

CITY OF NEWTON

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEE AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, 2005

7:45 P.M.
Room 209

ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:

Public Hearing assigned for March 23, 2005

#76-05 ETHAN & LISA LERNER, 4 Nobscott Road, Chestnut Hill petitioning for Construction of a Main Drain in COMMONWEALTH AVENUE CARRIAGE LANE, from the existing manhole in Nobscott Road 105' in an easterly direction to a proposed manhole in Nobscott Road at 349 Commonwealth Avenue..
PETITIONER TO PAY ENTIRE COST

Public Hearing assigned for March 23, 2005

#98-05 JAMES H. MITCHELL, 83 Countryside Road, Newton Centre, petitioning for laying out, grading and acceptance of COUNTRYSIDE ROAD as a public way from Dedham Street to end (a distance of 2,450') to be the width of 24'.

Public Hearing assigned for March 23, 2005

#99-05 CRAIG HAMMER, 10 Patten Circle, Newton Centre, petitioning for laying out, grading and acceptance of PATTEN CIRCLE as a public way from Countryside Road to end (a distance of 275') to be the width of 24'.

Public Hearing assigned for March 23, 2005

#100-05 PETER LEAVITT, 11 Mosley Road, Newton Centre, petitioning for laying out, grading and acceptance of MOSLEY ROAD as a public way from Countryside Road to Rachel Road (a distance of 600') to be the width of 24'.

REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#107-05 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting that the sum of \$18,000 be appropriated from monies received from Newton-Wellesley Hospital (as reimbursement to the City for the installation of drainage in Washington Street) for the purpose of funding a 350 foot drainage extension on LARKSPUR ROAD.

REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#38-05 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization of debt issuance in the amount of \$12,930,095, through a zero interest loan program sponsored by the MWRA to fund rehabilitation of the City's water mains.

REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#108-05 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting that the sum of \$506,000 be appropriated from bonded indebtedness for the purpose of funding commissioning of the heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems at Newton South High School.

#481-04 ALD. SCHNIPPER requesting an update on the HVAC and plans to commission Newton South High School. (Held 01-05-05)

Re-appointment by His Honor the Mayor

#77-05 IRA KREPCHIN, 67 Craftsland Road, Chestnut Hill, reappointed as a member of the Newton Citizens Commission on Energy for a term of office which will expire on April 1, 2008 (60 days 04/07/05).

Re-appointment by His Honor the Mayor

#78-05 KATHERINE GEKAS, 87 Adella Avenue, West Newton, reappointed as a member of the Newton Citizens Commission on Energy for a term of office which will expire on April 1, 2008 (60 days 04/07/05).

ITEMS NOT YET SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:**REFERRED TO PS&T AND PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEES**

#479-04 ALD. LENNON, GENTILE, SALVUCCI, COLETTI et al requesting that a detailed analysis be conducted by the Public Buildings Dept., Fire Dept. (and any necessary outside sources) of all necessary improvements for each fire station within the city. Said analysis should include, but not be limited to: living quarters (bedrooms, kitchens, etc); offices and workstations; HVAC and plumbing systems; window replacement; apparatus floor and any other physical plant improvements. Said analysis should assist the Board of Aldermen in understanding and prioritizing all needed improvements and create a "blueprint" and timeline to have improvements implemented and completed.

REFERRED TO PS&T AND PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEES

#478-04 ALD. SAMUELSON and CANDACE HAVENS, along with ALDS. JOHNSON, LENNON, HESS-MAHAN, LINSKY, ALBRIGHT, HARNEY, SCHNIPPER, YATES, DANBERG AND LIPOF proposing creation of a new Ordinance to allow for installation of raised crosswalks, where deemed necessary, as a traffic calming measure.

#144-04 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting that the area along UNION STREET in Newton Centre be designated as Picadilly Square.

27-03 ALD. SALVUCCI, SCHNIPPER, LINSKY, STEWART, LAPPIN AND YATES requesting a review of all change orders to date with Public Buildings Commissioner and the Project Manager on the Newton South High School project.

REFERRED TO PUB. SAFETY/TRANS. AND PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEES

- #61-05 ALD. SAMUELSON, DANBERG AND CANDACE HAVENS requesting that, as part of the reconstruction process for TYLER TERRACE and/or CLARK STREET, speed humps be redesigned in order to improve safety for moving traffic while still slowing speeds to 25 mph.
- #386-04 ALD. SANGIOLO, HESS-MAHAN, JOHNSON, AND DANBERG proposing an ordinance to require that designers selected have LEED certification and include high performance/life cycle analysis for all municipal construction projects in the City of Newton.
- #321-04(2) ALD. JOHNSON requesting a RESOLUTION to His Honor the Mayor requesting that he expeditiously as possible find funding to create traffic calming measures on Mill Street as requested by the Traffic Council.
REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEE 5-0 (Lipof, Harney not voting)
- #104-04 ALD. YATES requesting a report from the Chief of Police as to how the ordinance prohibiting the blockage of sidewalks with snow can be more easily enforced.
- #522-03 ALD. PARKER AND LENNON requesting an ordinance amendment to improve enforcement related to snow removal.

REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEES

- #21-05(5) ALD. STEWART requesting that certain pedestrian safety improvements, including traffic islands, rebuilt curb cuts, and relocation of a stop sign, be made at the intersection of Hagar and Concord Streets, Newton Lower Falls.
- #246-04 COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS requesting approval of the 25% design plan submittal for Walnut Street from Homer Street to Centre Street including a small section of Centre Street to Route 9.
- #178-04(2) ALD. LAPPIN requesting an update on progress and implementation of the construction information database.
- #435-02(2) TRAFFIC ENGINEER proposing intersection safety improvement project at the intersection of HIGH STREET/ELLIOT STREET/OAK STREET (Ward 5).
PS&T APPROVED 5-0-1 (Lennon abstaining) REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES FOR REVIEW AND PUBLIC HEARING ON INTERSECTION RECONFIGURATION

REFERRED TO PUB. FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

- #202-04 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting an appropriation in the amount of \$150,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of replacing windows at the Pierce Elementary School. (Held 05-19-04)

REFERRED TO PUBLIC FAC. AND PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANS. COMMITTEES

- #35-04 ALD. SAMUELSON requesting an ordinance amendment to Section 26-8 of the City of Newton Revised Ordinances, 2001 to require all property owners or residents to remove snow from sidewalks abutting their property.
- # 34-03 ALD. COLETTI requesting discussion with Executive Department and Fire Department relative to street light maintenance contract with Wellesley Power and Light with the possibility transferring this function to of the Fire Department's Wire Group.
- #259-02 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting an informational discussion of authorization of a lease for municipal parking purposes of property owned by NSTAR located on Homer Street immediately west of the Main Library parking lot.
- #257-02 ALD. SCHNIPPER requesting a discussion of the state and federal laws that govern the shared use of utility poles, including a review of the standards and procedures employed in determining whether poles have adequate space and weight-bearing capacity to support the attachment of additional cables and wires.
- #146-99 GRACE J. VIGORITO, 33 Bencliffe Circle, petition for laying out, grading and acceptance of BENCLIFFE CIRCLE from Chaske Avenue to 730' to be the width of 45 feet.
- # 94-99 RALPH S. ROBART 28 Richardson Road, Petition for Laying Out, Grading, and Acceptance of RICHARDSON ROAD from Route 9 northerly 180'± to be the width of 30 feet.
- #93-99 RUTH M. THOMPSON 5 Belmore Park, Petition for Laying Out, Grading and Acceptance of BELMORE PARK from Washington Street to end 505' to be the width of 45 feet.

Respectfully submitted,

Sydra Schnipper, Chairman