



2023 OVERRIDE

Voting by Newton for Newton on Three Questions

TWO DEBT EXCLUSION OVERRIDES

Annual amount to service 30-year bonds

Countryside Elementary

\$2,300,000

Franklin Elementary

\$3,500,000

- Temporary tax increase for the life of the bonds
- Kicks in when we start bonding

ONE OPERATING OVERRIDE

Horace Mann Elementary	\$775,000
Streets and Sidewalks	\$1,400,000
Parks, Fields, Courts and Playgrounds	\$1,000,000
Plant and Nurture Trees	\$500,000
Sustainability and Climate Resiliency	\$500,000
Senior Services and Programs	\$500,000
Supporting Student Needs	\$4,500,000
	\$9,175,000

- Permanent tax increase
- StartsonJuly1,2023



Investing in:

- Fields
- Playgrounds
- Parks
- Courts
- Trees



INVESTING IN FIELDS

Mowing and Field Prep

Irrigation

Aeration

Fields

Fertilization

Slice Seeding

Synthetic Turf Maint.

Topdressing + Infields





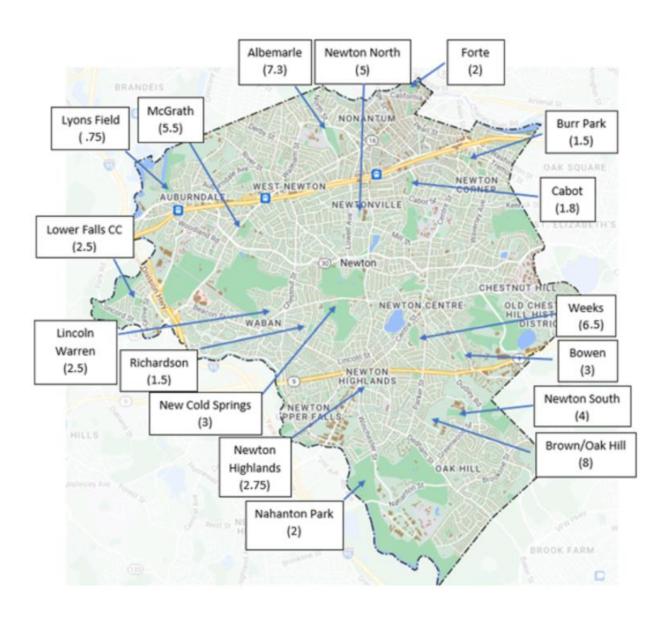
Case Study: Lower Falls

- Fertilizer
- Dethatch
- Slice Seed





Athletic Field Maintenance

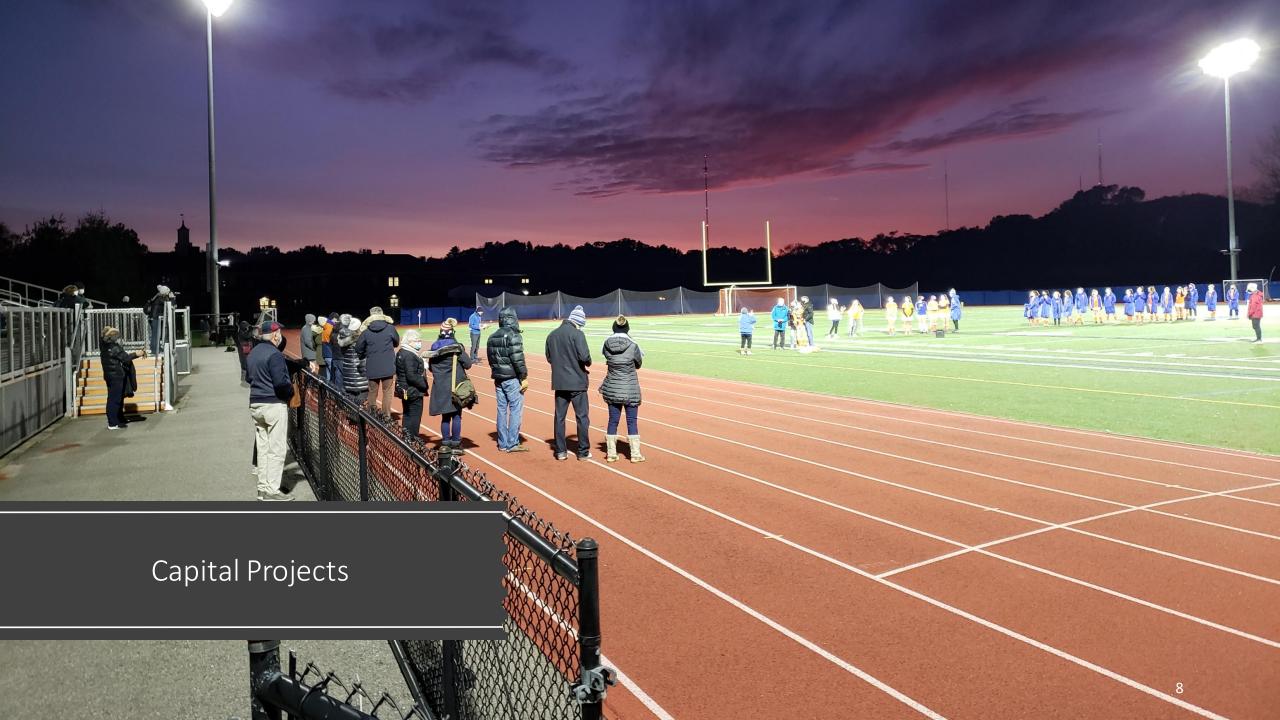


<u>FY19</u> <u>FY23</u>

\$35K --- \$300K

8 sites 17 sites

22 acres 59 acres







INVESTING IN PARKS

Village Centers

Performance Stages

Plantings

Parks

Swim Facilities

Community
Spaces &
Gardens

Trails





















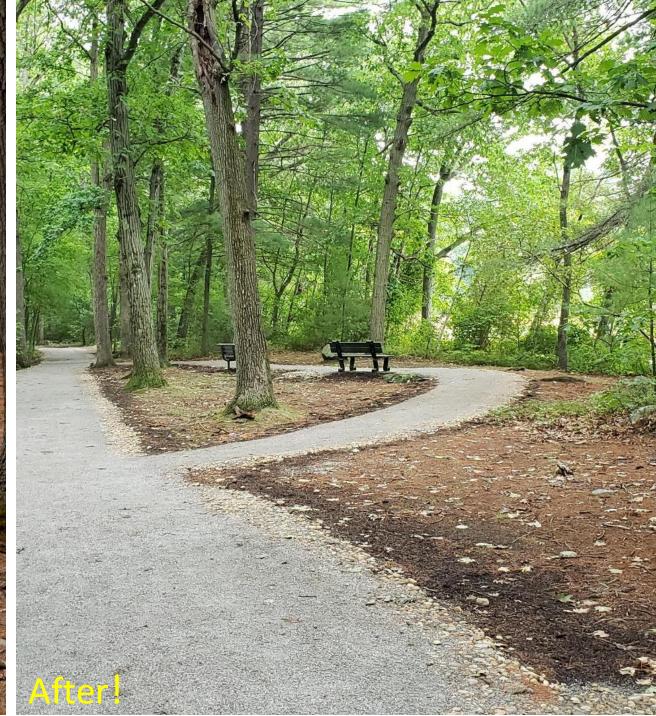












INVESTING IN COURTS

Over 100 Courts (Tennis, Pickleball, Basketball & Bocce)

Goal – Resurfacing every 10 Years

Upcoming courts:

- Cabot
- Pellegrini
- Memorial Playground

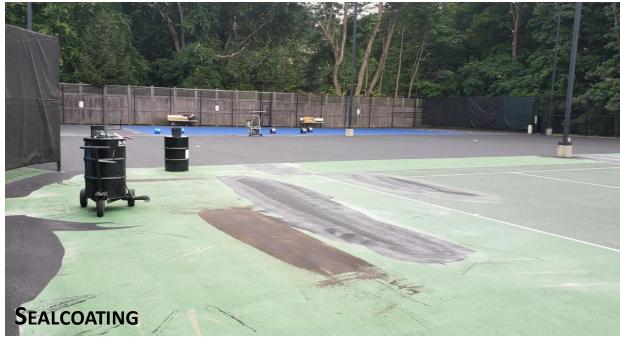


















Funding Sources & Partnerships:

- CPC
- Friends Groups/PTOs
- Grants and State Earmarks
- Sport Partners
- Free Cash
- Operating & Capital Budget
- Developer Mitigation
- ARPA



27% INCREASE

\$3,700,000

FY23 Operating Budget

\$4,700,000

Budget w/ override

FIELDS | PLAYGROUNDS | PARKS | COURTS

- Improving maintenance
- Expanding care

RESTORING NEWTON'S STREET TREES - \$500,000



Tree Planting

Plant up to **8,000** new trees by 2030



Tree Pruning

Prune every mature Street tree in 5 years



Young Tree Care

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Key takeaways

- By 2030 the new trees will have mitigated over 400,000 pounds of atmospheric carbon.
- Annually the new trees will reduce stormwater runoff by over 300,000 gallons in 2030.
- Mature tree longevity will be improved by at least 25%. Along with improved safety and reduced storm damage.
- Young and new trees will be stronger and will survive to be long term environmental and community assets.
- Impactful progress will be made toward the long term 2050 street tree goal.

\$2,030,000

FY23 Operating Budget

\$2,530,000

25% INCREASE NEW TREES | PRUNING | CARE

• 60% More trees planted.

• 400% Increase in mature trees pruned.

3,500 young trees cared for each year.

Budget w/ override



WHAT WILL THIS COST ME?

OVERRIDE CALCULATOR

City of Newton, Massachusetts
Estimated Property Tax Increase From March 2023 Property Tax
Override

	Please enter an address below:	:
House Number		
Street Name	ABBOTT ST	~
Unit (if applicab	le)	
Search for this	Property	

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WHAT WILL THIS COST ME?

MEDIAN SINGLE FAMILY HOME VALUE \$1.2 million IMPACT

Q1: OPERATING OVERRIDE First Year (FY24) \$290 Q2 & 3: DEBT EXCLUSION
OVERRIDES
Seventh Year (FY30)
+\$183

~25th PERCENTILE SINGLE FAMILY HOME VALUE \$750,000 IMPACT

Q1: OPERATING OVERRIDE First Year (FY24) \$173 Q2 & 3: DEBT EXCLUSION
OVERRIDES
Seventh Year (FY30)
+\$110

TAX ASSISTANCE FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE OLDER, DISABLED OR VETERANS

DOUBLING 7 PROGRAMS

EXPANDING 2 PROGRAMS

- o Tax Relief
- Tax Deferral
- Tax Exemption
- Tax Work-Off (with Proxies)
- Water/Sewer Discount

OVERRIDE CONTEXT

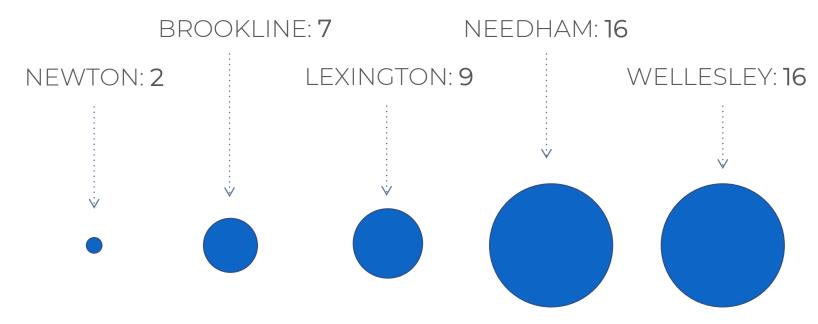
NEWTON OVERRIDES EVERY 10 YEARS

2002

2013

2023?

NUMBER OF OVERRIDES SINCE 2000



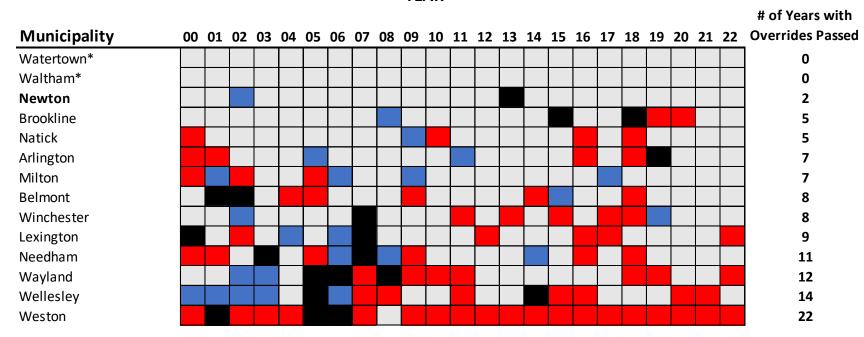
UPDATE 1/3/2023: Further research has indicated that the numbers of overrides since 2000 for the above communities reflect mixing the number of years that overrides passed with the number of total ballot questions. For more specific data on these and additional communities, please see the chart on the following slide.

OVERRIDE NEIGHBORING AND PEER COMMUNITY COMPARISON

Municipal Overrides with Comparable Communities

Debt Exclusion Override Passed Operating Override Passed Both Operating/Debt Passed

YEAR



^{*} Watertown and Waltham both have higher levels of new growth, which has helped obviate the need for an override.

Between FY2019-FY2023, Watertown's new growth averaged 4.85% and Waltham's averaged 2.58%, compared to Newton's 1.65%.





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