



Finance Committee Report

City of Newton In City Council

May 9, 2022

Present: Councilors Kalis (Vice-Chair), Noel, Gentile, Humphrey, Oliver, Norton, and Malakie

Also Present: Councilor Albright and Bowman

Absent: Councilor Grossman

City staff present: Comptroller Steve Curley, Director of Health and Human Services Linda Walsh, CPA Program Manager Lara Kritzer, Commissioner of Public Buildings Josh Morse, Commissioner of Public Works Jim McGonagle, Assistant Manager of Financial Planning and Analyst Perry Rosenfield and Chief Operating Officer Jonathan Yeo

#287-22 **Acceptance of a \$114,682 grant from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting the authorization to accept, appropriate and expend the sum of one hundred fourteen thousand six hundred and eighty-two dollars (\$114,682) from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health to be used in the City's efforts to enhance the COVID-19 public health response

Action: **Finance Approved 7-0**

Note: Linda Walsh, Director of Health and Human Services presented the request to accept, appropriate and expend the sum of one hundred fourteen thousand six hundred and eighty-two dollars (\$114,682) from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health to be used in the City's efforts to enhance the COVID-19 public health response.

Ms. Walsh explained that they did know they would be receiving this grant in January and were able to plan for how they would spend it. The grant does need to be spent by June 30th. It will be spent on additional school nurses that have been needed throughout the year, paying overtime costs, and rapid covid tests.

Councilors asked the following question:

Q: Were there funds allocated for these needs if this grant was not awarded to the City and how did the City get around the non-supplantation clause?

A: Ms. Walsh explained that they hired an agency for temporary nurses and they did know they were receiving these funds since January. This allowed them to make a spending plan. The rapid tests are new due to exempted employees that need to take the test twice a week. Ms. Walsh explained that they have spent additional funds in these areas.

Councilor Oliver motioned to approve which passed unanimously.

#288-22 Acceptance of a \$17,500 grant from the Massachusetts Historical Commission

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting the authorization to accept, appropriate and expend the sum of seventeen thousand five hundred dollars (\$17,500) from the Massachusetts Historical Commission's FY22 Survey & Planning program

Action: Finance Approved 7-0

Note: Lara Kritizer, CPA Program Manager presented the request to accept, appropriate and expend a \$17,500 grant from the Massachusetts Historical Commission's FY22 Survey & Planning program. The funds will be used for a consultant who will look at architectural resources built between 1940 and 1972. There will be approximately 140 properties looked at through this project. She also noted this is an annually grant.

Councilor Noel motioned to approve which passed unanimously.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#270-22 Request for authorization to transfer \$171,490 for the Franklin School Boiler

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of one-hundred seventy-one thousand four hundred ninety dollars (\$171,490) from Acct#0110498-579000 Current Year Budget Reserve to a Public Building Project Account to fund the replacement of the Franklin School Boiler which is forty years old and operable but leaking.

Public Facilities Approved 6-0 on 04/27/22

Action: Finance Approved 5-0-2 (Councilors Norton and Humphrey abstaining)

Note: Josh Morse, Commissioner of Public Buildings presented the request to transfer \$171,490 to fund the replacement of the Franklin School Boiler which is forty years old and operable but leaking. Commissioner Morse explained that this boiler will not last until the larger project for Franklin is completed.

Councilors asked the following questions:

Q: Will there be any value to this boiler when the larger project is completed?

A: Commissioner Morse explained that the demolition contractor would salvage the boiler which would come off their cost.

Q: What is the plan to move away from fossil fuel boilers?

A: Commissioner Morse explained that they have been converting their new buildings to fully electric. The City is working on a phased approach for the current buildings. This is a significant investment which would not make sense for the Franklin School with the larger project approaching.

Q: Is either boiler operational?

A: Commissioner Morse explained that there is currently only one boiler which is failing.

Councilors made the following comments:

It was noted that this boiler is needed so that there is heat in this building in the upcoming winter.

Concerns were raised regarding making additional investment in fossil fuel infrastructure.

Councilor Gentile motioned to approve which passed 5-0-2 with Councilors Norton and Humphrey abstaining.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#271-22

Request for authorization to appropriate \$224,510 for Newton South boiler

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of two hundred twenty-four thousand five hundred ten dollars (\$224,510) from June 30, 2021, Certified Free Cash to fund the replacement of an inoperable boiler at Newton South High School.

Public Facilities Approved 6-0 on 04/27/22

Action:

Finance Approved 5-0-2 (Councilors Norton and Humphrey abstaining)

Note: Josh Morse, Commissioner of Public Buildings presented the request to appropriate and expend \$224,510 to fund the replacement of an inoperable boiler at Newton South High School. Commissioner Morse explained that the Newton South High School requires two boilers to keep the space temperature maintained. One of the boilers is operable and the other one failed, which forced the school to bring in a temporary boiler which is less efficient and more expensive. At this stage it would cost approximately \$25 to \$30 million to make this building fully electric. Commissioner Morse explained that the hope is that the technology will move forward to help with retro fitting these buildings. He also explained that they will continue to study this.

Councilor Gentile motioned to approved which passed 5-0-2 with Councilors Norton and Humphrey abstaining.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#292-22

Appropriation of \$1,500,000 for Transportation Network Improvement Program

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) from June 30, 2021, Certified Free Cash for the Transportation Network Improvement Program to continue making progress on the City's roads, bike lanes, sidewalks and traffic calming efforts across the City.

Public Facilities Approved 6-0 (Councilor Kalis not voting) on 05/04/22

Action:

Finance Approved 5-0-1 (Councilor Oliver abstaining)

Note: Jim McGonagle, Commissioner of Public Works presented the request to appropriate \$1.5 million to be able to bid and award the road construction work for FY23. This will allow the department to mill and pave the roads identified in the program and some of the maintenance overlays.

Councilors asked the following questions:

Q: How much of the funds will be spent on paving and traffic calming?

A: Commissioner McGonagle explained that the whole Transportation Network Improvement Program is budgeted for \$9.5 million. There will be \$350,000 spent on traffic calming and paving will make up \$5 to \$6 million of it. This will also include sidewalks on streets that will be mill and overlaid. The \$9.5 million includes the funds that are being requested. There are additional traffic calming expenditures spent on ongoing special projects. There are also grant opportunities for traffic calming.

Q: What is the status of the speed tables that will be added to Grant Ave?

A: Commissioner McGonagle explained that they will be added this spring.

Q: Is there an updated version of the map and road segments that are being rehabilitated?

A: Commissioner McGonagle explained that this can be found on the City's website.

Q: Can Free Cash be used by any department?

A: Steve Curley, Comptroller explained that it can be used by any department but is not typically used to supplement a department's operational budget. They are used for projects like road improvements.

A councilor raised concerned about the funds being more useful for other aspects of the budget.

Councilor Gentile motioned to approved which passed 6-0-1 with Councilor Oliver abstaining.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#294-22

Appropriate \$3,200,000 for water main improvements in FY23

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of three million two hundred thousand dollars (\$3,200,000) and authorize a general obligation borrowing of an equal amount for water main improvements in FY23 as part of the City's Water Capital Improvement Plan and authorization to apply any premium received upon the sale of the bonds or notes, less the cost of preparing, issuing, and marketing them, and any accrued interest received upon the delivery of the bonds or notes to the costs of the project and to reduce the amount authorized to be borrowed for the project by like amount.

Public Facilities Approved 7-0 on 05/04/22

Action:

Finance Approved 7-0

Note: Jim McGonagle, Commissioner of Public Works presented the request to bond \$3.2 million for water main improvements in FY23 as part of the City's Water Capital Improvement Plan. Commissioner McGonagle explained this will allow the department to clean, line or replace three miles of water main. The streets are listed in the attached back-up. He also noted that \$2.1 million of the overall project is a part of the MWRA's non-interest loan.

It was questioned if the purchasing of the water meters followed the law regarding the bid process. Commissioner McGonagle explained that they did this through a cooperative contract. Additionally, it was questioned how the residents would be notified. Commissioner McGonagle noted that they flyer the residents and mail notices. They also work with the construction coordinator on larger projects to communicate with the residents. This work is also coordinated with the utilities.

Councilor Norton motioned to approve which passed unanimously.

Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#291-22 Appropriation of \$500,000 to fund the design of the pilot program for Washington Street ~~from Lowell Ave to Newton Corner~~

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,00) from June 30, 2021 Certified Free Cash, derived from Host Community Agreement Funds, to fund the design of the pilot program/interim solution for Washington Street ~~from Lowell Ave to Newton Corner~~.

Public Facilities Approved as Amended 5-0-2 (Councilors Kelley and Gentile abstaining) on 05/04/22

Action: **Finance Approved as Amended 7-0**

Note: Nicole Freedman, Director of Transportation Planning presented the request to appropriate \$500,000 to fund the design of the pilot program for Washington Street.

Councilors asked the following questions:

Q: Is there a commitment that there will be a working group that will include Ward 2 and 3 councilors?

A: Jonathan Yeo, Chief Operating Officer explained that he has been in contact with the President of the Council who is committed to choosing 2 councilors to be a part of this working group.

Q: Has there been a bid process here and why were these costs not covered in the Washington Street Vision Plan?

A: Ms. Freedman explained that they did issue an RFQ which focuses on the design consultant that has the best qualifications. Once a consultant has been chosen they will create a design plan for the pilot, which was not a part of the vision plan.

Q: What will the pilot look like?

A: Ms. Freedman explained that they will work this out with the design consultant. The goal is to show the most important part of the pilot which are a travel lane in each direction plus a turning lane. They will also be using temporary materials used beautification.

Q: Will the temporary materials be removed in the winter?

A: Ms. Freedman explained that they will work with Jim McGonagle, Commissioner of Public Works on this issue. The plan is to make this an all-year trial.

Q: What are the traffic studies that have been done?

A: Ms. Freedman explained that they do have this data that will be submitted to the design consultant.

It was noted that the Public Facilities Committee amended the item to strike from Lowell Ave to Newton Corner at the attached request of the administration. This is to allow for the pilot design to be more flexible.

Councilors also discussed a separate docket item to discuss the Host Community Agreement Funds.

Councilor Gentile made a motion to amend to strike from Lowell Ave to Newton Corner which passed unanimously.

Councilor Gentile made the motion to approve as amended which passed unanimously.

Referred to Programs & Services and Finance Committees

#244-22 Resolution on the Fair Share Amendment

COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT, RYAN, DOWNS, DANBERG, LIPOF, GREENBERG, BOWMAN, AND CROSSLEY a resolution asking the City Council to support the Fair Share Amendment which will be on the November Ballot.

Programs & Services Approved 7-0 on 05/04/22

Action: Finance Approved 4-0-2 (Councilors Oliver and Malakie abstaining and Councilor Gentile not voting)

Note: President Albright joined the committee to discuss a resolution asking the City Council to support the Fair Share Amendment which will be on the November Ballot. She explained that everyone in Massachusetts pays the same flat tax regardless of what you earn which means that the top 1% are paying far less of their income as a proportion than anybody else. There are six cities so far who have approved this resolution. The proposal is to add 4% of what you earn over \$1,000,000 which can help with a number of different city projects. If the cost-of-living changes there is a way to change the percentage. President Albright noted that she has been working with the Law Department because the Office of Campaign and Political Finance allows for this resolution but city resources can not be

used to support it. The Law Department will also be providing guidance if the full City Council approves this.

It was noted that these could be moved to the general fund which will still increase the budget for a number of projects.

A councilor raised concerns regarding expressing support for a ballot question. It was noted that due to the financial crisis this resolution is in order to be able to help prevent an override and make for a more effective City Council with additional funds to allocate. There are a number of the programs that the City could use those funds on now

Councilor Humphrey motioned to approve which passed 4-0-2 with Councilors Oliver and Malakie abstaining and Councilor Gentile not voting.

The Committee adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

David Kalis, Vice-Chair



RUTHANNE FULLER
MAYOR

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April 25, 2022

Honorable City Council
Newton City Hall
1000 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton Centre, MA 02459

Councilors:

I respectfully submit a docket item to your Honorable Council requesting the authorization to accept, appropriate and expend the amount of \$114,682. These funds are the 2022 local public health support grant from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health to be used in our efforts to enhance the COVID-19 public health response.

Allowable uses of this funding are for FY22 only and include:

- Case investigation and contact tracing,
- Vaccination efforts, and
- Testing efforts

Funds must be expended by June 30, 2022 and shall not supplant existing municipal appropriations.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Ruthanne Fuller

Ruthanne Fuller
Mayor

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NEWTON, MA. 02459

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HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Linda Walsh, Commissioner

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Newton, MA 02459-1544

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TTY/TTD 617-796-1089

TTY/TRS 711

April 25, 2022

Dear Mayor Fuller,

Please accept the 2022 local public health support grant, in the amount of \$114,682.00, to the City of Newton from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health to be used in our efforts to enhance the COVID-19 public health response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Walsh".

Linda Walsh

Attachment: 2022 Local Public Health Support Grant

2022 Local Public Health Support
AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE
MASSACHUSETTS HEALTH OFFICERS ASSOCIATION, INCORPORATED
AND
THE CITY/TOWN LISTED BELOW
FOR THE DISBURSEMENT AND USE OF

The Massachusetts Health Officers Association, Incorporated ("MHOA"), a Massachusetts nonprofit corporation and 501(c)(3) public charity located at 3 King Phillip Path, Hingham, Massachusetts 02043, has been selected by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Department of Public Health (DPH) to disperse state funds in order to assist Cities and Towns ("City/Town") in their efforts to enhance COVID-19 public health response.

Under its terms, MHOA will disburse a payment of \$114,682.00 to the City of Newton for its use in responding to COVID-19. This will be done via check as soon as possible after the execution of this Agreement and pending the receipt of funds to MHOA from DPH. If further funds are distributed by the Commonwealth through MHOA to Cities/Towns in the future to the City of Newton, if any, shall be governed by this agreement.

The City/Town shall use this funding to enhance its COVID-19 public health response.

Allowable uses of this funding are for FY22 only and include:

- Case investigation and contact tracing
- Vaccination efforts
- Testing efforts

Funds must be expended by June 30, 2022 and shall not supplant existing municipal appropriations.

The City/Town is wholly responsible for applying funds received and documenting the use of said funds for purposes as determined by DPH and stated above. City/Town will keep accurate and detailed records as to how the funding is deployed and will submit documentation of expenditures to MHOA using a template MHOA will provide.

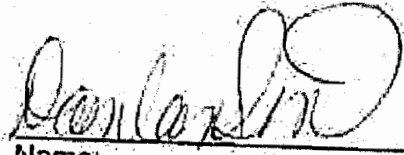
The City/Town is solely responsible for reporting the use of said funds to any authorized party seeking such information. The City/Town indemnifies and holds MHOA harmless from any obligations the City/Town undertakes in connection with funding hereunder, and any breach of said obligations. MHOA can at any time seek information regarding the use of said funding from the City/Town, which will be provided as soon as reasonably practicable. MHOA is not responsible for the accuracy or completeness of any records produced by City/Town that it obtains. If the City/Town engages in conduct jeopardizing MHOA's legal or tax-exempt status, MHOA retains the right to withhold, withdraw, or demand immediate return or repayment of the funds as DPH or the Commonwealth may direct.

This letter constitutes the entire agreement between MHOA and the City of Newton and may be executed in multiple counterparts. Any and all amendments to these terms shall only be effective upon the written agreement of MHOA and the City/Town.

This Agreement is hereby signed by a duly authorized officer of MHOA and a binding authority of the City/Town and effective as of the date last written below.

Linda Walsh
Digitally signed by Linda Walsh
Date: 2022.04.21 11:32:38
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Binding Authority
City of Newton

Date: 4/21/22


Name: Alexandre Pirech
Title: duly authorized

MHOA:
Date: 4/21/2022



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RUTHANNE FULLER
 MAYOR

April 25, 2022

Honorable City Council
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 Newton Centre, MA 02459

Councilors:

I respectfully submit a docket item to your Honorable Council requesting the authorization to accept and expend a grant of \$17,500 from the Massachusetts Historical Commission's FY22 Survey & Planning program.

The grant will fund the Newton Architectural Survey 1946-1971. Including an approved \$17,500 match from CPA funds, the total project cost will be \$35,000.

The monies will be used to hire consultants to research and document approximately 140 historic buildings that are between 50 and 75 years old (built between 1946 and 1971.) Buildings in this date range are under-surveyed, and, given recent City Council discussions about changing the demolition delay age trigger from 50 years to 75 years, it is important to understand and document the significance of these resources.

Attached are the Full Grant Application and the MHC Award Letter. Also attached is a memo from Senior Preservation Planner Barbara Kurze with further details on the project.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Ruthanne Fuller

Ruthanne Fuller
 Mayor

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Barney S. Heath
Director

STAFF MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 22, 2022

TO: Mayor Ruthanne Fuller

FROM: Barbara Kurze, Senior Preservation Planner

CC: Valerie Birmingham, Chief Preservation Planner
Jennifer Caira, Deputy Director of Planning
Barney Heath, Director of Planning
Lara Kritzer, Community Preservation Program Manager

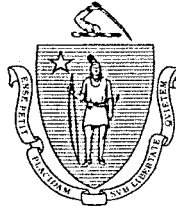
SUBJECT: Request to Docket the Acceptance and Expenditure of the Massachusetts Historical Commission FY22 Survey & Planning Matching Grant

Historic Preservation Staff is requesting that the authorization to accept and expend a matching grant from the Massachusetts Historical Commission by docketed.

The seventeen thousand five hundred dollar (\$17,500) matching grant from the Massachusetts Historical Commission Survey & Planning FY22 grant program will fund the Newton Architectural Survey 1946-1971. The seventeen thousand five hundred dollar (\$17,500) match from CPA funds has been approved; in total the grant project is thirty-five thousand dollars (\$35,000.)

The monies will be used to hire consultants to research and document approximately 140 historic buildings that are between 50 and 75 years old (built between 1946 and 1971.) Buildings in this date range are under-surveyed, and, given recent City Council discussions about changing the demolition delay age trigger from 50 years to 75 years, it is important to understand and document the significance of these resources. The City's match would come from CPA funding.

Attached are the Full Grant Application and the Award Letter.



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
 William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth
 Massachusetts Historical Commission

March 11, 2022

Barbara Kurze
 City of Newton Planning Department
 1000 Commonwealth Ave.
 Newton, MA 02459

RE: FY 2022 MHC Survey and Planning Grant Award

Dear Ms. Kurze:

I am pleased to inform you that your proposed project has been selected for an allocation of \$17,500 from the Massachusetts Historical Commission's FY 2022 Survey and Planning Grant Program. This award will support the Newton Architectural Survey 1946-1971 project.

Please keep in mind that project work can begin only after the MHC executes a contract with you that specifies the scope of grant-assisted work and defines responsibilities and deadlines under applicable laws and regulations.

Please respond in writing to Michael Steinitz, MHC Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, no later than Friday, April 15th with your intention to accept the grant allocation.

MHC will contact all Local Project Coordinators in April, and will schedule a Coordinators meeting by Zoom in May to review the provisions and requirements of the grant contract, to discuss your work program, and to discuss consultant procurement procedures. Attendance at this meeting is mandatory for all Local Project Coordinators as a condition of the grant. A Local Project Coordinators Manual will be forwarded to you separately.

The MHC looks forward to working with you toward the successful completion of your project. Please contact Michael Steinitz at MHC with any questions regarding the grant program or this award. We sincerely hope that this grant allocation will help you achieve your preservation goals.

Sincerely,

Brona Simon
 Executive Director
 State Historic Preservation Officer
 Massachusetts Historical Commission

ATTACHMENT A

FISCAL YEAR 2022
SURVEY AND PLANNING GRANT - FULL APPLICATION

COVER SHEET FOR APPLICATION PROPOSAL
DEADLINE – MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2022

- 1. Project Title: Newton Architectural Survey 1946 to 1971
- 2. Project Type: Communitywide Survey
- 3. Community/Communities: Newton
- 4. Local Project Coordinator: Barbara Kurze

Address: City of Newton, Planning & Development Department
 1000 Commonwealth Avenue
 Newton, MA 02459
 Phone: 617-796-1129
 Fax: 617-796-1086
 E-mail: bkurze@newtonma.gov

5. Amount of Funding Requested:	\$	<u>17,500.00</u>
Local Share:	\$	<u>17,500.00</u>
Total Project Cost:	\$	<u>35,000.00</u>

6. Attachments: (Please check as completed)

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|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Work Program | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Matching Share Information (Attachment C) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Narrative Statement | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Assurances and Certification (Attachment B) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Budget (Attachment D) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Debarment Certification (Attachment E) |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local Historical Commission Comment
(If Applicable) |

7. Authorized Applicant Signature:

Ruthanne Fuller
 (Signature)

Ruthanne Fuller
 (Name -- please print)

Mayor 2/7/2022
 (Title) (Date)

ATTACHMENT B**ASSURANCES & CERTIFICATIONS**

If selected for funding, the City of Newton Planning & Development Department (hereinafter the "Applicant") agrees to comply with the following (where applicable) and with all other guidelines, which will be outlined by the Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC) in the Funding Agreement:

- a) Applicant is willing to have the necessary and agreed upon surveys, nominations, plans, drawings, studies, and reports (archaeological, engineering, historical, etc.) professionally prepared as required by the MHC and subject to approval by the MHC.
- b) Applicant's project manager agrees to attend a grant orientation meeting.
- c) Applicant will conduct contract and procurement (bidding) actions in a manner that provides for maximum open and free competition in compliance with the Title 2, Part 200 of the Code of Federal Regulations (2 CFR 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards), the Historic Preservation Fund Grant Manual, and the State Procurement Code.
- d) Applicant agrees that the MHC will be involved in the consultant selection process. The MHC reserves the right to review all proposals, to make recommendations concerning consultant selection, and to approve consultant selection.
- e) Applicant agrees to arrange a meeting with the consultant(s) and MHC staff following hiring of consultant and prior to beginning of project work. Applicant also agrees to attend periodic meetings as needed concerning the project's progress.
- f) Applicant agrees that all work conducted under the project will be carried out in accordance with the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Treatment of Historic Properties. Contact MHC staff for a copy.
- g) Applicant agrees to sign a Funding Agreement with the MHC and to follow all state and federal regulations pertaining to this grant program.
- h) Applicant understands that the Funding Agreement will specify a schedule and due dates for specific products. The grant amount may be reduced if a product required in the Funding Agreement is submitted after an agreed upon due date.
- i) Applicant certifies that the matching cash share, if required, is available to meet the non-federal share of the costs of the project and that federal monies will not be used for match. (Under federal law, Indian Self Determination and Education Assistance Act funds to tribal organizations and Community Development Block Grant funds are allowable for match.)
- j) Applicant agrees to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) and all requirements imposed by or pursuant to Department of Interior regulation 43CRF17.
- k) Applicant agrees to comply with Executive Order 12432, "Minority Business Enterprise Development," to encourage greater economic opportunity for minority entrepreneurs.
- l) Applicant agrees to comply with the provisions of 18 USC 1913, which prohibits lobbying with appropriated funds. Certification and disclosure is required by 43 CFR 18 and 31 USC 1352.
- m) Applicant agrees to comply with Executive Order 12549, and with 43 CFR Part 12, which prohibits contracts with suspended and debarred persons or businesses.

- n) Applicant agrees that work for which reimbursement is expected will not begin until MHC issues its approval.
- o) Applicant agrees to comply with Title 2, Part 200 of the Code of Federal Regulations (2 CFR 200).
- p) Applicant agrees that, if applicable, as required by the National Park Service, a covenant agreement will be executed at the end of the project, to be recorded with the property deed, requiring that the owner receive prior review and approval from the MHC before any subsequent repairs or alterations are made to the building (covenant agreements last 10 to 20 years, depending on dollar amount of grant).
- q) Intellectual property – NPS has royalty-free right to republish any materials produced under this grant. Notice of rights in data; the NPS may publish, reuse, etc. data, including architectural plans & specifications. Data produced will be made available to NPS including the data relied upon, the analysis relied upon, and the methodology used to gather and analyze the data.
- r) Applicant agrees to comply with Trafficking Victims Protections Act of 2000, as amended (2 CFR 175.15).
- s) Substance of Whistleblower Rights clause incorporated in sub-awards over the simplified acquisition threshold (\$250,000).
- t) Unless exempt, the applicant will comply with Reporting Sub-awards and Executive Compensation (2 CFR 170).
- u) Applicant will disclose any conflict of interest to the MHC in accordance with 2 CFR 200.112.
- v) Applicant will comply with Executive Order 13658 "Establishing a Minimum Wage for Contractors" clause incorporated in sub-awards subject to the Service Contract Labor Standards statute or the Wage Rate Requirements (Construction) statute.
- w) Applicant will comply with Executive Order 113858 "Strengthening Buy-American Preferences for Infrastructure Projects".
- x) Applicant will create public notification of the project in the form of a project sign, website posting, and proper credit for announcements and publications as appropriate. Signage/notification will be submitted for approval by NPS in advance.

The Applicant's signature below (use only the applicable signature area) certifies acceptance of all the above conditions. Unsigned applications will not be considered.

Applicants will also be expected to demonstrate a satisfactory record of integrity, sound judgment, and satisfactory prior performance on grants and contracts. Applicants are expected to have adequate accounting and auditing procedures.

To the best of my knowledge, this application constitutes a legitimate grant request and contains correct and accurate information. I understand that I may not proceed with any work for which reimbursement is expected until I have first been notified in writing (1) that my project has been selected to receive a grant, (2) that the project application has been approved by the U.S. Department of the Interior, National Park Service, and (3) that a funding agreement has been signed, and (4) that the MHC approves the beginning of work.

SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZING OFFICIAL (Original copy must have an original signature and be in ink.)

2/7/2022
DATE

Ruthanne Fuller
APPLICANT-RECIPIENT SIGNATURE

Ruthanne Fuller, Mayor
TITLE

ATTACHMENT C

MATCHING SHARE INFORMATION

1. Cash

Donor: City of Newton

Source: CPA funding

Amount: \$ 17,500

2. In-Kind Services (if applicable)

Donor: NA

Source: _____

Amount: \$ _____

I certify that the matching share identified above is available and will be allocated to the survey and planning project called:

Newton Architectural Survey 1946 to 1971
(Name of Project)

Ruthanne Fuller
(Signature)

Ruthanne Fuller
(Name -- please print)

Mayor _____ (Date)

ATTACHEMENT DBUDGET

	MATCHING (LOCAL) SHARE	FEDERAL SHARE	TOTAL
1. Consultant Services Title/Function Rate per Hour # of Hours or Total Dollars Estimated	\$17,500	\$17,500	\$35,000
2. Personnel - In-Kind (paid) Title/Function Annual Salary % Time to Project			
3. Travel - Rate per Mile _____ # Miles _____			
4. Supplies - (list each item or category)			
5. Other			
TOTAL PROJECT COST	\$17,500	\$17,500	\$35,000

ATTACHMENT E

**Certification Regarding
Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and
Voluntary Exclusion**

Lower Tier Covered Transactions

This certification is required by the regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, **Debarment and Suspension**, 43 CFR Part 12, Section 12.510, Participants' responsibilities. The regulations were published as Part VII of the May 26, 1988 Federal Register (pages 19160-19211). Copies of the regulations are included in the proposal package. For further assistance in obtaining a copy of the regulations, contact the U.S. Department of the Interior, Acquisition and Assistance Division, Office of Acquisition and Property Management, 18th and C Streets, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20240.

(BEFORE COMPLETING CERTIFICATION, READ INSTRUCTIONS ON REVERSE)

(1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.

(2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Ruthanne Fuller, Mayor

Name and Title of Authorized Representative

Ruthanne Fuller

Signature

2/7/2022

Date

DI-1954

(9/88)

Instructions for Certification

1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out below.
2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to whom this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
4. The terms "covered transaction," "debarred," "suspended," "ineligible," "lower tier covered transaction," "participant," "person," "primary covered transaction," "principal," "proposal," and "voluntarily excluded," as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the person to which this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations (13 CFR Part 145).
5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this proposal that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this proposal that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transaction," without modification, in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification of a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction that it is not debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List.
8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
9. Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

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PART II - WORK PROGRAM

INTRODUCTION

The City of Newton's Planning & Development Department is seeking funding from the Fiscal Year 2022 Survey and Planning Grant program to continue its efforts to expand and update the City's community-wide survey resources. In accordance with the selection criteria listed in the FY 2020 funding guidelines, the City of Newton's Preservation Planners propose to focus this year's efforts on a survey of approximately 140 properties that are between 50 and 75 years old (built between 1946 and 1971) and to focus on historic properties and neighborhoods that are vulnerable to demolition. The City Council has recently started discussing changing the demolition delay age trigger from 50 to 75 years and Newton's Planning & Development Department has committed to begin examining the significance of buildings constructed between 1946 and 1971 that have not yet been surveyed. Buildings in the proposed date range are under-surveyed and under increasing threat of demolition; it is important to understand and document the significance of these resources.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The purpose of this project is to start a multi-phase survey of the architectural resources that are between 50 and 75 years old that have not yet been surveyed. This project proposes to document approximately 140 properties and to focus on residential property; however, we plan to identify approximately 10 to 15 commercial, institutional, or religious buildings which are also under-surveyed, and we might identify properties eligible for future CPA funding. This application includes a preliminary target list of areas and neighborhoods with multiple properties and groupings of buildings that still have most of their integrity, as well as some individual properties that appear to be significant. This survey effort will follow standard MHC methodology as well as the specific recommendations of the Preservation Planners regarding property selection. This project will be structured to provide professional cultural and architectural resource survey expertise to the community. Specific project goals are as follows:

- 1) To conduct a community-wide survey to assess and document approximately 140 selected cultural and architectural resources built between 1946 and 1971, following Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC) survey standards and methodology.
- 2) To identify contexts for National Register evaluation and to apply the National Register criteria to all resources identified in the survey;
- 3) To submit to MHC a list of individual properties and/or districts that are recommended for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places.

METHODOLOGY

The Analytical Framework:

This community-wide survey project will incorporate MHC criteria and methodology, to current standards. (See MHC's *Historic Properties Survey Manual: Guidelines for the Identification of Historic and Archaeological Resources in Massachusetts* (1992), *Survey Technical Bulletin #1* (1993), *MHC Interim Survey Guidelines* (March 1999, et seq.), *MHC Interim Guidelines for Inventory Form Photographs* (2009), and *Technical Guidelines for Electronic Files in MHC S&P Surveys* (2020). Both

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MHC survey guidelines and the tasks and products of the survey Scope of Work meet the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards and Guidelines for Identification* (1983).

The MHC criteria for conducting a community-wide survey are designed to identify the full range of cultural resources. Cultural resources are the physical elements in the landscape that remain from historical patterns of human activity. Many components of a community's historical development are associated with the location and type of surviving cultural resources, and the *Newton Architectural Survey 1946 to 1971* will therefore relate cultural resources to historic patterns of architectural development, land use, economic development, social and demographic history, and events that had an impact on these areas and neighborhoods in Newton. The community-wide survey will recognize ethnic and cultural diversity within the community, and seek to identify cultural resources associated with the history of the minority social and cultural groups and individuals that have played a role in Newton's history.

The *MHC Reconnaissance Survey Town Report* for Newton and the corresponding MHC Reconnaissance Survey Regional Report, and existing survey forms and National Register nominations within the target areas that are on file with the MHC will provide a preliminary framework and base of information for this analysis. Individual forms and area forms will expand upon the information in the *Town Report* and will relate inventoried properties to the significant themes in the historical development of Newton.

Phase Meetings:

The project consists of four phases. Project personnel, both the consultant and the project coordinator, will participate with MHC staff in conference calls or online meetings to review project progress and products at the end of each phase. Work to be carried out during each phase and products due at the end of each phase, are described below.

The Inventory:

The *Newton Architectural Survey 1946 to 1971* will consider the full range of cultural resources available in each area or neighborhood in terms of theme, property type, architectural form and style, and geographic distribution. Significant themes of historical and architectural development will be identified, and resources will be related to these themes.

The survey will identify buildings and structures that are architecturally and historically significant in the history and development of the areas or neighborhoods. The survey will include both representative and outstanding examples of the building forms, types, and styles present in the areas or neighborhoods. The survey will also identify 10 to 15 commercial, institutional, or religious buildings that are significant in the history and development of Newton.

MHC individual property and area inventory forms, maps and National Register recommendations will be completed and submitted to MHC in accordance with the survey guidelines set forth in the MHC's *Historic Properties Survey Manual: Guidelines for the Identification of Historic and Archaeological Resources in Massachusetts* (1992) and *Survey Technical Bulletin #1* (1993), *MHC Interim Survey Guidelines* (March 1999 et seq.), and *MHC Interim Guidelines for Inventory Form Photographs* (2009), *Technical Guidelines for Electronic Files in MHC S&P Surveys* (2020), as well as the Secretary of the Interior's *Standards and Guidelines for Identification* (1983, copies available from the MHC). These publications and memoranda are all incorporated into this contract by reference. The work to be carried out during each phase, and products due at the end of each phase, are described on the following pages.

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SCOPE OF WORK

Phase I (6 weeks)

Tasks:

- (Start-up meeting) City of Newton Preservation Planners and MHC staff to discuss the scope and inventory methodology of the project and to assess the available online documentary materials and other collections accessible by consultants ((City of Newton files, local and regional libraries and archive collections, etc.); Select maps, including a working map and large-scale base map (assessor's parcel map is preferred), to identify inventoried areas and properties;
- Determine availability of electronic mapping and parcel data and of Newton GIS data suitable for use in the project;
- Review existing inventory forms on file at both the City of Newton and at the MHC;
- Conduct initial research and reconnaissance survey to verify the types and geographical distribution of cultural resources, and to develop criteria for selecting properties to be extensively researched in the survey.
- Discuss with the City of Newton Preservation Planners and MHC staff to review the products of Phase I and discuss outstanding issues related to the selection of properties in Phase II.

Products:

- Working maps and large scale base map(s) to be used to identify inventoried properties
- Methodology statement, specifying:
 1. Survey objectives;
 2. Criteria for selecting properties for survey;
 3. Procedures to be followed in the survey and forms of products to be created;
 4. Expectations about the kind, location, and character of historic properties to be recorded;
 5. An assessment of existing documentation;
 6. A brief description of the amount and kinds of information to be gathered about the properties;
 7. Bibliography, including identification of web-based resources to be used in the project.

Phase I will be completed by Friday, October 28, 2022

Phase II (8 weeks)

Tasks:

- Conduct continued architectural assessments and documentary research to identify important historic themes, events, and persons for the survey target areas, with particular attention to substantially synthesizing and supplementing the information already available. Research collections, should include relevant local, regional and state library and archive collections, as well as web-based research sites.
- Apply selection criteria and prepare list of specific properties to be surveyed.
- Complete representative draft inventory forms for different property types.
- Discuss with the City of Newton Preservation Planners and MHC staff to review property lists and draft forms.

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Products:

- List of properties to be surveyed, arranged alphabetically by street address
- Representative draft inventory forms, to be submitted in both hard copy and MS Word format.

Phase II will be completed by Friday, December 23, 2022

Phase III (20 weeks)

Tasks:

- Conduct intensive research of properties selected for inventory
- Identify contexts for National Register evaluation and apply National Register criteria to inventoried areas and resources;
- Prepare draft list of all areas and resources recommended for National Register nomination;
- Prepare inventory forms with photographs and property location maps. Forms for any surveyed properties listed in the State Register of Historic Places must be marked at top front with appropriate designation code and date.
- Submit draft inventory forms with photographs, draft National Register contexts, and National Register recommendation to MHC and the City of Newton Preservation Planners for review and comment (comments to be incorporated during Phase IV).
- In consultation with the City of Newton Preservation Planners, MHC survey and MACRIS staff, develop lettering and numbering system for inventoried properties.
- Discuss with the City of Newton Preservation Planners and MHC staff to review the draft survey forms and National Register nomination recommendations.

Products:

- Unnumbered complete draft inventory forms for approximately 140 properties with photos and locus maps for all areas, buildings, sites, structures, and parks/landscapes. (This information may optionally be submitted in electronic form only for this project phase [CD or DVD].)
- Draft discussion of National Register contexts and list of all areas and resources recommended for National Register nomination

Phase III will be completed by Friday, May 12, 2023

Phase IV (7 weeks)

Tasks:

- Add inventory letters/numbers to forms, if these were not added in Phase III.
- Name MS Word files to conform to MHC file-naming convention.
- Complete National Register Recommendation statements to be attached to appropriate inventory forms.
- Prepare base map(s) identifying inventoried properties.
- Prepare street index of inventoried areas and properties.

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Products:

- Hard-copy numbered MHC inventory forms for approximately 140 properties (two sets with original photographic prints: one for MHC and one for the City of Newton. Inventory forms must be printed single-sided on 24 lb. bond paper of at least 25% cotton fiber content. Photographs must be 3½" x 5½" or 4" x 6" digitally produced ink jet prints using MHC approved printer/paper/ink combinations that produce prints with a minimum 75-year permanence rating. (The paper inventory forms should incorporate the electronic version photograph(s) in addition to an attached photographic print. Only one archivally-permanent paper print, of the primary view, is required for most inventory forms, clipped - not stapled - to each form.)
 - Large-scale base map(s) with all inventoried areas and properties identified by inventory number (two sets: one for MHC and one for the City of Newton).
 - Survey Final Report (four *paginated, unbound, single-sided* copies (two for MHC, two for the City of Newton) which will include the following sections:
 1. Abstract;
 2. Methodology statement, including survey objectives, assessment of previous research, selection criteria, procedures followed in the survey, description of products and accomplishments and an explanation of how results of survey differed from those expectations;
 3. Street index of inventoried properties. Areas will be listed separately at the beginning, arranged alphabetically by area name. Individually inventoried properties follow, arranged alphabetically by street name. Property name (if any) and inventory number also will be included on this list;
 4. Final discussion of National Register contexts and list of recommendations for areas and properties to be nominated to the National Register of Historic Places
 5. Further study recommendations; and
 6. Bibliography.
 - CD containing a MS Word file for each inventory form. Each Word file should conform to MHC file naming convention, and incorporate photograph(s) and map(s). The CD should also include an MS Word version of the final survey report.
 - A separate CD containing high-resolution TIF or JPG images for surveyed properties, identified by street address or MACRIS number, following MHC file naming convention for photographic images. Digital images must be a minimum of 1.0 megapixels in resolution.
- ** The Survey Final Report must identify the community repository and/or municipal office(s) where completed survey documentation (inventory forms, base maps and final report) will be made available to the public.

Phase IV will be completed and submitted to the MHC and LHC by Friday, June 30, 2023

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PART III – NARRATIVE STATEMENT

The City of Newton's Certified Local Government Program, through the Planning & Development Department, seeks Fiscal Year 2022 Survey and Planning Grant funds to continue its local preservation planning efforts. Newton has long been a popular residential community, and the current boom in real estate has placed increased pressure on its historic properties and neighborhoods to meet contemporary buying trends. As a result, the Newton Historic Commission has seen a significant increase in demolition requests over the last few years.

The proposed project is to survey approximately 140 properties that are between 50 and 75 years old (built between 1946 and 1971) and to focus on historic properties and neighborhoods that are vulnerable to demolition. This is consistent with the City of Newton's commitment to the preservation and maintenance of its historic and architectural resources, and with the objectives of the Massachusetts State Historic Preservation Plan and the selection criteria listed in the FY 2022 funding guidelines.

This project is important to Newton as the City Council has recently started discussing changing the demolition delay age trigger from 50 to 75 years. At this time, the 50-year age trigger remains in place with a commitment from Newton's Planning Department to begin examining the significance of buildings constructed between 1946 and 1971, that have not yet been surveyed. Buildings in the proposed date range of 1946 to 1971 are under-surveyed, and it is important to understand and document the significance of these resources. While several post-World War II subdivisions have been surveyed, including Oak Hill Park and the Andrew-Dedham Street area, and we have the 2003 *Communitywide Survey of Mid-20th Century Housing* report by Kathleen Broomer, we have identified approximately 3,200 properties in this date range that have not yet been surveyed.

We have developed a preliminary target list which is included with the application. The starting point for the list is the areas and neighborhoods recommended for further study in Kathleen Broomer's 2003 report *Communitywide Survey of Mid-20th Century Housing* that have multiple properties and groupings of buildings that appear to have most of their integrity. We can identify additional properties from a map of the City generated by the Newton GIS Database which identifies properties that have not been surveyed and were built within the 1946 to 1971 date range. The focus of the list is residential properties; however, we have identified some commercial, institutional, and religious buildings. For the final list, we would like to have approximately 10 to 15 commercial, institutional, or religious buildings that could be eligible for future CPA funding.

Because there are at least 3,000 properties in the 1946 to 1971 date range that have not been surveyed, and given the concerns with existing demolition and possible changes to the demolition delay age trigger, we consider the FY22 survey project to be the start of a phased multi-year undertaking. It is crucial to the protection of Newton's significant historic and architectural resources that these properties be surveyed and documented, before more properties are lost to demolition and significant alterations.

To date, Newton has received and successfully executed six MHC grants to do architectural surveys. The Planning Staff is experienced in managing and executing these types of grant projects within budget and the time frame of the project and is confident that the proposed project can be successfully executed.

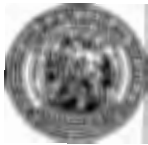
The existing building inventory forms are an invaluable tool for the Newton Historical Commission to evaluate projects that come up for review under the Demolition Delay Ordinance and to fulfill our mandate to protect the city's historic resources. The building inventory forms also serve a broader

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purpose in providing the public, including property owners, with useful information about the buildings in Newton.

Newton Architectural Survey 1946 to 1971: Individual Properties For Review				
Street #	Street Name	Village or Area	Assessors Date	Notes
33	Austin Street	Newtonville	1960	Star Market
128	Baldpate Hill Road	Oak Hill	1958	Part of Baldpate Hill Road Area (NWT.ET)
165	Baldpate Hill Road	Oak Hill	1965	Part of Baldpate Hill Road Area (NWT.ET)
223	Baldpate Hill Road	Oak Hill	1959	Part of Baldpate Hill Road Area (NWT.ET)
225	Baldpate Hill Road	Oak Hill	1958	Part of Baldpate Hill Road Area (NWT.ET)
280	Boylston Street	Chestnut Hill	1970	Apartments, Condominiums
	Carney Faculty Center	Chestnut Hill	?	Boston College Main Campus Form (NWT.DI)
790	Centre Street	Newton Centre	1965	1987 Individual Inventory Form for 1913 Madden House; No information on school building other than age
855	Centre Street	Newton Centre	1955	Boston Law School Dorms
885	Centre Street	Newton Centre	?	NWT.DL - Boston College Newton Campus (1987) - One 1947 building referenced, No reference to church
1481	Commonwealth Avenue	West Newton	1960	
1525	Commonwealth Avenue	West Newton	1948	
1551	Commonwealth Avenue	West Newton	1954	
2345	Commonwealth Avenue	Auburndale	1969	Marriot Hotel
270	Country Club Road	Oak Hill	1958	Included in Oak Hill Village Area Form, 1986 - no specific info included - "interesting Modern example"
278	Country Club Road	Oak Hill	1958	Same as 270 but not included on that form
64	Dorcar Road	Oak Hill	1959	
20	Drumlin Road	Oak Hill	1948	Samuel Glaser, Arch. 1987 Inventory Form - Update?
24	Essex Road	Chestnut Hill	1951	International Style; George Homer Perkins; MHC Form B has no information on it
43	Gate House Road	Chestnut Hill	1957	International Style; Paul Rudolf; MHC Form B has no information on it except for the architects name
30	Jacobs Terrace	Oak Hill	1958	
10	Malubar Lane	Newton Highlands	1960	
15	Manet Circle	Chestnut Hill	1950	Adjacent to Stanley Myer home, also by him?
	McElroy Commons	Chestnut Hill	?	Boston College Main Campus Form (NWT.DI)
	McGuinn Hall	Chestnut Hill	?	Boston College Main Campus Form (NWT.DI)
60	Rosalie Road	Oak Hill	1950	
161	Waban Hill Road N.	Chestnut Hill	1940	
15	Walnut Park	Newton Corner	1965	Former Aquinas School/Rashi School
55	Walnut Park	Newton Corner	1963	Jackson School - located on Potter Estate (65-71 Walnut Park, NR 1986, Local Landmark) - No reference to school on forms
743	Washington Street	Newtonville	1966	Commercial, Restaurant (Cabots)
326	Watertown Street	Nonantum	1950	Nonantum Post Office
20	Westgate Road	Oak Hill	1952	

Newton Architectural Survey 1946 to 1971: Potential Neighborhoods and Areas To Be Reviewed						
Street #	Street Name	Village or Area	Assessors Date	Estimated Number of Properties	Notes	Recommended in K Broomer 2003 Study
	Anthony Road/ Anthony Circle/ Joseph Road	Newtonville/ Nonantum	1963-1965	36	Anthony Road/Circle brick ranches, raised ranches Joseph Road ranches	Joseph Road Recommended
	Baker Place	Lower Falls	1947-1953	12		Recommended
	Brandeis Road	Oak Hill	1956-1968	40		Recommended
	Carlson Avenue	Oak Hill	1948-1955	4		Recommended
	Elinor Road	Newton Highlands	late 1940s - 1950	20	Could extend down Mildred Road as well	Recommended
	Fessenden Street/ Schofield Drive	Newtonville/ Nonantum	1940-1960	45	5 properties on these streets included in Albemarle Village 2 (1987) - not sure why some not others?	Recommended
	Hazelhurst Ave	West Newton	1953-1960	15	22-60 Hazelhurst, Even numbers 88-112 Harding, 18 Chase Ave, 14 Fuller	Recommended
	Ithaca Circle	Lower Falls	1940-1949	7		Recommended
155- 181	Lexington Road	Auburndale	1970	4	Two others look same, different dates? 145 Lexington (1990) and 199 Lexington St (1978)	
	Longfellow Road	Lower Falls	1948-1956	29		Recommended
	Nancy Road	Chestnut Hill	1950-1955	6	Split Level Development	
	Payne Road	Newton Highlands	1945-1950	11	Multi Family Development	Recommended
	Ruane Road/ Mignon Road	West Newton	1950-1951	26	include 230 Temple St.	
	Sevland Road/ Deborah Road/ Cynthla Road	Oak Hill	1955-1961	87		
	Travis Drive/ Woodlawn Drive	Nonantum	1945-1960	22	Country Club Estates Area Form (1987) references three properties (Colonials and Garison) on Woodlawn, 1930-1950 - includes Travis but no properties specified	Recommended
	Withington Road/ Blake Street	Newtonville	1949- 1954	22	mixed with older and newer structures at edges	Recommended
Total Number of Properties in Potential Areas:				386		



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February 3, 2022

Michael Steinitz
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
Director, Preservation Planning Division
Massachusetts Historical Commission
220 William T Morrissey Blvd
Boston, MA 02125

Re: Newton Architectural Survey 1940-1972 Proposal

Dear Mr. Steinitz,

At its January 4, 2022 meeting, the Newton Historical Commission voted to support the application of the City's Planning Department to receive a FY22 Survey and Planning Grant from the Massachusetts Historical Commission for the Newton Architectural Survey 1940-1972.

The goal of the project is to preserve Newton's historically significant mid-twentieth century resources, which are vastly under surveyed, with over 3200 properties not yet looked at. Completed inventory forms will allow for a more complete understanding of the individual structures and neighborhoods constructed during this period, and if there is any historical significance yet to be uncovered. At the time of completion of the project, all of the resources that will be included on the final list for the project will be fifty years or older and will come under the Demolition Delay Ordinance. The completed documents will aid the city's Preservation Planners and the Historical Commission immensely as more inquiries and applications are submitted.

The Newton Historical Commission unanimously voted to support the application and is in favor of the project proceeding. Thank you for your interest in this valuable project.

Sincerely,

Peter Dimond
Chairman, Newton Historical Commission

Newton Historical Commission
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April 7, 2022

Honorable City Council
Newton City Hall
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Councilors:

I respectfully submit a docket item to your Honorable Council requesting authorization to transfer the sum of \$171,490 from Acct # 0110498-579000 Current Year Budget Reserve to a Public Buildings Project Account to fund the replacement of the Franklin School Boiler which is forty years old and operable but leaking.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

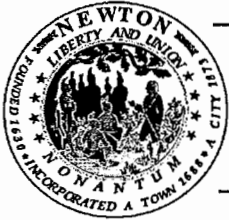
Sincerely,

Ruthanne Fuller
Mayor

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CITY OF NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS
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52 ELLIOT STREET, NEWTON HIGHLANDS, MA 02461

Ruthanne Fuller, Mayor
Josh Morse
Building Commissioner

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March 17, 2022

Ruthanne Fuller, Mayor
Newton City Hall
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RE: Funding for Franklin School Boiler Replacement

Dear Mayor Fuller:

The Public Buildings Department respectfully requests \$171,490 to fund the replacement of the leaking 40 year old boiler at the Franklin School. Materials to repair this boiler are not readily available should the boiler fail completely. Currently the school does not have a second boiler, as all other schools have. Should the existing leaking boiler fail, the school would be without heat.

Sincerely,

Josh Morse
Public Buildings Commissioner

cc: Maureen Lemieux, Chief Financial Officer
Alex Valcarce, Deputy Buildings Commissioner

3/17/2022

Franklin School Boiler Replacement Project Estimate

New Boiler and installation	\$ 155,900.00
Contingency	<u>\$ 15,590.00</u>
Funding Request	\$ 171,490.00

CITY OF NEWTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

DRAFT

ORDERED:

That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Public Facilities Committee through its Chair Alison M. Leary and the Finance Committee through its Chair Rebecca Walker Grossman, to transfer the sum of one hundred seventy-one thousand four hundred and ninety dollars (\$171,490) from the Current Year Budget Reserve to a Public Buildings Project Account to fund the replacement of the Franklin School Boiler be and is hereby approved as follows:

FROM:	Current Year Budget Reserves (0110498-579000)	\$171,490
TO:	Franklin School Boiler Replacement (01C11531-52470)	\$171,490

Under Suspension of Rules
Readings Waived and Approved
DRAFT

(SGD) CAROL MOORE
City Clerk

(SGD) RUTHANNE FULLER
Mayor

Date: _____



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April 7, 2022

Honorable City Council
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Councilors:

I respectfully submit a docket item to your Honorable Council requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of \$224,510 from June 30, 2021, Certified Free Cash to fund the replacement of an inoperable boiler at Newton South High School.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

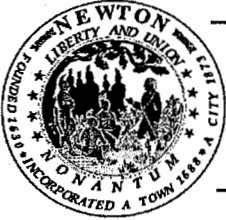
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March 17, 2022

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RE: Funding for South High School Boiler Replacement

Dear Mayor Fuller:

The Public Buildings Department respectfully requests \$224,510 to fund the replacement of one of the boilers at Newton South High School. Newton South High School operates primarily on two large boilers, and one of them must be operable to have sufficient heat. One the two boilers recently failed, and we need to replace it to have redundancy. In fact, Newton Public Schools had to rent a temporary boiler to insure sufficient capacity for this past heating season.

Sincerely,

Josh Morse
Public Buildings Commissioner

cc: Maureen Lemieux, Chief Financial Officer
Alex Valcarce, Deputy Buildings Commissioner

3/17/2022

South High School Boiler Replacement Project Estimate

New Boiler and installation	\$ 204,100.00
Contingency	<u>\$ 20,410.00</u>
Funding Request	\$ 224,510.00

CITY OF NEWTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

DRAFT

ORDERED:

That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Public Facilities Committee through its Chair Alison M. Leary and the Finance Committee through its Chair Rebecca Walker Grossman, to transfer the sum of two hundred twenty-four thousand five hundred and ten dollars (\$224,510) from June 30, 2021, Certified Free Cash to fund the replacement of the Newton South Boiler be and is hereby approved as follows:

FROM:	Certified Free Cash (0001-3240)	\$224,510
TO:	NSHS Boiler Replacement (01C11532-524070)	\$224,510

Under Suspension of Rules
Readings Waived and Approved
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(SGD) CAROL MOORE
City Clerk

(SGD) RUTHANNE FULLER
Mayor

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RUTHANNE FULLER
MAYOR

April 25, 2022

Honorable City Council
Newton City Hall
1000 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton Centre, MA 02459

Councilors:

I respectfully submit a docket item to your Honorable Council requesting authorization to appropriate and expend the sum of \$1,500,000 from June 30, 2021, Certified Free Cash for our Transportation Network Improvement Program to continue making progress on our roads, bike lanes, sidewalks and traffic calming efforts across the City.

Thankfully, with the leadership of Commissioner Jim McGonagle and Deputy Commissioner Shawna Sullivan in DPW, our paving condition index continues to improve as we pave miles and miles of roads each year. We have a lot of work still in front of us to make our streets safer and smoother for those walking, riding or rolling.

Each year we "set aside" \$1.5 to \$2.5 million of Free Cash to supplement our snow removal budget with the hope that we will be able to repurpose those funds in the spring for our paving program if they were not required for snow removal. While this year's snow accumulation of 54 inches matched our "annual average," I am pleased to request that \$1.5 million of Free Cash be appropriated to supplement the funds needed for our paving program.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

Ruthanne Fuller
Mayor

CITY CLERK
NEWTON, MA. 02459

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IN CITY COUNCIL

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ORDERED:

That, in accordance with the recommendation of the Public Facilities Committee through its Chair Alison M. Leary and the Finance Committee through its Chair Rebecca Walker Grossman, to appropriate and expend the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) from June 30, 2021, Certified Free Cash for the Transportation Network Improvement Program be and is hereby approved as follows:

FROM:	Certified Free Cash (0001-3240)	\$1,500,000
TO:	Accelerated Roads Program (01C40112-553100)	\$1,500,000

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Honorable City Council
Newton City Hall
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Councilors:

I respectfully docket this item to your Honorable Council requesting the authorization to borrow up to \$3,200,000 for water main improvements in FY 2023. This proposed borrowing will allow Public Works to continue implementing the \$40 million Water Capital Improvement Plan.

Each year as part of the Capital Improvement Plan, the City commits to borrow up to \$5,283,700 annually from City debt and MWRA loans to upgrade our water system, which will improve fire flows, reduce leakage and ensure the delivery of superior water quality. MWRA awards an annual loan of \$2,083,700 for water main improvements. The City then borrows the remaining \$3.2 million using the Water Fund for annual payments.

Water main rehabilitation projects for FY 2023 include the following:

Ward Street (Waverley Ave to Centre St): The MWRA is designing the removal and replacement of their 20-inch diameter cast iron water main in Ward Street. The city also has a 20-inch diameter cast iron water main in Ward Street, parallel to the MWRA water main. Both water mains were installed in the late 1800s, and are beyond their useful life. The existing 20-inch diameter cast iron water main will be removed and replaced with a new 20-inch diameter ductile iron water main. The city's consulting engineers are designing the water main replacement. MWRA's contractor will install the city's new water main in conjunction with installing the new MWRA water main. The MWRA will invoice the city for our cost of the water main installation. FY22 work includes Ward from Waverley to Manet Rd.

The program will also include the following roads:

Washington Street (Greenough Street to Auburn Street) 900 lf
Upham Street (Mague Place to Cherry Street) 900 lf
Taft Avenue (Hazelhurst Avenue to Harding Street) 1,163 lf
Brooks Avenue/Proctor Street (Washington Street to Walker Street) 1,150 lf
Rossmere Street (Watertown Street to Lowell Avenue) 560 lf

Washington Park (north side) (Walnut Street to Harvard Street) 1,550 lf
Crescent Square (Thornton Street to Waban Street) 300 lf
Commonwealth Avenue (carriage lane) (Higgins Street to Melrose Street) 275 lf
Pembroke Street (Nonantum Street to Tremont Street) 1,150 lf
Woodlawn Drive (Woodchester Drive to Ward Street) 1,440 lf
Bothfield Road (Ellison Road to Manomet Road) 725 lf
Hale Street (Eliot Street to Pennsylvania Avenue) 800 lf
Woodcliff Road (Centre Street to Dedham Street) 4,000 lf
Brookline Street (Vine Street to Pond Brook Road) 1,175 lf
Balcarres Road, 430 lf
Otis St, 2670 lf
Raymond Place, 164 lf

Please see the attached memo from DPW Commissioner Jim McGonagle for further details on the project.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ruthanne Fuller". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "R" and "F".

Ruthanne Fuller
Mayor

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

294-22

City of Newton

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER

1000 Commonwealth Avenue

Newton Centre, MA 02459-1449

Ruthanne Fuller

Mayor

Date: April 11, 2022
To: Jonathan Yeo, Chief Operating Officer
Maureen Lemieux, Chief Financial Officer
From: James McGonagle, Commissioner
Subject: Request for Water Bond Borrowing Authorization,
\$3,200,000 for Water System Improvements FY 2023

I respectfully request authorization to borrow up to \$3,200,000 for water main improvements in FY 2023. This proposed borrowing will allow Public Works to implement a portion of the water main improvements as part of the \$40 million Water Capital Improvement Plan.

Each year as part of the Capital Improvement Plan, the City commits to borrow up to \$5,283,700 annually from City debt and MWRA loans to upgrade our water system, which will improve fire flows, and ensure the delivery of superior water quality. MWRA awards an annual loan of \$2,083,700 for water main improvements.

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Balcarres Road, 430 lf
Otis St, 2670 lf
Raymond Place, 164 lf

Please docket this request with the City Clerk's office for consideration by the Honorable City Council.

cc: Shawna Sullivan, Deputy Commissioner
Louis M. Taverna, P.E., City Engineer
Tom Fitzgerald, Director of Utilities
Doug Valovcin, Deputy Director of Utilities
Kelley Cadman, DPW Budget Director
Stephen Curley, Comptroller
Ron Mendes, Treasurer

CITY OF NEWTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

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ORDERED:

That for the purpose of funding water main improvements in FY23 as part of the City's Water Capital Improvement Plan be and hereby is appropriated and authorized to be borrowed under and pursuant to Chapter 44, Section 7(1) of the Massachusetts General Laws, as amended and supplemented or pursuant to any other enabling authority, the sum of three million two hundred dollars (\$3,200,000) said amount to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Public Works.

Any premium received upon the sale of the bonds or notes, less the cost of preparing, issuing and marketing them, and any accrued interest received upon the delivery of the bonds or notes shall be: (i) applied, if so provided in the loan authorization, to the costs of the project being financed by the bonds or notes and to reduce the amount authorized to be borrowed for the project by like amount; or (ii) appropriated for a project for which the city has authorized a borrowing, or may authorize a borrowing, for an equal or longer period of time than the original loan, including any temporary debt.

Under Suspension Rules
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(SGD) CAROL MOORE
City Clerk

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April 25, 2022

Honorable City Council
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Councilors:

I respectfully submit a docket item to your Honorable Council requesting the authorization to appropriate and expend the amount of \$500,000 from June 30, 2021 Certified Free Cash, derived from Host Community Agreement (HCA) Funds, to fund the design of the pilot program/interim solution for Washington Street.

Host Community Agreement funds are received as General Fund Revenues. If unspent, the HCA funds drop to Free Cash. Prior to the start of Fiscal Year 2022, the City had accumulated \$577,460 of unspent HCA funds. Two of Newton's three active marijuana retail establishments, and two of the three delivery operators with signed HCAs, are located either right on Washington Street or directly off this major thoroughfare.

The envisioned project is a multi-phased complete streets "pilot" redesign of Washington Street, looking specifically at ensuring safe and accessible pedestrian crossings, providing safe linear bicycle access, slowing vehicle speeds, optimizing bus operations, and improving the public realm. The Designer will work under Planning, in concert with the Department of Public Works (DPW), the Mayor's Office, Public Safety, and other departments and the City Council, to provide planning/scoping, engineering analysis, concept design, construction plans, specifications, construction management services and evaluation for the redesign of Washington Street via a phased approach.

The project will build off previous work of the City's 2019 Washington Street Vision Plan and the Boston Region MPO's 2015 technical memorandum Washington Street Subregional Priority Roadway Study in Newton.

Project benefits will include:

- Improve the safety conditions for all road users, with particular focus on vulnerable users such as people with disabilities as well as older and younger users.
- Improve substantially biking, walking, pedestrian safety, and accessibility including increasing pedestrian crossings, ensuring accessibility, and providing protected bike lanes.
- Support public transit service, particularly optimizing bus operations and enhancing access to the commuter rail.
- Manage traffic flow including optimizing traffic signal operations.

- Create a vibrant, welcoming and inviting public realm and boulevard through streetscape enhancements, sidewalk improvements, improved street lighting, stormwater management, plantings, and street furniture.

The design process will take place in the following phases:

Phase 1a – Develop design concept and Evaluation Criteria for Trial

The consultant will assist the City in designing an initial roadway redesign pilot for Washington Street from Chestnut Street to Lowell Avenue (other limits may be chosen in concert with the selected consultant) to demonstrate proof of concept to the public for the re-alignment of Washington Street from 4 to 3 lanes (including turn lanes). Public process and outreach will include:

- ~4 public meetings
- ~5 small meetings with Ward Councilors
- ~6 Group sessions with the City's Complete Streets Working Group
- ~2-3 City Council meetings (Public Facilities and/or Public Safety and Transportation)
- Bi-weekly project team meetings with internal team including Planning and DPW
- Meeting with MassDOT, as needed

Phase 1b – TIP Project Planning and Initiation–Determine a phased approach to design and implementation for a Mass DOT Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) funded project to reconstruct Washington Street from Chestnut Street to no farther east than Church Street.

Phase 2: 25% Design TIP Project– Details to be determined at completion of Phase 1B.

Phase 3: 25-100% Engineering Design TIP Project– Details to be determined at completion of prior phases.

Phase 4: Construction Phase Services - Details to be determined at completion of prior phases

Please see the attached memo from Nicole Freedman, Director of Transportation Planning, for further details on the project.

Thank you for your consideration of this matter.

Sincerely,



Ruthanne Fuller
Mayor



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Barney S. Heath
Director

MEMORANDUM

Date: April 22, 2022

To: Mayor Ruthanne Fuller
Maureen Lemieux, Chief Financial Officer
Jonathan Yeo, Chief Operating Officer

From: Barney Heath, Director of Planning & Development

CC: Nicole Freedman, Director of Transportation Planning

Subject: Request to Docket Item for Washington Street Design

At this time, we respectfully request that you docket with the Honorable City Council a request of \$500,000 to complete the design and engineering for a pilot redesign concept plan of Washington Street from Chestnut Street east to Church Street.

The envisioned project is a multi-phased complete streets “pilot” redesign of Washington Street, looking specifically at ensuring safe and accessible pedestrian crossings, providing safe linear bicycle access, slowing vehicle speeds, optimizing bus operations, and improving the public realm. The Designer will work under Planning, in concert with the Department of Public Works (DPW), the Mayor’s Office, Public Safety, and other departments and the City Council, to provide planning/scoping, engineering analysis, concept design, construction plans, specifications, construction management services and evaluation for the redesign of Washington Street via a phased approach.

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FROM:	Certified Free Cash (0001-3240)	\$500,000
TO:	Washington Street Redesign Pilot (7533R401-579500)	\$500,000

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(SGD) CAROL MOORE
City Clerk

(SGD) RUTHANNE FULLER
Mayor

Date: _____

Carol Moore

From: Carol Moore
Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2022 2:19 PM
To: City Council
Subject: New Docket Item - Finance

Councilors,

Council President Albright and Councilor Ryan have provided the Docket request below. Please let me know if you would like to sign on to the item for the Finance committee.

Resolution on the Fair Share Amendment.

Councilors Albright and Ryan, _____ requesting the following resolution asking the City Council to support the Fair Share Amendment which will be on the November Ballot.

(Please read draft resolution below)

WHEREAS, the best way to help working families and build a stronger economy for us all is to make sure that we have quality public schools for our children, affordable public higher education, and a reliable transportation system; and

WHEREAS, students need a well-rounded education, founded on a rich and varied curriculum that includes science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM), music, art, and athletics; and

WHEREAS, major investments in public education are needed to help students recover academically, socially, and emotionally from the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, tuitions and fees at our public colleges are among the highest in the country, and students are forced to take on enormous debt to receive a degree; and

WHEREAS, for Massachusetts to compete against other regions around the nation and the globe, we need modern, reliable transportation: safer roads and bridges, public transportation that works, and safe ways to walk and bike around town; and

WHEREAS, we have a large backlog of neglected and structurally compromised bridges, tunnels, roads, and public transportation infrastructure in need of repair; and

WHEREAS, new state revenue is necessary to rebuild crumbling roads and bridges, improve our public schools from Pre-K through college, invest in fast and reliable public transportation, make public higher education affordable again, and expand opportunities for healthy walking and bicycling; and

WHEREAS, Massachusetts needed new investments in our transportation and public education systems even before the COVID-19 pandemic, and now those investments are needed more than ever to lift our economy into an equitable and long-lasting recovery;

WHEREAS, our Commonwealth's highest-income residents, who have seen their collective net worth skyrocket in recent years, pay a lower percentage of their income in state and local taxes than do the rest of us, and clearly have the ability to pay a little more for the investments we all need;

THEREFORE, let it be resolved that the Newton City Council supports the proposed Fair Share Amendment that would create an additional tax of four percentage points on annual income above one million dollars and dedicate the funds raised by this tax to quality public education, affordable public colleges and universities, and for the repair and maintenance of roads, bridges, and public transportation.

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**Susan Albright, President
Newton City Council
Councilor-at-Large Ward 2**