War Memorial Access and Acoustic Improvements Fy'14 Newton Community Preservation Proposal Date: February 26, 2014



Formal Entrance Portico to the City of Newton- War Memorial Hall

City Hall Veteran's Wing- Access and Acoustic Improvements Photos of recent events that taken place at the War Memorial Hall



Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast, Friday, May 20, 2011



Meeting to Debate of the Off-Leash Area at Cold Spring Park, Monday, May 19, 2009

MBTA Hearing at the Newton City Hall War Memorial, Tuesday January 12, 2012



City Hall Veteran's Wing - Access and Acoustic Improvements



Figure 1: view of Memorial Hall, looking east.
Select acoustic absorbent materials with noise
Reduction Coefficient (NRC) of 0.80 or Higher.
Proposed are the following approximate breakdown of materials and locations:

- 125sf fabric wrapped on upper rear wall
- 560sf of 1" fiberglass ceiling panels at sides
- 1,000sf retractable heavy fabric window curtains.
- Note: Curtains to be minimum 27 ounces per linear yard, pleated for at least 50% fullness.



Figure 2: view of aldermanic Chamber, looking west

Proposed replacement of the existing ceiling tiles in the main chamber and in the Gallery seating area with sound absorbing fabric-wrapped fiberglass panels.

Proposed addition of 200sf sound absorbent panels at the rear wall below upper gallery seating and above the main entrance.

Proposed window curtains of heavy fabric similar to treatment in War Memorial Hall. When retracted the curtains will simply gather at the

sides of each window bay.

War Memorial Access and Acoustic Improvements Review of proposed acoustic enhancements



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STRUCTURAL ENGINEER: **BOSTON BUILDING** CONSULTANTS, INC. 241 A STREET, SUITE 220

CITY OF NEWTON NEWTON, MA WAR MEMORIAL **ELEVATOR**

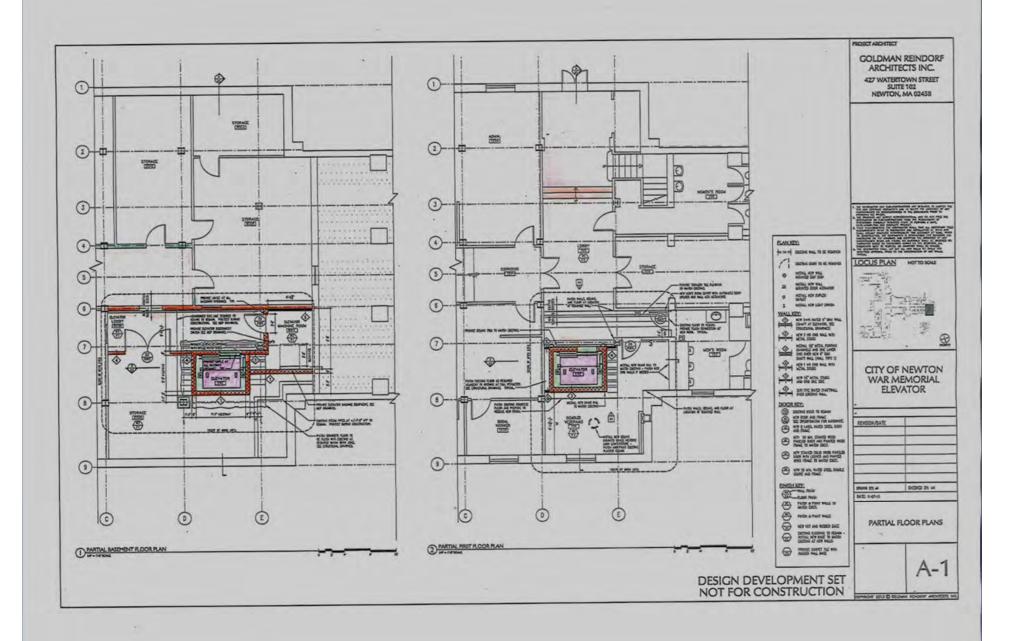
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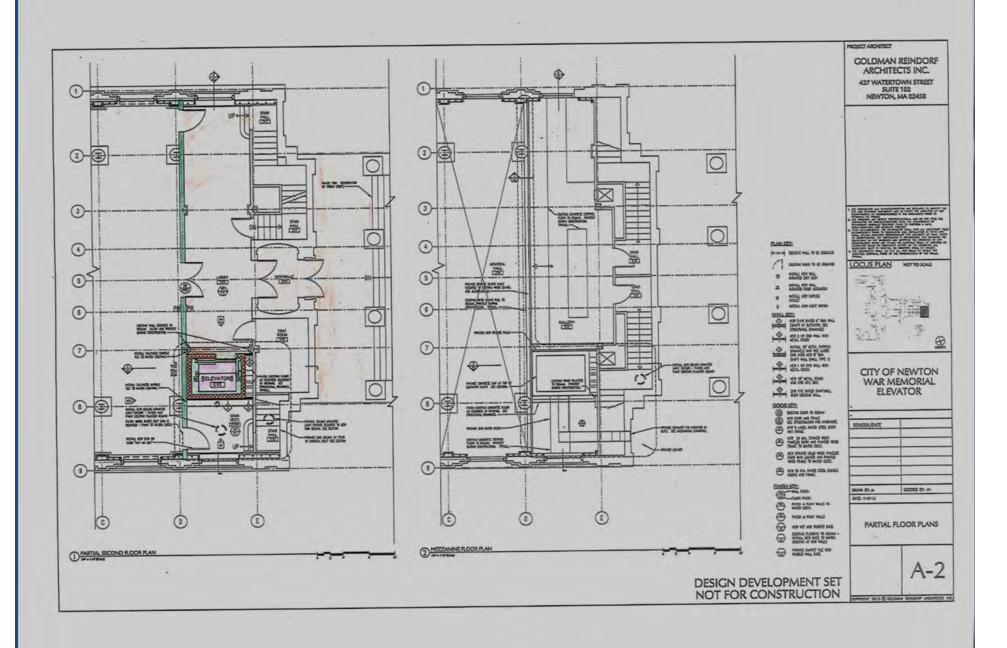
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War Memorial Access and Acoustic Improvements Estimated Project TIMELINE

Phase or Task	Phase no.	Season & Year	
Lift/Elevator Feasibility	1b	Spring /Summer 2013	
Acoustic Evaluation and Design	1a	Spring/Summer 2013	
Revised Acoustic Evaluation and Design	1a.	Fall/Winter 2013/2014	
Lift/Elevator Final Design	1b	Fall/Winter 2013/2014	
ADA and Mass Architectural Access Review	1a/b	Fall/Winter 2013/2014	
Newton Historic Review and Mass Historic Submission	1a/1b	Fall /Winter 2013/2014	
Acoustical Phase/Elevator Construction Combined Documents - Bidding/ Procurement	1a/1b	Winter/Spring 2013/2014	
General Contract Awarded	1a/1b	Late Spring 2014	
Construction Begins	1a/1b	Early Summer 2014	

War Memorial Access and Acoustic Improvements Funding Request

ACCESSIBILITY & ARCHIVES				Comments	
Cost Breakdown			% of Overall Cos	t .	
Possible Win Project NTE					
SoftCosts:				Average % values vary between 10 to 15% for historical buildings. The increase in design costs verse industry average are due in part by the scope of service changes, state agency design updates and variance approvals, Building Code changes, Existing conditions	
Design Acustical	6,600	\$7,100			
Design Elevator .	\$60,810	\$65,810			
GEO Tech Engineer	\$9,790	\$10,500			
Cost Estimating	\$2,800	\$2,800	* *		
Total: HardCosts:	\$80,000	\$86,210	-		
Acoustic Const.	\$80,000	\$80,000			
Accesibility Const.	\$438,000	\$463,000			
Equipment DirectCosts:	\$11,000	\$12,000			
Temp.Storage/Moving Testing & Inspections	\$47,450 \$8,900	\$50,000 \$10,000			
Contigency (8%)	\$60,740	\$60,740		* **	
Project Total: Project Team	\$726,090	\$761,950	92%	* *	
Project Manager	\$38,500	\$40,000			
Hazardous Materials	\$8,000	\$8,000			
Utility Backcharges Owner's	TBD	TBD	4		
Contingency	\$20,000	\$20,000			
Proj. Team Total [\$66,500	\$68,000	8.00%		
Overall Proj, Total	\$792,590	\$829,950			



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Candace Havens Director

January 10, 2014

Joel Feinberg Chair, Community Preservation Committee Members, Community Preservation Committee City of Newton 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton, MA 02459

Dear Mr. Feinberg and Members of the Community Preservation Committee:

On behalf of the Commission On Disability, we are voicing our support for the funding requested by the Public Buildings Department for the City Hall Historic Rehabilitation - Access and Acoustic Improvements project, recently submitted for consideration in the FY14 funding round.

The Commission On Disability has been a strong proponent of this project since its inception, after an event held in the War Memorial made clear the challenges of physical access in that room. We are the primary advisory committee on Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for architectural access projects. We supported the completion of a vertical and acoustical feasibility study for this project and recommended that \$80,000 in CDBG funds go towards completing that study, with which Mayor Warren agreed and approved the use of funds for this purpose. We have been monitoring the completion of that study and would like to see the next step, that of implementation, happen as soon as possible.

The funds the Public Buildings Department is requesting will allow the necessary improvements to be completed to make certain that the Aldermanic Chamber and the War Memorial are places where all can gather with no impediment. We hope that you will support the request in full and will agree with the Commission On Disability that this project is critical to ensuring full access to civic life in Newton.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns about the contents in this letter.

Sincerely,

ROD CANSO Robert Caruso, Co-Chair

Commission On Disability

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