



NEWS, NOTES & REMINDERS – JANUARY 15, 2016

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- **48th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Newton Community Celebration** – *All Council members are invited to attend.* The annual celebration will be held on **Monday, January 18th at 10:00a.m.** at Our Lady Help of Christians Parish, located at 573 Washington Street. *The keynote speaker will be Boston City Councilor Ayanna Pressley.*
- **League of Women Voter Reception for Council** – *All Councilor members are invited to attend.* The reception will be held on **Tuesday, January 19th at 6:30p.m.** in Room 205. *David Olson will get out some details on Tuesday morning.*
- **Committee Chair's Meeting** – *All Council members are invited to attend.* The meeting will be held on **Tuesday, January 19th at 7:00p.m.** in Room 211. *We would like to discuss some housekeeping items and focus on communication.*
- **Full Council Meeting** – The Council will be meeting on ***Tuesday, January 19th at 7:45p.m.** in the Chamber. *City Hall is closed on Monday, January 18th in observance of Martin Luther King Day.*
- **Public Facilities Committee** – The committee will be meeting on **Wednesday, January 20th at 7:00p.m.** in Room 204. *The committee will be getting an update on the solid waste and second water meter programs.*
- **Programs and Services Committee** – The committee will be meeting on **Wednesday, January 20th at 7:45p.m.** in Room 211. *The committee will be discussing the leafblower schedule (not the item itself) and a change of location for a polling place.*
- **Public Safety and Transportation Committee** – The committee will be meeting on **Wednesday, January 20th at 7:45p.m.** in Room 205. *The committee will be discussing the Annual Report of the Traffic Council.*
- **Traffic Council** – The committee will be meeting on **Wednesday, January 20th at 7:45p.m.** in Room 211.
- **Help Spread the Word! – Public Hearing on MBTA Proposed Fare Increases and Commuter Rail Changes** – *All Councilors are invited to attend.* There will be a public meeting held by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MADOT) on **Thursday, February 4th from 6:00p.m. to 8:00p.m.** to seek public comment regarding the proposed MBTA fare increases and proposed changes to Commuter Rail Schedules. The meeting will take place at the Bigelow Middle School Auditorium.

REMINDERS & WORKING GROUP UPDATES

- **City Transportation Strategy** – *All Board members are invited to attend.* The Planning Department and Department of Public Works will be hosting a roundtable discussion for City Councilors on Transportation in Newton as part of Newton-in-Motion, the citywide Transportation Strategy, kicking off this month. The conversation will cover all forms of transportation including pedestrian, bicycle, transit, driving, and parking. The City's consultant team Nelson\Nygaard will facilitate the conversation. Transportation touches on many different issues from economic development to the environment and we hope you will be able to join us. The Councilors roundtable will take place on **Tuesday, January 26th at 7:00p.m.** in Room 204. The first series of public events for Newton-in-Motion will be occurring over the course of February 4th through 6th. Over these days we will be hosting an open house for people to stop by and will have a series of talks and presentations. The entire project can be tracked through our website at http://www.newtonma.gov/gov/planning/transportation_strategy.asp

GO PATS!



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