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Zoning & Planning Committee
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City of Newton
In City Council

Monday, September 27, 2021

7:00 PM

The Zoning & Planning Committee will hold this meeting as a virtual meeting on Monday, September 27, 2021 at 7:00 PM. To view this meeting using Zoom, use this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88199787771> or call 1-646-558-8656 and use the following Meeting ID: 881 9978 7771

Items Scheduled for Discussion:

Referred to Zoning & Planning and Finance Committees

#320-21

CPC Recommendation to appropriate \$500,000 in CPA funding

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending appropriation of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) in Community Preservation Act funds, with \$478,877 to come from the FY22 Community Housing Reserve Fund (Account #58C10498-57900C) and \$21,123 to come the Prior Year Undesignated Fund (Account #5800-3599), to the control of the Planning & Development Department to provide funding to replace roofs, repair and restore damaged siding, and replaced the HVAC systems as part of the Nonantum Village Place Senior Housing Preservation Project.

Referred to Zoning & Planning and Finance Committees

#346-21

Appropriation of \$643,215 for the Newton Housing Authority

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting the appropriation of six hundred forty-three thousand two hundred and fifteen dollars (\$643,215) of Inclusionary Zoning Fund monies to the Newton Housing Authority (NHA), in accordance with Section 5.11.5 (E) of the City's Zoning Ordinance, to be used for ongoing affordable housing development activities.

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- #240-21** **Requesting Ordinance Amendments to Chapter 30**
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT requesting ordinance amendments to the Newton Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 30 (1) in order to clarify definitions, edit missing or incorrectly transcribed provisions and revise inconsistencies in the ordinance.
Zoning & Planning Held 6-0 on 07/08/21
On 08/16/21 Zoning & Planning Split Item #240-21 into (1) to clarify definitions, edit missing or incorrectly transcribed provisions and revise inconsistencies in the ordinance; and (2) to amend the definition in Section 1.5.1.B Two Family Detached; Public Hearing Closed 6-0 (Councilor Leary not voting) on 08/16/21
Zoning & Planning Approved (1) 6-0 (Councilor Leary not voting) on 08/16/21
Zoning & Planning Held (2) 6-0 (Councilor Leary not voting) on 08/16/21
- #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 11/09/20, 03/22/21, 07/26/21
- #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 04/12/21, 07/26/21
- Chair's Note: The Chair expects to entertain a motion to vote no action necessary on the following one (1) item:*
- Referred to Zoning & Planning and Finance Committees**
- #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.
Zoning & Planning Approved 7-0 (Councilor Baker not voting) on 07/26/21
Finance Held on 08/02/2021

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah J. Crossley, Chair