



Zoning & Planning Committee Agenda

City of Newton **In City Council**

Monday, November 14, 2016

7:45 PM

Council Chamber

Items Scheduled for Discussion:

#362-16 Mayor's appointment of Sonia Parisca to the Planning & Development Board
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Sonia Parisca, 185 Franklin Street, Newton as an alternate member of the Planning & Development Board for a term to expire December 1, 2021. (60 days 01/06/17) [10/28/16 @ 10:34 AM]

A Public Hearing will be held on this item:

#343-16 Zoning amendment relative to accessory apartments
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, COUNCILOR HESS-MAHAN, ALBRIGHT, CICCONE, CROSSLEY, AND NORTON proposing to amend Chapter 30 Section 6.7.1 Accessory Apartments and Section 5.1.4 Number of Parking Stalls in order to create a new accessory apartment ordinance that expands the availability of accessory apartments. [10/07/16 @ 10:03 AM]

#108-15 Zoning amendment for accessory apartments supportive of seniors
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting consideration of changes to the Zoning Ordinance that would facilitate the creation of accessory apartment units, supportive of Newton's seniors. [04/24/15 @ 2:38 PM]

#64-13 Permitting for conversion of historic barns/carriage houses to accessory apts
HISTORICAL COMMISSION requesting the creation of an administrative permitting process for converting historic barns and carriage houses into accessory apartments to assist in their preservation.

#61-10 Discussion relative to bringing existing accessory apartment into compliance
ALD. CICCONE, SWISTON, LINSKY, CROSSLEY AND HESS-MAHAN requesting a discussion relative to various solutions for bringing existing accessory and other

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apartments that may not meet the legal provisions and requirements of **Chapter 30** into compliance.

- #164-09(2) Request for amendments to dimensional requirements for accessory apartments**
ALD. HESS-MAHAN requesting that the Planning Department study the dimensional requirements for lot and building size for accessory apartments and make recommendations for possible amendments to those dimensional requirements to the board of Aldermen that are consistent with the Newton Comprehensive Plan.

Items Not Scheduled for Discussion at this meeting:

- #222-13(3) Review of Garage Ordinance**
COUNCILOR LENNON, LIPOF, ALBRIGHT, CROSSLEY, LAPPIN, LAREDO, GENTILE AND CICCONE requesting a review of Ordinance A-78, which amends Chapter 30, Section 3.4.4 of the Revised Ordinances, for the purpose of amending, clarifying, and/or interpreting the Ordinance. [08/01/16 @ 4:53 PM]
- #222-13(5) Zoning amendment to Garage Ordinance**
COUNCILOR HESS-MAHAN proposing to amend Chapter 30, Section 3.4.4. of Revised Ordinances as amended by Ordinance A-78, as follows: (1) allow front facing garages that are no closer to the front lot line than the longest front facing wall, or a front porch at least 6 feet wide, to be the greater of up to 12 feet wide or 50% of the total length of the building parallel to the street; (2) allow front-facing garages that are closer to the front setback than the rest of the building and at least 24 feet from the front lot line to be up to 40% of the total length of the building parallel to the street; (3) delete Sec. 3.4.4.F "Exemptions"; and (4) add a provision grandfathering permits requested or construction begun on or after the date of the notice of public hearing on Ordinance A-78 [08/01/16 @ 4:58 PM]
Public Hearing Closed on 9/26/16; 90 Days: 12/26/16

Public Hearing assigned for November 28, 2016:

- #222-13(6) Zoning amendment to further delay effective date of Garage Ordinance**
COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT, LENNON, CROSSLEY, DANBERG, LIPOF, FULLER AND COTE proposing an amendment to Ordinance No. A-78, which amends Chapter 30, Section 3.4.4 of the Revised Ordinances, to implement a deferred effective date for the Ordinance of April 1, 2017. [10-31-16 @ 3:51 PM]

- #222-13(7) Additional zoning amendment to Garage Ordinance**
COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT, LENNON, CROSSLEY, DANBERG, LIPOF, FULLER AND COTE proposing to amend Chapter 30, Section 3.4.4. of the Revised Ordinances as amended by Ordinance A-78, as follows: (1) limit the application of a maximum (45%) proportional width of garage to total building to all lots in MR districts; and/or (2) limit the application of a maximum (45%) proportional width of garage to total building to lots in SR districts having a maximum frontage of 70 feet; and/or (3) use the special permit process to determine exceptions providing clear and specific guiding criteria, such as preservation of historic properties, topography, odd lot configurations, preservation of certain natural features, etc., where such features may prohibit otherwise safe access to or parking on a site.
[10/31/16 @ 3:51 PM]
- #109-15 Zoning amendment for inclusionary housing provisions from 15% to 20%**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting consideration of changes to the inclusionary housing provisions of the Zoning Ordinance to increase the required percentage of affordable units to 20% with the additional 5% set aside for middle income households. [04/24/15 @ 2:38 PM]
- #22-15 Zoning amendment to allow rental voucher program re: inclusionary zoning**
ALD. YATES requesting that utilization of the Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program be added as an allowable means of complying with the inclusionary zoning provision in Phase II of Zoning Reform. [01/05/15 @ 9:53 PM]
- #220-16 Discussion relative to regulating Airbnb-type companies**
COUNCILORS FULLER, HESS-MAHAN, LAPPIN, COTE AND NORTON requesting a discussion with the Planning, Inspectional Services and Fire Departments regarding appropriate regulations, permits, licensing and/or taxes for residential owners who host short-term guests through house-sharing companies such as Airbnb.[06/06/16 @ 2:19 PM]
- #291-16 Zoning Amendment relative to nonconforming single- and two-family dwellings**
COUNCILOR SANGIOLO proposing to amend Chapter 30, Section 7.8.2.A.1.a. regarding nonconforming buildings, structures and uses, to also require that if an existing nonconforming single- or two-family structure is demolished, and the lot on which that structure existed does not meet current lot area or lot frontage requirements, then a special permit or variance would be required for any alteration, reconstruction, extensions or structural changes from the original structure. [08/22/16 @ 2:08 PM]
- #169-15 Zoning amendment to require new lot standards after demolition**
ALD. SANGIOLO requesting a zoning amendment which would require any residential structures in Single Residence or Multi Residence zoning districts built

after the demolition of an existing structure conform to new lot standards.
[07/02/15 @ 3:20 PM]

- #447-14 Proposing an ordinance to require building plans with demolition applications**
ALD. SANGIOLO proposing an ordinance requiring the submission of building plans with applications for full or partial demolitions. [11/13/14 @ 2:03 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]

- #34-16 Zoning amendment for large house review process**
COUNCILORS SANGIOLO, KALIS AND DANBERG proposing an amendment to Chapter 30 for a large house review ordinance requiring design review and approval of by-right single and multi-residence residential structures exceeding certain dimensional limits. [01/19/16 @ 2:35 PM]

- #238-14 Request for development of Housing Production Plan**
ALD. SANGIOLO requesting the Executive Department and Planning Department work with the Board of Aldermen to develop a Housing Production Plan in accordance with 760 CMR 56.03(4) and guidelines adopted by the Department of Housing and Community Development as soon as possible. [06/09/14 @ 11:55 AM]

- #238-16 Zoning amendment for exempt lots definition**
COUNCILOR HESS-MAHAN proposing to amend Chapter 30: Zoning Ordinance, Section 7.8.4.C by amending the definition of “exempt lots” to include lots changed in size or shape as a result of an adverse possession claim. [06/30/16 @ 4:12 PM]

- #264-13 Zoning amendment to develop residential districts for small lots**
ALD. YATES requesting that the Zoning Reform Group or its successor consider amending City of Newton Zoning Ordinances **Chapter 30** to develop additional residential districts reflecting the small lots in older sections of the City and map changes to bring the zones of more residential sections of the City into conformity with the existing land uses. [08/15/13 @ 12:28 PM]

- #265-14 Request to increase several time periods for demolition delays**
ALD. BLAZAR, YATES AND DANBERG requesting:
1. to amend Section 22-50 to increase the time period for determinations of historical significance to 30 days, and to increase the time period for hearings, rulings and written notice on appeals from historical significance determinations to 60 days;

2. to amend Section 22-50 to increase the time period to hold a public hearing as to whether or not a historically significant building or structure is preferably preserved to 60 days;
3. to amend Section 22-50 to increase the demolition delay period for buildings and structures on or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places to 30 months;
4. and to amend Section 22-50 to increase the demolition delay period for all other preferably preserved buildings or structures to 24 months. [7/07/14 @ 12:35 PM]

#54-16 Zoning ordinance amendment relative to Health Club use

ACTING DIRECTOR OF PLANNING proposing amendments to the Newton Zoning Ordinance to allow the “Health Club” use in Business 1, Business 2 and Business 4 districts; and to clarify the definition of “Personal Service” as it relates to health and fitness uses. [02/09/16 @ 4:24 PM]

ITEM SPLIT INTO PART A AND PART B:

PART A – To allow Health Club use in BU1, BU2 and BU4;

PART B – To clarify the definition of Personal Services as it relates to health and fitness issues.

Approved Part A 6-0

Held Part B 6-0

#35-16 Creation of policy to require posting of materials of boards/commissions

COUNCILOR SANGIOLO requesting a discussion with the Planning Department relative to creating a policy to require audio recordings of all meetings of boards and commissions and posting of same to the City’s website, as well as posting of all documentation that is reviewed by boards and commissions and/or by their designated City staff member. [01/19/16 @ 2:35 PM]

#80-13 Updates on the zoning reform project

THE PLANNING DEPARTMENT requesting update discussions of the zoning reform project. [02/25/13 @ 12:31 PM]

#170-15 Discussion of HUD settlement relative to creating 9-12 affordable units

ALD. HESS-MAHAN, JOHNSON, CROSSLEY AND ALBRIGHT requesting a discussion relative to the HUD Settlement with Supporters of Engine 6, the Fair Housing Center of Greater Boston and the Disability Law Center in conjunction with the Law and Planning Departments, to explain the settlement and possible implications for the Zoning Board of Appeals and the Board of Aldermen in terms of the City’s obligation to identify sites and facilitate the creation of, and issue permits for, affordable housing for 9-12 chronically homeless persons in Newton. [07/06/15 @ 4:18 PM]

- #110-15 Discussion of the Smart Growth Zoning Overlay District Act in Newton**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting discussion of The Smart Growth Zoning Overlay District Act M.G.L. Chapter 40R and its potential application in Newton.
[04/24/15 @ 2:38 PM]
- #323-14 Zoning amendment to require front-facing front doors in residential zones**
ALD. YATES, NORTON, COTE AND SANGIOLO proposing to amend **Chapter 30** to require that the front doors of single-family homes, two-family homes and other residential structures face the street on which their lots are located. [08/25/14 @ 11:42 AM]
- #142-09(7) Resolution to reconvene Floor Area Ratio working group**
ALD. HESS-MAHAN AND JOHNSON proposing a Resolution to request that the Director of Planning and Development and the Commissioner of Inspectional Services reconvene a Floor Area Ratio working group to review and analyze the definition of "*Floor area, gross*" for residential structures as it is used in the definition and calculation of "*Floor area ratio*" in **Section 30-1** with respect to actual usage, and, if necessary, make recommendations for amendments thereto and in the dimensional regulations contained in **Section 30-15(u)** and *Table A* of **Section 30-15(u)**, the purpose of which is to regulate the size, density and intensity of use in the construction or renovation of, or additions to a residential structure, to more accurately reflect and be compatible with neighborhood character, and to ensure that a proposed residential structure is consistent with and not in derogation of the size, scale and design of other existing structures in the neighborhood, and is not inconsistent with the City's Comprehensive Plan.

Referred to Zoning & Planning, Land Use and Finance Committees

- #104-15 Qualification of affordable units on Comm Ave, Pearl and Eddy Streets**
ALD. JOHNSON, LAREDO, AND GENTILE requesting a report from the Planning Department with the following information: How many of the affordable units developed at Commonwealth Avenue, Pearl Street, and Eddy Street qualify to be included on the State's Subsidized Housing Inventory List. If a property is not currently on the list, what can be done to make it eligible. [04/09/15 @ 12:00 PM]
- #107-15 Discussion of middle income housing supportive of City employees**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting discussion of approaches to create middle income housing as a means of allowing City of Newton employees the opportunity to live in the community in which they work. [04/24/15 @ 2:38 PM]
- #81-13 Request for naturally affordable compact housing opportunities**
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT on behalf of the Newton Housing Partnership requesting consideration of naturally affordable compact housing opportunities in MR1 zones. [02/22/13 @ 1:13 PM]

- #86-15 Discussion and review of CDBG fund expenditures and citywide goals**
ALD. CROSSLEY, ALBRIGHT, HESS-MAHAN, & JOHNSON requesting a review and discussion of Community Development Block Grant expenditures and past years' accounting to assess progress in meeting citywide program goals as adopted in the consolidated plan, including creating and sustaining affordable housing, as well as facilities improvements in approved neighborhood districts. [03/30/15 @ 6:02 PM]
- #427-13 Discussion of CDBG, HOME and ESG funds and fair housing**
ALD. HESS-MAHAN requesting discussion and periodic updates of steps the City of Newton is taking to ensure that its implementation of the Consolidated Plan, Annual Action Plan and Citizen Participation Plan and use of CDBG, HOME and ESG funds comply with federal and state fair housing and anti-discrimination laws and regulations, and its duty to affirmatively further fair housing. [12/06/13 @ 9:51 AM]
- #308-12 Discussion of policies relative to CDBG fund expenditures**
ALD. HESS-MAHAN & ALBRIGHT requesting a discussion with the Mayor's office and the Planning & Development Department of policies, procedures, and criteria relating to determinations concerning expenditures of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds. [10/09/12 @ 3:59 PM]
- Referred to Zoning & Planning and Finance Committees**
- #315-14 Ordinance amendment for procurement requirements for non-profits**
ALD. HESS-MAHAN, ALBRIGHT, CROSSLEY AND DANBERG proposing an amendment to Chapter 2 of the City of Newton Ordinances setting forth requirements for procurement of materials and services by non-governmental recipients of federal, state or local funds administered by the City, such as CDBG and CPA funds. In order to encourage non-profit and other private organizations to participate in affordable housing, cultural and other public-private collaborations, such procurement requirements should accommodate the needs of non-governmental recipients for flexibility given the multiple public and private sources of funds necessary for any project by not placing undue or unreasonable burdens on them.
[08/04/14 @ 5:08 PM] Finance voted NAN
- #446-14 Discussion with Commission on Disability regarding the City's ADA compliance**
ALD. SANGIOLO requesting a discussion with the Commission on Disability regarding the status of City compliance with ADA regulations. [11/13/14 @ 2:03 PM]
- #140-14 Zoning amendment for lodging house ordinance**
ALD. CROSSLEY AND HESS-MAHAN requesting to amend **Chapter 30**, City of Newton Zoning Ordinances, to include a "lodging house" ordinance to promulgate rules requiring annual fire, safety and health inspections and licensing of buildings providing single room occupancy and/or congregate living arrangements.

[04/04/14 @ 6:29 PM]

- #429-13 Zoning amendment for Congregate Living Facility parking requirements**
ALD. HESS-MAHAN requesting repeal and/or amendment of Zoning Ordinances **Section 30-1**, Definitions, 30-8(b)(2), Special Permits in Single Family Residential Districts, and 30-10(d)(4), Number of Parking Stalls, concerning “Congregate Living Facility”, as required by federal and state anti-discrimination and fair housing laws and regulations. [12/06/13 @ 9:51 AM]
- #129-13 Zoning amendment for special permits for attached dwellings**
ALD. HESS-MAHAN proposing to amend and/or clarify definition and provisions for granting a special permit for “attached dwellings” in the City of Newton Zoning Ordinances, **Chapter 30-1, 30-8(b)(13) and 30-9(b)(5)**. [05/25/13 @ 5:14 PM]
- #65-13 Zoning amendment to require special permit for major topographic changes**
ALD. YATES, FISCHMAN, KALIS requesting that **Chapter 30** be amended to require a special permit for major topographic changes.]
- #139-14 Zoning amendment to clarify rules for retaining walls**
ALD. ALBRIGHT requesting to amend **Chapter 30**, City of Newton Zoning Ordinances, to clarify rules relative to retaining walls.
- #391-09 Zoning amendment to allow payments-in-lieu of parking spaces: special permits**
ALD. DANBERG, MANSFIELD, VANCE AND HESS-MAHAN requesting an amendment to **§30-19** to allow payments-in-lieu of providing required off-street parking spaces when parking spaces are waived as part of a special permit application.
[09/09/09 @ 3:53 PM]
- #152-10 Zoning amendment to clarify parking requirements for colleges and universities**
ALD. BAKER, FULLER, SCHNIPPER, SHAPIRO, FISCHMAN, YATES AND DANBERG recommending discussion of possible amendments to **Section 30-19** of the City of Newton Ordinances to clarify parking requirements applicable to colleges and universities.
- #153-11 Zoning amendment for Retail Overlay Districts around village centers**
ALD. DANBERG, ALBRIGHT, HESS-MAHAN, JOHNSON requesting that **Chapter 30** be amended by adding a new **Sec. 30-14** creating certain Retail Overlay Districts around selected village centers in order to encourage vibrant pedestrian-oriented streetscapes which would allow certain uses at street level, including but not limited to financial institutions, professional offices, and salons, by special permit only and require minimum transparency standards for street-level windows for all commercial uses within the proposed overlay districts.

- #168-15 Discussion of Metropolitan Area Planning Council's Wells Avenue Market Study**
THE NEWTON-NEEDHAM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE requesting a discussion of the Metropolitan Area Planning Council's 2015 Wells Avenue Market Study.
[07/06/15 @ 5:34 PM]

- #95-15 Discussion to consider mix of uses at Wells Avenue Office Park**
ALD. CROSSLEY, JOHNSON, LEARY, HESS-MAHAN, DANBERG, ALBRIGHT AND BLAZAR requesting a discussion with the Planning Department to consider the mix of uses in the Wells Avenue Office Park, with and without a second egress to the site, pursuant to the recent MAPC study recommending a strategic introduction of retail and restaurant uses to attract and sustain healthy commercial uses, and some number of residential units sufficient to support an economically viable and vibrant mixed use environment. [04/13/15 @ 2:46 PM]

Referred to Zoning & Planning, Land Use and Finance Committees

- #273-12 Request to restructure and increase of fees for various permits**
ALD. CROSSLEY & HESS-MAHAN requesting a restructuring and increase in fees for permits charged by the Inspectional Services Department and fees charged by the Planning Department and City Clerk to assure that fees are both sufficient to fund related services provided and simple to administer. [09/10/12 @ 1:17 PM]
Finance and Land Use voted NAN

Referred to Finance and Appropriate Committees

- #257-12 Review of fees in Chapter 17 and Chapter 20**
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 NAN

- #195-15(3) Request to acquire land at 300 Hammond Pond Parkway**
ALD. ALBRIGHT, BAKER, BLAZAR, BROUSAL-GLASER, CICCONE, COTE, CROSSLEY, DANBERG, FULLER, GENTILE, HESS-MAHAN, JOHNSON, KALIS, LAPPIN, LEARY, LAREDO, LENNON, LIPOF, NORTON, RICE, SANGIOLO, SCHWARTZ, AND YATES requesting that, in order to preserve the conservation and recreation values of the land, and to protect existing adjacent public open spaces, the Board of Aldermen vote to acquire for the City of Newton either the undeveloped portion of the land at 300 Hammond Pond Parkway or a conservation restriction on such land.
[10/23/15 @ 2:55 PM]

#404-13 Request for rezoning in Newton Centre

NATASHA STALLER et al. requesting a revision to the zoning District boundary Lines so as to transfer from Multi-Residence 1 District to a Single Residence 3 District the following properties:

Assessors' parcels SBL nos. 61-037-0004 through 61-037-0013; 61-042-0007 through 61-042-0023; 65-019-0001; 65-019-0007 through 65-019-0012; 65-019-0014 through 65-019-0022; 65-019-0009A; 65-019-0017B and 65-019-0022A. Also requesting transfer from a Single Residence 2 District to a Single Residence 3 District SBL no. 65-019-0015A.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ted Hess-Mahan, Chair



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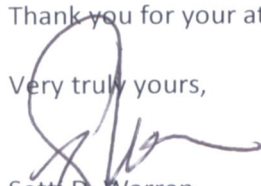
Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am pleased to appoint Sonia Parisca of 185 Franklin St, Newton as an alternate member of the Planning and Development Board. Their term of office shall expire February 1, 2022 and their appointment is subject to your confirmation.

December 1, 2021

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,


Setti D. Warren
Mayor

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SUMMARY

20+Years experience in Architecture, including Master Plans, design, project management, construction supervision. Building type experience in: Commercial, Mixed Uses, Hospitality, and Residential. MIT Degree in Urban Studies & Planning. Residential Property Manager. Additional management experience in non-profit leading teams and managing people in fast-paced, culturally diverse settings.

EXPERIENCE

BLANCO VENTURES LLC Newton MA—2004 Current

Director and Founder

- Managed 4-Units Residential Building
- Secured 100% Occupancy Rate for 4 units for 10 years. Established rental rate by surveying local rental rates, calculating overhead costs, depreciation, taxes, and profit goals.
- Initiated contracts with tenants by negotiating leases; and manages the collection of security deposits
- Maintained properties by investigating and resolving tenant complaints; enforcing rules of occupancy; contracting for maintenance building systems services and supervising repairs
- Consultant for Home Renovations. Designed additions and alterations to existing residential structures and condo conversions.
- Contracted 1041 Exchanges

Event Planner for Venezuela in Boston I- 2008, II -2009. Econoinvest and Boston University

- Planned and organized 3 day forum for 80+ international development leaders in the academia, public and private sectors for Venezuela and Latin American Countries.

ENTASIS ARCHITECTS Newton MA —2005

Architect Assistant

- Prepared CAD documents for project authorization
- Designed additions and alterations to existing residential structures.

GRUPO ARDI ARQUITECTURA Caracas, Venezuela—1998-2001

Founder and Architect Director

- Designed and produced construction documents for a wide range of building uses and types, including two 200+ room OMNI resorts in Margarita Island in Venezuela, 2100 M2 vacation homes
- Designed interiors and supervised construction Interior design of 2+ 130M2 offices in downtown Caracas
- Participated in the architectural competition for Centro Andrés Bello, a 10.000 M2 mixed uses complex in downtown Caracas
- Analyzed and proposed best and highest use and financial feasibility for a 13000 M2 lot in Quinta Crespo, Caracas

Lighting Designer

- Partnered with renowned architects to design the lighting of at least 10 architectural projects including private homes, conference halls, art collections, and the Mosque of Caracas
- Designed the placement and direction of the necessary lighting instruments, preformed energy efficiency studies and provided installation supervision

RAMIREZ Y ASOCIADOS Caracas, Venezuela 1986- 1989

Architect Assistant

- Designed and developed programs for the Hotels Concorde Aruba, and Concorde Margarita Island
- Supported periodical meetings with hotel operators and managers
- Supervision in site of the construction
- Reported senior architects on design and construction progress
- Teamed with senior architects on the program and design of Casupito Farm House in Venezuela

LEADERSHIP

BUCKINGHAM BROWNE & NICHOLS' PARENTS ASSOCIATION Cambridge, MA

President—2011-12

- Chaired 3 campus organization of Upper, Middle, and Lower Schools encompassing more than 90 leadership members serving 800+ families. Member of Board of Trustees and Financial Committee
- Directed monthly executive board meetings and guided on PA policies and direction
- Collaborated with school director to develop PA programs help deliver school's mission
- Reviewed the school's information system and advised on creative ways to get information to their constituents.
- Re-designed PA budget. Secured the 100% allocation of the budget in PA initiatives
- Designed a PA calendar of events in coordination with the school calendar
- Recruited leadership members to fill committee chair roles for the PA board 2012-13

SONIA PARISCA

185 Franklin St. Newton MA 02458, sparisca@alum.mit.edu, 617-388-5318

Vice-President—2010-11

- Co-chair of the Nominating Committee

President Upper School —2008-2010

- Wrote and produced Upper School Parents 'Association Monthly Newsletter.
- Conceived and organized 3 years Mystery Dinner, a 200 + participants' fundraiser and friend raiser event.
- Acted as liaison between US Parents and US Directors.

EDUCATION

URBAN LAND INSTITUTE, ULI

Real Estate Development Process I, II Washington DC —Spring 2015

BOSTON UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION. Boston, MA—Fall 2010

Overview of the Real Estate Development Process. Building Systems

MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, MIT. Cambridge, MA—2005

Master of Science in Urban Studies and Planning

Relevant coursework: Urban Design Politics and Action, Urban Design Politics, The Law and Politics of Land Use, Geographic Information Systems GIS, Housing and Community Development.

BOSTON UNIVERSITY English Language and Orientation Programs, CELOP. Boston, MA—Fall 2002

Relevant course: Business English for International Students

MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, MIT. Cambridge, MA—

2002 SPURS Fellow

Relevant Coursework: Public Space, Public/Private associations for public Space. Urban Design and Development.

TEATRO TERESA CARRREÑO Caracas, Venezuela—Fall 1988

Lighting Design for Theater and Architecture Workshop. Professor Rhazil Izaguirre

UNIVERSIDAD CENTRAL DE VENEZUELA, UCV. FACULTAD DE ARQUITECTURA Y URBANISMO

Bachelor of Architecture. Class of 1896

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Computer Skills:** Vector Works, GIS, Word, Power Point, Excel.
- **Languages:** Written and spoken fluency in Spanish. Conversant in French
- **Interests:** Cities, Urban Development ,Art, Public Art, Photography, Travel
- **Sports:** Tennis, Spinning, Ski