



Public Facilities Committee Agenda

City of Newton In City Council

Wednesday, March 3, 2021

The Public Facilities Committee will hold this meeting as a virtual meeting on Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 7:00 pm. To view this meeting using Zoom use this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85117021258> or call 1-646-558-8656 and use the following Meeting ID: 851 1702 1258

Item Scheduled for Discussion:

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

- #87-21** **Appropriate \$68,746 to fund the replacement of the boiler at Crafts Street Stable**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of sixty-eight thousand seven hundred and forty-six dollars (\$68,746) from Acct # 7902C104-337902 Unrestricted Capital Funds to fund the replacement of the boiler at the Crafts Street Stable.
- #84-21** **Requesting ordinance amendments for enforcement of sidewalk snow removal**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting an amendment to Chapter 17, Section 23(f) of the City of Newton Revised Ordinances 2017 to improve the implementation of the residential sidewalk snow removal ordinance by the Department of Public Works by clarifying the time period for tracking warnings before issuance of a fine.

Respectfully submitted,

Alison M. Leary, Chair

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February 24, 2021

Honorable City Council
Newton City Hall
1000 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton Centre, MA 02459

Councilors:

I respectfully submit a docket item to your Honorable Council requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of \$68,746 from Acct # 7902C104-337902 Unrestricted Capital Funds to fund the replacement of the boiler at the Crafts Street Stable.

As you will see from the attached letter from Public Buildings Commissioner Josh Morse, the boiler failed and had become irreparable. This was considered an emergency procurement as providing heat to the Crafts Street Stable is critical, especially during the winter/snow season.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

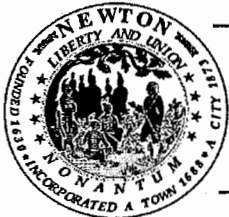
Sincerely,

Ruthanne Fuller
Mayor

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CITY OF NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS**PUBLIC BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT**52 ELLIOT STREET, NEWTON HIGHLANDS, MA 02461

Ruthanne Fuller, Mayor
Josh Morse
Building Commissioner

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February 8, 2021

Ruthanne Fuller, Mayor
Newton City Hall
1000 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton Centre, MA 02459

RE: Funding for Crafts Street Stable Boiler Replacement

Dear Mayor Fuller:

The Public Buildings Department respectfully requests \$68,746 to fund the Emergency Replacement of the 40+ year old boiler at the Crafts Street Stable.

This boiler has been leaking water for the past three years through multiple cracked cast iron sections and could no longer be repaired by either our In House HVAC Staff or outside Contractors. During the current heating season, the boiler also began leaking soot, smoke, fumes (carbon monoxide) through the sections of the boiler and could no longer be operated safely, leaving the building with no way to be heated.

Please see attached estimate of costs.

Sincerely,

Josh Morse
Public Buildings Commissioner

cc: Maureen Lemieux, Chief Financial Officer
Alex Valcarce, Deputy Buildings Commissioner

CRAFTS STREET STABLE BOILER REPLACEMENT ESTIMATE

1. DEMO AND REPLACE EXISTING BOILER, PIPING AND RELATED ITEMS	\$ 50,000
2. DEMO AND REPLACE EXISTING BURNER	<u>\$ 8,775</u>
3. INSTALLATION OF BOILER MAKE-UP AIR SYSTEM	\$ 9,971
 TOTAL PROJECT FUNDING REQUEST	 \$ 68,746



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February 19, 2021

Honorable City Council
Newton City Hall
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Newton, MA 02459

Honorable City Councilors:

I respectfully submit this docket item to this Honorable Council requesting amendments to Chapter 17, Section 23(f) of the City of Newton Revised Ordinances 2017. The amendment helps improve the implementation of the residential sidewalk snow removal ordinance by the Department of Public Works by clarifying the time period for tracking warnings before issuance of a fine.

Currently, the Department of Public Works issues a written warning for the first offense within a 365-day period to any residential property owner that fails to clear snow and ice from their sidewalk and a \$50 fine for each subsequent offense in that same 365-day period. This language requires Public Works to track and research warnings and fines over two snow seasons. Warnings and ticketing would be done more efficiently by our customer service representatives, construction inspectors and construction coordinator if tracking and ticketing were focused on one snow season. Therefore, I am proposing the below ordinance amendments to Chapter 17.

(f) DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS: The commissioner of public works, and/or his or her designee, shall be authorized to issue written notice of the following violations:

Sec. 26-8D. Removal of snow and ice from sidewalks.

() First offense received in a snow season between October 1 and the following April 15
.....written warning

() Second and subsequent offenses received in a snow season between October 1 and the following April 15
.....\$50.00

The proposed amendments would be effective October 1, 2021 at the start of the 2021-2022 winter season.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Ruthanne Fuller

Mayor Ruthanne Fuller

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City of Newton

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Ruthanne Fuller

Mayor

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

1000 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton Centre, MA 02459-1449

To: Maureen Lemieux, Chief Financial Officer
Jonathan Yeo, Chief Operating Officer

From: James McGonagle, Commissioner of Public Works

Subject: Request to amend Ordinance 17-23(f)

Date: February 8, 2021

I respectfully request amendments to Chapter 17, Section 23(f) of the City of Newton Revised Ordinances, 2017. Currently, the Department of Public Works issues a written warning for the first offense within a 365-day period to any residential property owner that fails to clear snow and ice from their sidewalk and a \$50 fine for each subsequent offense in that same 365-day period. This language requires Public Works to track and research warnings and fines over two snow seasons. Warnings and ticketing would be done more efficiently by our customer service representatives, construction inspectors and construction coordinator if tracking and ticketing were focused on one snow season. Therefore, I am proposing the below ordinance amendments to Chapter 17.

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Amendments effective October 1, 2021

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

James McGonagle
Commissioner