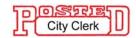


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## **Committee of the Whole Agenda**

## City of Newton In City Council

Monday, May 11, 2020

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#### Items scheduled for discussion:

#### **Referred to Committee of the Whole**

#250-20 Approval of \$2.5 million dollars for Emergency Housing Relief

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting the approval of two million dollars (\$2,000,000) in CPA funding for the purpose of addressing the emergency housing needs of Newton's low and moderate income citizens through a COVID-19 Emergency Housing Relief Program. In addition, the City will be allocating five hundred thousand (\$500,000) in CDBG funding from the federal

CARES Act to emergency housing needs.

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#### **EMERGENCY PREAMBLE**

WHEREAS: It is the opinion of the City Council that the following measure falls within the scope of Section

2-9(b) of the Charter of the City of Newton entitled "EMERGENCY MEASURES", and

WHEREAS: Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic and the Governor's Emergency declaration, some low to

moderate income residents of Newton have been unable to earn a living and pay their rent,

placing them in danger of being displaced; and

WHEREAS: These funds will provide short-term rental and mortgage payment assistance to Newton

households who have been negatively impacted by the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, the

immediate approval of this money is critical to assist with timely distribution of funds to those in

need.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED: That the following appropriation is an EMERGENCY MEASURE and is so

declared as defined in this PREAMBLE and therefore shall take effect immediately upon

adoption:

### Respectfully submitted, Susan Albright, President

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