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Programs & Services Committee Agenda

City of Newton In City Council

Wednesday, November 9, 2022

7:45 PM – PLEASE NOTE DELAYED START TIME

Room 211

The Programs & Services Committee will hold this meeting as a hybrid meeting on Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 7:45 PM that the public may access in-person or virtually via Zoom. To attend this meeting using Zoom use this link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84469269246> or call 1-646-558-8656 and use the Meeting ID: 844 6926 9246.

Items Scheduled for Discussion:

#404-22 **Discussion on Athletic Field Surfaces, Natural, and Artificial Turf**
COUNCILORS KELLEY, OLIVER, LEARY, ALBRIGHT, GROSSMAN, LUCAS, MARKIEWICZ, AND BAKER requesting a meeting with the Parks, Recreation and Culture Department to discuss best practices and materials used for athletic field surfacing, both natural, and synthetic. Topics to be covered include playability, safety, durability, environmental impacts, replacement, maintenance, and cost over time

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, AND LAREDO 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.
Programs & Services Held 8-0 on 10/19/22

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Referred to Programs & Services and Finance Committees

#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.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Josh Krintzman, Chair