

His attorney, Eva Vekos, attributed many of Politis' 41 previous convictions to drug problems.

"His record is consistent with someone who has a serious drug problem, but it doesn't show dangerousness," said

Gillis, a commercial diver who lives at home with his mother, also has a lengthy criminal record, said prosecutors.

The state urged Gillis be held on \$25,000, citing 18 previous convictions and numerous probation violations.

cause hearing.

FBI spokeswoman Marcinkiewicz said Politis has not yet been charged with any other offenses by the FBI.

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Last August, a federal judge ruled that the state must give Fernald's residents - many of who have lived there for about 50 years - the option to stay there if they so choose. The state has appealed that decision.

McMenimen, who is a member of the state-appointed board of trustees for Fernald, noted that in the past Fernald advocates have suggested a "postage stamp" proposal that would allow residents to stay on a portion of the property while the state would consolidate the rest of the 196-acre campus. However, the state has yet to mention that as an option in any of its legal findings.

After the Community Preservation Committee hears the applications, its members will then plan a visit to each site where the proponents want to spend money.

The City Council will have to approve any funding that wins the committee's support.

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Developer looks to connect to sewer line

SEWER LINE, From A1
produce about 8,360 gallons of discharge a day, compared to the some 75,000 gallons that was produced when the hospitals were on the property.

However, Ward 9 Councilor Robert Logan said more development has come into Waltham since the hospitals used the sewer line.

Logan said he was concerned that the developer did not obtain written "sign-offs" from Waltham's water and sewer and engineering departments about the proposed connection before coming to the council with the request.

Logan and others on the council questioned what the benefit of the connection would be to Waltham.

Councilor at-large Kathleen McMenimen said the developer should have come to the city earlier, before Lexington officials approved plans for the subdivision.

"We're last in the food

chain here," McMenimen said. "We should have been the first."

Gary Larson, a landscape architect for the subdivision, said the two choices to provide sewer to the homes were either through a gravity flow line or by installing a pump station. He said the gravity flow line was more environmentally friendly.

Several councilors though intimated that the developer chose the connection to the Waltham line simply because it was cheaper.

However, Lombardi said whether the gravity flow sewer line was less expensive really did not matter since the developer would pay fees to Waltham for the connection and for removing any water that leaks into the line.

"This is not a cost issue, it's an environmental issue," Lombardi said.

The developer's request was sent to the council's Public Works Committee, which will meet again on June 2.