

## **REPORTS DOCKET**

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7:45 PM, Newton City Hall  
To be reported on  
**Monday, March 15, 2010**

### **CITY OF NEWTON**

### **IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN**

### **UNFINISHED BOARD BUSINESS**

#### **ITEM POSTPONED ON 3/1/10 TO DATE CERTAIN OF 3/15/10:**

#15-10        **STEVEN E. & MERLE WINER** petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to construct an attached garage to an existing single-family residence at 1 BILLINGS PARK, Ward 7, NEWTON, on land known as Sec 72, Blk 8, Lot 21, containing approx 8,496 sf of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 2. Ref: 30-24, 30-23, 30-21(a)(2)b), 30-21(b) of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2007.  
**LAND USE APPROVED 7-0 on 2/2310**

#### **REFERRED TO LAND USE COMMITTEE**

Tuesday, March 9, 2010

Present: Ald. Hess-Mahan (Chairman), Ald. Albright, Crossley, Merrill, Schnipper, Fischman, Blazar, and Harney; also present: Ald. Danberg

*Public Hearings were held on the following items:*

#42-10        **JOHN J. & DIANE P. LANAHAN** petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL for an EXTENSION OF A NON-CONFORMING STRUCTURE to demolish an existing one-story garage and construct a two-story addition onto an existing single-family dwelling, which will increase the existing Floor Area Ratio from .32 to .46, at 8 RIDGEWAY TERRACE, Ward 5, NEWTON HIGHLANDS, on land known as Sec 54, Blk 46, Lot 15, containing approx 5,400 sf of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 2. Ref: Sec 30-24, 30-23, 30-21(a)(2)b), 30-21(b), 30-15(u)(4) of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2007.  
**HEARING CLOSED; ITEM APPROVED 7-0 (Merrill not voting)**

#43-10 FENG HUA CHOW/BLOOMINGDALE’S, INC./FEDERATED DEPARTMENT STORES, INC. petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL for a waiver of 11 parking spaces in order to convert approximately 2500 sf of existing space in Bloomingdales Department Store into a 50-seat Japanese restaurant at 225 BOYLSTON STREET, Ward 7, CHESTNUT HILL, on land known as Sec 65, Blk 8, Lot 99B, containing approx 190,368 sf of land in a district zoned BUSINESS 1. Ref: Sec 30-24, 30-23, 30-19(d), 30-19(m) of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2007.

**HEARING CLOSED**

#44-10 SIGN DESIGN/GPH WEST NEWTON, LLC. petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL for a free-standing sign at the Golden Living Center at 25 ARMORY STREET, Ward 3, WEST NEWTON, on land known as Sec 31, Blk 7, Lot 23, containing approx 60,726 sf of land in a district zoned BUSINESS 2. Ref: Sec 30-24, 30-23, 30-20(f)(1) and (9) of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2007 and special permit nos. 741-67, 264-68, and 16-90.

**HEARING CLOSED**

#45-10 DELUXE STATION DINER/AMERICAN COMPANIES petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to locate a 90-seat restaurant and waive 18 parking spaces at 70 UNION STREET, Ward 6, NEWTON CENTRE, on land known as Sec 61, Blk 36 Lot 11A , in a district zoned BUSINESS 1. Ref: Sec 30-24, 30-23, 30-19(d), (d)(9), 30-19(m) of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2007.

**HEARING CLOSED**

**REFERRED TO ZONING & PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Monday, March 8, 2010

Present: Ald. Johnson (Chairman), Baker, Swiston, Lappin, Lennon, Shapiro, Yates and Sangiolo; also present: Ald. Crossley and Hess-Mahan

#46-10 ALD. CROSSLEY, HESS-MAHAN & LINSKY requesting adoption of an ordinance to provide for as-of-right siting of renewable or alternative energy generating facilities, renewable or alternative energy research and development facilities, or renewable or alternative energy manufacturing facilities in designated locations in order to satisfy the requirements to qualify as a Green Community under MGL Chapter 25A, §10 (c).

[02/09/10 @ 7:25 PM]

**HELD 8-0**

#46-10(2) ALD. CROSSLEY, HESS-MAHAN & LINSKY requesting adoption of an ordinance to create an expedited application and permitting process under which renewable or alternative energy generating facilities, renewable or alternative energy research and development facilities, or renewable or alternative energy manufacturing facilities may be sited within the municipality and which shall not exceed one year from the date of initial application to the date of final approval, in order to satisfy the requirements to qualify as a Green Community under MGL Chapter 25A, §10(c). [02/09/10 @ 7:25 PM]

**HELD 8-0**

#475-08 ALD. HESS-MAHAN, DANBERG, JOHNSON, SWISTON, & PARKER proposing that the City of Newton accept the provisions of GL chapter 43D, a local option that allows municipalities to provide an expedited permitting process and promote targeted economic development. [12/09/08 @ 9:41 AM]

**HELD 8-0**

#164-09 ALD. HESS-MAHAN proposing the following amendments to the accessory apartment ordinances: (1) amend Sections 30-8(d)(1)a) and 30-9(h)(1)a) to explicitly allow the homeowner to live in the accessory apartment; (2) amend Section 30-9(h)(1) to allow accessory apartments in a single family residence located in Multi Residence 1 and Multi Residence 2 zoned districts; and (3) amend the provisions of Sections 30-8(d)(1)b) and 30-9(h)(1)b) to allow accessory apartments in residential buildings built 10 or more years before an application for a permit is submitted; (4) delete the provisions of Sections 30-8(d)(1)(h) and 30-9(h)(1)(h) that require landscape screening for fewer than 5 parking stalls; (5) amend Sections 30-8(d)(1)(d), 20-8(d)(1)(e), 30-8(d)(2)(b) and 30-9(h)(1)(d) to allow exterior alterations and add that any exterior alterations, other than alterations required for safety, are subject to FAR provisions. [06/09/09 @ 4:55 PM]

**HELD 8-0**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, March 3, 2010

Present: Ald. Yates (Acting Chairman), Swiston, Shapiro, Fuller and Freedman; absent: Ald. Ciccone (Chairman), Harney and Johnson; also present: Ald. Danberg

#49-10 NEWTON BICYCLE PEDESTRIAN TASK FORCE seeking a discussion on a proposal to make changes to the City of Newton's bicycle-related ordinances in order to better align them with State Law and to make it possible for Newton's Safe Routes to School program to develop bike routes suitable for children. [02/09/10 @ 9:11 AM]

**HELD 4-0 (Fuller not voting)**

#11-10 ALD. ALBRIGHT requesting a discussion relative to providing parking during a snow emergency for residents who live in housing without on-site parking. [12/21/09 @ 1:15 PM]  
**HELD 4-0 (Fuller not voting)**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

Wednesday, March 3, 2010

Present: Ald. Schnipper (Chairman), Lennon, Salvucci, Gentile, Crossley, Danberg, and Lappin; absent: Ald. Albright; also present: Ald. Fuller

**REFERRED TO CMTE ON COMM PRES, PUB. FAC, AND FIN COMMITTEES**

#41-10 THE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending that the sum of \$569,000, including \$1,000 for City of Newton legal costs, be appropriated from the FY10 historic resources, open space, and general reserves of the Community Preservation Fund to be expended under the direction and control of the Public Buildings Department for the purpose of rehabilitating the interior of the barn at Angino Farm. [01/25/10 @ 2: 22 PM]

**CCP APPROVED AS AMENDED @\$568,000 7-0 on 02/18/10**  
**FINANCE APPROVED AS AMENDED @\$568,000 7-0 on 03/08/10**  
**APPROVED AS AMENDED @\$568,000 5-0-1 (Salvucci abstaining; Danberg not voting)**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#72-10 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend one hundred eleven thousand five hundred twenty-four dollars (\$111,524) from Free Cash for the purpose of supplementing the Public Buildings Department budget for contractual maintenance of City buildings.[02/23/10 @ 7:21 PM]

**FINANCE APPROVED 7-0 on 03/08/10**  
**APPROVED 6-0 (Danberg not voting)**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#73-10 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of paying for Licensed Site Professional (LSP) services and costs associated with the continued clean up and Department of Environmental Protection oversight at the following locations:

- Cabot Elementary School .....\$10,000
- Horace Mann Elementary School .....\$30,000
- Newton South High School .....\$10,000
- Elliot Street DPW Yard .....\$10,000

[02/23/10 @ 7:20 PM]  
**FINANCE APPROVED 7-0 on 03/08/10**  
**APPROVED 6-0 (Danberg not voting)**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #53-10 ALD. FULLER, SCHNIPPER, CROSSLEY & BAKER requesting a Resolution to His Honor the Mayor requesting the implementation of new parking meter payment methods and/or parking meter systems to eliminate the sole use of coins. [02/09/10 @ 12:43 PM]  
**FINANCE APPROVED (A) and HELD (B) on 03/10/10**  
**(A) APPROVED 7-0 a Resolution requesting that the pay station for the Cypress Street Municipal Lot be installed within 120 days**  
**(B) HELD 7-0 a Resolution requesting the implementation of new parking meter payment methods and/or parking meter systems to eliminate the sole use of coins**
- #208-08 ALD. GENTILE, SANGIOLO, SALVUCCI AND SCHNIPPER requesting a discussion on establishing a permanent Building Committee in the City of Newton. [05/16/08 @ 11:47 AM]  
**HELD 7-0**
- #385-07 ALD. SCHNIPPER AND GENTILE updating the Public Facilities Committee on the progress of the Newton North High School Project. [11/21/07 @ 10:23 AM]  
**HELD 7-0**

**REFERRED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Monday, March 8, 2010

Present: Ald. Gentile (Chairman), Linsky, Salvucci, Rice, Danberg, Fuller, and Freedman; absent: Ald. Ciccone; also present: Ald. Albright

- #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 Public Facilities 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) Public Facilities Committee Approved 5-1 Closure Of Lowell Avenue @ Watertown Street (Lennon opposed) on 02/03/10.**  
**Board of Aldermen referred (B) to Finance Committee on 02/16/10.**  
**APPROVED 6-1 (Gentile opposed)**

#81-08(3) PUBLIC WORKS COMMISSIONER, in accordance with Ordinance Sec.26-49, **Street Betterments**, paragraph (a)(1) requesting approval of the following list of betterment assessments for the completed project for Bencliffe Circle: [02/11/10 @ 10:18 AM]

<u>PROPERTY OWNER</u>	<u>LOCATION/SBL</u>	<u>BK/PG</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1. Gabriel G. Setian	5 Bencliffe Circle 41028 0020	28195/532	\$5,951.18
2. Raymond E. Desautels, Jr. & Lisa L. Desautels	11 Bencliffe Circle 42028 0021	1331/34	\$11,067.91
3. Alan M. Katz	19 Bencliffe Circle 48028 0022	1003/114	\$9,948.68
4. George & Evaggelia Chakalis	25-27 Bencliffe Circle 48028 0023	838/127	\$13,056.40
5. Grace J. Vigorito	33 Bencliffe Circle 48028 0024	1193/162	\$10,260.82
6. Dmitriy Lyubarskiy	39 Bencliffe Circle 48028 0025	1168/47	\$9,948.68
7. Dina Goldin	45 Bencliffe Circle 48028 0026	1129/162	\$9,948.68
8. Peter Fong	51 Bencliffe Circle 48028 0027	1225/38	\$10,903.76
9. Claire R. Gerstein & Estate of Esther R. Gerstein T/C	57 Bencliffe Circle 48028 0028	1264/200	\$9,948.68
10. Eugene E. Wong & Holly Soto Wong	63 Bencliffe Circle 48028 0029	1261/116	\$9,948.68
11. Abram Blekhmann & Marika Blekhmann	62 Bencliffe Circle 48028 0030	1208/176	\$9,948.68
12. Cynthia Fong	56 Bencliffe Circle 48028 0031	1016/70	\$9,292.07
13. Marcia E. Mann	40 Bencliffe Circle, Unit 1 48028 0032	30/70	\$13,521.50
14. Alexander & Yuliya Shulman	40 Bencliffe Circle, Unit 2 48028 0032A	72/167	\$13,521.50
15. John Giannaros & Panagiota Giannaros	24 Bencliffe Circle 48028 0033	1295/37	\$16,481.24
16. Scott A. Lewis & Janelle R. Winston	12 Bencliffe Circle 48028 0034	1311/118	\$11,062.93
17. John W. Pine & Deborah A. Pine	25-27 Chaske Avenue 48028 0035	24453/8	\$5,951.18

**APPROVED 7-0**

#242-09(2) HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) from Receipts Reserved received from Panera LLC towards the installation of a pedestrian-activated signal at Centre and Pelham Streets in Newton Center in accordance with Condition #8 in Special Permit Board Order #242-09.

**HELD 7-0**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #53-10 ALD. FULLER, SCHNIPPER, CROSSLEY & BAKER requesting a Resolution to His Honor the Mayor requesting the implementation of new parking meter payment methods and/or parking meter systems to eliminate the sole use of coins. [02/09/10 @ 12:43 PM]  
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**(B) PUBLIC FACILITIES HELD on 03/03/10 a Resolution requesting the implementation of new parking meter payment methods and/or parking meter systems to eliminate the sole use of coins**  
**(A) APPROVED 7-0; HELD (B)**

**REFERRED TO CMTE ON COMMUNITY PRES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #40-10 THE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending that the sum of \$37,045, including \$500 for City of Newton legal costs, be appropriated from the FY10 historic resources and general reserves of the Community Preservation Fund to be expended under the direction and control of the Newton Free Library, for the purpose of preserving and providing improved public access to certain archival materials held by the Library, City Clerk, and Jackson Homestead/Newton History Museum. [01/25/10 @ 2:22 PM]  
**CCP APPROVED AS AMENDED @\$36,545 SUBJECT TO SECOND CALL 5-0-2 Harney & Yates abstaining on 02/18/10**  
**APPROVED 7-0 AS AMENDED @\$36,545**

**REFERRED TO CMTE ON COMM PRES, PUB. FAC, AND FIN COMMITTEES**

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**CCP APPROVED AS AMENDED @\$568,000 7-0 on 2-18-10**  
**PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED AS AMENDED @\$568,000 5-0-1 (Salvucci abstaining) on 03/03/10**  
**APPROVED 7-0 AS AMENDED @\$568,000**

- #69-10 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to accept and expend a grant of ninety-six thousand five hundred forty-six dollars and fifty cents (\$96,546.50) from the Massachusetts Renewable Energy Trust for the purpose of purchasing eleven solar trash compactors and install two solar energy systems at the Oak Hill and Bigelow Middle Schools. [02/23/10 @ 7:22 PM]  
**APPROVED 7-0**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

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**APPROVED 7-0**

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**PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED 6-0 (Danberg not voting) on 03/03/10**  
**APPROVED 7-0**

**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#360-09(2) PROGRAM & SERVICES COMMITTEE requesting a discussion to explore possible sources of revenue to fund an off leash dog park system in the City. [11/06/09 @ 10:44 AM]  
**PROGRAMS & SERVICES TO MEET**  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#358-09 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend fifty five thousand dollars (\$55,000) from tax revenue from the local option meals tax to restore funding to the Senior Transportation Program. [10/09/09 @ 5:25 PM]  
**PROGRAMS & SERVICES TO MEET**  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

#130-09 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend from Cable Receipts the sum of twenty-four thousand nine hundred eighteen dollars (\$24,918) for the purpose of purchasing equipment to provide for archived web casting of the Board of Aldermen and School Committee meetings. [4/28/09 @ 6:02 PM]  
**PROGRAMS & SERVICES TO MEET**  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**



**REFERRED TO PS&T, PUBLIC FACILITIES & FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #60-09 ALD. SANGIOLO, GENTILE AND HARNEY requesting the installation of traffic islands on CONCORD STREET to be funded with the Cabot, Cabot and Forbes Traffic Mitigation Fund for Lower Falls (Ward 4).  
[02/03/09 @ 1:01 PM]  
**PS&T AND PUBLIC FACILITIES TO MEET**  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

**ITEM RECOMMITTED TO PUB. FAC. AND FINANCE COMM. ON 02-17-09**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #13-09 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend three hundred eighty-five thousand dollars (\$385,000) from bonded indebtedness to the Public Works Department for the purpose of replacing both the salt shed and the Quonset hut at Crafts Street. [12-30-08 @ 5:04 PM]  
**PUBLIC FACILITIES TO MEET**  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

- #352-08 ALD. COLETTI requesting discussion monthly reports from the Chief Budget Officer and Comptroller on the status of the Health Insurance Trust Fund. [09-30-08 @ 1:54 PM]  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

- #348-08 ALD. COLETTI requesting discussion on the Executive Department submission of a new 5-year forecast for FY2010 budget preparation. [09-30-08 @ 1:54 PM]  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

**REFERRED TO POST AUDIT & OVERSIGHT AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #300-08 ALD. JOHNSON AND SWISTON requesting discussion with Mayor David Cohen and Superintendent Jeffrey Young as to the procedures that are in place to ensure accountability of their staff in respect to adherence to the authorization of purchasing and expenditures policy and procedures. [07-21-08 @ 9:03 AM]  
**POST AUDIT TO MEET**  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #274-08 ALD. JOHNSON AND SANGIOLO proposing a RESOLUTION to His Honor the Mayor requesting that he create a plan to move the Child Care Commission to a self-sustaining model for FY2010. [07-17-08 @ 9:53 AM]  
**PROGRAMS & SERVICES TO MEET**  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #273-08 ALD. JOHNSON proposing a RESOLUTION to His Honor the Mayor requesting that the Executive and Human Resources Departments develop a comprehensive human capital strategy for the city to include: performance management, talent development, succession planning, and compensation. [07-17-08 @ 9:53 AM]  
**PROGRAMS & SERVICES TO MEET**  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #272-08 ALD. JOHNSON proposing a RESOLUTION to His Honor the Mayor that he work with the Board of Aldermen, School Department, and School Committee in order to determine the most effective and efficient way to organize the Human Resources Departments. [07-17-08 @ 9:53 AM]  
**PROGRAMS & SERVICES TO MEET**  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #270-08 ALD. JOHNSON proposing a RESOLUTION to His Honor the Mayor requesting that he work with the Board of Aldermen, School Department, and School Committee in order to determine the most effective and efficient way to organize the Information Technology Departments. [07-17-08 @ 9:53 AM]  
**PROGRAMS & SERVICES TO MEET**  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #258-08 ALD. SANGIOLO requesting discussion with the Executive Department regarding reorganization of senior transportation services and establishment of intra-village transportation systems. [07-08-08 @ 1:29 PM]  
**PROGRAMS & SERVICES TO MEET**  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #207-08 ALD. BRANDEL AND SANGIOLO proposing that the following question be put before the Newton voters:  
"Shall the City of Newton be allowed to exempt from the provisions of Proposition 2 ½ the amounts required to pay for the bond issuance in order to fund Newton North High School?" [05-21-08 @ 12:58 PM]  
**PROGRAMS & SERVICES TO MEET**  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

**REFERRED TO PROG. & SERV., PUB.FAC. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #89-08 ALD. PARKER requesting the following:
- A) review of the maintenance practices for buildings, parks and other properties owned by the City (including School Department facilities and grounds)
  - B) development of a comprehensive maintenance plan that includes regular schedules for preventive maintenance for each specific site or facility
  - C) a RESOLUTION requesting that implementation of said maintenance plan be funded using operating budget funds. [02-13-08 @ 12:07 PM]

**PROGRAMS & SERVICES TO MEET**  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS AND SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #83-07 ALD. YATES requesting that the City of Newton take all possible steps to persuade the General Court to adopt the proportion of Governors Municipal Partnership that would allow the City to reduce employee health insurance costs by joining the Group Insurance Commission. [02-27-07 @ 10:21 PM]

**PROGRAMS & SERVICES TO MEET**  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #76-07 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting an appropriation in the amount of \$300,000 from Free Cash for the purpose of conducting a study of the municipal buildings throughout the city. [02-27-07 @ 4:16 PM]

**PUBLIC FACILITIES TO MEET**  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

**REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #245-06 ALD. JOHNSON AND HESS-MAHAN requesting an amendment to the City Charter to require the Mayor annually to prepare and submit to the Board of Aldermen a long-term financial forecast of anticipated revenue, expenditures and the general financial condition of the City, including, but not limited to identification of any factors which will affect the financial condition of the City; projected revenue and expenditure trends; potential sources of new or expanded revenues; anticipated municipal needs likely to require major expenditures; and a strategic plan for meeting anticipated municipal needs, to include, but not be limited to, any long or short-term actions that may be taken to enhance the financial condition of the City.

**PROGRAMS & SERVICES TO MEET**  
**NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**

**REFERRED TO ZONING & PLANNING AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #48-06      ALD. HESS-MAHAN, BURG, JOHNSON, DANBERG, PARKER & WEISBUCH proposing that the city provide financial incentives to rent accessory apartments to low- to moderate-income households at affordable rates that can serve housing affordability goals.  
**PROGRAMS & SERVICES TO MEET  
NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0**
- #29-06      ALD. JOHNSON AND PARKER requesting creation of a Citizen Financial Advisory Committee to work with city officials and staff to facilitate bench markers, strategic planning, and other initiatives to improve the financial operation of the City.  
(President's Note: While not formally referred to the Long Range Planning Committee, this item might usefully be discussed there in light of prior discussions of similar issues.)  
**REFERRED TO LONG RANGE PLANNING 7-0**