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Programs & Services Committee Agenda

City of Newton In City Council

Wednesday, September 21, 2022

7:00 PM

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Items Scheduled for Discussion:

- #427-22** **Appointment of Petr Chovanec to the Commission on Disability**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Petr Chovanec, 83 Westland Avenue, Newton as a full member of the Commission on Disability for a term of office to expire on October 3, 2025. (60 Days: 11/06/2022)
- #403-22** **Appointment of Shawn Fitzgibbons to the Licensing Board**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Shawn Fitzgibbons, 300 Homer Street, Newton as a member of the Licensing Board for a term of office to expire on June 2, 2025. (60 Days: 10/07/2022)

Referred to Programs & Services and Finance Committees

- #411-22** **Request for Amendment to Chapter 21, Art III Trees to extend tree protection and update permits**
COUNCILORS MALAKIE, NORTON, LEARY, RYAN, WRIGHT, LUCAS, HUMPHREY, BOWMAN, MARKIEWICZ, OLIVER, DOWNS, LAREDO, AND GROSSMAN requesting revisions and amendments to Chapter 21, Art. III Trees (sec. 21-60 through 21-89) to extend tree protection to all trees 6 inches DBH (diameter at breast height) and greater within the City (with no exempt lots); to update tree removal permits, fees, and compensation; and to strengthen protection for existing and replacement trees.

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#412-22

Request for Review and Amendments to Chapter 21, Art. III, Division 3

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting review and amendments to Chapter 21, Art. III, Division 3, Tree Preservation to increase replacement requirements for larger trees, add protections for smaller trees, limit removal of trees without replacement, enhance procedures for protecting trees, increasing payment required for trees cut without replacement, protect trees on lots adjacent to construction, provide Tree Warden with additional professional input on trees on private properties.

#405-22

Request for Amendment to Chapter 21 regarding tree protection and proposed one-year moratorium

COUNCILORS MALAKIE, NORTON, LUCAS, HUMPHREY, AND OLIVER requesting revisions and amendments to Chapter 21 to extend tree protection to all trees 6 inches DBH (diameter at breast height) and greater within the City, with no exempt lots, and to suspend tree removal permits effective immediately, for one year, unless sooner repealed or amended by the City Council. This moratorium shall not apply to emergency removal of trees determined by the tree warden to be dead or hazardous, or causing significant disruption of public utility service.

Respectfully Submitted,

Josh Krintzman, Chair