

We, the members of Newton's four Area Councils, would like to extend our heartfelt appreciation to David Olson for his many years of exemplary performance as City Clerk. That government in Newton works well is, in our opinion, in no small part due to the high standard Mr. Olson and his department have set for professionalism and good government while shouldering enormous responsibilities. In addition, we value his unfailing courtesy and accessibility.

Among the services he has rendered that we appreciate most are:

- The swift, free, fair, secure and convenient-to-voters administration of elections.
- Well-organized, transparent, and user-friendly record-keeping, including the preservation of important historical documents.
- The wisdom, patience, and clarity with which he has explained the nuances of rules and regulations.

We all extend to Mr. Olson our best wishes for good health and happiness in his retirement. He will be sorely missed.