The Zoning and Planning Committee will hold this meeting as a virtual meeting on Monday, March 23, 2020 at 7:00 pm. To view this meeting, use this link at the above date and time: https://zoom.us/j/484531654

Chair’s Note: The following item will be taken up in order to outline the process for review and adoption of the Open Space and Recreation Plan, and to set a public hearing. The first draft is being completed pursuant to significant public input and is to be available for review by March 23.

#178-20 Adoption of the Open Space and Recreation Plan Update
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING requesting discussion of the 2020-2027 Open Space and Recreation Plan, a letter stating that the Zoning and Planning Committee reviewed the Plan, and adoption of the plan as an amendment to the 2007 Comprehensive Plan.

A Planning Department memo dated March 13, 2020 was provided to inform this session. Links to the Pattern Book and the February 25, 2019 memo were also provided in last week's packet which is available at the following link as well:

#88-20 Discussion and review relative to the draft Zoning Ordinance
DIRECTOR OF PLANNING requesting review, discussion, and direction relative to the draft Zoning Ordinance.
Zoning and Planning Held 6-0 (Councilor Leary not voting) on 03/09/20

The location of this meeting is accessible and reasonable accommodations will be provided to persons with disabilities who require assistance. If you need a reasonable accommodation, please contact the city of Newton’s ADA Coordinator, Jini Fairley, at least two business days in advance of the meeting: jfairley@newtonma.gov or (617) 796-1253. The city’s TTY/TDD direct line is: 617-796-1089. For the Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS), please dial 711.
Chair’s Note: Items #30-20, #38-20, and #148-20 are to be taken up within the context of zoning redesign and specifically as it relates to Article 3.

#30-20  Ordinance amendment to repeal Zoning Ordinance 3.4.4 Garages
COUNCILOR ALBRIGHT requesting amendment to Chapter 30 of Newton’s Zoning Ordinance, section 3.4.4 on garages (delayed implementation until July 1). This ordinance has been delayed five times.
Zoning and Planning Held 6-0 (Councilor Leary not voting) on 03/09/20

#38-20  Request for discussion relative to single-family attached dwellings
COUNCILOR LAREDO requesting a review of the zoning requirements for single-family attached dwelling units.
Zoning and Planning Held 6-0 (Councilor Leary not voting) on 03/09/20

#148-20  Request to amend Chapter 30 to eliminate parking minimums
COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT, AUCHINCLOSS, BOWMAN, CROSSLEY, DANBERG, DOWNS, GENTILE, GREENBERG, KALIS, KELLEY, LIPOF, MARKIEWICZ, NOEL, KRINTZMAN, AND RYAN seeking amendments to Chapter of the Revised City of Newton Ordinances to eliminate mandated parking minimums to improve vitality of local businesses, reduce the cost of housing, and support the climate action goals.
Zoning and Planning Held 6-0 (Councilor Leary not voting) on 03/09/20

Respectfully Submitted,

Deborah J. Crossley, Chair