



Public Facilities Committee Agenda

City of Newton In City Council

Wednesday, February 8, 2017

7:00 PM
Room 204

Items Scheduled for Discussion:

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#34-17

Transfer \$1 million for snow and ice removal expenses

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) from the Budget Reserve – Snow and Ice Removal Account to the following accounts:

Personnel Costs – Overtime

(0140110-513001).....\$300,000

Sand & Salt

(0110410-5532).....\$700,000

[01/23/17 @ 5:17 PM]

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#32-17

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of fifty-five thousand dollars (\$55,000) from the Department of Public Works Engineering Full-time Salaries Account to the Department of Public Works Engineering, Engineering Services Account to hire engineering consultants to prepare final engineering design services for the Newton Corner ADA Ramp and Sidewalk Improvements Project. [01/30/17 @ 3:39 PM]

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#33-17

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend one hundred twenty-one thousand dollars (\$121,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of funding additional design engineering services for the West Newton Square Rehabilitation Project. [01/30/17 @ 3:39 PM]

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

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- #386-16** **MWRA loan financing for homeowners to replace lead service lines**
COUNCILORS CROSSLEY AND GENTILE proposing to establish policies and procedures for the use of approved Massachusetts Water Resource Authority (MWRA) no interest loan financing to encourage homeowners to participate in the lead service line replacement program. [10/26/16 @ 3:12 PM]

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

- #31-17** **Ordinance Amendment to eliminate sewer cleaning fees**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR proposing an ordinance amendment to remove Section 29-67A, Sewer cleaning fees from the City of Newton Revised Ordinance, 2012. [01/30/17 @ 3:39 PM]

Referred to Public Facilities Committee

- #26-17** **Ordinance Amendment to allow City to shut water to allow access**
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS proposing revisions to Article II Sec. 29-26 Inspection of water taker's premises to include language to allow the City to shut water off to properties with proper notice in order to allow for the City to inspect, repair or replace Water Meters. [01/30/2017 @ 3:39 PM]

- #6-17** **Request to establish filing fee for wireless attachments in the public way**
COUNCILORS CROSSLEY, ALBRIGHT, LAPPIN AND GENTILE requesting the establishment of a filing fee from petitioners seeking to attach wireless communications devices to existing or proposed structures in the public way. [12/23/2016 @ 8:37 AM]

- #36-17** **Ordinance amendment to require peer review of wires communication attachments**
COUNCILOR CROSSLEY, ALBRIGHT AND LAPPIN requesting an Ordinance, pursuant to Mass. General laws Chapter 166, Section 22 and Chapter 44, Section 53G, the adoption of which would enable the City Council to require peer review of grant of location petitions, including proposed wireless communications equipment attachments to poles or structures in the public way (and on public lands), at the petitioner's expense, to assist the Council in deciding requested grants of location.

Items Not Scheduled for Discussion at this Meeting:

- #5-17** **Discussion with DPW regarding salt use for snow clearing operations**
COUNCILORS CROSSLEY, ALBRIGHT requesting a discussion with the Commissioner of Public Works about City Policy that determines the use of salt on roadways during snow clearing operations, to understand how we might minimize the amount of salt used overall and consider eliminating the placement of salt barrels at certain locations throughout the City. [12/23/2016 @ 8:37 AM]

Referred to Programs & Services Committees and Public Facilities

- #12-17** **Request for updates on the Library Expansion Project**
COUNCILORS CROSSLEY, ALBRIGHT AND BLAZAR requesting periodic updates from the Library Trustees and Library Director on the Library expansion project. [01/03/2017 @ 3:55 PM]

Referred to Programs & Services Committees and Public Facilities

- #13-17** **Request for updates on the Archive Expansion Project**
COUNCILORS CROSSLEY, ALBRIGHT, AND BLAZAR requesting periodic updates from the City Clerk on the Archives expansion project. [01/03/2017 @ 3:56 PM]

Public Hearing

- #249-16** **Cellco petition for Grant of Location for wireless communication equipment**
CELLCO PARTNERSHIP d/b/a VERIZON WIRELESS petitioning for a grant of location to attach wireless communication equipment to existing utility poles at the following locations [(Ward 8) 07/01/2016 @11:17 AM]:
Locations
Dudley Road (near 530 Dudley Road) at Pole #10-7
Hay Road (near 16 Hay Road) at Pole #1368-1

Public Hearing

- #281-16** **Cellco petition for Grant of Location for wireless communication equipment**
CELLCO PARTNERSHIP d/b/a VERIZON WIRELESS petitioning for a grant of location to attach wireless communication equipment to existing Utility Pole #20-20 at Sargent Street (near the Sargent/Centre intersection). (Ward 7) [07/20/2016 @12:21 PM]

Public Hearing

- #423-16** **Verizon Grant of Location petition for wireless communication equipment**
CELLCO PARTNERSHIP d/b/a VERIZON WIRELESS petitioning for a grant of location to attach wireless communication equipment to existing utility pole #405/24 adjacent to 93 Sevlard Road. (Ward 8). [11/21/2016 @ 9:44 AM]
- #200-15** **Update on the strategic plan for street and sidewalk improvements**
ALD. LAREDO requesting that the Department of Public Works provide an update on the creation of a strategic plan for the improvement of streets and sidewalks in the City. [08/13/15 @ 11:20 AM]

Referred to Programs & Services, Public Facilities and Finance Committees

- #387-16** **Appropriate \$250,000 for renovation of 1st Floor of the Ed Center**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) from the Override Capital Stabilization Fund

for the purpose of renovating the space on the 1st floor of the Ed Center which has been vacated by the relocation of the Pre-K Program to the Aquinas site to house the Central High School Program, additional professional development meeting space, and general office space. [10/31/16 @ 2:05 PM]

- #12-16** **Discussion with the DPW regarding the City's recycling and solid waste programs**
COUNCILOR LEARY, NORTON, KALIS, HESS-MAHAN, ALBRIGHT, AND CROSSLEY requesting an update from and discussion with the Department of Public Works and the Solid Waste Commission on the current status of Newton's solid waste management and recycling program operations and performance objectives, future goals and objectives, staffing, program challenges, and survey data due to be submitted to the Department of Environmental Protection. [12/28/15 @ 8:44 AM]

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

- #385-16** **Discussion about the Community Solar Share Program**
PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEE requesting discussion with the Administration and Public Buildings Department about the Community Solar Share Program, which intends to provide credits resulting from solar power generated at 70 Elliot Street to qualifying low income residents. [10/26/16 @ 4:20 PM]

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

- #384-16** **Appropriate \$71,000 to build an observation deck on the greenway**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend seventy-one thousand dollars (\$71,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of construction an observation on the greenway walking corridor. [10/31/16 @ 2:05 PM]

Referred to Public Facilities Committee

- #317-16** **Discussion with Double Poles Working Group**
COUNCILOR LAREDO requesting a discussion with the Double Poles Working Group to receive an update on the work of the group and the status of double poles. [07/11/2016 @ 12:44 PM]

Referred to Finance and Appropriate Committees

- #359-16** **Submittal of the FY 2018 to FY 2021 Capital Improvement Plan**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR submitting the Fiscal Years 2018 to 2022 Capital Improvement Plan pursuant to section 5-3 of the Newton City Charter. [10/11/16 @ 11:28 AM]

Referred to Programs & Services and Public Facilities Committees

- #344-16** **Discussion regarding oversight of all city/school buildings to improve efficiencies**
COUNCILOR LAPPIN requesting a discussion regarding the Public Buildings Department overseeing all public buildings, including School Department facilities, to improve efficiencies. [10/07/16 @ 10:47 AM]

Referred to Programs & Services, Public Facilities and Finance Committees

- #175-16** **Authorization to enter into a settlement agreement with National Grid.**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization for the City to enter into a settlement agreement with Boston Gas Company d/b/a National Grid. [04/25/16 @ 6:52 PM]

Referred to Programs & Services and Public Facilities Committees

- #141-15** **Discussion on tracking and improving the condition of the gas utility infrastructure**
ALD. BROUSAL-GLASER, SANGIOLO, HESS-MAHAN, COTE, NORTON AND ALBRIGHT requesting a discussion with the Director of Urban Forestry, a representative of the Department of Public Works and a representative of the Law Department about tracking and improving the condition of the gas utility infrastructure in Newton, new state statutes governing infrastructure repairs, coordination of increased repair work with city operations, the status of negotiations with National Grid to compensate for tree deaths resulting from gas leaks, and the possibility of creating a utilities working group to monitor progress on these and related issues. [05/26/15 @ 2:52 PM]
- #206-16** **Resolution requesting the administration hire a composting expert**
COUNCILOR LEARY requesting a Resolution to the Mayor requesting that he consider hiring a composting expert: either a consultant, a composting operator, or the Mass DEP to review the Rumford Avenue Composting site. [05/31/16 @ 4:52 PM]
- #207-16** **Review of the management of the Rumford Avenue site**
COUNCILOR LEARY requesting the Executive Office and the Commissioner of Public Works review the management of the entire Rumford Avenue site with the input of the Solid Waste Commission and present their findings to the Public Facilities Committee within a 3 to 6 month timeframe. [05/31/16 @ 4:52 PM]

Referred to Public Safety & Transportation and Public Facilities Committees

- #208-16** **Update on fire prevention at the compost operation at Rumford Avenue Landfill**
COUNCILOR LEARY requesting the Executive Office, the Fire Department, and the Department of Public Works provide an update on fire safety issues at the compost operation at the Rumford Avenue Landfill including details about who is currently managing the site for fires. [05/31/16 @ 4:52 PM]

#163-16 Request for discussion with DPW to consider amend Ordinance for street reconstruction

COUNCILORS CROSSLEY, LAREDO & LAPPIN requesting a discussion with the Commissioner of Public Works, to review city policy and/or ordinances governing repairs to city streets within a period of years after full reclamation and/or milling and repaving of said streets, and to consider strengthening the requirements for repairs so as to protect the public investment in said streets.

Referred to Programs & Services and Public Facilities Committees

#27-16 Updates from the Administration on the renovations at the Aquinas site

PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEES requesting that the School Department and/or Executive Department provide updates on removal of asbestos and other toxic materials that were identified at the Aquinas site, the scope and timing of window replacement in particular, and renovations that may be necessary to facilitate short and long-term plans for uses and operations at the site. [01/10/16 @ 1:14 PM]

#26-16 Proposed amendments to Sec. 5-54 through 5-58 of the Ordinances

COUNCILOR CROSSLEY, ALBRIGHT, HARNEY AND SANGIOLO requesting revisions to Sections 5-54 through 5-58 of the City of Newton Ordinances to clarify the City Council's role and decision-making process with respect to design review, funding, and budget oversight during the construction process of municipal capital building projects; in particular, to better align City Council decisions with typical steps in the design development process, and where applicable, with Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) and other state requirements. [01/11/16 @ 4:53 PM]

#313-15 Request for an update on the Second Water Meter Program

ALD. LAPPIN requesting an update from the Department of Public Works on the second water meter program including: the progress of the inspection and programming of the approximately 900 new outdoor irrigation meters provided by the City to property owners that have yet to be inspected and/or programmed by the City; the process going forward for the issuance, inspection, programming and tracking of second meters; and the notification of residents who already had second meters regarding the process for registering their meters. 10/26/15 @ 7:15 PM]

#237-15 Update on mitigation funds from Special Permits in Newton Centre

ALD. CROSSLEY, LAREDO, and SCHWARTZ requesting an update on funds accrued from voluntary contributions from Special Permits in Newton Centre, which can be made available to complete a safe pedestrian crossing at 714-724 Beacon Street via Special Permit Board Order #1-15 and conditions noted therein. 09/14/15 @ 10:40 AM]

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#223-15

Discussion on the process of licensing the use of city buildings

ALD. LAREDO requesting a discussion of the process of licensing the current and future use of city building, including: (a) how licensees may request the use of city buildings; (b) the process for determining which licensees will get the use of city buildings; (c) how the fees for the use of city buildings are set; and (d) how the current process compares to the process for permitting the use of school buildings. [08/13/15 @ 11:20 AM]

Referred to Programs & Services and Public Facilities Committees

#201-15

Discussion regarding the condition of the Kennard Estate building

ALD. SANGIOLO requesting a discussion with the Commissioner of Public Buildings, the Commissioner of Parks and Recreation, and the Executive Department regarding the condition of the property located at 246 Dudley Road (Kennard Estate) and how much, if any, repairs and upgrades will be needed as the City relocates the Parks and Recreation Department to that location. [09/01/15 @ 4:00 PM].

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#191-16

Funding to relocate the Zervas modulars to NSHS and Brown Middle School

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) to the Public Buildings Department for the purpose of funding the relocation modular classrooms from the Zervas Elementary School to Newton South High School and Brown Middle School from the following accounts:

<u>Department</u>	<u>Account</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Executive Office	Full-time Salaries	\$40,000
Treasury	Debt Service (010772-582A48)	\$403,784
Treasury	Debt Service (010772-582A49)	\$21,216
Financial Info Systems	Full-time Salaries	\$35,000

[05/09/16 @ 4:59 PM]

#100-15

Discussion on pursuing municipal aggregation of energy purchasing

ALD. NORTON, SANGIOLO, LEARY, AND ALBRIGHT requesting that the Administration pursue municipal aggregation of energy purchasing with the goals of reducing and/or stabilizing electricity costs for resident, businesses and the City; and requiring the purchase of Class 1 RECs at some percentage above the level required by the Massachusetts Renewable Portfolio Standard. [04/06/15 @ 9:12 AM]

#83-15

Discussion and update on energy items

ALD. CROSSLEY, GENTILE, & ALBRIGHT requesting a discussion and update from the Administration on the following energy related items: status of municipal power purchasing contracts for gas and electricity; status of the Power Purchase Agreement

including solar PV rooftop installations, power offset (cost benefit) to date and review of potential future projects; and an update on municipal energy consumption including the recent Green Communities report filed with the Department of Energy Resources. [03/26/15 @ 9:19 AM]

Referred to Public Facil, Programs & Serv, and Public Safety & Trans Committees

- #46-15** **Discussion of parking options for school and municipal parking lots**
ALD. JOHNSON & CICCONE, requesting a discussion with the Commissioner of Department of Public Works and the School Department to determine and discuss parking options including use of school properties based on the current municipal parking lot programs including the issuance of permits. [02/11/15 @ 1:35 PM]
- #328-14** **Review of double utility poles**
ALD. ALBRIGHT, DANBERG, & LAREDO requesting a review of double poles in Newton including a random sampling of ten double poles on the north side and ten double poles on the south side of Newton to determine which utility is holding up the removal of double poles. [08/19/14 @ 9:16 AM]
- #189-14** **Update on the Zervas School construction project**
PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEE requesting periodic updates on the Zervas Elementary School Project. [04/17/14 @ 10:48 PM]
- #188-14** **Update on the Cabot School construction project**
PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEE requesting periodic updates on the Cabot Elementary School Project. [04/17/14 @ 10:48 PM]

Referred to Programs & Services and Public Facilities Committees

- #119-14** **Discussion with ISD on plans to address City non-compliance with ADA standards**
ALD. ALBRIGHT AND CROSSLEY requesting discussion with the Inspectional Services Department to explain the development of short and long term plans to identify and correct buildings, sidewalks, playgrounds, etc...that do not conform to American Disability Act (ADA) standards. The discussion should include information on how improvements will be incorporated into the Capital Improvement Plan or if less than \$75,000 into a comprehensive budget plan to correct ADA deficiencies. [03/12/14 @ 4:18 PM]
- #131-13** **Updates and discussion on the sewer, water and storm water systems**
ALD. CROSSLEY, FULLER, SALVUCCI, JOHNSON, CICCONE requesting periodic updates and discussion, at the discretion of the members of the Public Facilities Committee or the Commissioner of Public Works, on the condition functioning, operations and management of all elements of the City sewer, water and storm water systems including the following:

- Water meters
- Implementation of the ten project area strategic plan to remove infiltration in the City sewer system
- Implementation of the long range strategic plan to repair and replace City water mains, especially to correct for fire flow
- Status of the City's Private Inflow Removal Program to resolve and disconnect illegal storm water connections to the City sewer system
- Current billing practices
- Rates analyses needed to facilitate an informed comparison of billing options to include the following options either alone or in combination: seasonal rates, second meters, tiered rates, frequency of billing, low income credits.

Referred to Finance and Appropriate Committees

#257-12

Review of Fees, Civil Fines/Non-criminal Disposition in Chapter 17 of the ordinances
RECODIFICATION COMMITTEE recommending (1) review of the Fees, Civil Fines/Non-Criminal Disposition contained in Chapter 17 LICENSING AND PERMITS GENERALLY and Chapter 20 CIVIL FINES/NON-CRIMINAL DISPOSITION CIVIL FINES to ensure they are in accordance with what is being charged and (2) review of the acceptance of G.L. c. 40 §22F, accepted on July 9, 2001, which allows certain municipal boards and officers to fix reasonable fees for the issuance of certain licenses, permits, or certificates.

Finance Voted No Action Necessary 7-0 on 12/14/15

Referred To Programs & Services And Public Facilities Committees

#36-12

Inspection of private sewer lines and storm water drainage connections

ALD. CROSSLEY & FULLER requesting Home Rule legislation or an ordinance to require inspections of private sewer lines and storm water drainage connections prior to settling a change in property ownership, to assure that private sewer lines are functioning properly and that there are no illegal storm water connections to the city sewer mains.

- A) Sewer lines found to be compromised or of inferior construction would have to be repaired or replaced as a condition of sale;
- B) Illegal connections would have to be removed, corrected, and re-inspected in accordance with current city ordinances and codes, as a condition of sale.
 [01/24/12 @ 8:07 AM]

Programs & Services Voted No Action Necessary 6-0 on 11/17/14

Referred to Public Safety & Transportation And Public Facilities Committees

#413-11

Updates on the renovations to the City's fire stations

ALD. CICCONE, SALVUCCI, GENTILE & LENNON updating the Public Facilities and Public Safety & Transportation Committees on the progress of renovations to the city's fire stations. [11-17-11 @11:07 AM]

#367-09

Discussion on repair of underground streetlight connections

PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEE requesting discussion with the Law Department on how to resolve the dispute with NStar regarding whose responsibility it is to repair the streetlight connection between the manhole and the base of the streetlight.
[10/21/09 @ 9:00 PM]

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah J. Crossley, Chair



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January 23, 2017

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Council docket for consideration a request to transfer the sum of one million dollars (\$1,000,000) from Acct # 0110498-5794 Budget Reserve/Snow & Ice to the following accounts:

Sand & Salt	Acct # 0140110-5532	\$700,000
Regular Overtime	Acct # 0140110-513001	\$300,000

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Setti D. Warren
Mayor



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January 30, 2017

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Council docket for consideration a request to transfer the sum of \$55,000 from Acct # 0140112-511001 DPW Engineering, Full Time Salaries to Acct # 0140112-530203 DPW Engineering, Engineering Services. The engineer who had been working on the Newton Corner ADA Ramp and Sidewalk Improvements Project is no longer working for the City, therefore, engineering consultants will be utilized to prepare the final engineering design services for this project.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Setti D. Warren
Mayor

City of Newton



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER
1000 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton Centre, MA 02459-1449

Setti D. Warren
Mayor

January 30, 2017

To: Maureen Lemieux, Chief of Staff, and Chief Financial Officer

From: James McGonagle, Commissioner
Louis M. Taverna, P.E., City Engineer

Subject: Request for Docket Item for Project Funds
Final Design Engineering Services
Newton Corner ADA Ramp and Sidewalk Improvements Project
BETA Group, Inc.

I request a total of \$55,000 (including 10% contingency) for final design engineering services for the Newton Corner ADA Ramp and Sidewalk Improvements Project.

Brief Description of the Project: BETA Group will prepare final engineering design services for the Newton Corner ADA Ramp and Sidewalk Improvements Project, including development of plans and specifications for bidding purposes.

This does not include engineering services during construction, or resident inspection services during construction, which will be estimated at a later date.

The project schedule is as follows: Completion of final design by spring 2017, bidding in spring 2017, and construction to begin in summer 2017.

Please docket this request with the Honorable City Council for their consideration.

Sincerely,

James McGonagle
Commissioner Public Works



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January 30, 2017

Honorable City Council
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Council docket for consideration a request to authorize the appropriation and expenditure of \$121,000 from June 30, 2016 Certified Free Cash for additional design engineering services for the West Newton Square rehabilitation project.

Now that the concept design is finalized, and the scope of work is clear, we require an additional \$121,000 (including 10% contingency) to complete the final design and prepare the contract documents for bidding.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

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January 30, 2017

To: Maureen Lemieux, Chief of Staff, and Chief Financial Officer

From: James McGonagle, Commissioner
Louis M. Taverna, P.E., City Engineer

Subject: Request for Docket Item for Additional Project Funds
Final Design Engineering Services
West Newton Square Project, HDR Engineers, Inc.

I request a total of \$121,000 for additional final design engineering services for the West Newton Square rehabilitation project.

Brief Description of the Project: HDR Engineers have completed conceptual engineering design services for the West Newton Square rehabilitation project. This included preparation of concept designs, and a series of public workshops. As the project concept is now finalized, HDR will provide final design engineering services, including development of plans and specifications for bidding purposes.

We previously request a total of \$250,000.00 in funds for final design engineering services, which was estimated in July 2016. Now that the concept design is finalized, and the scope of work is clear, we require an additional \$121,000 (including 10% contingency) to complete the final design, and prepare the contract documents for bidding. This does not include engineering services during construction, or resident inspection services during construction, which will be estimated at a later date.

The project schedule is as follows: Completion of final design by spring 2017, bidding in spring 2017, and construction to begin in summer 2017.

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Commissioner Public Works

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January 26, 2017

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To: Maureen Lemieux, Chief of Staff, and Chief Financial Officer

From: James McGonagle, Commissioner
Theodore J. Jerdee, Utilities Director

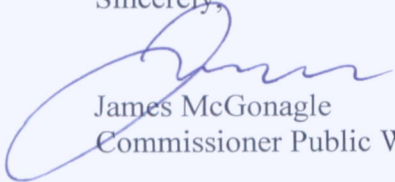
Subject: Request for Docket Item for Removal of Ordinance
Sec. 29-67. Sewer cleaning fees.

I request for consideration the removal from the City of Newton Ordinances Sec. 29-67A, Sewer cleaning fees.

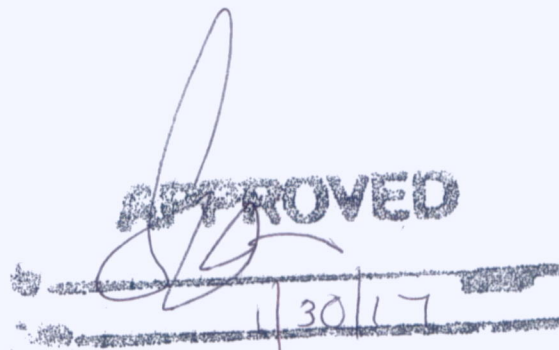
The DPW Utilities Division currently provides a service for cleaning *private* sewer services, fees range from \$220.00 during business hours to \$225.00 for overtime hours (see attached). In FY 2016 the Utilities Division cleaned 137 out of 24,681 sewer services throughout the city. Due to resources available (labor & equipment), the lack of participation in the program and the need to use these resources to focus on the *public* infrastructure, it is my recommendation to remove this service and the associated ordinance.

Please docket this request with the Honorable City Council for their consideration.

Sincerely,



James McGonagle
Commissioner Public Works



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1/30/17



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

1000 Commonwealth Avenue
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Setti D. Warren
Mayor

January 26, 2017

To: Maureen Lemieux, Chief of Staff, and Chief Financial Officer

From: James McGonagle, Commissioner
Theodore J. Jerdee, Utilities Director

Subject: Request for Docket Item to revise Article II Sec. 29-26
Inspection of water taker's premises

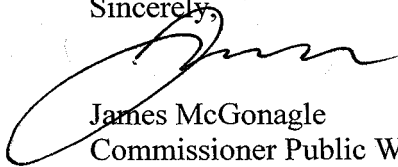
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I request for consideration the revision of Article II Sec. 29.26, Inspection of water taker's premises

Currently the city has 27,479 active water meters within our water distribution system. Of those, 100 meters were never replaced under the Meter Replacement Program and on average 800 meters are flagged in our Automatic Meter Reading (AMR) system needing repair or replacement. Utilities Personnel distribute door hangers, place phone calls and send certified letters notifying the property owner that the Utilities Division needs access in order to repair or replace the meter and/or the transponder that transmits the meter reading. Due to the lack of response from the property owners for access, it is the Department of Public Works recommendation that the ordinance be amended to allow the Commissioner of Public Works with proper notification to the property owner the ability to turn off the water supply to the premises until repairs or replacement can be made.

Please docket this request with the Honorable City Council for their consideration.

Sincerely,


James McGonagle
Commissioner Public Works


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