

City of Newton



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# City of Newton, Massachusetts

## Community Preservation Committee



### AGENDA

## Community Preservation Committee Public Meeting & Public Hearing

7:00 pm      Wednesday, 16 December 2009      City Hall Room 209

#### FORMATS

- ◆ *The public is entitled to speak at **public hearings**. To ask questions or comment on any particular proposal, please sign up on the circulating clipboards. Each speaker will be limited to 3 minutes.*
- ◆ *Summaries of all proposals are included on the back of this agenda. Full versions are available at the Newton Free Library (Homer Street) and from this webpage: [www.ci.newton.ma.us/cpa/projects.htm](http://www.ci.newton.ma.us/cpa/projects.htm)*
- ◆ *The public is welcome to attend **public meetings**. The Committee chair chooses whether and when to accept public questions or comments at these meetings.*

*PLEASE NOTE that start and end times cannot be guaranteed for specific agenda items.*

#### 7:00 Committee business

- ◆ review of "conflict of interest" law & procedures, City Solicitor Dan Funk
- ◆ approval of 18 November 2009 minutes

#### approx. 7:15 PUBLIC HEARING on Fiscal 2010 Proposals

- ◆ CITY HALL HISTORIC ART (*new proposal*)
- ◆ MUSEUM COLLECTIONS (*new proposal*)
- ◆ MUSEUM ARCHIVES (*supplemental proposal for design funds only*)

#### approx. 8:10 PUBLIC MEETING / WORKING SESSION

- ◆ Historic Newton: updates on capital campaign / private matching funds and current projects with CP funding: Museum Exterior, Durant-Kenrick Homestead, and Historic Burying Grounds
- ◆ Veteran House: working session on community housing proposed at 2148 Commonwealth Avenue, Auburndale

#### approx 9:00 Committee business, continued

- ◆ staff updates: proposal review process, available funds, current proposals & projects
- ◆ other business

*Meeting locations are handicap accessible. Reasonable accommodations will be provided to persons requiring assistance. If you have a special need, please contact Newton ADA Coordinator Bev Droz at 617.796.1280, via email at [bdr\\_oz@newtonma.gov](mailto:bdr_oz@newtonma.gov) or via TDD/TTY at 617.796.1089.*

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## PUBLIC HEARINGS on Fiscal 2010 PROPOSALS

### PUBLIC HEARING 16 December 2009, 7 pm, City Hall Cafeteria

#### **CITY HALL Historic Art** (*rescheduled from 18 November 2009*)

Restore for display the original 1870s oil portrait of Newton's first mayor, James F. C. Hyde.

*Location:* 1000 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton Centre, MA 02459. *Sponsor/Manager:* David Olson, City Clerk. *CP funds requested:* \$5,200. *Total project cost:* \$5,200.

#### **MUSEUM COLLECTIONS Preservation**

Create a dedicated, stand-alone collections storage facility within the envelope of the historic Crafts Street stable. *Location:* 90 Crafts Street, Newton Corner, MA 02458. *Sponsor/Manager:* Cynthia Stone, Director, Historic Newton. *CP funds requested:* \$30,000. *Total project cost:* \$35,000. *Other funding:* \$5,000 in private donations (\$2,500 in hand, remainder to be raised).

#### **MUSEUM ARCHIVES - Supplemental**

In addition to original \$359,400 recommended to rehabilitate the original stable wing of the 1809 Jackson Homestead, which houses the Museum's research collection & archives, to preserve existing collections, allow for future collections expansion, and enhance public access. *Location:* 527 Washington Street, Newton Corner, MA 02458. *Sponsor/Manager:* Nicholas Parnell, Newton Public Buildings Commissioner. *Supplemental CP funds requested:* estimated \$186,420 for supplemental design & construction, *amount to be revised at the hearing*. *Original CP funds recommended:* \$359,400. *Total revised project cost:* \$678,138. *Other funding:* Orig. proposal included a private cash contribution of \$24,000 and \$13,164 of time to be donated by archivist (in retirement) to catalogue collections.. Historic Newton will also use private funds for a new multipurpose room, but is requesting public funds for other changes to project scope.

### PUBLIC HEARING 18 November 2009, 6:30 pm, City Hall Cafeteria

#### **ANGINO FARM Barn Rehabilitation**

Convert interior of the farm's late 19th-century barn for use as fully accessible space to support the farm's agricultural and education programs. *Location:* 303 Nahanton St., Newton Centre, MA 02459.

*Sponsor/Manager:* James Harper, Chair, Newton Farm Commission. *CP funds requested:* \$568,000.

*Total project cost:* \$798,000. *Other funding:* \$230,000 in private funds were spent to stabilize and rehabilitate the barn's exterior. (Since inception, the farm has raised a total of \$430,000 privately.)

#### **CITY ARCHIVES - Combined**

Preserve and digitize city directories for 1868-1934 and at-risk manuscript and archival sources from the 19th and early 20th centuries, primarily held at the Newton Free Library, with backup copies in City Hall or at the Jackson Homestead/Newton History Museum. *Location:* Newton Free Library, 330 Homer Street, Newton, MA 02459. *Sponsor/Manager:* Ryan Hanson, Asst. Director, Newton Free Library. *CP funds requested:* \$36,545. *Total project cost:* \$45,221. *Other funding:* \$8,676.25 in combined Library Services & Technology grant from MA Board of Library Commissioners and regular Library budget funds.

#### **HISTORIC PRESERVATION Design Guidelines**

Provide guidelines with Newton examples for historic preservation, restoration, and rehabilitation; mostly advisory, but also to help historical commissions in exercising regulatory authority.

*Location:* citywide. *Sponsor/Manager:* Newton Historical Commission & Brian Lever, Planning Dept. *CP funds requested:* \$55,000. *Total project cost:* \$55,000.

#### **VETERAN HOUSE (2148-50 Commonwealth Avenue - housing)**

Create deed-restricted, permanently affordable rental housing for two families in an existing 2-family house in Auburndale. *Location:* 2148-50 Commonwealth Avenue, Auburndale, MA 02466. *Sponsor/Manager:* Josephine McNeill, CAN-DO. *CP funds requested:* \$360,000. *Total project cost:* \$950,000. *Other funding:* \$300,000 CDBG, \$50,000 Fedl Home Loan Bank, \$35,000 CCC Legacy Fund, \$40,000 Charlesbank Homes, \$175,000 Village Bank.