



City Council Actions

In City Council

Monday, September 20, 2021

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

The City Council voted without discussion 22 Yeas, 2 Absent (Councilors Markiewicz and Ryan) to Accept the Committee Recommendations on the following items:

- #292-21** **Petition to allow free-standing sign at 431 Washington Street**
SUNRISE OF NEWTON PROPCO LLC petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to install a 22.5 sq. ft. free-standing sign on the Washington Street frontage and to amend Special Permit Council Order #61-17 on the property located at 431 Washington Street, 29 Hovey Street and an unnumbered lot on Hovey Street in Ward 1, Newton, on land known as Section 12 Block 06 Lots 03, 04 and 05, containing approximately 66,909 sq. ft. in a district zoned BUSINESS USE 2. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 7.4, 5.2.3, 5.2.13 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.
Land Use Approved 7-0 (Councilor Bowman not Voting) Public Hearing Closed 09/13/2021
- #295-21** **Petition to waive 2 parking stalls at 405-411 Watertown Street**
TIMOTHY DREHER petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to waive 2 parking stalls to accommodate a new physical therapy office use in place of the former bank use at 405-411 Watertown Street, Ward 1, Newton, on land known as Section 14 Block 08 Lot 01, containing approximately 3,871 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned BUSINESS USE 2. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 7.4, 5.1.4, 5.1.13 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.
Land Use Approved 8-0; Public Hearing Closed 09/13/2021
- #179-21** **Petition to allow 174-unit congregate living facility at 333 Nahanton Street/677 Winchester Street**
2LIFE HOLDINGS LLC/2LIFE COLEMAN LIMITED PARTNERSHIP petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to create a 6-acre development using land from 333 Nahanton Street to construct a 174-unit congregate living facility with amenity space, connected to the Coleman House via an enclosed walkway, on a new 218,583 subdivided portion of the lot, to determine density and dimensional controls, to allow assigned

parking, to allow parking in the side setback, to allow parking within five feet of a building containing dwelling units, to allow reduced parking stall width and depth, to allow reduced accessible stalls, to allow reduced aisle width, to waive perimeter landscaping requirements, to waive lighting requirements for outdoor parking and to allow three years to exercise the special permit at 333 Nahanton Street and 677 Winchester Street, Ward 8, Newton Centre, on land known as Section 83 Block 35 Lots 04 and 04B, containing approximately 1,225,207 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 1.f Ref: 7.3.3, 7.4, 7.3.2.E, 3.4.1, 3.2.2.A.3, 3.1.2.A.3, 5.1.3.E, 5.1.8.A.1, 5.1.8.A.2, 5.1.8.B.1, 5.1.8.B.2, 5.1.8.B.4, 5.1.8.C.1, 5.1.9.A.1.i, 5.1.10.A.1 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.

Land Use Approved 8-0; Public Hearing Closed 09/13/2021

#201-21

Petition to amend Special Permits at 333 Nahanton Street

JEWISH COMMUNITY CENTERS OF GREATER BOSTON, INC. petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to amend special permit Council Orders #175-18, #147-79, #147-79(2), #292-93 to permit the sale of approximately 218,583 sq. ft. to 2Life Holdings to allow the construction of a congregate living facility, and to allow three years to exercise this amendment at 333 Nahanton Street, Ward 8, Newton Centre, on land known as Section 83 Block 35 Lots 04 and 04B, containing approximately 1,225,207 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 1. Ref: 7.3.3, 7.4, 7.3.2.E, 3.4.1, 3.2.2.A.3, 3.1.2.A.3, 5.1.3.E, 5.1.8.A.1, 5.1.8.A.2, 5.1.8.B.1, 5.1.8.B.2, 5.1.8.B.4, 5.1.8.C.1, 5.1.9.A.1.i, 5.1.10.A.1 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.

Land Use Approved 8-0; Public Hearing Closed 09/13/2021

Referred to Zoning & Planning Committee

Monday, September 13, 2021

#178-20

Adoption of the Open Space and Recreation Plan Update

DIRECTOR OF PLANNING requesting discussion of the 2020-2027 Open Space and Recreation Plan, a letter stating that the Zoning and Planning Committee reviewed the Plan, and adoption of the plan as an amendment to the 2007 Comprehensive Plan.

Zoning & Planning Held 8-0 on 05/07/2020, Public Hearing Closed 05/07/2020

Zoning & Planning split the item into three parts on 05/19/2020

178-21(1) Send a letter to the State that it has reviewed the Open Space and Recreation Plan Approved by the Council on 06/08/2020

Zoning and Planning Approved 178-21(2) 8-0 on 09/13/2021 to Adopt the Open Space and Recreation Plan as an amendment to the 2007 Comprehensive Plan

Zoning and Planning Voted No Action Necessary on #178-21(3) (Further discussion on implementation for the 2020-2027 Open Space and Recreation Plan)

- #326-21 Appointment of David Weinstein as an alternate member of the Newtonville HDC**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing DAVID WEINSTEIN, 132 Cornell Street, Newton, MA. 02462 as an alternate member of the NEWTONVILLE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION for a term to expire on June 30, 2024. This appointment will substitute his appointment as a full member as approved by the Council on July 12, 2021. (60 Days: 10/08/21).
Zoning and Planning Approved 8-0

Referred to Finance Committee

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Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

- #349-21 Transfer \$181,550 to a Cheesecake Brook Bridge Repair Account**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of one hundred eighty-one thousand five hundred and fifty dollars (\$181,550) from Acct #62A10498-579000 Stormwater Current Year Reserve to a Cheesecake Brook Bridge Repair Account.
Public Facilities Approved 5-0 on 09/13/2021
Finance Approved 6-0
- #319-21 Appropriate \$2,262.40 for a floating beach wheelchair at Crystal Lake**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend two thousand two hundred sixty-two dollars and forty cents (\$2,262.40) in Commission on Disability (COD) Fine Account funds for the purchase of a floating beach wheelchair for Crystal Lake.
Finance Approved 6-0
- #345-21 Acceptance of 15 picnic tables from Paddy's Public House**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to accept 15 picnic tables donated by Paddy's Public House to the City for use by Parks, Recreation & Culture. The total value of the picnic tables is one thousand eight hundred seventy-five dollars (\$1,875) which represents the cost to construct the tables.
Finance Approved 6-0

Referred to Programs & Services and Finance Committees

- #348-21 Request to set salary for City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council**
COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT, LIPOF AND KRINTZMAN requesting an amendment to Section 4-21(b) of the City of Newton Ordinances to set the salary for the City Clerk/Clerk of the Council.
Programs & Services recommended approval of setting the salary for the City Clerk/Clerk of the Council at \$127,000 6-0 on 09/13/2021
Finance recommended approval of setting the salary for the City Clerk/Clerk of the Council at \$127,000 6-0

- #116-21 Discussion reviewing and confirming account designation and available funds**
FINANCE COMMITTEE request a discussion with the Comptroller, Chief Financial Officer, and Finance Committee Clerk regarding the process for reviewing and confirming account designation and available funds with respect to appropriation requests made to the Council.
Finance Voted No Action Necessary 6-0

Motions to Suspend the Rules to allow the following item to be Accepted to the Docket and Referred to Committee were Approved by Voice Vote:

Referred to Finance Committee

- #358-21 Authorizing funds to settle claims against the City**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer funds from several different departments to the Law Department Judgements and Settlements Account in full and final settlement of *Carresi et al v. City of Newton*, 20-cv-11538-DJC and associated grievances.

Public Hearings were assigned for the following Items:

Public Hearing Assigned for October 12, 2021

- #353-21 Petition to extend nonconforming three-story structure at 173 Allen Avenue**
MEGAN AND MATTHEW FEINBERG petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to construct a front addition and three-story rear addition, extending the nonconforming three-story structure at 173 Allen Avenue, Ward 5, Waban, on land known as Section 53 Block 22 Lot 10, containing approximately 13,776 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 2. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 7.4, 3.1.3, 7.8.2.C.2 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.

Public Hearing Assigned for October 6, 2021

- #357-21 National Grid petition for grant of location in Carlson Avenue**
NATIONAL GRID petition for a grant of location to install and maintain gas main in Carlson Ave as follows:
- 650'± of 4" plastic main in Carlson Avenue from the existing 4" plastic STUB at the intersection of Carlson Avenue and Appleton Circle;
 - 250'± of 2" plastic service, extending from the proposed main extension