



City Council Actions

In City Council

Monday, June 20, 2016

Present: Councilors Albright, Auchincloss, Baker, Blazar, Brousal-Glaser, Ciccone, Cote, Crossley, Danberg, Fuller, Gentile, Harney, Hess-Mahan, Kalis, Lappin, Laredo, Leary, Lennon, Norton, Rice, Sangiolo, Schwartz and Yates.

Absent: Councilor Lipof

The City Council discussed the following items on Second Call:

Referred to Real Property Reuse Committee

- #71-09(4) Amend Board Order 71-09(2) to allow the purchase of a subsurface easement**
TERENCE P. MORRIS on behalf of HERRICK ROAD REALTY TRUST seeking to amend Board Order #71-09(2) for a renewable lease for a subsurface easement beneath city-owned land 1294 Centre Street, Newton Centre, for vehicular access to 17-31 Herrick Road; the petitioner is seeking to purchase the easement. [04/20/16 @ 8:44 AM]
Real Property Reuse Approved 5-0-1 (Kalis abstaining) on May 17, 2016
Motion to postpone to a date certain of June 20, 2016 was Approved by Voice Vote
Approved Unanimously by Voice Vote

Clerk's Note: Councilor Sangiolo had requested the postponement of the item so that she could get some additional information. She stated she was satisfied with the response from the Law Department regarding this item. On a voice vote, the item carried.

Referred to Public Safety & Transportation and Finance Committees

- #197-15(2) Pilotless Aircraft Operation**
COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT, BAKER, AND NORTON proposing an ordinance regulating the operation and registration of pilotless aircraft in the City of Newton. [04/07/16 @ 4:25 PM]
Public Safety & Transportation approved 5-0 on 05/04/16
Finance Approved 5-0-2 (Lappin, Norton abstaining)
Motion to Refer Back to the Public Safety & Transportation Committee was APPROVED 14 Yeas, 9 Nays (Councilors Albright, Baker, Ciccone, Crossley, Danberg, Gentile, Hess-Mahan, Kalis, Lappin) 1 Absent (Councilor Lipof)

Clerk's Note: Councilor Norton originally docketed this item in order to be sure that there was some control over drones. She placed the item on Second Call and noted that the FAA already requires drones to be registered. In the case where someone does not register, Councilor Norton said she was doubtful

that they would register with the City. She has concerns about over regulating this new technology. She is not sure that a Newton registration is needed on top of an FAA registration. The Police Chief is comfortable that if there is some misuse of a drone, the owner can be identified through the FAA registration. Councilor Norton moved an amendment to remove the section of the ordinance requiring a Newton registration.

It was felt by several Councilors that the ordinance stay as it was presented by the Law Department be approved. Part of the value of the local registration is it forms an educational opportunity that allows residents to understand the rules in the local context. It was also noted that only unmanned aircraft of more than .55 lbs must be registered with FAA and that the FAA only controls airspace 400 ft and above. The City controls 400 ft and below.

There was some discomfort expressed about discussing the substantive policy issue of whether there should be fees for registration or not on the floor of the Council. More information was also requested before a vote be taken.

It was noted by the Chair of Finance that concern regarding the costs to students who may have several small drones could be expensive if all had to be registered was discussed in Finance. That has been clarified and an owner just has to register once at \$10.00.

It was felt that more work was needed on this and that a motion be made to refer the item back to Public Safety. Councilor Norton withdrew her amendment and a roll call vote referred the item back to the Public Safety & Transportation Committee.

The following six items were discussed and voted as a group:

- #197-16** **Mayor's appointment of Michael Rossi to the Zoning Board of Appeals**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Michael Rossi, 20 Rose Drive, West Newton, as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term to expire June 30, 2019 (60 days 8/5/16) [05/31/16 @ 4:36 PM]
Zoning & Planning Approved 6-0
Motion to postpone to a Date Certain of July 11, 2016 was Approved by Voice Vote
- #199-16** **Mayor's appointment of Joshua Lewin to the Zoning Board of Appeals**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Joshua Lewin, 89 Lowell Avenue, Newtonville, as an associate member of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term to expire June 30, 2017 (60 days 8/5/16) [05/31/16 @ 4:36 PM]
Zoning & Planning Approved 6-0
Motion to postpone to a Date Certain of July 11, 2016 was Approved by Voice Vote

- #200-16 Mayor's re-appointment of Michael Quinn to the Zoning Board of Appeals**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR re-appointing Michael Quinn, 115 Staniford Street, Auburndale, as an associate member of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term to expire June 30, 2017 (60 days 8/5/16) [05/31/16 @ 4:36 PM]
Zoning & Planning Approved 5-0-1 (Yates abstaining)
Motion to postpone to a Date Certain of July 11, 2016 was Approved by Voice Vote
- #201-16 Mayor's re-appointment of Treffle LaFleche to the Zoning Board of Appeals**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR re-appointing Treffle LaFleche, 1603 Commonwealth Avenue, West Newton, as an associate member of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term to expire June 30, 2017 (60 days 8/5/16) [05/31/16 @ 4:36 PM]
Zoning & Planning Approved 5-0-1 (Kalis abstaining)
Motion to postpone to a Date Certain of July 11, 2016 was Approved by Voice Vote
- #202-16 Mayor's re-appointment of Harvey Creem to the Zoning Board of Appeals**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR re-appointing Harvey Creem, 110 Huntington Road, Newton, as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term to expire June 30, 2019 (60 days 8/5/16) [05/31/16 @ 4:36 PM]
Zoning & Planning Approved 6-0
Motion to postpone to a Date Certain of July 11, 2016 was Approved by Voice Vote
- #203-16 Mayor's re-appointment of William McLaughlin to the Zoning Board of Appeals**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, re-appointing William McLaughlin, 117 Hammond Street, Chestnut Hill, as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term to expire June 30, 2019 (60 days 8/5/16) [05/31/16 @ 4:36 PM]
Zoning & Planning Approved 6-0
Motion to postpone to a Date Certain of July 11, 2016 was Approved by Voice Vote

Clerk's Note: Councilor Sangiolo put the six items above on Second Call and requested that these six items be taken as a package. She moved that they be recommitted to Committee. She had issues with the appointments and reappointments as she felt that they didn't necessarily reflect the diversity of the community. She was concerned with the process and had questions about a member who was not reappointed who she felt was very qualified.

The Chair of the Zoning & Planning Committee was opposed to the motion to send the items back to Committee. He noted that he had raised issues with the Mayor and the current Director of Planning and was satisfied with their explanations, but not happy with the outcome. The Zoning Board of Appeal (ZBA) only had two female members and he would like to see more diversity with gender and other issues. He felt that it was an issue that is not just confined to the ZBA and noted that there really is not a great deal of recruiting going on with respect to any of the positions. Currently positions are advertised and then the Mayor delegates interviewing the applicants to his staff to see who has

qualifications as well as an interest in particular committee. They then they forward their nominations to the committees for approval.

The Chair noted that if these items are recommitted to the committee, they won't be able to be scheduled until July. At that point, the time to take any action will have lapsed and he did not want to see more discussion in the context of these current appointments. There were no negative votes from the Committee and the Committee took the time to interview each of these appointments.

Several Councilors noted that the ZBA is very important and that it is the Council's job to look into this to make sure that the Administration is looking for good candidates to sit on all of the other Boards and Commissions.

There was dissatisfaction by several Councilors regarding a female member that was not reappointed.

It was discussed that if recommitment to ZAP was not a good option then postponing the item until the next Council meeting was appropriate. This would give time for the Mayor to provide more information in order to try and understand why a particular female, who had been doing a good job listens to all parties, and has a particular expertise in certain zoning matters, was not re-appointed. It was also noted that if the appointments are voted tonight, there would be no flexibility for this person to be possibly reappointed.

It was noted that an important and productive element in a public body is diversity of viewpoint regardless of physical characteristics and absent another explanation, it seems that the ZBA is becoming less diverse in its viewpoints. The ZBA has a tremendous amount of authority; it functions in almost a quasi-judicial function. Diversity is important including the diversity of point of view. Concern was also raised that the ZBA was becoming predominately male.

It was felt by some that there is currently a diversity of opinion in this group of people.

Several Councilors who supported recommitment were concerned that the motion to recommit may not achieve the objective of having an opportunity to sort this out before the next meeting of the Council where an actual vote could be taken. It was noted that postponing the matter to the next full Council meeting gives a chance to sort out some of these issues.

Councilor Sangiolo stated the if there were issues regarding constructive grant of approval because of the August 5th deadline, she and would be open to postponing the items for two weeks.

A motion to postpone the item to a date certain of Monday, July 11th was requested to replace recommitment. Councilor Sangiolo withdrew her motion and, on a voice vote, the six items were postponed to a date certain of July 11th.

The City Council voted without discussion 23 Yeas, 1 Absent (Councilor Lipof) to take the following actions:

Referred to Land Use Committee

Tuesday, June 14, 2016

- #145-16** **Special Permit Petition to increase the nonconforming use at 226-228 California St**
KTM PROPERTIES petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to EXTEND A NON CONFORMING STRUCTURE to construct a 45 sq. ft. bathroom addition to the first floor, further increasing the nonconforming residential structure at 226-228 California Street, Ward 1, Newton, on land known as SBL 11010 0015, containing approximately 6,863 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned BUSINESS 1. Ref: 7.3.3, 7.4, 4.4, 6.2.2, 7.8.2.C.2.
Public Hearing Closed; Land Use Approved 5-0 (Harney, Lipof not voting)
- #176-16** **Special Permit to extend a nonconforming three-story structure at 47 Lewis St.**
KATHERINE GRENZEBACK AND RONAN WOLFSDORF petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL and EXTENSION OF NON-CONFORMING USE by adding dormers to the attic at 47 Lewis Street, Ward 1, Newton, on land known as SBL 13002 0020, containing approximately 10,315 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned MULTI RESIDENCE 1. Ref: 7.3.3, 7.4, 1.5.4.D-F, 3.2.3, 7.8.2.C.2 of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2015.
Public Hearing Closed; Land Use Approved 6-0 (Harney not voting)
- #178-16** **Special Permit Petition further increase nonconforming FAR at 39 Hawthorne Ave**
JOHN B ARONE AND DANIEL A ARONE petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to EXTEND THE NONCONFORMING FAR to add a 227 sq. ft. addition over existing living space and construct a 672 sq. ft. detached garage at 39 Hawthorne Avenue, Ward 4, Auburndale, on land known as SBL 43034 0012, containing approximately 9,602 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 1. Ref 3.1.9, 7.8.2.C.2, 7.3.3, 7.4 of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2015.
Public Hearing Closed; Land Use Approved 7-0

Referred To Public Safety & Transportation Committee

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Referred to Public Safety & Transportation and Finance Committees

- #212-16** **Appropriation request for \$250,000 to fund police overtime costs**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) from Free Cash to the Police Department Overtime Account to fund additional FY 2016 overtime costs. [05/31/2016 @ 4:36 PM]
Finance Approved 7-0 on 06/13/16
Public Safety & Transportation Approved 5-0-1 (Fuller abstaining)

- #123-16 Request for Presentation of the “Complete Streets Policy and Prioritization Plan”**
PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE, requesting a presentation and discussion of the “Complete Streets Policy” and “Complete Streets Prioritization Plan” with the Department of Public Works and Planning Department. [03/25/16 @ 10:49 AM]
Public Safety & Transportation No Action Necessary 4-0 (Lipof and Fuller not voting)

Referred to Public Safety & Transportation and Finance Committees

- #64-16 Increase the number of Chief of Operation positions in the Fire Department**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, requesting a temporary increase in the number of Chief of Operations in the Fire Department from one to two Chief, as the current Assistant Chief of Operations is on extended sick leave, does not intend to return to his position, and his accrued time does not run out until August 2016. An Assistant Chief has been working as the acting Chief of Operations and the Fire Chief would like to permanently appoint him as the Chief of Operations before August 2016, as the acting Chief of Operations cannot attend bargaining sessions due to a possible conflict of interest should he return to a union position as Deputy Chief. [02/09/16 @ 2:47 PM]
Finance Voted No Action Necessary 7-0 on 06/13/16
Public Safety & Transportation No Action Necessary 4-0 (Lipof and Fuller not voting)

- #185-16 License renewal for Needham Shuttle Bus**
128 BUSINESS COUNCIL, request for triennial renewal of the Needham Shuttle Bus License. There are no changes proposed to last year’s license. [04/26/16 @ 4:14 PM]
Public Safety & Transportation Approved 6-0

Referred to Public Facilities Committee

Wednesday, June 8, 2016

- #161-16 Comcast petition for a Grant of Location for Washington Street**
COMCAST OF MASS petitioning for a grant of location to install 264’ ± of 3” pipe from Pole #864/2 on Lenglen Road, southeasterly 199’ ± across Washington Street thence turning easterly 65’ ± to 580 Washington St. (Ward 2) [04/21/16 @ 9:00 AM]
Public Facilities Approved 7-0
- #162-16 Verizon Petition for a Grant of Location for Upland Ave**
VERIZON NEW ENGLAND, INC. petitioning for a grant of location to install approximately 160’± of 1¼” conduit in Upland Avenue from an existing manhole (in front of #123) running 125’ northerly to a new 2’ x 3’ handhole in the grass strip in front of #128 Upland Avenue. (Ward 8) [04/20/16 @ 4:37 PM]
Public Facilities Approved 7-0

- #190-16 National Grid Petition for a Grant of Location in Wendell Road**
NATIONAL GRID petitioning for a grant of location to install approximately 210' ± of 4" conduit on Wendell Road from existing 12" gas main in Dedham Street northerly to house #126 for new gas service. (Ward 8) [04/27/16 @ 1:33 PM]
Public Facilities Approved 7-0
- #124-16 National Grid Grant of Location Petition for Old Farm Road**
NATIONAL GRID petitioning to install and maintain 200'± of 4" gas main in Old Farm Road from the existing 12" gas main in Brookline Street southerly to 12 Old Farm Road for a new gas service. (Ward 8) [03/22/16 @ 3:09 PM]
Public Facilities Approved 7-0
- #109-16B Verizon Grant of Location petition for wireless communication equipment**
CELLCO PARTNERSHIP d/b/a VERIZON WIRELESS petitioning for a grant of location to attach wireless communication equipment to existing utility poles at the following locations:
- Locations
- Grove Street (near corner of Grove and Washington Streets) at Pole #185/79
 Crafts Street (near 224 Crafts Street) at Pole # 108/30
Item was split into B1 (Grove Street) and B2 (Crafts Street)
Public Facilities Held B2 7-0.
Public Facilities Approved B1 7-0
- Referred to Public Facilities And Finance Committees**
- #213-16 Funding for design and site plan approval for the Cabot School Project**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, requesting authorization to appropriate four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) from bonded indebtedness for the purpose of funding the completion of the schematic design and site plan approval for the Cabot School Project. [06/06/16 @ 1:54 PM]
Finance Approved 7-0
Public Facilities Approved 6-0 (Gentile not voting)
- Referred to Finance Committee**
 Monday, June 13, 2016
- #164-16 Mayor's re-appointment of Edward Gourdeau as a Constable**
EDWARD W. GOURDEAU, JR., 94 Clearwater Road, Newton Lower Falls, re-appointed as a Constable for the City of Newton for a term of office to expire April 30, 2019. (60 days 6/30/16) [04/13/16 @ 3:55 PM]
Finance Approved 7-0

#112-16 Appropriation of mitigation funds for pedestrian and traffic improvements
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the following Mitigation Funds:

a. Village Café at 719 Washington Street	\$2,500
b. 258 Nevada Street at Linwood Street	\$1,500
c. Cherry Street at Washington Street	\$2,000
d. O'Hara's Restaurant, Newton Highlands	\$2,500
e. Rox Diner Parking & Pedestrian Improvements	\$2,500
f. Riverside, Old Jordan Marsh	\$16,045
g. Canton Circle LLC, 714-724 Beacon Street	\$10,000

Finance Approved as Amended 7-0 Line Item F for \$16,045 and amended the request to include \$34,463 designated for traffic improvements in Lower Falls from the Riverside, Old Jordan Marsh Mitigation Fund for a Total Request of \$50,508

#211-16 Transfer request for \$600,000 to fund retroactive pay for the firefighters' contract
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of six hundred thousand dollars (\$600,000) from Current year Wage Reserve to Fire Department Full-time Salaries to fund the FY 2015 and FY 2016 retroactive payments for the recently settled agreement between the City of Newton and Newton Firefighters Association, IAFF Local 863. [05/31/16 @ 4:35 PM]

Finance Approved as Amended 7-0 @ \$700,000

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#213-16 Funding for design and site plan approval for the Cabot School Project
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR, requesting authorization to appropriate four hundred thousand dollars (\$400,000) from bonded indebtedness for the purpose of funding the completion of the schematic design and site plan approval for the Cabot School Project. [06/06/16 @ 1:54 PM]

Public Facilities Approved 6-0 on 06/08/16

Finance Approved 7-0

Public Safety & Transportation and Finance Committee

#212-16 Appropriation request for \$250,000 to fund police overtime costs
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) from Free Cash to the Police Department Overtime Account to fund additional FY 2016 overtime costs.

Public Safety & Transportation Approved 5-0-1 (Fuller abstaining) on 06/08/16

Finance Approved 7-0

#189-16 Transfer from Wage Reserve for retroactive payments to AFSCME Local 2913 Members
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) from 2016 Wage Reserve to Traffic Safety Full-Time Salaries for the

purpose of funding the Fiscal Years 2015 and 2016 retroactive payments to the employees of AFSCME Local 2913 – Parking Control/Traffic Enforcement. [05/09/16 @ 4:59 PM]

Finance Approved 7-0

#210-16

Appropriation request for \$21,898 to pay telephone bills from prior fiscal years

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate twenty-one thousand eight hundred ninety-eight dollars (\$21,898) from Free Cash to the Fire Station Maintenance, Telephone Account to fund additional telephone costs. [05/31/16 @ 4:35 PM]

Note: *This request includes an authorization to pay an unpaid bill of a prior year from Verizon Communications, which requires a 2/3 majority vote by the City Council to be approved.*

Finance Approved 7-0

Referred to Public Safety & Transportation and Finance Committees

#64-16

Increase the number of Chief of Operation positions in the Fire Department

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting a temporary increase in the number of Chief of Operations in the Fire Department from one to two Chief, as the current Assistant Chief of Operations is on extended sick leave, does not intend to return to his position, and his accrued time does not run out until August 2016. An Assistant Chief has been working as the acting Chief of Operations and the Fire Chief would like to permanently appoint him as the Chief of Operations before August 2016, as the acting Chief of Operations cannot attend bargaining sessions due to a possible conflict of interest should he return to a union position as Deputy Chief. [02/09/16 @ 2:47 PM]

Public Safety & Transportation voted No Action Necessary 4-0 on 06/08/16

Finance Voted No Action Necessary 7-0

Motions to suspend the Rules to accept to the Docket and Refer to Committees the following five items were Approved by Voice Vote

The following item was filed after the close of the docket and required a Suspension of the Rules to be referred to Committee:

Referred to Zoning & Planning Committee

#230-16

Mayor's appoint. of Frederick D'Annolfo to Chestnut Hill Historic District Comm.

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Frederick 'Annolfo, 95 Suffolk Road, Chestnut Hill, as an member of the Chestnut Hill Historic District Commission for a term to expire July 15, 2019 (60 days 8/19/16) [06/20/16 @ 4:14 PM]

The following item was filed after the close of the docket and required a Suspension of the Rules to be referred to Committee:

Referred to Zoning & Planning Committee

- #231-16** **Mayor's appointment of Kennett Burnes to Chestnut Hill Historic District Comm.**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Kennett Burnes, 30 Kingsbury Road, Chestnut Hill, as an member of the Chestnut Hill Historic District Commission for a term to expire July 15, 2019 (60 days 8/19/16) [06/20/16 @ 4:14 PM]

The following item was filed after the close of the docket and required a Suspension of the Rules to be referred to Committee:

Referred to Zoning & Planning Committee

- #232-16** **Mayor's appointment of Susana Lannik to Chestnut Hill Historic District Comm.**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Susana Lannik, 25 Essex Road, Chestnut Hill, as an member of the Chestnut Hill Historic District Commission for a term to expire July 15, 2019 (60 days 8/19/16) [06/20/16 @ 4:14 PM]

The following item was filed after the close of the docket and required a Suspension of the Rules to be referred to Committee:

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

- #229-16** **Taking of a temporary construction easement for the Elliot St Bridge Project**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR recommending that the City Council acquire temporary construction easement through an eminent domain taking in the private lands of 393-396 and 404-406 Elliot Street, a distance of 135' ±, and award damages to be determined to Chatham Properties. [06-20-16 @11.26 AM]

The following item was filed after the close of the docket and requires a Suspension of the Rules to be referred to Committee:

Referred to Finance Committee

- #223-16** **Mayor's re-appointment of James A. Pellegrine as a Constable**
JAMES A. PELLEGRINE., 60 Clinton Street, Newton, re-appointed as a Constable for the City of Newton for a term of office to expire June 30, 2019. [06/15/16 @ 3:55 PM]

Public Hearings were assigned for the following Docket Items:

Public hearing assigned for July 26, 2016:

- #214-16** **Special Permit Petition to allow 3 story single family structure at 65 Oakmont Road**
CHRIS & SUSAN KIM petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to construct a second floor, creating a three-story structure due to the average grade of the property at 65 Oakmont Road, Ward 6, Newton, Centre, on land known as SBL 65012 0008, containing approximately 13, 301 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 3. Ref 3.1.3, 1.5.4.D-F, 7.3.3, 7.4 of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2015.

Public hearing assigned for July 26, 2016:

#215-16 **Special Permit Petition to construct parking stalls and retaining wall at Dunn Gaherin's**
SEANA GAHERIN petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to construct six parking stalls and retaining wall greater than four feet within the setback, waive security lighting and parking in a setback requirements at 342, 342A, 344-346 Elliot Street, Ward 5, Newton Upper Falls, on land known as SBL 51041 0010, 51041 0011, 51041 0012, containing approximately 9,676 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned BUSINESS 1. Ref: 7.3.3, 7.4, 5.1.8.A.1, 5.1.13, 5.1.10.A, 5.4.2.B of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2015.

Public hearing assigned for July 26, 2016:

#216-16 **Special Permit Petition to continue non-conforming use & FAR at 17-19 Pulsifer St**
NANCY BOLANIS petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to add rear sunrooms to first and second floor, exterior stair from third floor to grade, a one car garage at the rear, replace the front porch and add two parking stalls at 17-19 Pulsifer Street, Ward 2, Newtonville on land known as SBL 22018 0003, containing approximately 7,964 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 2. Ref: 7.3.3, 7.4, 3.4.1, 7.8.2.C.2, 3.1.9.A.2 of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2015.

Public hearing assigned for July 26, 2016:

#217-16 **Special Permit Petition to extend nonconforming two-family use at 50-52 Rowe Street**
NEW NEWTON, LLC./DANIEL SZETO petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to EXTEND NON NONCONFORMING USE by building a rear addition to existing building and construct a second two-family dwelling at 50-52 Rowe Street, Ward 4, Auburndale, on land known as SBL 44023 0006, containing approximately 19,321 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 3. Ref: 7.3.3, 7.4, 3.4, 7.8.2.C.2, 3.1.3, of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2015.

Public hearing assigned for July 26, 2016:

#218-16 **Special Permit Petition to allow 3 story structure and exceed FAR at 20 Ferncroft Rd**
MATT AND WENDY FEINER petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to add a second floor, creating a three-story structure due to the average grade of the property and increase the FAR to .45 where .40 is allowed at 20 Ferncroft Road, Ward 5, Waban, on land known as SBL 53008 0009, containing approximately 9,793 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 2. Ref: 7.3.3, 7.4, 1.5.4.D-F, 3.1.3, 3.1.9.A.2 of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2015.

Public hearing assigned for July 13, 2016:

#221-16 **Comcast petition for a Grant of Location for Washington Street**
EVERSOURCE petitioning for a grant of location to install a 30' ± of conduit in Court Street approximately 68' west of Beach street, easterly to pole #52/10, to provide service to 77 Court Street. (Ward 2) [06/13/2016 @ 8:53 AM]

The City Council voted without discussion 22 Yeas, 1 Nay (Councilor Lennon), 1 Absent (Councilor Lipof) to take the following action:

Referred to Zoning & Planning Committee

- #222-13(2) Zoning amendment to regulate front-facing garages in residential zones**
THE ZONING AND PLANNING COMMITTEE proposing to amend **Chapter 30**, City of Newton Zoning Ordinances, to regulate the dimensions and setbacks of front facing garages in residential zoning districts. [08/03/15 @ 10:15 AM]
Zoning & Planning Approved as Amended 6-0