

CITY OF NEWTON
IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN
BOARD ACTIONS

Tuesday, February 16, 2010

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.

Absent: Ald. Crossley & Freedman

THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN DISCUSSED AND VOTED THE FOLLOWING ITEM ON SECOND CALL:

#368-08 ALD. LINSKY requesting approval of the Board of Aldermen of the design for improvements affecting the area where Walnut Street, Lowell Avenue and Watertown Street intersect including a traffic island, curb extensions and the dead ending of Lowell Avenue. [10/14/08 @ 12:53 PM]
A) **Board of Aldermen approved curb extensions and traffic island @ the intersection of Walnut Street & Lowell Avenue on 11/16/09**
B) **On 11/18/09 the Committee approved a request for trial of one-way on Lowell Avenue from Walnut Street to Watertown Street. On 12/07/09 the Board of Aldermen denied the request for a trial.**
B) **APPROVED 5-1 CLOSURE OF LOWELL AVENUE @ WATERTOWN STREET (Lennon opposed)**
MOTION TO REFER TO FINANCE APPROVED BY VOICE VOTE

THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN VOTED WITHOUT DISCUSSION 22 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT (Ald. Crossley & Freedman) TO ACCEPT ITS COMMITTEES' RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

REFERRED TO PROGRAMS AND SERVICES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 3, 2010

REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#37-10 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting a transfer of funds in the amount of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000) for the purpose of supplementing the FY'10 budget for veteran's benefits as follows:

From: Veteran Services Salaries.....\$13,000
 Veteran Services Employee Benefits.....\$3,000

Budget Reserve\$14,000
To: Veteran Services Expenses (Veteran Benefits).....\$30,000
[01/26/10 @ 11:48 AM]

FINANCE APPROVED 8-0 on 02/08/10
PROGRAMS & SERVICES APPROVED 7-0 (Linsky not voting)

REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#36-10 **HIS HONOR THE MAYOR** requesting authorization to appropriate and expend twenty-five thousand five hundred forty-two dollars (\$25,542) from an insurance company payment for the purpose of repairing damage caused by an auto accident to the War Memorial located at the Newton Highlands Playground. [01/26/10 @ 11:48 AM]
FINANCE APPROVED 8-0 on 02/08/10
PROGRAMS & SERVICES APPROVED 7-0 (Linsky not voting)

REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, February 3, 2010

REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#39-10 **HIS HONOR THE MAYOR** requesting authorization to appropriate and expend ninety thousand dollars (\$90,000) from parking meter receipts for the purpose of purchasing 450 programmable parking meter mechanisms. [01/26/10 @ 6:11 PM]
FINANCE APPROVED 8-0 on 02/08/10
PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED 4-2 (Albright and Lennon Opposed)

REFERRED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE

Monday, February 8, 2010

#422-09 **MAYOR-ELECT WARREN** requesting to create two full time positions in the Executive Department: a Performance Analyst (H09) and a Budget Analyst (H06) for seventy-seven thousand six hundred thirty-four dollars (\$77,634) from wage reserve to fund these two positions for the second half of this fiscal year. [12/15/09 @ 4:05 PM]
FINANCE APPROVED AS AMENDED 8-0 @ \$138,268

#26-10 **HIS HONOR THE MAYOR** requesting a transfer of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) from the severance budget in the Human Resources Department to the Executive Department for the purpose of covering current year severance expenses. [01/12/10 @ 4:50 PM]
FINANCE NO ACTION NECESSARY 8-0

#34-10 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting acceptance of and authorization to expend a grant of two thousand eight hundred eighty-nine dollars (\$2,889) from the Massachusetts Department of Industrial Accidents, Office of Safety to be used to fund “Proper Body Mechanics—A training program for the Newton Free Library”. [01/26/10 @ 11:48 AM]
FINANCE APPROVED 8-0

REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

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PROG & SERV APPROVED 7-0 (Linsky not voting) on 02/03/10
FINANCE APPROVED 8-0

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[01/26/10 @ 11:48 AM]

PROG & SERV APPROVED 7-0 (Linsky not voting) on 02/03/10
FINANCE APPROVED 8-0

REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

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PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED 4-2 (Albright and Lennon opposed) on 02/03/10
FINANCE APPROVED 7-0 (Danberg not voting)

#35-10 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization for the Comptroller of Accounts to allocate investment income associated with tuition revenue collected in the Community Education Revolving Fund to Newton Community Education. [01/26/10 @ 11:48 AM]
FINANCE APPROVED 7-0 (Gentile not voting)