

Planning and Development Board

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Description

The Newton Planning and Development Board wears a number of hats, including serving as the Community Development Board, the Planning Board, the Board of Survey and as an advisory board to the Newton Community Development Authority (NCDA).

The Planning and Development Board, acting as the Community Development Board, is the citizen body that considers the recommendations made by the citizen advisory committees, other Newton agencies and organizations and citizens related to the CDBG, HOME and ESG Programs, and after a public hearing to allow for open discussion, forwards recommendations to the Mayor for final review and approval. They preside over the public hearings on the five-year Consolidated Plan, the Annual Action Plan and the Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER).

There is hereby established in accordance with chapter 705 of the Acts of 1975, as amended, a planning and development board of five (5) members appointed for five (5) year overlapping terms such that the term of one member expires on February first of each year. In addition to these five members, another member shall be appointed by the state Secretary of Housing and Economic Development for a three (3) year term; and another member shall be the director of planning and development, ex officio. The planning and development board shall be consulted by the mayor and board of aldermen for its recommendations on the comprehensive plan, modification or implementation thereof. Its recommendations to the board of aldermen shall be in writing within a time specified by the board of aldermen. There shall also be appointed not more than five (5) alternate members. In the event that any member, except the state appointee or the director, is absent or unable to act for any reason, the chair shall designate an alternate member to act.

Vacancies

- 0 Current Vacancies
- 1 Term Expired
- 1 Term Ending Soon

Size 6 Members

Term Length 5 Years

Term Limit N/A

- **Oath Required** Yes

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- **Jennifer H Molinsky**
1st Term
May 14, 2018 to Oct 12, 2021
Appointing Authority
State
Position
State Appointment
- **Lee P Breckenridge**
1st Term
Aug 09, 2021 to Jul 31, 2022
Appointing Authority
Mayor
Position
Alternate
- **Peter Doeringer**
2nd Term
May 14, 2018 to Feb 01, 2023
Appointing Authority
Mayor
Office/Role
Chair
- **Kelley Brown**
2nd Term
Jan 11, 2019 to Feb 01, 2024
Appointing Authority
Mayor
Office/Role
Vice-chair

- **Kevin McCormick**

1st Term

Dec 29, 2021 to Dec 29, 2026

- **Laxmi J Rao**

1st Term

May 02, 2022 to Feb 01, 2027

Appointing Authority

Mayor

Position

Alternate Member

- **Barney Heath**

1st Term

Dec 04, 2017 N/A