



Public Safety & Transportation Committee Agenda

City of Newton **In City Council**

Wednesday, February 17, 2016

7:00 PM
Room 205

Items Scheduled for Discussion:

Referred to Public Safety & Transportation and Finance Committees

#65-16

Transfer of \$106,676.39 to the Fire Department to install amplifying cable.

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, requesting authorization to transfer the sum of one hundred six thousand six hundred seventy-six dollars and thirty-nine cents (\$106,676.39) from Free Cash to a Fire Department Capital Account to fund the installation of bi-directional amplifying cable for Police and Fire Department radio coverage inside Newton South High School. [02/09/16 @ 2:47 PM]

Referred to Public Safety & Transportation and Finance Committees

#64-16

Increase the number of Chief of Operation positions in the Fire Department

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, requesting a temporary increase in the number of Chief of Operations in the Fire Department from one to two Chief, as the current Assistant Chief of Operations is on extended sick leave, does not intend to return to his position, and his accrued time does not run out until August 2016. An Assistant Chief has been working as the acting Chief of Operations and the Fire Chief would like to permanently appoint him as the Chief of Operations before August 2016, as the acting Chief of Operations cannot attend bargaining sessions due to a possible conflict of interest should he return to a union position as Deputy Chief. [02/09/16 @ 2:47 PM]

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Items Not Scheduled for Discussion at this meeting:

REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEES

- #312-15** **Update from Health Department on opiate overdose epidemic**
ALD. COTE, HARNEY AND NORTON, requesting a review and discussion of the opiate overdose epidemic including an update from the Health Department appraising the board on the current situation to include comparative statistics from previous years as to the number of opiate overdoses handled by first responders. In addition, what is being done immediately to take this on and what support can the Board provide.
[10/19/15 @ 1:30 PM]

REFERRED TO FINANCE AND APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES

- #288-15** **Submittal by the Mayor of the FY17 Capital Improvement Plan**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR submitting the FY 2017-FY 2021 Capital Improvement Plan pursuant to section 5-3 of the Newton City Charter. [10/01/15 @ 1:53 PM]
- #197-15** **Discussion on policy or ordinance to deal with the use of drones**
ALD. ALBRIGHT, on behalf of a constituent requesting a discussion with the Chief of Police and the Commissioner of Parks and Recreation on the use of drones in the City of Newton to discuss what means and methods could become policy or ordinances to deal with an increase of privacy complaints as well as uses of more serious consequences. [08/14/15 @ 11:51 AM]

REFERRED TO PUB FACIL, PROG & SERV, AND PS&T COMMITTEES

- #46-15** **Discussion of parking options and permits at municipal and school 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]
- #326-14** **Discussion and plan to replace parking meters**
ALD. ALBRIGHT, requesting a discussion and a plan to replace all Newton parking meters within two years. [08/19/14 @ 9:16 AM]
- #72-14** **Discussion of installing a possible bike lane on Walnut Street**
ALD. CICCONE & JOHNSON, requesting a discussion of the installation of a possible bike lane on Walnut Street between Otis Street and Commonwealth Avenue.
[03/03/14 @ 8:17 AM]
- #28-14** **Discussion on duplicate street names**
ALD. CICCONE AND FULLER, on behalf of the Health Department and the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) requesting a discussion on duplicate street names.
[01/09/14 @ 10:57 AM]

#240-12 Request Chapter 19 Motor Vehicles & Traffic be amended, Sec. 19-224 and 19-226
RECODIFICATION COMMITTEE, requesting that **Chapter 19 MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC** be amended to determine who has jurisdiction for parking on municipal land, the owning department as described in **Sec. 19-224. Parking prohibited on city grounds.** or the Traffic Council as described in **Sec. 19-26. Authority and role of Traffic Council.**

REFERRED TO PS&T 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]

#137-11 Possible changes to long-term meter fees to discourage short-term use
ALD. DANBERG AND FULLER, requesting possible changes to City Ordinance 19-191, Parking Meter Fees, to require a minimum purchase at long-term parking meters in order to discourage short-term use. [04/26/11 @ 9:52 AM]

Respectfully submitted,

Allan Ciccone, Jr. Chair



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February 9, 2016

Honorable City Council
Newton City Hall
1000 Commonwealth Avenue
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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 \$106,676.39 from Free Cash to a Fire Department Capital Account for the installation of Bi-Directional Amplifying Cable for Police and Fire Department radio coverage inside Newton South High School. Improving the radio coverage at Newton South High School will allow Police and Fire to better communicate with the 911 Dispatch Centers which currently has limited capability.

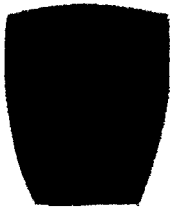
Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Setti D. Warren
Mayor

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Bruce A. Proia
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**CITY OF NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS
FIRE DEPARTMENT HEADQUARTERS**

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January 4, 2016

Maureen Lemieux
Chief Financial Officer
City of Newton
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Maureen,

I respectfully request to docket funding of \$106,676.39 for the installation of BDA Cable for Police and Fire radio coverage inside Newton South High School. The quote from All-Comm for the scope of work is attached.

Improving the radio coverage at Newton South High will allow Police and Fire to better communicate with the 911 Dispatch Centers which now has limited capability.

Thank you for your consideration to this request.

Respectfully,

Bruce Proia
Chief of Department



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**12/18/2015
 Newton South High School
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NFPA Compliant BDA System	
NFPA Complaint BDA System To Operate On The Newton Fire/Police/School Radio System	
Distributed Antenna System To Cover Areas Listed Below: • Main Electrical Room • Mechanical Room • Main Hall Ways • Cafeteria Area • Library • Gymnasium • Exit Stairs • Exit Passageways • Elevator Lobbies • Standpipe Locations • Sprinkler Sectional Valve Locations and Similar Areas	
Sub-Total	\$ 69,821.39

Licensed Electrical Work	
Obtain a building Permit (if needed)	
Run BDA Cables To Designated Cable Route	
Mount BDA in Custodial Closet By Auditorium	
Install (6) Alarm Modules For BDA Alarms	
Extend BDA alarms relays to Fire Alarm Control Panel	
Provide (2) 20A Circuits	
Provide Suitable Ground	
Install (3) steel access panels in high ceiling area in front of Gym	
Sub-Total	\$ 36,855.00
System Total	\$ 106,676.39

**Fire Alarm Work Excluded From This Proposal
 Labor Based on Prevailing Wage Rates
 Quote valid for 30 days from above date**



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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Council docket for consideration a request to approve the temporary suspension until September 15, 2016 of Article II – Fire Department Sec. 10.18 of the City of Newton Revised Ordinances to allow for the permanent appointment of the Acting Assistant Fire Chief to the position of Assistant Fire Chief.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Setti D. Warren
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January 26, 2016

Maureen Lemieux
Chief Financial Officer
City of Newton
Newton, MA 02459

Dear Maureen,

I am requesting to docket an item to create a temporary position for the Assistant Chief of Operations position. Assistant Chief Paul Chagnon has been on extended sick leave since December of 2014, and will run out of time in August of this year. Assistant Chief Gino Lucchetti has been working in an acting position in his place, and was promoted into the Acting position on March 15, 2015.

Assistant Chief Paul Chagnon is still on extended sick leave and will not be returning to his position with the Newton Fire Department. He will run out of accrued time in August 2016, and I do not want to wait any longer to permanently fill this very important position. The Ops Chief is second in command for The Newton Fire Department and among the many responsibilities, steps in as Acting Chief when I am not available for any reason. This includes responding to emergency calls to serve as, and take on the responsibilities, of the Incident Commander (I.C.). In addition, I need the Ops Chief to attend bargaining sessions, which he has not done to this point in time because of a possible conflict of interest should he return back to a union position as Deputy Chief. He has done a fantastic job since stepping into this position and I would like to make it permanent. Four additional promotions into acting positions were made in March of 2015 per the CBA. All of the acting positions have been covered with my operational budget. This will also be the case here should you grant the request for a temporary Ops Chief position. Once Assistant Chief Chagnon retires the temporary position will be cut from the budget.

Thank you for your consideration, and please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,


Bruce Proia
Chief of Department

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Secs. 10-13—10-27. Reserved.**ARTICLE II.
FIRE DEPARTMENT****Sec. 10-28. Composition.**

There is hereby established a fire department under the charge of the fire chief. The fire department shall consist of the chief of the fire department, one assistant chief of operations, five deputy chiefs, and such permanent employees as may from time to time be deemed necessary by the mayor and board of aldermen, and such substitutes for permanent employees as may from time to time be employed on a temporary basis by the chief of the fire department. The chief of the department shall be a professional firefighter, with a minimum of three (3) years' experience in the rank of captain or higher in the Newton fire department or three (3) years' experience in an equivalent rank in a fire department of a city or town with a population of thirty thousand (30,000) or more. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 6-22; Ord. No. 173, 11-15-76; Ord. NO. X-225, 7-10-06)

Cross references—Appointment of volunteer, unpaid auxiliary firefighters under civil defense provisions, § 8-7; police, Ch. 24; public works department, Ch. 25; civil defense, Ch. 8

Sec. 10-29. Organization into companies; assignments; appointment of officers.

The fire department shall be organized into as many engine companies, hose or combination companies and truck companies, and such other companies as from time to time are deemed necessary by the mayor and board of aldermen. Prior to a permanent reduction in the number of any of these companies, the mayor shall hold a public hearing. Notice of the time and place of such public hearing shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in Newton once in each of two (2) successive weeks, the first publication to be not less than fourteen (14) days before the day of the hearing. Notice shall also be posted in a conspicuous place in city hall for a period of not less than fourteen (14) days before the day of said hearing. The fire chief shall assign the members of the department for duty to the different companies and shall appoint from the permanent employees, with the approval of the mayor, such officers with such rank as he may deem wise from time to time. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 6-23; Ord. No. 194, 1-17-77; Ord. No. 307, 12-18-78)

Sec. 10-30. Command at fires.

The officer in command of the company which first arrives at a fire shall be the officer in command until a senior officer in rank, the assistant chief of operations or the chief of the fire department arrives. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 6-24)

Sec. 10-31. Assistant chief of operations to act in place of chief during his absence.

In the absence of the chief of the fire department, or in case of his inability to act, his duties and powers as provided in this chapter shall be vested in the assistant chief of operations of the fire department. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 6-25)

Sec. 10-32. Duties of chief generally.

The chief of the fire department shall be responsible for the discipline, good order and proper conduct of the officers and firefighters constituting the department and for such purpose he may, subject to the approval of the mayor, make and issue regulations therefor. He may suspend or discharge any officer or member in accordance with chapter 31 of the General Laws in reference to civil service and the rules and regulations of the civil service commission and shall forthwith report such action to the mayor. He shall have the superintendence and the control of the several fire stations, the apparatus, the furniture therein and all other property appertaining to the department. He