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Finance Committee Agenda

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Monday, January 24, 2022

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Item scheduled for discussions:

#102-22 Authorizing funds for fire prevention education classes

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of two thousand six hundred dollars (\$2,600) from Fire Prevention Fine Receipts Reserved for Appropriation, Acct # 5500-335519. In compliance with M.G.L. 148A, these funds will be used for fire prevention education classes such as fire investigation and code updates.

#106-22 Authorization to expend a MassDEP Recycling Dividends Grant

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to accept and expend a sixty-eight thousand dollars (\$68,000) in MassDEP Recycling Dividends grant funding for the City's waste diversion efforts.

Chair's Note: *There was scriveners' error in the following item which has been corrected and is reflected in the attached draft Council Order.*

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#110-22 Rescind and Transfer \$4,000,000 to fund Water Main Improvements

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting that the sum of four million dollars (\$4,000,000) of the ~~Board~~ Bond Authorization approved through Council Order #198-20 be rescinded and further requesting authorization to appropriate and expend four million dollars (\$4,000,000) from Water Fund Undesignated Fund Balance Acct # 6000-3599 for the purpose of funding FY2020 21 Water Main Improvements.

Public Facilities Approved 7-0 on 01/19/21

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- #107-22 Acceptance of \$75,000 from the Housing Choice Communities Grant Program**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to accept and expend the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) in grant funding from the Commonwealth's Housing Choice Communities Grant Program to assist in a zoning and planning study for the California Street Manufacturing District.

Referred to Public Safety & Transportation and Finance Committees

- #112-22 Request for the establishment of a fee relative to Permanent Outdoor Dining**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting the establishment of an annual fee of two-hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) per parking space for approved outdoor dining spaces and requesting such fee be waived for calendar year 2022.
Public Safety & Transportation Approved 8-0 on 01/19/22
- #98-22 Acceptance of \$983.73 from Amelia Sillman Rockwell & Carlos Perry Rockwell Charities fund**
CITY CLERK/CLERK OF THE COUNCIL requesting authorization to accept and expend the sum of nine hundred eighty-three dollars and seventy-three cents as a one-time grant to the Newton City Council for general operating support.
- #103-22 Request for Authorization to issue refunding bonds**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to issue refunding bonds to refund all or any portion of the City's general obligation bonds outstanding as of the date of adoption.
- #101-22 Transfer \$2,600,000 to fund retroactive raises**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of two million six hundred thousand dollars (\$2,600,000) from Acct# 0110498-519700 General Fund Wage Reserve to Acct# 0120103-511001 Police Patrol Services-Full-Time Salaries for the purpose of funding all retroactive raises owed to the Newton Police Association (NPA) as agreed to in the Collective Bargaining Agreement settled for the period July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2021.
- #77-22 Mayor's reappointment of Rabbi Suzanne Offit to the Taxation Aid Committee**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR reappointing RABBI SUZANNE OFFIT, 1429 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton, 02456 as a member of the Newton Taxation Aid Committee for a term of office to expire December 31, 2024. (60 days: 03/02/2022)
- #99-22 Council President's reappointment to the Financial Audit Advisory Committee**
TERRENCE FINN, 32 Lenox Street, West Newton, reappointed as a citizen representative on the FINANCIAL AUDIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE for a term of office to expire on January 31, 2025. (60 days 03/19/22)

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca Walker Grossman, Chair