

City of Newton, Massachusetts

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2021 Community Preservation Committee

CHAIR Dan Brody Dan joined the CPC in 2017 as the Mayoral appointee for open space. He has been on the board of the Newton Conservators since 2003 and managed the Conservators website for many years. He has served as Massachusetts Deputy State Budget Director and as CFO for the Harvard Kennedy School. He was a partner in the construction of the 44 Prince Street condominium project in Boston, managing its zoning approvals and its affordable housing compliance. He is a consultant to Field First LLC, doing data analysis for progressive political campaigns.

VICE CHAIR Jennifer Molinsky Jennifer joined the CPC in 2018 as the Planning & Development Board appointee to the CPC. She is a senior research associate at Harvard University's Joint Center for Housing Studies. She was previously Newton's chief planner for long-range planning and has worked on affordable housing and community development as a researcher or staff member at the Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, the Municipal Art Society of New York, Abt Associates and PricewaterhouseCoopers.

Mark Armstrong Mark joined the CPC in 2016 as the Newton Historical Commission appointee. He is an architect with more than 21 years of experience with projects throughout the greater Boston area. Mark established his own firm in 2000. He has worked on academic, public, and commercial buildings as well as on residential projects, including custom homes, condominium developments, affordable housing, and the renovation of historic row houses and waterfront lofts.

Byron Dunker Buzz is the Ward 5 member of the Parks & Recreation Commission and has been their appointee to the CPC since 2017. He currently works for New England Petroleum and was formerly vice president of marketing at Gulf Oil. He is a lifelong Newton resident who coaches Babe Ruth baseball. As treasurer of the Newton SouthEast Little League, he is responsible for the league's use of and contributions for playing fields. Buzz is also an overseer for life at Newton Wellesley Hospital.

Susan Lunin Susan is the vice chair of Newton's Conservation Commission and their appointee to the CPC since 2017. She is a retired middle school science teacher who has lived in Newton for 40 years. Susan served as a community volunteer for the Newton Food Pantry and is currently a regular volunteer for the nonprofit Charles River Clean Up Boat.

Robert Maloney Bob joined the CPC in 2017 as the Mayoral appointee for outdoor recreation. He works in commercial real estate development and has over 30 years' experience developing and managing office, industrial, multi-family and mixed use projects. He has lived in West Newton with his wife and three children for 21 years and recently ended his 15-year career as a Newton youth baseball, football and soccer coach.

Eliza Datta Eliza joined the CPC in 2020 as the Mayoral appointee for community housing. She has 20 years of experience in real estate development and has developed mixed-income and affordable housing projects throughout New England. In 2018, she formed E3 Development LLC to pursue real estate development opportunities which focus on affordable and mixed-income residential projects in urban and other transit-oriented locations. Eliza is a member of the CREW Boston Housing and Development Committee, a former Board member of the Citizens Housing and Planning Association (CHAPA) and a current member of the Newton Housing Partnership.

Martin Smargiassi Martin joined the CPC in 2019 as the Mayoral appointee for historic resources. He is a Licensed Architect & Real Estate Developer with more than 25 years of experience overseeing and directing organizations in architecture, engineering, real estate development and construction. He is CEO and Principal Architect for Innovative Collaborations, Inc., an award-winning Boston firm, with a portfolio of

boutique projects. He has worked closely with the National Park Service, served on the Auburndale Local Historic District Commission, and lives in Auburndale with his family.

Judy Weber Judy joined the CPC in 2020 as the Newton Housing Authority's appointee to the CPC. Judy is a long-time resident of Newton Corner with over forty years in property and asset management – first as a practitioner and currently as a national consultant with VIVA Consulting, a firm she co-founded in 2002. She specializes in affordable rental housing research, organizational design and capacity building services for not-for-profit, governmental and for-profit organizations as well as property and asset management curriculum development and teaching. She is also Vice President of Newton Community Development Foundation (NCDF).

Lara Kritzer, Staff Lara has worked with Newton's CPC since 2020 with twenty years of experience working in historic preservation and community preservation act programs. Lara began her career here in Newton as the preservation planner before moving on to run the Town of Concord's Community Preservation and local historic district programs and later working as a consultant assisting CPC's in communities statewide to approve and administer their CPA funding.