



City Council Docket

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Tuesday, April 16, 2019

7:45 PM, Newton City Hall

To be reported on

Monday, May 6, 2019

City of Newton

In City Council to be Accepted and Referred to Committees

Referred to Land Use Committee

Public hearing to be assigned for May 7, 2019

#138-19 **Petition to amend Special Permit to allow paved parking area at 206 Waltham Street**
SCANDINAVIAN CHARITABLE SOCIETY OF GREATER BOSTON petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to amend Special Permit Board Order #61-91 to modify the site plan to allow paving of a parking area at the front of the site at 206 Waltham Street, Ward 3, West Newton, on land known as Section 31 Block 28 Lot 80, containing approximately 125,512 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 3. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 7.4 of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.

Public hearing to be assigned for May 7, 2019

#139-19 **Special Permit to extend nonconforming side and rear setbacks at 11 Avon Place**
RUI GUAN ZHANG petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to construct an addition to the front of the house and raise the roof to create 2.5 stories where 2 stories exist, vertically extending the nonconforming side and rear setbacks at 11 Avon Place, Ward 1, Newton, on land known as Section 12 Block 09 Lot 04, containing approximately 3,183 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned MULTI RESIDENCE 2. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 7.4, 3.2.3, 7.8.2.C.2 of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.

Public Hearing to be assigned

#140-19 **Request to Rezone 4.5 acres to MU3**
MD 399 GROVE OWNER, LLC/RAMIREZ CONCORD, LLC/BH NORMANDY RIVERSIDE, LLC/MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY petition for a change of zone to Mixed Use 3/Transit Oriented District for portions of land located at 355 Grove Street (currently zoned BU-2) and 399 Grove Street (currently zoned BU-5), also identified as Section 42, Block 11, Lots 3 and 4.

The location of this meeting is handicap accessible and reasonable accommodations will be provided to persons requiring assistance. If you need a special accommodation, *please contact Jini Fairley, at least two days in advance of the meeting: jfairley@newtonma.gov, or 617-796-1253. For Telecommunications Relay Service dial 711.*

Public hearing to be assigned**#140-19(2) Special Permit to allow Mixed Use Development at Riverside Station**

MD 399 GROVE OWNER, LLC/RAMIREZ CONCORD, LLC/BH NORMANDY RIVERSIDE, LLC/MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to construct a 10 building, mixed use, transit-oriented development of not more than 1,520,000 sq. ft. and more than 20,000 sq. ft. of gross floor area including; up to 650,000 sq. ft. of office use, up to 750 residential units containing no more than 750,000 sq. ft., retail space of not more than 200,000 sq. ft., buildings up to 18-stories in height, building height of up to 230', Floor Area Ratio up to 2.7, no more than 10% beneficial open space; to permit retail and personal establishments of more than 5,000 sq. ft., for-profit educational uses, restaurants with more than 50 seats, places of amusement, open air businesses, animal services, ground floor health club establishments, hotel, banks up to and over 5,000 square feet, theatre/hall, laboratory/research facility, multi-level accessory parking facility, multi-level non-accessory parking facility, single level accessory parking facility, single level non-accessory parking facility, reduction of the residential parking requirement to 1.25 stalls per unit, reduction of the overall commercial parking requirement by 1/3, a waiver of parking stalls not to exceed 750 stalls, waivers to parking facility design standards including: stall dimensions, minimum depth for handicap parking stalls, maneuvering space for end stalls, dimensions for entrance and exit driveways, waiver of layout design to permit tandem parking stalls, waiver of 5% interior landscaping requirement, waiver of the interior planting area requirements, waiver of the tree requirements, waiver of the bumper overhang requirements, waiver of the one foot candle lighting, waiver of the parking stall striping requirement, waiver of the curbing, wheel stop, guard rail or bollard requirements, waiver of off-street loading facilities requirements, waiver of the number, size location or design requirements relative to signs at 355 and 399 GROVE STREET on land known as Section 42 Block 11 Lots 3 and 4, containing approximately 14.4 acres of land in a districts zoned Mixed Use 3 Transit Oriented (MU3), BU2 (a portion to be rezoned to MU3), BU5 (to be rezoned to MU3). Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 7.4, 4.2.2A.2, 4.2.2.B.1, 4.2.2.B.3, 4.2.2.B.3, 4.2.3, 4.2.4.A, 4.2.4.F.b, 4.2.4.F.1.b, 4.2.4.G, 4.2.4.G.1, 4.2.4.G.2, 4.2.4.G.3, 4.4.1, 5.1.4, 5.1.4.A, 5.1.4.C, 5.1.8.B.1, 5.1.8.B.2, 5.1.8.B.4, 5.1.8.B.6, 5.1.8.D.1, 5.1.8.D.2, 5.1.8.E.1, 5.1.9.B, 5.1.9.B.1, 5.1.9.B.2, 5.1.9.B.3, 5.1.9.B.4, 5.1.10.A.1, 5.1.10.B.3, 5.1.10.B.5, 5.1.12, 5.1.13, 5.2, 5.2.13, 5.4.2.B, of the City of Newton Revised Zoning Ord, 2017. **Subject to approval of proposed zoning ordinance amendments in Sections 4.2.3 and 4.2.4.**

Other Communications**#141-19****2018 Economic Development Commission Annual Report**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION submitting the 2018 Annual Report of the Economic Development Commission.

#142-19 COLA for members of the Retirement System

RETIREMENT BOARD voted to approve a 3% cost of living adjustment on the first \$12,000 of retirement allowance for all eligible contributory and non-contributory pensioners of the Newton Retirement System for Fiscal Year 2020.

Referred to Zoning & Planning Committee

#140-19(3) Zoning amendments for Riverside project

RIVERSIDE STATION/355 GROVE STREET AND 399 GROVE STREET requesting amendments to Chapter 30, Newton Zoning Ordinance, in Sections 4.2.3 and 4.2.4 relative to the Mixed Use 3 District.

Referred to Public Facilities and Zoning & Planning Committees

#143-19 Discussion/adoption of Climate Action Plan/Citizens Climate Action Plan

COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT AND CROSSLEY on behalf of the Zoning & Planning and Public Facilities committees, requesting discussion and adoption of items within the Climate Action Plan and the Citizen's Climate Action Plan) with the Sustainability Directors, Climate Action Planning team led by Jennifer Steel (Planning Department staff, MAPC and volunteers) and the Citizens' Commission on Energy. The focus will be to understand the synergies between the two complimentary plans and how items within the plans can be integrated to achieve the significant reductions in greenhouse gas emissions called for in recent national and international reports.

Referred to Programs & Services Committee

Referred to Zoning & Planning and Programs & Services Committee

#144-19 HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting amendments to the City of Newton Ordinances, Chapters 3, 7, 10, 13, 17, 18, 20, 21, 22 and 30 to rename the Department of Parks & Recreation to the Department of Parks, Recreation and Culture.

Referred to Public Safety & Transportation Committee

#145-19 Review of the 128 Add-a-Lane Project

COUNCILOR KALIS requesting a review of the 128 Add-a-Lane Project on 128 to determine the impact of the project on newton traffic and whether State mitigation is warranted.

Referred to Public Facilities Committee

Public hearing to be assigned for May 1, 2019

#146-19 Eversource petition for a Grant of Location in Walnut Street

EVERSOURCE petitioning for a grant of location to install:

- 30' ± of 4" conduit in FOSTER STREET from Pole #37/1 southeasterly thence turning southerly to Walnut Street,
- 156' ± of 4" conduit in WALNUT STREET from the intersection of Foster Street southerly to a proposed manhole
- 21' of "conduit in WALNUT STREET from proposed Manhole #30684 westerly to the property line of 241 Walnut Street.

#147-19 President's Appointment of Tom Enselek to the Design Review Committee

PRESIDENT LAREDO appointing Tom Enselek, 28 Davis Avenue, West Newton, 02465 as a member of the DESIGN REVIEW COMMITTEE for the 687 Watertown Street Project for a term to expire upon completion of the building project.

Referred to Finance Committee

#148-19 Appropriation of \$240,000 for the Rainy Day Stabilization Fund

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate two hundred forty thousand dollars (\$240,000) from Free Cash to the Rainy Day Stabilization Fund. This appropriation when combined with interest earned throughout FY 2019 on the funds in this account and \$150,000 appropriated in the FY 2020 Mayor's proposed budget will allow the City to begin FY 2020 with a full 5% of the operating budget set aside in reserve.

Referred to Zoning & Planning and Finance Committees

#149-19 Appropriation of \$100,000 for consulting services for the Planning Department

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of funding consulting services for the Planning Department to enable the department to hire subject matter expert for projects.

Referred to Programs & Services and Finance Committees

#150-19 Transfer of \$100,000 to the Law Department's Claims & Settlements Account

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) from the Law Department's Full-time Salaries Account to the Law Department's Claims & Settlements Account for future claims settlements.

Referred to Public Safety & Transportation and Finance Committees

- #151-19** **Appropriation of \$300,000 for FY19 overtime expenditures in the Fire Department**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of funding Fiscal Year 2019 overtime expenditure in the Fire Department.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

- #152-19** **Ordinance amendment to increase number of units eligible for 2nd meters**
COUNCILOR NORTON proposing an ordinance amendment to Chapter 29, Section 24(c) to amend the number of residential dwelling units eligible for outdoor meters from no more than four dwelling units to no more than twenty dwelling units.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

- #153-19** **Authorization of a 5-year contract for solid waste collection**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to enter into a contract for solid waste and recycling collection and disposal services for a term of five years.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

- #154-19** **Authorization of a 5-year lease for electric and hybrid vehicles**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to enter into a 5-year lease agreement for electric and hybrid vehicles for the purpose of replacing its aging sedan fleet and to provide reliable transportation to staff, lower maintenance costs, and implement an efficient City Hall vehicle pool program.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

- #155-19** **Transfer of \$75,000 for APS signal installation**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) from Budget Reserve for the purpose of funding Phase 2 of 3 phases of the citywide APS Installation Project.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

- #156-19** **Transfer of \$75,000 for equipment to paint pavement markings and crosswalks**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) from Budget Reserve for the purpose of purchasing capital equipment to enable the Transportation Division of the Department of Public Works to paint crosswalks and various pavement markings in-house.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#157-19

Transfer of \$150,000 for street light repairs

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) from Budget Reserve for the purpose of funding street light repairs.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#158-19

Appropriation of \$250,000 for design of library parking lot

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend two hundred fifty thousand dollars from Free Cash for the purpose of funding the architectural and engineering design of a "new" Newton Free Library parking lot.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#159-19

Authorization for the MWRA grant/loan program for sewer improvements

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to accept and expend a grant of three million four hundred thirty-five thousand dollars (\$3,435,000) from the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority (MWRA) and authorization to borrow one million one hundred forty-five thousand dollars (\$1,145,000) as part of the MWRA interest free Phase 12 loan/grant (75%/25%) program for the purpose of funding sewer improvements.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#160-19

Bond authorization for \$2.7 million for water main improvements

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate the sum of three million two hundred thousand dollars (\$3,200,000) from bonded indebtedness for the purpose of providing funding for the continuation of the implementation of the City's Water Main Improvement Plan.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#161-19

Appropriation of \$2 million for design of the Washington Street corridor

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend two million dollars (\$2,000,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of developing 25% conceptual design of the Washington Street corridor in order to make the improvements to the corridor eligible for the State's Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) funding.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#162-19

Appropriation of \$3 million for the Accelerated Road Repair Program

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend three million dollars (\$3,000,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of funding the City's Accelerated Road Repair Program.

Public Hearing to be assigned for May 6, 2019:**Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees****#541-18(2) Proposed Water, Sewer and Stormwater Rates**

HER HONOR THE MAYOR submitting recommended FY2020 Water/Sewer/Storm Water Rates for implementation on July 1, 2019, as follows:

FY 2020 Tiers & Rates for Water and Sewer

<u>HCF Per Quarter</u>	<u>Water Rate Per HCF</u>	<u>Sewer Rate Per HCF</u>
0-10	\$6.72	\$10.70
11-25	\$7.75	\$12.52
26-60	\$8.90	\$13.45
>60	\$11.10	\$15.47
Irrigation	\$12.25	n/a

Note: The below FY20 stormwater fees were approved by the City Council on 03/04/19

FY 2020 Stormwater Fees

1-4 family dwellings \$100.00

Commercial Stormwater Fees: based on impervious area - \$0.0470 per impervious square foot.

Referred to Finance and Appropriate Committees**#542-18(2) Submittal of the FY 2020 Municipal/School Operating Budget**

HER HONOR THE MAYOR submitting in accordance with Section 5-1 of the City of Newton Charter the FY20 Municipal/School Operating Budget totaling \$430,284,381 passage of which shall be concurrent with the FY20-FY24 Capital Improvement Program (#542-18 & 542-18(3)).

EFFECTIVE DATE OF SUBMISSION 04/16/19; LAST DATE TO PASS THE BUDGET 05/31/19

Public Hearing to be assigned for May 6, 2019:**Referred to Finance and Appropriate Committees****#542-18 Submittal of the FY 2020 to FY 2024 Capital Improvement Plan**

HER HONOR THE MAYOR submitting the Fiscal Years 2020 to 2024 Capital Improvement Plan pursuant to section 5-3 of the Newton City Charter.

Public Hearing to be assigned for May 6, 2019:**Referred to Finance and Appropriate Committees****#542-18(3) Submittal of the FY 2020 – FY 2024 Supplemental Capital Improvement Plan**

HER HONOR THE MAYOR submitting the FY 2020 – FY 2024 Supplemental Capital Improvement Plan.