Petition for Public Forum

In accordance with the ideals set forth by Section 20 of the original 1851 City Charter, we the undersigned petition Newburyport's elected officials, serving in both the executive and legislative branches, to engage in one or more public forums "to consult upon the public good" ~ the first of which to be tentatively scheduled on Thursday, June 14, 2007 in City Hall Auditorium, commencing at 7 p.m.

Name	Address	Signature

Section 20 of the 1851 City Charter reads: *General meetings of the citizens qualified to vote may from time to time be held to consult upon the public good, to give instructions to their representatives and to take all lawful measures to obtain redress for any grievances according to the right secured to the people by the constitution of the Commonwealth. And such meetings may and shall be duly warned by the Mayor and Aldermen upon the requisition of fifty qualified voters.*