

CITY OF NEWTON

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2009

7:45 pm  
Room 202

**ITEMS SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANS. AND PROG. & SERV COMMITTEES**

- #346-05 ALD. JOHNSON AND ALBRIGHT requesting discussion with the Mayor, Police and Fire Chiefs and Health Commissioner regarding the City of Newton's city-wide emergency preparedness.  
**PROGRAM & SERVICES NO ACTION NECESSARY 6-0 on 09-06-06  
HELD 8-0 on 03-04-09**

**REFERRED TO PS&T., FINANCE AND PROG & SERV. COMMITTEES**

- #273-04(3) ALD. GENTILE requesting home rule legislation to reclassify the two "dedicated fire apparatus mechanic" positions from Group 1 to Group 2 in the State Retirement System. [02/13/09 @ 4:11 pm]  
**HELD 6-0 (Ald. Ciccone and Fischman not present and voting) on 03-04-09**
- #66-09 ALD. HARNEY at the request of local residents, a discussion of Sec. 3-29, Removal and disposal of canine wastes, with recommendations on how the ordinance can be enforced and whether or not the fines are appropriate. [02-24-09 @ 7:33 PM]

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANS. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #57-09(2) PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE requesting an amendment to the City of Newton's Ordinance Chapter 19, §19-9(4), **Penalty for parking violations**, to increase the fine per violation for vehicles parked in non-MBTA bus stops to \$25.00.

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANS. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #56-09 SGT. NORCROSS AND CHIEF CUMMINGS requesting that Chapter 19, §19-200, **Resident sticker and visitor permit; municipal parking lot program**, be amended by implementing a fee for a municipal lot sticker and that §19-201, **Resident sticker and visitor parking permit**, be amended by increasing the fees for a resident parking sticker and replacement sticker. [02-04-09 @4:01 PM]  
**HELD 5-0 (Ald. Coletti, Ciccone and Harney not present and voting) on 02-18-09**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANS. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #56-09(2) **PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE** requesting that Chapter 19, §19-201, **Resident sticker and visitor parking permit**, be amended by increasing the fees to \$25.00 for each resident parking sticker. [02-18-09 @ 9:30 PM]

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANS. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #250-01(7) **PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE** proposing the sum of fifteen thousand four hundred seventy one dollars eighty five cents (\$15,471.85) be appropriated from the fund established through a special permit granted pursuant to the Board's approval #250-01 for the purpose of installing certain pedestrian access improvements in the Langley Road corridor at or near the Langley Path intersection. [02-18-09 @ 9:00 PM]

**ITEMS NOT SCHEDULED FOR DISCUSSION:****REFERRED TO FINANCE AND APPROPRIATE COMMITTEES**

- #70-09 **HIS HONOR THE MAYOR** submitting the FY10-14 Capital Improvement Program, totaling \$192,908,572, and the FY09 Supplemental Capital budget, which require Board of Aldermen approval to finance new capital projects over the next five years.
- #456-08 **ALD. DANBERG, LINSKY, ALBRIGHT, PARKER CICCONE, HARNEY AND HESS-MAHAN** requesting a discussion of impacts resulting from the proposed Mass Turnpike Toll increases, including reinstatement of tolls at interchanges located within the City of Newton, and appropriate response from State and Local officials. [11-14-08 @ 11:58 AM]  
**HELD 4-0 (Ald. Coletti, Vance, Swiston and Fischman not present and voting) on 01-07-09**

**REFERRED TO PUB. SAFETY & TRANS. AND PROG. & SERVICES COMMITTEES**

- #391-08 **HIS HONOR THE MAYOR** requesting Board of Aldermen approval to petition the General Court for an amendment to the legislation that governs the appointment of a Police Chief in the City of Newton in order to add two members to the committee: an additional representative of the Newton Superior Officers Association and an additional citizen member. [11-4-08 @ 12:31 PM]  
**HELD 5-0 (Ald. Ciccone, Danberg and Harney not present and voting) on 01-21-09**
- #391-08(2) **PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE** requesting to appoint a Subcommittee to assess and offer recommendations regarding any further changes to the act of #391-08. Subcommittee members are Ald. Linsky, Coletti and Swiston. (01/21/09 @ 9:00 PM)  
**HELD 5-0 (Ald. Ciccone, Danberg and Harney not present and voting) on 01-21-09**

**REFERRED TO PROG. & SERV., Z ONING & PLANNING, PUB. FACIL,  
PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANSPORTATION AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #273-08 ALD. JOHNSON proposing a RESOLUTION to His Honor the Mayor requesting that the Executive and Human Resources Departments develop a comprehensive human capital strategy for the city to include: performance management, talent development, succession planning, and compensation. [07-17-08 @ 9:53 AM]  
**HELD 6-0 (Ald. Ciccone and Coletti not present and voting) on 09-03-08**

**REFERRED TO PUB. SAFETY & TRANS. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #174-08(2) PUBLIC SAFETY/TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE proposing changes to the rate structure and/or enforcement hours for parking meters as well as installation of additional meters citywide.[06-18-08 @ 8:00 PM]  
**HELD 4-0-1 (Ald. Vance abstaining; Ald. Coletti, Ciccone and Harney not present and voting) on 02-18-09**
- #134-08 ALD. LINSKY & DANBERG proposing that Ordinance Sections 19-194 and 19-195 be amended to standardize days and hours of enforcement of parking meters on-street and in municipal lots between the hours of 8:00 AM and 8:00 PM, Monday through Saturday. [4-08-08 @ 5:17 PM]  
**HELD AS AMENDED 4-0-1 (Ald. Vance abstaining; Ald. Coletti, Ciccone and Harney not present and voting) on 02-18-09**
- #113-08 PLANNING DEPARTMENT requesting a presentation and discussion of the Newton Corner Phase 2 Study to be conducted by the Central Transportation Planning Staff. [03-07-08 @ 3:45 PM]  
**HELD 4-0 (Ald. Coletti, Vance, Swiston and Fischman not present and voting) on 01-07-09**

**REFERRED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANS. AND FINANCE COMMITTEES**

- #30-08 ALD. COLETTI requesting a list of current vacancies in the Police, Fire and Public Works Departments, with specific discussion in Committee relative to Police Department vacancies. [01-15-08 @ 11:15 AM]  
**FINANCE HELD 8-0 on 09-08-08**  
**HELD 7-0 (Ald. Swiston not present and voting) on 01-21-09**
- #21-08 ALD. LINSKY AND DANBERG requesting discussion with appropriate personnel from the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) relative to ongoing service levels and conditions on mass transit and rail lines affecting Newton residents. [01-04-08 @ 10:19 AM]  
**HELD 4-0 (Ald. Coletti, Vance, Swiston and Fischman not present and voting) on 01-07-09**
- #153-06 ALD. SANGIOLO & HARNEY requesting a trial for a “Do Not Enter” on Hancock Street in Auburndale between Grove Street and Woodland Road from 7:45 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. and from 2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. (proposed sign to be located on the corner of Woodland and Hancock).

**HELD 8-0 on 01-21-09**

#477-04 ALD. LENNON, GERST, MERRILL AND VANCE requesting traffic study/safety analysis of ST. JAMES STREET and CHARLESBANK ROAD, from the Mass Pike on-ramp at exit 17 to NONANTUM ROAD, Newton Corner. Analysis should include traffic improvements/safety enhancements to provide for increased pedestrian and vehicle safety in this very busy, densely populated area. Said study should also include review (and possible upgrade) of the traffic island and lights the intersection of ST. JAMES STREET/ST.JAMES TERRACE/CHARLESBANK ROAD as well as possible capital improvements for increased vehicular safety at the intersection of CHARLESBANK ROAD/NONANTUM ROAD.

**PUBLIC HEARING ASSIGNED FOR 03-30-05**

**HELD 4-0 (Ald. Coletti, Vance, Swiston and Fischman not present and voting) on 01-07-09**

**REFERRED TO PUB. FAC. AND PUB. SAF & TRANS. COMMITTEES**

#35-04 ALD. SAMUELSON AND DANBERG requesting an ordinance amendment to Section 26-8 of the City of Newton Revised Ordinances, 2001 to require all property owners or residents to remove snow from sidewalks abutting their property.

**(Public Hearing held on 11-17-04 and 02-06-08)**

**PUBLIC FACILITIES HELD 7-0 on 12-17-08**

**HELD 6-0 (Ald. Coletti and Vance not present and voting) on 12-17-08**

**ITEM COMMITTED TO PUBLIC SAFETY & TRANS. COMM. on 6-7-05**

#202-03 ALD. SANGIOLO requesting revocation of parking restrictions on Hancock Street and also consideration of one-way for Hancock Street. (Ward 4). (traffic study pending)

**Traffic Council approved as amended 05-27-04**

**HELD 8-0 on 01-21-09**

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

**HELD 4-0 (Ald. Harney, Danberg, Fischman and Coletti not present and voting) on 03-05-08**

Respectfully Submitted,

Stephen M. Linsky, Chairman