



# **Programs & Services Committee Agenda**

## **City of Newton** **In City Council**

**Wednesday, February 22, 2017**

**7:45PM**  
**Room 211**

### **Items Scheduled for Discussion:**

**#24-17      Recommendation to approve 2017 Preliminary Election date**

THE NEWTON ELECTION COMMISSIONERS recommending the City Council approve the date of Tuesday, September 12, 2017 as the date for the 2017 Preliminary Election, if needed. [01/30/17 @ 1:28PM]

### **Referred to Programs & Services, Land Use and Finance Committees**

**#35-17      Appropriation of CPA funds for design of the Crescent Street Project**

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending the appropriation of two hundred sixty thousand dollars (\$260,000) from the Community Preservation Fund to the Public Buildings Department for feasibility and design work on affordable housing and playground expansion and improvements at 70 Crescent Street, as envisioned by Council Order #384-11(4) and as described in the December 2016 proposal to the Community Preservation Committee and the Community Preservation Committee's detailed funding recommendation. [01/23/17 @ 5:19 PM]

**#37-16      Resolution to state officials requesting a carbon fee**

COUNCILOR NORTON requesting a Resolution to state officials calling for a fee on carbon to curb climate change. [01/22/16 @ 10:34 AM]

**#36-16      Resolution to state officials supporting fossil fuel divestment**

COUNCILOR NORTON requesting a Resolution to state officials supporting fossil fuel divestment. [01/22/16 @ 10:34 AM]

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**Items not Scheduled for Discussion at this meeting:**

**Referred to Finance and Appropriate Committees**

- #359-16      Submittal of the FY 2018 to FY 2021 Capital Improvement Plan**  
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR submitting the Fiscal Years 2018 to 2022 Capital Improvement Plan pursuant to section 5-3 of the Newton City Charter. [10/11/16 @ 11:28 AM]
- #363-16      Amendment to the City Council Rules for yearly review of City Clerk's salary**  
PRESIDENT LENNON AND VICE PRESIDENT LAPPIN requesting an amendment to Article XI of the Rules and Orders of the City Council to require an annual review of the salary of the City Clerk/Clerk of the Council. [10/26/16 @ 3:58 PM]

**Referred to Programs & Services and Public Facilities Committees**

- #344-16      Discussion regarding oversight of all city/school buildings to improve efficiencies**  
COUNCILOR LAPPIN requesting a discussion regarding the Public Buildings Department overseeing all public buildings, including School Department facilities, to improve efficiencies. [10/07/16 @ 10:47 AM]
- #301-16      Amendment to the Tree Preservation Ordinance**  
COUNCILOR SANGIOLO requesting an amendment to the Tree Preservation Ordinance so that any tree removal requested by a city department be forwarded to the Urban Tree Commission and all tree removal requests under the Tree Preservation Ordinance be posted online to give residents and interested citizens notification. [08/09/16 @10:30 PM]
- #300-16      Ordinance to register lobbyists**  
COUNCILORS COTE, NORTON AND HARNEY proposing an ordinance to register lobbyists in the City of Newton. [08/10/16 @ 3:11 AM]

**Referred to Land Use, Programs & Services, and Finance Committees**

- #256-16      Request to extend notification area of notice for special permit petitions**  
COUNCILORS COTE, NORTON, HARNEY, BLAZER, BROUSAL-GLASER, AND LEARY requesting an amendment to the City Council Rules, Article X; Section 6 – Additional Notification Requirements, to include that the area of notice for special permit petitions be expanded beyond the abutters to abutters within 300' required by Massachusetts General Law Chapter 40A to also include property owners within 600' of the subject property. This notification will apply to all classes of building except for residential 1 and 2-family units that will remain 1 or 2-family units after receiving a special permit. Only abutters to abutters within 300' will be entitled to the rights conferred by Massachusetts General Law Chapter 40A [07/01/16 @2:09 PM]

- #264-16**      **Ord. requiring Councilor notice of and involvement in street tree waiver requests**  
COUNCILORS HESS-MAHAN, NORTON, KALIS, COTE, DANBERG, HARNEY, SANGIOLO, LEARY AND YATES requesting an ordinance requiring that Councilors from each respective ward be given notice and a meaningful opportunity to object to granting a hardship waiver or permit to remove a street tree. [07/21/16 @ 11:40 AM]

**Referred to Programs & Services, Public Facilities and Finance Committees**

- #175-16**      **Authorization to enter into a settlement agreement with National Grid.**  
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization for the City to enter into a settlement agreement with Boston Gas Company d/b/a National Grid. [04/25/16 @ 6:52 PM]
- #158-16**      **Ordinance to require notice on gas pumps relative to climate change**  
COUNCILORS NORTON AND SANGIOLO requesting an ordinance that requires a notice posted on retail gas station pumps within the City of Newton that informs consumers that burning gasoline contributes to climate change; and a link to a City website page offering information regarding alternatives to gasoline powered transportation, including walking, biking, public transit and electric vehicles. [04/25/16 @ 9:02 AM]
- #56-16**      **Ordinance amendment to add statutory references to policy on housing practices**  
COUNCILOR HESS-MAHAN requesting an amendment to Chapter 12, Section 50(b) *Policy of the city regarding housing practices*, to add statutory references to Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; the Americans with Disabilities Act; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Age Discrimination Act; and any other applicable state or federal laws that were inadvertently omitted from the current ordinance. [02/08/16 @ 1:51 PM]

**Referred to Programs & Services and Public Facilities Committees**

- #201-15**      **Discussion of the condition of the Kennard Estate on Dudley Road**  
ALD. SANGIOLO requesting a discussion with the Commissioner of Public Buildings, the Commissioner of Parks and Recreation, and the Executive Department regarding the condition of the property located at 246 Dudley Road (Kennard Estate) and how much, if any, repairs and upgrades will be needed as the City relocates the Parks and Recreation Department to that location. [09/01/15 @ 4:00 PM]

**Referred to Programs & Services and Public Facilities Committees**

- #141-15**      **Discussion on tracking the gas utility infrastructure in Newton**  
ALD. BROUSAL-GLASER, SANGIOLO, HESS-MAHAN, COTE, NORTON AND ALBRIGHT requesting a discussion with *the Director of Urban Forestry*, a representative of the Department of Public Works and a representative of the Law Department about tracking and improving the condition of the gas utility infrastructure in Newton, new

state statutes governing infrastructure repairs, coordination of increased repair work with city operations, the status of negotiations with National Grid to compensate for tree deaths resulting from gas leaks, and the possibility of creating a utilities working group to monitor progress on these and related issues.

05/26/15 @ 2:53 PM]

### **Referred to Public Facil, Programs & Services and Public Safety & Trans Committees**

**#46-15**      **Discussion of parking options and permits at municipal & school parking lots**  
ALD. JOHNSON & CICCONE, requesting a discussion with the Commissioner of Department of Public Works and the School Department to determine and discuss parking options including use of school properties based on the current municipal parking lot programs including the issuance of permits. [02/11/15 @1:35 PM]

**#483-14**      **Resolution to promote cooperative programs with food establishments**  
PROGRAMS & SERVICES COMMITTEE proposing a RESOLUTION to promote a cooperative program with food establishments in the City, the Newton-Needham Chamber of Commerce, the Economic Development Commission, the Director of Economic Development and members of the Board of Aldermen, to find opportunities for these establishments to provide their food services for events in the City. [12/02/14 @ 3:56 PM]

### **Referred to Programs & Services and Finance Committees**

**#216-14**      **Ordinance amendment for notification of vacancy of unit and/or condo conversion**  
ALD. HESS-MAHAN, ALBRIGHT, BAKER, CROSSLEY, NORTON AND SANGIOLO proposing the following amendments to Chapter 12 Health and Human Services of the Revised Ordinances to:

- require owners of dwellings requiring a Certificate of Habitability under Section 12-1 and real estate agents/brokers who receive compensation in connection with the particular real estate transaction to notify the Commissioner of Health and Human Services whenever an apartment, tenement, or room in a lodging house is vacated by the occupant or when an area in an existing building is converted to a condominium prior to being reoccupied by a new tenant, lodger or occupant;
  - require educational institutions to disclose addresses of undergraduates living off-campus in Newton;
  - require a fee for certification; and
  - impose a fine for violation of these provisions. [05/14/14 @11:51 AM]
- FINANCE VOTED NO ACTION NECESSARY 7-0 12/14/15

**#398-13**      **Discussion of complementary ordinance or regulations for Marijuana Dispensaries**  
ALD. BAKER & DANBERG requesting a discussion of a possible ordinance, regulations or otherwise, to complement zoning regulation of any licensed Registered Marijuana

Dispensaries to respond to any secondary impacts so as to make the operation of such dispensaries as successful as possible. [10/28/13 @ 10:00 AM]

**#34-13**

**Ordinance to prohibit polystyrene food/beverage containers**

ALD. DANBERG, ALBRIGHT, BLAZAR, RICE, LINSKY AND CROSSLEY requesting a prohibition on polystyrene-based disposable food or beverage containers in the City of Newton if that packaging takes place on the premises of food establishments within the City. [01/03/13 @ 11:01 AM]

**UPDATE ITEMS:**

**Referred to Programs & Services Committees and Public Facilities**

**#12-17**

**Request for updates on the Library Expansion Project**

COUNCILORS CROSSLEY, ALBRIGHT AND BLAZAR requesting periodic updates from the Library Trustees and Library Director on the Library expansion project. [01/03/2017 @ 3:55 PM]

**Referred to Programs & Services Committees and Public Facilities**

**#13-17**

**Request for updates on the Archive Expansion Project**

COUNCILORS CROSSLEY, ALBRIGHT, AND BLAZAR requesting periodic updates from the City Clerk on the Archives expansion project. [01/03/2017 @ 3:56 PM]

**Referred to Programs & Services and Public Facilities Committees**

**#27-16**

**Updates from the Administration on the renovations at the Aquinas site**

PROGRAMS & SERVICES AND PUBLIC FACILITIES COMMITTEES requesting that the School Department and/or Executive Department provide updates on removal of asbestos and other toxic materials that were identified at the Aquinas site, the scope and timing of window replacement in particular, and renovations that may be necessary to facilitate short and long-term plans for uses and operations at the site. [01/10/16 @ 1:14 PM]

**Referred to Programs & Services and Public Safety & Transportation Committees**

**#312-15**

**Update from Health Department on opiate overdose epidemic**

ALD. COTE, HARNEY AND NORTON, requesting a review and discussion of the opiate overdose epidemic including an update from the Health Department appraising the board on the current situation to include comparative statistics from previous years as to the number of opiate overdoses handled by first responders. In addition, what is being done immediately to take this on and what support can the Board provide

**#377-14      Discussion of proposed changes of use of the Senior Center**

THE PROGRAMS & SERVICES COMMITTEE requesting a discussion with the Director of Senior Services, the Council on Aging and the Executive Department relative to changes in the use of the Senior Center at 345 Walnut Street. [10/16/14 @ 5:43 PM]

**Referred to Programs & Services and Public Facilities Committees**

**#119-14      Update from Inspectional Services on ADA compliance of City properties**

ALD. ALBRIGHT AND CROSSLEY requesting discussion with the Inspectional Services Department to explain the development of short and long term plans to identify and correct buildings, sidewalks, playgrounds, etc., that do not conform to American Disability Act (ADA) standards. The discussion should include information on how improvements will be incorporated into the Capital Improvement Plan or if less than \$75,000 into a comprehensive budget plan to correct ADA deficiencies. [03/12/14 @ 4:18 PM]

**Referred to Programs & Services, Public Facilities and Finance Committees**

**#312-10      Update on plans to address space needs in schools**

ALD. LENNON, LAPPIN, SCHNIPPER, SANGIOLO requesting a discussion with the School Committee on its plans to address space needs in the Newton public schools. [10/27/10 @11:07 AM]

**Respectfully Submitted,**

**John B. Rice, Chair**



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Director

## Community Preservation Committee Funding Recommendation for CRESCENT STREET Feasibility & Design

date: 30 January 2017  
from: Community Preservation Committee  
to: The Honorable City Council

### PROJECT GOALS & ELIGIBILITY

For the City property at 70 Crescent Street, Auburndale, this phase will combine professional consultants and community engagement to create final or near-final design documents for the uses required by City Council order 384-11(4) on 16 November 2015: creating at least 4 units of affordable housing and adding at least 20,000 square feet to the Reverend Ford Playground (currently accessed from Curve Street). The housing will be CPA-eligible if it is permanently affordable to households earning less than 100 percent of the area median income. The playground work is CPA-eligible as the creation and rehabilitation of land for outdoor recreation.

The City's submissions to date also anticipate constructing some CPA-ineligible, market-rate housing on the site. The proportion of project costs attributable to this housing cannot yet be determined, but the project's final, post-development report to the CPC will need to document that CPA funds were used only for CPA-eligible costs at all stages, from site assessment through design and construction.

### RECOMMENDED FUNDING

On 19 January 2017, by a vote of 7-1-0 (members Beryl Gilfix opposed, Michael Clarke absent), the Community Preservation Committee recommended appropriating \$260,000 from the Newton Community Preservation Fund to the Public Buildings Department for all CPA-eligible uses included implicitly in this summary:

70 Crescent Street - Feasibility & Design		
Uses	playground (CPA recreation)	housing
site assessment, feasibility, master plan, final design, construction administration	\$204,930	
architecture, engineering, survey, consultants, materials testing, reimbursable services, etc. (50% CPA eligible)		\$223,250
<b>total</b>	<b>\$428,180</b>	
Sources		
CPA - funds remaining from \$100,000 appropriation for site assessment	\$50,000	\$8,247
CPA - recommended new appropriation (\$260,000)	\$156,622	\$103,378
non-CPA City funds	\$0	\$111,625
<b>total (greater than "uses" because the CPC preferred to recommend a round amount)</b>	<b>\$429,872</b>	
Note: CPA-funded housing must be affordable to households under 100% of area median income.		

website [www.newtonma.gov/cpa](http://www.newtonma.gov/cpa)

contact Alice E. Ingerson, Community Preservation Program Manager

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**SPECIAL ISSUES CONSIDERED BY THE CPC: Costs & Benefits of the Project's Housing Component**

As in their previous February, March, July and November 2016 discussions of Crescent Street, on 19 January 2017 all CPC members strongly supported this project's playground/park component. The CPC also thanked the City staff, elected officials and community supporters in the Crescent Street Working Group for reducing both the project's overall anticipated costs and the total anticipated CPA funding per affordable housing unit, from \$500,000 to \$350,000.

However, all CPC members continued to express concerns about the project's housing component, which currently anticipates at least \$425,000 of Newton public funding, from all sources, for each market-rate and each affordable unit, in addition to the contribution of public land. Gilfix opposed CPA design funding because she felt that these public subsidies were not appropriate for market-rate housing. Several other CPC members who voted to support the requested CPA design funding also expressed qualms about this issue.

All CPC members welcomed the project sponsors' explicit commitment to using the feasibility and design phrase to explore further reducing costs or subsidies and expanding affordability for the project's housing component. Options raised at the public hearing included seeking additional funding sources and/or designing for a more diverse mix of incomes, possibly including households at the CPA-eligible maximum of under 100 percent of area median income (AMI) or CPA-ineligible "workforce" households at up to 120 percent of AMI. Several CPC members stated that they would not be comfortable supporting CPA construction funding for the housing component if the final design still includes 4 fully market-rate housing units out of 8 total units.

**ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS** (*funding conditions*)

1. The CPC assumes all recommended funds will be appropriated within 3 months, and that feasibility and design work will be completed within 12 months, after the date of this recommendation. If either deadline cannot be met, the Public Buildings Dept. should submit to the CPC a written request to extend that deadline.
2. For state reporting purposes, CPA funds appropriated through this recommendation should be allocated between community housing and recreation as shown in the summary budget on the preceding page.
3. For the project's housing component, feasibility and design work should exceed to the maximum extent possible the affordability goals in Board order #384-11(4), which requires making at least 50% of the project's housing units "affordable [at] a range of affordability," without specifying income levels.
4. Prior to submitting a construction funding request for this project, the Public Buildings Dept. should present to the CPC an in-person and written final report on the design phase, including budget-to-actual cost comparisons and professional construction cost estimates based on completed designs.
5. In its final report on the completed redevelopment of this site, the Public Buildings Dept. should document that no CPA funds were used for pre-development, design or construction costs attributable to market-rate housing.
6. Any CPA funds appropriated but not used for the purposes stated herein will be returned to the Newton Community Preservation Fund.

**KEY OUTCOMES**

The Community Preservation Committee will evaluate this project based on how well it meets goals 3, 4 and 5 above.

**ATTACHMENTS**

(delivered to the clerk of the City Council Finance Committee, for forwarding to other Council committees)

- ◆ Proposal and supporting documents submitted to the CPC in December 2016
- ◆ Presentation to CPC public hearing on 19 January 2017

These materials and additional documents, including all community letters received about this proposal, are available online from:

[www.newtonma.gov/gov/planning/cpa/projects/crescent.asp](http://www.newtonma.gov/gov/planning/cpa/projects/crescent.asp)



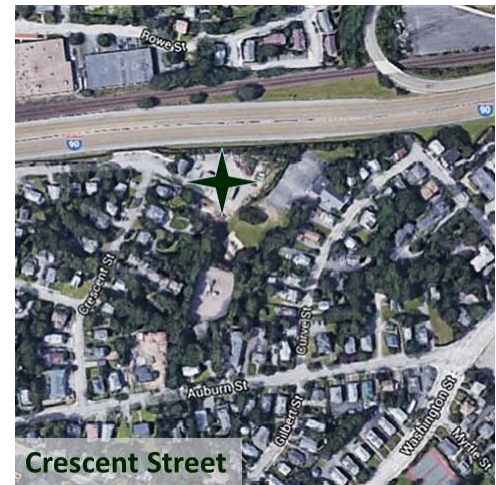
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## Crescent Street Affordable Housing & Community Park

70 Crescent Street, Auburndale, MA 02465

### goals:

Build 8 units of rental housing, with at least 4 units permanently affordable (income level to be determined), and expand an existing small community park on land taken for the Mass Turnpike in the early 1960s but later returned to the City of Newton and used by its Parks & Recreation Dept.



### funding:

\$100,000	CPA funds appropriated for site assessments; CPA funds spent \$41,752 For reports from these assessments below, <a href="#">click here</a> .
\$1,400,000	total CPA funds to be requested for affordable housing (incl. feasibility & design funds)
\$1,300,000	total CPA funds to be requested for community park (incl. feasibility & design funds)
\$2,202,499	total non-CPA City funds for market-rate housing
\$4,902,499	TOTAL PROJECT COST (estimated)

### contacts:

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 & Rafik Ayoub, Project Manager  
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## Funding Process

### 2016

29 January 2016 - **pre-proposal**, with preliminary development budgets for housing & park components

18 February 2016 - **site assessment proposal** and **quotes from Public Buildings on-call consultants** (rec'd 10 March 2016); does not include budgets for housing or park development

17 March 2016 - **site assessment CPC funding recommendation**

4 April 2016 - **site assessment City Council order** (appropriation)

February - November 2016 - **minutes of CPC discussions to date** about this project

12 December 2016 - **full proposal for feasibility & design funds** (\$316,555 in CPA funds; reduced to \$258,308 by requesting to apply unspent balance from site assessment):

- **proposal** including: project summary, project budgets, City plans & permitting decisions, City staff project manager, budgets for sponsoring City depts. *(This long file may load slowly.)*
- **site photos & maps**
- **qualifications for contracted Owner's Project Manager** (deadline for applications was 8 December 2016)
- **revised funding request** (to \$258,308)

19 January 2017 – **design public hearing presentation**

30 January 2017 – **design CPC recommendation** (to appropriate \$260,000)

## Project Background & News

### 2011-2014

23 November 2011 - **Planning Dept. initial memo** to Real Property Reuse Committee

19 September 2012 - **Joint Advisory Planning Group Final Report** (citizen advisory committee appointed to advise the Reuse Committee)

2006-January 2014 - **neighborhood historic maps**

2006-January 2014 - **neighborhood historic photos**

### 2015

13 July 2015 - **Planning Dept. final memo** to Board of Aldermen Real Property Reuse Committee

16 November 2015 - **Board of Aldermen final order for allowed/required reuse of this site**

### 2016

site assessment project:

- **Phase 1 Environmental Report**, completed April 2014, rec'd by CPC July 2016 *(long file, may load slowly)*
- **Site & Existing Conditions Plans**, completed April-May 2016, rec'd by CPC July 2016
- **Foundation Engineering Report**, completed June 2016, rec'd by CPC July 2016 *(long file, may load slowly)*
- **Phase 2 Environmental Report (release abatement plan)**, completed & rec'd by CPC 17 October 2016
- **final site assessment cost summary**, rec'd by CPC 9 December 2016

6 September 2016 - **non-CPA City funds requested for site cleanup**

# **Crescent Street Community Park and Housing Design Funding Proposal**

**Community Preservation Committee**

**City of Newton Interdepartmental Partnership**

**Parks and Recreation Department**

**Planning and Development Department**

**Public Buildings Department**

**January 19, 2017**



# Overview



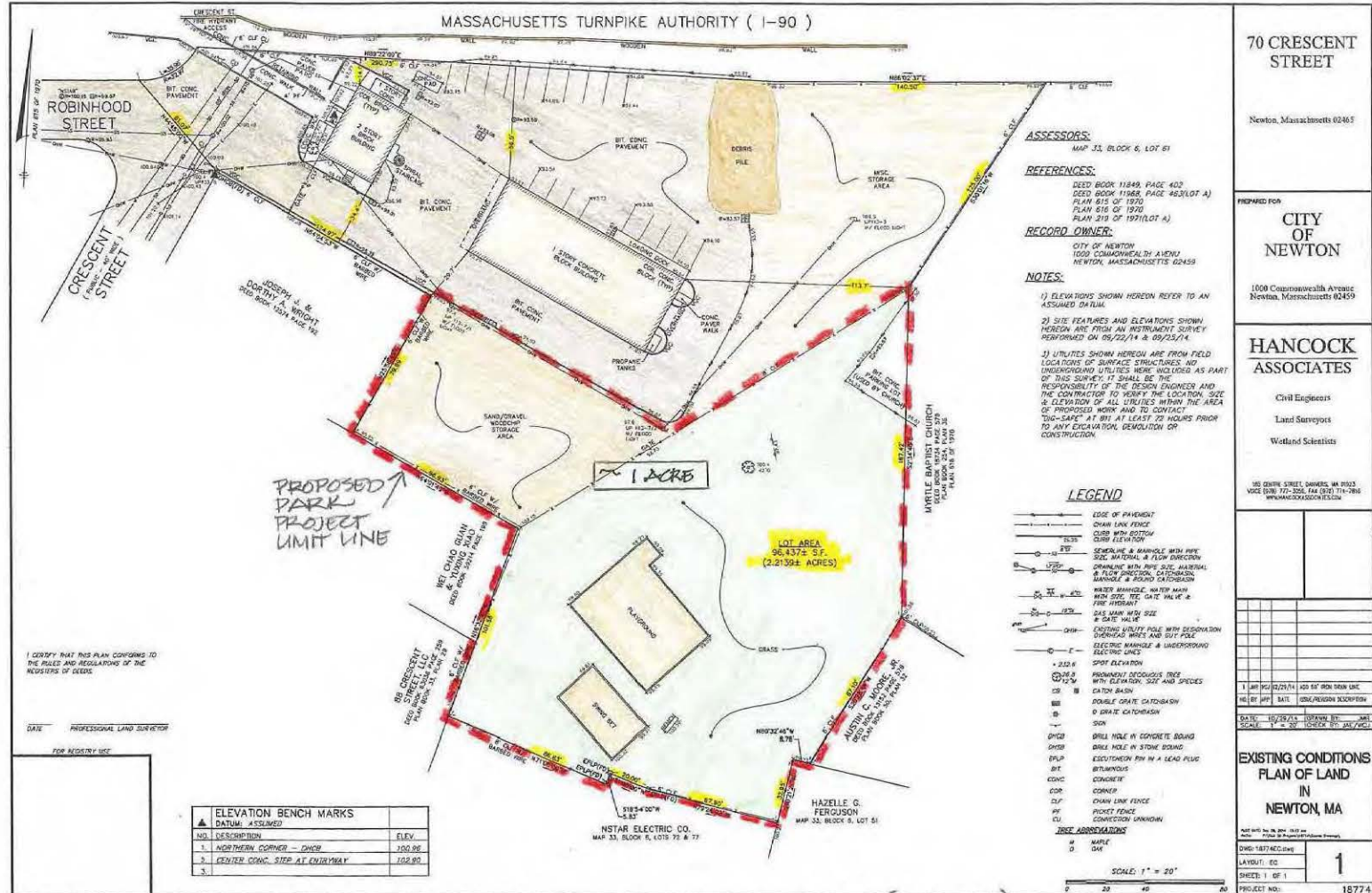
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# Overview

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CRESCENT STREET COMMUNITY PARK - PROPOSED PROJECT AREA (~1 ACRE)  
JANUARY 27, 2014

# Progress to Date

- November 2015 - Board Order designating site for park expansion and eight units of mixed-income rental housing
- March-April 2016 – CPC-recommended \$100,000 appropriated for site assessment (Release Abatement Plan)
- August 2016 – City Council authorizes \$100,000 for environmental remediation
- October 2016 – Newton Historical Commission votes that the buildings are not “Preferably Preserved,” allowing for demolition
- November 2016 – January 2017 – Owner’s Project Manager solicited and retained

# CPA Design Request

Schematic and final design of Community Park Expansion and Affordable Housing

Master Plan and Feasibility Study	\$49,680
Park Design Budget	\$155,250
Housing Design Budget	\$223,250
<b>Total Design Budget</b>	<b>\$428,180</b>

CPA Design Request	\$316,555
City of Newton Funds (For Non-CPA eligible housing)	\$111,625
<b>Total Design Budget</b>	<b>\$428,180</b>

<b>New CPA Request</b>	<b>\$258,308</b>
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\*58,247 remaining from the spring 2016 environmental assessment to be applied to current request of \$316,555.

# Schematic and Final Design Phase

## Feasibility and Schematic Design Phase

- February 2017 – September 2017
  - Finalize housing program, including unit size, affordability targeting, and conceptual design
  - Finalize master plan for park expansion

## Final Design Phase

- October 2017 – May 2018

Process will be managed by Owner's Project Manager with community input from residents and financial oversight and management from the Public Buildings Department

- City Point Partners and Ciccolo Group
- Residents
- Crescent Street Working Group
- City of Newton staff



# Estimated Project Budget

Park Budget	~ \$1,300,000
Housing Budget	~ \$3,600,000
<b>Total Budget</b>	<b>~ \$4,900,000</b>

Community Preservation Act Funds <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Community Park</li><li>• Affordable Housing</li></ul>	\$2,700,000 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• \$1,300,000</li><li>• \$1,400,000</li></ul>
City of Newton Funds	\$2,000,000
City of Newton In-Kind Staff Contribution	~ \$200,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>~ \$4,900,000</b>



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**#35-17**  
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Commissioner  
Parks & Recreation

December 12, 2016

Community Preservation Committee  
C/o Alice Ingerson, Community Preservation Program Manager  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton, MA 02459

Dear Community Preservation Committee Members:

The City of Newton, through its Public Buildings Department, Department of Planning and Development, and Department of Parks and Recreation, is pleased to submit a proposal for CPA funds to support the feasibility study/master plan and design of a mixed-use park and housing project at 70 Crescent Street in Auburndale.

The repurposing of the parks and recreation site represents a unique opportunity to meet two important needs in the community in additional greenspace/enhanced recreation and affordable housing. The need for affordable housing in Newton is well documented with a substantial shortage of units affordable to low- and moderate-income households. Parks and greenspace are an important community amenity, particularly in the more densely parts of the city, which include Auburndale and West Newton.

The 70 Crescent Street project is an interdepartmental partnership among the Public Buildings Department, Planning and Development Department (on behalf of the Newton Community Development Authority), and the Parks and Recreation Department. Staff from each department will be involved in the project at various levels. In accordance with Board Order #384-11(4), the Public Buildings Department will provide oversight of the project during the development and construction phase and will manage the CPA funds. On November 10<sup>th</sup>, the City issued a Request for Qualifications for an Owner's Project Manager to manage the project through the feasibility study/master plan, design, and construction phases. It is expected that the OPM will be selected no later than January of 2017 and the project will commence in February of 2017.

The OPM will report to an assigned project manager within the Public Buildings Department. Staff from the planning department and the parks and recreation department will also be involved through all phases of the project, but will not directly manage the project funds. Staff from the Buildings department, planning department and parks and recreation department will also participate in the Crescent Street Working Group. The working group is comprised of neighborhood representatives, Ward Councilors, and department staff who meet each month.

The anticipated total request in CPA funds to support this project will be \$2,700,000. These funds will support the feasibility study/master plan, design, and construction phases of the project, providing the entire park related costs and the portion of the housing costs that are attributable to CPA-funded units. The

Applying unspent balance of CPA site assessment  
funding would reduce this request to **\$258,308.**

current request is for the CPA-eligible feasibility study/master plan and design costs, which include the park component of the project and half of the housing costs. **This request totals \$316,555.**

We would like to thank the CPA for their previous funding of the project that allowed for the geotechnical analysis of the site and the environmental remediation plan. Over the past twelve months, the project has continued to progress on track and we look forward to working towards the continued completion of this priority, community project.


Sincerely,



Joshua R. Morse, Commissioner, Public Buildings Department



Barney S. Heath, Director, Planning and Development Department



Robert J. DeRubeis, Commissioner, Parks and Recreation Department



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Commissioner  
Parks & Recreation

December 21, 2016

Community Preservation Committee  
C/o Alice Ingerson, Community Preservation Program Manager  
1000 Commonwealth Avenue  
Newton, MA 02459

Dear Community Preservation Committee Members:

The Public Buildings Department has \$58,247 in CPA funds remaining from the spring 2016 allocation of \$100,000 for the site assessment of Crescent Street. Should the CPA choose to fund the design phase of the 70 Crescent Street project, we request that the remaining balance of these funds be applied to help meet the \$316,555 funding request. **This would reduce the CPA request to \$258,308.**

Sincerely,

Joshua R. Morse, Commissioner, Public Buildings Department



Setti D. Warren  
Mayor

## Newton, Massachusetts Community Preservation Program FUNDING REQUEST

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<b>Project TITLE</b>	Crescent Street Affordable Housing & Community Park: Final Design			
<b>Project LOCATION</b>	Full street address (with zip code), or other precise location. 70 Crescent Street, Auburndale, MA 02466			
<b>Project CONTACTS</b>	Name & title or organization	Email	Phone	Mailing address
<b>Project Manager</b>	Rafik Ayoub, Project Manager, City of Newton Public Buildings Dept.	RAYoub@newtonma.gov	617-796-1621	52 Elliot Street Newton Highlands, MA 02461
<b>Other Contacts</b>	Barney Heath, Director City of Newton, Planning and Development Dept.	BHeath@newtonma.gov	617-796-1131	1000 Commonwealth Ave. Newton, MA 02459
	Carol Schein, Open Space Coordinator, City of Newton, Parks and Recreation Dept.	CSchein@newtonma.gov	617-796-1507	246 Dudley Road Kennard Park Newton, MA 02459
<b>Project FUNDING</b>	<b>A. Total CPA funds requested:</b> Anticipated Total: \$2,700,000 <b>This Request: \$316,555</b>	<b>B. Other funds to be used:</b> Anticipated Total: \$2,202,499 This Request: \$111,625		<b>C. Total project cost (A+B):</b> Anticipated Total: \$4,902,499
	<div style="background-color: yellow; border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;"> <b>Project SUMMARY</b> Applying unspent balance of CPA site assessment funding would reduce this request to <b>\$258,308</b>.         </div> Project will use the requested CPA funds (use a cover letter rather than sponsoring organization's accomplishments). You may provide more detail in attachments, but your PROJECT SUMMARY MUST FIT IN THE SPACE BELOW.			
<p>In accordance with Board Order #384-11(4) dated November 16, 2015, the City-owned property at Crescent Street is to be repurposed as a mixed-use site that will feature the improvement and expansion of the existing Reverend Ford Playground and creation of eight housing units.</p> <p>The Community Preservation Act funds will pay for:</p> <p><b>park component:</b> master plan/feasibility study, design and construction. The total estimated costs for park design and construction are approximately \$1,300,000.</p> <p><b>housing component:</b> a portion of the costs associated with the affordable units. These costs include the conceptual plan/feasibility, design, and construction phases, respectively. The total estimated costs for the project's housing component will be approximately \$3.4 - \$3.5 million (depending on the source of City of Newton non-CPA funds).</p> <p>This CPA request will help fund the feasibility study/master plan and design phases of the park and the housing. The total request is for \$316,555.</p>				

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<b>USES of FUNDS</b>	<b>RECREATION LAND</b>		<b>COMMUNITY HOUSING</b>
<b>Check all that apply.</b>	<b>create</b>	✓	✓
	<b>rehabilitate/ restore</b>	✓	
	for housing using CDBG or HOME funds:	<b>new construction</b>	<b>site preparation/ remediation</b>
<b>COMMUNITY NEEDS</b>	From each of at least 2 plans linked to <a href="#">Guidelines &amp; Forms</a> from <a href="http://www.newtonma.gov/cpa">www.newtonma.gov/cpa</a> , provide a brief quote with plan title, year, and page number, showing how this project meets previously recognized community needs. You may also list other community benefits not mentioned in any plan.		
<b>Recreation and Open Space Plan Update – 2013-2019</b>			
Section 1, Plan Summary, page 1 of 2:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ongoing need to preserve, protect and provide additional open space including pocket parks in the more densely populated neighborhoods of Newton.</li> <li>Need to continue expanding accessibility for persons with disabilities [on] active and passive recreation sites.</li> </ul>			
<b>Newton Comprehensive Plan, November 19, 2007</b>			
Section 7: Open Space and Recreation, Page 7-3:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Goal #2: ensure an adequate amount, variety and distribution of open space for ... public benefit</li> </ul>			
Section 3: Land Use, Page 3-17			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>By providing 4-8 affordable units, this project contributes to the City's housing goals of maintaining economic diversity of housing and helps to ensure all citizens have access to housing. "Maintaining access to Newton housing for a broad range of households is a long-held basic community value." Page 3-17.</li> </ul>			
Section 5: Housing, Page 5-13			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>"Newton's housing concerns can't be wholly resolved until the region's housing crisis is mitigated, which more than anything else requires additional housing production. Our intention is to accommodate a responsible share of the region's overall housing need without overdevelopment."</li> </ul>			
<b>Newton Leads 2040: A Blueprint to Promote Affordable, Diverse Housing and Economic Growth (June 2016)</b>			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Priority Actions, pages 36-37 - The repurposing of the 70 Crescent Street site as expanded park space and eight units of mixed-income housing is identified as one of ten priority actions in the Newton Leads 2040 Housing Strategy.</li> </ul>			
<b>COMMUNITY OUTREACH</b> <i>Summarize efforts to communicate with abutters, neighborhood &amp; City Councilors.</i>			
The proposed project has gone through a long process of consideration through the reuse process with multiple meetings with Councilors, abutters and the neighborhood. This process culminated in a reuse board order directing the Mayor to advance this project and with recommendations related to the ultimate design. The master planning and design process will include significant additional community engagement.			
<b>COMMUNITY CONTACTS</b>	List at least 3 Newton residents or organizations willing and able to comment on the project and its manager's qualifications. No more than 1 should be a supervisor, employee or current work colleague of the project manager or sponsor. Consult staff on the community contacts required for your specific proposal.		
<b>Name &amp; title or organization</b>	<b>Email</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Mailing address</b>
Elaine Rush Arruda	rusharruda@verizon.net, EArruda@Lasell.edu	617.243.2242	1921 Commonwealth Ave., Auburndale 02466
Shule Aksan	aksansul@hotmail.com	617.460.1151	98 Crescent St., Auburndale 02466
Beth Wilkinson, on behalf of the Newton Conservators	Bethwilkinson@mac.com	617-969-4443	14 Trowbridge St., Newton Centre 02459

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<b>HOUSING TARGET POPULATION &amp; SPECIAL FEATURES</b> <i>Check all that apply.</i>						
✓ <b>Individual/Family</b>						
Special features (historic preservation, sustainability, etc.): <b>The project will be designed to maximize energy efficiency and performance.</b>						
<b>HOUSING TYPE</b> <i>Check all that apply.</i>						
Homeownership		✓ Rental		Combination or other (identify):		
<b>HOUSING UNIT COMPOSITION</b> <i>List the development's number of units in each category.</i>						
	<b>Total</b>	<b>≤ 30% AMI</b>	<b>≤ 50% AMI</b>	<b>≤ 80% AMI</b>	<b>&gt;80 %, &lt; 100% AMI</b>	<b>Market-rate</b>
SRO						
Studio						
1 BR	2	1*				1
2 BR	4	2*				2
3 BR	2	1*				1
4 BR/+						
<b>*Affordable unit mix by income limits will be determined during the feasibility study phase.</b>						
<b>SUMMARY CAPITAL/DEVELOPMENT BUDGET – Please provide separate, detailed attachment.</b>						
<b>Uses of Funds – Total Project</b>						
<b>Feasibility/Design</b>						
Park Master Plan/Feasibility Study						\$49,680
Housing Design and Engineering						\$378,500
City of Newton Staff Time						\$100,486
<b>Construction</b>						
Park						≈\$1,095,070
Housing						≈\$3,176,750
City of Newton Staff Time						\$102,013
<b>D. TOTAL USES</b> (should equal C. on page 1 and E. below)						≈\$4,902,499
<b>Sources of Funds – Total Project</b>					<b>Status</b> (requested, expected, confirmed)	
CPA funding					Partially Requested	\$2,700,000
City of Newton Funds					Expected	\$2,000,000
City of Newton Staff					Expected	\$202,499
<b>E. TOTAL SOURCES</b> (should equal C. on page 1 and D. above)						\$4,902,499
<b>SAMPLE ANNUAL OPERATIONS &amp; MAINTENANCE BUDGET – Please provide separate 10-yr projection.</b>						
<b>Uses of Funds</b>						
Estimated Park Maintenance Budget (see attached)						\$5,595
Housing Operating and Maintenance Expenses (see attached)						\$62,500
<b>F. TOTAL ANNUAL COST</b> (should equal G. below)						\$68,095
<b>Sources of Funds</b>						
City of Newton Parks and Recreation Department Maintenance Budget						\$5,595
Housing Annual Maintenance and Operating Expenses – Operating Income						\$62,500
<b>G. TOTAL ANNUAL FUNDING</b> (should equal F. above)						\$68,095

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<b>Project TIMELINE</b>	<b>Phase or Task</b>	<b>Season &amp; Year</b>
	Hire Owner's Project Manager	February 2017
	Phase I – Feasibility Study/Schematic Design Phase/Site Plan Approval	February 2017 – September 2017
	Design Development/Construction Documents/Bidding Phase	October 2017 – May 2018
	Construction Phase	June 2018 – November 2019

Accessibility levels and features will be determined during the feasibility/design phase of the project.

ARCHITECTURAL ACCESS WORKSHEET	
Use this table to show how the proposed project will meet or exceed the most stringent applicable requirements.	
REQUIRED	PROPOSED
<b>1. Site access – accessible route</b>	
To be completed during the design phase of the project	To be completed during the design phase of the project
<b>2. Accessible parking (identify proposed total # of spaces)</b>	
To be completed during the design phase of the project	To be completed during the design phase of the project
<b>3. Building entrances &amp; accessible routes within buildings</b>	
To be completed during the design phase of the project	To be completed during the design phase of the project
<b>4. Common areas &amp; facilities (offices, laundry rooms, community rooms, etc.)</b>	
To be completed during the design phase of the project	To be completed during the design phase of the project
<b>5. Group 1 Units (MAAB) (include units covered by the FHA)</b>	
To be completed during the design phase of the project	To be completed during the design phase of the project
<b>6. Group 2 Units (MAAB)</b>	
To be completed during the design phase of the project	To be completed during the design phase of the project



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<b>ATTACHMENTS CHECKLIST</b>					
Please note: on the Newton CPC website, attachments marked ** below are posted separately.					
↓ Check off submitted attachments here.					
REQUIRED	✓	<b>COVER LETTER</b>	from head(s) of City dept.(s) to which funds will be appropriated, confirming specific staff assigned to manage the project; <b>please also attach Board order #384-11(4), 16 November 2015, committing to CPA-eligible uses for this site.</b>		
	✓	<b>** PHOTOS</b>	of existing site or resource conditions		
	✓	<b>** MAPS</b>	of site in relation to nearest major roads		
	✓	<b>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN</b>	current listing/ranking & risk factors for this project		
<b>PROJECT FINANCES: Uses &amp; Sources</b> (electronic submission should include budgets in Excel)					
Detailed budget attachments REQUIRED for full proposal.	✓	<b>development pro forma/capital budget:</b> include total cost, hard vs. soft costs and contingencies, and project management – amount and cost of time from contractors or staff (in-kind contributions by existing staff must also be costed)			
	✓	<b>operating/maintenance budget, projected separately for each of the next 10 years</b> <i>For housing, please use these assumptions, or more conservative ones: revenue from rents or fees increasing no more than 2% per year; expenses increasing at least 3% per year.</i>			
REQUIRED	✓	<b>non-CPA funding:</b> commitment letters, letters of inquiry to other funders, fundraising plans, etc., including both cash and est. dollar value of in-kind contributions			
RENTAL ONLY		<b>market analysis:</b> To be completed during feasibility study			
		<b>rental subsidy, if any:</b> Not anticipated at this time			
<b>RELOCATION, FAIR HOUSING &amp; ACCESSIBILITY – All of these attachments will be submitted prior to construction.</b>					
REQUIRED		<b>affirmative marketing &amp; resident selection</b>			
		<b>reasonable accommodation/reasonable modification policy</b>			
		<b>architectural access worksheet:</b> applicable requirements & proposed features			
<b>SPONSOR FINANCES &amp; QUALIFICATIONS</b>					
REQUIRED	✓	<b>for sponsoring/owning department or organization, most recent annual operating budget</b> (revenue & expenses) & <b>financial statement</b> (assets & liabilities); each must include both public (City) and private resources (“friends” organizations, fundraising, etc.) - <b>Will be submitted prior to construction</b>			
	✓	<b>resumés for project manager/development team</b> , including any affiliations with City boards or commissions			
		<b>FOR DEVELOPER (City of Newton)</b>			
		<b>mission &amp; current housing portfolio:</b> This is the City’s first housing development.			
		<b>previous similar projects completed:</b> This is the City’s first housing development.			
REQUIRED		<b>SITE CONTROL, VALUE &amp; DEED RESTRICTIONS</b>			
		<b>City agreement to grant permanent deed restrictions</b> for housing affordability and public recreational use of the site: It is expected that the NCDA would be subject to the affordable housing restriction held by the City and DHCD (through the LIP Program).			
		<b>ZONING &amp; PERMITTING</b>			
		short email confirming review by the <b>Development Review Team (DRT)</b> – To be completed during design phase			
	✓	<b>environmental mitigation plans:</b> See summary “Zoning and Permitting Summary”			
	✓	<b>zoning relief and permits required:</b> See summary “Zoning and Permitting Summary”			
	✓	<b>other approvals required:</b> See summary “Zoning and Permitting Summary”			
OPTIONAL	✓	<b>DESIGN &amp; CONSTRUCTION</b>	scope of work – Attached is <b>** RFQ for Owner’s Project Manager;</b> City is currently in the process of reviewing RFQ responses floor plans & elevations;		
		<b>LETTERS of SUPPORT</b>	from Newton residents, organizations, or businesses		

CITY OF NEWTON  
IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

November 16, 2015

That, pursuant to Section 2-7 of the Revised Ordinances of 2012, as amended, after a public hearing and upon recommendation of the Real Property Reuse Committee through its Chair Susan Albright, it is hereby

ORDERED:

That the property located at 70 Crescent Street (hereinafter referred to as "the Site"), containing approximately 60,000 square feet of land, identified as a portion of Section 33, Block 06, Lot 061, and containing the former Parks and Recreation administrative offices as well as the current Parks and Recreation maintenance facility, be transferred to the temporary custody of the Public Buildings Department for the purpose of developing and constructing a mixed-income residential rental project (the "Housing Project"), and to enlarge the adjacent Reverend Ford Playground to the maximum extent possible; and,

Following development of the Site as recommended in this Board Order, the Housing Project shall be transferred to the custody of the Newton Community Development Authority (NCDA), and any land not needed for the Housing Project shall be transferred back to the Parks and Recreation Department to be combined with the adjacent Reverend Ford Playground.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That NCDA, the Parks and Recreation Department, and the Public Buildings Department work collaboratively with input from the community on plans for the Housing Project and the Reverend Ford Playground as a whole, including the Myrtle Baptist Church.
2. That the Housing Project have a minimum of 50% affordable units and that such units represent a range of affordability.
3. That the Housing Project include a context sensitive design that has a compact footprint and modest sized units so that the adjacent Reverend Ford Playground will be expanded to the maximum extent possible with the addition of land from the Site not needed for the Housing Project. The final site plan shall include a minimum of 20,000 square feet of open space to be used to enlarge the playground/open space area.
4. That the Housing Project be limited to eight units.
5. That the Housing Project demonstrates high performance energy efficiency and best building practices.

6. That the integrated site plan for the Housing Project and the Reverend Ford Playground improve public access to the Reverend Ford Playground. The City shall continue to pursue the acquisition of the adjacent Eversource property for further expansion or access to the playground/open space area.
7. That the City shall continue to work with the Myrtle Baptist Church regarding its needs for additional parking and additional means of egress and ingress to the church property.

Under Suspension of Rules

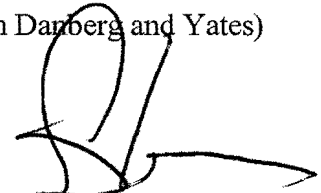
Readings Waived and Approved

20 yeas 2 nays (Aldermen Brousal-Glaser and Norton) 2 absent (Aldermen Danberg and Yates)



(SGD) DAVID A. OLSON

City Clerk



(SGD) SETTI D. WARREN

Mayor

# HISTORY OF NEWTON RECREATION DEPARTMENT BUILDING LOCATED AT

70 Crescent Street, Auburndale

The Newton Recreation Department moved from the Newton City Hall to the present brick, Dutch Colonial building located at 70 Crescent Street in the Auburndale section of Newton during February of 1970; after minor renovations were completed. The maintenance division of the department moved shortly thereafter, to this same location behind the office building.

On or about August 1969, the Board of Aldermen voted to purchase the land and building from the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority. The final purchase was not completed until 1970 and 1971. According to the City of Newton Assessor's records, 2 parcels of land were purchased. The first with an area of 103,363 square feet at a cost of \$77,500.00 on June 23, 1970, and the second area of 24,137 square feet, at a cost of \$1,600.00, on March 17, 1971, for a total cost of \$79,100.00. Of interest is the fact that the Assessor's record does not show that the area contained a building.

The building was constructed by the Richard White Construction Company, for their own use in 1947 and continued to be occupied by them until March 1963, when it was taken by the Turnpike Authority through Eminent Domain (price still restricted information at this present time) Originally they had planned to construct an interchange in this general area - finally constructed just East of this area. White's building was not completed and it is believed that they were allowed to remain until 1964 when it was completed almost diagonally across the "pike".

At this time, State Police "Troop E" (uniquely supported entirely by the Mass. Turnpike Authority) moved into this building, where they remained until 1967. At this point they were able to move into brand new quarters which had been specially constructed for them at the Brighton/Allston interchange. Turnpike maintenance then moved into both building in 1967 and remained until August 1969. Direct access onto the "Pike" was available for Police & maintenance, was cut off after Recreation moved in to prevent unauthorized travel from this area (motorists were aware of this access from here and would drive down beside the building and through the yard - in fact, many still try after 7 years) A fence was constructed by the Turnpike Authority.

Information obtained from:  
Richard White Construction  
Jack Francis of Mass. Turnpike Authority  
Assessor's office of Newton  
& my own knowledge - M. Lesbirel

Priority	Dept	Asset Category	Project Title	Project Description / Justification	Est Cost in FY2017	Risk Factor	Funding Source	Approved Funding	FY 2017 To Be Docketed	FY2018	FY2019	FY2020	FY2021	FY2022
21	DPW	Large Vehicle/ Equipment	Utilities Large Vehicle Replacement - Gradall	To assist the Highway and DPW department with paving and excavation around the city	\$ 250,000	58.1	Bonding	\$ 250,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
22	Schools	Building	Bigelow School - Mechanical Upgrades	Two boilers are 54 years old and beyond their useful life. Replace one boiler, storage, and enhance circulation system.	\$ 400,000	58.0	Bonding	\$ -	\$ 400,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
23	Fire Dept	Large Vehicle/ Equipment	Replace Fire Dept Pumper Truck (Engine 3)	Replace Engine 3, a 2004 Pumper Truck; to be used as spare to replace spare Engine 14, a 1992 pumper that should no longer be used.	\$ 650,000	57.5	Bonding	\$ 650,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
24	Parks/Rec	Roads/ Paving	Replace Gath/Albemarle Foot Bridge	Footbridge structure (steel and abutement) is in poor condition and is not wheelchair accessible.	\$ 150,000	56.5	Free Cash	\$ -	\$ 150,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
25	DPW/ Storm	Large Vehicle/ Equipment	Utilities Large Vehicle Replacement - Street Sweeper	Purchase a new street sweeper for city operations	\$ 216,000	56.3	Bonding	\$ 216,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
26	Parks/Rec	Building	Elliot Street Building	Metal building for Parks & Rec	\$ 350,000	56.1	Bonding	\$ -	\$ 350,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
27	DPW/ Water	Water	Manet Road Reservoir Gate Valve	Repair Gate Valve	\$ 400,000	56.0	Water Funds	\$ 400,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
28	DPW/ Sewer	Sewer	Prairie Avenue Sewer Pump Station	Station built 1950, rehabbed in 1992. Contains 2 (5 hp) pumps. Replace wet well.	\$ 200,000	56.0	Sewer Funds	\$ -	\$ 200,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
29	Public Buildings	Building	Crescent Street Project	Develop affordable housing on Crescent Street at former Parks and Recreation facility.	\$ 5,300,000	55.7	CPA Eligible	\$ -	\$ 5,300,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
30	Parks/Rec	Parks / Open Space	Tennis Courts - Replace McGrath Playground (Warren) Tennis Courts	Replace 3 existing tennis courts at McGrath Playground	\$ 280,000	55.4	Bonding	\$ -	\$ 280,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
31	Parks/Rec	Parks / Open Space	Newton Highlands Playground - Phase II Design & Construction	2008 Master Plan for park renovation in 2 phases. Ph II will complete the fields to provide tennis courts and football field.	\$ 2,900,000	54.8	CPA Eligible	\$ 2,500,000	\$ 400,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
32	DPW/ Storm	Storm	Hammond Brook Pipe Replacement	Storm Drain between Glen Ave. and Beacon Street needs increase capacity to alleviate flooding in rear yards of Glen Ave.	\$ 350,000	50.0	Storm Funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 362,250	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
33	DPW	Roads/ Paving	Oak & Christina Intersection	MassWorks project to reconstruct intersection, including geometric changes & improvements to traffic flow. The work includes constructing a realignment of Christina Street to the southwest to line up with Oak Street, traffic signal replacements, new roadway milling and pavement, new concrete sidewalks, new ADA ramps, modifying the closed drainage system, new pavement markings, and new traffic signs.	\$ 1,500,000	49.7	Alternate Funding	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,552,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
34	DPW/ Storm	Storm	Rehabilitation of Forest Grove Storm System Pump Station	Pump station is used for flood and mosquito control of Flowed Meadow and needs upgrades and repair work to function properly.	\$ 170,000	49.6	Storm Funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 175,950	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
35	DPW/ Sewer	Sewer	Sewer Inflow /Infiltration Project - Area 5	Part of 12 year program to remove excess inflow and infiltration into sewer system.	\$ 4,600,000	49.4	Sewer/ MWRA	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,761,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
36	Parks/Rec	Parks / Open Space	Rubbish Truck	Replace 1994 Rubbish Truck	\$ 300,000	49.3	Bonding	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 310,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
37	Public Safety	Emergency Comms	Radio System Infrastructure	Install continuous power, repeaters & receivers, and other radio system infrastructure improvements	\$ 1,000,000	49.2	Bonding	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,035,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
38	DPW/ Sewer	Sewer	Quinobequin Road Sewer Pump Station - Replace Pump	Sewerage pumped to higher point and gravity fed to MWRA pipes for treatment. Replace pump 1 and motors at life expectancy.	\$ 150,000	49.1	Sewer Funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 155,250	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
39	DPW/ Water	Large Vehicle/ Equipment	Utilities Large Vehicle Replacement	Replacement of existing city vehicle	\$ 350,000	49.1	Enterprise Funds	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 362,250	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
40	DPW	Large Vehicle/ Equipment	DPW Large Vehicle Replacement	Replacement of existing city vehicle	\$ 300,000	49.1	Bonding	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 310,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
41	Police	Building	Feasibility Study - Combined Police Facility	Feasibility Study to evaluate combining Police Operations into 1 Combined Facility	\$ 250,000	48.5	Alternate Funding	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 258,750	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
42	Schools	Building	Newton South Indoor Mondo Track	Indoor track surface in disrepair and is a tripping hazard. The track is busy and hosts track meets.	\$ 500,000	48.3	Bonding	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 517,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
43	DPW	Traffic Signalization	Traffic Signalization Upgrades - Wells Avenue @ Nahanton	Improve upon safety, improved traffic flow, reduce congestion, meet ADA Compliance	\$ 1,000,000	48.0	Bonding/Free Cash	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 1,035,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
44	DPW	Roads/ Paving	Complete Streets Program - Paving/Sidewalks/Accessibility	Cold Plane and Pave Scheduled Streets throughout the City	\$ 9,300,000	47.8	Chapt 90/ Alt Fund	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 9,625,500	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

<b>70 Crescent Street Feasibility Study and Design Cost Estimate</b>				
<b>Summary of CPA Funding Request for Master Plan/Feasibility Study and Design Phase</b>				
12/12/2016				
<b>Master Planning/Feasibility Study Effort</b>				
Environmental Analysis/Phase I Site Assessment	\$ 10,000			
Public Meetings	\$ 6,000			
Master Plan (Alternative Options; Preferred Plan)	\$ 30,000			
Contingency (8%)	\$ 3,680			
<b>Total Master Planning/Feasibility Study</b>	<b>\$ 49,680</b>			
<b>Final Design</b>				
<b>Task Description:</b>				
Preliminary Design	\$ 30,000			
Final Design	\$ 50,000			
Construction Documents	\$ 20,000			
Bid Assistance	\$ 5,000			
Construction Administration	\$ 30,000			
Final Design and Bidding Services	\$ 135,000			
Contingency @15%	\$ 20,250			
<b>Estimated Design/Bidding/Construction Admin. Services</b>	<b>\$ 155,250</b>			
<b>CPA Eligible Architecture and Engineering (Housing)</b>	<b>CPA Eligible</b>	<b>Total Project</b>		
<i>Building Architect (including design consultants)</i>	\$ 50,000	\$100,000		
<i>Additional services</i>	\$ 10,000	\$20,000		
<i>Reimursable Expenses</i>	\$ 6,625	\$13,250		
<i>Engineering (site/civil/landscape/permitting)</i>	\$ 15,000	\$30,000		
<i>Acoustical Engineering</i>	\$ 2,500	\$5,000		
<i>Geotechnical/Environmental Engineering</i>	\$ 10,000	\$20,000		
<i>Survey</i>	\$ -	\$0		
<i>Misc. Design Consultants</i>	\$ 12,500	\$25,000		
<i>Structural/Materials Testing</i>	\$ 5,000	\$10,000		
<b>Architecture and Engineering Total (Housing)</b>	<b>\$ 111,625</b>	<b>\$223,250</b>		
<b>Total CPA Request for Feasibility Study/Master Plan/De</b>	<b>\$ 316,555</b>			
<b>Total Estimated Design Costs</b>	<b>\$ 428,180</b>			

<b>70 Crescent Street Community Park</b>				
<b>Cost Estimate for Master Plan, Design, and Construction</b>				
12/12/2016				
<b><u>Master Planning/Feasibility Study Effort</u></b>				
Environmental Analysis/Phase I Site Assessment	\$	10,000		
Public Meetings	\$	6,000		
Master Plan (Alternative Options; Preferred Plan)	\$	30,000		
Contingency (8%)	\$	3,680		
<b>Total Master Planning/Feasibility Study</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>49,680</b>		
<b><u>Final Design</u></b>				
<b>Task Description:</b>				
Preliminary Design	\$	30,000		
Final Design	\$	50,000		
Construction Documents	\$	20,000		
Bid Assistance	\$	5,000		
Construction Administration	\$	30,000		
Final Design and Bidding Services	\$	135,000		
Contingency @15%	\$	20,250		
<b>Total Design/Bidding/Construction Admin. Services</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>155,250</b>		
<b><u>Community Park Construction</u></b>				
<b>Improvement Description:</b>				
General Conditions	\$	90,000		
Demolition, Site Preparation and Restoration	\$	160,000		
Lawns and Landscaping	\$	80,000		
Pathways and Gathering Spaces	\$	90,000		
Fencing and Edge Improvements	\$	60,000		
Children's Playground (incl. rubber surfacing)	\$	200,000		
Community Gardens	\$	60,000		
Site Furnishings	\$	50,000		
1/2 Court Basketball	\$	30,000		
Other Recreation Improvements	\$	75,000		
Construction	\$	895,000		
Contingency @20%	\$	179,000		
<b>Grand Total Construction</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,074,000</b>		
<b><u>City of Newton Staff Time</u></b>				
	\$	65,877		
<b>Master Plan + Final Design + Construction+City Staff Time</b>				
	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,344,807</b>		
<b>Total CPA Funding Request</b>				
	<b>\$</b>	<b>1,300,000</b>		





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70 CRESCENT STREET, NEWTON MA										
12/12/2016										
<b>PROJECT OVERVIEW</b>										
Number of Units			8 units							
% Affordable Units			50%							
Gross Square Footage			12,588 SF							
Rentable Square Footage			10,700 SF							
Number of Buildings			1							
Site Size (acres)			1							
<b>ESTIMATED PROJECT SCHEDULE</b>										
Venture Date										
Complete Permitting										
Construction period			12 months							
Commence Construction										
Occupancy Date										
<b>UNIT MIX SUMMARY</b>										
<b>Market Rate Units</b>										
Unit Type			# of Units	Average NRA	Monthly/Unit	Monthly/SF	Total SF	Monthly Total	Annual Total	
1 bed, 1 bath			1	850	\$ 2,338	\$ 2.75	850	\$ 2,338	\$ 28,056	
2 bed, 2 bath TH			2	1,400	\$ 3,360	\$ 2.40	2,800	\$ 6,720	\$ 80,640	
3 bed, 2 bath TH			1	1,700	\$ 3,825	\$ 2.25	1,700	\$ 3,825	\$ 45,900	
Market Rate Averages			4	1,338	\$ 3,221	\$ 2.45	5,350	\$ 12,883	\$ 154,596	
<b>Affordable Rate Units</b>										
Unit Type			# of Units	Average NRA	Monthly/Unit	Monthly/SF	Total SF	Monthly Total	Annual Total	
1 bed, 1 bath			1	850	\$ 1,250	\$ 1.47	850	\$ 1,250	\$ 15,000	
2 bed, 2 bath			2	1,400	\$ 1,400	\$ 1.00	2,800	\$ 2,800	\$ 33,600	
3 bed, 2 bath			1	1,700	\$ 1,530	\$ 0.90	1,700	\$ 1,530	\$ 18,360	
Market Rate Averages			4	1,338	\$ 1,395	\$ 1.09	5,350	\$ 5,580	\$ 66,960	
Property Totals			8	10,700	\$ 18,463	\$ 1.77	10,700	\$ 18,463	\$ 221,556	
Property Averages			8	1,338	\$ 2,308	\$ 1.77				
<b>Annual Rent Analysis</b>										
			Market Rate			Affordable			Total	
			Inflation	Annual Rent	PSF/Month	Inflation	Annual Rent	PSF/Month	Inflation	Annual Rent
Non-Trended Rental Income Year 1				\$ 154,590	\$ 2.41		\$ 66,954	\$ 1.04		\$ 221,544
Total Rental Income Year 2			3.0%	\$ 159,228	\$ 2.48	1.5%	\$ 67,958	\$ 1.06	2.5%	\$ 227,186
Total Rental Income Year 3			3.0%	\$ 164,005	\$ 2.55	1.5%	\$ 68,978	\$ 1.07	2.6%	\$ 232,982
Stabilized Rental Income Year 4			3.0%	\$ 168,925	\$ 2.63	1.5%	\$ 70,012	\$ 1.09	2.6%	\$ 238,937

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<b>70 CRESCENT STREET, NEWTON MA</b>						
<b>Crescent Street Eight Unit Housing Development Summary</b>						
12/12/2016						
Development Program			Area (SF)	Units	Average	
Market Rate Apartments			5,350	4	1,338	
Affordable Apartments			5,350	4	1,338	
Total Net Rentable Area			10,700	8	1,338	
Building Efficiency			85%			
Total Gross Square Feet			12,588			
Development Budget Summary			Total	Per Unit	PSF	
Land			\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
Hard Costs Base Building			\$ 2,517,647	\$ 314,706	\$ 200	
Hard Costs- Site Work			\$ 300,000	\$ 37,500	\$ 24	
Costs- Environmental Remediation			\$ 50,000	\$ 6,250	\$ 4	
Demolition			\$ 75,000	\$ 9,375	\$ 6	
Hard Costs- Contingency			\$ 140,882	\$ 17,610	\$ 11	
Soft Costs			\$ 329,679	\$ 41,210	\$ 26	
Finance Costs			\$ 102,750	\$ 12,844	\$ 8	
City of Newton Staff Contribution			\$ 136,621.00	\$ 17,078	\$ 11	
Total Development Costs			\$ 3,652,579	\$ 456,572	\$ 290	
Capitalization			Total			
City of Newton Funds		57%	\$ 2,000,000			
CPA Funds		40%	\$ 1,400,000			
City of Newton Staff Time		4%	\$ 136,621			
Total*			\$ 3,536,621			
*Shortfall in budget will be covered by City of Newton funds, if necessary. Existing shortfall results from financing costs which are carried in budget, but project may not have any debt depending on source of City of Newton funds						
Income Analysis- Trended			Total	PSF/Month	Per Unit/Year	PSF/Year
Apartment Rental Income- Market Rate			\$ 164,005	\$ 2.55	\$ 41,001	\$ 30.66
Apartment Rental Income- Affordable			\$ 68,978	\$ 1.07	\$ 17,245	\$ 12.89
Total Income			\$ 232,983	\$ 1.81	\$ 29,123	\$ 21.77
Less Market Unit Vacancy		5%	\$ (8,200)	\$ (0.06)	\$ (1,025)	\$ (0.77)
Less Affordable Unit Vacancy		3%	\$ (2,069)	\$ (0.02)	\$ (259)	\$ (0.19)
Effective Gross Income			\$ 222,713	\$ 1.73	\$ 27,839	\$ 20.81
Less						
Operating Expenses			\$ 66,306	\$ 0.52	\$ 8,288	\$ 6.20
Capital Reserve			\$ 2,122	\$ 0.02	\$ 265	\$ 0.20
Total Expenses			\$ 68,428	\$ 0.53	\$ 8,554	\$ 6.40
<b>NET OPERATING INCOME</b>			\$ 154,285	\$ 1.20	\$ 19,286	\$ 14.42
Less						
Debt Service			\$ 121,322	\$ 11.34	\$ 10,110	\$ 0.94
<b>NET CASH FLOW</b>			\$ 32,963	\$ 3.08	\$ 2,747	\$ 0.26
<b>RETURN ON COST</b>			4.22%			

70 CRESCENT STREET, NEWTON MA					
HOUSING DEVELOPMENT BUDGET SUMMARY					
12/12/2016					
			Total	Per Unit	Per Gross SF
LAND					
	Land		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	Total Land		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
HARD COSTS					
	Base building construction		\$ 2,517,647	\$ 314,706	\$ 200.00
	Site work / landscaping		\$ 300,000	\$ 37,500	\$ 23.83
	Environmental remediation		\$ 50,000	\$ 6,250	\$ 3.97
	Demolition of house and building		\$ 75,000	\$ 9,375	\$ 5.96
	Hard cost contingency (5%)		\$ 140,882	\$ 17,610	\$ 11.19
	Total Hard Cost		\$ 3,083,529	\$ 385,441	\$ 244.95
SOFT COSTS					
	Architecture and Engineering		\$ 223,250	\$ 27,906	\$ 17.73
	<i>Building Architect (including design consultants)</i>		100,000	12,500	7.94
	<i>Additional services</i>		20,000	2,500	1.59
	<i>Reimursable Expenses</i>		13,250	1,656	1.05
	<i>Engineering (site/civil/landscape/permitting)</i>		30,000	3,750	2.38
	<i>Acoustical Engineering</i>		5,000	625	0.40
	<i>Geotechnical/Environmental Engineering</i>		20,000	2,500	1.59
	<i>Survey</i>		0	0	0.00
	<i>Misc. Design Consultants</i>		25,000	3,125	1.99
	<i>Structural/Materials Testing</i>		10,000	1,250	0.79
	<i>Permitting</i>		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
	<i>Legal</i>		\$ 15,000.00	\$ 1,875	\$ 1.19
	<i>Legal - General expenses, permitting, misc.</i>		10,000	1,250	0.79
	<i>Bond Financing Fees /costs</i>		0	0	0.00
	<i>Title Insurance/Fees</i>		5,000	625	0.40
	<i>Marketing and Leasing</i>		\$ 12,500.00	\$ 1,563	\$ 0.99
	<i>Advertising, misc.</i>		5,000	625	0.40
	<i>Public Relations &amp; Special Events</i>		5,000	625	0.40
	<i>Affordable units processing costs</i>		2,500	313	0.20
	<i>Model Unit</i>		0	0	0.00
	<i>Miscellaneous</i>		\$ 60,000	\$ 7,500	\$ 4.77
	<i>Project management overhead</i>		50,000	6,250	3.97
	<i>FF&amp;E (site benches, signage, etc.)</i>		0	0	0.00
	<i>Neighborhood Mitigation (playground)</i>		0	0	0.00
	<i>Real Estate Taxes During Construction</i>		0	0	0.00
	<i>Builder's Risk Insurance</i>		10,000	1,250	0.79
	Sub-Total Soft Costs		\$ 310,750.00	\$ 38,844	\$ 24.69
	Soft Cost Contingency		\$ 18,928.84	\$ 2,366	\$ 1.50
Total Soft Costs			\$ 329,678.84	\$ 41,209.85	\$ 26.19
City of Newton Staff Time			\$ 136,621.00	\$ 17,077.63	\$ 10.85
FINANCING COSTS					
	Bond financing costs (MHFA Program 2.5% of bond amount)		\$ 50,000.00	\$ 6,250	\$ 3.97
	Operating Deficit- Lease Up		\$ 10,000.00	\$ 1,250	\$ 0.79
	Contruaction Period Interest (4.5% @ 50% outstanding balance, interest only)		\$ 42,750.00	\$ 5,344	\$ 3.40
	Interest Reserve		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total Financing Costs			\$ 102,750.00	\$ 12,844	\$ 8.16
TOTAL DEVELOPMENT COST*			\$ 3,652,579	\$ 456,572	\$ 290.16
* City of Newton is committed to meeting budget shortfalls in the project; total estimated development cost is approximately \$3,400,000 when City of Newton staff time is accounted for through department budgets and financing costs are not included in the project					



City of Newton



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December 8, 2016

Community Preservation Committee  
c/o Alice Ingerson, Community Preservation Program Manager  
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Newton, MA 02459

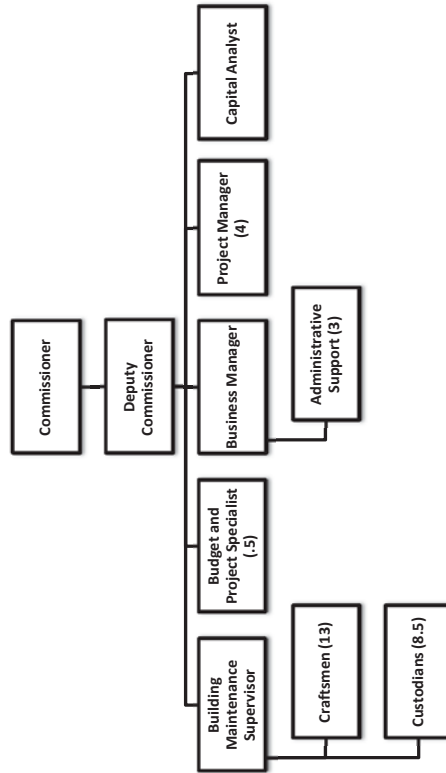
Dear Community Preservation Committee Members:

The City of Newton is committed to funding the mixed-use project at 70 Crescent Street, which includes the enhancement and expansion of recreation amenities and greenspace at Reverend Ford Playground and the development of eight units of mixed-income housing.

The City is committing \$2,000,000 to the project and will allocate additional funds to the project in the event that they are needed. The project will require an additional \$2,700,000, (\$1.3M for the park, and \$1.4M for the housing), in Community Preservation Act funds to support the design and construction of the community park and the affordable housing component of the project.

Maureen Lemieux  
Chief of Staff/CFO

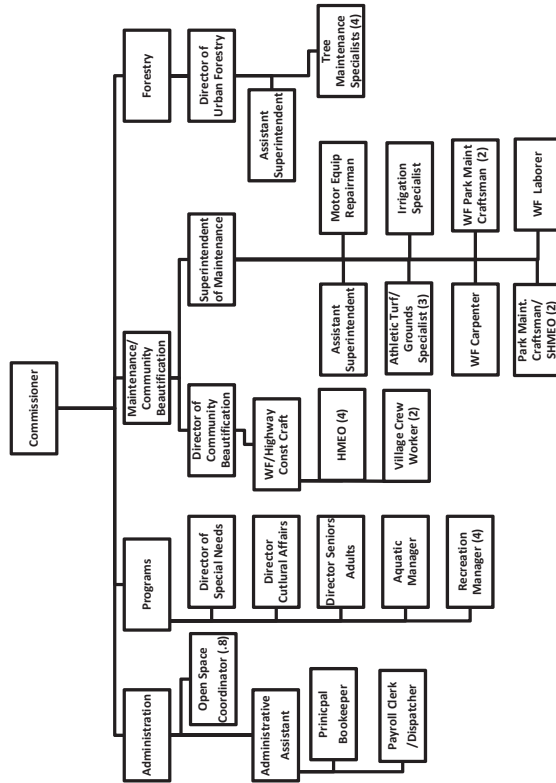
## PUBLIC BUILDINGS



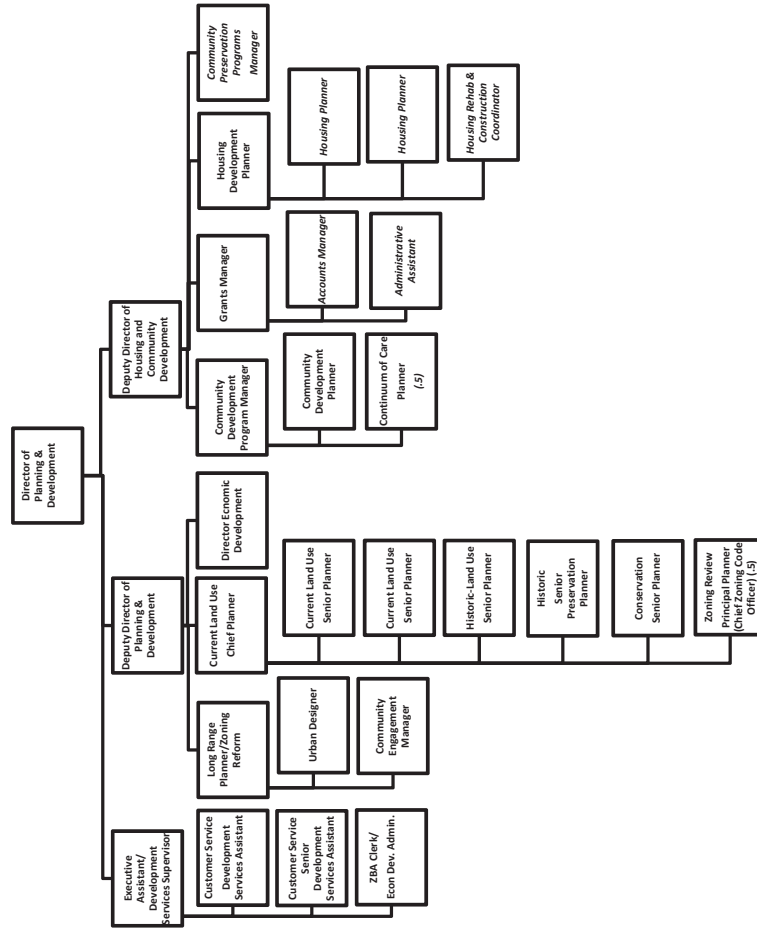
FY2017 Desired Outcomes - Public Buildings Department		Target
<b>Outcome #1: Effective Project Management</b>		
<b>Strategy #1: Fire Station #3 and Headquarters Project</b>		
Start demo, construction, and renovation of Fire Station #3 and Headquarters.		Winter 2016
Fire Headquarters renovation complete and Fire Administration moves in.		Fall 2017
Project complete and Firefighters move back in.		Winter 2019
<b>Strategy #2: Zervas School Project</b>		
Start demo and construction of the Zervas School.		Jan 2016
Project complete and students move in.		Sep 2017
<b>Strategy #3: Cabot School Project</b>		
Complete the design of the Cabot School.		Winter 2017
Project complete and students move in.		Winter 2019
<b>Strategy #4: Aquinas School Window Replacement Project</b>		
Start PCB and window removal.		Spring 2016
Complete window installation.		Fall 2016
<b>Strategy #5: Aquinas School Feasibility Study</b>		
Complete feasibility study of the pre-school.		Spring 2016
Start design of pre-school renovations.		Summer 2016
<b>Strategy #6: Manet Road Communications Building Project</b>		
Project complete and communications equipment moved in.		Summer 2016
<b>Outcome #2: Citywide Capital Improvement Plan</b>		
<b>Strategy #1: Updated Capital Improvement Plan</b>		
Department submissions due.		Jul 2016
C.I.P. Steering Committee evaluations.		Sep 2016
<b>Strategy #2: Website Improvements</b>		
Project pages available and up to date.		Summer 2016
Number of quarterly updates posted on line.		4
<b>Strategy #3: Historical Project Data for FY17 Projects</b>		
Develop project descriptions, location map, budget, schedule.		Oct 2016
Provide annual update.		Dec 2016
<b>Outcome #3: Effective Maintenance &amp; Operations</b>		
<b>Strategy #1: Implement Life Safety Code upgrades</b>		
Percentage of outstanding code-related work orders in schools completed or scheduled.		100%
Percentage of outstanding code-related work orders in municipal buildings completed/scheduled.		100%
<b>Strategy #2: Improve Average Workorder Turn-Around Time</b>		
% of emergencies responded to within one hour - Currently 100%.		100%
% of routine workorders completed within 3 working days: School Bldgs - currently 73%.		75%
% of routine workorders completed within 3 working days: Municipal Bldgs - currently 72%.		73%
<b>Strategy #3: Expand Preventive Maintenance Plan</b>		
Percentage of scheduled preventive maintenance tasks completed - currently 100%.		100%
Percentage of work orders that are preventive maintenance - currently 40%.		45%
<b>Outcome #4: Achieve 25% Improved Energy Efficiency from 2008 Baseline</b>		
<b>Strategy #1: Implement Solar Panels and Power Purchase Agreement</b>		
Roof solar installs at several buildings including: Angler, Bowen, South High School, Oak Hill School.		Spring/Summer 2016
Parking canopy solar installs: Elliot Street, Newton South High School.		Fall 2016
Rumford Landfill ground mounted solar.		Fall/Winter 2016
Zervas School solar panel project design completion.		Spring 2016
Cabot School solar panel project design completion.		Winter 2017
Renewable power generated by new solar panels.		750KW
<b>Strategy #2: Energy Efficiency Retrofit, Preferred Vendor Program</b>		
Phase 1 - Complete energy retrofits on 14 buildings.		Completed December 2015
Phase 2 - Complete energy retrofits of 14 projects in 12 buildings.		Summer 2016
Phase 3 - Start energy retrofit projects at various buildings.		Fall 2017
<b>Strategy #3: Energy Auditing and Commissioning Program</b>		
Install energy analytics for annual commissioning at Newton South High School.		Fall 2016
Adopt an energy data base and data use analysis reporting system for City buildings.		Fall 2016
<b>Outcome #5: Design Review Committee</b>		
<b>Strategy #1: Review Make-Up of Committee</b>		
Add appropriately experienced member(s).		Summer 2016
<b>Outcome #6: Department Internal Operation Improvements</b>		
<b>Strategy #1: Work Order Close out Timeline</b>		
Review who should be designated with the responsibility for work order close out.		Summer 2016
<b>Strategy #2: Department Generated Transfer Bills Timeline</b>		
Review timeline when to create transfer bills for Schoolhouse and other systems.		Summer 2016

# PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT

<b>FY2017 Desired Outcomes - Parks and Recreation</b>	<b>Target</b>
<b>Outcome #1: Quality Recreation Programs for all Ages/Interests</b>	
<b>Strategy #1: Interdepartmental and Current Program Development</b>	Fall 2016/Spring 2017
Expand badminton instruction program to offer Fall and Spring classes.	Summer 2016
Coordinate transportation program with Department of Senior Services.	July 2016
Develop kids boot camp and nutrition program at Lower Falls Community Center.	
<b>Strategy #2: Increase and Improve Computerized Registration Process</b>	
Implementation of online field reservations.	Fall 2016
<b>Outcome #2: Safe, Accessible, High Quality Parks and Facilities</b>	<b>Target</b>
<b>Strategy #1: Crystal Lake Water Management Plan and Watershed Improvements</b>	
Advertise RFP for lake management planner.	August 2016
<b>Strategy #2: Continued Development of Off-Leash Program</b>	
Develop plan for small dog off-leash area.	Spring 2017
Seek approval of citation rights for the Off-leash Recreation Specialist.	July 2016
<b>Strategy #3: Complete Capital Improvements to Ensure the Quality of Parks and Playgrounds</b>	
Newton Highlands Playground - complete bid pkg./manage bid and construction phases.	August 2016
N. Centre Playground Accessible Pathways - help to oversee construction Phase IV, V, VI.	August 2016
Farlow Park Pond & Bridge Project - complete investigative and design phase/bid/manage project.	September 2016
Waban Hill Reservoir - contract with designer/manage master plan process.	Summer 2016
Chesapeake Brook Pedestrian Bridge - work with DPW/complete design/bid phases.	
<b>Outcome #3: Quality Programs for Seniors, People w/ Disabilities</b>	<b>Target</b>
<b>Strategy #1: Integrate an Online Volunteer Management System into Athletes Unlimited</b>	
Integrate new system with current volunteers to streamline management and engagement.	June 2016
<b>Strategy #2: Increase Awareness of Newton Athletes Unlimited in the Community and Beyond</b>	
Create an online video library of athletes, families and community leaders discussing why Athletes Unlimited is important to Newton.	June 2016
<b>Strategy #3: Increase Awareness of Current Over 55 Programs/Services</b>	
Attend local and regional service fairs for people with disabilities.	December 2016
<b>Strategy #4: Increase Awareness of Current Over 55 Programs/Services</b>	
Introduce new walking group at the Auburndale Cove.	Fall 2016
Implement bi weekly LifeTrail fitness group located at the Cove.	October 2016
Create new aquatic exercise program at Gath Pool on Saturday morning.	Summer 2016
Expand evening pickleball to weekends and incorporate an intergenerational aspect.	Summer 2016
<b>Outcome #4: Parks and Facilities that Enrich the Recreational Experience</b>	<b>Target</b>
<b>Strategy #1: Implementation of Turf Management Program</b>	
Refrurbish Auburndale Park tennis courts.	Summer 2016
Reclamation of Warren House tennis courts.	Summer 2016
<b>Strategy #2: Enhance Park and Playground Maintenance Management Plan</b>	
Installation of playground structures at Horace Mann and Auburndale Cove.	June 2017
Install Senior exercise station at Auburndale Cove.	October 2016
Lyons Field concession building (NWLL) - accessible route at 75%.	October 2016
Work w/friends of Kennard to implement temporary public art show.	September 2016
<b>Outcome #5: Sustainable, Maintained Tree Population by 2020</b>	<b>Target</b>
<b>Strategy #1: Address All Highest Risk Trees</b>	
Update street tree risk analysis report by surveying each street, comparing prior data, and issuing report.	July 2016
Utilize in-house and contracted services to remove the highest-risk trees as determined in risk analysis report.	July 2016
utilize in-house and contracted services to prune the highest-risk trees as determined in risk analysis report.	December 2016
Remove/prune all high priority safer work in select city parks through in-house and contracted services.	September 2016
<b>Strategy #2: Implementation of Citywide Tree Planting Plan</b>	
Plant 240 trees based on strategies presented in city-wide planting plan.	May 2017
Grind down 700 tree stumps.	June 2017
<b>Outcome #6: Create and Maintain a Beautified Newton</b>	<b>Target</b>
<b>Strategy #1: Beautification of Villages and Traffic Islands in Newton Corner</b>	
Traffic island flower boxes.	1
<b>Strategy #2: Clean, Well Maintained Public Spaces</b>	
Community appearance index - 13 villages - check bi-weekly.	26
Permanent flower pots - various locations throughout villages.	50



# Planning and Development Department



FY2017 Desired Outcomes - Planning and Development	
<b>Outcome #1: Equity &amp; Economic Opportunity for All</b>	<b>Target</b>
<b>Strategy #1: Implement Housing Strategy</b> Identify ordinance/policy changes and submit to City Council or appropriate body.	Throughout FY17
Support strategically identified housing projects for affordable and diverse housing choices.	Throughout FY17
Evaluate RTP responses for housing funds.	Summer 2016
Develop Crescent Street project (8 units).	Anticipated completion in FY18
Plan for development of 932 units for the chronically homeless.	Throughout FY17
<b>Strategy #2: Implement Annual Action Plan</b>	
Release RTP for human services & ESG.	Winter, 2017
Complete annual neighborhood project.	Fall, 2016
Complete annual accessibility project.	Spring, 2017
Complete annual economic project.	Throughout FY17
<b>Strategy #3: Support Economic Innovation Economy</b>	
Grow MacChallenge program at Newton Innovation Center.	Expand # of entrepreneurs
Support N2 Corridor and completion of market study.	Summer/Fall 2016
Support Charles River Mill District.	Throughout FY17
<b>Strategy #4: Support Vitality of Village Centers &amp; Commercial Corridors</b>	
Development of Austin Street municipal lot.	Anticipated completion in FY18
Support implementation of Newton Centre parking strategy.	Throughout FY17
West Newton Square streetscape design.	Summer 2016
Finalize Newtonville/Walnut Street design.	Spring 2017
Advance reuse of Newton Centre Library building.	Fall 2016
<b>Strategy #5: Foster Business-Friendly Environment</b>	
Coordinate regular Business Council meetings with Mayor and local businesses.	Quarterly
Reach out to individual businesses to identify needs and promote City resources.	10-15 per month
<b>Outcome #2: Enhance &amp; Preserve Quality of Life &amp; Sense of Place</b>	<b>Target</b>
<b>Strategy #1: Transportation Strategy</b>	
Evaluate pilot and demonstration projects.	Summer 2016
Identify projects for immediate action, inclusion on FY18 CIP.	Summer/Fall 2016
Completion of strategy.	Winter 2017
<b>Strategy #2: Phase 2 of Zoning Reform</b>	
Create pattern book.	Summer 2016
Draft zoning ordinance text.	Complete in FY18
<b>Strategy #3: Maintain Robust Historic Preservation &amp; Interpretation Program</b>	
Prepare criteria for new historic building survey grant application.	Spring 2017
Research, reinstall, rededication of the Newton North High School Maurice Compris WPA mural.	Fall 2017
Continue Historic Commission/Preservation ordinance amendments.	In FY17
Produce educational materials and/or events.	2 events in FY17
<b>Strategy #4: Environmental Conservation &amp; Improvement</b>	
Conserve the "Webster Woods" area for ecological and recreational value.	Summer/Fall 2016
Complete priority conservation areas maintenance/enhancement projects.	Fall 2016 and Spring 2017
Rehabilitate "Deer Park" area and restore public access.	Summer 2016
Support volunteer conservation stewardship program.	Throughout FY17
Explore options for trails in Quinobegun Road area.	Summer/Fall 2016
Produce educational materials and/or events.	Throughout FY17 - min. of 2 events
<b>Outcome #3: Promote Community Engagement in Planning</b>	<b>Target</b>
<b>Strategy #1: Develop Online Engagement Capacity</b>	
Develop new Planning Department webpage.	Fall/Winter 2016
Enhance online components of planning projects.	Fall/Winter 2016
<b>Strategy #2: Include Community Engagement in All Projects</b>	
Develop community engagement strategy with each project.	Ongoing
Work with DPW and other "Implementation" departments to engage community in projects.	Ongoing
<b>Outcome #4: Pursue Efficient Development Review and Planning Processes</b>	<b>Target</b>
<b>Strategy #1: Implement Planning Department Management Study</b>	
Continue documentation of development review process and review of coordination and process efficiency with DPW, SD and Fire Department.	Summer/Fall 2016
Draft board/commission handbooks describing roles & responsibilities.	Summer/Fall 2016
<b>Strategy #2: Conduct Efficient Development Review</b>	
Complete special permit project reviews within the allocated time frame.	90% completed in 90 days
Demolition delay reviews.	Ongoing
Historic district reviews.	Ongoing
Ensure appropriate protection of wetlands through State Wetlands Act.	Ongoing
Site Plan/558 reviews.	Ongoing



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**PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

Facilities Project Manager experienced in architectural design of institutional, public and residential projects. Proven track record in managing new construction, additions and renovations of projects from design through construction and closeout, completing projects on time and on budget. Skilled in:

- Development of scope of work
- Selection of design team
- Design constructability review
- Oversight of project execution
- Budgets and timelines
- Coordination of design process
- Management of bid / award process
- Conflict resolution

**CONSTRUCTION PROJECT MANAGEMENT EXPERIENCE**

**Project Manager II, Property and Construction Management Department** 2013 - 2014  
City of Boston, MA

*(The Property and Construction Management Department manages building projects ranging from \$200K to \$10M.)*

- Provide management and oversight of \$400K - \$1.5M envelope and interior restoration for three community center projects.
- Manage replacement of \$350K heating systems in two Boston Centers for Youth and Family.
- Ensure compliance with public procurement practices for designers and contractors.
- Act as member of designer's selection team.

**Senior Engineering Consultant / Project Manager, Facilities Management Department** 1994 - 2013  
Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston, Braintree, MA

*(The Archdiocese facilities department manages all capital construction projects for all parishes throughout the metropolitan Boston area. Project size ranges from \$50K to \$7M.)*

- Simultaneously managed up to six major construction projects for churches, schools, parish centers and rectories in all phases of planning, design, budgeting and construction.
- Customized each parish's needs through collaboration and coordination with architects, engineers and consultants.
- Determined requirements related to building codes, handicap accessibility and energy efficiency.
- Evaluated bids for building improvements designed in-house and by architects; participated in value engineering process.
- Conducted scheduled meetings to review project status, develop punch lists and commission projects. Ensured quality and safety standards were met by contractors.
- Reviewed and approved design team and construction contractor applications for payment.
- Managed and completed multiple electrical and HVAC projects following all related environmental safety requirements.
- Specified, field observed and completed major exterior envelope restoration of multiple parish buildings. Envelope restoration of St. Mary of the Nativity formally recognized in 2008 by the Brookline Historical Society.
- Collaborated with designers to obtain special variances from state agencies on behalf of the parishes.

**ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Freelance Architect, Greater Boston Area**

- Provided architectural design services for private clients and several architectural firms. Projects included design of new homes, additions and renovations as well as completion of construction documents for elementary school renovation project.

**Designer / Project Manager**

MFPA, Inc., Natick, MA

*(MFPA specializes in medical facilities design.)*

- Designed and completed construction documents for new playground and existing playroom Tufts Medical Center Floating Hospital for Children.
- Developed design, construction documents and construction administration for 12,000 square feet of new offices expansion space at American Red Cross Facilities in Dedham, MA. Also performed redesign and alteration of three laboratories for a total of 6,000 square feet.
- Designed and oversaw renovation of four-bed unit and new offices for Nuclear Medicine Department at Boston Children's Hospital.

**Associate Architect**

Laurence L. Rubin, Architect, Wellesley, MA

*(Projects included private homes, commercial and public works.)*

- Assisted project architect in developing and completing construction document drawings for architectural phase of a park structure in the state of Connecticut.
- Participated in the design for a pavilion and waiting station at the ferry boat pier at Logan Airport (MassPort).

**EDUCATION**

Harvard University, Graduate School of Design Professional Development Program, Cambridge, MA

- Certificate in Renovation and Adaptive Reuse of Older Buildings
- Certificate in Advanced Training in ADA Standards, UFAS, and the Fair Housing Amendments Act

Wentworth Institute of Technology, Boston, MA

- Courses in AutoCAD technology and drafting

Damascus University, Damascus, Syria

- Bachelor's Degree in Architecture - Cum Laude

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Associate Member, American Institute of Architects, Boston, MA

1995 - present

Associate Member, Boston Society of Architects, Boston, MA

1995 - present

## **Zoning and Permitting**

### **Environmental Mitigation Plan**

The Public Buildings Department commissioned a Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment that was completed for the City on April 10, 2014.<sup>1</sup> The assessment identified the presence of one fuel oil underground storage tank (UST) on the site and the removal of two additional USTs in 1990. As a result of the Phase 1 assessment, soil testing was done on the site in spring of 2016 and a Release Abatement Measure Plan was developed for the City by Lord and Associates in October 17, 2016. The City of Newton has appropriated \$100,000 for the remediation of the site.

### **Zoning Relief and Permits Required**

The project will be developed through the Section 5-58 Site Plan Review process, with approval required by the Public Facilities Commission of the City Council and the Design Review Commission.. The site plan review will include an interdepartmental Development Team Review and a full analysis by the Planning and Development Department staff.

### **Other Approvals**

On October 27, 2016, the Newton Historical Commission, by a vote of 4-0, found that the buildings at 70 Crescent Street are not preferably preserved. This finding allows for the demolition of the two structures on site.

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<sup>1</sup> Phase I Environmental Assessment Available on the City of Newton Community Preservation Program Website: <http://www.newtonma.gov/civicax/filebank/documents/76809>



## Public Facilities Committee Agenda

### City of Newton

### In City Council

### Special Meeting

**Tuesday, September 6, 2016**

**6:45 PM  
Room 211**

***Note: The Committee will meet jointly with the Finance Committee to discuss the following six items. Please refer to the Finance Committee Agenda for Backup Material.***

#### Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

**#276-16**

**\$100,000 transfer for cleanup of 70 Crescent Street site**

**HIS HONOR THE MAYOR** requesting authorization to transfer the sum of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) from Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Reserve to fund the cleanup of the 70 Crescent Street housing project site. [08/01/16 @ 12:50]

On Newton CPC website, additional backup for item 276-16 is attached on following pages.

#### Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

**#279-16**

**\$125,000 for additional funding for Aquinas Window Project**

**HIS HONOR THE MAYOR** requesting authorization to appropriate one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000) from bonded indebtedness for the purpose of providing additional funding for the Aquinas Window/PCB Abatement Project. . [08/01/16 @ 12:50 PM]

#### Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

**#274-16**

**\$250,000 to purchase a new Gradall truck**

**HIS HONOR THE MAYOR** requesting authorization to appropriate two hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$250,000) from bonded indebtedness to fund the purchase of a new 2016 Gradall truck. [08/01/16 @ 12:50 PM]

#### Referred to Public Facilities and Finance Committees

**#277-16**

**\$530,000 for traffic signal upgrades at Washington and Harvard Streets**

**HIS HONOR THE MAYOR** requesting authorization to appropriate the sum of five hundred thirty thousand dollars (\$530,000) from bonded indebtedness to fund the construction and installation of traffic signal upgrades at the intersection of Washington Street and Harvard Street. [08/01/16 @ 12:50 PM]

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The location of this meeting is handicap accessible and reasonable accommodations will be provided to persons requiring assistance. If you need a special accommodation, *please contact Jini Fairley, at least two days in advance of the meeting: [jfairley@newtonma.gov](mailto:jfairley@newtonma.gov), or 617-796-1253. For Telecommunications Relay Service dial 711.*

Crescent Street Cleanup Project

Chemical Injection Cleanup	\$58,000
LSP Services	\$26,000
Contingency	\$16,000
Total Project Budget	\$100,000



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Mayor

## PUBLIC BUILDINGS DEPARTMENT

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52 ELLIOT STREET

NEWTON HIGHLANDS, MA 02461-1605

8/9/16

These are the Crescent Street site cleanup options as presented by our LSP.

### Option 1 – Excavation

This option is contingent on the demolition of the current Garage building at the Site. Some of the higher concentrations of residual petroleum impacted soil is located underneath the building adjacent to the former UST locations, and initiating excavation prior to the building removal would likely require a second mobilization. Based on soil and groundwater data obtained during recent subsurface investigations, the excavation area would likely be approximately 100 feet by 60 feet, with an average thickness of impacted soil of 3 feet. This estimation indicates the need to excavate and stockpile up to 666 cubic yards of impacted soil for disposal. Disposal costs for 666 cubic yards of soil (approximately 1,000 tons) would likely cost approximately \$58,000. In order to remove clean overburden soil, prepare stockpiles, stockpile soil, manage stockpiles, etc., this job could extend beyond a week. A conservative estimate of construction costs (including backfill and compaction) could exceed \$50,000. Additionally, in order to access the impacted soil at the Site, it is anticipated that dewatering will be necessary. It is unknown how much impacted water would be generated during the necessary dewatering, but we would allow for the storage of up to 20,000 gallons of water in an on-Site fractionation tank. Disposal of 20,000 gallons of impacted water would cost in the neighborhood of \$20,000, or permitting and on-Site treatment would likely cost around \$11,000.

In order to maximize the effectiveness of this approach, and while the excavation is open, we would recommend the application of remedial additives (in-Situ chemical oxidation) prior to backfilling. The cost for chemicals would likely not exceed \$5,000. After excavation with ISCO treatment, groundwater sampling to test effectiveness of the excavation and treatment would begin approximately three months after excavation. After it has been determined that chemical oxidants are no longer present, then at least three favorable seasonal groundwater sampling rounds would be necessary in order to demonstrate compliance with DEP regulation in order to qualify for Site closure.

After excavation, it would be necessary to re-install groundwater monitoring wells at a cost of approximately \$5,000

**Estimated Total \$124,000-\$133,000**



## Option 2 – In-Situ Chemical Oxidation (ISCO)

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This option may be initiated prior to, or without the need for building demolition. ISCO additives can be injected into the ground using a direct-push drilling rig, or may be mixed with water and injected into injection wells. It is anticipated that a program of ISCO would likely cost under \$50,000 for up to 2 injections.

After ISCO treatment, groundwater sampling to test effectiveness of the treatment would begin approximately three months after injection. After it has been determined that chemical oxidants are no longer present, then at least three favorable seasonal groundwater sampling rounds would be necessary in order to demonstrate compliance with DEP regulation in order to qualify for Site closure.

Additionally, with this approach it would be necessary to perform post-remedial soil sampling with a direct push drill rig. Approximate cost to perform this drilling including engineering labor and soil lab analysis would be \$8,000

**Estimated Total \$58,000**

### Reporting Requirements and Groundwater Sampling costs

These costs will likely be very similar for both of the above options.

Within 120 days of obtaining knowledge of the release conditions at the Site (analytical data was received from the lab indicating a reporting requirement on April 18, 2016), a Release Notification Form will be prepared and submitted to DEP on the City's behalf, and a Release Abatement Measure (RAM) Plan will be submitted to DEP outlining the City's course of action. These activities will likely cost around \$3,000-\$4,000.

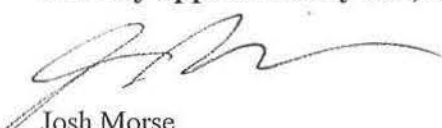
After the submittal of the initial RAM Plan, a RAM Status Report will be due to DEP within 120 days of the original Plan, and Status Reports will be required at 6 month intervals thereafter until closure. These plans will cost \$2,000-\$3,000 each. If the Site is not closed with DEP at the one-year anniversary of notification, then a Phase I – Initial Site Investigation Report will be due to DEP (Approx. \$3,000)

3-4 groundwater sampling rounds will be required after remediation in order to demonstrate compliance with DEP regulations prior to Site closure. Each groundwater sampling round would cost approximately \$4,000.

Once sufficient data has been collected in order to demonstrate compliance with DEP regulation, then a Permanent Solution Statement Report will be prepared for submittal to DEP to close the Site. Cost for this Report would be approximately \$5,000.

**Estimated Total \$20,000-\$26,000**

**Based on the proposed project timeline time allows for the chemical injection approach. This will save the City approximately \$75,000.**



Josh Morse  
Commissioner of Public Buildings  
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October 14, 2016

Community Preservation Committee  
c/o Alice E. Ingerson, Community Preservation Program Manager  
Planning & Development Department  
Newton City Hall  
1000 Commonwealth Ave.,  
Newton, MA 02459

Re: Crescent Street Housing Site Assessment Update

Dear Ms. Ingerson,

The Public Buildings Department has completed the initial site assessment consisting of environmental and geo-technical reviews.

A copy of the Geo-Technical findings as completed by McPhail Associates is on file with the CPC. The final environmental study findings prepared by Lord Associates are contained within the required RAM Plan (Release Abatement Measures) that is made a part of this letter and will be forwarded to Tuesday, October 18th.

During the course of the site assessment various borings were conducted to determine soil suitability for the construction of housing as well as any contaminants that may be in the soil.

The site soil evaluation has determined that the current site can support housing as presented in our proposal. The environmental evaluation has determined that there is soil contaminated with petroleum based products. The contamination will be remediated through the use of bio-remediation injections into the soil. This process will take 12-18 months to remediate the contamination. The cost of this remediation is being covered by a City Appropriation in the amount of \$100,000. No CPC funds will be used for this purpose.

The initial appropriation from the CPC for \$100,000 has been expended as below:

Geo-Technical Evaluation, by McPhail Associates, through our Architect KBA	\$ 10,839.21
Site Survey & TOPO Plan, by Feldman Land Surveyors, through our Architect KBA	\$ 8,050.42
Environmental Evaluation, by Lord Associates	<u>\$ 22,863.32</u>

Total Expended to date	\$ 41,752.95
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Current Balance of Appropriation	\$ 58,247.05
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The City is currently preparing to commence the bio-remediation treatments to the contaminated soils with separate funding from the City of Newton in the amount of \$100,000.00. This work is scheduled to commence the week of November 7, 2016.

Should you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact our department.

Thank you,

Art Cabral  
Project Specialist  
City of Newton  
Public Buildings Department





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Barney S. Heath  
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**Newton Historical Commission Demolition Review Decision**

Date: 11/7/16 Zoning & Dev. Review Project# 16100028

Address of structure: 70 Crescent Street

Type of building : House

If partial demolition, feature to be demolished is \_\_\_\_\_

The building or structure:

is \_\_\_\_\_ is not x in a National Register or local historic district not visible from a public way.  
is \_\_\_\_\_ is not x on the National Register or eligible for listing.  
is \_\_\_\_\_ is not x importantly associated with historic person(s), events, or architectural or social history  
is x is not \_\_\_\_\_ historically or architecturally important for period, style, architect, builder, or context.  
is \_\_\_\_\_ is not x located within 150 feet of a historic district and contextually similar.

is \_\_\_\_\_ NOT HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT as defined by the Newton Demolition Delay Ordinance.

Demolition is not delayed and no further review is required.

is X HISTORICALLY SIGNIFICANT as defined by the Newton Demolition Delay Ordinance (See below).

The Newton Historical Commission staff:

\_\_\_\_\_ APPROVES the proposed project based upon materials submitted see below for conditions (if any).

Demolition is not delayed, further staff review may be required.

\_\_\_\_\_ X DOES NOT APPROVE and the project requires  
Newton Historical Commission review (See below).

The Newton Historical Commission finds the building or structure:

is X NOT PREFERABLY PRESERVED

Demolition is not delayed and no further review is required.

is \_\_\_\_\_ PREFERABLY PRESERVED - (SEE BELOW).

Delay of Demolition:

\_\_\_\_\_ is in effect until \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ has been waived - see attached for conditions

Determination made by:

*City of Newton*

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Please Note: if demolition does not occur within two years of the date of expiration of the demolition delay, the demolition will require a resubmittal to the Historical Commission for review and may result in another demolition delay.



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**RECORD OF ACTION:**

**DATE:** November 4, 2016

**SUBJECT:** 70 Crescent Road

At a scheduled meeting and public hearing on October 27, 2016, the Newton Historical Commission, by a vote of 4-0:

RESOLVED to find the property at 70 Crescent Street not preferably preserved.

Voting in the Affirmative:                      Voting in the Negative:                      Abstained:

Nancy Grissom, Member  
Laura Fitzmaurice, Member  
Jean Fulkerson, Member  
Len Sherman, Alternate

Title Reference:                      Owner of Property:

City of Newton

Deed recorded at:

Middlesex (South) Registry of Deeds

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

Katy Hax Holmes  
Staff

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## 70 Crescent Street

*City of Newton,  
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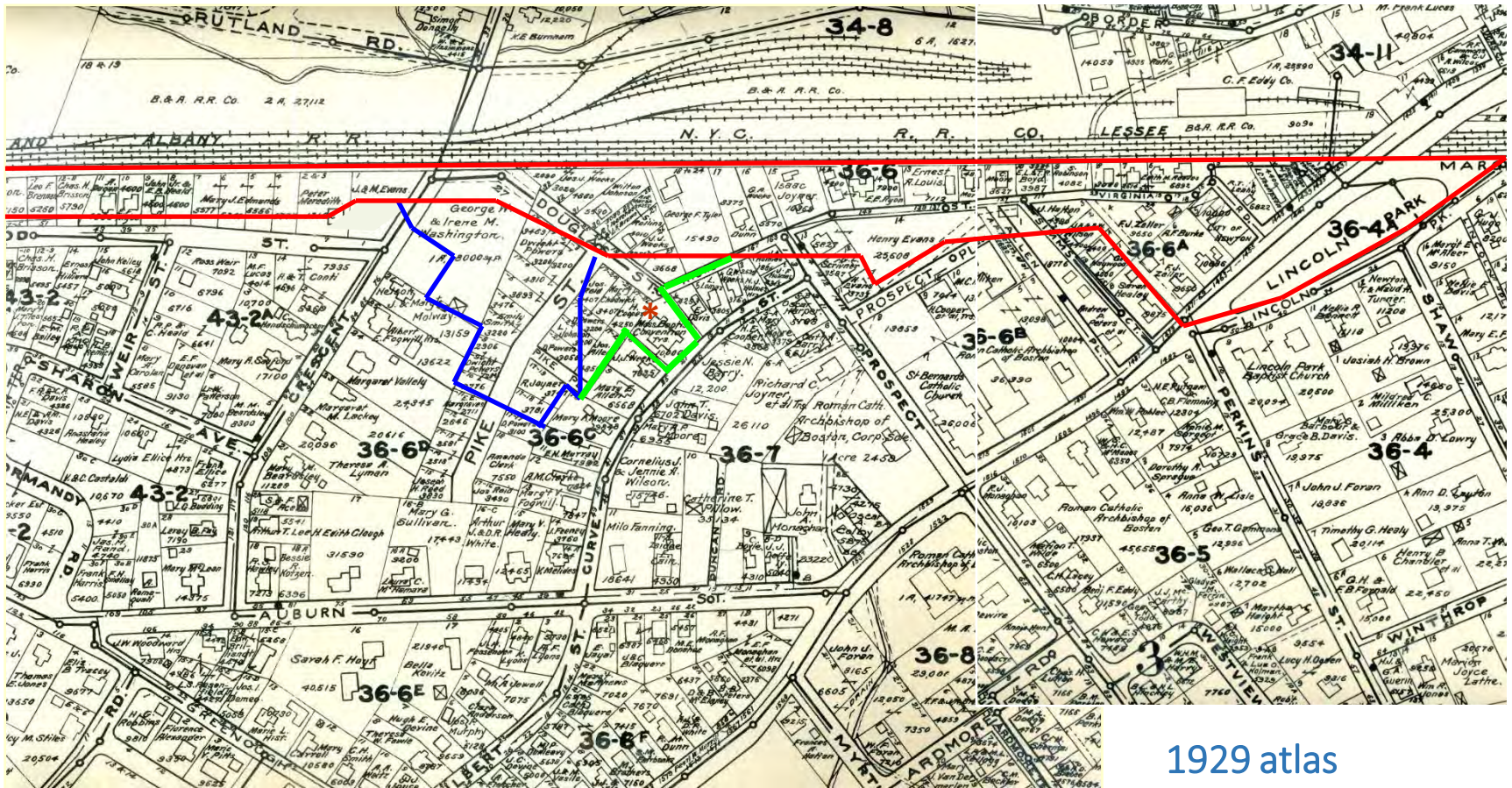
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CITY OF NEWTON, MASSACHUSETTS  
Mayor - Setti D. Warren  
GIS Administrator - Douglas Greenfield

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# "The Village," West Newton streets & houses taken by eminent domain for the Turnpike Extension, 1962



post-1962  
ownership:

Massachusetts  
Turnpike  
Authority

70 Crescent Street – land  
taken by Turnpike Authority,  
then transferred to City of Newton

Myrtle  
Baptist  
Church

## A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE MASSACHUSETTS LEGISLATURE TO PUT A FEE ON CARBON TO CURB CLIMATE CHANGE

WHEREAS, The scientific consensus is firmly established that catastrophic climate change is happening and the burning of fossil fuels is among the chief contributing factors; and

WHEREAS, The use of fossil fuels is pervasive throughout society and varies by region, lifestyle, income, and many other disparate factors; and

WHEREAS, The United States free market offers a fertile environment for creation of an equally diverse set of economical services and products in the areas of conservation, efficiency, and renewable energy to allow us to wean ourselves off fossil fuels; and

WHEREAS, Free markets operate most efficiently when individuals and corporations are held accountable for the costs of their actions; and

WHEREAS, Prices for fossil fuels do not reflect associated costs of health impacts, climate change, or other general environmental degradation; and

WHEREAS, Leaders and organizations from around the country have advanced proposals for rectifying this price/cost disparity including James Hansen, Citizens Climate Lobby, Senators Boxer and Sanders, and Senator Whitehouse and Representative Henry Waxman, and

WHEREAS, The Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities, and Energy recently held a hearing on carbon pricing proposals, including S. 1747, An Act Combating Climate Change, and S. 1786, An Act to Protect our Environment and Reduce the Carbon Footprint of the Commonwealth, at which the testimony was strongly in favor of enacting a form of carbon pricing, and

WHEREAS George P. Schultz, who served four different Republican presidents, called for a carbon tax in a Wall Street Journal editorial on April 7, 2013, and

WHEREAS Greg Mankiw, Harvard economist, called for a carbon tax in a New York Times editorial on August 31, 2013, and

WHEREAS British Columbia implemented a carbon tax in 2008 and according to an Economist report the BC economy is as strong and arguably better than the rest of Canada.

WHEREAS On June 9, 2014, Citizens' Climate Lobby released a study from Regional Economic Models, Inc. (REMI) that examined the impact of a steadily-rising fee on carbon-based fuels with revenue from that fee returned to households in equal shares. With the fee starting at \$10 per ton of carbon dioxide and rising \$10 per ton each year, the major findings were:

- In 20 years, CO2 emissions would be reduced 50 percent below 1990 levels.
- Because of the economic stimulus of recycling carbon fee revenue back to households, in 20 years, 2.8 million jobs would be added to the American economy.
- Improved air quality would result in 230,000 premature deaths avoided over 20 years.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Newton City Council strongly urges the Massachusetts Legislature to pass legislation that puts a gradually increasing fee on carbon in fossil fuels to: make individuals and corporations accountable for the costs of their actions when they choose to use fossil fuels; level the economic playing field between fossil fuels and conservation, efficiency, and renewable energy sources; and ignite a free-market based clean energy revolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair of the Newton City Council shall send copies of this resolution to Governor Charlie Baker; State Treasurer Deborah B. Goldberg; Senator Stanley C. Rosenberg, Senate President; Representative Robert A. DeLeo, Speaker of the House; Senator Benjamin B. Downing, Chair of the Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities, and Energy; State Representative Thomas A. Golden, Jr, House Chair of the Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy; Marc R. Pacheco, Senate Vice Chair of the Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities, and Energy; Paul Brodeur, House Vice Chair of the Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities, and Energy; and all members of the Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities, and Energy: Senators Anne M. Gobi, Michael J. Rodrigues, Daniel A. Wolf, Ryan C. Fattman, and Representative Thomas M. Petrolati, Josh S. Cutler, John C. Velis, Daniel M. Donahue, Randy Hunt, Tackey Chan, Claire D. Cronin, Rady Mom, Leonard Mirra; and all Newton legislators: Senator Cynthia S. Creem, Representatives Ruth B. Balser, Kay Khan, John J. Lawn, Jr.; and Senators Elizabeth Warren and Edward Markey, and Representative Joseph P. Kennedy,

and to take any other action relative thereto.



## RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF FOSSIL FUEL DIVESTMENT

WHEREAS the climate crisis is a serious threat to current and future generations here in the City of Newton and around the world; and

WHEREAS, on December 12, 2015, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) at the Conference of the Parties (COP21) announced a world wide binding agreement reaffirming the goal of limiting global temperature increase well below 2 degrees Celsius, while urging efforts to limit the increase to 1.5 degrees Celsius; and

WHEREAS the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) Fifth Assessment Report found that global warming is already causing costly disruption of human and natural systems throughout the world including the melting of Arctic ice, the ocean's rise in acidity, flooding and drought; and

WHEREAS almost every government in the world has agreed through the 2009 Copenhagen Accord that any warming above a 2 degree C (3.6 degree F) rise would be unsafe, and that humans can only pour about 565 more gigatons of carbon dioxide into the atmosphere to maintain this limit; and

WHEREAS The Paris Agreement of 2015 emphasizes with serious concern that national contributions to reducing greenhouse gas emissions fall far short of capping global warming below 1.5 to 2 degrees centigrade, levels above which pose potentially irreversible threat to human societies; and

WHEREAS, for the purposes of this resolution, a "fossil fuel company" shall be defined as any of the two hundred publicly-traded companies with the largest coal, oil, and gas reserves as measured by the gigatons of carbon dioxide that would be emitted if those reserves were extracted and burned, as listed in the Carbon Tracker Initiative's "Unburnable Carbon" report; and

WHEREAS, in its "Unburnable Carbon" report, the Carbon Tracker Initiative found that fossil fuel companies possess proven fossil fuel reserves that would release approximately 2,795 gigatons of CO<sub>2</sub> if they are burned, which is FIVE TIMES the amount that can be released without exceeding 2 degrees C of warming; and

WHEREAS the City of Newton has a responsibility to protect the lives and livelihoods of its inhabitants from the threat of climate change; and

WHEREAS the City of Newton believes that its investments should support a future where all citizens can live healthy lives without the negative impacts of a warming environment; and

WHEREAS students at more than two hundred colleges and universities in the United States have launched campaigns to have their institutions divest from fossil fuel companies; and

WHEREAS Barack Obama, the president of the United States, has called upon citizens to make climate change an urgent priority for action including investments in clean, renewable energy and divestment from dirty fossil fuels; and

WHEREAS, on November 7, 2015, President Barack Obama rejected the Keystone Pipeline, that would have moved the dirty tar sands oil through the United States; and

WHEREAS investments in fossil fuel companies could prove highly risky and volatile given that 80% of their proven reserves could become “stranded” and unusable assets if governments act to protect a habitable climate; and

WHEREAS divestment has proven to be an effective strategy for stigmatizing unethical industries and institutions throughout our state’s history, Massachusetts was the first state to divest from South Africa in 1982 and the first state to divest all state pension funds from tobacco companies in 1997; and

WHEREAS at least eleven other Massachusetts cities and towns, including Boston, Cambridge, Brookline, Somerville, Framingham, Sudbury, Concord, Amherst, Great Barrington, Lexington and Lowell have passed resolutions to divest from fossil fuels; and

WHEREAS a recent report by Aperio Group suggested that over the past ten years a carbon divest fund would have yielded higher returns than a non-divested portfolio; and

WHEREAS Senator Creem and Representatives Khan and Balser support divestment of the state pension funds from fossil fuels;

WHEREAS the City of Newton’s retirement and retiree health asserts are invested by Pension Reserves Investment Management (PRIM) in the Pension Reserve Investment Trust (PRIT); be it

THEREFORE resolved that the citizens of the City of Newton commit ourselves to meeting our individual and collective responsibility in the face of the increasing climate crisis by adopting energy efficiency and conservation practices, and

FURTHER resolved that the City Council endorses and supports state legislation requiring divestment of statewide retirement funds, including funds managed by PRIM and invested in PRIT, from fossil fuel companies as soon as practicable and in any event no more than five years, and immediately precluding any such investments in the future;

and that the Chair of the City Council send this Resolution to elected officials, including Governor Charlie Baker, State Treasurer Deborah B. Goldberg, State Senator Benjamin B. Downing, and State Representative William Smitty Pignatelli, Senator Stanley C. Rosenberg, Senate President; Representative Robert A. DeLeo, Speaker of the House; and all Newton legislators: Senator Cynthia S. Creem, Representatives Ruth B. Balser, Kay Khan, John J. Lawn, Jr.; and Senators Elizabeth Warren and Edward Markey, and Representative Joseph P. Kennedy, and to take any other action relative thereto.