

Planning and Development Department Update

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TO: Mayor Setti D. Warren

FROM: Barney Heath, Director of Planning and Development 

RE: Friday Report

CC: City Council
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Our Department's weekly report is intended to keep you informed of current development proposals and other noteworthy planning and development activities as follows:

Monday 10/31/16	
Tuesday 11/01/16	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Land Use Committee, 7:00 p.m., Room 204
Wednesday 11/02/16	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fair Housing Committee, 8:00 a.m., Room 211
Thursday 11/03/16	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Preservation Committee, 7:00 p.m., Room 204• Real Property Reuse Committee, 7:00 p.m. Room 211• Newtonville Historic District Commission, 7:30 p.m., Room 205• The Farm Commission, cancelled

- **Land Use Committee & Planning and Development Board Joint Public Hearing:** The Committee/Board will meet jointly on **Tuesday, November 1st** at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber (Room 207) to hear petitions **#179-16 and #180-16** for a Special Permit/Site Plan Approval and to rezone the site from Business 1 and 2 to Mixed Use 4 to construct a mixed use, transit oriented development consisting of three interconnected buildings with building heights of sixty feet and five stories, incorporating 171 residential units, approximately 39,745 sq. ft. of commercial space, approximately 2,030 sq. ft., of office/community space and 346 on-site parking stalls at **241-261 Walnut Street, 845-875 Washington Street, 0-22 Bailey Place, 6-22 Washington Terrace**. Contact Alexandra Ananth at 617.796.1121 or aananath@newtonma.gov.
- **Fair Housing Committee:** The Committee will meet on **Wednesday, November 2nd** at 8:00 a.m. in Room 211 to continue to discuss the preparation for the upcoming outreach event **"Is Fair Housing Still Relevant? Current Issues and Enforcement Activities"** on **November 17th**. Contact Malcolm Lucas at 617.796.1149 or mlucas@newtonma.gov.
- **Fair Housing Event:** Join us on **Thursday, November 17th** at 7:00 p.m. at the Newton Senior Center, 345 Walnut Street, Newtonville. **"Is Fair Housing Still Relevant? Current Issues and Enforcement Activities"** is the topic that will be presented by Genevieve C. Nadeau, Chief Rights Division: Office of the Attorney General.
- **Newton Community Preservation Committee:** The Committee will meet on on **Thursday, November 3rd** at 7:00 p.m. in City Hall Room 204. Their agenda includes: an overview of available funds and potential proposals for the next 5-10 years, updated to reflect the City of Newton's newest [Capital Improvement Plan](#); the final report on the [Museum Archives, Accessibility & Fire Suppression](#) project at the Jackson Homestead; and further discussion of the [Crescent Street](#) housing & park project (West Newton/Auburndale). The full agenda and pre-meeting packet are available on the program website, www.newtonma.gov, under [Committees &](#)

[Meetings – Current CPC Meetings.](#) **Contact Program Manager Alice Ingerson** at 617.796.1144 or aingerson@newtonma.gov.

- **Real Property Reuse Committee:** The Committee will meet on **Thursday, November 3rd** at 7:00 p.m. in Room 211. The following items are on the agenda: **#92-16**, proposed amendments to the Real Property Reuse Ordinance; **#258-16**, discussion of the proper use of City-owned land at 38 Elliot Street; #360-16, Reuse of the Stanton Avenue water tower site. **Contact Shawna Sullivan** at 617.796.1210 or ssullivan@newtonma.gov.
- **Newtonville Historic District Commission:** The Commission will meet on **Thursday, November 3rd** at 7:30 p.m. in Room 205. The following requests will be considered: **24-26 Foster Street**, to demolish a garage and rear two-story porch and to build a two-story addition; continuation; Administrative discussion to include approval of meeting minutes. **Contact Barbara Kurze** at 617.796.1129 or bkurze@newtonma.gov.
- **FY16 DRAFT Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER)** for the City of Newton's CDBG & ESG programs and the WestMetro Home Consortium Program. As recipients of federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME), and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) funding, the City of Newton and the WestMetro HOME Consortium are required by HUD to prepare an Annual Performance and Evaluation Report, analyzing the progress made in achieving the goals set forth in the FY16-FY20 Consolidated Plan. On Monday October 24th 2016 staff from the Housing and Community Development Division presented the CAPER to the Planning and Development Board and allowed for public comment. The FY16 DRAFT Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report is currently available for public review and comment at www.newtonma.gov/gov/planning/reports/. Comments on the report will be accepted in writing to **Rachel Powers** at Community Development Programs Manager, Planning and Development Department, 1000 Commonwealth Avenue, Newton, MA 02459 or via email at rpowers@newtonma.gov no later than November 8, 2016.
- **The Farm Commission:** The regularly scheduled November 3rd meeting has been **cancelled**. The next scheduled meeting is **December 1st**. **Contact Alexandra Ananth** at 617.796.1121 or aananth@newtonma.gov.