



## City Council Actions

### In City Council

**Monday, December 21, 2020**

**Present:** Councilors Baker, Bowman, Crossley, Danberg, Downs, Gentile, Greenberg, Grossman, Humphrey, Kalis, Kelley, Laredo, Leary, Lipof, Malakie, Markiewicz, Noel, Norton, Wright & Albright.

**Absent:** Councilors Krintzman & Ryan

**2 Vacancies**

### **The City Council discussed the following items on Second Call:**

**#509-20**      **Cellco Partnership petition for wireless grant of location on Beethoven Ave**  
CELLCO PATNERSHIP D/B/A VERIZON WIRELESS petitioning for a grant of location to mount a small cell antenna to pole 22 23 with associated equipment. The proposed installation of equipment consists of one small-antenna mounted to the side of the utility pole, two remote radio heads, an antenna bracket, a diplexer, a meter, a surge protector, an AC/DC converter, a power connection and fiber and coaxial cable located in conduit and mounted to the side of the pole (60-day action date: 01/12/21)  
**Public Facilities Approved Subject to Second Call 5-0-1 (Councilor Gentile abstaining)**  
**Motion to Postpone to January 4, 2021 was approved by Voice Vote**

**Clerk's Note:** As the applicant was unable to provide the evaluation of an alternate pole before the City Council meeting as was requested, the Council postponed the discussion of this item until its next meeting.

**#474-20**      **Class 2 Auto Dealers License**  
JR CAR CARE, INC.  
454 Watertown Street  
Newtonville MA 02460  
**Land Use Approved Subject to Second Call 7-0**  
**Motion to Postpone to January 4, 2021 was approved by Voice Vote**

**Clerk's Note:** As all of the requirements of the application were no completed before the City Council meeting as required, the Council postponed the discussion of this item until its next meeting.

**The City Council voted without discussion 20 Yeas, 2 Absent (Councilors Krintzman and Ryan), and 2 Vacancies to Accept the Committee Recommendations on the following items:**

**Referred to Land Use Committee**

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

- #137-18**      **Petition to allow 18-unit multi family dwelling at 189-193 Adams St/19 Quirk Ct**  
183-193 ADAMS STREET, LLC petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to allow a multi-family development in a business district with greater than 20,000 gross floor area, with a four-story structure 41' in height, containing an 18-unit dwelling with ground floor units, to allow an FAR of 1.31, to allow a density bonus to reduce the lot area per unit and increase the number of inclusionary units, to allow a reduction of the requirement for parking to 1.25 stalls per unit, to allow parking in the front setback, to allow parking within 5' of a building containing dwelling units, to allow a reduction in the minimum width of an entrance/exit drive, to allow a reduction in the minimum width of maneuvering aisles and to waive lighting requirements in Ward, 1, Newton, at 189-193 Adams Court, Section 14 Block 15 Lot 39, Section 14 Block 15 Lot 39 and 19 Quirk Court Section 14 Block 15 Lot 44, containing a combined lot area of approximately 19,349 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned BUSINESS USE 2. Ref: 7.3.3, 7.4, 4.4.1, 4.1.2.B.1, 4.1.2.B.3, 4.1.3, 5.1.4, 5.1.13, 5.1.8.A.1, 5.1.8.A.2, 5.1.8.C.1, 5.1.8.C.2, 5.1.8.D.1, 5.1.10.A, 5.11.4, 5.11.15, 4.1.2 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.  
**Land Use Approved Withdrawal without Prejudice 6-0 (Councilor Greenberg not Voting)**
- #440-20**      **Petition to extend nonconformities at 45-47 Forest Street**  
ELORA CHOWDHURY AND ALOK KAPOOR petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to replace an existing screen porch of the rear of the dwelling, extending the non-conforming two-family use in the SR2 district and increasing the nonconforming lot coverage at 45-47 Forest Street, Ward 6, Newton Highlands, on land known as Section 52 BLOCK 05 Lot 01A, containing approximately 10,469 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 2. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 7.4, 3.4.1, 3.1.3, 7.8.2.C.2 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.  
**Land Use Approved 7-0; Public Hearing Closed 12/08/2020**
- #441-20**      **Petition to waive 5 parking stalls and dimensional standards at 66 Winchester Street**  
WINCHESTER 66 LLC., petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to allow a waiver of five parking stalls and reconfiguration of the parking area, to allow parking within the front and side setbacks and to waive the minimum driveway widths at 66 Winchester Street, Ward 5, Newton Highlands, on land known as Section 83 Block 03 Lot 46, containing approximately 20,059 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned MULTI USE 2. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 7.4, 5.1.4.A, 5.1.13, 4.2.3, 5.1.7.A, 5.1.7.C of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.  
**Land Use Approved 4-0-3 (Councilors Kelley, Bowman and Downs abstaining); Public Hearing Closed 12/08/2020**

- #24-20**      **Petition to allow for-profit educational use at 66 Winchester Street**  
OLYMPIA FENCING CENTER, INC./WINCHESTER 66 LLC., petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to allow a for-profit educational use in 6,750 sq. ft. of the existing building at 66 Winchester Street, Ward 5, Newton Highlands, on land known as Section 83 Block 03 Lot 46, containing approximately 20,059 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned MULTI USE 2. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 7.4, 4.4.1, 6.3.14.B.2 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.  
**Land Use Approved 7-0; Public Hearing Closed 12/08/2020**
- #70-20**      **Petition to amend Special Permit Order #106-07 at 349 Dedham Street**  
CHABAD LUBAVITCH, INC./BETH MENACHEM CHABAD petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to amend Special Permit Board Order #106-07 to increase the number of allowable nursery students to 41, to allow parking in the front setback and to reduce the minimum open space at the site at 349 Dedham Street, Ward 8, on land known as Section 83 Block 36A Lot 01, containing approximately 33,697 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 1. Ref: Sec. Dover Waiver, 7.3.3, 7.4, 5.1.8.A.1, 5.1.13, 3.1.6 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.  
**Land Use Approved 7-0; Public Hearing Closed 12/08/2020**
- Referred to Land Use Committee**  
Tuesday, December 15, 2020
- #459-20**      **Petition to extend nonconforming setbacks at 25 Emerson Street**  
STEPHEN THOMAS petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to construct a rear addition to an existing detached garage structure, vertically extending the nonconforming side setback in an accessory structure and further extending the nonconforming front setback at 25 Emerson Street, Ward 1, Newton, on land known as Section 11 Block 25 Lot 25, containing approximately 4,456 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned MULTI RESIDENCE 2. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 7.4, 3.4.3.A.1, 7.8.2.C.2, 1.5.3.B, 3.2.3 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.  
**Land Use Approved 7-0; Public Hearing Closed 12/15/2020**
- #442-20**      **Special Permit Petition to allow retaining wall over 4' at 55 Alexander Road**  
ROMAN FAYNGERSH petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to allow retaining walls exceeding four feet in height within the front setback at 55 Alexander Road, Ward 6, Newton Highlands, on land known as Section 81 Block 27 Lot 10, containing approximately 10,286 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 3. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 7.4, 3.4.2.B of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.  
**Land Use Approved 7-0; Public Hearing Closed 12/15/2020**
- #460-20**      **Class 1 Auto Dealer License**  
NEWTON CENTRE SHELL  
1365 Centre Street  
Newton, MA. 02459  
**Land Use Approved 7-0**

- #461-20**      **Class 1 Auto Dealer License**  
MMAG RETAIL HOLDINGS – CJ LLC. D/B/A MCGOVERN CHRYSLER JEEP DODGE RAM  
777 Washington Street  
Newton, MA. 02460  
**Land Use Approved 7-0**
- #462-20**      **Class 2 Auto Dealers License**  
NEWTON AUTO GROUP, INC.  
1235 Washington Street  
West Newton, MA. 02465  
**Land Use Approved 7-0**
- #463-20**      **Class 2 Auto Dealers License**  
KC AUTO  
55 Farwell Street  
Newtonville MA 02460  
**Land Use Approved 7-0**
- #464-20**      **Class 2 Auto Dealers License**  
OLD TIME GARAGE LTD.  
1960 Washington Street  
Newton Lower Falls, MA. 02462  
**Land Use Approved 7-0**
- #465-20**      **Class 2 Auto Dealer License**  
AUCTION DIRECT PREOWNED  
1545 Washington Street  
West Newton, MA. 02465  
**Land Use Approved 7-0**
- #466-20**      **Class 2 Auto Dealers License**  
NEWTON TRADE CENTER ASSOCIATES, INC.  
103 Adams Street  
Nonantum, MA. 02458  
**Land Use Approved 7-0**
- #467-20**      **Class 2 Auto Dealers License**  
ROBERT’S TOWING, INC.  
926r Boylston Street  
Newton Highlands, MA. 02461  
**Land Use Approved 7-0**

- #468-20**      **Class 2 Auto Dealers License**  
REGANS INC.  
2066 Commonwealth Avenue  
Auburndale, MA. 02466  
**Land Use Approved 7-0**
- #469-20**      **Class 2 Auto Dealers License**  
KG Motors LLC  
1235 Washington Street  
West Newton, MA. 02465  
**Land Use Approved 7-0**
- #471-20**      **Class 2 Auto Dealers License**  
ENZO'S AUTO SALES  
10 Hawthorn Street  
Nonantum, MA. 02458  
**Land Use Approved 7-0**
- #472-20**      **Class 2 Auto Dealer License**  
NEW ENGLAND MOTOR MART, INC.  
1211 Washington Street  
West Newton, MA. 02465  
**Land Use Approved 7-0**
- #473-20**      **Class 2 Auto Dealers License**  
LIFT THROTTLE AUTOMOTIVE, LLC  
64 Hillside Avenue  
West Newton, MA. 02465  
**Land Use Approved 7-0**
- #470-20**      **Class 2 Auto Dealers License**  
VELOCITY MOTORS  
14 Hawthorn Street  
Nonantum, MA. 02458  
**Land Use Approved Subject to Second Call 7-0**

**Referred to Zoning & Planning Committee**

Monday, December 14, 2020

- #486-20**      **Reappointment of Robert E. Maloney to the Community Preservation Committee**  
**HER HONOR THE MAYOR** reappointing ROBERT E. MALONEY, 245 Otis Street, West, Newton, as a member of the COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE for a term to expire on January 1, 2024. (60 days: 02/05/21)  
**Zoning & Planning Approved 8-0**

**Referred to the Programs & Services, Zoning & Planning & Finance Committees**

- #487-20**     **Request to transfer Weights & Measures inspector position to ISD**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting to transfer the Weights & Measures inspector position from the Health and Human Services Department to the Inspectional Services Department to more accurately reflect the nature of the position, to add one temporary full-time employee (to be funded by existing ISD funds available due to vacancies). Additionally, requesting that City Ordinance Section 12-18(e), which details the position of Weights & Measures Inspector, be moved to Section 5-16 which covers ISD responsibilities. To fund the last half of FY20, this request includes a transfer of forty-three thousand five hundred dollars (\$43,500) from H&HS Weights & Measures Acct #0510110-511001 to Inspectional Services Full Time Salaries.  
**Programs & Services Approved 8-0 on 12/09/20**  
**Finance Approved 6-0 on 12/14/2020**  
**Zoning & Planning Approved 7-0 (Councilor Krintzman not Voting)**

**Referred to Programs & Services Committee**

Wednesday, December 9, 2020

Present: Councilors Krintzman (Chair), Noel, Albright, Wright, Humphrey, Ryan, Greenberg, and Baker

- #430-20**     **Appointment of Randall Johnson to the Parks and Recreation Commission**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing RANDALL JOHNSON, 267 Upland Road, Newton, as an Alternate member of the PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION for a term to expire on September 30, 2022. (60 Days: 01/01/2021)  
**Programs & Services Approved 8-0**
- #431-20**     **Appointment of Ellen Gibson to the Parks and Recreation Commission**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing ELLEN GIBSON, 41 Vernon Street, Newton, as the Ward 1 member of the PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION for a term to expire on September 30, 2023. (60 Days: 01/01/2021)  
**Programs & Services Approved 8-0**
- #432-20**     **Appointment of Elizabeth Wilkinson to the Parks and Recreation Commission**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing ELIZABETH WILKINSON, 14 Trowbridge Street, Newton Centre, as the Ward 6 member of the PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION for a term to expire on September 30, 2023. (60 Days: 01/01/2021)  
**Programs & Services Approved 8-0**
- #451-20**     **Reappointment of Arthur Magni to the Parks and Recreation Commission**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR reappointing ARTHUR MAGNI, 107 Mount Vernon, West Newton, as the Ward 2 member of the PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION for a term to expire on September 30, 2023. (60 Days: 01/15/2021)  
**Programs & Services Approved 8-0**

- #452-20 Reappointment of Byron Dunker to the Parks and Recreation Commission**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR reappointing BYRON DUNKER, 10 Southwick Road, Newton, as the Ward 5 member of the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term to expire on September 30, 2023. (60 Days: 01/15/2021)  
**Programs & Services Approved 8-0**
- #453-20 Reappointment of John Neville to the Parks and Recreation Commission**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR reappointing JOHN NEVILLE, 68 High Street, Newton Upper Falls, as an Alternate member of the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term to expire on September 30, 2023. (60 Days: 01/15/2021)  
**Programs & Services Approved 8-0**
- #449-20 Request to set the date for a special election**  
PRESIDENT ALBRIGHT requesting the setting of a date for a special election to fill vacancies on the City Council in the positions of Councilor-at-Large, Ward 1 due to the death of Councilor Ciccone; and Councilor-at-Large, Ward 2 due to the resignation of Councilor Auchincloss.  
**Programs & Services Approved 8-0 to set the special election for Tuesday, March 16, 2021 with nomination papers to be available beginning on December 29, 2020**

**Referred to the Programs & Services, Zoning & Planning & Finance Committees**

- #487-20 Request to transfer Weights & Measures inspector position to ISD**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting to transfer the Weights & Measures inspector position from the Health and Human Services Department to the Inspectional Services Department to more accurately reflect the nature of the position, to add one temporary full-time employee (to be funded by existing ISD funds available due to vacancies). Additionally, requesting that City Ordinance Section 12-18 €, which details the position of Weights & Measures Inspector, be moved to Section 5-16 which covers ISD responsibilities. To fund the last half of FY20, this request includes a transfer of forty-three thousand five hundred dollars (\$43,500) from H&HS Weights & Measures Acct #0510110-511001 to Inspectional Services Full Time Salaries.  
**Zoning & Planning Approved 7-0 (Councilor Krintzman not Voting) on 12/14/2020**  
**Finance Approved 6-0 on 12/14/2020**  
**Programs & Services Approved 8-0**

**Referred to Public Safety & Transportation Committee**

Wednesday, December 9, 2020

- #495-20 Requesting renewal of taxi license**  
GEORGE MARRY, 50 Union Street, Newton Centre, MA 02459, requesting **renewal of one (1) taxi license** for Holden's Taxi, Inc.  
**Public Safety & Transportation Approved 6-0**

- #496-20 Requesting renewals of taxi licenses**  
GEORGE MARRY, 50 Union Street, Newton Centre, MA 02459, requesting **renewal of two (2) taxi licenses** for Newtonville Cab Co., Inc.  
**Public Safety & Transportation Approved 6-0**
- #497-20 Requesting renewal of taxi license**  
GEORGE MARRY, 50 Union Street, Newton Centre, MA 02459, requesting **renewal of one (1) taxi license** for Newton Taxi Co.  
**Public Safety & Transportation Approved 6-0**
- #498-20 Requesting renewal of public auto license**  
DHANRAJ MAHASE, 275 Grove Street, 2-400, Newton, MA 02466 requesting **renewal of one (1) public auto license** for Mahase Livery Services, LLC. (MHS Worldwide, LLC).  
**Public Safety & Transportation Approved 6-0**
- #499-20 Requesting renewal of public auto license**  
DONALD LAPLANTE, 395 Lexington Street, Auburndale, MA 02466 requesting **renewal of one (1) public auto license** for Don's Car Service.  
**Public Safety & Transportation Approved 6-0**
- #500-20 Requesting renewal of public auto license**  
MICHAEL GIMMELFARB, 274 Dedham Street, Newton, MA 02461 requesting **renewal of one (1) public auto license** for American Truck & Equipment Sales, LLC.  
**Public Safety & Transportation Approved 6-0**
- #501-20 Requesting renewal of public auto license**  
JOSE GREGORIO CEDENO, 9 Elmwood Park, Newtonville, MA 02460 requesting **renewal of one (1) public auto license** for Bace Limousine Services, LLC.  
**Public Safety & Transportation Approved 6-0**
- #502-20 Requesting renewal of public auto license**  
NOEL DIAZ, 9 Elmwood Park, #2, Newtonville, MA 02460 requesting **renewal of one (1) public auto license** for Newton Limos Company, LLC.  
**Public Safety & Transportation Approved 6-0**
- #503-20 Requesting renewal of public auto license**  
ISMAIL UNKOC, 184 River Street, West Newton, MA 02465 requesting **renewal of one (1) public auto license** for Izmo Limo, LLC.  
**Public Safety & Transportation Approved 6-0**
- #504-20 Requesting renewal of public auto license**  
RAJIV KUMAR, 2323 Washington Street, #G3, Newton, MA 02462 requesting **renewal of one (1) public auto license** for Om Sai Enterprises Inc.  
**Public Safety & Transportation Approved 6-0**



- #505-20 Requesting renewal of public auto license**  
LAHCENE BELHOUCHE, 32 Adams Street, Newton, MA 02460 requesting **renewal of one (1) public auto license** for Boston Cool Ride Limo Inc.  
**Public Safety & Transportation Approved 6-0**

**Referred to Public Facilities Committee**

Wednesday, December 9, 2020

- #507-20 National Grid petition for grant of location in Circuit Avenue**  
NATIONAL GRID petition for a grant of location to install and maintain 50' ± of 6" plastic main at 72-74 Circuit Avenue which will replace 50' ± of 6" cast iron main.  
**Public Facilities Approved 8-0**

- #385-20(2) Request for easements in Staniford Street**  
COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC WORKS requesting taking of four public utilities easements in the private way portions of STANIFORD STREET, as outlined in #385-20. This item was approved by the City Council on October 5, 2020 but requires a revote to comply with the requirements for recording at the Registry of Deeds.  
**Public Facilities Approved 8-0**

**Referred to Public Facilities Committee**

Thursday, December 17, 2020

- #508-20 Cellco Partnership petition for wireless grant of location on Dedham Street**  
CELLCO PARTNERSHIP D/B/A VERIZON WIRELESS petitioning for a grant of location to mount a small cell antenna to pole 117/110 with associated equipment. The proposed installation of equipment consists of one small-antenna mounted to the side of the utility pole, two remote radio heads, an antenna bracket, a diplexer, a meter, a surge protector, an AC/DC converter, a power connection and fiber and coaxial cable located in conduit and mounted to the side of the pole. (60-day action date: 01/12/21)  
**Public Facilities Approved 6-0**

- #510-20 Reappointment to the Sustainable Materials Management Commission**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR reappointing MARIAN RAMBELLE, 2 Harrington Street, Newton, as a member of the Sustainable Materials Management Commission for a term to expire on October 31, 2023. (60 Days: 02/05/21)  
**Public Facilities Approved 6-0**

- #511-20 Reappointment to the Sustainable Materials Management Commission**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR reappointing MILES SMITH, 30 Webster Street, Newton, as a member of the Sustainable Materials Management Commission for a term to expire on September 30, 2023. (60 Days: 02/05/21)  
**Public Facilities Approved 6-0**

**#512-20 Reappointment of to the Sustainable Materials Management Commission**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR reappointing SUNWOO KAHNG, 60 Garland Road, Newton, as a member of the Sustainable Materials Management Commission for a term to expire on November 15, 2023. (60 Days: 02/05/21)  
**Public Facilities Approved 6-0**

**#513-20 Reappointment of to the Sustainable Materials Management Commission**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR reappointing SETH PARKER, 26 Shornecliffe Road, Newton, as a member of the Sustainable Materials Management Commission for a term to expire on September 30, 2023. (60 Days: 02/05/21)  
**Public Facilities Approved 6-0**

### **Referred to Finance Committee**

Monday, December 14, 2020

**#514-20 CPC Recommendation to appropriate \$16,884 in CPA funding**  
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending appropriation of sixteen thousand eight hundred and eighty-four dollars (\$16,884) in Community Preservation Act funding for Historic Newton to replace the east façade gutter and the restoration of six original wood windows on the Durant-Kenrick Homestead.  
**Finance Approved 6-0**

**#515-20 Appropriate \$500,000 for two core technology needs**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) from June 30, 2020 Certified Free Cash to fund the replacement of the City's Storage Area Network (SAN) and the replacement of the firewall.  
**Finance Approved 6-0**

### **Referred to the Programs & Services, Zoning & Planning & Finance Committees**

**#487-20 Request to transfer Weights & Measures inspector position to ISD**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting to transfer the Weights & Measures inspector position from the Health and Human Services Department to the Inspectional Services Department to more accurately reflect the nature of the position, to add one temporary full-time employee (to be funded by existing ISD funds available due to vacancies). Additionally, requesting that City Ordinance Section 12-18 €, which details the position of Weights & Measures Inspector, be moved to Section 5-16 which covers ISD responsibilities. To fund the last half of FY20, this request includes a transfer of forty-three thousand five hundred dollars (\$43,500) from H&HS Weights & Measures Acct #0510110-511001 to Inspectional Services Full Time Salaries.  
**Zoning & Planning Approved 7-0 (Councilor Krintzman not Voting) on 12/14/2020**  
**Programs & Services Approved 8-0 on 12/09/2020**  
**Finance Approved 6-0**

**Late Filed docket Item:**

*The Council approved by voice vote a suspension of the rules to accept and refer to committee the following late filed docket item.*

**Referred to Public Safety & Transportation Committee**

- # 534-20** **Police Chief Selection Committee requesting a change by Her Honor The Mayor**  
**HER HONOR THE MAYOR** requesting a change to the Police Chief Selection Committee. The following individual, Alison Tarmy be appointed to the Police Chief Selection Committee in accordance with the provisions of Sec. 5 of Chapter 279 of the Acts of 1992 and Sec. 3-3 of the City Charter.

**Public Hearings were assigned for the following Items:*****Public hearing Assigned for January 5, 2021***

- #129-14(2)** **Amended Petition to amend Board Order #129-14 to increase nonconforming FAR at 96 Lenox St**

JEREMY SHINEWALD petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to amend Special Permit orders #129-14 to raze an existing detached three-car garage and construct an attached two-car garage and mudroom addition, as well as enclose an existing porch, creating an FAR of .48 where .44 exists and .29 is allowed at 96 Lenox Street, Ward 3, West Newton, on land known as Section 32 Block 49 Lot 07, containing approximately 19,071 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 1. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 7.4, 3.1.3, 3.1.9, 7.8.2.C.2 of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.

***Public hearing Assigned for January 6, 2021***

- #532-20** **Eversource petition for grant of location in Lowell Ave**

EVERSOURCE ENERGY petition for a grant of location to install 61'± of conduit from existing manhole #12902 in a southerly direction thence turning and continuing in an easterly direction to the property line at #360 Lowell Avenue. [(Ward 2)]

***Public hearing Assigned for January 12, 2021***

- #521-20** **Petition to exceed FAR and allow oversized accessory apartment at 26 Gilbert Street**

BEATA SHAPIRO petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to enclose a second-floor porch, over the garage, creating an oversized internal accessory apartment and creating an FAR of .64 where .58 is allowed and .58 exists at 26 Gilbert Street, Ward 4, West Newton, on land known as Section 33 Block 02 Lot 25, containing approximately 5,000 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned MULTI RESIDENCE 1. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 7.4, 3.2.3, 3.1.11, 6.7.1.D.2 of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.

***Public hearing Assigned for January 12, 2021***

- #522-20** **Petition to retaining wall greater than 4' in the setback at 17 Wallace Street**

ALI KIAPOUR petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to allow a retaining wall in excess of four feet in height within the side and rear setbacks at 17 Wallace Street, Ward

8, Newton Highlands, on land known as Section 83 Block 34 Lot 18, containing approximately 5,000 sq. ft. in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 3. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 7.4, 3.4.2.B of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.

***Public hearing Assigned for January 12, 2021***

**#14-20(2) Petition for free-standing sign at 287-289 Newtonville Avenue**

POFCO, Inc. petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to allow a free-standing sign (3.75' high x 8' wide) and to amend the site plan approved by Special Permit Board Order #14-20 at 287-289 Newtonville Avenue, Ward, 2 Newtonville, on land known as Section 22 Block 01 Lots 17 and 13, containing approximately 72,643 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned MANUFACTURING and MULTI RESIDENCE 1. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 7.4, 5.2.3, 5.2.8, 5.2.13 of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.

***Public hearing Assigned for January 12, 2021***

**#523-20 Petition to allow increased lot coverage and decreased open space at 13 Prospect St**

KATHERINE JORDAN-QUERN petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to amend Variance #4-13 to allow the enclosure of first-level space to be used for additional living space, creating an FAR of .75 where .54 is required and .66 exists, further reducing the minimum open space and exceeding maximum lot coverage at 13 Prospect Street, Ward 3, West Newton, on land known as Section 33 Block 03 Lot 09 containing approximately 6,611 sq. ft. in a district zoned MULTI RESIDENCE 2. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 7.4, 3.2.3, 3.2.11, 7.8.2.C.2, 7.6 of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.

***Public hearing Assigned for January 25, 2021***

**#448-20 Proposal to amend Newton Zoning Ordinances Chap. 30. Sec 3.4 Garages**

COUNCILOR CROSSLEY, on behalf of the Zoning & Planning Committee proposing to amend Chapter 30, City of Newton Zoning Ordinances, by repealing Ordinance No. A-78 and amending the regulation of garages in residential zoning districts as set forth in Chapter 30, Section 3.4. The objectives are to prevent garages from dominating the streetscape, improve safety along the public way for all modes of travel and achieve consistency with climate action goals.