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7:45 PM, Hybrid
To be reported on
Monday, March 16, 2026

The City Council will hold this meeting as a hybrid meeting in the City Hall Chambers Monday, March 16, 2026, at 7:45PM. To view this meeting on Zoom use this link:

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City of Newton **In City Council Items to be Acted Upon**

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Referred to Land Use Committee

03/10/2026

Present: Councilors Kelley, Leary, Lucas, Block, Irish, Roche, Golden, and Farrell

- #102-26 Request to amend Special Permit #474-14 to allow an oversized secondary sign at 199 Boylston Street**
 THE MALL AT CHESTNUT HILL petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL, to install a 202 square foot internally illuminated sign with relief to allow an oversized secondary sign at 199 Boylston Street, Ward 7, Newton, on land known as Section 65 Block 08 Lot 99, 99A, 100, containing approximately 324,691 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned BU1 . Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 5.2.8 and 5.2.13.A, of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.
Land Use Approved as Amended Adding "under the condition that the sign be turned off at closing of the last business in the mall and only turned back on at the start of business the next day" 7-0 (Councilor Lucas Not Voting)
- #103-26 Request for a special permit to allow three attached single-family dwellings and reduced front and side setbacks at 11 Parsons Street**
 KZ FLEET LLC petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL, proposes to raze the existing single-family dwelling and construct three single family attached dwellings in two buildings with reduced front and side setbacks at 11 Parsons Street, Ward 3, Newton, on land known as Section 31 Block 10 Lot 02, containing approximately 17,678 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned MR1 . Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 3.1.3, 3.1.9, and 7.8.2.C.2, of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.
Land Use Approved 7-0-1 (Councilor Block Abstained)
- #104-26 Request to allow four attached single-family dwellings and associated relief at 60 Brookside Ave**
 60 BROOKSIDE AVENUE LLC petition for SPECIAL PERMIT/SITE PLAN APPROVAL, to raze the existing two-family dwelling and construct four attached single-family dwellings with reduced side and rear setbacks, that exceeds maximum lot coverage, exceeds maximum lot area per unit, dimensional parking relief, and a retaining wall over four feet tall at 60 Brookside Ave, Ward 2, Newton, on land known as Section 32 Block 04 Lot 13, containing approximately 10,256 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned MR1 . Ref: Sec. 7.3.3, 3.1.3, and 3.1.9, of Chapter 30 of the City of Newton Rev Zoning Ord, 2017.
Land Use Held 8-0
- #96-26 Petition to Amend the Wells Avenue Deed Restriction for 60 Wells Avenue**
 WELLS 60 Realty LLC petition to amend the deed restriction adopted by Board Order #276-68(3), dated November 18, 1963, as amended, to allow a veterinary hospital at 60 Wells Avenue, Ward 8, Newton, on land known as

Section 84 Block 34A Lot 01, containing approximately 32,463 sq. ft. of land in a district zoned LIMITED MANUFACTURING.

Land Use Approved 7-0 (Councilor Golden Not Voting)

Referred to Zoning & Planning Committee

03/09/2026

Present: Baker, Wright, Oliver, Albright, Gordon, Getz, Kalis, Dahmubed

#59-26 Presentation and Discussion on Report of the Newton Housing Priorities Task Force

COUNCILORS ALBRIGHT, MALAKIE, WRIGHT, AND GETZ Requesting a presentation and discussion regarding a report created by the Affordable Housing Trust, The Housing Partnership and the Fair Housing Committee. These groups worked together as a task force to research and write this report with Planning Dept staff help because access to safe, stable, and affordable housing is the bedrock of a thriving community and a vibrant economy. However, Newton, Massachusetts, is currently facing a significant affordable housing deficit for low and moderate-income households. This report, prepared by the Newton Housing Priorities Task Force (formed in late 2023), analyzes the city’s affordable housing landscape to answer three questions: 1) What is the existing supply and what factors led to its development, 2) Whom does the existing affordable housing serve, and 3) How does this supply match the need. These questions provide a foundation to inform a fact-based set of policy recommendations. A link to this report will be available at the end of this week.

Zoning & Planning Held 8-0

#99-26 Requesting presentation and discussion on the proposed Town of Brookline rezoning for the Route 9/Boylston St corridor between Hammond St and Hammond Parkway

COUNCILORS BAKER, GROSSMAN, KALIS, FARRELL, GOLDEN, SILBER, DAHMUBED, LUCAS, ALBRIGHT, MALAKIE, WRIGHT, GETZ, and BLOCK requesting a presentation and discussion about the proposed rezoning and related traffic modifications under consideration by the Town of Brookline for the Boylston St/Route 9 corridor between Hammond St and Hammond Pond Parkway abutting the City of Newton (180 Days: 08/29/2026).

Zoning & Planning Held 8-0

Referred to Programs & Services Committee

03/04/2026

Present: Krintzman (Chair), Farrell, Oliver, Baker, Malakie, Bixby, and Charm

#77-26 Newton City Charter Review
 COUNCILORS KRINTZMAN, LUCAS, BLOCK, SILBER, ALBRIGHT, FARRELL, KALIS, ROCHE, DAHMUBED, GOLDEN, and BIXBY requesting discussion and review of the Newton City Charter that should include an evaluation of the structure, composition, role and duties of Newton's City Council and School Committee. The review should also include any other component of the Newton City Charter deemed appropriate. The review should be presented to the Newton City Council for its consideration (180 days: 08/16/2026).

Programs & Services Held 6-0 (Councilor Bixby Not Voting)

#78-26 Review of City Council Rules
 COUNCILORS KRINTZMAN, KALIS, LUCAS, MALAKIE, GOLDEN, FARRELL, and ROCEH requesting that a subcommittee of the Programs and Services committee shall review of the rules of the Newton City Council and make any necessary recommendations to the full Council, for modification thereof.

Programs & Services Held 7-0

Referred to Public Safety & Transportation Committee

03/04/2026

Present: Councilors Lucas (Chair), Greenberg, Wright, Block, Irish, Roche and Silber; absent: Councilor Golden; also present: Councilors Albright, Malakie, Oliver and Farrell

#62-26 Requesting a discussion and ordinance change to the City's Overnight Parking Ban
 COUNCILORS LUCAS, BLOCK, SILBER, KALIS, IRISH, FARRELL, KRINTZMAN, WRIGHT and CHARM requesting a discussion and ordinance change to the City's Overnight Parking Ban. (180 days: 07/25/26)

Public Safety & Transportation Held 7-0

Referred to Finance Committee

03/09/2026

Present: Councilors Grossman (Chair), Bixby, Charm, Greenberg, Krintzman, Malakie, and Silber; absent: Councilor Micley

#100-26 Reappointment of M. Ronald Mendes as the City's Treasurer/Collector
 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR appointing M. Ronald Mendes as the City of Newton Treasurer/Collector pursuant to Section 3-3(b) of the City of Newton Charter (90 days: 05/31/26).

Finance Approved 7-0

#101-26 Accept and expend a grant of \$50,000 to complete the MVP 2.0 process
 HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to accept and expend the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) in grant funding from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs

Municipal Vulnerability Preparedness 2.0 (MVP 2.0) program for the first year of a two-year process in which Newton will convene a project team including community members, complete the MVP 2.0 planning steps, and develop a Seed Project.

Finance Approved 7-0

#90-26

Accept a grant of \$113,956 and appropriate \$9,290.85 to install electric vehicle charging stations

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to accept and expend the sum of one hundred thirteen thousand nine hundred fifty-six dollars (\$113,956) in grant funding from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection's Electric Incentive Program (MasseVIP), and to appropriate and expend the sum of \$9,290.85 from the Energy Stabilization Fund, in order to install seven electric vehicle charging stations.

Finance Approved 7-0