

CITY OF NEWTON

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

REAL PROPERTY REUSE COMMITTEE AGENDA

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2015

7:45 PM  
Room 211

#287-11(4) JOINT ADVISORY PLANNING GROUP and PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT filing their separate reports pursuant to Ordinance Sec. 2-7(2)b identifying alternatives for the future use of the former Newton Centre Library/Health Department building at 1294 Centre Street, Newton Centre, which was declared surplus by the Board of Aldermen on March 6, 2012.

*NOTE: The Board of Aldermen voted on March 5, 2012 to declare the property surplus (see attached board order) and to appoint a Joint Advisory Planning Group (JAPG; JAPG and PLANNING DEPARTMENT REPORTS were submitted December 2012.*

*Hard copies included in the Friday packet include:*

- *Committee reports (01-19-12, 02/28/12, 02/26/13 (which includes the public hearing held on 01/29-13), 09/24/13,*
- *Planning Department reports (10/21/11, 11/23/11, 12/10/12, 02/22/13, 04/20/13)*
- *JAPG Report*
- *Public Buildings Capital Needs Assessment*
- *Howard/Stein-Hudson Associates Parking Study, dated June 13, 2013*
- *MassChallenge 2012 Form 990*

*All these documents are available online under the Board of Aldermen/Friday Packet/1294 Centre Street – Former Library – Health Department Building.*

Respectfully submitted,

Susan S. Albright, Chairman

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March 5, 2012

ORDERED:

That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Real Property Reuse Committee through its Chairman Susan S. Albright, the Board of Aldermen affirms that the building and land at 1294 Centre Street, declared surplus by the Commissioner of Health & Human Services on September 21, 2011, is made available for other use and that a Joint Advisory Planning Group be appointed by His Honor the Mayor and the Board of Aldermen pursuant to Section 2-7 of the City of Newton Revised Ordinances, 2007.

In addition,


BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:

That the Board of Aldermen recommends that in its deliberations and final report, the Joint Advisory Planning Group shall consider:

1. The historic significance of the building;
2. The costs and benefits of the full range of options for reuse that would maximize its value to the community, both functionally and financially, including (a) public or private ownership; (b) public, for-profit and nonprofit uses; and (c) long- and short-term arrangements for its use, including leasing rather than sale for for-profit and nonprofit uses.
3. The context and relationship to other existing and proposed uses and buildings in the surrounding area; and
4. How to accommodate parking for future use(s);
5. The possibility that the city might retain ownership of the building after appropriate repairs.

Under Suspension of Rules  
Readings Waived and Approved  
22 yeas 0 nays 2 absent (Aldermen Lennon and Rice)

  
(SGD) DAVID A. OLSON  
City Clerk

  
(SGD) SETTI D. WARREN  
Mayor  
3/8/12