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# **COMMISSION ON DISABILITY**

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# **CITY OF NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS**

**Commission On Disability** 

# **Meeting Agenda**

Date: April 23, 2014 Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Durant-Kenrick House, 286 Waverley Ave.

- **1. Minutes:** Consider draft minutes from 3-10-14 COD meeting (6:30-6:35)
- 2. Access coordinator report Joel R. (6:35-6:45)
- **3. CDBG report –** Alice Walkup (6:45-7:00)
- **4. HP violations report –** Sgt. Babcock (7:00-7:10)
- 5. COD web page discussion and vote– Barbara L. and co-chairs (7:10-7:30)
- 6. Vote: letter of support for Court Street project (7:30-7:35)
- 7. **HP1-14 application**--Paula Scheer (7:35-7:45)
- 8. Pierce Elementary PTO Playground improvement -- Stephanie Lapham (7:45-8:00)
- **9.** Old/new business (8:00-8:05)
- **10. Adjournment** (8:10)

Next meeting: May 12, 6:30 PM in room 209

The location of this meeting is handicap accessible and reasonable accommodations will be provided to persons requiring assistance. If you have a special accommodation need, contact the Newton ADA Coordinator, Joel Reider, at least two days in advance of the meeting: <a href="mailto:jreider@newtonma.gov">jreider@newtonma.gov</a> or (617) 796-1145. For Telecommunications Relay Service, dial 711.



Deval L. Patrick Governor

Andrea J. Cabral Secretary

# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Safety Architectural Access Board One Ashburton Place, Room 1310 Boston, Massachusetts 02108-1618

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Thomas G. Gatzunis, P.E. Commissioner

Thomas P. Hopkins Director

April 9, 2014

Donald Lang, AIA DLA Architecture 1643 Beacon Street, Suite 24 Waban, MA 02468

Re: Advisory Opinion Request - 114 Floral Street, Newton (Ramp and Stannah Stair Lift Removal – 521 CMR 3.3.4)

Dear Mr. Lang:

In response to your March 4, 2014 e-mail, I am writing to inform you that we received your request for an advisory opinion regarding the removal of a noncompliant ramp and the removal of a noncompliant Stannah Stair Lift at 114 Floral Street in Newton. The original e-mail and relevant documents are attached to this letter. Your e-mail asked for the Board's opinion as to if the removal of an exterior entrance ramp would be allowed under the requirements of 521 CMR 3.3.4, since the ramp was constructed with the following areas not in compliance with the applicable requirements of 521 CMR: slope (1:6), landings (36" x 44"), handrails, width (36"), and a 5" riser at the top landing leading to two (2) doors with noncompliant widths. Your e-mail also requested an opinion as to if the removal of a noncompliant Stannah Stair lift from a common egress stairway would be allowed under 521 CMR 3.3.4, since the lift does not meet any of the requirements of new construction.

On March 10, 2014 the Architectural Access Board ("Board") reviewed your advisory opinion request regarding 114 Floral Street in Newton. After careful review of your request, the Board voted on your two advisory opinion requests as follows:

- 1. The Board voted that the removal of a noncompliant ramp, as was described in "Advisory opinion Request Part One", would not be a violation of 521 CMR Section 3.3.4.
- 2. The Board voted that the removal of a noncompliant Stannah Stair Lift, as was described in "Advisory opinion Request Part Two", would not be a violation of 521 CMR Section 3.3.4.

The Board also voted that the Stannah Stair Lift may be kept in place, only if the Board of Building Regulations and Standards (BBRS) grants a variance to 780 CMR, which would allow the lift to remain on the emergency egress stair.

Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Thomas O. Blophins
Thomas Hopkins
Executive Director

cc: Local Building Inspector

Local Commission on Disabilities Local Independent Living Center



March 4, 2014

Mr. Walter White, Chair Massachusetts Architectural Access Board One Ashburton Place, Room 1310 Boston MA 02108

#### Request for Advisory Opinion in Two Parts

<u>521 CMR Section 3.3.4</u> No *alteration* shall be undertaken which decreases or has the effect of decreasing accessibility or usability of a *building* or *facility* below the requirements for new *construction*.

Location: Boylston Floral condominium -114-116 Floral Street, Newton Highlands MA 02461

#### 1. Location and Violation Notice

The Boylston Floral condominium contains two buildings. The subject of the complaint is the building located at 114-116 Floral Street. The building is a two story brick building with a basement, approximately 8 to 10 units, two front entrances and a parking lot in the rear. There are five units that access the building from the 114 Floral Street entrance and hallway which was the location of a violation cited by Mr. William Forte, of Newton Inspectional Services Department (ISD). The subject of the inspector's complaint was the reduction of access at the common front entrance and interior common stairway at 114 Floral Street.

A copy of the violation notice is attached.

The first violation alleged that an exterior ramp was removed from the existing front entrance porch without a building permit which reduced access at the building.

The second violation alleged that a residential Stannah Stair lift was installed on a portion of the common stairway to the basement also without a building permit. The inspector requires the removal of the stair lift because it blocks egress at the stairway, violating 780 CMR and thus poses a hazard to life safety of the residents. The inspector questions whether removing the Stannah lift also reduces access at the building.

## 2. Existing Conditions

The building complex was constructed in 1945 and thus predates both state and federal accessibility regulations. Newton Inspectional Services Department (ISD) building permit files do not indicate any spending that would trigger accessibility requirements according to 521 CMR section 3.3.2.

The exterior ramp was installed by a first floor resident unit owner for the benefit of a family member but no building permit was obtained for the installation. After the resident left the building, the condominium association removed the ramp because it posed a security and privacy hazard to first floor unit windows. The violation notice indicates that the ramp was removed without a building permit.

A second unrelated resident living in a basement unit installed the Stannah Lift on the common stairway without a building permit and then complained to the city when the exterior front entrance ramp was

removed. The Stannah lift served only a portion of the stairway and did not fully provide access from floor to floor. The owner of this lift has indicated no willingness to remove it, even though ordered by the city inspector.

### 3. Advisory Opinion Request Part One

We ask for the Board's opinion as to whether the removal of an exterior entrance ramp constructed with a non-compliant slope (1/6), non-compliant landings (36"x 44"), non-compliant handrails, non-compliant width (36"), a 5" riser at the top landing leading to (2) doors with non-compliant width and separation was compliant with 521 CMR 3.3.4 because none of the construction met any of the requirements for new construction. Put another way, does the removal of this ramp violate 521 CMR 3.3.4?

Please refer to the attached drawings and photographs on sheets EX1.0, EX1.1 and EX1.2.

## 4. Advisory Opinion Request Part Two

We also ask for the Board's opinion as to whether the removal of a non-compliant Stannah lift from a common egress stairway will be compliant with 521 CMR 3.3.4 because the lift does not meet any of the requirements for new construction. Put another way, does the removal of this lift violate 521 CMR 3.3.4?

We understand that the Board's position on Stannah lifts installed in condominiums for the benefit of an owner is that if a variance for 780 CMR was granted by the BBRS allowing the lift, then the MAAB would not oppose its use.

Please refer to the attached drawings and photographs on sheets EX1.0, EX1.1 and EX1.2.

cc: William Forte, Newton ISD Mark Fleming, Boylston Floral Condominium

# City of Newton

Setti D. Warren Mayor

# Inspectional Services Department

John D. Lojek, Commissioner 1000 Commonwealth Avenue Newton Centre, MA 02459-1449 Telephone: (617) 796-1060 Fax: (617) 796-1086 www.ci.newton.ma.us

Building/Loning Inspectors (617) 796-1060 Zuning Board of Appeals (617) 796-1065 Plumbing and Gas Division (617) 796-1070 Electrical Division (617) 796-1075 TDD/FTY (617) 796-1089

# NOTICE OF VIOLATION

William L. Forte – Zoning Enforcement Agent (617) 796-1063 wforteganewionma.gov

January 28, 2014

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Boylston Floral Condominium Trust T.J. Gondek Advantage Management 1066 Commonwealth Avenue Boston, MA 02215

RE: 114-5 Floral Street, Newton, MA

Dear Condominium Trustees,

An inspection was conducted at 114-5 Floral Street on January 9, 2014. The City of Newton Inspectional Services Department, in accordance with 521 CMR and 780 CMR has determined that the following violations exist at the common area of the building

# Violations at 114-5 Floral Street (Including but not limited to)

Removal of accessible ramp without permits

Installation of a chairlift without permits impeding the required means of egress width

. The City of Newton Revised Ordinances 2007, Section 30-31 (b) Violations, mandates an inspection of a property under investigation for a zoning violation (alleged), and directs the issuing of a Notice of Violation for confirmed infringements.

Violations Under 521 CMR: The Architectural Access Board

3.00: JURISDICTION

3.3.4 No alteration shall be undertaken which decreases or has the effect of decreasing accessibility or usability of a building or facility below the requirements for new construction.

Violations Under 780 CMR: The Massachusetts State Building Code

R105.1 Permit Required. Any owner or authorized agent who intends to construct, enlarge, after, repair, move, demolish or change the occupancy of a building or structure, or to erect, install, enlarge, alter, repair, remove, convert or replace any electrical, gas, mechanical or plumbing system, the installation of which is

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regulated by this code, or to cause any such work to be done, shall first make application to the building official and obtain the required permit.

1003.6 Means of egress continuity. The path of egress travel along a means of egress shall not be interrupted by any building element other than a means of egress component as specified in this chapter. Obstructions shall not be placed in the required width of a means of egress except projections permitted by this chapter. The required capacity of a means of egress system shall not be diminished along the path of egress travel.

Remody: Acquire permits to replace the accessible ramp removed with a compliant accessible ramp. Remove the chairlift on the stairs leading to the basement apartments.

Penalties: Massachusetts Gemeral Law Chapter 143 Section 94 (a). Whoever violates any provision of the state building code, except any specialized code as described in section ninety-six, shall be punished by a fine of not more than one thousand dollars or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both, for each such violation. Each day during which a violation exists shall constitute a separate offense.

Right of Appeal: Massachusetts General Law Chapter 143 Section 100 (a). Whoever is aggrieved by an interpretation, order, requirement, direction or failure to act by any state or local agency or any person or state or local agency charged with the administration or enforcement of the state building code or any of its rules and regulations, except any specialized code as described in section ninety-six, may within forty-five days after the service of notice thereof appeal from such interpretation, order, requirement, direction, or failure to act to the Massachusetts State Building Code Appeals Board. Appeals hereunder shall be on forms provided by the appeals board and shall be accompanied by such fee as said appeals board may determine.

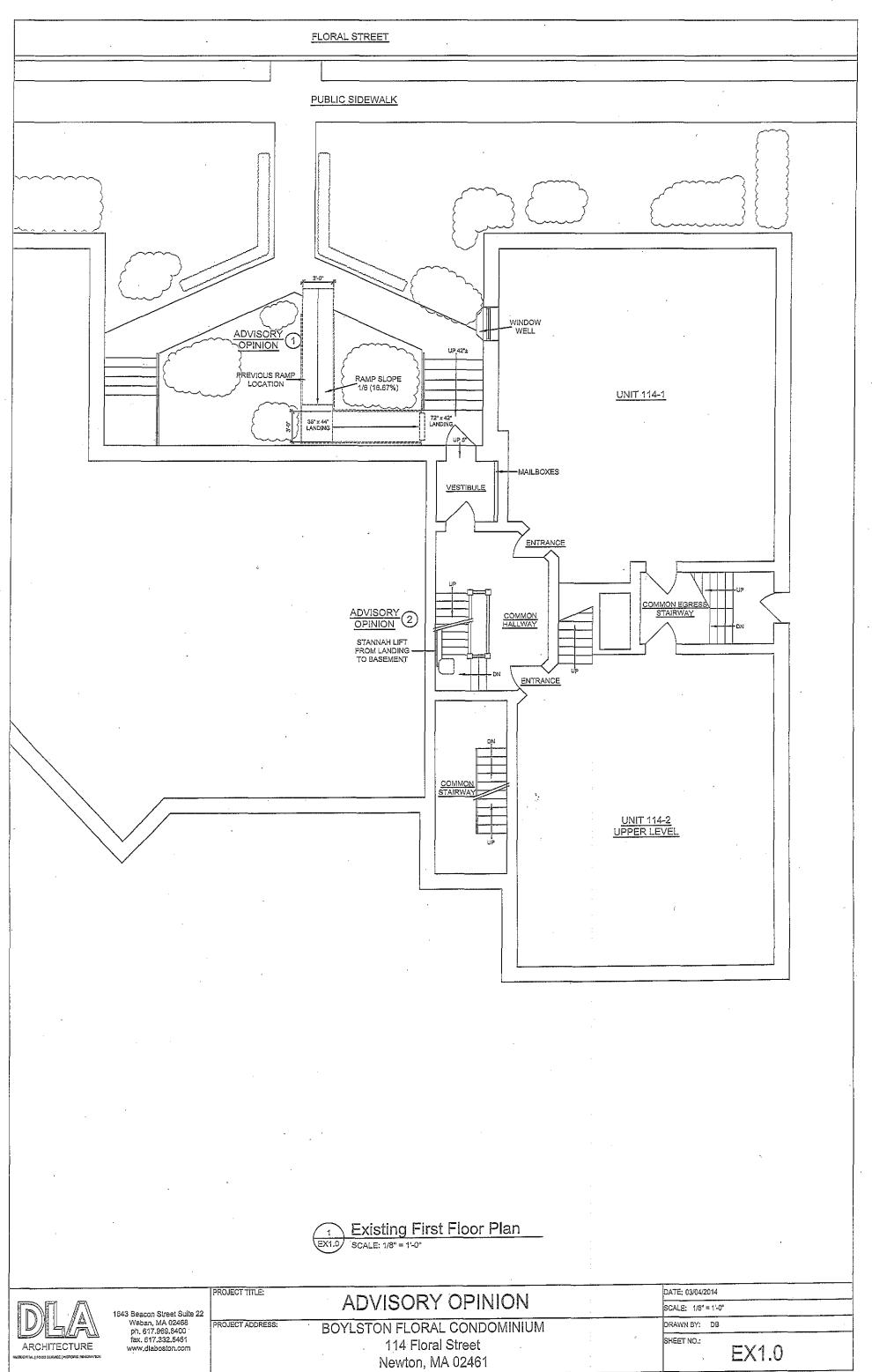
Failure to comply within thirty (30) days of receipt of this notice will result in a criminal complaint being filed in Newton Wistrict Court.

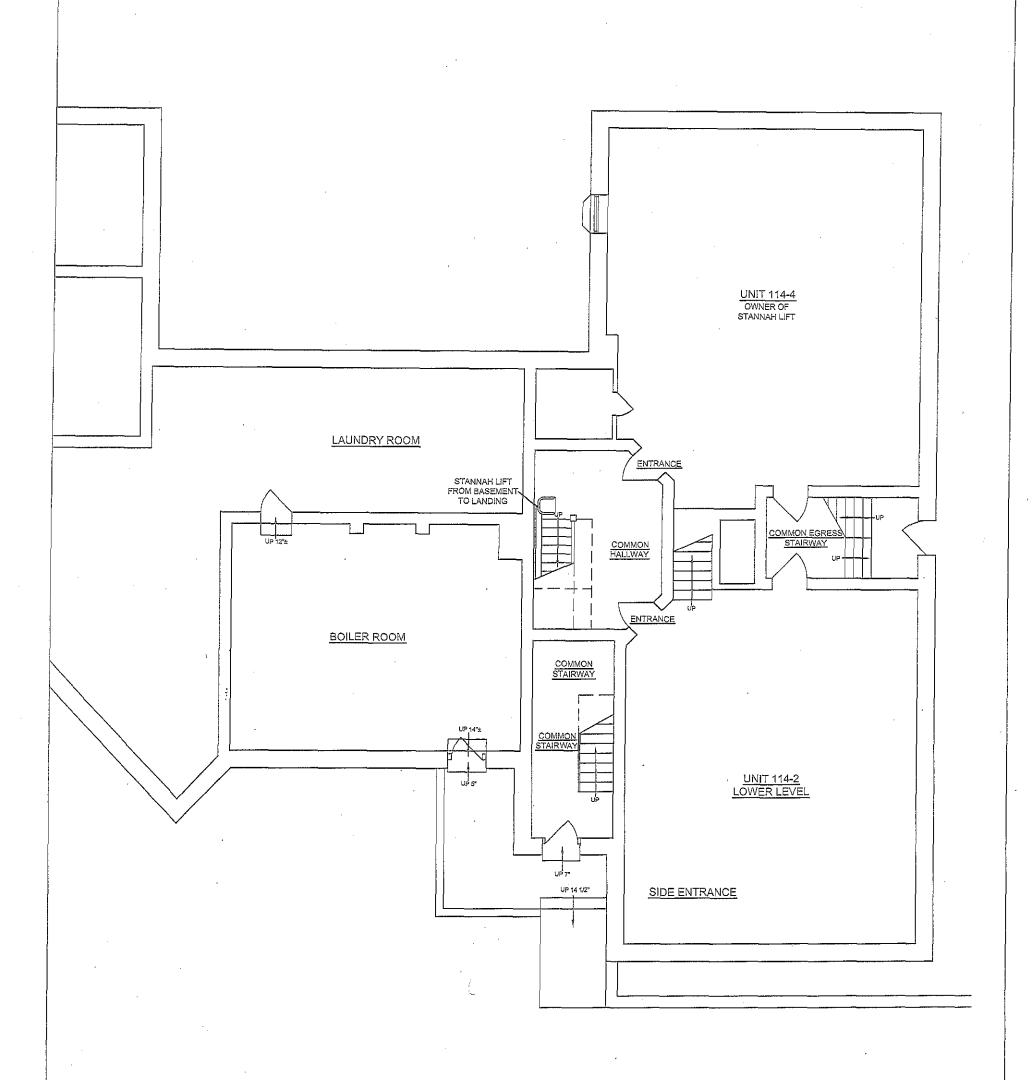
Respectfully,

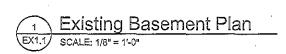
William L. Forte

Zoning Enforcement Agent

John D. Løjek Commissioner









1643 Beacon Street Suite 22 Waban, MA 02468 ph. 617.969,8400 fax. 617.332.5461 www.diaboston.com PROJECT TITLE:

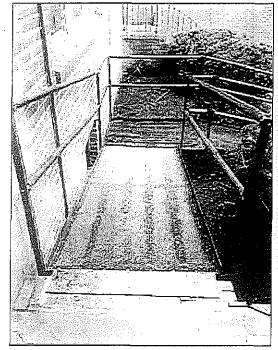
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ADVISORY OPINION

BOYLSTON FLORAL CONDOMINIUM 114 Floral Street Newton, MA 02461 DATE: 03/04/2014 SCALE: 1/8" = 1'-0"

DRAWN BY: DB

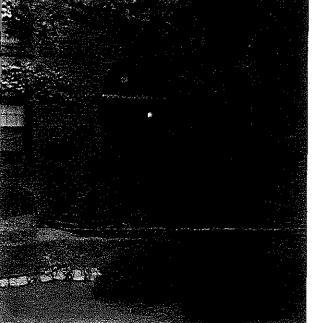
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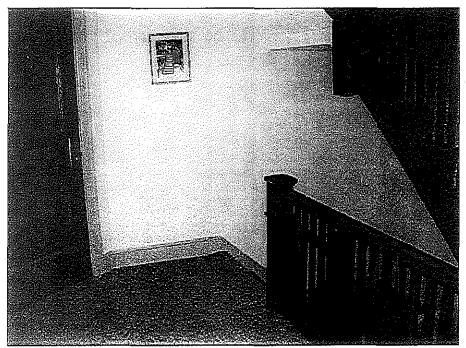


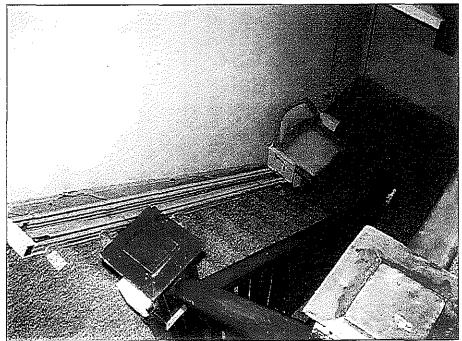
**ADVISORY OPINION 1- RAMP** 





ADVISORY OPINION 1- RAMP





ADVISORY OPINION 2- STANNAH LIFT



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PROJECT ADDRESS:

**ADVISORY OPINION** 

BOYLSTON FLORAL CONDOMINIUM 114 Floral Street Newton, MA 02461 DATE: 03/04/2014

SCALE:

DRAWN BY: DB

SHEET NO.: EX1.2

Newton Commission on Disability CDBG Access Projects Report April 23, 2014

<u>Audible Pedestrian Signals</u> (Project CD13-03R. Budget: \$6,609.25; Expended: \$0; Balance: \$6,609.25). No update.

# **Curb Cuts**

**FY14 Curb Cut Funds** 

\$139,651.63

Total includes the balance of the Pearl & Jackson and Newton Centre projects that came in under budget. We will have a discussion tonight of the priority locations for curb cut improvements.

<u>Current Projects</u>	<u>Total Budget</u>	<u>Expended</u>	<u>Remaining</u>
Commonwealth & Washington	\$83,170.60	\$61,510.05	\$21,660.55

Upcoming ProjectsTotal BudgetWashington & Walnut\$75,000.00Lincoln & Walnut\$75,000.00

<u>Washington & Walnut</u> – Delayed until after completion of Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) safety and mobility study of the Washington Street corridor between West Newton and Newton Corner: <a href="https://www.ctps.org/Drupal/data/calendar/pdfs/2013/MPO\_0912\_Addressing\_Safety.pdf">www.ctps.org/Drupal/data/calendar/pdfs/2013/MPO\_0912\_Addressing\_Safety.pdf</a>

<u>Lincoln & Walnut</u> – The Engineering and Transportation Divisions of DPW are currently reviewing design options for this intersection.

<u>Historic Newton/The Jackson Homestead – Archives Preservation and Access</u> (CD11-03F. Budget: \$40,000, Expended: \$0, Balance: \$40,000). The ramp project is anticipated to go out to bid in early summer, with completion of the ramp project sometime over the summer.

Newton Centre Playground Pathway Phase IV - (CD13-03M. Budget \$40,000, Expended: \$0, Balance: \$40,000).

Newton Centre Playground Pathway Phase V - (CD14-03V. Budget \$45,000, Expended: \$0, Balance: \$45,000). Awaiting DPW's estimate for the cost of these two Phases, plus

**Retrofitting Curb Cuts** (Project CD13-03Q. Budget: \$4,548.82, Expended: \$0, Balance: \$4,548.82). No update.

War Memorial Vertical and Acoustical Access Feasibility and Design — (CD13-03S. Budget \$80,000, Expended: \$74,325.85 Balance: \$5,674.15). The Public Buildings Department led a site visit for the members of the Community Preservation Committee (CPC) through the Aldermanic Chamber and War Memorial, as well as to the floors below the War Memorial, to show the proposed location for the elevator. The CPC reiterated its interest in having a proposal that includes improved accessibility from the War Memorial Circle parking, so that access to the War Memorial could be more direct. The Public Buildings Department is still working on such a proposal. Commission members will be informed of when the proposal is complete and appearing before the CPC session will be taking place once it is scheduled.

# **Commission On Disability (Commission, COD)**

Formerly the Mayorcs Committee for People with Disabilities

# Statement of Mission and Organizational Structure

# **Purpose and Mission**

The Commission On Disability (COD, Commission) mission is to foster equal access to community life and activities for people with disabilities. Through education and advocacy, the Commission works to raise awareness about the needs of people with disabilities and the importance of increased accessibility to programs, housing and facilities in municipal and commercial buildings, and other public entities.

### **Commission Responsibilities**

The Commission vigorously promotes adherence by the City of Newton, its businesses and citizens, to Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Titles I, II and III and the regulations of the Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (MAAB), and all other related Federal, State and City laws and regulations that require access and prohibit discrimination against people with disabilities.

The Commission provides advice on access issues to those requesting it whenever possible.

The Commission reviews applications from local residents for accessible parking spaces in residential neighborhoods and reports its findings to the City Traffic Council and the Aldermanic Public Safety and Transportation Committee.

Commission responsibilities include (1) researching local problems of people with disabilities; (2) advising and assisting municipal officials and employees in ensuring compliance with state and federal laws and regulations that affect people with disabilities; (3) coordinating or carrying out programs designed to meet the problems of people with disabilities in coordination with the Massachusetts Office On Disability; (4) reviewing and making recommendations about policies, procedures, services, activities, and facilities of departments boards and agencies of the city as they affect people with disabilities; (5) providing information, referrals, guidance, and technical assistance to individuals, public agencies, businesses and organizations in all matters pertaining to disability; (6) coordinating activities of other local groups organized for similar purposes.

Members of the Commission can be seen walking the halls of public buildings to investigate areas of concern regarding access complaints from citizens as well as investigating local commercial buildings for compliance and notifying the business in question if a violation of access regulation is found to exist and requesting a correction.

The Commission meets as needed with officials from the Department of Public Works concerning the need for improved snow removal from sidewalks and curb cuts and for more consistent care regarding sidewalk obstructions during demolition and construction projects.

The Commission makes recommendations for use each year of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for projects that remove architectural barriers and increase accessibility

throughout the City of Newton. Since the beginning of the federally funded CDBG program, the Commission has recommended the expenditure of more than three million dollars in access projects to benefit people with disabilities, and create a safer and more welcoming environment in the City of Newton.

The Commission, under chapter 40, Section 22G, is authorized to allocate funds received from fines assessed for violations of handicap parking in the City of Newton to be used solely for the benefit of persons with disabilities.

The Commission keeps records of its meetings and actions and files an annual report that is printed in the City's annual report. The COD meets monthly generally the second Monday of every month.

### Membership

The Commission is organized under Massachusetts General Laws: Chapter 40, Section 8J. % majority of said commission members shall consist of people with disabilities, one member shall be a member of the immediate family of a person with a disability and one member of said commission shall be either an elected or appointed official of that city or town+. The terms of said members follow the format of Section 8J. The COD shall consist of not less than 5 but no more than 9 members appointed by the Mayor. Members of the Commission are volunteers and do not receive financial compensation for their service.

Commission members are a diverse representation of Newton's disability population. Members shall be persons interested in promoting the mission outlined above and interested in fostering this mission in both the public and civic life of the City of Newton. Members shall include residents, representatives of organizations, businesses and institutions, which are based in Newton and serve the need of Newton residents.

The terms of the first members of the COD shall be for one, two or three years and so arranged that the term of one-third of the members expires each year and their successor shall be appointed for terms of three years each.

A member may resign by delivering his or her written resignation to one of the COD co-chairs. Such resignation shall be effective immediately.

Members shall be persons interested in promoting the mission outlined above. Such interested persons are urged to attend two (2) to three (3) COD meetings and let the Commission know if they are interested in becoming a member.

Commission members shall interview and vote on a new member and send their recommendation to the Mayor. The Mayor appoints new members for a term of three years.

The Commission encourages its members to undergo training by the Massachusetts Office on Disability to qualify them as access monitors to review access issues in public accommodations, municipal buildings and public facilities, parks, and playgrounds.

## **Nominating Committee, Co-Chairs, Elections**

The Nominating Committee (NC) shall be comprised of 2 to 3 Commission members and shall communicate with members to determine interest of members in serving as Co-Chairs. The NC will present their findings to the Commission and facilitate the election process. Elections for the Co-Chairs shall be held in January. The Co-Chairs shall serve a term of one (1) year and may be re-elected by the Commission members to serve further terms.

The Co-Chairs are elected by the members of the Commission following the Nominating Committee process. The Co-chairs will either rotate the facilitation of the COD meetings or determine if one Co-chair has a preference for this task. The Co-chair facilitating the meetings will adhere in general to Roberts Rules of Order, and run the meeting in a respectful manner such that all Commission members are encouraged to participate, the Co-chair reserving his/her comments until the end of the discussion.

He/she/they shall represent the Commission at other meetings or designate another Commission member to do so. He/she/they shall write letters as determined by the Commission or designate another Commission member to do so. He/she/they can be a member of a sub-Committee and even chair it.

# **Voting Rights**

At every regular or special meeting of the COD, each member shall be entitled to one (1) vote on each matter submitted for a vote of the COD, unless voting would be in violation of conflict of interest laws. Members must be present to vote; unless extraordinary circumstances prevent the member(s) to be present. Remote voting is allowed under the following conditions:

- 1. Both those in the room and the remote participant can hear each other and participate in the discussion;
- 2. A Quorum of the commission is in the room; and
- 3. The Chair is in the room.

# **Meetings and Minutes:**

The COD shall meet monthly unless there is no scheduled business for that month. Not with standing this, the COD shall hold no fewer than eight (8) regular meetings per year. All COD meetings shall comply with the Massachusetts open meeting law.

Minutes shall be kept of each meeting. Minutes of meetings shall contain date, place, members, present and member absent, actions taken and identification of the person taking minutes. Minutes shall be forwarded to COD members for review at least five (5) business days prior to the next scheduled meeting. Approved minutes shall be posted on the COD web page within five (5) days after the monthly meeting.

Recommendations or other decisions in the name of the COD shall be made only when a quorum (a majority of the current members) is in attendance and eligible to vote. Whenever possible, recommendations and decisions shall be made by consensus. Such actions shall be reflected in the meeting minutes, and shall be conveyed in writing to the intended recipient official or agency if one is so mentioned.

There shall be no regular or special meeting of the COD unless notice has been given to the public at least forty-eight (48) hours in advance of said meeting, in accordance with the General Laws of the Commonwealth.

# **Conflict of Interest and Open Meeting Laws:**

All activities of the COD and its members shall be in compliance with the letter and spirit of the Open Meeting Law (23 of Ch. 39, MGL) and conflict of interest laws (e.g. Ch 268A, MGL) A member must disclose to the COD any conflict of interest in any matter being considered by the

COD and shall not participate in any manner in the proceedings dealing with that matter except as may be permitted by law.

The COD follows State Law and the Attorney General's and Ethics Commission's Regulations.

All COD meetings are open to the public, however participation by the public is at the Chair's discretion.

The COD is staffed by Joel Reider, an ADA/504/Accessibility Coordinator. Joel can reached by phone at 617-796-1145 or online at jreider@newtonma.gov.

All volunteer Boards, Commissions, Committees, Task Forces, Groups etc. are considered "Special" municipal employees and as such must comply with the above pertinent State Laws.

# Sub-Committee(s):

The COD shall have sub-Committees which work, as needed, toward its goal of enhancing accessibility in the City, including but not limited to:

- Monitoring/Access
- Visual/Hearing Impairment
- Nominating
- Public Education
- Public Works (Snow, etc.)
- Transportation
- Handicapped Parking Fine Administration

The sub-Committees will meet on an as-needed basis. Other Committees may be created as needed. The COD Chair/Co-Chair appoints Sub-Committee chairs with consensus from Commission members.

### **Amendments:**

Adoption of this statement shall be by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the COD members. Any part or all of this statement may be altered, amended or repealed by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the commission members present at a regular or special meeting of the COD duly called for this purpose, provided that notice for such meeting was mailed to the COD no less than five (5) business days before such meeting.

This document was reviewed and submitted by the Commission On Disability, Newton Massachusetts.

David Koses

# REQUEST FOR TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT OR CHANGE-CHANGE NEWTON TRAFFIC COUNCIL, ROOM 101A Newton City Commonwealth Avenue Newton City Commonwealth avenue

HP1-14

The Traffic Council is administed thoughth the Clerk of the Board's Office. The Petitioner and other parties who may in the Council's judgment be substantially affected by such petition will be discussed by the Traffic Council. NOTE: There are additional petition requirements for Resident Only Permit Areas; see Sec. 19-201 of the City of Newton Ordinances. If you have further questions, please call the Clerk of the Board's Office at (617) 796-1210.

Complete both sides and submit to the Clerk of the Board's Office (PLEASE PRINT):				
PETITIONER'S NAME Paula Scheer SIGNATURE: HOLDE -				
ADDRESS: 70 Clements Rd Newton Unit #				
1. Identify the location and briefly describe the nature of the problem:				
Paula scheer, requesting a handicap				
Paula scheer, requesting a handicap Parking spot in front of 70 Clements nd. (Ward 7)				
(Ward 7)				
2. Draw a simple diagram or attach a map in the box below that shows the subject street(s) and				
conditions.				
<b>^</b>				

# REQUEST FOR TRAFFIC IMPROVEMENT OR CHANGE CITY OF NEWTON TRAFFIC COUNCIL, ROOM 101A 1000 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE NEWTON CENTRE 02459

The Traffic Council is administered through the Clerk of the Board's Office. The Petitioner and other parties who may in the Council's judgment be substantially affected by such petition will be notified with the first date the petition will be discussed by the Traffic Council. NOTE: There are additional petition requirements for Resident Only Permit Areas; see Sec. 19-201 of the City of Newton Ordinances. If you have further questions, please call the Clerk of the Board's Office at (617) 796-1210.

Complete both sides and submit to the Clerk of the Board's Office (PLEASE TYPE or PRINT):

PETITIONER'S NAME	SIGNATURE:
ADDRESS:	Unit #
TELEPHONE (DAY):	
1. Identify the location and briefly describe the natural	re of the problem:

2. Draw a simple diagram or attach a map in the box below that shows the subject street(s) and



3. Obtain required signatures on reverse side of this form.

P04153678
Expires:

12-09-16
Disabled Persons
Parking Identification Placard



SCHEER

# **Joel Reider**

From: Stephanie Lapham <slapham@newtonma.gov>

**Sent:** Monday, March 10, 2014 4:38 PM

**To:** jreider@newtonma.gov; robcaruso@yahoo.com

**Subject:** Seeking help

Hi Joel and Rob,

I am working with the Pierce Elementary PTO who are currently fundraising for a new playground. During their selection process they wanted to be sure they put in place a new play area that everyone could use. They chose to put rubber saftey surfacing under the structure for accessibility. The entire project is approximately \$180,000.00. The surfacing is close to half that cost. They have almost fundraised for cost but are a bit short. They wanted to know if they could go infront of Commission on Disability to see if they might contribute.

Is it possible to get them on the agenda?

Thanks so much!
Stephanie Lapham
Recreation Manager
Newton Parks and Recreation Department
617-796-1528