

# West Newton Cinema Community Preservation Funding

Presentation to Zoning and Planning Committee

October 27, 2025

# Project Summary and Eligibility

- ▶ The West Newton Cinema Foundation (WNCF) has requested \$1,997,000 in CPA funding. This funding will include:
  - ▶ roof replacement
  - ▶ the replacement and repair of all egress doors
  - ▶ electric service upgrade
  - ▶ interior and exterior insulation
  - ▶ upgraded water service
  - ▶ interior work in the lobby and vestibule will address water damage
- ▶ This building is eligible to receive Historic Resource funds as it is listed on the National Register of Historic places as part of the West Newton Historic District. All the work described in the application is eligible as it falls under the Sec. Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation.

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# Project Budget

Funding Source	Amount
CPA Funding	1,997,000
West Newton Cinema Funds	1,997,000
<b>Total Funding</b>	<b>\$3,994,000</b>

The CPA funding requested makes up 50% of the project budget.

Account Name	Account Number	Proposed Amount
Unrestricted Prior Year Reserves	#5800 3599	\$1,997,000
Total		\$1,997,000

Recommended  
Funding





# Special Topics: Accessibility

- ▶ At the Community Preservation Committee meeting for the previous phase of work, both committee members and members of the public raised an issue of how the Cinema could better serve as a community space, when four out of the six theater, the bathrooms, and the event space upstairs all require the use of stairs.
- ▶ For this phase of work, the WNCF is preparing for eventual accessibility improvements through building stabilization work and electrical upgrades. Elevator installation is anticipated in the next phase of work.