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Referred to Land Use Committee

- #216-25 Request to Rezone 2 parcels to Multi Residence 1**
NANCY SAMILJAN/DAVID M SLOVICK 2011 TRUST petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to rezone 2 parcels as follows: Dudley Road parcel (Single Residence 1) and Brandeis Road Parcel (Single Residence 2), Section 81 Block 51 Lot 3A, Section 81 Block 81 Lot 03, Section 81, Block 51, Lot 0050R to Multi Residence 1.
- #217-25 Request for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to allow 71 single-family attached dwellings in 27 buildings total with associated dimensional waivers and inclusionary zoning exceptions at 85 Dudley Rd**
NANCY SAMILJAN/DAVID M SLOVICK 2011 TRUST petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to construct 70 single family attached dwellings in 26 buildings and maintain the existing single-family dwelling for a total of 71 units in 27 buildings, Ward 8, Newton, on land known as Section 81 Block 51 Lot 3A, Section 81 Block 81 Lot 03, Section 81, Block 51, Lot OR containing approximately 652,519 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned SINGLE RESIDENCE1 and 2. Ref: Sec. 3.4.1,3.2.4,5.4.2.B.1, 5.11.4, 5.11.5.A.2 of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.

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- #218-25 Request for a Special Permit to waive three parking stalls at 776 Beacon Street**
GATEWAY PLAZA LTD PARTNERSHIP petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL, to eliminate one parking stall to add a walkway for the accessible stall in the existing parking lot, reducing the number of stalls on site to 13 where 16 is required at 776 Beacon Street, Ward 6, Newton, on land known as Section 61 Block 36 Lot 05, containing approximately 12,216 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned BUSINESS 1. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 5.1.4 and 5.1.13 of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.

Public Hearing 07-22-2025

- #219-25 Request for a special permit to allow four attached single-family dwellings, to waive the side and rear setback requirements and to allow tandem parking at 11 Parsons Street**
KZ FLEET LLC petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to raze the existing single-family dwelling and construct four single-family attached dwellings in two buildings and to construct eight garage stalls in the basement level of Building 1 to accommodate all four units at 11 Parsons Street, Ward 3, Newton, on land known as Section 31 Block 10 Lot 02, 17,678 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned Multi-Residence 1. Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 3.4.1, 3.2.4, 5.1.8.E.1 and 5.1.13 of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.

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- #220-25 Request to allow three attached single-family dwellings with dimensional relief at 16-20 Winter Street**
HISTORIC CHESTNUT STREET LLC petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL to allow for the construction of a rear addition to the existing dwelling resulting in three attached single-family dwellings with dimensional relief for the building and parking configuration at 16-20 Winter Street, Ward 5, Newton, on land known as Section 51 Block 06 Lot 14, 11,369 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned Multi Residence 1. Ref: Sec. 3.4.1, 3.2.4, 6.2.3.B.2, 5.17.A, 5.1.13, 5.2.4.B and, 7.3.3, of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.

Referred to Zoning & Planning Committee

- #212-25 Appointment of Travis Salters to the Newton Historical Commission**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Travis Salters, 36 Freeman Street, Auburndale as a member of the Newton Historical Commission for a term of office set to expire on September 2, 2028. (60 Days: 09/12/2025)
- #211-25 Appointment of Scott Friedman to the Newton Historical Commission**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Scott Friedman, 62 Hinckley Road, Waban as a member of the Newton Historical Commission for a term of office set to expire on September 2, 2028. (60 Days: 09/12/2025)
- #210-25 Appointment of James Miller to the Auburndale Historic District Commission**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing James Miller, 85C Seminary Avenue, Apt. 341, Auburndale as a member of the Auburndale Historic District Commission for a term of office set to expire on September 2, 2028. (60 Days: 09/12/2025)
- #209-25 Appointment of Kristen Avila to the BERDO Advisory Commission**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Kristen Avila to the BERDO Advisory Commission for a term of office to expire one year following adoption of the BERDO regulations. (60 Days: 09/12/2025)
- #215-25 Appointment of Sean Macamaux to the Conservation Commission**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Sean Macamaux, 25 Groveland Street, Auburndale as a member of the Conservation Commission for a term of office set to expire on September 2, 2028. (60 Days: 09/12/2025)
- #208-25 Appointment of Peter Barrer to the BERDO Advisory Commission**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Peter Barrer, 60 Endicott St, Newton as a member of the BERDO Advisory Commission for a term of office to expire one year following adoption of the BERDO Regulations. (60 Days: 09/12/2025)

- #214-25 Reappointment of Jane Brown to the Commission on Disability**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR reappointing Jane Brown, 104 Atwood Avenue Newtonville as a member of the Commission On Disability for a term of office set to expire on July 31, 2028. (60 Days: 09/12/2025)
- #207-25 Appointment of Deb Crossley to the BERDO Advisory Commission**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Deb Crossley 26 Circuit Ave, Newton, to the BERDO Advisory Commission for a term of office to expire one year following the adoption of the BERDO regulations. (60 Days: 09/12/2025)
- #206-25 Appointment of Tom Gloria to the BERDO Advisory Commission**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Tom Gloria, 35 Bracebridge Rd, Newton Centre to the BERDO Advisory Commission for a term of office to expire one year following adoption of the BERDO regulations. (60 Days: 09/12/2025)

Referred to Programs & Services Committee

- #205-25 Request for a Home Rule Petition**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to petition the General Court for special legislation to increase the maximum age for new police officers from 31 to 39 years old.
- #204-25 Appointment of Patrick Dober to the Newton Housing Authority**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Patrick Dober, 82 Oxford Road, Newton Centre as a member of the Newton Housing Authority for a term of office set to expire on September 2, 2030. (60 Days: 09/12/2025)
- #203-25 Reappointment of Vincent O'Donnell to the Newton Housing Authority**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR reappointing Vincent O'Donnell, 10 Leighton Road, Auburndale as a member of the Newton Housing Authority for a term of office set to expire on August 16, 2029. (60 Days: 09/12/2025)
- #202-25 Reappointment of Christopher Murphy to the Institutional Biotechnology Committee**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR reappointing Christopher Murphy, 104 Cherry Street, Newton as a member of the Institutional Biotechnology Committee for a term of office set to expire on April 1, 2028. (60 Days: 09/12/2025)
- #201-25 Appointment of Robert King to the Parks and Recreation Commission**
HER HONOR THE MAYOR appointing Robert King, 173 Crafts Street, Unit #2, Newton as a Ward 1 member of the Parks and Recreation Commission for a term of office set to expire on February 20, 2026. (60 Days: 09/12/2025)
- #192-25 Public Meeting with City Clerk/Clerk of the Council candidates**

CITY CLERK PRELIMINARY SCREENING COMMITTEE submitting recommended candidates for the City Clerk/Clerk of the Council position for review by the Programs & Services Committee and recommendation to the City Council.

#191-25 Requesting discussion regarding increasing City transparency and improving the sharing of information with the public

COUNCILORS KELLEY, LEARY, DOWNS, LIPOF, BIXBY, ALBRIGHT, MALAKIE, WRIGHT, GREENBERG, OLIVER, GETZ, DANBERG, FARRELL, LOBOVITS, AND LUCAS requesting a discussion of increasing City transparency and improving the sharing of information with the public related to the City's operations, decision-making processes, and management of resources through (i) adoption of best practices of municipal websites, (ii) allocation of sufficient resources to transform the City website, and (iii) ongoing commitment to prioritize values and practices of transparency.

Referred to Public Facilities Committee

Public Hearing 07-16-2025

#200-25 Request for a grant of location in Washington Street

NATIONAL GRID petition for a grant of location to install and maintain gas main in Washington Street as follows:

- Main Extension: Install approximately 46 feet of 6-inch Plastic main from Washington St (MNEW WO#1616332) to a new gas main in Kempton Place (a private way).

<https://newtonma.portal.opengov.com/records/841965>

Public Hearing 07-16-2025

#199-25 Request for a grant of location in Grove Street, Colgate Road, and Hagar Street

NATIONAL GRID petition for a grant of location to install and maintain gas main in Grove Street, Colgate Road, and Hagar Street as follows:

- Approximately 1400 feet of 8-inch, Plastic in Grove St from the existing 8-inch, Plastic at Moulton St to Cornell St to replace approximately 1400 feet of 4-inch, Cast Iron (1904/1915)
- Approximately 420 feet of 4-inch, Plastic in Colgate Rd from Grove St to end of main at #15 Colgate Rd to replace approximately 420 feet of 4-inch, Bare Steel (1948)
- Approximately 180 feet of 4-inch, Plastic in Hagar St from Grove St to end of main at #17 Hagar St to replace approximately 180 feet of 2-inch, Coated Steel (1961)

<https://newtonma.portal.opengov.com/records/878264>

Public Hearing 07-16-2025

#198-25 Request for a grant of location in Bacon Street

NATIONAL GRID petition for a grant of location to install and maintain gas main in Bacon Street as follows:

- Approximately 390 feet of 6-inch, Plastic in Bacon St from Washington St to Pearl St to replace approximately 380 feet of 3-inch, Cast Iron (1899), approximately 5 feet of 4-inch, Plastic (1989) and approximately 5 feet of 4-inch, Coated Steel (1985)

<https://newtonma.portal.opengov.com/records/878262>

Public Hearing 07-23-2025**#197-25 New Cingular Wireless petition for wireless grant of location on Hammond Street**

NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC D/B/A AT&T petitioning for a grant of location to install a small cell wireless facility on a replacement utility pole in the public right of way near 542 Hammond Street which includes: fiber optic cable(s) and electrical service; remote radios in an equipment cabinet (48 inches long by 24 inches wide by 20 inches deep) mounted to the pole and oriented parallel to the street; two (2) unobtrusive pole top-mounted antennas measuring 29 inches square with a top antenna height of 34 feet above ground level attached with a mounting bracket; conduits and cable protectors; an electrical meter with shutoff switch, and grounding rods. The existing utility pole is 29 feet 5 inches above ground level and the replacement pole is 34 feet above ground level. The existing utility pole will be removed upon completion of the installation.

Public Hearing 07-23-2025**#196-25 New Cingular Wireless petition for wireless grant of location on Boylston Street**

NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC D/B/A AT&T petitioning for a grant of location to install a small cell wireless facility on existing utility pole 418/145A in the public right of way near 1185 Boylston Street which includes: fiber optic cable(s) and electrical service; remote radios in an equipment cabinet (48 inches long by 24 inches wide by 20 inches deep) mounted to the pole and oriented parallel to the street; an unobtrusive pole top-mounted canister antenna measuring 24 inches long and 16 inches in diameter with a top antenna height of 41 feet 2 inches above ground level attached with a mounting bracket; conduits and cable protectors; an electrical meter with shutoff switch, and grounding rods. The existing utility pole is 38 feet 2 inches above ground level.

Public Hearing 07-23-2025**#195-25 New Cingular Wireless petition for wireless grant of location on Walnut Street**

NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC D/B/A AT&T petitioning for a grant of location to install a small cell wireless facility on replacement utility pole 119A

in the public right of way near 1152 Walnut Street which includes: fiber optic cable(s) and electrical service; remote radios in an equipment cabinet (48 inches long by 24 inches wide by 20 inches deep) mounted to the pole and oriented parallel to the street; an unobtrusive side-mounted canister antenna measuring 24 inches long and 16 inches in diameter with a top antenna height of 27 feet 1 inch above ground level attached with a mounting bracket 36 inches off the pole; conduits and cable protectors; an electrical meter with shutoff switch, and grounding rods. The existing utility pole is 34 feet 2 inches above ground level and the replacement pole will be 38 feet 6 inches above ground level.

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#194-25 New Cingular Wireless petition for wireless grant of location on Delmore Road

NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC D/B/A AT&T petitioning for a grant of location to install a small cell wireless facility on an existing utility pole in the public right of way near 14 Delmore Road which includes: fiber optic cable(s) and electrical service; remote radios in an equipment cabinet (48 inches long by 24 inches wide by 20 inches deep) mounted to the pole and oriented parallel to the street; an unobtrusive pole top-mounted canister antenna measuring 24 inches long and 16 inches in diameter with a top antenna height of 31 feet 7 inches above ground level attached with a mounting bracket; conduits and cable protectors; an electrical meter with shutoff switch, and grounding rods. The existing utility pole is 28 feet 7 inches above ground level. The pole is located on the side of the multifamily structure on a corner lot.

#193-25 Requesting a discussion with the Department of Public Works about standard procedures for road work

COUNCILORS OLIVER, LUCAS, MALAKIE, WRIGHT, MICLEY, BLOCK, and FARRELL requesting a discussion with the Department of Public Works about standard procedures for road work. The discussion should include procedures from planning, communications with neighbors and impacted parties, norms for police details, contractors used, work hours, noise, debris and dust mitigation, road closures, and hours of operation.

Referred to Finance Committee

#213-25 CPC recommendation to appropriate \$15,000 in CPA funding for Newton Community Farm

COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE recommending the appropriation of an additional fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) in Community Preservation Act funding from Acct# 5800-3599, CPA Unrestricted Fund Balance, to Acct# 58D11516-524070, Newton Community Farm, for expenses related to the replacement of the deck at the Newton Community Farm.