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Programs & Services Committee
Agenda

City of Newton
In City Council

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

7:00 PM

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Items Scheduled for Discussion:

#197-22 **Appointment of Elizabeth Sockwell to the Urban Tree Commission**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Elizabeth Sockwell, 78 Bishopsgate Road, Newton Center as a member of the Urban Tree Commission for a term to expire on April 19, 2025. (60 days: 05/20/22)

#236-22 **Appointment of Edward Chapman to the Parks and Recreation Commission**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Edward Chapman, 91 Cornell Street, Newton Lower Falls as the Ward 4 member of the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term to expire on April 19, 2025. (60 days: 06/03/22)

Referred to Programs & Services and Finance Committees

#253-22 **Request to transfer \$80,000 for the reconfiguration of the Health & Human Services Department**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of eighty thousand dollars (\$80,000) from Acct # 0150103-511001 Full Time Salaries, Clinical Health, to fund the reconfiguration of some of the office space in the Health & Human Services Department.

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#237-22 Request for a Home Rule Petition
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting a Home Rule Petition with two amendments to the City of Newton Ordinances to align them with the union contracts which require uniformed Police and Fire Department personnel to live within a 35 mile residency boundary of Newton.

#58-22 Request for a discussion with ISD regarding noise ordinance Compliance
COUNCILORS BAKER AND RYAN requesting discussion with Inspectional Services about possible ways of enhancing compliance with the provisions of Newton's noise ordinance which limits construction activity to certain times of day and on Sundays and legal holidays, including possible additional measures to advise contractors and subcontractors of applicable rules to minimize the need for complaint driven enforcement by city staff or police. (formerly #98-20)
Zoning & Planning voted No Action Necessary 8-0 and Referred to Programs & Services on 01/24/22

Referred to Public Safety & Transportation and Programs & Services Committees

#108-22 Requesting report as to the implementation of the leaf-blower landscaper registration and enforcement
COUNCILORS BAKER, GREENBERG, HUMPHREY, NOEL, ALBRIGHT, AND WRIGHT requesting a report from the Executive Department, including the Chief of Police and the Commissioner of Inspectional Services, as to the implementation of the leaf-blower landscaper registration and enforcement ordinance amendments effective Labor Day 2021.

#198-22 Request for leaf blower ordinance discussion and amendments
COUNCILORS BAKER, HUMPHREY, AND NORTON recommending discussion of possible amendments to strengthen the ordinances relating to leaf blower activity.

Respectfully Submitted,

Josh Krintzman, Chair