



City Council Reports Docket

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7:45 PM, Newton City Hall

To be reported on

Monday, April 2, 2018

City of Newton In City Council Items to be Acted Upon

Unfinished Council Business

Item Chartered on March 19, 2018 by Councilor Gentile:

Referred to Zoning & Planning and Finance Committees

#85-18

Appropriate funds to develop an action plan for Washington Street Corridor

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of developing an actionable plan for the Washington Street Corridor that addresses land use, economic development, transportation, fiscal impacts, and other issues that may arise, as well as a new zoning district(s).

Zoning & Planning Approved 8-0 on 02/12/18

Finance Approval Failed to Carry 2-4-1 (Gentile, Lappin, Rice, Norton opposed; Noel abstaining)

Referred to Land Use Committee

Tuesday, March 27, 2018

Present: Councilors Schwartz (Chair), Lipof, Greenberg, Auchincloss, Kelley, Markiewicz, Crossley, Laredo

#91-18

Petition to Amend Special Permits #273-14(2) & #40-07 on Elm Street

NICORE CONSTRUCTION CORP./ANTONIO BONADIO petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to amend Special Permit Board Orders #273-14(2) and #40-07 to allow for the location of a new driveway, requiring an amendment to the site plan at 5-7 Elm Street and 11-19 Elm Street, Ward 3, West Newton, on land known as Section 33 Block 23 Lot and Section 33 Block 23 Lot 16, containing approximately 26,320 sq. ft. of land in

The location of this meeting is accessible and reasonable accommodations will be provided to persons with disabilities who require assistance. If you need a reasonable accommodation, please contact the city of Newton's ADA Coordinator, Jini Fairley, at least two business days in advance of the meeting: jfairley@newtonma.gov or (617) 796-1253. The city's TTY/TDD direct line is: 617-796-1089. For the Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS), please dial 711.

a district zoned MR2 and MR1. Ref: Sec. 7.3, 7.4, 6.2.B.2 of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord., 2015.

Land Use Held 8-0; Public Hearing Closed 03/06/2018

#68-18

Petition to allow for profit educational use at 227 Washington Street

EUI CHOI petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to allow a for-profit learning center in the existing day care at 227 Washington Street, Ward 1, Newton, on land known as Section 71, Block 07, Lot 01, containing approximately 5,553 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned BUSINESS 2. Ref: 7.3.3, 7.4, 4.4.1 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2015.

Public Hearing Continued; Land Use Held 8-0

Referred to Zoning & Planning Committee

Monday, March 26, 2018

Present: Councilors Albright (Chair), Danberg, Kalis, Leary, Krintzman, Downs, Brousal-Glaser and Baker; also present: Councilors Crossley, Scibelli Greenberg and Auchincloss

#182-18

Appointment of Matthew Volpi to the Commission on Disability

HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing MATTHEW VOLPI, 44 Oakmont Road, Newton Centre, as a member of the COMMISSION ON DISABILITY for a term to expire April 30, 2021. (60 days: 5/18/18)

Zoning & Planning Approved 6-0 (Baker, Leary not voting)

#183-18

Appointment of Melinda Broderick to the Auburndale Historic District Comm

HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing MELINDA BRODERICK, 42 Maple Street, Auburndale, as a member of the AUBURNDALE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION for a term to expire April 30, 2021. (60 days: 5/18/18)

Zoning & Planning Approved 6-0 (Baker, Leary not voting)

#184-18

Appointment of John Wyman to the Newton Upper Falls Historic District Comm

HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing JOHN WYMAN, 47 Old Orchard Road, Newton, as an alternate member of the NEWTON UPPER FALLS HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION for a term to expire April 30, 2021. (60 days: 5/18/18)

Zoning & Planning Approved 8-0

#161-18

Ordinance amendment to increase membership of Commission on Disability

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting to amend Chapter 22, Section 100 of the City of Newton Ordinances to increase the maximum number of members of the Commission on Disability from nine (9) to thirteen (13). This change will reflect amended state law, MGL Chapter 40, Section 8J, allowing to up to thirteen (13) members.

Zoning & Planning Approved 8-0

- #185-18 Discussion and adoption of Needham Street Vision Plan**
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING requesting discussion and adoption of the Needham Street Vision Plan as an amendment to the 2007 Newton Comprehensive Plan.
Zoning & Planning Held 8-0
- #186-18 Zoning Amendment for Shared Parking Pilot Program**
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING requesting amendments to Chapter 30, Newton Zoning Ordinance, to allow for a Shared Parking Pilot Program as an accessory use in commercial districts.
Zoning & Planning Held 8-0
- #75-18 Discussion relative to the Zoning Redesign Event Series**
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING requesting discussion of topics, issues, and ideas from the Zoning Redesign Event Series, with Committee feedback leading to staff preparation of the draft policy content outline for the new Zoning Ordinance.
Zoning & Planning Held 8-0

Referred to the Public Safety & Transportation Committee

Wednesday, March 21, 2018

Present: Councilors Ciccone (Chair), Auchincloss, Cote, Downs, Markiewicz, Noel, Lipof and Grossman;
also present: Councilors Lappin, Greenberg, Schwartz and Kelley

- #163-18 Requesting one (1) new bus license for Austin Street Partners, LLC.**
TRANSACTION CORPORATE SHUTTLES, INC., requesting **one (1) new bus license** for Austin Street Partners LLC.
Public Safety & Transportation Approved 8-0
- #149-18 Appeal of Traffic Council Decision TC19-17(B) Woodcliff Road**
YIGAL AGAM, 198 Woodcliff Road, appealing the denial of Traffic Council petition TC19-17(B) on January 18, 2018 for a stop sign on Woodcliff Road for southbound traffic. (Wards 5 & 6)
Public Safety & Transportation Approved 6-2 (Downs, Auchincloss opposed)
- #188-18 Appeal of Traffic Council Decision TC133-17 Fordham and Annapolis Roads**
EDWARD ASALEY, 29 Fordham Road, appealing the approval of Traffic Council petition TC133-17 on February 15, 2018 for stop sign Fordham Road at Annapolis Road, northbound and southbound. (Ward 3)
Public Safety & Transportation Approved 7-0-1 (Noel abstaining)

- #189-18** **Appeal of Traffic Council Decision TC9-17 Lagrange Street**
COUNCILOR LAPPIN, appealing the approval of Traffic Council petition TC9-17 on February 15, 2018 for flashing warning lights at Lagrange Street, 75 feet west of the Brookline Town Line: Flashing red (southbound from driveway at 200 Estate Drive) and flashing yellow beacon (Lagrange Street east and westbound). (Ward 8)
Public Safety & Transportation Held 4-0 (Grossman, Noel, Cote, Markiewicz not voting)
- #190-18** **Appeal of Traffic Council Decision TC132-17 Burdean Road**
JAY PORTNOY, 60 Burdean Road, appealing the approval of Traffic Council petition TC132-17 on February 15, 2018 for parking prohibited 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., school days, south and west side. (Ward 8)
Public Safety & Transportation Denied 8-0
- #38-18** **Amend overtime parking ordinance**
TRANSPORTATION COORDINATOR, requesting an ordinance amendment to **Chapter 19, Section 190 Overtime parking**, to clarify the language and improve enforcement.
Public Safety & Transportation Approved 6-2-0 (Grossman, Noel opposed)

Referred to the Public Facilities Committee

Wednesday, March 21, 2018

Present: Councilors Crossley (Chair), Leary, Norton, Kelley, Danberg, Laredo, Lappin; also present: Councilor Albright

- #165-18** **Comcast petition for grant of location in Austin Street/Philip Bram Way**
COMCAST ENERGY petition for a grant of location to install conduit in AUSTIN STREET from existing pole 311/4 (in front of 40 Austin Street) easterly 355'± to a proposed manhole in Austin Street thence turning in a southerly direction and continuing 127'± to a second proposed manhole in PHILIP BRAM WAY (Private Way) and continuing in a southeasterly direction 124' ± to new Pole 311/1-2 in Philip Bram Way. (Ward 2).
Public Facilities Approved 7-0
- #191-18** **National Grid Petition for a Grant of Location in Nahanton Street**
NATIONAL GRID petition for a grant of location to install conduit in Nahanton Street from existing main at 23 Nahanton Street, southeasterly to a proposed vault, thence turning northeasterly and continuing 250± to the existing main at 736 Dedham Street to replace the existing vault at 10 Nahanton Street. (Ward 8)
Public Facilities Approved 7-0

#166-18 Eversource petition for grant of location in Rumford Ave
EVERSOURCE ENERGY petitioning for a grant of location to relocate two poles on the southwesterly side of RUMFORD AVENUE: Pole #866/2 located approximately 245’ from Lexington Street, a distance of 5’± in a northerly direction from the existing location and Pole #866/3 located approximately 345’ from Lexington Street a distance of 29.2’± in a westerly direction from the existing location. (Ward 4)
Public Facilities Approved 7-0

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#194-18 Appropriate \$500,000 for snow and ice removal expenses
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000) from Free Cash to supplement the Department of Public Works’ snow and ice operations budget.

Personnel Costs – Overtime (0140110-513001).....	\$150,000
Rental Vehicles (0140110-5273-5273)	\$350,000

Finance Held 7-0 (Norton not voting)
Public Facilities Approved 7-0

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#88-18 Appropriate \$380,000 for design engineering services for Newtonville
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend three hundred eighty thousand dollars (\$380,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of funding expanded streetscape design and engineering services for Newtonville Village improvements, including Washington Street at Walnut Street, southerly on Walnut Street to Cabot Street, and Austin Street from Walnut Street to the 28 Austin Street development.

Finance Approved as Amended 8-0 @ \$147,411
Public Facilities Approved as Amended 6-0@ \$147,411 (Lappin not Voting)

#117-18 President’s Appointment of Howard Goldberg to the Designer Selection Committee
PRESIDENT LAREDO appointing Howard Goldberg, 27 Theodore Road to the DESIGNER SELECTION COMMITTEE for a term to expire on December 31,2019. (60 days: 04/06/18)
Public Facilities Approved 5-0 (Lappin, Danberg, not Voting)

Referred to Finance Committee

Monday, March 26, 2018

Present: Councilor Gentile (Chair), Ciccone, Norton, Cote, Rice, Noel, Grossman, and Lappin

#192-18 Transfer \$15,168.75 to the Law Department fund an indemnification award
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of fifteen thousand one hundred sixty-eight dollars and seventy-five cents (\$15,168.75) from Budget Reserve to the Law Department for the purpose of funding an indemnification award.
Finance Approved 7-0 (Norton not voting)

#193-18 Transfer \$300,000 from CPA Housing to CPA Historic Rehabilitation
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE requesting the transfer of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) from the Auburn Street Housing Account to the Auburn Street Historic Rehabilitation Account to reflect the intent of Council Order #221-17.
Finance Approved 7-0 (Norton not voting)

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Public Facilities Approved as Amended 6-0 @ \$147,411 on 03/21/18
Finance Approved as Amended 8-0 @ \$147,411

- #57-18** **Review/Acceptance of the FY 2019 – FY 2023 5-year Financial Forecast**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR submitting the Fiscal Years 2019 to 2023 5-Year Financial Forecast for City Council review/acceptance.
Finance Approved 8-0
- #153-18** **Discussion with Procurement Officer on criteria for bidding contracts**
COUNCILORS GENTILE, MARKIEWICZ, AND NORTON requesting a discussion with the Chief Procurement Officer regarding the City's process for hiring consultants. Discussion should focus in particular on 1) the criteria which determines whether a consulting contract is put out for public bid; and 2) when there is no bid process, what criteria are used to choose consultants.
Finance Held 8-0
- #195-18** **Investment Policy for the Rainy Day Stabilization Fund**
COUNCILOR GENTILE, on behalf of the Investment Advisory Committee, submitting its recommendation for an investment policy for the Rainy Day Stabilization Fund.
Finance Approved 8-0