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Monday, November 2, 2009

Newton City Hall

To be reported on

Monday, November 16, 2009

CITY OF NEWTON

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

UNFINISHED BOARD BUSINESS

ITEM POSTPONED ON 11/2/09 TO DATE CERTAIN OF 11/16/09:

#206-09(2) <u>ALD. PARKER</u> proposing the creation of a Capital Maintenance Account to which all new receipts from local meals taxes and the expanded receipts from hotel/motel taxes be dedicated. [07/09/09 @ 12:42 PM]

FINANCE COMMITTEE on 10/16/09 MOTION TO APPROVE FAILED TO CARRY 1-3-1 (Parker in favor; Johnson, Salvucci and Gentile opposed; Coletti abstaining; Lennon, Schnipper and Freedman not voting)

ITEM POSTPONED ON 11/12/09 TO DATE CERTAIN OF 11/16/09:

#70-09(6) <u>DIRECTOR OF ASSESSMENT ADMINISTRATION</u> submitting for Board of Aldermen review and approval FY10 Municipal Property Tax Levy Distribution Percentages among residential, open space, commercial and industrial classes of Real Property.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE APPROVED 173% 11 yeas (Albright, Danberg, Fischman, Hess-Mahan, Johnson, Lappin, Parker, Schnipper, Swiston, Vance, and Baker) 7 nays (Ciccone, Coletti, Gentile, Harney, Linsky, Salvucci, Yates) 5 absent (Brandel, Lennon, Mansfield, Merrill, Sangiolo)

REFERRED TO LAND USE COMMITTEE

Tuesday, November 10, 2009

Present: Ald. Fischman (Vice Chairman), Ald. Albright, Sangiolo, Vance, and Hess-Mahan; absent: Ald. Mansfield and Merrill; also present: Ald. Baker and Alderman-elect Fuller)

Public hearing continued from October 20, 2009:

#208-09

TREXLER M. & JUDITH W. TOPPING petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to re-grade portions of a yard for retaining walls/berms and landscape areas in excess of 4 feet at 132 FARLOW ROAD, Ward 7, NEWTON, on land known as Sec 72, Blk 35, Lot 10, containing approx 62,378 sf of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 1. Ref: Sec. 30-24, 30-23, 30-5(b((4) of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2007.

HEARING CLOSED

A public hearing was opened and closed on the following item:

#303-09

MAURY E. LEDERMAN & LYDIA FINK petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL and EXTENSION of a NONCONFORMING STRUCTURE to convert an existing screen porch to a new room, increasing the floor area ratio from .61 to .63 at 22 WALTER STREET, Ward 6, on land known as Sec 62, Blk 24, Lot 16, containing approx 4,950 sf in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 3. Ref: Sec 30-24, 30-23, 20-21(2)(2)b) and 30-15(u)(4) of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2007.

HEARING CLOSED; ITEM APPROVED 5-0

Request for withdrawal without prejudice:

#245-09

SEAN & CINDY ROCHE petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL and EXTENSION of NONCONFORMING STRUCTURE to demolish an existing one-story sunroom and replace it with a two-story addition at 42 DANIEL STREET, Ward 6, NEWTON CENTRE, on land known as Sec 62, Blk 25, Lot 7, containing approx 5,330 sf of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 3. Ref: Sec 30-24, 30-23, 30-21(a)(2)(b), 30-21(b), and 30-15 Table 1.

WITHDRAWAL WITHOUT PREJUDICE APPROVED 5-0

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Request for withdrawal without prejudice:

#209-09

KARAMEH HAWASH petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to demolish an existing single-family dwelling and to reconstruct a new single-family dwelling, which will exceed the allowable floor area ratio from .3 to .33 at 45 VILLAGE CIRCLE, Newton Centre, Ward 8, on land known as Sec 81, Blk 3, Lot 14, containing approximately 10,037 sf in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 2. Ref: Sec 30-24, 30-23, 30-15, Table 1 Footnote 5 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2007.

WITHDRAWAL WITHOUT PREJUDICE APPROVED 5-0

Item held in Committee at full Board on 10/19/09:

#182-09

188 NEEDHAM STREET LIMITED PARTNERSHIP petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to convert a portion of existing retail and office space to restaurant space with 120 seats at 188-210 NEEDHAM STREET, Ward 8, Newton Upper Falls, on land known as Sec 83, Blk 28, Lots 83 and 84, containing approx 192,308 sf of land in a district zoned MIXED USE 1 Ref: Sec 30-24, 30-23, 30-20, 30-19(m), 30-13(b)(5) of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2007. APPROVED 2-0-3 (Hess-Mahan, Albright voting in the affirmative; Brandel, Merrill, Sangiolo abstaining; Fischman recused) on 10/13/09 APPROVED 4-0 (Fischman recused)

#244-09

S. R. WEINER ASSOCIATES INC./CHESTNUT HILL SHOPPING CENTER, LLC/C&R REALTY TRUST petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL and EXTENSION OF NONCONFORMING USE for restaurants in excess of 50 seats; to increase the number of seats in two existing legal nonconforming restaurants currently having in excess of 50 seats; to permit a new restaurant over 50 seats and an associated request for a parking waiver at 1-27-33-35 BOYLSTON STREET, Ward 7, CHESTNUT HILL, on land known as Sec 63, Blk 37, Lot 25, 26, 27, 18A, containing approx 767,306 sf of land in a district zoned BUSINESS 1. Ref: Sec 30-24, 30-23, 30-21(b), 30-11(d)(9), 30-19(d), 30-19(m) of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2007 and Special Permit nos. 401-03, 317-03, 317-03(6). **HELD 4-0 (Fischman recused)**

#247-09

RICHARD SEVERINI petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to demolish an existing single-family dwelling and construct a new single-family dwelling, increasing the FAR from .411 to .426, and to construct a retaining wall greater that 4 feet within the front setback at 23 HOWE ROAD, Ward 8, NEWTON CENTRE on land known as Sec 81, Blk 11A, Lot 37, containing approx 6,591 sf of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE 2. Ref: Sec 30-24, 30-23, 30-15 Table 1, 30-5(b)(4) of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2007.

APPROVED 5-0

#273-09

YOUNG INVESTMENTS, LLC petition for a SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL and EXTENSION OF A NON-CONFORMING STRUCTURE to demolish an existing single-family dwelling and replace it with four attached dwelling units with associated parking waivers (handicapped stall; width of maneuvering aisle, driveway width) and construct a retaining wall greater than 4 feet within the side setback at 244 CALIFORNIA STREET, Ward 1, NONANTUM, on land known as Sec 11, Blk 8, Lot 6, containing approx 7,200 sf of land in a district zoned BUSINESS 1. Ref: Sec 30-24, 30-23, 30-21(b), 30-19(h)(2)c), 30-19(h)(3), (4)(a), 30-19(m), 30-15 Table 3, 30-11(d)(8), 30-5(b)(4) of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2007. **APPROVED 5-0**

REFERRED TO PROGRAM & SERVICES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, November 4, 2009

Present: Ald. Johnson (Chair), Freedman, Baker, Brandel, Hess-Mahan, Merrill, Parker and Sangiolo; also present: Ald. Danberg

REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#372-09

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend fifty five thousand dollars (\$55,000) from Marathon Receipts for the purpose of funding park improvements and repairs as follows: \$25,000 for the installation of playground equipment at the West Newton Common and Franklin School; and \$30,000 to replace Fibar ground covering and broken or unsafe playground equipment. [10/27/09 @ 3:10 PM]

FINANCE APPROVED 8-0 on 11/9/09 APPROVED 6-0 (Ald. Baker and Brandel not voting)

REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#373-09

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend thirty seven thousand five hundred forty three dollars (\$37,543) from Free Cash for the purpose of supplementing the tree maintenance budget. [10/27/09 @ 3:11 PM]

FINANCE APPROVED 8-0 ON 11/9/09 APPROVED 7-0 (Baker not voting)

#232-09

ALD. HESS-MAHAN, DANBERG AND FREEDMAN requesting an amendment to the City of Newton Ordinances to ban the sale of tobacco products at pharmacies in Newton. [07/16/09 @ 9:42 AM]

<u>APPROVED 4-1-1 (Brandel opposed; Johnson abstaining; Parker and Sangiolo not voting)</u>

- ALD. HESS-MAHAN requesting to update City of Newton Ordinances #232-09(2) Chapter 20, Article 1. Smoking, Tobacco Products and Alcoholic Beverages to reflect changes in Massachusetts state law. [09/13/09 @ 1:07 PM]
 - **APPROVED 6-0-2 (Parker and Sangiolo abstaining)**
- #298-09 ALD. MANSFIELD proposing Home Rule Legislation to amend Article 2, Section 2-1(c) Composition; Eligibility; Election and Term of the Newton Charter to establish four-year terms for Aldermen-at-Large with the provision for one Aldermen-at-Large to be elected from each ward at each biennial municipal election. [09-29-09 @ 6:45 PM] **REFERRED TO 2010-1011 BOARD 8-0**
- #262-07 ALD. VANCE AND HESS-MAHAN seeking approval by the Board of Aldermen of a home rule petition to the General Court that would authorize an amendment to the charter of the City of Newton that would change the length of terms of the members of the Board of Aldermen to three years and would provide for electing one-third of the aldermen, one from each ward, every year. [08/22/07 @ 3:53 PM] **REFERRED TO 2010-1011 BOARD 8-0**
- #95-09 TOM SHEFF requesting the Board of Aldermen appoint an advisory committee made of up persons who are not elected officials to review the daily processes of the Board of Aldermen and report recommended efficiency improvements to the Board of Aldermen. [03/26/09 @8:34 pm] NO ACTION NECESSARY 8-0
- #8-09 ALD. HESS-MAHAN, LINSKY, ALBRIGHT, FREEDMAN, MANSFIELD, JOHNSON, HARNEY & VANCE proposing an ordinance requiring that the installation of synthetic in-filled turf athletic fields on city-owned property shall use sustainable, recyclable, lead-free, non-toxic products to the maximum extent feasible. [12/30/08 @ 9:55 AM] **HELD 7-0 (Parker not voting)**

REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE

Wednesday, November 4, 2009

Present: Ald. Linsky (Chair), Danberg, Harney, Fischman, Ciccone and Vance; absent: Ald. Coletti and Swiston; others present: Ald. Brandel and Parker

#350-09 ROBERT J. KELLY, 175 High Street, Waltham, MA 02453, requesting renewal of four (4) public auto licenses, forty-nine (49) taxi licenses, and twelve (12) designated taxi stands for VETERANS TAXI of NEWTON, LLC. [09/29/09 @ 2:43 PM] **APPROVED 4-0 (Danberg and Fischman not voting)**

#346-09	GEORGE MARRY, 50 Union Street, Newton Centre, MA 02459, requesting renewal of two (2) taxi licenses for NEWTONVILLE CAB CO, INC. [10/06/09 @ 4:30 PM] APPROVED 4-0 (Danberg and Fischman not voting)
#344-09	MEDHI HOULANI, 72 Beaver Street, Waltham, MA 02453, requesting renewal of three (3) taxi licenses for NEWTON CAB. [09/04/09 @ 1:14 PM] APPROVED 4-0 (Danberg and Fischman not voting)
#345-09	AHCENE TOURI., 31 Irving Street, #A-8, Watertown, MA 02472, requesting renewal of one (1) taxi license for NEWTON METRO CAB. [09/22/09 @ 3:38 PM] APPROVED 4-0 (Danberg and Fischman not voting)
#343-09	MOHAMED SAIDI, 327 R Dorchester Street, S. Boston, MA 02127, requesting renewal of one (1) taxi license to operate in Newton as NEWTON LUXURY CAB. [09/30/09 @ 2:21 PM] APPROVED 4-0 (Danberg and Fischman not voting)
#342-09	ANIS LAHIANI, 4 Cedar Street, Suite 405, Wellesley, MA 02481, requesting renewal of one (1) taxi license to operate in Newton as NEWTON TOWN TAXI. [09/30/09 @ 2:57 PM] APPROVED 4-0 (Danberg and Fischman not voting)
#338-09	JOSEPH F. DRAGONE, 121 Fessenden Street, Newtonville, MA 02460-1131, requesting renewal of one (1) public auto license for J&J SEDAN SERVICE. [09/30/09 @ 9:44 AM] APPROVED 4-0 (Danberg and Fischman not voting)
#339-09	DOROTHY W. DUNDAS, 15 Moreland Avenue, Newton Centre, MA 02459 requesting renewal of one (1) public auto license for CRYSTAL LAKE EXPRESS. [09/08/09 @ 10:30 AM] APPROVED 4-0 (Danberg and Fischman not voting)
#340-09	<u>JERALD ROBBINS</u> , 253 Riverview Avenue, W. Newton, MA 02465, requesting renewal of four (4) public auto licenses for WELDON EXECUTIVE COACH. [09/30/09 @ 1:12 PM] <u>APPROVED 4-0 (Danberg and Fischman not voting)</u>
#341-09	<u>WILLIAM R. TURNER</u> , 25 Curve Street, West Newton, MA 02465, requesting renewal of one (1) public auto license for BILL'S NICE RIDE, INC. [09/29/09 @ 2:16 PM] <u>APPROVED 4-0 (Danberg and Fischman not voting)</u>

- #366-09 NEAL L. PARKER, 11 Chapel Street, Newton, MA, PO BOX 95055, Newton, MA 02495-0055, requesting renewal of one (1) public auto license to operate NEW ENGLAND CAR SERVICE. [10/26/09 @ 1:59] PM] **APPROVED 4-0 (Danberg and Fischman not voting)**
- RICHARD E. JOHNSTON, 25 Border Street, West Newton, MA 02465 #349-09 requesting renewal of twenty (20) taxi licenses and two (2) designated taxi stands for NEWTON YELLOW CAB, INC. [09/30/09 @ 3:10 PM] **APPROVED 4-0 (Danberg and Fischman not voting)**
- #347-09 GEORGE MARRY, 50 Union Street, Newton Centre, MA 02459, requesting renewal of three (3) taxi licenses for HOLDEN'S TAXI, INC. [10/06/09 @ 4:30 PM] **HELD 4-0 (Danberg and Fischman not voting)**
- GEORGE MARRY, 50 Union Street, Newton Centre, MA 02459, #348-09 requesting renewal of three (3) taxi licenses for NEWTON TAXI CO. [10/06/09 @ 4:30 PM]

HELD 4-0 (Danberg and Fischman not voting)

- #337-09 MARK BELENKII, 73 Charlesbank Road #202, Newton Corner, MA 02458, requesting renewal of one (1) public auto license for BEANTOWN CARRIAGE, LLC. D/b/a BOSTON CARRIAGE CO. [10/05/09 @ 1:04 PM] **HELD 4-0 (Danberg and Fischman not voting)**
- #263-09 ALD. BRANDEL & LINSKY requesting a discussion with the city traffic engineer and a representative of the management of the Avalon Bay apartment complex relative to the status of the traffic signal on Needham Street, including funding, application, the approval process, and an anticipated date for installation. [08/10/09 @ 8:34 AM] **REFERRED TO 2010-2011 BOARD 5-0 (Danberg not voting)**
- #262-09 ALD. BRANDEL & LINSKY requesting an analysis by the city traffic engineer and traffic planner of a phase-out of the City's manual parking meter system and replacement with an automated metering and collection system, including the cost implications of such a change. [08/10/09 @ 8:37 AM] **NO ACTION NECESSARY 6-0**
- #134-08 ALD. LINSKY & DANBERG proposing that Ordinance Sections 19-194 and 19-195 be amended to standardize days and hours of enforcement of parking meters on-street and in municipal lots between the hours of 8:00 AM and 8:00 PM, Monday through Saturday. [4-08-08 @ 5:17 PM] **HELD 6-0**

REFERRED TO PUB. SAFETY & TRANS. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#174-08(2) PUBLIC SAFETY/TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE proposing changes to

> the rate structure and/or enforcement hours for parking meters as well as installation of additional meters citywide. [06-18-08 @ 8:00 PM]

HELD 6-0

#425-02 ALD. PARKER, LINSKY, JOHNSON AND STEWART requesting ordinance change to allow a trial program sharing on-street parking on a given street by designating some areas as resident only (for residents of that street) and other areas for longer-term parking by Newton residents accessing public transportation and by employees of area businesses.

HELD 4-0 (Linsky and Ciccone not voting)

#234-09 ALD. FREEDMAN on behalf of Paul Rubin requesting consideration of additional on-street handicap parking spaces in village centers particularly Newton Centre. [02/11/09 @ 8:52 AM]

NO ACTION NECESSARY 6-0

REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Wednesday, November 4, 2009

Present: Ald. Schnipper (Chairman), Lennon, Albright, Salvucci, Yates, and Lappin absent: Ald. Gentile and Mansfield; also present: Ald. Baker, Ciccone, Johnson, and Linsky

#352-09 NSTAR ELECTRIC COMPANY petitioning for a grant of location to install 223'+ of conduit in WOODWARD STREET from Woodward Street at Boylston Street northwesterly to Pole #478. (Ward 5) [10/01/09@ 2:12 PM]

APPROVED SUBJECT TO 2ND CALL 5-0-1 (Albright abstaining)

NSTAR ELECTRIC COMPANY petitioning for a grant of #353-09 location to install 375'+ of conduit and two new manholes in MAPLE AVENUE from Church Street at Maple Avenue southerly to proposed Manhole #29138. (Ward 1) [09/22/09 @12:20 PM] **APPROVED SUBJECT TO 2**ND **CALL 6-0**

#354-09 NSTAR ELECTRIC COMPANY petitioning for a grant of location to install a total of 160'+ of conduit as follows: 20'+ in BEACON STREET southwesterly from Manhole #18338 to Manhole #18342 and 140'+ in WYMAN STREET from Manhole #16146 140'+ southeasterly to Pole #479/11. (Ward 5) [09/22/09@12:21 PM]

APPROVED SUBJECT TO 2ND CALL 4-0-1 (Albright abstaining; **Lennon not voting**)

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#355-09

NSTAR ELECTRIC COMPANY petitioning for a grant of location to install 310'+ of conduit in WOODWARD STREET from Pole #478/49 southwesterly 285'+ to BEACON STREET continuing 25'+ southwesterly to Manhole #18408. (Ward 5) [09/22/09@12:21 PM] APPROVED SUBJECT TO 2ND CALL 4-0-1 (Albright abstaining: **Lennon not voting**)

REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#288-09

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting to appropriate and expend one million four hundred thousand dollars (\$1,400,000) from bonded indebtedness for the purpose of funding the installation of four modular classrooms at the Oak Hill Middle School and for design work for modulars at the Day Middle School. [09/15/09 @ 1:28 PM]

FINANCE TO MEET **APPROVED 6-0**

#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] PM1

A) APPROVED 6-0 CURB EXTENSIONS AND TRAFFIC ISLAND @ INTERSECTION OF WALNUT STREET & LOWELL AVENUE B) HELD 6-0 LOWELL AVENUE CLOSURE AT WATERTOWN **STREET**

REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#374-09

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of the continued cleanup of various 21E sites at the Cabot School, Horace Mann School, and NSHS football field. [10/27/09 @ 3:10 PM]

FINANCE APPROVED 8-0 on 11/9/09 **APPROVED 6-0**

REFERRED TO PROG. &SER., PUB. FACILITIES & FINANCE COMMITTEES

#359-09

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend one million, nine hundred thirty thousand dollars (\$1,930,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of supplementing the snow and ice budgets in the Department of Public Works and the Parks and Recreation Department to be broken down as follows:

Public Works \$300,000 for salaries, \$525,000 equipment rental and \$650,000 for sand and salt.

Park and Recreation \$30,000 for salaries and \$425,000 for equipment rental. [10/13/09 @ 5:24 PM]

PROGRAMS & SERVICES APPROVED 6-0 on 10/21/09 FINANCE APPROVED 8-0 on 11/9/09 **APPROVED 6-0**

#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 6-0**

REFERRED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE

Monday, November 9, 2009

Present: Ald. Coletti (Chair), Lennon, Salvucci, Gentile, Johnson, Schnipper, Parker and Freedman; also present: Ald. Hess-Mahan, Linsky, Alderman-Elect Charlie Shapiro and Alderman-Elect Deb Crossley

#369-09

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate nine thousand nine hundred eighty-two dollars and 37 cents (\$9,982.37) from Budget Reserve for the purpose of settling a claim filed against the City of Newton due to damages sustained in the course of sewer repairs on private property. [10/2709 @ 5:22 PM]

APPROVED 6-0 (Parker and Lennon not voting)

#70-09(7)

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting a supplemental appropriation of one million one hundred eighty four thousand three hundred fifty dollars (\$1,184,350) from Overlay Surplus for the purpose of reducing anticipated General Fund Revenue in the FY10 Budget. [10/30/09 @ 2:54 PM] **APPROVED 6-0 (Parker and Lennon not voting)**

ITEM RECOMMITTED TO FINANCE COMMITTEE 10-19-09

#299-09

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to approve the terms, including the cost items, of a new collective bargaining agreement between the City and Newton Superior Officers Association (NPSOA), first year of the contract is already funded in the Police Department budget, approval of the cost items in this two year contract to bind the parties to the second year is requested. [09/29/009 @ 12:28 PM]

APPROVED 7-0-1 (Johnson abstaining)

#371-09

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting to appropriate and expend thirty-four thousand, three hundred five dollars and twenty-three cents (\$34,305.23) from Budget Reserve to the Fire Department payroll account. These funds are to make retroactive payments to two firefighters who were on active military leave. 1) Richard Busa \$21,359.82 and 2) Mark Hernandez \$12,945.41. [10/27/09 @ 3:10 PM]

APPROVED 8-0

REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#374-09

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of the continued cleanup of various 21E sites at the Cabot School, Horace Mann School, and NSHS football field. [10/27/09 @ 3:10 PM] PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED 6-0 on 11-4-09 APPROVED 8-0

REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#372-09

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend fifty five thousand dollars (\$55,000) from Marathon Receipts for the purpose of funding park improvements and repairs as follows: \$25,000 for the installation of playground equipment at the West Newton Common and Franklin School; and \$30,000 to replace Fibar ground covering and broken or unsafe playground equipment. [10/27/09 @ 3:10 PM]

PROG.& SERV. APPROVED 6-0 (Brandel and Baker not voting) on 11-4-09

APPROVED 8-0

REFERRED TO PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#373-09

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend thirty seven thousand five hundred forty three dollars (\$37,543) from Free Cash for the purpose of supplementing the tree maintenance budget. [10/27/09 @ 3:11 PM]

PROG. & SERVICES APPROVED 7-0 (Baker not voting) on 11-4-09 <u>APPROVED 8-0</u>

. <u>REFERRED TO PROGRAMS&SERVICES, PUBLIC FACILITIES & FINANCE</u> COMMITTEES

#359-09

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend one million, nine hundred thirty thousand dollars (\$1,930,000) from Free Cash for the purpose of supplementing the snow and ice budgets in the Department of Public Works and the Parks and Recreation Department to be broken down as follows:

- (A) **Public Works** \$300,000 for salaries, \$525,000 equipment rental and \$650,000 for sand and salt.
- (B) Park and Recreation \$30,000 for salaries and \$425,000 for equipment rental. [10/13/09 @ 5:24 PM]

PROGRAM & SERVICES APPROVED 5-0 (Baker, Sangiolo and Freedman) not voting on 10-21-09
PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED 6-0 on 11-4-09

APPROVED 8-0

REFERRED TO COMMUNITY PRESERVATION & FINANCE COMMITTEES

#147-08 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending that the sum of \$359,400, including \$2,000 for legal costs, be appropriated from the FY'08 Community Preservation Fund's historic resources and general reserves, for a project to rehabilitate and expand storage space for the research library and archives at the Newton History Museum, to preserve the existing collections, and enhance public access to the collections. [04-01-08 @ 4:10 PM]

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION APPROVED 6-0 on 4-29-08

- (A) DESIGN FUNDS ESTIMATE \$37,500.00
- (B) BALANCE OF PROJECT ESTIMATE \$321,900.00

Voice vote APPROVED Motion to amend docket to add referral to Public Facilities Committee on 5-19-08.

FINANCE APPROVED (A) Design Funds at \$37,500 6-0 on 07-21-08 FINANCE HELD (B) Balance of Project on 07-21-08 HELD 8-0

#354-08 <u>ALD. COLETTI</u> requesting monthly report on cash and receivable reconciliations by Treasurer and status of Consultant work in Treasurer's Office. [09-30-08 @ 1:54 PM]

REFERRED TO 2010-2011 BOARD 8-0

#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]

REFERRED TO 2010-2011 BOARD 8-0

#348-08 <u>ALD. COLETTI</u> requesting discussion on the Executive Department submission of a new 5-year forecast for FY2010 budget preparation. [09-30-08 @ 1:54 PM]

REFERRED TO 2010-2011 BOARD 8-0

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 & OVERSIGHT REFERRED TO 2010-2011 BOARD 4-0 ON 10-27-09

REFERRED TO 2010-2011 BOARD 8-0

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]

PROGRAM & SERVICES APPROVED 5-0-1 (Merrill abstaining; Freedman, Sangiolo not voting) on 06-17-09

REFERRED TO 2010-2011 BOARD 8-0

#349-08 <u>ALD. COLETTI</u> requesting discussion on preparation and submission of a new Capital Improvement Plan by the Executive Office. [09-30-08 @ 1:54 PM]

NO ACTION NECESSARY 8-0

REFERRED TO PROG & SERV, PUB FAC AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#54-08(3) <u>PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEE</u> offering a RESOLUTION to His Honor the Mayor requesting that he request and receive from the State Treasurer a review of the project plans and a review of the project's finance plan and submit said reviews to the Board of Aldermen in order to preserve cost-saving options.

PROGRAMS & SERVICES APPROVED 4-2-1 (Baker and Hess-Mahan opposed; Merrill abstaining; Parker not voting) on 03-12-08 PUBLIC FACILITIES APPROVED 5-3 (Gentile, Salvucci, Schnipper opposed) on 02-20-08

NO ACTION NECESSARY 8-0

REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#33-08

ALD. COLETTI requesting review of the scope of work and performance of Turner Construction and review of proposed 18-month extension of the Turner Construction contract. Included in discussion will be the process for review of future invoices of Dimeo and other vendor invoices by Turner.

[01-15-08 @ 11:14]

PUBLIC FACILITIES NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0 on 12-03-08 NO ACTION NECESSARY 8-0

REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#31-08

ALD. COLETTI proposing a RESOLUTION to His Honor the Mayor expressing a no confidence vote pertaining to the current status of the Newton North High School Construction Project and related Financing Plan. [01-15-08 @ 11:14 AM]

NO ACTION NECESSARY 8-0

ITEM RECOMMITTED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE ON 6/19/08 REFERRED TO PUBLIC FACILITIES AND FINANCE COMMITTEES

#11-08 <u>HIS HONOR THE MAYOR</u> requesting an appropriation in the amount of \$1,200,000 from bonded indebtedness for the purpose of funding the installation of four modular classrooms. [01-02-08 @ 4:53 P.M.]

B) \$1,225,000 from bonded indebtedness

NOTE: Letter received from Mayor on 1/4/08 requesting that appropriation amount be amended to \$1.3 million. Letters received 5/7 and 5/21 requesting that the funding source to capital stabilization for costs incurred for design work and the remaining \$1,225,000 from bonded indebtedness be voted no action necessary. Part A) \$75,000 from Capital Stabilization approved on 6/19/08.

NO ACTION NECESSARY 8-0

#207-07(3) ALD. COLETTI proposing that the sum of \$300,000 be removed from various municipal and school department budgets for FY09 and placed in a separate "employee compensation" reserve account until the Mayor and School Committee present to the Board of Aldermen performance pay plan policies. [7-2-08 @12:12 PM]

NO ACTION NECESSARY 8-0