.gov" <rblazar@newtonma.gov>,

"rsmith@newtonma.gov" <rsmith@newtonma.gov>

Dear Members of the Programs and Services Committee:

I am writing to express my strong interest in the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council and to request that its boundaries be expanded to include our household. The current proposed boundaries seem far too restrictive. Certainly the current boundaries should be expanded to include those of us who have called Newton Centre our home for over 20 years. Moving the west boundary to Walnut Street and the northern boundary to Commonwealth Ave. would offer better representation for those that call Newton Centre home.

Sincerely,

Brien and Carol Barnewolt 68 Greenlawn Ave Newton Centre ------ End of forwarded message ------

To: Subject: (Fwd) Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council -- Public meeting on May 23

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 13:25:38

----- Forwarded message follows ------

Date sent: Mon, 21 May 2012 11:46:43 -0400

Subject: Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council -- Public meeting on May 23

From: Pam Boiros <pam.boiros@gmail.com>

To: slinsky@newtonma.gov,

asangiolo@newtonma.gov, rblazar@newtonma.gov, lbaker@newtonma.gov,

thessmahan@newtonma.gov,

jrice@newtonma.gov,

mfischman@newtonma.gov, cmerrill@newtonma.gov, rsmith@newtonma.gov

Copies to: gschwartz@newtonma.gov,

vdanberg@newtonma.gov

Dear Members of the Programs and Services Committee (Alderman Linsky, Alderman Sangiolo, Alderman Blazer, Alderman Baker, Alderman Hess-Mahan, Alderman Rice, Alderman Fischman, Alderman Merrill and Ms. Smith):

cc: Alderman Danberg and Alderman Schwartz (Ward 6)

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Sincerely,

Pam Boiros and Erich Mettler

182 Homer Street

Newton Centre, MA 02459

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Pam Boiros

Cell -- 617-435-8408

Email: pam.boiros@gmail.com

To:	Subject: (Fwd) boundaries	
Date sent:	Wed, 23 May 2012 14:36:19	
Forwarded mes	ssage follows	
To:	rsmith@newtonma.gov	
Subject:	boundaries	
From:	dixie <dixiecarlisle@aol.com></dixiecarlisle@aol.com>	
Date sent:	Mon, 21 May 2012 20:01:40 -0400 (EDT)	
Dear Members of the	Programs and Services Committee,5/21/2012	
I am writing my interest in the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council and to request that its expand the boundaries to include our household- 123 Cypress St.		
Thank you,		
Lillian D. Carlisle		
123 cypress St.		
Newton Centre		
End of forwarded message		

To: Subject: (Fwd) Newton center committee.

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 14:34:43

----- Forwarded message follows ------

Subject: Newton center committee.

Anthony Deighton <adeighton@gmail.com> From:

Date sent: Mon, 21 May 2012 15:56:25 -0400

"rsmith@newtonma.gov" <rsmith@newtonma.gov>, "rblazer@newtonma.gov" <rblazer@newtonma.gov> To:

Dear Members of the Programs and Services Committee:

I am writing to express my interest in the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council and to request that its boundaries be expanded to include our household. It's hard for me to see how a newton center committee could be set to exclude people who live in newton center?

-Anthony Deighton 210 pleasant street Newton center MA 02459 Learn more about QlikView at http://demo.glikview.com ----- End of forwarded message ------

Γο: Date	sent:	Subject: (Fwd) Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council Wed, 23 May 2012 13:19:42
Date From Γο:	sent: n: es to:	sage follows Mon, 21 May 2012 15:46:06 +0000 (UTC) Lisa Ganley-Leal <lisaganley@comcast.net> rsmith@newtonma.gov rblazar@newtonma.gov, newtoncentrenortheast <newtoncentrenortheast@googlegroups.com> Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council</newtoncentrenortheast@googlegroups.com></lisaganley@comcast.net>
	Dear Member	rs of the Programs and Services Committee:
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	Sincerely,	
	Lisa Ganley-L	_eal
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To: Date sent:	Subject: (Fwd) Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council Wed, 23 May 2012 13:16:16
Forwarded me	ssage follows
Subject:	Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council
From: Date sent:	Sunwoo Kahng bobergkahng1@me.com> Mon, 21 May 2012 11:44:58 -0400
To:	"rsmith@newtonma.gov" <rsmith@newtonma.gov></rsmith@newtonma.gov>
Dear Members of the	e Programs and Services Committee:
	ss my interest in the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council and to request that banded to include our household. We live at 60 Garland Rd and consider ourselves a entre neighborhood.
Sincerely,	
Sunwoo Kahng	
End of forward	ed message

To: Subject: (Fwd) Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 13:49:46

----- Forwarded message follows ------

Date sent: Mon, 21 May 2012 18:44:08 +0000 (UTC)

Rhanna Kidwell rhannakidwell@comcast.net> From:

rsmith@newtonma.gov, rblazar@newtonma.gov, vdanberg@newtonma.gov To:

Copies to: vdanberg@newtonma.gov

Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council Subject:

Dear Members of the Programs and Services Committee:

As a Newton Centre resident, I am writing to express concern about the proposed Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council. The proposed boundaries, which appear to be arbitrarily drawn, do not include my neighborhood and also exclude other large portions of Newton Centre.

I encourage you to spend some time defining "Newton Centre" before moving forward with establishing the Council.

Rhanna Kidwell 56 Kenwood Avenue

Sincerely,

To: Subject: (Fwd) re:Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 13:48:53

----- Forwarded message follows ------

Date sent: Mon, 21 May 2012 14:33:05 -0400

Subject: re:Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council

From: Claudia Morris <claudia@sv-loki.com>

To: rsmith@newtonma.gov, rblazar@newtonma.gov,

Victoria Danberg < Vdanberg@gmail.com>,

gschwartz@newtonma.gov

Copies to: Claudia Morris <claudia@sv-loki.com>

Dear Aldermen Blazar, Danberg and Schwartz, and Members of the Programs and Services Committee:

I received an email about the formation of a Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council. While I am very supportive of Neighborhood Councils, and feel that Newton Centre would benefit from one, I am very concerned that this Council as proposed does not include all of Newton Centre. I am strongly against a Council that will speak for me while not allowing me representation. Newton Centre business area affects all of us. Under Mayor Warren, the city has greatly improved it's transparency. This Council, as proposed, seems like a huge step in the wrong direction. Why not include everyone from the start? Is there a hidden agenda here? I would ask that the Newton Centre Neighborhood Council either represent all of Newton Centre from the start, or not be created. It is not enough to know that my neighborhood will be represented at a later date.

I plan on attending the public meeting this Wednesday night, but wanted to make my opinion known to you before hand.

Thank you,
Claudia Morris
227 Pleasant Street
------ End of forwarded message ------

To: Date sent:	Subject: (Fwd) Newton Center Neighborhood Area Council Wed, 23 May 2012 14:35:15
Forwarded mes From: Date sent: Subject: To:	sage follows Edie Mueller <edie.mueller@gmail.com> Mon, 21 May 2012 16:11:15 -0400 Newton Center Neighborhood Area Council rsmith@newtonma.gov</edie.mueller@gmail.com>
Dear Ms. Smith.	
	- just two blocks from Newton Center, yet my house, my street, my "neighborhood in the Newton Center Neighborhood Area Council. I don't understand how this is
I request that the Cou	incil area be expanded to include the streets to the south of Newton Center.
Thank you.	
Edie Mueller 35 Oxford Road.	
em	
Every blade of grass	has its angel that bends over it and whispers, "Grow, grow." (The Talmud)
End of forwarde	ed message

To: Subject: (Fwd) Confused about districting and exclusion from Newton Center

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 13:39:57

----- Forwarded message follows -----From: **Epashall@aol.com**

Date sent: Mon, 21 May 2012 12:28:54 -0400 (EDT)

Subject: Confused about districting and exclusion from Newton Center

To: rsmith@newtonma.gov

Dear Members of the Programs and Services Committee:

I am writing to express my interest in the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council and to request that its boundaries be expanded to include our household.

The Post Office considers us Newton Centre. Sincerely,

Ellen Pashall 113 Greenlawn Ave. Newton Center, MA 02459

Rebecca Smith		

To: Date sent:	Subject: (Fwd) Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council - please expand the boundarie Wed, 23 May 2012 13:46:11
Forwarded	I message follows
From: Subject:	Maury Peterson <maurypeterson@gmail.com> Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council - please expand the boundaries</maurypeterson@gmail.com>
Date sent: To:	Mon, 21 May 2012 14:25:42 -0400 rsmith@newtonma.gov, rblazar@newtonma.gov
Dear Members	of the Programs and Services Committee:
_	express my interest in the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council and to boundaries be expanded to include our household.
Sincerely,	
Maury Peterson	1
822 Walnut Str Newton Centre 617-964-9887	
End of for	varded message

To: Subject: (Fwd) Include me Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 13:28:14

----- Forwarded message follows ------

Send reply to: lplaut@sprint.blackberry.net

Subject: Include me

To: rsmith@newtonma.gov,

rblaser@newtonma.gov, vdanberg@newtonma.gov, slennon@newtonma.gov

From: lplaut@sprint.blackberry.net

Date sent: Mon, 21 May 2012 16:18:56 +0000

Hi, I have been a Newton Ctr resident for nearly 40 years and insist that my neighbors and I on Hancock Ave, Greenlawn, Judith Road and Bracebridge be included in any area council for Newton Center. Why wouldn't we be?

Linda Plaut 84 Hancock Ave

Sent from my BlackBerry® smartphone with Nextel Direct Connect

To: Date sent:	Subject: (Fwd) Wed, 23 May 2012 13:15:51	
Forwarded mes	sage follows	
From: Subject:	Leslie Schick <lschick@mindspring.com></lschick@mindspring.com>	
Date sent:	Mon, 21 May 2012 11:40:08 -0400	
To:	rsmith@newtonma.gov, rblazar@newtonma.gov	
Dear Members of the	Programs and Services Committee:	
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Sincerely,		
Leslie Schick & Arber	n Arapi	
129 Cypress Street Newton, MA 02459		
End of forwarded message		

To: rsmith@newtonma.gov,

rblazar@newtonma.gov

Subject: Newton Centre Neighborhood Area council

From: Sonal.Shah@ey.com

Date sent: Mon, 21 May 2012 11:31:26 -0400

Dear Members of the Programs and Services Committee:

I am writing to express my interest in the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council and to request that its boundaries be expanded to include our household.

Sincerely,

Sonal Shah 1029 Beacon Street, Newton Centre, MA 02459.

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To: Subject: (Fwd) Newton Center Area Council

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 13:51:59

----- Forwarded message follows ------

Date sent: Mon, 21 May 2012 12:18:12 -0700 (PDT)

From: L S <sternlori@yahoo.com>
Send reply to: L S <sternlori@yahoo.com>
Subject: Newton Center Area Council

To: "rsmith@newtonma.gov" <rsmith@newtonma.gov>

Dear Ms. Smith:

I am writing to express my astonishment that the boundaries for the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council were drawn to exclude my household, and that of most of my Newton Centre neighbors. I would like to request that its boundaries be expanded to include our household.

Sincerely, Lori Stern 86 Greenlawn Ave. Newton Centre, MA 02459

To: Subject: (Fwd) Defining the Newton Centre Neighborhood

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 13:43:06

----- Forwarded message follows ------

Date sent: Mon, 21 May 2012 09:31:03 -0700 (PDT)
From: Thom Theara <thomtheara@yahoo.com>
Send reply to: Thom Theara <thomtheara@yahoo.com>
Subject: Defining the Newton Centre Neighborhood

To: "rsmith@newtonma.gov" <rsmith@newtonma.gov>

Dear Ms. Smith,

I am writing to express my interest in the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council and to request that its boundaries be expanded to include our household.

Thank you for your consideration,

Thomas Theara 84 Judith Road Newton, MA 02459

Thom Dorman Theara Newton, MA

Subject: (Fwd) Represent our household please Wed, 23 May 2012 14:37:29
I message follows Macy Tubman <macy.tubman@gmail.com> Represent our household please Mon, 21 May 2012 20:30:30 -0400 rsmith@newtonma.gov, rblazar@newtonma.gov</macy.tubman@gmail.com>
Dear Members of the Programs and Services Committee: I am writing to express my interest in the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council and to request that its boundaries be expanded to include our household
Sincerely,
Macy and Andrew Tubman 16 Brentwood Ave.
Newton, MA 02459 varded message

To: Subject: (Fwd) Newton Center Council

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 14:39:11

----- Forwarded message follows ------

Date sent: Mon, 21 May 2012 20:11:57 -0700 (PDT)
From: Heidi Vernon heidivernon@yahoo.com
Heidi Vernon heidivernon@yahoo.com

Subject: Newton Center Council

To: "rsmith@newtonma.gov" <rsmith@newtonma.gov>

Dear Rebecca,

I am interested in the Newton Center Council and would like to have my neighborhood adjacent to Mason-Rice included in the area.

Heidi Vernon

39 Stafford Road

To: Subject: (Fwd) Neighborhood Area Council

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 13:32:00

----- Forwarded message follows ------

Subject: Neighborhood Area Council

From: Alicia Wee <alee_10025@yahoo.com>
Date sent: Mon, 21 May 2012 12:24:25 -0400

To: "rsmith@newtonma.gov" <rsmith@newtonma.gov>,

"rblazar@newtonma.gov" <rblazar@newtonma.gov>

Dear Members of the Programs and Services Committee:

I am writing to express my interest in the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council, and to request that its boundaries be expanded to include our household. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Alicia Wee
3 Moreland ave
------ End of forwarded message ------

To: Subject: (Fwd) Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 14:43:16

----- Forwarded message follows ------

Date sent: Tue, 22 May 2012 07:40:52 -0400

Subject: Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council From: Carol Barnewolt cebarnewolt@gmail.com

To: rsmith@newtonma.gov,

rblazar@newtonma.gov

Dear Members of the Programs and Services Committee:

I am writing to express my interest in the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council and to request that its boundaries be expanded to include our household.

Sincerely,

Carol Barnewolt
68 Greenlawn Ave
Newton Centre
------ End of forwarded message ------

To: Subject: (Fwd) Newton Centre Neighborhood Counci

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 14:40:14

----- Forwarded message follows ------

Date sent: Tue, 22 May 2012 03:52:15 -0700 (PDT)
From: Eric Bender <ebender00@yahoo.com>
Send reply to: Eric Bender <ebender00@yahoo.com>
Newton Centre Neighborhood Counci

To: "rsmith@newtonma.gov" <rsmith@newtonma.gov>,

"rblazar@newtonma.gov" <rblazar@newtonma.gov>

Dear Richard and Rebecca,

I am writing to express my interest in the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council and to request that its boundaries be expanded to include our household.

Thanks for your help!

Eric Bender 86 Greenlawn Ave., Newton Centre, MA 02459 267.342.0343 cell

To: Subject: (Fwd) Newton Centre
Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 14:43:49

----- Forwarded message follows ------

Date sent: Tue, 22 May 2012 09:02:47 -0400

From: Lisa Camesano < lisa.camesano@stanfordalumni.org>

To: rsmith@newtonma.gov,

rblazar@newtonma.gov

Subject: Newton Centre

Dear Members of the Programs and Services Committee:

We are writing to express my interest in the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council and to request that its boundaries be expanded to include our household.

Sincerely,

Lisa Camesano & John Byers

31 Manemet Road Newton, MA 02459 ----- End of forwarded message ------

To: Date sent:	Subject: (Fwd) Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council Wed, 23 May 2012 14:57:19
	message follows
From: To: Subject: Date sent:	Kathy Drake <kdrake100@hotmail.com> <rsmith@newtonma.gov> Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council Tue, 22 May 2012 09:46:56 -0400</rsmith@newtonma.gov></kdrake100@hotmail.com>
Dear Memb	ers of the Programs and Services Committee:
•	g to express my interest in the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council and to tits boundaries be expanded to include our household.
Sincerely, Kathy Drak 54 Bothfeld	
End of forw	arded message

To: Subject: (Fwd) RE: Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council -- Public meeting on May 23

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 15:00:48

----- Forwarded message follows ------

Send reply to:

From: "Lisa Gordon\(2\)" < lisa@kdgordon.com>

To: <pam.boiros@gmail.com>
Copies to: <psiinsky@newtonma.gov>,
<asangiolo@newtonma.gov>,

<asangiolo@newtonma.gov>,
<rblazar@newtonma.gov>,
<lbaker@newtonma.gov>,
<thessmahan@newtonma.gov>,

<jrice@newtonma.gov>,

<mfischman@newtonma.gov>,
<cmerrill@newtonma.gov>,
<rsmith@newtonma.gov>,
<vdanberg@newtonma.gov>,
<gschwartz@newtonma.gov>

Subject: RE: Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council -- Public meeting on

May 23

Date sent: Tue, 22 May 2012 11:09:25 -0400

Dear Pam & Erich,

This was forwarded to us by the committee. We hope you will consider joining our efforts and working to expand the area. We've worked very hard over the last two years and have been collecting signatures to move forward. Please find our website below. I've also included a link to the petition. We are all residents in this area and have only good intentions. If you have any questions please let me know. If you'd like to discuss this please feel free to call me. We are asking that those who would like to be included help us to collect the signatures in their area.

http://newtoncentreareacouncil.wordpress.com/

http://newtoncentrearea council. files. word press. com/2011/10/newton-centre-village-area-council-petition 1.pdf

Best,

Lisa

617-332-1992

From: Pam Boiros [mailto:pam.boiros@gmail.com]

Sent: Monday, May 21, 2012 11:47 AM

To: slinsky@newtonma.gov; asangiolo@newtonma.gov; rblazar@newtonma.gov; lbaker@newtonma.gov; thessmahan@newtonma.gov; jrice@newtonma.gov; mfischman@newtonma.gov; cmerrill@newtonma.gov; rsmith@newtonma.gov

Cc: gschwartz@newtonma.gov; vdanberg@newtonma.gov

Subject: Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council -- Public meeting on May 23

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Pam Boiros and Erich Mettler
182 Homer Street
Newton Centre, MA 02459
Pam Boiros
Cell <u>617-435-8408</u>
Email: pam.boiros@gmail.com

To: Subject: Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 14:56:28

----- Forwarded message follows ------

Date sent: Tue, 22 May 2012 06:43:14 -0700 (PDT)
From: Laura Hu <hu_judge@yahoo.com>
Laura Hu <hu_judge@yahoo.com>

To: "rsmith@newtonma.gov" <rsmith@newtonma.gov>

Dear Members of the Programs and Services Committee:

I am writing to express my interest in the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council and to request that its boundaries be expanded to include our household.

Sincerely,

Laura Hu and David Judge 11 Royce Rd, Newton Center

To: Date	sent:	Subject: (Fwd) Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council Wed, 23 May 2012 15:09:18
	sent: i:	sage follows Tue, 22 May 2012 16:10:56 +0000 (UTC) mylespat@comcast.net rsmith@newtonma.gov, rblazar@newtonma.gov Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council
	Dear Membe	rs of the Programs and Services Committee:
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	Aileen & Mich 710 Walnut S	nael Murphy Street, Newton Centre, 02459
End of forwarded message		

To: Subject: (Fwd) newton centre area council

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 14:36:57

----- Forwarded message follows ------

Date sent: Tue, 22 May 2012 00:23:37 +0000 (UTC)

From: felicers@comcast.net
To: rsmith@newtonma.gov
Subject: newton centre area council

Dear Members of the Programs and Services Committee:

I am writing to express my interest in the Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council and to request that its boundaries be expanded to include our household.

Sincerely,

Felice Scheff 56 Charlotte RD Newton Centre, MA 02459

To: Subject: (Fwd) Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 15:13:00

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Subject: Newton Centre Neighborhood Area Council

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 08:14:11 -0400

From: "Natalie B.Sawyer" <nbs@murphyking.com>

To: <rsmith@newtonma.gov>,

<rblazar@newtonma.gov>

Dear Members of the Programs and Services Committee:

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Sincerely,

Natalie Sawyer 11 Stafford Road Newton Centre, MA 02459

Natalie B. Sawyer, Esq. Murphy & King, P.C. One Beacon Street Boston, MA 02108 Tel: 617-423-0400

Fax: 617-423-0498

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matilda.bruckner@bo	<u>c.edu</u>
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#123-12

From: sledani@aol.com
To: dolson@newtonma.gov
Subject: Vote NOon proposal #123-12

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 11:04:41 -0400 (EDT)

Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12.

I oppose the proposal for a Newton Center Area Council (#123-12) because it excludes me and most of the residents who live around and use the commercial area of Newton Center.

It's undemocratic that a small percentage of those who live in the Newton Center neighborhood should be the only people eligible to vote or seek election to a Newton Center Area Council. The commercial center of Newton Center isn't a "village." It's an urban commercial center that serves a broad population.

#123-12

From: David Berlove dberlove@yahoo.com

To: "dolson@newtonma.gov" <dolson@newtonma.gov>

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 08:22:00 -0700 (PDT) Send reply to: David Berlove <a href="mailto:decomposition-of-partial

Please forward this message to all Newton Alderman:

As a long time Newton resident I am shocked at the proposal to put substantial control of Newton Center in the hands of a very small number of residents. I live less than a mile away and would have no vote in the future development of my city center. Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12.

Respectfully, David and Orlee Berlove

18 Hazelton Rd, Newton Centre

#123-12

From: "Brodoff, Maureen" < mbrodoff@NFPA.org>

To: "dolson@newtonma.gov" <dolson@newtonma.gov>
Subject: Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12

Date sent: Tue, 22 May 2012 12:43:09 -0400

I oppose the proposal for a Newton Center Area Council (#123-12) because it excludes me and most of
the residents who live around and use the commercial area of Newton Center. I NOTE FOR EXAMPLE
THAT COUSENS CIRCLE WHERE I LIVE IS MUCH CLOSER NEWTON CENTER THAN MANY OF THE STREETS
THAT ARE INCLUDED WITHIN THE AREA OF ELIGIBILITY FOR THE PROPOSED NEWTON CENTER AREA
COUNCIL.

- It's undemocratic that a small percentage of those who live in the Newton Center neighborhood should be the only people eligible to vote or seek election to a Newton Center Area Council.
- The commercial center of Newton Center isn't a "village." It's an urban commercial center that serves a broad population. COUSENS CIRCLE IS VIRTUALLY ON BEACON STREET AND ABOUT AS CLOSE TO NEWTON CENTER AS YOU CAN GET, SO WE EXPERIENCE THE IMPACTS OF TRAFFIC AND ACTIVITY WITHIN THE CENTER AS MUCH OR MORE AS MOST. WE UNDERSTAND THAT NEWTON CENTER IS NOT JUST FOR US BUT FOR THE WHOLE CITY, AND WE CHOSE TO LIVE NEAR THE CENTER BECAUSE IT IS AN URBAN COMMERCIAL CENTER THAT DRAWS PEOPLE IN AND IS A DESTINATION FOR ALL OF NEWTON AND BEYOND.

PLEASE CONVEY THIS TO THE ALDERMAN OR LET ME KNOW HOW I AM OTHERWISE ABLE TO REACH THEM TO CONVEY MY VIEWS IN ADVANCE OF THE WEDNESDAY MEETING THAT WILL CONSIDER THIS PROPOSAL.

Thank you.

Maureen Brodoff 11 Cousens Circle Newton, MA 02459 617-244-5388 mbrodoff@nfpa.org

Date sent: Tue, 22 May 2012 08:53:18 -0400

From: Anne Chalmers <apchalmers@comcast.net>

Send reply to: apchalmers@comcast.net dolson@newtonma.gov

Subject: Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12

To all Newton Aldermen:

Please vote NO on the proposal #123-12 to set up a Newton Center Area Council.

This proposal, as written, puts control for decisions that affect all residents in Newton Centre and the whole City of Newton into the hands of people who live in a very small and arbitrary area around the commercial center of our city:

- 1. Looking at the map, the area marked for area council is very unbalanced, excluding randoms parts of blocks and whole areas that are defined as Newton Centre by the Post Office.
- 2. It makes those of us who live in Newton Centre and use it everyday as our own neighborhood powerless to have any say in what happens to it. That is completely undemocratic.
- 3. Really, Newton Centre is not a local "village" but a commercial and social center for all of Newton. As such, decisions that affect it should be open to all.

Please vote NO on this proposal!

Thank you, Anne P. Chalmers 49 Janet Road Newton Centre, MA 02459

#123-12

From: Richard Dale <richard@dales.org>

To: dolson@newtonma.gov

Subject: Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 12:33:22 -0400

I am a Newton Centre resident (inside the magic circle as it happens) and ask you to let all the aldermen know I wish them to OPPOSE Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12

I oppose the proposal for a Newton Center Area Council (#123-12) because the group sponsoring it is antidevelopment and the commercial center of Newton Center isn't a "village." It's an urban commercial center that serves a broad population.

Richard Dale
richard@dales.org
83 Dalton Road, Newton

#123-12

From: Steve Ebstein <ebstein@lexitek.com>

To: dolson@newtonma.gov

Subject: Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 13:43:56 -0400

I am a resident of the area for this proposed council, but feel that Newton Centre is important to the whole city, not just nearby residents. A local area council could easily be dominated by the parochial interests of a few active area residents, rather than those of all interested Newton residents.

Steven Ebstein 67 Pelham St Newton, MA 02459

#123-12

From: Joshua Elkin <elkin.joshua@gmail.com>

To: dolson@newtonma.gov

Subject: Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 12:43:40 -0400

Το: Δασιδ Ολσον:

I oppose the proposal for a Newton Center Area Council (#123-12) because it excludes me and most of the residents who live around and use the commercial area of Newton Center.

It's undemocratic that a small percentage of those who live in the Newton Center neighborhood should be the only people eligible to vote or seek election to a Newton Center Area Council.

The commercial center of Newton Center isn't a "village." It's an urban commercial center that serves a broad population.

Thank you for your consideration of this email. I have been a proud resident of Newton Center since 1985. During this time, Newton has made much progress. This proposal is short-sighted and not in the best interests of the entire village of Newton Center, and of the city of Newton as a whole.

Sincerely,

Joshua Elkin 74 Park Lane Newton Center, MA 02459-1731

#123-12

From: "Janice K. Fineman" <fineman@brandeis.edu>

To: dolson@newtonma.gov

Subject: Newton Center Area Council Proposal #123-12

Date sent: Mon, 21 May 2012 21:16:25 -0400

I am writing in opposition to Proposal #123-12 for a Newton Center Area Council. I am opposed to the proposed eligibility rules for election to serve on this Council. The area from which the members can be chosen represents on a tiny proportion of Newton Center and would exclude the many people who use the Center on a regular basis in having a say in proposals for the Center.

We live approximately one mile from the Center and shop, bank, and are there at least a couple of times a week if not more. I would like to know that someone from my area of Newton Center could be included in the decision making process for the Center.

Sincerely, Janice Fineman 42 Janet Road Newton Centre, MA 02459

#123-12

From: "Howard E. Fineman" < hefineman@yahoo.com>

To: <dolson@newtonma.gov>

Subject: Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12

Date sent: Mon, 21 May 2012 21:48:08 -0400

Copies to: "Howard E. Fineman" < hefineman@yahoo.com>

Dear Mr. Olson,

This email is intended to go to ALL Newton Aldermen before the vote for proposal #123-12.

This proposal is NOT in the interest of all the residents of Newton Center or those outside Newton Center who use the commercial area and provide revenues for the businesses and taxes for the city.

We live about one mile from the commercial area and use it many times a week but would be excluded from deciding what's in the best interests of the commercial area and ALL the residents of Newton Center. This proposal would enable a small group of residents to make such decisions with no representation from the rest of the community. It's undemocratic that a small percentage of those who live in the Newton Center neighborhood should be the only people eligible to vote or seek election to a Newton Center Area Council, which would then assure that only this narrow part of Newton Center would have a voice in the future of the commercial area.

The commercial area of Newton Center is an <u>urban commercial center</u> that serves a broad population – far broader than the boundaries of the proposed council member area.

I urge you to vote **NO** on this proposal to preserve our representational government.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Howard E. Fineman

Howard E. Fineman

email: hefineman@yahoo.com home phone: (617) 527-3436

42 Janet Road

Newton Center, MA 02459

#123-12

From: elkan gamzu <ergamzu@yahoo.com>

To: "dolson@newtonma.gov" <dolson@newtonma.gov>

Subject: Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12.

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 10:12:33 -0700 (PDT) Send reply to: elkan gamzu <ergamzu@yahoo.com>

Dear Sir,

I oppose the above mentioned proposal for a number of reasons and would appreciate if you could pass on this message to the appropriate city aldermen.

As someone who regularly walks to the area in Newton Centre from my home in Newton Centre (Nobscot Rd - 02459), I object to a limited number of people controlling the decisions. I also object to the fact that none of us outside the narrowly defined area get to have any say on this topic which also greatly affects us.

Moreover, even the current map is extremely arbitrary and is clearly defined somehow to exclude individual homes that one assumes object to this ridiculous proposal.

The heart of Newton Centre is an urban commercial center and serves a very broad range of individuals, all of whom deserve a voice on this matter.

Sincerely,

Elkan Gamzu

#123-12

From: Tova Greenberg <tova.greenberg@gmail.com>

To: dolson@newtonma.gov

Subject: vote NO on Newton Center Area Council Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 14:27:52 -0400

I just learned that this is a proposal pending for a small group of abutters to significantly impact decisions about activities in the Newton Center commercial center. i oppose this resolution.

I live nearby, but not in the area outlined and visit the Center often for business (banking) and entertainment. The area could greatly benefit from well-planned development to enhance services and make best use of the proximity to the T. All those who use the area and are impacted by Newton tax revenues should have a say in what happens.

Sincerely,

Tova Greenberg 108 Cabot Street Newton

From: Ruth Grossman «Ruth_Grossman@emerson.edu»
To: "dolson@newtonma.gov" <dolson@newtonma.gov>

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 11:12:32 -0400

Subject: Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12

I oppose the proposal for a Newton Center Area Council (#123-12) because it excludes me and most of the residents who live around and use the commercial area of Newton Center.

It is undemocratic that a small percentage of those who live in the Newton Center neighborhood should be the only people eligible to vote or seek election to a Newton Center Area Council.

The commercial center of Newton Center isn't a "village." It's an urban commercial center that serves a broad population.

Ruth B. Grossman, Ph.D. CCC-SLP Assistant Professor Dept. of Communication Sciences and Disorders Emerson College

#123-12

From: "Holly Gunner" < hgunner@comcast.net>

To: <dolson@newtonma.gov>

Subject: Please vote NO on Newton Centre Area Council Proposal #123-12

Date sent: Mon, 21 May 2012 20:31:02 -0400

Send reply to: <pr

Copies to: "'amy sangiolo" <aldermansangiolo@gmail.com>

Dear Alderman,

For 35 years, I have lived in the same house on Janet Road in Newton Center, two blocks west of Centre St and 1 block north of Mill St. The commercial center of Newton Center is my "neighborhood." My street – a 5-minute walk from that commercial center, and a 2-minute drive – isn't included in the extremely small number of streets enumerated in the proposal. Yet, I almost daily go to that commercial center to two banks (including a safe deposit box I've had for 35 years), several cleaners, the drugstore, the coffee and frozen yogurt stores, a massage therapist, a couple of greeting card stores, the post office, at least 6 restaurants where I usually eat several times a week, and at least three restaurants where I get take-out. I sometimes go to 'Newton Center' to take public transportation, and I pick up my wife at the Newton Center T-stop occasionally. Before she retired, I did that at least 10 times a month, and saw countless others in cars doing the same thing at various late afternoon and evening hours. More often, I park in the city parking lot, now using my senior sticker. My house is protected by the Newton Center fire station. So, I have a lot at stake in "Newton Centre."

"Newton Centre" is my neighborhood, and I am probably pretty typical of many, many people who live in this so-called village of Newton. I doubt they would like to see such a restrictive notion of stakeholders in a rammed-through proposal that they, like me, experience as coming out of left field with no proper notice or adequate opportunity for those stakeholders to learn about what is being proposed, why and the pro's and con's of putting it into practice." This proposal is a recipe for political disaster.

The idea of village councils is very appealing, and certainly fits parts of Newton, such as Newton Highlands, Waban, Auburndale. But I think City officials should consider the idea that the commercial center of Newton Center is NOT a village at all. It's a very robust urban commercial area with some houses surrounding it. I once did a tally of what's in Newton Center's commercial center and came up with something like this: 20+ restaurants/eating places/coffee houses, 7 or so banks, 3 cleaners, 2 cosmetics stores, a couple of beauty parlors, a dozen or so clothing/jewelry

The extent of commercial activity makes it more like a mall than a village or neighborhood in its functionality! So, perhaps the City Charter's concept of a village/area council doesn't fit Newton Center in the way that it fits other areas of the City, such as Newton Highlands or Waban, with their small, localized commercial centers.

It may just be that some folks are trying to fit a round peg into a square hole.

Holly Gunner 49 Janet Road Newton Center 02459

Copies to: dolson@newtonma.gov

From: Sherry Israel <israel@brandeis.edu>

Subject: area council proposal

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 12:20:16 -0400

To: rsmith@newtonma.gov

I welcome the general idea of forming an area council, but I oppose the current proposal.

It draws the boundaries of the area much too narrowly. This is the Village Center for many of us who live beyond these boundaries, and it is inappropriate to exclude us from discussions and decisions about the uses of the Center, its development and its future.

Those proposing the council, and the aldermen who will consider the proposal (#123-13), need to expand their outreach.

Sherry Israel 38 Ballard Street

I am sending this letter to my aldermen as well, via the city clerk, whom I am requesting to pass it on.

#123-12

From: Rob Kaplan <robkap@gmail.com>

To: dolson@newtonma.gov

Subject: Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 10:54:59 -0400

• I oppose the proposal for a Newton Center Area Council (#123-12) because it excludes me and most of the residents who live around and use the commercial area of Newton Center.

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- The commercial center of Newton Center isn't a "village." It's an urban commercial center that serves a broad population.

#123-12

From: Bryan Koplow
 bryan.k.ventures@gmail.com>

To: dolson@newtonma.gov

Subject: Please vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 11:04:16 -0400

I am against this proposal that affects me as a Newton Centre resident DIRECTLY

My family is for more commercial interests and commercial diversity in Newton Centre, not more restrictions. Please don't allow one of Newton's attractions be stifled by a few neighbors. Newton is for all of its residents, not a select few.

Bryan Koplow 44 Manemet Road 617-244-7999

Please forward this to the aldermen so that my opinion is considered

Thank you!

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 12:30:03 -0400

Subject: no to newton centre are council proposal From: esther kletter <estherkletter@gmail.com>

To: dolson@newtonma.gov

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Dear Alderman,

I urge you to Not allow the formation of the Newton Center Area Council as it has been proposed for the following reasons:

I oppose the proposal for a Newton Center Area Council (#123-12) because it excludes me and most of the residents who live around and use the commercial area of Newton Center.

· It's undemocratic that a small percentage of those who live in the Newton Center neighborhood should be the only people eligible to vote or seek election to a Newton Center Area Council. · The commercial center of Newton Center isn't a "village." It's an urban commercial center that serves a broad population.

In addition, I live on Rice street near Centre; a corner which has been deftly carved out of the proposed included area . It is unconcionable that I should not have the same vote as to what happens in the Centre as my neighbors further up the block.

thanks you

#123-12

From: debkram@aol.com
To: dolson@newtonma.gov

Subject: Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 11:46:47 -0400 (EDT)

• I oppose the proposal for a Newton Center Area Council (#123-12) because it excludes me, a Newton Center resident of Irving Street, and most of the residents who live around and use the commercial area of Newton Center.

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Deborah Kram 55 Irving Street Newton Center, MA 02459

#123-12

From: Jane Ravid <janeravid@aol.com>

To: dolson@newtonma.gov

Subject: Newton Centre

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 11:09:13 -0400

"Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12."

Jane and Benjamin Ravid 497 Ward St

#123-12

From: Fern Reiss <fernreiss@gmail.com>

To: dolson@newtonma.gov

Subject: NO on Newton Center Area Council #123-12

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 12:31:57 -0400

Hi David,

Please put us down for NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal 123-12, because of its exclusion of people like us-who live on Tarleton Road, just a few short blocks away from Newton Center.

Thank you.

/Fern Reiss & Jonathan Harris

Publish & promote your book http://www.PublishingGame.com

#123-12

From: Alan Rockoff <rockoffalan@gmail.com>

To: dolson@newtonma.gov

Subject: Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12."

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 12:29:37 -0400

I oppose this proposal. Newton Centre is not a village unto itself--it serves the whole city.

Thank you. Alan Rockoff 36 Bullough Park

#123-12

From: Bob Roth
bobroth1@gmail.com>

To: dolson@newtonma.gov

Subject: Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 12:30:56 -0400

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From: Ari Trachtenberg <bodek@ipsit.bu.edu>

Subject: Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 12:07:47 -0400
Copies to: Rob Kaplan <robkap@gmail.com>

To: dolson@newtonma.gov

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Grad. coChair, ECE trachten@bu.edu

http://people.bu.edu/trachten

#123-12

From: "Unger, Leo" <Leo.Unger@fmr.com>

To: "dolson@newtonma.gov" <dolson@newtonma.gov>
Subject: Vote NO on Newton Center Area Council proposal #123-12

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 11:02:55 -0400

To Newton Aldermen:

• I oppose the proposal for a Newton Center Area Council (#123-12) because it excludes me and most of the residents who live around and use the commercial area of Newton Center.

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Leo Unger 14 Mason Rd. Newton, MA 02459

#123-12

From: "richard wilgoren" < rwilgoren@verizon.net >

To: <dolson@newtonma.gov>

Subject: vote no

Date sent: Wed, 23 May 2012 11:40:18 -0400

please vote no on Newton Center Area Council proposal @123-12

I oppose the proposal for a Newton Center Area Council (#123-12) because it excludes me and most of the residents who live around and use the commercial area of Newton Center.

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thank you

Gale and Richard Wilgoren