

## **Real Property Reuse Committee Agenda**

# City of Newton In City Council

Thursday, June 24, 2021

7:00 PM

The meeting will be held virtually on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>June 24</u>, <u>2021 at 7:00 pm.</u> To view this meeting using Zoom use this link: <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84616233254</u> or call 1-646-558-8656 and use the following Meeting ID: 846 1623 3254

### **Item Scheduled for Discussion:**

### #236-21 Reuse of parcel of land behind 50 Stearns Street

<u>DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT</u> submitting on May 6, 2021 a letter stating that the a 8,800 sq. ft. City owned parcel of land known as Section 62 Block 23 Lot 15A at 50 Stearns Street, should be made available for sale or lease, pursuant to the City of Newton Ordinances Section 2-7.

### A Public Hearing will be held on the following item:

### #393-20 Reuse of former water tower site on Countryside Road

<u>DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT</u> submitting on September 10, 2020 a letter recommending that the former water tower site, a 16,900 sq. ft. parcel of land on Countryside Road, Ward 8, Newton Centre, known as Property ID: 83036 0003A be made available for sale or lease pursuant to Ordinance Section 2-7.

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria Danberg, Chair

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May 6, 2021

Honorable City Council Newton City Hall 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton, Ma 02459

Honorable City Councilors,

I respectfully submit a docket item to your Honorable Councilor to begin the disposition process to sell or lease a vacant 8,800 square foot City-owned parcel located behind 50 Stearns Street (map attached).

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

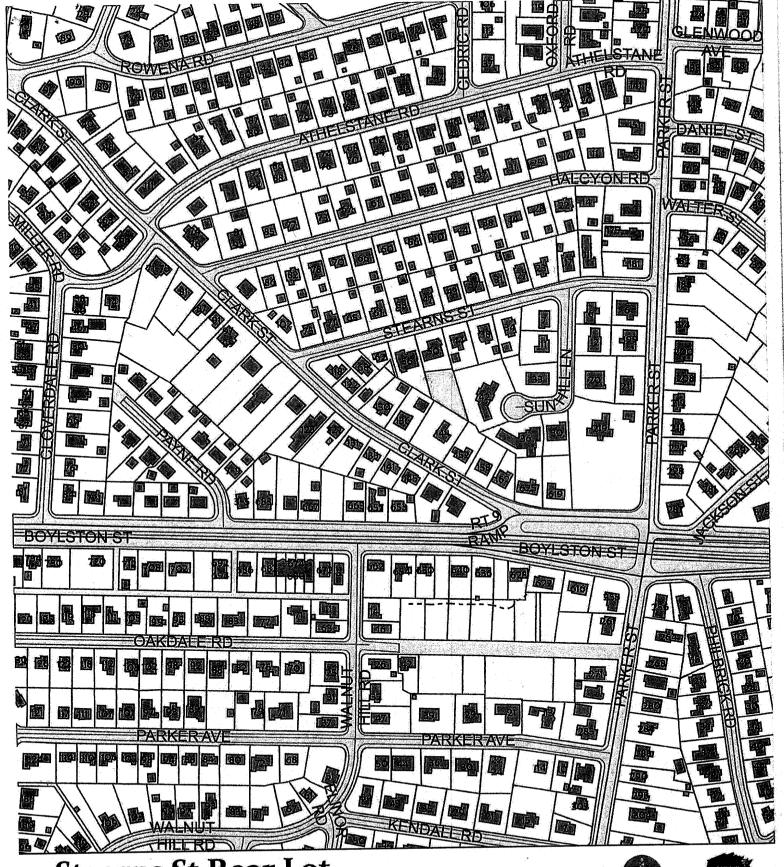
Sincerely,

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Mayor Ruthanne Fuller

CC: James McGonagle, Director of Public Works
Barney Heath, Director of Planning & Development

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## 50 Stearns St Rear Lot

City of Newton, Massachusetts

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## JAY MEHTA SWAPNA MEHTA

50 Stearns Street, Newton, MA 02459 | 781.492.2544 | jmehta76@gmail.com

September 24, 2020

Linda Plazonja Citizen Assistance Officer City of Newton 1000 Commonwealth Ave. Newton Centre, MA 02459

#### Dear Linda:

We have been Newton residents for over 15 years, with 5 years at our current address.

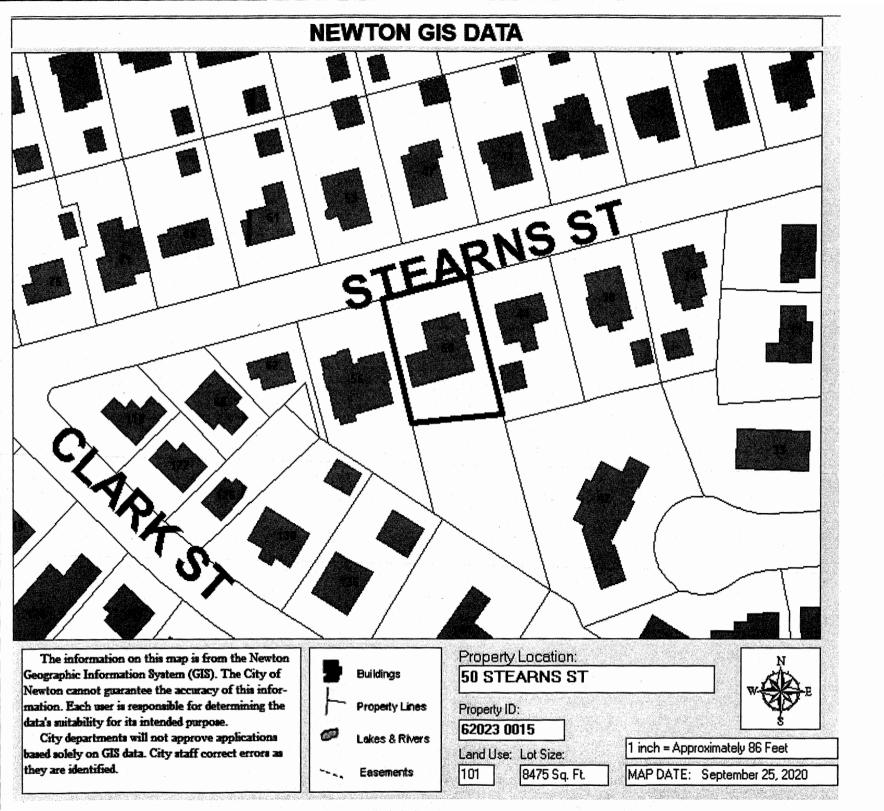
We are writing to express an interest in purchasing a vacant lot, directly adjoining on the south side of our home at 50 Stearns Street, that is currently owned by the City of Newton. The lot is surrounded on all sides by other properties and has no direct assess from the street. Over the last 5 years, we have removed construction debris, cleaned up the grounds and pruned trees etc. as necessary safety measures. Our primary interest in purchasing the lot is to ensure that it remains as primarily a 'green' area and would plan to improve the landscape, add/maintain trees, shrubs, etc. to improve the overall aesthetic of the plot.

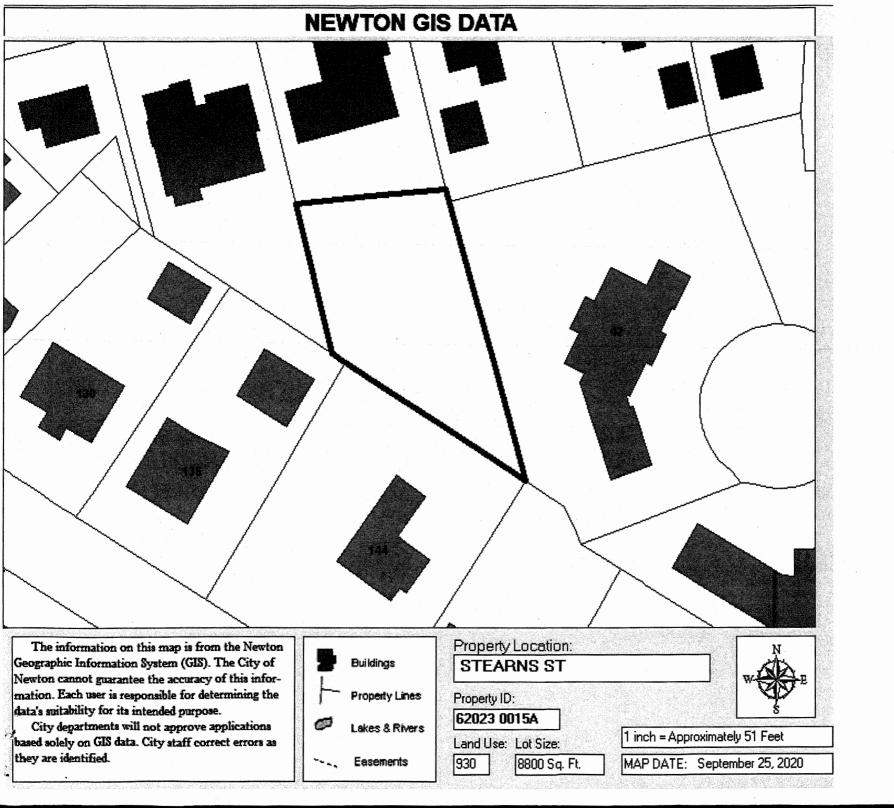
We would like to work with the City to explore the purchase of the lot, in a manner that is consistent with the City's overall goals. Please let us know if there are any steps to take or background work we would should undertake. We look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you.

Sincerely

Jay Mehta Swapna Mehta







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Barney Heath Director

### **MEMORANDUM**

To:

Nadia Khan, Committee Clerk

From:

Barney Heath, Director of Planning & Development

Jennifer Caira, Deputy Director of Planning & Development

Neil Cronin, Chief Planner

Date:

May 21, 2021

Subject:

Reuse of Parcel ID 62023 0015A—8,800 square foot vacant parcel located behind 50

Stearns Street.

CC:

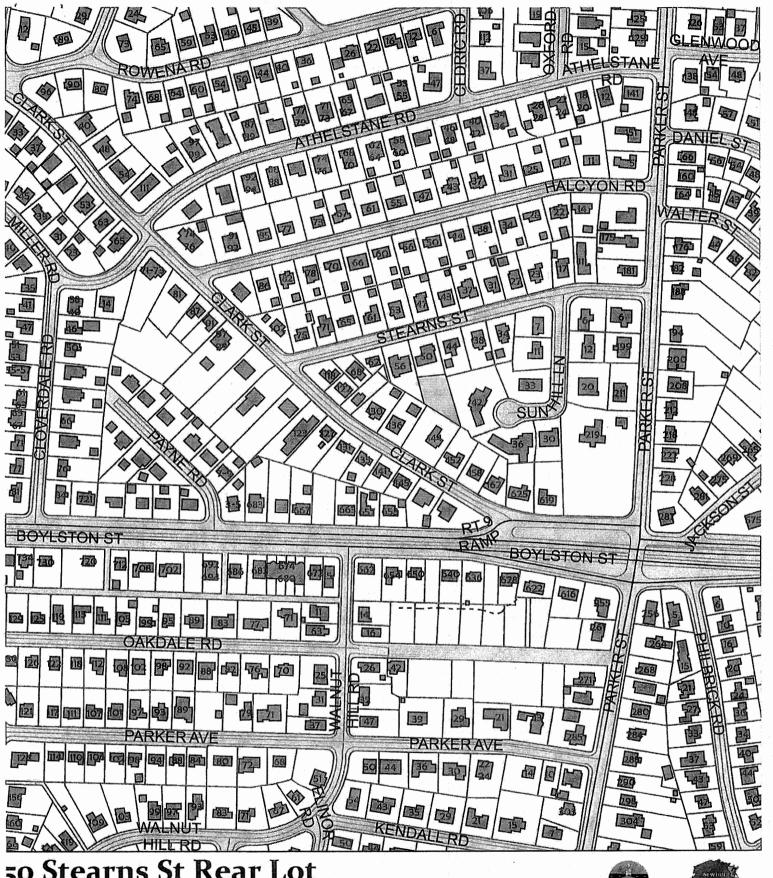
Alissa Giuliani, City Solicitor

Andrew Lee, Assistant City Solicitor

James McGonagle Public Works Commissioner

Lou Taverna, City Engineer

In accordance with Section 2-7 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Newton, I recommend that the above subject property (attached location map) be declared available for sale or lease.



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Property Location STEARNS ST REAR Map ID 62/023/0015/ A/ Bldg Name State Use 930V Vision ID 17537 Account # 62023 0015A Blda # 1 Sec# 1 of 1 Print Date 3/8/2021 8:04:19 AM Card # 1 of 1 CURRENT OWNER TOPO UTILITIES STRT/ROAD LOCATION CURRENT ASSESSMENT Description Assessed Code Assessed CITY OF NEWTON 233 CITY LAND 930V 196,500 196,500 SUPPLEMENTAL DATA NEWTON, MA 1000 COMM AVE Alt Prol ID 62023 0015A Res\_RC Multi\_SBL Prop Type EX Num Apts NOTE: NEWTON 02459 MΑ Bill Numbe 2118209 NOTE: VISION Traffic LIGHT NOTE: 119SE Map ID GIS ID F\_738294\_2941855 Assoc Pid# Total 196,500 196,500 BK-VOL/PAGE | SALE DATE | RECORD OF OWNERSHIP Q/U V/I SALE PRICE VC PREVIOUS ASSESSMENTS (HISTORY) Code Assessed | Year | Code | Assessed V | Year Code Assessed Year 00 CITY OF NEWTON 9868 81 01-01-1900 Q 2021 930V 2020 930V 2019 930V Total 196500 Total 196500 Total 196500 **EXEMPTIONS** OTHER ASSESSMENTS This signature acknowledges a visit by a Data Collector or Assessor Year Code Description Amount Code Description Number Amount Comm Int APPRAISED VALUE SUMMARY Total 0.00 ASSESSING NEIGHBORHOOD Nbhd Nbhd Name Tracing Batch 4 NOTES 196,500 Total Appraised Parcel Value BUILDING PERMIT RECORD VISIT / CHANGE HISTORY Issue Date Amount | Insp Date | % Comp | Date Comp Purpost/Result Permit Id Type Description Comments Date Id Type Is Cd 07-01-2011 532 03 6 43 Change Reinspection LAND LINE VALUATION SECTION B Use Code Description Zone Frontage Land Units ST Idx. Notes Land Value 930V CITY VACANT LAN SR3 8,800 SF 196,500 4 Total Card Land Units 8,800 SF Parcel Total Land Area 0.2020 Total Land Value 196,500 Property Location STEARNS ST REAR
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