



Zoning & Planning Committee

Agenda

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Monday, July 26, 2021

7:00 p.m.

The Zoning & Planning Committee will hold this meeting as a virtual meeting on Monday, July 26, 2021 at 7:00 PM. To view this meeting using Zoom, use this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82136968355> or call 1-646-558-8656 and use the following Meeting ID: **82136968355**

Items Scheduled for Discussion:

- #265-21 Appointment of Lee Breckenridge to the Planning and Development Board**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Lee Breckenridge, 173 Berkeley Street, Newton, as an alternate member of the PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT BOARD for a term to expire on February 1, 2026. (60 days: 09/10/21)

Referred to Zoning & Planning and Finance Committees

- #281-21 CPC Recommendation to appropriate \$1,440,344 in CPA funding**
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending appropriation of one million four hundred forty thousand three hundred and forty-four dollars (\$1,440,344) in Community Preservation Act funds, with \$288,068.80 to come from the Open Space Prior Year Reserve (Act# 5840-3599) and \$1,152,275.20 to come from the Prior Year Undesignated Fund (Acct# 5800-3599), to the control of the Planning & Development Department for the implementation of the approved and permitted designs for Levingston Cove including the construction of new erosion controls, plantings, accessibility improvements and the installation of new public amenities including new pathways, benches and decks.

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- #280-21** **CPC Recommendation to appropriate \$441,755.29 in CPA funding**
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending appropriation of four hundred forty-one thousand seven hundred fifty-five dollars and twenty-nine cents (\$441,755.29) from the Community Preservation Act FY22 Historic Resource Reserve Fund Account to the control of the Planning & Development Department to provide the remaining recommended funding needed to complete the Grace Episcopal Church Tower Restoration project for the stabilization and preservation of the historically significant ca. 1872 conical stone spire, tower and belfry.
- #252-21** **Appropriation of \$643,215 for the Newton Housing Authority**
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT requesting the appropriation of six hundred forty-three thousand two hundred and fifteen dollars (\$643,215) of Inclusionary Zoning funds to the Newton Housing Authority (NHA) to support the creation of 55 new units of affordable senior housing at the NHA's new Haywood House development.
- #438-20** **Request for creation of Trust in Newton to support affordable housing development**
COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT, CROSSLEY, HUMPHREY, DANBERG, MALAKIE, KELLEY, BOWMAN, KALIS, GREENBERG, DOWNS, WRIGHT, RYAN, NOEL, LEARY, LIPOF AND NORTON requesting the Planning Department analyze mechanisms already in use in other cities and towns, identify funding sources, and create a Housing Trust in Newton to facilitate and foster the development of affordable housing in Newton.
Zoning & Planning Held 11/09/2020, 03/22/2021
- #528-20** **Requesting review and possible amendment to Local Preference in Chapter 30**
COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT, NORTON, CROSSLEY, BOWMAN, NOEL, HUMPHREY, WRIGHT, LAREDO, KALIS, RYAN, LIPOF AND DANBERG requesting a review and possible amendment to the Local Preference Ordinance in Chapter 30 sections 5.11.8. This section requires an Affirmative Fair Housing Marketing and Resident Selection Plan (AFHMP) for all Inclusionary Units which provides for a local preference for up to 70% of the Inclusionary Units. Various groups including The Fair Housing Committee and the Newton Housing Partnership have questioned whether the percent of local preference to current Newton residents should be lowered with the goal of increasing racial diversity in Newton.
Zoning & Planning Held 8-0 on 04/12/21
- #29-20(2)** **Review and possible amendment of Demolition Delay and Landmark Ordinances**
COUNCILORS KELLEY, ALBRIGHT, AUCHINCLOSS, CROSSLEY, GREENBERG, KALIS, KRINTZMAN, LEARY, LIPOF, MARKIEWICZ, BOWMAN, HUMPHREY, RYAN AND NORTON requesting a review and, if appropriate, an update of Chapter 22, Sections 22-50 to 22-76 that relate to demolition delays, historic designation, and landmarking.

Zoning & Planning Approved as Amended 7-0-1 (Councilor Krintzman abstaining) on 05/19/2020

(1) Landmarking - Approved as Amended by Full Council on 06/22/2020

(2) Demolition Delay - Held in Committee 06/22/2020, 10/15/2020 and 02/22/21

Zoning & Planning Held 8-0 on 04/12/21, Public Hearing Continued

Zoning & Planning Held 8-0 on 06/28/21, Public Hearing Continued

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah J. Crossley, Chair