



## *Happy Mother's Day!*

### **NEWS, NOTES & REMINDERS – MAY 6, 2016**

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- **Finance Committee** – The committee will be meeting on **Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00p.m.** in Room 211 to review the *ASSESSING; TREASURER; PURCHASING and EXECUTIVE/SUSTAINABILITY* Department budgets. Additionally, the committee will take up items #134-16 MEMA Grant for equipment for the heavy duty rescue truck; #167-16 Acceptance and Appropriation of a bequest to the Parks and Recreation Department; #170-16 Authorization of appropriation and expenditure of E-rate Funds; #142-16 Appropriation from Free Cash for Street Paving; #144-16 Transfer to supplement DPW accounts for vehicle parts and recyclable collection; #166-16 Funding for training expenses in the Inspectional Services Department; #168-16 Interagency payment for admin of Homelessness Consortium Continuum of Care; #169-16 Interagency payment for admin of Homelessness Consortium Continuum of Care; #133-15(A2) Amend lease agreement to replace 60 Elliot St with 70 Elliot St as solar panel site; #171-16 Transfer within Public Buildings to fund CO2 Detectors, elevator, electrical repairs; #172-16 Free Cash appropriation to fund security cameras at City Hall and the Police Department and; #138-16 Appropriation to fund busing Zervas School students to Carr School.
- **Zoning and Planning Committee** – The committee will be meeting on **Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00p.m.** in the Chamber/Room 205 to review the *CPA ADMIN; INSPECTIONAL SERVICES and PLANNING* Department budgets. Additionally, the committee will take up items #148-16 Mayor's Appointment of Gregory Groot to the Economic Development Commission; #149-16 Mayor's Appointment of Jeremy Freid to the Economic Development Commission; #150-16 Mayor's Appointment of Charles Tanowitz to the Economic Development Commission; #151-16 Mayor's Re-appointment of Jack Leader to the Economic Development Commission and; #152-16 Mayor's Re-appointment of Robert Finkel to the Economic Development Commission.
- **Land Use Committee** – The committee will be meeting on **Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00p.m.** in the Chamber to discuss #146-16 Waban Neighborhood Area Council/Theresa Fitpatrick requesting a temporary one-day license pursuant to hold the 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Waban Village Day; #126-16 Special Permit Petition for 17 Malvern Terrace; #128-16 Special Permit Petition to create an accessory apartment at 9-11 Bridge Street; #129-16 Special Permit Petition to exceed FAR at 23 Howe Road; #131-16 Special Permit Petition for 37 Westbourne Road; #132-16 Special permit petition to increase the number of

*stories at 45 Perkins Street; #127-16 Special Permit Petition to locate a daycare at 288 Walnut Street; #130-16 Special Permit Petition for 260, 270 & 280 Elliot Street*

## **FY17 Budget**

**FY17 Budget Resolutions** – If there are resolutions you are considering for the Committee of the Whole budget deliberations, please try to submit them to the Clerk's Office as soon as you can. This way, Council members will be able to get an understanding of what is being proposed and it will give the departments and the Executive Office time to prepare and respond to us in a timely fashion. *Resolutions are subject to an affirmative majority vote of the Committee of the Whole* but understanding what is being proposed ahead of time gives colleagues a chance to discuss ideas with each other. Additionally, it will help the Clerk's Office with their work as they are incredibly swamped over these next few weeks. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

- **FY17 Budget Analysis and DRAFT Budget Council Order** – In your packet you will find a detailed analysis on the FY17 budget created by Comptroller David Wilkinson. David creates this each year for the Council and it is a tremendous document. Please take a few minutes to review it and I'm sure it will answer many questions you may have. **Great job David!** It can also be found at this link: <http://www.newtonma.gov/civicax/filebank/documents/74996>. In the online packet you will also find a DRAFT of the FY17 budget Council Order. This is the actual document the Council passes. If you have questions on this, please connect with the Finance Chair of Dave Wilkinson.
- **Committee of the Whole Procedures for the Review of Departmental Budgets** (*this information was originally supplied by Finance Chairman Gentile in our March 18<sup>th</sup> packet and remains in the online packet*):

**Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup> – Following Council First Call (Council meeting will begin at 7:00p.m.) – Committee of the Whole Budget Deliberations – Dinner will be provided at 6:00p.m.**

- Committee Chairmen or Vice Chairmen will give brief reports on their department budgets, along with the Committee's straw vote recommendation and any resolutions acted upon by the Committee. Our deliberation will be conducted by starting at the beginning of the budget book and reviewing each budget in the order they appear in the book
- Resolutions to the budget and CIP will be in order at any time until a final vote is taken on the budget. Resolutions with an affirmative majority vote of the COTW will be sent along to the Mayor for response. Due to the tight timeframe, again it would be appreciated if resolutions were submitted through the Clerk's Office in advance of our deliberations. This way, members can understand what is being proposed and ask questions. We can then vote on these in COTW on May 16<sup>th</sup> or May 18<sup>th</sup> to insure the Mayor can respond by our meeting on May 19<sup>th</sup>.

### **Wednesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 pm – Committee of the Whole Budget Deliberations:**

- Any responses from the Mayor to the resolutions approved by the Board on the 18<sup>th</sup> will be presented. Committee Chairmen or Vice Chairmen who did not have the opportunity to report their department budgets on the 18<sup>th</sup> will provide those reports.
- Resolutions to the budget are in order at any time until a final vote is taken on the budget. Resolutions with an affirmative majority vote of the COTW will be sent along to the Mayor who will provide a response by our meeting on May 19<sup>th</sup>.

### **Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> – 7:00 pm – Committee of the Whole Budget Deliberations and Anticipated Final Vote on the Budget.**

- Any responses to the resolutions approved by the Board on the 20<sup>th</sup> will be presented. Once the budget is passed by a majority vote of the COTW, we will adjourn the COTW and enter into the full Board. Once in the full Board, the Chairman of Finance will report out the actions of the COTW.
- The full Board will then discuss (if needed) and vote the FY17 Budget. The date of the final vote of the Board will depend upon our deliberations and when the Mayor responds to any resolutions. As mentioned, this date is anticipated to be Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> but if not, it must happen by June 3, 2016.

## **Memorial Day Weekend Events**

- **Memorial Day Wreath-Laying Ceremonies and Observances** – *All Council members are invited to attend.* On **Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>** the annual wreath-laying ceremonies will take place in various areas around Nonantum. Any questions please let me know. The itinerary is as follows:
  - 9:00a.m. – Pvt. Richard Forte Memorial – Forte Memorial Park (off California Street)
  - 9:15a.m. – M/Sgt. Domenic Marrocco Memorial – American Legion Post 440, California Street
  - 9:30a.m. – Post 440 Memorial – American Legion Post 440, California Street
  - 10:00a.m. – Coletti – Magni Park, between Adams and Bridge Streets
  - 10:20a.m. – John F. Kennedy Memorial – JFK Circle (off Green Street)
  - Break
  - 10:40a.m. – Pfc. W. Wallace Richard Bridge – Church and Washington Streets
  - 11:00a.m. – Sgt. Enrico Pagnano Bridge – Lewis and Washington Streets
  - 11:15a.m. – Newton Veterans Memorial Park – Adams and Washington Streets
  - 12:00p.m. – Corp. Richard Likely Bridge – Lexington Street, Auburndale
- **Memorial Day Parade** – *All Council members are invited to march in the parade.* The Annual Memorial Day Parade will be held on **Sunday, \*May 29<sup>th</sup>** and will follow the same parade route as last year. This year's Grand Marshal will be retired NPD Officer Tyrone Powell. The parade will form at the Walnut Street parking lot at NNHS at **2:00p.m.** (*parade will begin at 3:00p.m.*). The parade will leave the lot and march

through Newtonville Square, go over the Pike, continue down Walnut Street to Watertown Street. It will then take a right on to Watertown Street and finish at Coletti-Magni Park in Nonantum. Collation will take place at **5:00p.m.** back at the Post 440. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

- **Memorial Day Wreath-Laying at Veterans Lots** – *All Council members are invited to attend.* On **Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup>** the annual wreath-laying ceremony will take place at Newton Cemetery. More details to follow.

## **REMINDERS & WORKING GROUP UPDATES**

- **42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Theodore D. Mann Newton Mayor's Community Prayer Breakfast** – The annual breakfast will take place on **May 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:15a.m.** in McElroy Commons at Boston College. *The featured speaker this year is John Harthorne, Founder and CEO of MassChallenge. The Council will again have two tables at the event. If you would like to sit at the Council tables, please see David Olson for a ticket. Tickets are \$25.00. Checks should be made to Newton Community Prayer Breakfast.*
- **Second Call Items and Special Permits** – Since I've been President, we have worked well together to understand how the night of each full Council meeting will proceed. If you could please give me and the appropriate Committee Chair a heads up (an email is fine) if you plan to put something on second call. If it all possible, we can talk at some point before the meeting so that there is an ability to understand concerns and how something may be best addressed. Additionally, if you do plan to vote 'no' on a special permit petition, per our Council rules, please rise to state your reasons for doing so. Thanks in advance for your cooperation.

