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## Finance Committee Agenda

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Wednesday, September 28, 2022

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### Items scheduled for discussion:

#### Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#413-22

##### **Appropriate \$4,120,000 for the Pump Station Rehabilitation CIP Projects**

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend four million one hundred twenty thousand dollars (\$4,120,000) and authorize a general obligation borrowing of an equal amount for the construction and engineering services for the City of Newton Pump Station Rehabilitation CIP Project 1 and design for Project 2 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 as Amended to \$4,127,000 5-0 on 09/21/22**

#### Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#454-22

##### **Amendments to Chapters 11 and 17 to the City of Newton Ordinances**

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting amendments to the City of Newton Ordinances regarding trash and recycling (Chapter 11 and Chapter 17) to allow the City to create a mattress recycling program needed to comply with a significant upcoming change in MassDEP regulations for mattresses.

**Public Facilities Approved 5-0 on 09/21/22**

#### Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

#442-22

##### **Transfer \$250,000 for the under \$75,000 projects**

HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) from Acct #0111502-582500 Building Improvements, (Under \$75K projects) to a new 01C115 account.

**Public Facilities Approved 5-0 on 09/21/22**

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**Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees**

**#440-22**

**CPC Recommendation to appropriate \$75,000 in CPA funding**

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending appropriation of seventy five thousand dollars (\$75,000) in Community Preservation Act funding from the FY23 Historic Resource Reserve Fund to the control of the Planning & Development Department to complete the first phase of the Jackson Homestead Basement Restoration Project by hiring a preservation consultant to develop plans to remediate the existing water and humidity issues in order to preserve the historic structure and protect its important collections.

**Public Facilities Held 8-0 on 09/08/22**

**Public Facilities Approved 5-0 on 09/21/22**

**Referred to Zoning & Planning and Finance Committees**

**#436-22**

**CPC Recommendation to appropriate \$1,948,056 in CPA funding**

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending appropriation of one million nine hundred forty eight thousand fifty six dollars (\$1,948,056) in Community Preservation Act funding, with \$556,588 to come from the FY23 Community Housing Reserve Account and \$1,391,468 to come from FY23 Unrestricted Funding Account, to the control of the Planning & Development Department to provide funding to the Newton Affordable Housing Trust for future projects that meet one or more of the CPA's eligible funding categories for Community Housing projects.

**Zoning & Planning Approved 8-0 on 09/12/22**

**#386-22**

**Discussion with Administration regarding Consultants, including the process of selection, project oversight, billing, and contract negotiation**

COUNCILORS LAREDO, OLIVER, MARKIEWICZ, GROSSMAN, KALIS, HUMPHREY, WRIGHT, MALAKIE, BAKER, NORTON, GENTILE, LIPOF, AND LUCAS requesting a discussion with the Administration regarding the process for selecting and overseeing the work of consultants retained by the city including (a) the criteria for when consultants are selected without a bidding process; (a) how contracts with consultants are negotiated; (c) the process for creating change orders in consulting contracts; (d) what detail is expected in bills submitted by consultants and the process for review and approval of such bills; and (e) whether bills submitted by consultants have ever been rejected or challenged and the reasons for such rejections or challenges.

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Rebecca Walker Grossman, Chair**