



## City Council Reports Docket

August 26: Zoning & Planning; Public Facilities

Monday, August 12, 2019

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7:45 PM, Newton City Hall

To be reported on

**Tuesday, September 3, 2019**

### City of Newton In City Council Items to be Acted Upon

#### Unfinished Council Business

***A Motion to Reconsider was filed on August 13, 2019***

**#179-19**

**Petition to amend Board Order #96-17 to allow bank use at Washington Place**

WASHINGTON PLACE OWNER, LLC petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to amend Special Permit Council Order #96-17 to allow modification of Condition #34 to allow the petitioner to lease commercial space to not more than one commercial bank with a total square footage not to exceed 3,800 sq. ft. at 845 Washington Street and 245 Walnut Street, Ward 2, Newtonville, Section 21 Block 29 Lot 10, containing approximately 123,956 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT. Ref.: Sections 7.3, 7.4 of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Revised Zoning Ordinances, 2017.

**Land Use Approved Subject to Second Call 5-1-2 on 06/18/2019 (Laredo Opposed, Schwartz, Markiewicz abstaining); Public Hearing Closed 06/18/2019**

**Motion to Approve as amended Fails To Carry 15 yeas, 6 Nays (Councilors Baker, Brousal-Glaser, Kalis, Markiewicz, Norton & Laredo), 3 Absent (Councilors Danberg, Downs, Gentile) on August 12, 2019.**

**A Motion to Reconsider this item was filed by Councilor Kalis on August 13, 2019.**

***Item postponed to a date certain of September 3, 2019***

#### **Referred to Public Safety & Transportation Committee**

**#578-18**

**Shorten the duration of the winter parking ban**

COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT, COTE, KELLEY, GREENBERG, CICCONE, LIPOF, AUCHINCLOSS, RICE, DOWNS, KRINTZMAN, NOEL, AND NORTON, requesting to shorten the duration of the winter parking ban to begin on December 15 (instead of November 15) and end on April 1 (instead of April 15).

**Public Safety & Transportation Approved 7-0-1 (Grossman abstaining) on 12/17/18**

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*Item postponed to a date certain of September 3, 2019*

**Referred to Public Safety & Trans., Public Facilities and Finance Committees**

- #156-18**      **Ordinance amendments for enforcement and fines for sidewalk clearing violations**  
COUNCILORS DANBERG, ALBRIGHT, CROSSLEY, NORTON, AND LIPOF requesting amendments to Chapter 17, Section 3 and Chapter 26 Section 8D of the Revised Ordinances to provide for enforcement and fines for violations of the sidewalk clearing ordinance.  
**Public Safety Approved 6-1 (Ciccone opposed) on 06/19/19**  
**Public Facilities Approved 6-2 (Gentile and Lappin opposed) on 06/19/19**  
**Finance Approval as Amended Fails to Carry 3-3 (Ciccone, Gentile, Lappin opposed)**

*Item postponed to a date certain of September 3, 2019*

**Referred to Zoning & Planning Committee**

- #128-19**      **Zoning Amendment for short-term rentals**  
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING proposing to amend Chapter 30, City of Newton Zoning Ordinances, in order to create a short-term rental ordinance that defines the short-term rental and bed & breakfast uses, identifies what zoning districts they would be allowed in and under what criteria, conditions, limitations and permitting process.  
**Zoning & Planning Approved as amended 4-0-2 on 6/24/19**  
**Recommitted to Zoning & Planning Committee by City Council 6/27/19**  
**Zoning & Planning Approved as Amended 6-0-2 (Councilors Baker and Kalis abstaining)**

*Item postponed to a date certain of September 3, 2019*

**Referred to Zoning & Planning, Public Safety, and Finance Committees**

- #136-19**      **Short-term rental ordinance with fees**  
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING proposing amendments to Chapter 20 and 17 of the Revised Ordinances of the City of Newton to create a short-term rental ordinance with fees that would require registration of short-term rentals with the City's Inspectional Services Department and fire inspections to protect public health and safety.  
**Public Safety Approved 4-0-1 (Cote abstaining; Grossman not voting) on 06/05/19**  
**Finance Approved 4-0 (Grossman recused) on 06/10/19**  
**Zoning & Planning Approved as amended 4-0-2 on 6/24/19**  
**Recommitted to Zoning & Planning Committee by City Council 6/27/19**  
**Zoning & Planning Approved as amended 6-0-2 (Councilors Baker and Kalis abstaining)**

**Referred to Zoning and Planning Committee**

Monday, August 26, 2019

Present: Councilors Albright (Chair), Danberg, Leary, Krintzman, Downs, Brousal-Glaser, Baker and Kalis; also present: Councilors Crossley, Leary, Norton, Kelley, Laredo, Lappin, Danberg, Schwartz, Greenberg and Noel

**#275-19      Appointment of Carol Todreas to the Urban Design Commission**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing CAROL TODREAS, 89 Windsor Road, Waban, as a member of the URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION for a term to expire August 15, 2022.  
**Zoning & Planning Committee Approved 5-0 (Brousal Glaser, Baker, Kalis not Voting)**

**#276-19      Appointment of Robert Linsky to the Urban Design Commission**  
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing ROBERT LINSKY, 99 Walnut Hill Road, Newton Highlands, as a member of the URBAN DESIGN COMMISSION for a term to expire August 15, 2022.  
**Zoning & Planning Committee Approved 5-0 (Brousal Glaser, Baker, Kalis not Voting)**

**#191-19      Ordinance amendment relative to Community Preservation Act and Committee**  
COUNCILORS LAPPIN, ALBRIGHT, CROSSLEY, LEARY AND DOWNS requesting amendments to Chapter 7, Section 81 of the City of Newton Ordinances, to better define the membership of the Community Preservation Committee, to clarify oversight, and to include City approval procedures required by the 2012 update to MGL Chapter 44B, Section 5(d), the Community Preservation Act.  
**Zoning & Planning Committee Held 5-0 (Brousal Glaser, Baker, Kalis not Voting)**

**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.  
**Zoning & Planning Committee Held 8-0**

**#13-19      Adoption of the Climate Action Plan**  
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING requesting discussion and adoption of the Climate Action Plan as an amendment to the 2007 Comprehensive Plan.  
**Zoning & Planning Committee Held 8-0**

- #14-19**      **Zoning amendment to require solar system installation**  
COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT, CROSSLEY, KRINTZMAN, NORTON, BROUSAL-GLASER, DOWNS, LAPPIN, DANBERG, LIPOF, NOEL, LEARY, MARKIEWICZ AND KELLY requesting an amendment to Chapter 30, Newton Zoning Ordinance, to require solar system installation in certain new construction projects greater than 10,000 square feet.  
**Zoning & Planning Committee Held 8-0**
- #245-19**      **Amend zoning ordinance special permit criteria related to energy conservation**  
COUNCILORS CROSSLEY AND ALBRIGHT seeking a review and possible amendments to Section 7.3.3.C.5 of Chapter 30, Newton Zoning Ordinance, to further inform the objectives of reducing energy consumption and limiting use of natural resources, consider reducing the threshold for compliance to apply the requirement to buildings 10,000 sq. ft. and larger.  
**Zoning & Planning Committee Held 8-0**
- #518-18**      **Discussion and review relative to the draft Zoning Ordinance**  
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING requesting review, discussion, and direction relative to the draft Zoning Ordinance.  
**Zoning & Planning Committee Held 8-0**

**Referred to Public Facilities Committee**

Monday, August 26, 2019

Present: Councilors Crossley (Chair), Leary, Norton, Kelley, Danberg, Laredo, Lappin; absent: Councilor Gentile; also Present: Councilors Albright, Leary, Brousal-Glaser, Krintzman, Downs, Danberg, Baker, Kalis

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**Public Facilities Committee Held 7-0**