



Programs & Services Committee Budget Agenda

City of Newton In City Council

Thursday, May 14, 2026

7 PM
Room 204

The Programs & Services Committee will hold this meeting as a hybrid meeting on Thursday, May 14, 2026 at 7 PM that the public may access in-person or virtually via Zoom. To attend this meeting via Zoom use this link: <https://newtonma-gov.zoom.us/j/85205323090> or call 1-646-558-8656 and use the following Meeting ID: 852 0532 3090.

Items Scheduled for Discussion:

Referred to Programs & Services and Finance Committees

#139-26 **Authorization to appropriate and expend \$550,000 from June 30, 2025 Certified Free Cash for SAN replacement**

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend five hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$550,000) from June 30, 2025 Certified Free Cash for the replacement of the City's Storage Area Network (SAN).

Referred to Programs & Services and Finance Committees

#146-26 **Appropriation of \$150,000 from June 30, 2025 Certified Free Cash for Netting**

HIS HONOR THE MAYOR requesting authorization to appropriate and expend one hundred fifty-thousand dollars (\$150,000) from June 30, 2025 Certified Free Cash for the purchase and installation of protective netting for the multi-purpose field at the Halloran Sports Complex, Multi-Purpose Field.

Please Note: Budget materials can be found on the City's website at the following link: <https://www.newtonma.gov/government/comptroller/budget>

The location of this meeting is accessible, and reasonable accommodation 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 at least two business days in advance of the meeting: ADACoordinator@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: While public attendance is encouraged, there will be no public comment taken at this meeting.

DEPARTMENT BUDGET & CIP DISCUSSIONS:

Information Technology

Parks & Recreation

Veterans

Arts & Culture

Museum

Library

Referred to Finance and Appropriate Committees

- #1-26 Submittal of the FY2027-FY2031 Capital Improvement Plan**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR submitting the FY27-FY31 Capital Improvement Plan pursuant to section 5-3 of the Newton City Charter.
- #154-26 Submittal of the FY2027-FY2031 Supplemental Capital Improvement Plan**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR submitting in accordance with Section 5-1 of the City of Newton Charter, the FY2027-FY2031 Supplemental Capital Improvement Plan.
- #155-26 Submittal of the FY2027 Municipal/School Operating Budget**
HIS HONOR THE MAYOR submitting in accordance with Section 5-1 of the City of Newton Charter the FY2027 Municipal/School Operating Budget, passage of which shall be concurrent with the FY2027-FY2031 Capital Improvement Program (#1-26). EFFECTIVE DATE OF SUBMISSION 04/21/26; LAST DATE TO PASS THE BUDGET 06/05/26.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Josh Krintzman, Chair**



Marc C. Laredo
Mayor

City of Newton, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor

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April 21, 2026

Honorable City Council
Newton City Hall
1000 Commonwealth Avenue
Newton Centre, MA 02459

Dear Honorable Council,

I respectfully submit this docket item to your Honorable Council requesting authorization to appropriate and expend \$550,000 from June 30, 2025 Certified Free Cash for the replacement of the City's Storage Area Network (SAN).

The current SAN was purchased in 2021 and supports 55 servers including those hosting the City's Financial and Human Resources Information Systems. The manufacturer has designated the current hardware to be end-of-life this year and will no longer provide support or updates to the system or hardware. The estimated cost includes all hardware, software licensing, support and warranties for a three-year period.

Initiating the procurement process during this fiscal year enables continuity of operations and a seamless transition to the new hardware.

Attached is a memo from Chief Information Officer Gregory Ansaldi.

Sincerely,

Mayor Marc C. Laredo



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Mayor

#139-26

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(617) 796-1195

City of Newton, Massachusetts
Department of Information Technology

To: Maureen Lemieux, Chief Financial Officer
From: Gregory J. Ansaldi, Chief Information Officer
Date: March 5, 2026
Re: Request for Capital Funding for Critical Infrastructure

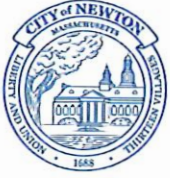
Good day, Maureen,

I respectfully request your consideration of a capital funding docket item in the amount of \$550,000 to support the Information Technology Department in addressing a critical infrastructure need: the replacement of the City's Storage Area Network (SAN).

The SAN currently supports 55 servers, including those hosting the City's Financial and Human Resources Information Systems. Our existing Dell SAN—both the primary and backup units—were purchased in 2021. Dell has designated this hardware as end-of-life this year and will no longer provide support or updates to the system or hardware. To ensure continuity of operations and a seamless transition, it is essential that we initiate the procurement process during this fiscal year before support fully expires.

The estimated cost of \$550,000 includes all required hardware, software licensing, support and warranties for a three-year period.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.



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Dear Honorable Council,

I respectfully submit this docket item to your Honorable Council requesting authorization to appropriate and expend \$150,000 from June 30, 2025 Certified Free Cash for the purchase and installation of protective netting for the multi-purpose field at the Halloran Sports Complex, Multi-Purpose Field.

The goal of this netting is to keep soccer balls and other sports balls from impacting vehicles along Crafts Street and Albemarle Road adjacent to the field.

Attached is a memo from Acting Parks and Recreation Commissioner Marc Welch.

Sincerely,

Mayor Marc C. Laredo

Newton Parks & Recreation
246 Dudley Road, Newton, MA 02459
Office: (617) 796-1500
parks@newtonma.gov



April 21, 2026

Re: Request for Funding for protective netting at Halloran Sports Complex, Multi-Purpose Field

Dear Mayor Laredo,

I am writing to respectfully request for your consideration a request for \$150,000 to fund the purchase and installation of protective netting for the multi-purpose field at the Halloran Sports Complex, Multi-Purpose Field. The primary focus of this netting is to keep soccer balls and other sports balls from impacting vehicles along Crafts Street and Albemarle Road adjacent to the field.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Marc R. Welch". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Marc R. Welch
Acting Commissioner
City Forester
Newton Parks and Recreation