

CITY OF NEWTON

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

BOARD ACTIONS

Monday, May 2, 2011

Present: Ald. Albright, Baker, Blazar, Ciccone, Crossley, Danberg, Fischman, Freedman, Fuller, Gentile, Harney, Hess-Mahan, Johnson, Lappin, Linsky, Merrill, Rice, Salvucci, Sangiolo, Schnipper, Shapiro, Swiston, Yates, and Lennon

THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED WITHOUT DISCUSSION 24 YEAS, 0 NAYS TO ACCEPT ITS COMMITTEES' RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

REFERRED TO ZONING AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

Monday April 25, 2011

- #96-11 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION submitting its annual report of activities undertaken in 2010 and recommendations for improving the economic condition and development of the city. [03-28-11 @3:06PM]
APPROVED 6-0 (Baker not voting)
- #30-10(2) POST AUDIT & OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE requesting a discussion with the Planning & Development Department relative to the governance process of the Newton Community Development Authority (NCDA), including recommendations and potential changes to the NCDA. [01/26/09 @ 9:00 PM]
REFERRED TO POST AUDIT 6-0 (Baker not voting)
- #114-10 ALD. YATES AND RICE requesting reports from the Conservation Commission and Board of Survey on compliance with condition of permits given to allow the development of the Laura Road subdivision. [04/07/10 @ 10:59 PM]
REFERRED TO POST AUDIT 6-0 (Baker not voting)

REFERRED TO PROGRAMS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

Tuesday April 26, 2011

REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

- #100-11 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) from the FY11 Budget Reserve Account to the Department of Veterans Services for the purpose of supplementing the FY11 budget for veterans' benefits. [03/28/11 @ 1:07 PM]
FINANCE APPROVED 7-0 (Freedman not voting) on 4/25/11
PROGRAMS & SERVICES APPROVED 4-0 (Blazar, Hess-Mahan, Fischman, Baker not voting)

REFERRED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE

Monday, April 25, 2011

Reappointment Appointment by His Honor the Mayor:

#125-11 DORIS BREAY, 19 Blake Street, Newtonville, re-appointed as a Trustee of the Newton Cousens Fund for a term to expire on June 30, 2014 (60 days June 19, 2011). [04/11/11 @5:27 PM]

APPROVED 8-0

Reappointment Appointment by His Honor the Mayor:

#126-11 MARK DERBY, 1540 Commonwealth Avenue, West Newton, re-appointed as a Trustee of the Newton Cousens Fund for a term to expire on June 30, 2013 (60 days June 19, 2011). [04/11/11 @5:27 PM]

APPROVED 8-0

#127-11 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of six thousand dollars (\$6,000) from the FY2011 Budget Reserve to the Clerk of the Board's Office to supplement the advertising budget. [04/11/11 @5:59 PM]

APPROVED 8-0

#128-11 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of two thousand sixty-nine dollars and eighty-six cents (\$2069.86) from the Economic Development Grants Account to the Economic Development PC Software Account for the purchase of design software. [04/11/11 @6:02 PM]

APPROVED 8-0**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#100-11 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to transfer the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) from the FY11 Budget Reserve Account to the Department of Veterans Services for the purpose of supplementing the FY11 budget for veterans' benefits. [03/28/11 @ 1:07 PM]

PROG & SERV APPROVED 4-0 (Blazar, Hess-Mahan, Baker, Fischman not voting) on 04/26/11**FINANCE APPROVED 7-0 (Freedman not voting)****REFERRED TO COMMITTEES ON COMMUNITY PRESERVATION & FINANCE**

#45-11 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending that the sum of \$665,500 be appropriated from the fiscal 2011 community housing and general reserves of the Community Preservation Fund, to the control of the Planning and Development Department, for a project that will create three units of perpetually affordable rental housing at 61 Pearl Street in Newton Corner as detailed in the Committee's funding recommendation to the Board of Aldermen.

COMMITTEE ON COMM. PRES. APPROVED 5-0-2 (Harney, Blazar abstaining) on 03-29-11**FINANCE APPROVED 7-0-1 (Freedman abstaining)**

THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE THE ACCEPTANCE AND REFERRAL OF THE FOLLOWING LATE FILED DOCKET ITEMS:

REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

- #137-11 ALD. DANBERG AND FULLER requesting possible changes to City Ordinance 19-191, Parking Meter Fees, to require a minimum purchase at long-term parking meters in order to discourage short-term use. [4/26/11 @ 9:52 AM]

REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEE

- #139-11 ALD. LINSKY & DANBERG proposing that §§26-71, 26-72 and 26-73, **Sidewalk construction requested by owners, Materials for sidewalk construction, and New curbing installation**, respectively, be amended to extend participation in the betterment program to property owners who voluntarily pay the residual 50% of the costs over time in addition to the 50% initial payment provided under the ordinance. [04-27-11 @9:38 AM]

REFERRED TO RE-PRECINCTING COMMITTEE

- #147-11 Alderman Baker, on behalf the Re-Precincting Committee, recommending (1) discussion and (2) adoption of a proposed revision to the Ward and Precinct lines for the City to respond to the recent federal census and growth of population, both within the city and within the eight wards.

PUBLIC HEARINGS WERE ASSIGNED FOR THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

Public Hearing assigned for June 14, 2011:

- #131-11 MARK NICHOLS petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to EXTEND A NONCONFORMING STRUCTURE to construct an attached garage, a new bathroom, additional storage space, and a new dormer, which will increase the Floor Area Ratio from .34 to .41, on an existing single-family dwelling at 33 Beverly Road, Newton Highlands, Ward 6, on land known as SBL 54, 27, 6, containing ≈6,000 sq. ft. in a district zoned Single Residence 2. Ref: Sec 30-24, 30-23, 30-21(a)(2)b), 30-21(b) of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord.