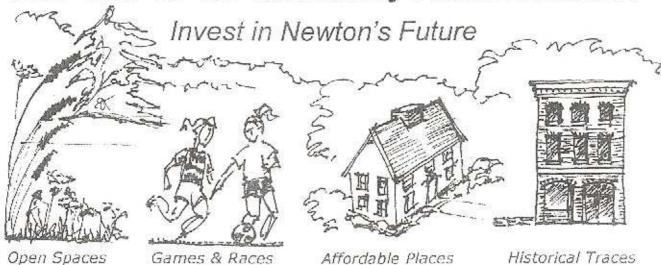
# Vote YES for the Community Preservation Act



# What is the Community Preservation Act (CPA)?

The CPA offers us an opportunity to invest in the future good health of our city. Local approval of this referendum will build a dedicated stream of funding to acquire and protect open space, acquire land for recreation, preserve historic buildings and landscapes, broaden housing opportunities. Funding comes from a 1% surcharge on local property tax bills, with additional money provided from a permanent state matching fund, up to 100% of local revenues.

#### Why Do We Need the CPA?

Real estate is at a premium in Newton making every available space profitable to build on. Available property is out of reach of the city's workers, young adults and many elderly. The city budget now and for many years has had virtually no money available to take advantage of opportunities to control development.

## How will the CPA fund benefit Newton?

Adoption of the CPA will allow our city to:

- Conserve lands that are important to Newton residents' quality of life;
- Purchase property for public recreation, such as soccer and baseball fields;
- Create a proactive, citizen-controlled approach to manage Newton's growth;
- Preserve historic buildings & lands for needed housing & community uses;
- Make natural and historic sites accessible for walking, biking, etc.

### To learn more specifics, you can visit the CPAlliance Web site:

<a href="http://www.newtoncpa.org">http://www.newtoncpa.org</a>

The Newton Community Preservation Alliance is a coalition of community organizations and individuals seeking to inform voters about how Newton's adopting the Community Preservation Act would benefit the City. Member organizations include the Newton Conservators, the Green Decade Coalition, U-CHAN (housing advocates), and the League of Women Voters, as well as individuals from many other groups across the City. Organized as a Municipal Ballot Question Committee, the Alliance's expenses are supported by donations.

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