

CITY OF NEWTON

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE REPORT

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2011

Present: Ald. Ciccone (Chair), Johnson, Harney, Yates, Shapiro, Fuller and Freedman

Absent: Ald. Swiston

Also Present: Ald. Albright

City Staff: Amanda Stout, Sr. Economic Development Planner; Candace Havens, Director Planning & Development Department; Officer Rocco Marini, Newton Police Department; Chief Matthew Cummings, Newton Police Department, Clint Schuckel, Director of Transportation and Chief Bruce Proia, Newton Fire Department

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANS. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#363-10 **ALD. ALBRIGHT & DANBERG**, proposing a trial of parking meter free Saturdays between Thanksgiving and New Year for the shopping areas to support shopping at local businesses in Newton. [11/15/10 @ 6:30 PM]

**ACTION:** **RECOMMEND APPROVAL 3-0, Ald. Shapiro, Freedman, Harney and Johnson not voting**

**NOTE:** Ald. Albright, Ms. Stout, Ms. Havens, Chief Cummings and Mr. Schuckel joined the Committee for discussion. Ms. Stout provided Committee members with a PowerPoint presentation, attached to this report. Ms. Stout said that she attended a Nonantum Neighborhood Association meeting with Ald. Ciccone, Merrill and Lennon where merchants expressed their desire to implement a trial program and their desire to host village events. Merchants expressed their concerns about parking, especially aggressive ticketing and meters have only a one-hour limit. Ms. Stout said that specific trial details were not discussed. She said there are a number of events in the works as a way to encourage local shopping at the holidays. Chairman Ciccone suggested conducting a trial in Nonantum Village, a citywide effort is a much bigger launch.

Ms. Havens stated there are 62 one-hour on-street meters in Nonantum and parking is free in municipal lots. She reviewed the following proposal meters FREE between Thanksgiving and New Year (4 Saturdays):

<b><u>COSTS</u></b>	<b><u>TOTAL COSTS</u></b>
Meter revenues (-\$1,500) + DPW overtime (\$1,040) + Canvas bags (\$1,464)	\$4,004
Meter revenues (-\$1500) + DPW overtime (\$1,040) + Plastic bags (\$122)	\$2,662
Meter revenues (-\$1,500) + sandwich boards/posters	\$1,500-2,000

Meter limits would be difficult to enforce allowing turnover. Ald. Fuller expressed her concerns regarding turnover. How do you enforce people from overstaying their welcome at free meters? Chief Cummings said that enforcement would still be necessary at handicap ramps, corners and driveways.

Ald. Fuller asked if merchants were asked to defray costs so that the City would not lose revenue. She suggested they be asked to cover some or all of costs associated. Chairman Ciccone said merchants were not asked to cover costs. Ms. Havens suggested requesting donations to make the trial happen. Ald. Fuller recommended merchants be asked after the trial to compare similar Saturdays, providing data from sales from previous years. Ald. Albright and Chairman Ciccone offered to work with the Planning Department to advertise this campaign to promote business.

Mr. Schuckel said funding is not available in the Department Public Works to implement this trial. The Executive Department would have to approve overtime funding. A trial would cost the City approximately \$700.00 in overtime costs to bag the meters on Saturday morning and remove them on Monday morning. He asked if the Planning Department would be able to cover the costs of purchasing the plastic bags. Ms. Havens answered yes. Mr. Yates suggested posting free parking signs rather than bag each meter. Ald. Fuller asked if a funding source was necessary to implement a trial. Ms. Havens said if funding were not collected from local merchants, the Economic Development Budget would be able to assist with implementing a trial.

Ald. Yates moved to approve this item as a trial in Nonantum Village. Committee members agreed to recommend approval of the trial, 3-0, Ald. Shapiro, Freedman, Harney and Johnson not voting.

#371-10      ALD. CICCONE on behalf of Annette Kaplan, 2 Washington Street, Newton Corner, requesting amendment to Section 19-309, *Requirements as to vehicles generally*, of the City of Newton Revised Ordinances to require taxi companies to display the company name, telephone number, and medallion number in all vehicles, visible from the back seat. [12/13/10 @ 4:10 PM]

**ACTION:**      **APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Freedman and Johnson not voting**

**NOTE:**      Annette Kaplan and Officer Marini joined the Committee for discussion. Officer Marini said that he contacted Cambridge and Waltham as to their ordinance language and requirements as a model for Newton Ordinance language. He provided Committee members with draft Ordinance language, Section 19-310 prepared by the City's Law Department. Committee members agreed to incorporate "Vehicle identification Card" parens (b) as follows. "All taxis in the city shall display a vehicle identification card, issued by the chief of police, which bears the owner's name, telephone number, and the medallion number of the taxi. Such vehicle identification card shall be displayed in the passenger compartment of each taxi in such a manner as to be visible to passengers at all times". Officer Marini stated each taxi in the City would be provided this identification card to display at the time medallions are issued.

Ald. Harney moved to approve this item. Committee members agreed 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Freedman and Johnson not voting.

#337-11      IGOR PORTNOY, PO Box 42, 90 Oak Street, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Newton, MA 02464 requesting renewal of **one (1) public auto license** for Beantown Carriage, LLC.

**ACTION:**      **APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting**

- #338-11 DOROTHY W. DUNDAS, 15 Moreland Avenue, Newton Centre, MA 02459 requesting renewal of **one (1) public auto license** for Crystal Lake Express.  
**ACTION:** **APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting**
- #339-11 HAMDI TLILI, 155 Lexington Street, Newton, MA 02466, requesting renewal of **two (2) public auto licenses** for Newton Car Service.  
**ACTION:** **APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting**
- #340-11 WILLIAM R. TURNER, 25 Curve Street, West Newton, MA 02465, requesting renewal of **one (1) public auto license** for Bill's Nice Ride, Inc.  
**ACTION:** **APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting**
- #341-11 JERRY ROBBINS, 253 Riverview Avenue, Newton, MA 02466, requesting renewal of **four (4) public auto licenses** for Weldon Executive Coach.  
**ACTION:** **APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting**
- #342-11 DAVID NEWCOMB, 275 Grove Street, Suite 2-400, Auburndale, MA 02466, requesting renewal of **one (1) public auto license** for Newton Coach, Inc.  
**ACTION:** **APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting**
- #344-11 GEORGE MARRY, 50 Union Street, Newton Centre, MA 02459 requesting renewal of **two (2) taxi licenses** for Newtonville Cab Co. Inc.  
**ACTION:** **APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting**
- #345-11 GEORGE MARRY, 50 Union Street, Newton Centre, MA 02459 requesting renewal of **three (3) taxi licenses** for Newton Taxi Co.  
**ACTION:** **APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting**
- #346-11 GEORGE MARRY, 50 Union Street, Newton Centre, MA 02459 requesting renewal of **three (3) taxi licenses and two (2) designated taxi stands** for Holden's Taxi Inc.  
**ACTION:** **APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting**
- #348-11 ANIS LAHIANI, 4 Cedar Street, Suite 405, Wellesley, MA 02481, requesting renewal of **one (1) taxi license** to operate in Newton as Newton Town Taxi.  
**ACTION:** **APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting**
- #349-11 AHCENE TOURI, 31 Irving Street, #A-8, Watertown, MA 02472, requesting renewal of **one (1) taxi license** for Newton Metro Cab.  
**ACTION:** **APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting**
- #350-11 MOHAMED SAIDI, 77 Cedar Street, Boston, MA 02119, requesting renewal of **one (1) taxi license** for Newton Luxury Cab.  
**ACTION:** **APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting**

#351-11 MEDHI HAULANI, 72 Beaver Street, Waltham, MA 02453, requesting renewal of **three (3) taxi licenses** for Newton Cab.

**ACTION: APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting**

**NOTE:** Officer Rocco Marini joined the Committee for discussion on the above docket items. He reviewed with Committee members the taxi/public auto contact list dated November 2, 2011, attached to the agenda. He reported that all of the above listed vehicles passed annual inspection and recommends approval of the requested renewals for these public autos and taxi medallions.

Ald. Freedman made the motion to approve these items. The Committee voted in favor 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting.

#343-11 MICHAEL ANTONELLIS, 224 Calvary Street, Waltham, MA 02453, requesting renewal of **four (4) public auto licenses, forty-nine (49) taxi licenses, and twelve (12) designated taxi stands** for Veterans Taxi of Newton, LLC.

**ACTION: APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting**

**NOTE:** Officer Marini reported 52 vehicles passed the annual inspection. Taxi #28 was involved in a recent motor vehicle accident and did not pass inspection. Veterans Taxi is in the process of repairing or replacing this vehicle. They will inform Officer Marini when the vehicle is ready for re-inspection.

Ald. Freedman moved to approve this item. Committee members agreed 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting.

#347-11 RICHARD E. JOHNSTON, 25 Border Street, West Newton, MA 02465 requesting renewal of **twenty (20) taxi licenses and two (2) designated taxi stands** for Newton Yellow Cab, Inc.

**ACTION: APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting**

**NOTE:** Officer Marini reported 19 vehicles passed the annual inspection. Taxi #32 did not pass the emission test. Taxis #33, 40, 42, 46 and 47 will need to be replaced by January 1, 2012, as they will all be ten years old. Newton Yellow Cab will inform Officer Marini when the vehicle has passed inspection to perform a re-inspection and will inform him when the five vehicles are replaced by January 1, 2012 for re-inspection. Officer Marini stated medallions would not be issued on these five vehicles until they are replaced. He then said Mr. Johnston is aware of the City Ordinance requirement.

Ald. Freedman moved to approve this item. Committee members agreed 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting.

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANS. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#366-11 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of twenty-three thousand dollars (\$23,000) from FY11 Free Cash for the purpose of purchasing eleven Automatic Emergency Defibrillators for the Police Department. [10/31/11 @ 2:49 PM]

**ACTION: APPROVE 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting**

**NOTE:** Chief Cummings said this appropriation would allow the purchase of eleven new Automatic Emergency Defibrillators for police cruisers and headquarters. Current defibrillators are nine years old and replacement parts are no longer available for some models.

Ald. Harney asked what training police officers receive to use this equipment properly. Chief Cummings stated annual training is provided during CPR and First Aid courses. Ald. Freedman stated he supports this appropriation and asked Chief Cummings if he could provide results and the number of times this equipment is used. Chief Cummings agreed.

Ald. Harney moved to approve this item. Committee members agreed 4-0, Ald. Shapiro, Fuller and Johnson not voting.

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANS. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#367-11 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of thirty-nine thousand one hundred sixty dollars (\$39,160) from FY11 Free Cash for the purpose of purchasing and installing “on-spot” chains for fire apparatus. [10/31/11 @ 2:49 PM]

**ACTION: APPROVE 5-0, Ald. Shapiro and Johnson not voting**

**NOTE:** Chief Proia said this appropriation would allow the purchase and installation of “on-spot” chains adding safety to fire personnel while responding to emergencies during inclement weather. On-spot chains are mounted to the undercarriage of an apparatus, activated by a toggle switch by dropping a wheel to place a chain around the wheel allowing the apparatus to have more control, are very effective during early and late stages of a storm. They are recommended for engine companies, ladder companies will continue to use standard tire chains.

Ald. Freedman asked if on-spot chains were previously used. Chief Proia answered yes unfortunately, regular maintenance and cleaning was not performed, making them in disrepair. Moving forward, all new engine company vehicles purchased will have on-spot chains installed.

Ald. Yates moved to approve this item. Committee members agreed 5-0, Ald. Shapiro and Johnson not voting.

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANS. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#368-11 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) from FY11 Free Cash for the purpose of purchasing and installing mobile data terminals for incident communications with GPS for all 9 front-line fire apparatus, the spare vehicle and two chiefs’ vehicles. [10/31/11 @ 2:49 PM]

**ACTION: APPROVE 4-0-1, Ald. Freedman abstaining, Ald. Shapiro and Johnson not voting**

**NOTE:** Chief Proia said this appropriation would allow the purchase and installation of mobile data terminals (MDT). He referenced a previous estimate dated March 2, 2010 provided

from former Chief LaCroix and feels the estimate of \$138,000 is very high. The terminal allows quick easy access to the dispatching system. Data is received from the dispatch screen approximately two minutes prior to the dispatchers' pertinent information being entered, saving critical time. Waltham, Cambridge and Boston use this type of terminal. The terminal would be installed in the front cab of a vehicle. He then said data terminals would be an asset to the department. The terminals assist firefighters by finding fire hydrants in snow banks, commercial buildings floor plans, access points, street locations, floor layouts, exits, corridors, dead-end corridors, building permits, fire codes, City fire reports, violations, inspection reports, fire prevention data, Internet access and mutual aid. Chief Proia said he has not heard of any complaints from the Police Department regarding service.

Ald. Freedman asked how firefighters function without this terminal and how floor plans are accessed. Chief Proia said this information is not available at a fire sight. These terminals would allow floor plans to be down loaded for commercial properties at the time annual inspection is completed. Ald. Fuller asked if the department could benefit from additional laptop or desktop computers. Chief Proia answered that there are 186 personnel in the department; laptop computers would be too costly.

Ald. Freedman expressed his concerns because of outdated information and cost estimates provided from former Chief LaCroix, dated March 2, 2010. Ald. Harney agreed. Chief Proia stated prior to receiving current bids, he must first have the Board of Aldermen's approval.

Ald. Yates moved to approve this item. Committee members agreed 4-0-1, Ald. Freedman abstaining, Ald. Shapiro and Johnson not voting.

#### **REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANS. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#369-11 **HIS HONOR THE MAYOR** requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) from bonded indebtedness for the purpose of purchasing a new fire engine. [10/31/11 @ 2:48 PM]

**ACTION:** **APPROVE 6-0, Ald. Shapiro not voting**

**NOTE:** Chief Proia said this appropriation would allow him to purchase a fire engine replacing Engine #10, which is a 24-year old pumper, beyond age recommendation suggested by NFPA Standards for a first line apparatus, which is 15 years standard. Once replaced, Engine #10 would become a number one spare allowing the department to decommission Engine #11 that is 27 years.

Chairman Ciccone asked Chief Proia to explain the bidding process to Committee members. Chief Proia said that Massachusetts Fire Chiefs have created a state bidding process to assist them with purchasing trucks and high-end equipment. Four vendor companies are involved in the process that design the truck, provide a lower purchase cost, best available warranty and the process is expedited. This will be Newton's first time involved in this type of bidding process.

Ald. Yates asked if the Department Public Works assists with truck maintenance. Chief Proia answered no; maintenance is performed by certified fire apparatus mechanics. Ald. Freedman

asked if the new purchase would have different features. Chief Proia answered that many safety features are now included, including an enclosed cab.

Ald. Freedman moved to approve this item. Committee members agreed 6-0, Ald. Shapiro not voting.

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#370-11 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of seventy two thousand nine hundred eighty eight dollars (\$72,988) from FY11 Free Cash for the purpose of purchasing two Fire Department replacement vehicles: a Ford Expedition to be utilized by the Fire Alarm Division and a fire mechanical utility/maintenance truck. [11-03-11 12:08PM]

**ACTION:** **APPROVE 5-0, Ald. Shapiro and Johnson not voting**

**NOTE:** Chief Proia said that this appropriation would allow the department to purchase two replacement vehicles because the current vehicles are unsafe and will not pass inspection.

Chief Proia is requesting the approval to purchase at auction a Ford Explorer at an estimated cost of \$20,000 replacing the 1998 Ford Expedition utilized by the Fire Alarm Division, a former Shift Commander vehicle with excess of 174,000 miles. The Ford Expedition will not pass inspection because it requires a transmission replacement, vehicle is burning oil, windshield wiper linkage, dash cluster lighting, requires a brake job and the body is rusting. Repairs and bodywork would cost approximately \$5,000.

Chief Proia also requests the approval to purchase a 2012 F350 4x4 Pickup at an estimated cost of \$52,988 replacing the 1988 Ford utilized by the Mechanics Division, with excess of 85,500 miles. The Ford utility-maintenance vehicle will not pass inspection because it requires numerous repairs and many parts are unavailable.

Ald. Fuller moved to approve this item. Committee members agreed 5-0, Ald. Shapiro and Johnson not voting.

**REFERRED TO PS&T COMMITTEE by TRAFFIC COUNCIL on 10/23/08**

#21-08 ALD. LINSKY AND DANBERG requesting discussion with appropriate personnel from the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) relative to ongoing service levels and conditions on mass transit and rail lines affecting Newton residents. [01/04/08 @ 10:19 AM]

**ACTION:** **NO ACTION NECESSARY 6-0, Ald. Shapiro not voting**

**NOTE:** A request went out to the Committee to clean up the agenda eliminating old or unnecessary items. In response to this, Ald. Linsky suggested this item be voted no action necessary, with the intention he would docket a new item if concerns rose. Therefore, Ald. Freedman moved a vote of no action necessary. Committee members agreed 6-0, Ald. Shapiro not voting.

At approximately 10:00 pm, Ald. Ciccone moved to adjourn. Committee members agreed 6-0, Ald. Shapiro not voting.

Respectfully submitted,

Allan Ciccone, Jr. Chairman



# Department of Planning and Development



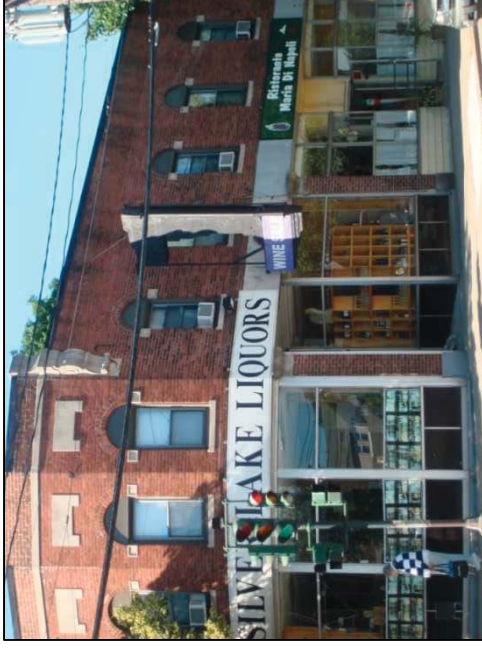
## PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

NOVEMBER 9, 2011

# Nonantum



- October 26<sup>th</sup> gathering attended by Ald. Ciccone, Merrill, Lennon and Amanda Stout
- Mayor’s Village Coffee group - residents & businesses meeting to discuss village organization
- Desire for events (block party, festival)
- Desire to work together as a village to work with City Hall
- Complaints about parking - especially aggressive ticketing, meters are only one-hour
- Neighborhood Advisory Group staffed by Planning Dept.



# Nonantum Pilot Program – December 2011

- 62 one-hour on-street meters in Nonantum; lots are FREE now
- PROPOSAL: Meters FREE on Saturday 12/3, 12/10, 12/17, 12/24

## COSTS

	TOTAL COSTS
Meter revenues (-\$1,500) + DPW overtime (\$1,040) + Canvas bags (\$1,464)	\$4,004
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Meter revenues (-\$1,500) + sandwich boards/posters	\$1,500 - \$2,000

- Option: Redirect patrol officers' enforcement efforts on these four Saturdays with holiday greeting at expired meters
- Stout work w/merchants + neighbors on branding "shop local" holiday campaign
- Lack of enforcement could lead to turnover problems
- Evaluate results of Pilot Program

# “Spirit of Newtonville” - Saturday, October 29, 2011



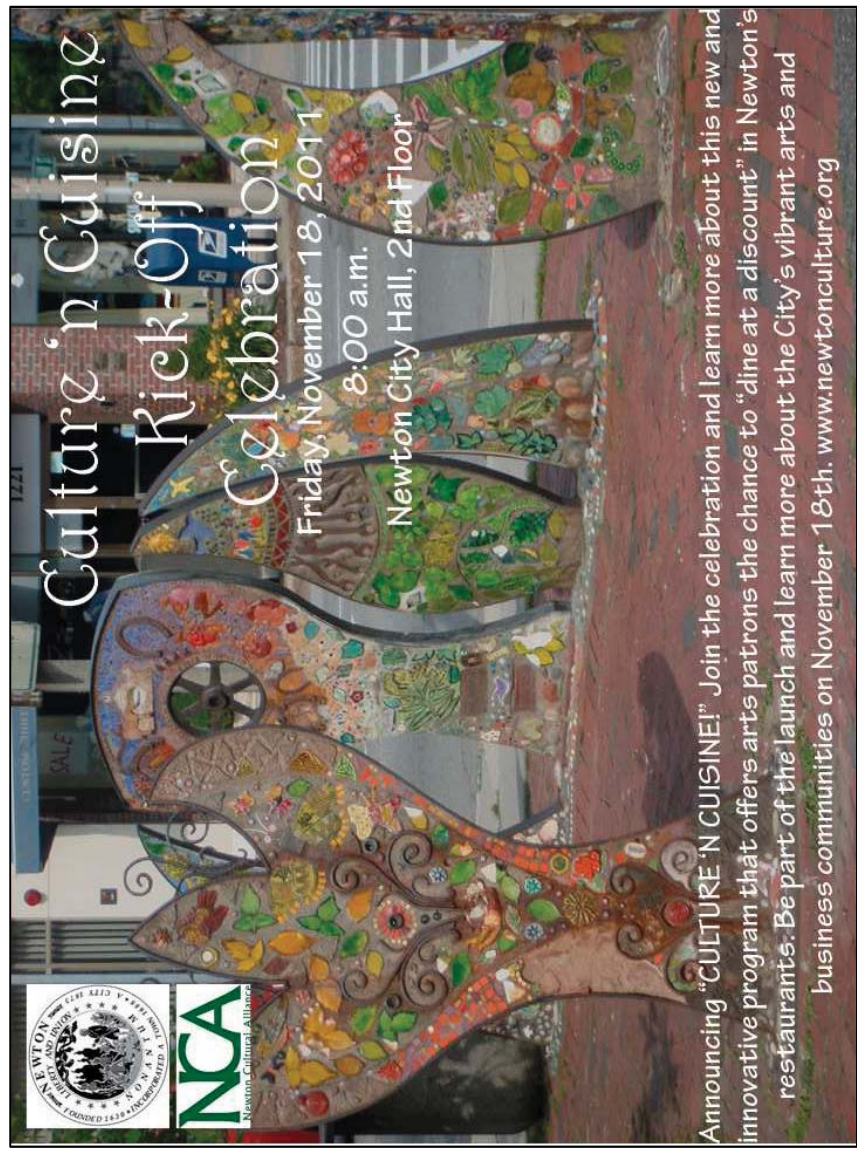
- Outgrowth of Mayor’s Village Coffee
- Leadership from local businesses and residents, with assistance from Mayor’s Office, Planning Department
- Merchant participation (“Spooky Stamps” passport, discounts)
- Tie in with existing event (Halloween Window Painting Contest)



# “Culture ‘n Cuisine Kick-Off Celebration” – Friday, November 18, 2011



- Offers arts patrons a chance to dine at a discount at participating restaurants
- Leadership from non-profit Newton Cultural Alliance, with assistance from Planning Department
- Merchant participation
- Starts in Newton Centre, expanding City-wide



## “Arts Stroll & Shop” – Thursday, December 8, 2011



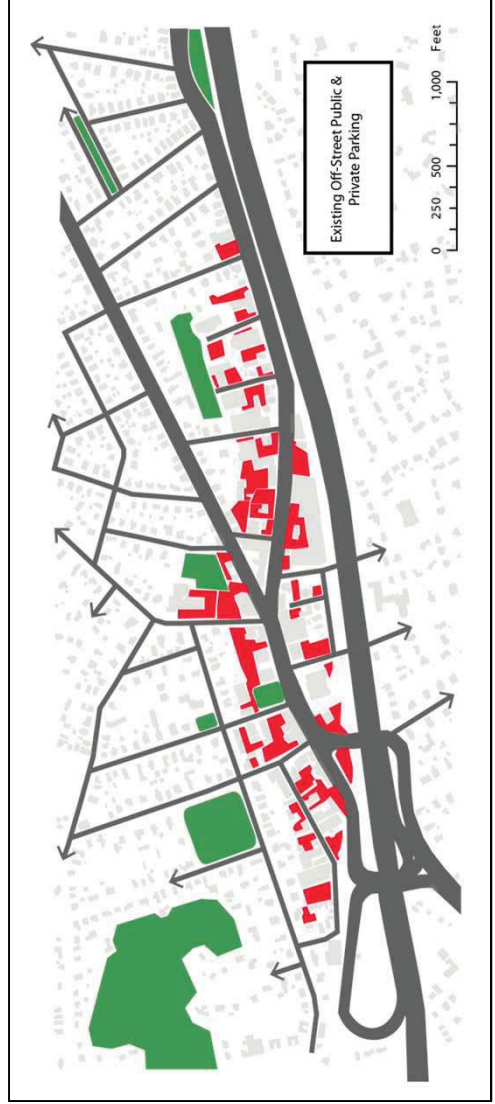
- Leadership from non-profit  
Newton Cultural Alliance,  
with assistance from  
Planning Department
- Merchant participation  
(open late, discounts,  
performers)
- Newton Centre



# West Newton – Fall 2011



- Outgrowth of Mayor’s Village Coffee – residents and businesses discussing formation of Neighborhood Area Council
- Planning Department working with MIT graduate students (Business Roundtable, outreach and Paddy’s Road Race “The Shillelagh Shuffle,” specifically addressing parking)



# Business Outreach



- Assisting new businesses
  - Face-to-face outreach to business community,
  - Commercial Real Estate Connection
- Interviews of existing businesses led by Economic Development Commission, part of Mayor Warren's Business Outreach Initiative
- Mayor's Village Coffee Hours;
- Discussions of Neighborhood Area Councils, BIDs, other tools
- Exploration of Cultural District designation
- Survey of businesses on the Needham Street Corridor
- Ongoing outreach in conjunction with Newton-Needham Chamber of Commerce





**Sec. 19-309. Requirements as to vehicles generally.**

- (a) Vehicles licensed pursuant to this ordinance shall be kept in good condition, the interior shall be kept clean and suitable for occupancy and mechanically fit for the safety of passengers, as determined by the chief of police. No commercial advertising shall be permitted on the outside of such vehicles except the name or trade name and number of the person owning such vehicle.
  
- (b) *Annual inspection of taxicabs and public automobiles:* All vehicles licensed pursuant to the provisions of this ordinance to which medallions have been assigned shall be inspected by the chief of police in March and October of each year, and at such other times as deemed necessary by the chief of police. Each inspection shall include, but not be limited to the following:
  - (1) inspection of the interior and exterior of the vehicle for appearance, cleanliness, and mechanical fitness;
  - (2) recording the odometer reading of each vehicle, and verifying that the vehicle identification number (VIN), the taximeter serial number and the number of the taxi medallion or public automobile corresponds with such information as listed on the license assigned to the vehicle;
  - (3) verification that the vehicle has a properly operating odometer, as determined by the chief of police. A vehicle with an inoperable or faulty odometer shall fail inspection; and
  - (4) verification that each vehicle has a valid inspection sticker issued by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts indicating that the vehicle has passed said inspection. A vehicle which does not have such a sticker shall fail inspection.
  
- (c) Effective January 1, 1995 and thereafter, no vehicle shall be approved for use as a taxicab or public automobile or van in the city when the vehicle is ten (10) years old or older, the age of each vehicle to be determined from the year of manufacture to the year for which the vehicle license is to issue. (Rev. Ords. 1973, § 21-22; Ord. No. 88, 10-6-75; Ord. No. T-66, 12-18-89; Ord. No. T-291, 8-9-93; Ord. No. X-54, 5-19-03)

**TAXI/PUBLIC AUTO CONTACT LIST**

Docket #	Company	Contact	Medallion	Pass/Fail
#337-11	Beantown Carriage LLC 73 Charlesbank Rd Newton, Ma 02465	Mark Belenkii  Igor 617-594- 5995	PA 7	PASSED
#338-11	Crystal Lake Express 15 Moreland Ave Newton, Ma 02459	Dorothy Dundas	PA 6	PASSED
#339-11	Newton Car Service 155 Lexington St Newton MA	Hamdi Tlili 617-244-9044 781-690-1477	PA 8 and ?	PASSED
#340-11	Bills Nice Ride 25 Curve St Newton ,Ma 02465	William Turner 617-312-3602	PA 13	PASSED
# 341-11	Weldon Executive Coach 253 Riverview Ave Newton, MA	Jerald Robbins 617-828-4990 617-928-1888	PA 4,5,9,10	PASSED
#342-11	Newton Coach Inc 275 Grove St STE 2-400 Newton, Ma, 02466	David Newcomb 781-647-8294	PA 16	PASSED
# 343-11	Veterans Taxi 175 High St Waltham, Ma 02454	Robert Kelly 617-527-0300	Medallions 1- 29,66-85(Total 49) PA 2,3,11,12	# 28 RECENT CRASH
#344-11	Newtonville Taxi 50 Union St Newton, Ma 02459	George Marry 617-969-4168	Medallions 54, 55	PASSED

#345-11	Newton Taxi 50 Union St Newton, Ma 02459	George Marry 617-969-4168	Medallions 56,57,58	PASSED
#346-11	Holdens Taxi 50 Union St Newton, Ma 02459	George Marry 617-969-4168	Medallions 59, 60, 61	PASSED
# 347-11	Newton Yellow Cab 25 Border St Newton, Ma 02465	Richard Johnston 617-332-7700 617-527-5555	Medallions 30- 49 (Total 20)	# 32 needs sticker # 's 33,40,42,46,47 needs replacements (01)
#348-11	Newton Town Taxi 4 Cedar St #405 Wellsley, Ma 02481	Anis Lahiani 617-244-7444	Medallion 53	PASSED
#349-11	Newton Metro Cab 31 Irving St Apt A-8 Watertown, Ma 02472	Ahcene Touri 617-947-2191	Medallion 52	PASSED
#350-11	Newton Luxury Cab 1359 Centre st Newton, Ma 02459	Mohamed Saidi 617-293-4300	Medallion 65	PASSED
#351-11	Newton Cab 72 Beaver St Waltham ,Ma 02453	Medhi Houlani 617-332-1322 509-275-6198	Medallion 65	PASSED
xxxxxx Company recently moved	J&J Sedan Service 121 Fesseden St Newton, Ma 02460	Joseph Dragone 617-527-2486	PA 1	MOVED
Current license will expire on 7/11/12	Don's Car Service 395 Lexington St. Newton MA 02466	Don Laplante 617-962-4446	PA 14	PASSED



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October 31, 2011

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NEWTON, MA 02159

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to appropriate the sum of \$23,000 from FY2011 Free Cash for the purchase of 11 Automatic Emergency Defibrillators. Nine of these AED's will replace those that are currently in police cruisers while the other two will be placed at Police Headquarters. The current units are 9 years old and replacement parts are no longer available for some models.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Setti D. Warren  
Mayor

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**Public Health**  
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November 1, 2011

Maureen Lemieux  
Chief Financial Officer  
City of Newton  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton, MA 02459

Dear Ms. Lemieux:

I am requesting \$23,000 from FY2011 Free Cash to replace the 11 AEDs in the Police Department. The EMS Committee, composed of Health, Fire, Police, ambulance service, and three Emergency Department physicians from different institutions, has been discussing the regular maintenance and replacement program that should accompany having defibrillators in all of our public buildings and public safety vehicles.

The units in the nine police cruisers and the two at the station are nine years old and should have been replaced at least two years ago. The 11 Medtronic Phios 500 devices, which they currently have, are no longer being manufactured. The Fire Department has Medtronic Phios 1000s, and we request the money to purchase 11 of these units for the Police in order to standardize what city emergency vehicles carry, share replacement parts, and avoid the need for adaptors. We will use the old 500s as supplementary units elsewhere in the city as long as replacement parts are still available. However, to ensure that these critical lifesaving devices function when called upon, it is vital that AEDs are inspected, serviced, maintained, and swapped out as needed.

Sincerely,

Dori Zaleznik, MD  
Commissioner

DZ:bm



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I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to appropriate the sum of \$39,160 from FY2011 Free Cash for the purchase and installation of "on-spot" chains for fire apparatus.

This equipment will add to the safety of fire personnel responding to emergencies during inclement weather. Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Setti D. Warren  
Mayor

1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton, Massachusetts 02459

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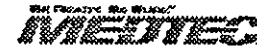


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# REPAIR ESTIMATE



**MINUTEMAN FIRE AND RESCUE**  
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<b>NAME</b>	NEWTON FIRE DEPARTMENT	<b>DATE</b>	9-14-11	<b>RO#</b>	ESTIMATE
<b>PHONE</b>	617-796-2210	<b>VIN</b>			
<b>ADDRESS</b>	1164 CENTRE ST	<b>MAKE/ MODEL</b>			
<b>TOWN/CITY</b>	NEWTON	<b>ENGINE</b>			
<b>STATE</b>	MA	<b>MILEAGE</b>			
<b>ZIP</b>	02459	<b>PLATE#</b>			

<b>JOB DESCRIPTION:</b>	INSTALL ON SPOTS ON PUMPERS	<b>SERVICE WRITER</b>	
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HOURS	LABOR	LABOR RATE	TOTAL
-	DIAGNOSTIC TIME	\$ -	\$ -
-	LABOR (CPR)	\$ -	\$ 1,200.00
-	TOW CHARGE	\$ -	\$ -
QTY.	DISCRIPTION	LABOR	PARTS
-	ON-SPOT CHAINS INSTALLATION PACKAGE	\$ -	\$ 1,900.00
-	MISC HARDWARE	\$ -	\$ 250.00
-	APROX FREIGHT	\$ -	\$ 150.00
-			\$ -
-	<b>NOTE: ON-SPOT CHAINS ARE NOT RECOMMENDED TO BE INSTALLED ON ANY AERIAL OR LADDERS PER ON-SPOT CHAIN COMPANY</b>	\$ -	\$ -
-		\$ -	\$ -
-		\$ -	\$ -
-	<b>THIS ESTIMATE IS PER TRUCK AND ANY TRUCK THAT THE ON SPOTS ARE TO BE INSTALLED HAS TO BE MEASURED PRIOR PRICE MAY VARY PER TRUCK MEASUREMENT</b>	\$ -	\$ -
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The above is an estimate based on our inspection and does not cover any additional parts or labor which may be required after the work has been opened up. Occasionally after the work has been started, worn or damaged parts are discovered which were not evident on the first inspection. Because of this, the above prices are not guaranteed. All additional parts or labor will be submitted to our customers for approval.

**MEMO**

Diagnostic Time	\$ -
Repair Labor	\$ 1,200.00
<b>Total Labor</b>	<b>\$ 1,200.00</b>
Tow Charge	\$ -
<b>Parts Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,300.00</b>
Tax	EXEMPT
MPSS	\$ 60.00
Sublet	\$ -
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,560.00</b>

*Thank You For Your Business!*

**Approval Signature -** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

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 39,100.00  
 TOTAL

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October 31, 2011

Honorable Board of Aldermen  
Newton City Hall  
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Newton, MA 02459

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CITY CLERK  
NEWTON, MA 02159

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to appropriate the sum of \$120,000 from FY2011 Free Cash for the purpose of purchasing and installing Mobile Data Terminals for incident communications with GPS for all 9 front line Fire Apparatus, the spare vehicle and 2 chief's vehicles.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

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Joseph E. LaCroix  
Chief

March 2, 2010

RE: Mobile Data Connections

You need to build a proper foundation of network infrastructure prior to deploying any mobile applications.

You will need the following:

Windows Server running IIS Raid 5 redundant drives to replace Novell @ \$6,000.00.

Several Net Drives (1 Terabyte \$350.00/ea) for storage and backups – need 3 @ \$1,050.00/ea.

Mobile Computers (Datalux Mil Spec. – \$5,000.00/ea) x 20 = \$100,000.00.

Extra Portables and Drives – 2 @ \$5,000.00 = \$10,000.00.

Management software for portables.

Private Network Switch to keep access restricted from Public.

T1 Line from communication service vendor.

Air cards – \$100.00/ea – Service @ \$60.00 per month per card.

We met with the Police Department to discuss what we would need to start using mobile data terminals in our vehicles. The laptops would allow us to access CAD, the internet (i.e. CAMEO) as well as any databases that we create (i.e. inspection forms).

The following is a quick summary of our meeting:

- Needs Assessment.
  1. Mobile computers. Proposed to use Datalux mobile computer.
  2. A new external server with dual power supply, redundant drives, 2 network cards, 2 gigabytes of memory and backup.
  3. An Air Network Card.
  4. Software.
  5. Mounting brackets.

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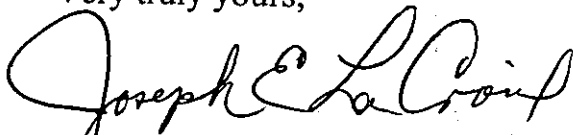
- Cost Estimate.

1. MDT – \$5,000.00 ( x 20 ) \$100,000.00
2. Server – \$6,000.00
3. Air Card Service = \$60.00 per month per card. (x 20) \$14,400.00
4. Air Cards = \$100.00/ea (x 20 ) \$2,000.00
5. Software = \$3,000.00
6. Mounting brackets = \$400.00 each (x 4) spare apparatus mounts \$1,600.00

1. Purchase and install equipment for computer network infrastructure to upgrade Fire Department network to allow wireless and wired connectivity to fire and dispatch networks. Equipment includes web server, wireless switch/router interface, manageable switches/hubs.
2. Purchase and program software for fire specific applications including inspections, ticketing, fire investigation, hazardous materials and code compliance.
3. Purchase and implement mobile computers with wireless connectivity for all fire department apparatus and vehicles.

**TOTAL COST ESTIMATE: \$138,050.00**

Very truly yours,



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Chief of Department

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October 31, 2011

Honorable Board of Aldermen  
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Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to authorize the following appropriation and authorize a general obligation borrowing of an equal amount for the purpose of funding the FY2012 Capital Improvement Plan.

<u>Project</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Purchase of Fire Apparatus – Replacement of Engine #10	\$600,000

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Setti D. Warren  
Mayor

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CITY CLERK  
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Bruce A. Proia  
Chief

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Setti D. Warren  
Mayor

November 1, 2011

Honorable Setti D. Warren, Mayor  
City of Newton  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton, MA 02459

Dear Mayor Warren:

I respectfully request funding in the amount of \$600,000.00 for the replacement of the department's Engine 10.

Engine 10 is a 24 year old pumper purchased in 1987 and beyond the the age recommendation of the NFPA Standard for first line apparatus which is 15 years, it is still being used as such. Once replaced, Engine 10 would become our number one spare, allowing us to decommission spare apparatus Engine 11 which is 27 years old.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "BAP".

Bruce A. Proia  
Chief of Department

BAP/cf



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November 3, 2011

Honorable Board of Aldermen  
Newton City Hall  
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Newton, MA 02459

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CITY CLERK  
NEWTON, MA. 02159

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I write to request that your Honorable Board docket for consideration a request to appropriate the sum of \$72,988 from FY2011 Free Cash for the purpose of purchasing two (2) Fire Department replacement vehicles; a Ford Expedition utilized by the Fire Alarm Division and a fire mechanic utility/maintenance truck.

As you will see in the attached request per Chief Proia, both vehicles are beyond their useful life, unsafe, and will not pass inspection.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Setti D. Warren  
Mayor

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Bruce A. Proia  
Chief

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Setti D. Warren  
Mayor

November 3, 2011

Honorable Setti D. Warren, Mayor  
City of Newton  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton, MA 02459

Dear Mayor Warren:

I respectfully request a special appropriation to replace two (2) department vehicles; one is Ford Expedition utilized by the Fire Alarm Division and the other is the fire mechanics utility-maintenance truck.

The Ford Expedition is a former Shift Commander vehicle that was passed down to the Fire Alarm Division. It is a 1998 Ford with over 174,000 miles. The following repairs will have to be done in order for this vehicle to pass the Massachusetts inspection test. The transmission needs replacing; vehicle is burning oil and the body is rusting badly, especially through the driver's side rear panel. The vehicle needs a complete brake job. Windshield wiper linkage, dash cluster lighting is partial working and rain water is leaking into vehicle. Repairs and body work would cost approximately \$5,000.00. This vehicle will not pass inspection.

I would like to replace this with a used Ford Explorer bought at auction for an approximate cost of 20,000.

The utility-maintenance truck is a 1988 Ford with 85,500 miles assigned to the Mechanics' Division. The mechanics are responsible for the repair and maintenance of the fire fleet consisting of 32 vehicles. They make repairs at the mechanics shop, on the road, at fire houses and at fire scenes. Currently, this vehicle is unsafe to drive on the highway. Vehicle needs numerous repairs and will not pass inspection in its present state.

I would like to replace this with a new service truck in the amount of \$52,988.00. See quote attached.

Thank you very much for your consideration in this matter.

Very truly yours,

Bruce A. Proia  
Chief of Department



November 3, 2011

Newton Fire Dept.  
Attn: Mike Sturniolo  
1164 Centre St.  
Newton, MA 02459

617 796 2210  
617 796 2211

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Please find below a quote for a Ford F350 4x4 per the old Plymouth County Commissioners

Cooperative Contract# 09-10-11 M.G.L. c.30B applies to the procurement of all commodities quoted. Contract items have been collectively purchased pursuant to M.G.L. c.30B sec. 1c and M.G.L. c.7 sec 22B. The governmental body is responsible to determine the applicability of M.G.L. c.30B to off contract items, including but not limited to, off contract items that have already been properly procured under M.G.L. c.30B sec. 1c and M.G.L. c.7 sec. 22A (purchases from a vendor on contract with the Commonwealth), other contracts procured under M.G.L. c.30B sec. 1c and M.G.L. c.7 sec. 22B or any M.G.L. c. 30B contract between the vendor and the jurisdiction. All off contract items must be procured under M.G.L. c. 30B.

10-17 H1.04	2012 F350 4x4 Pickup	\$ 25,938.00
	Color: Red	included
	XL Trim, Regular Cab	included
	6.2L V8 Gas Engine	included
	Automatic Transmission	included
	All Season Tires	included
	Air Conditioning	included
	AM/FM Radio	included
	Class 3 Receiver Hitch	included
H11.14	Slide In Pintle Ball Combo	135.00
H5.01	8" Steel Utility Body	6,295.00
H5.07	54" High Raised Roof For 8' Enclosure With Dome Light	2,995.00
	Barn Doors With Glass	included
H5.14	Inside Compartment Lighting	485.00
H11.15	Trailer Plug, 6 Pin Round	150.00
H1.28	Factory Running Boards (Single Step)	325.00
H9.16	F250 Console	395.00
F11	Push Bumper	295.00
C1.05	Liberty LED Light Bar With Cencom Siren/Controller	1,925.00
C6.06	ES100 Speaker	195.00
C2.17	(6) 700 LED's, (2) Grill, (4) Rear Of Body	1,125.00
C14.12	(3) Auxillary 12V Outlets	40.00
H5.26	V Mac VR70 CFM Under Hood Air Compressor, Belt Driven	10,995.00

**Total Contract Price:**

**\$ 51,293.00**

**Non-Contract Items:**

(2) Curbside 16"x46" Side Access Door For Raised Roof  
Expanded Metal Rear Door Glass Protection

1,470.00  
225.00

**Total Purchase Price:**

**\$ 52,988.00**

Note: Added an Est 5% for new contract pricing

Sincerely,

*Anthony Mancuso*