



ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR MATTERS PRESENTED TO THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO 10:00 A.M. ON MONDAY, MARCH 13, 2023 FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING IN THE CHRISTOPHER IANNELLA CHAMBER ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2023 AT 12:00 P.M.

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## **ROLL CALL**

## **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

## **COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER HONOR, THE MAYOR:**

- 0574** Message and order for an appropriation order in the amount of Forty Million Six Hundred Seventy-Six Thousand Four Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars (\$40,676,455.00) from Fiscal Year 2023 Community Preservation Fund revenues for community preservation projects at the recommendation of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee (“CPC”).
- 0575** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Forty Thousand Dollars (\$340,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Strengthening Child Care Programs, awarded by the Boston Planning & Development Agency to be administered by the Office of Early Childhood. The grant will fund sub-grants to strengthen child care programs based on the needs of providers.
- 0576** Message and order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to submit Statements of Interest to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) Core Program for the P.A. Shaw Elementary School and the Charles H. Taylor Elementary School pursuant to M.G.L Chapter. 70B, Section 5. The Statement of Interest describes and explains the deficiencies within each of the school facilities that prevent them from delivering their desired educational program.

- [0577](#) Message transmitting certain information under section 17F relative to the BPS Transportation follow up, (Docket #0464), passed by the Council on March 1, 2023.
- [0578](#) Message transmitting certain information under Section 17F Relative to the BPS Sexual Assault and Sexual Misconduct, (Docket #0507), passed by the Council on March 1, 2023.
- [0579](#) Message transmitting certain information under Section 17F: Relative to the Boston Public Health Commission (Docket #0418), passed by the City Council on February 15, 2023.

## **PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES**

### **REPORTS OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND OTHERS:**

- [0580](#) Notice was received from the City Clerk in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979 re: action taken by the Mayor on papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of March 1, 2023.
- [0581](#) Notice was received from the City Clerk in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979 re: action taken by the Mayor on papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of March 8, 2023.
- [0582](#) Communication was received from the City Clerk of the filing by the Boston Residency Compliance Commission regarding the Updated Annual Report (January thru December 2021).
- [0583](#) Communication was received from the City Clerk transmitting a communication from the Boston Landmarks Commission for City Council action on the designation of The First Church in Roxbury, 160 Roxbury Street, Boston, MA, as a Landmark (In effect after April 5, 2023 if not acted upon).

### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

- [0319](#) The Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred on January 25, 2023, Docket #0319, Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Vivian Leonard as a member of the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission, submits a report recommending that the docket be placed on file.

[0320](#) The Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred on January 25, 2023, Docket #0320, Notice was received from the Mayor of the re-appointment of Sammy Nabulsi as a member of the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission, submits a report that the docket ought to be placed on file.

[0321](#) The Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred on January 25, 2023, Docket #0321, Notice was received from the Mayor of the re-appointment of Vivien Li as a member of the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission, submits a report recommending that the docket ought to be placed on file.

#### **MATTERS RECENTLY HEARD-FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:**

[0137](#) Ordinance Establishing Protections for the City of Boston Tree Canopy.

[0369](#) Message and order for your approval an acceptance of Chapter 269 of the Acts of 2022, An Act Relative to Cost-of-Living Adjustments for Retirees.

[0249](#) Order for a hearing to discuss the Impact of Inequitable Housing Code Enforcement of Boston's Proactive Rental Inspection Program.

[0147](#) Order for a hearing to establish a climate change and environmental justice curriculum in Boston Public Schools.

#### **MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS:**

[0584](#) **Councilor Arroyo offered the following:** Petition for a Special Law re: An act directing the City of Boston Police Department to waive the maximum age requirement for police officers for Ariel Rodriguez.

[0585](#) **Councilor Mejia offered the following:** Order for a hearing to create more transparency into reporting and accessibility into addressing the drug overdose crises in the City of Boston.

[0586](#) **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution to inform veterans about the resources available to them through the PACT Act.

[0587](#) **Councilor Mejia offered the following:** Resolution opposing the Eversource substation on the Chelsea Creek Waterfront in East Boston.

#### **PERSONNEL ORDERS:**

**0588** Councilor Flynn for Councilor Coletta offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Joseph Gravellese in City Council, effective March 18, 2022.

**0589** Councilor Flynn for Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Cindy Dieujuste, Hodan Hashi, Jesse Purvis and Emily Polston in City Council, effective March 11, 2023.

**GREEN SHEETS:**

**15/23** Legislative Calendar for March 15, 2023.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**0590** **Councilor Breadon and Flaherty offered the following:** Resolution congratulating the Sisters of St. Joseph of Boston on their 150th anniversary.

**0591** **Councilor Breadon offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Patrick Ellis on his promotion to City of Boston Deputy Chief and Fire Marshall.

**0592** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution in recognition of Denny Chen.

**0593** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution Recognizing Brian Hayes.

**0594** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Joe Tay.

**0595** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Ed Carlson.

**0596** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Yung Chui Yu.

**0597** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Kotaro Suzuki and the Japanese Consulate.

**0598** **Councilor Arroyo offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Louis Barnes.

**0599** **Councilor Bok offered the following:** Resolution in memory of Anne Louise Connolly.



City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
Michelle Wu

March 13, 2023

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an appropriation Order in the total amount of FORTY MILLION, SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIX THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$40,676,455) from Fiscal Year 2023 community preservation fund revenues for community preservation projects at the recommendation of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee (“CPC”).

The Fund was created upon the adoption of the Community Preservation Act, Massachusetts General Laws chapter 44B, (the “Act”) in November 2016 and is funded by the 1% property tax-based surcharge on residential and business property tax bills that took effect in July 2017 and an annual state distribution from the Massachusetts Community Preservation Trust Fund. Section 5 of the Act provides that in each fiscal year, upon receiving recommendations from the CPC, the City Council shall take action and approve such appropriations from the Community Preservation Fund as needed to implement the recommendations.

The CPC is recommending \$20,491,834 in affordable housing projects, \$10,182,600 in historic preservation projects, and \$10,002,021 in open space and recreational use projects. Since adopting the Community Preservation Act, the CPC has awarded over \$117 million to 237 projects spanning every neighborhood in the City of Boston. Your approval of this appropriation request will increase the total amount awarded to over \$157 million to 293 projects since the first funding round in 2018. Since 2018, only thirteen awarded projects have withdrawn, which placed over \$2 million dollars back into reserve for future projects. These projects are renovating playgrounds in our neighborhoods, creating and improving open spaces – including parks, community gardens, and urban farms – planting trees to increase Boston’s tree canopy, saving and preserving historic buildings, supporting affordable housing programming, and building affordable housing for our city. Each of these projects is supporting and having an impact on all of Boston’s neighborhoods and communities in countless ways.

I urge your Honorable Body to pass this order expeditiously so that the CPC may fund important affordable housing, historic preservation, recreational use, and open space projects in the City of Boston prior to the close of the Fiscal Year 2023.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO SUBMIT STATEMENTS OF INTEREST TO THE MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY FOR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS FOR P.A. SHAW ELEMENTARY AND CHARLES TAYLOR ELEMENTARY**

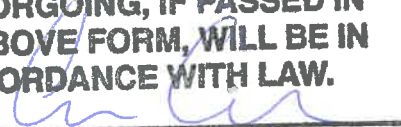
**ORDERED:** Having convened in an open meeting prior to April 14, 2023, the City Council of the City of Boston, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent of Boston Public Schools to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statements of Interest dated on or before April 14, 2023 for the following schools, pursuant to G.L. c. 70B, § 5:

Schools	Address	City	State	Zip
P.A. Shaw Elementary School	429 Norfolk Street	Dorchester	MA	02124
Charles H. Taylor Elementary School	1060 Morton Street	Mattapan	MA	02126

The Statements of Interest for the facilities listed above describe deficiencies submitted under Priority #4: Prevention of severe overcrowding expected to result from increased enrollments; Priority #5: Replacement, renovation or modernization of school facility systems, such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility; and Priority #7: Replacement of or addition to obsolete buildings in order to provide for a full range of programs consistent with state and approved local requirements.

The City Council hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting the Statement of Interest Forms, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the City of Boston to file an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY  
THE FORGOING, IF PASSED IN  
THE ABOVE FORM, WILL BE IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.**

BY   
**ADAM CEDERBAUM TSB  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**

**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER ADOPTING THE RECOMMENDED APPROPRIATIONS, TOTALING FORTY MILLION, SIX HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIX THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED FIFTY-FIVE DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$40,676,455), FROM THE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023**

**ORDERED:** That, upon the recommendation of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee, pursuant to G.L. c. 44B, § 5, and in order to undertake community preservation projects with Community Preservation Fund revenues for Fiscal Year 2023, the respective sums of money specified in the schedules hereinafter set out be, and the same hereby are, appropriated for expenditure under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee for the several specific projects hereinafter designated being made out of the Community Preservation Fund’s budgeted reserve for Fiscal Year 2023.

**Appropriations**

**Affordable Housing - 10 Projects**

<b><u>NEIGHBORHOOD</u></b>	<b><u>PROJECT NAME</u></b>	<b><u>ORGANIZATION</u></b>	<b><u>RECOMMENDED AMOUNT</u></b>
Chinatown	Parcel R-1 (Ownership)	City of Boston Mayor’s Office of Housing	\$3,000,000
Chinatown	Parcel R-1 (Rental)	City of Boston Mayor’s Office of Housing	\$1,266,513
Jamaica Plain	361 Centre Street (Blessed Sacrament - Rental)	City of Boston Mayor’s Office of Housing	\$3,000,000
Mattapan	Blue Hill Ave - B1 Parcels (Ownership)	City of Boston Mayor’s Office of Housing	\$1,500,000
Mattapan	Blue Hill Ave - B1 Parcels (Rental)	City of Boston Mayor’s Office of Housing	\$1,306,591
Mattapan	Brooke House at Olmsted Village (Rental)	City of Boston Mayor’s Office of Housing	\$2,500,000
Roxbury	Copeland Corner (Ownership)	City of Boston Mayor’s Office of Housing	\$1,918,730
Roxbury	84 Warren Street (Ownership)	City of Boston Mayor’s Office of Housing	\$1,500,000
Roxbury	2085 Washington Street (Ownership)	City of Boston Mayor’s Office of Housing	\$2,000,000

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South Boston	McDevitt Senior Homes (Rental)	City of Boston Mayor's Office of Housing	\$2,500,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$20,491,834</b>

**Historic Preservation - 27 Projects**

<u>NEIGHBORHOOD</u>	<u>PROJECT NAME</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED AMOUNT</u>
Allston-Brighton	American Buddhist Association	American Buddhist Shim Gum Do Association, Inc	\$500,000
Back Bay	First Baptist Church	The First Baptist Church of Boston	\$575,000
Back Bay	Gibson House Museum	The Gibson Society	\$69,500
Beacon Hill	Beacon Hill Friends House	Beacon Hill Friends House	\$500,000
Charlestown	Charlestown Boys and Girls Club	Boys & Girls Clubs of Boston, Inc.	\$50,000
Chinatown	St. James the Greater Church	St. James the Greater Church	\$400,000
Dorchester	Greenwood Memorial Church	Greenwood Memorial United Methodist Church	\$600,000
Dorchester	First Parish Church Dorchester Meetinghouse	First Parish Church	\$115,000
Dorchester	First Haitian Baptist Church	Chinatown Community Land Trust, Inc.	\$416,0000
Dorchester	Global Ministries Christian Church	Global Ministries Christian Church	\$300,000
Dorchester	Humphreys Street Studios	New Atlantic Development, LLC	\$611,518
Dorchester	Pleasant Hill Baptist Church	Pleasant Hill Baptist Church	\$80,000
Dorchester	Unity Sports And Cultural Club	Unity Sports And Cultural Club	\$211,800
Dorchester	Pierce House	Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities	\$50,125
Downtown	Tremont Temple Baptist	Tremont Temple Baptist Church	\$750,000
Hyde Park	Riverside Theater Building	Inspire Arts & Music, Inc	\$550,000
Jamaica Plain	First Church Jamaica Plain	First Congregational Society	\$500,000



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Jamaica Plain	Boston Firefighter Memorial Monument	Charitable Association of the Boston Fire Department	\$27,000
Jamaica Plain	First Baptist Church in Jamaica Plain	First Baptist Church in Jamaica Plain	\$148,825
Jamaica Plain	Bethel AME Church	Bethel AME Church	\$500,000
Jamaica Plain	Community Care Collaborative Building	Community Service Care Inc	\$160,882
Roxbury	Shirley-Eustis House Stable	Shirley-Eustis House Association	\$650,000
Roxbury	Abbotsford Museum	National Center of Afro-American Artists	\$675,000
Roxbury	Twelfth Baptist Church	Twelfth Baptist Church, Inc	\$679,150
South Boston	Congress Street Fire Station	Boston Sparks Association, Inc.	\$395,500
South End	Union Church	Union United Methodist Church	\$500,000
West Roxbury	Theodore Parker Church	Theodore Parker Unitarian Church	\$167,300
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$10,182,600</b>

### Open Space and Recreational Use - 19 Projects

<u>NEIGHBORHOOD</u>	<u>PROJECT NAME</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED AMOUNT</u>
Beacon Hill	Peter Faneuil House	Peter Faneuil Development Group, Inc	\$280,000
Boston Harbor Islands	Georges Island Pavilion	Boston Harbor Now, Inc.	\$49,900
Charlestown	Little Mystic Channel Plaza	Mystic River Watershed Association	\$250,000
Charlestown	Wolcott Cutler Memorial Garden	St. John's Episcopal Church	\$150,000
Charlestown	John J. Ryan Park in Charlestown	City of Boston Parks and Recreation Department	\$1,000,000
Charlestown	Gardens for Charlestown	Gardens for Charlestown, Inc	\$60,000
Citywide	Boston Open Space Acquisition Fund	City of Boston Parks and Recreation Department	\$1,200,000

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Dorchester	Franklin Field Elders Garden	Boston Public Housing Corporation	\$495,000
Dorchester	Washington Street Urban Forest	Urban Guild, Inc	\$450,000
Dorchester	Norwell Street Park	City of Boston Parks and Recreation Department	\$660,000
Dorchester	Cedar Grove Cemetery	The Proprietors of Cedar Grove Cemetery	\$85,000
Jamaica Plain	Mary E. Curley K-8 School Playground	City of Boston Mary E. Curley K-8 Public School	\$1,000,000
Jamaica Plain	Jackson Square Redevelopment Greenway	Jackson Square Partners LLC	\$450,000
Mattapan	Steven P. Odom Serenity Garden	City of Boston Parks and Recreation Department on behalf of the Planning Office for Urban Affairs, Inc.	\$406,123
Roslindale	Bethany Church Public Park	Bethany First United Methodist Church	\$485,998
Roxbury	William Monroe Trotter Elementary School Playground	City of Boston William Monroe Trotter Elementary School	\$1,000,000
Roxbury	Roxbury Community College Recreational Space	Roxbury Community College	\$450,000
Roxbury	Nathan Hale School Playground	City of Boston Nathan Hale Public School	\$1,000,000
West Roxbury	Sophia Snow Place	Roxbury Home for Aged Women	\$530,000
	<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$10,002,021</b>

**I HEREBY CERTIFY  
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ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.**

BY   
**ADAM CEDERBAUM** TJSB  
**CORPORATION COUNSEL**



**City Of Boston • Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
Michelle Wu**

03-13-2023

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of THREE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$340,000.00**) in the form of a grant, Cooperation Agreement from the 745 Atlantic Avenue Project, awarded by Boston Planning & Development Agency to be administered by the Office of Early Childhood.

The grant would fund sub-grants to strengthen child care programs, based on the needs of providers.

I urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Order so that the City of Boston may accept the funds expeditiously and expend them upon award for the purposes for which they are granted.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



## City Council Order

**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND** Cooperation Agreement from the 745 Atlantic Avenue Project FUNDS, AWARDED BY Boston Planning & Development Agency.

**WHEREAS**, the Boston Planning & Development Agency, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Office of Early Childhood; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds in the amount of THREE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$340,000.00**) would fund sub-grants to strengthen child care programs, based on the needs of providers. Therefore be it

**ORDERED:** that the Mayor, acting on behalf of the City of Boston be, and hereby is authorized, pursuant to section 53A of chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to accept and expend the Boston Planning & Development Agency, Cooperation Agreement from the 745 Atlantic Avenue Project award not to exceed the amount of THREE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$340,000.00**).

**Docket #**

**In City Council  
Passed**

**City Clerk**

**Mayor**

**Approved**

I hereby certify that the foregoing, if passed in the above form, will be in accordance with law.

by *Adam Cederbaum*

Adam Cederbaum  
Corporation Counsel



City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
Michelle Wu

March 13, 2023

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

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Both schools will be submitted for improvements under MSBA Priorities #4, #5 and #7 in the MSBA Core Program. Priority #4 focuses on the prevention of severe overcrowding due to anticipated increased enrollments. Priority #5 is for facilities where the necessary work includes the replacement, renovation, or modernization of school facility systems, such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility. Priority #7 is for facilities where the necessary work includes the replacement of or addition to obsolete buildings in order to provide for a full range of programs consistent with state and approved local requirements

The MSBA Core Program is an opportunity to construct a new school facility for a combined Shaw-Taylor community. Combining a small, single-strand school with a larger school with more diverse programming creates an opportunity to build on the assets of each school community, creating a more inclusive, more sustainable school for the long term. While we move forward with plans to create a two-campus school in the short term, this Statement of Interest would begin the process of building a safe, healthy, inspiring, and energy-efficient facility for a unified Shaw-Taylor community. It also fulfills a commitment that BPS made several years ago, and that I have promised to uphold through the Green New Deal for BPS, to construct a new pre-K to sixth grade elementary school in the Southern Dorchester/Mattapan neighborhood.

I urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Order as soon as possible so that the City of Boston may submit the Statements of Interest expeditiously and continue the process of seeking funds for the improvement of these school facilities within the City of Boston.

Sincerely,

  
Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



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Office of the Mayor  
Michelle Wu

**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO SUBMIT STATEMENTS OF INTEREST TO THE MASSACHUSETTS SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY FOR SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS FOR P.A. SHAW ELEMENTARY AND CHARLES TAYLOR ELEMENTARY**

**ORDERED:** Having convened in an open meeting prior to April 14, 2023, the City Council of the City of Boston, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent of Boston Public Schools to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statements of Interest dated on or before April 14, 2023 for the following schools, pursuant to G.L. c. 70B, § 5:

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City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**Michelle Wu**

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear City Councilors:

In Response to a 17F request filed by your Honorable Body on March 1, 2023, Docket 0464.  
Re: Relative to the BPS Transportation Follow Up.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michelle Wu", is positioned above the printed name.

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



**BPS Department of Transportation**  
Daniel Rosengard, Executive Director

Bruce C. Bolling Municipal Building  
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Roxbury, Massachusetts 02119

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[bostonpublicschools.org/transportation](http://bostonpublicschools.org/transportation)

March 9, 2023

Boston City Council  
One City Hall Square, 5th floor  
Boston City Hall  
Boston, MA 02201

Re: 17F (Docket 0464)

Dear City Councilors,

Attached please find responses to Docket 0464: *Order requesting certain information under Section 17F re: BPS Transportation follow-up on a previous request filed by At-Large Boston City Councilor Erin Murphy on March 1, 2023.*

Sincerely,

Daniel Rosengard  
Executive Director  
Boston Public Schools Transportation Department





OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ERIN MURPHY



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-THREE

ORDER OF COUNCILOR MURPHY

**ORDERED:** That under the provisions of section 17F of Chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948, as amended, and any other applicable provision of law, Her Honor, the Mayor, be, and hereby is, requested to obtain and deliver to the City Council, within one week of the receipt hereof, the following information:

We are aware that on-time AM bus arrival data BPS submits to DESE omits a large portion of data for planned arrival routes. 25% of routes are missing data. Of the 75% of data that BPS does share, we request the following information.

Based on the responses from my previous 17F that asked:

- 1: The number of students each day that did not get picked up by their assigned school bus
- 2: The number of times a backup bus needed to be sent out

We calculated that on average, 51.7 students are on uncovered buses each day, and an average of 5.6 students per day have a backup bus sent to them, this means the Boston Public Schools do not pick up 46.1 students per day via the bus that is assigned to transport them safely, and on time, to school. Many of these students arrive very late, or not make it to school at all. A high percentage of students assigned to school buses are on IEPs, which means many of our special education students are missing critical specialized services and therapies.

We are still waiting on the responses to the following questions and despite BPS telling us that they do not have data on bus student arrival times available by student or by school, we know that BPS utilizes Aspen, which is the district's student information tracking system, and each school is required to record absences and time of tardies for each student, each day.

1. The actual time the students arrived at school if there bus was late, a backup bus was sent, or a bus did not pick them up at all
  - a. The number of students across the system this happens to on a daily basis since September 9, 2022
  - b. The number of students by school this happens to on a daily basis since September 9, 2022

2. How many of these students miss an entire day of school because of our unreliable bus system
  - a. The number of students across the system since September 9, 2022
  - b. The number of students by school since September 9, 2022

Requesting that Boston Public School's, through the Mayor, provide any and all information that is available regarding this matter.

Filed in Council: March 1, 2023

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TO: Boston City Council  
FROM: Daniel Rosengard, Executive Director of Transportation  
DATE: March 9, 2023  
SUBJECT: Docket 0464 17F Responses

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The following responses are from the Boston Public Schools (BPS) to Docket 0464: *Order requesting certain information under Section 17F re: BPS Transportation follow-up on a previous request filed by At-Large Boston City Councilor Erin Murphy on March 1, 2023.*

### 17F Questions

1. The actual time the students arrived at school if there bus was late, a backup bus was sent, or a bus did not pick them up at all
  - a. The number of students across the system this happens to on a daily basis since September 9, 2022
  - b. The number of students by school this happens to on a daily basis since September 9, 2022
2. How many of these students miss an entire day of school because of our unreliable bus system
  - a. The number of students across the system since September 9, 2022
  - b. The number of students by school since September 9, 2022

### Responses

1. BPS does not have data responsive to this request. BPS does not currently track individual student ridership. As such, BPS does not have data on bus student arrival times available by student or by school.

BPS previously provided data that indicates that on average in SY22-23 (as of 12/9/22), an estimated 2,640 students (12% of bus students) per day arrive after the bell, an estimated 440 students (2% of bus students) per day arrive more than 15 minutes after the bell, and an estimated 220 students (1% of bus students) per day arrive more than 30 minutes after the bell as a result of yellow bus transportation delays. BPS also previously provided data that indicates that on average in SY22-23 (as of 12/9/22), an estimated 51.7

students are on uncovered buses each day and an estimated 5.6 students are provided with a backup bus each day.

2. BPS does not have data responsive to this request. BPS does not currently track individual student ridership. As such, BPS does not have student-level data on which students miss an entire day of school as a result of transportation challenges. BPS previously provided data that indicates that on average in SY22-23 (as of 12/9/22), an estimated 51.7 students are on uncovered buses each day.



City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**Michelle Wu**

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear City Councilors:

In Response to a 17F request filed by your Honorable Body on March 1, 2023, Docket 0507.  
Re: Relative to the BPS Sexual Assault and Sexual Misconduct.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

March 13, 2023

Boston City Council  
One City Hall Square, 5th floor  
Boston City Hall  
Boston, MA 02201

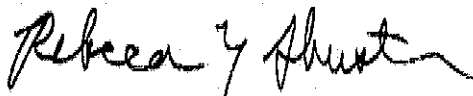
Re: 17F Response

Dear City Councilors,

Here please find the Boston Public Schools' response to Docket 0507, a 17F request filed by At-Large Boston City Councilor Erin Murphy on Wednesday, March 1, 2023.

The BPS case management system, LaborSoft, records the number of reports of possible EQT-3 violations each year. This data is not characterized by the nature of the allegation, so BPS is unable to provide the breakdown requested.

Sincerely,



Rebecca Shuster  
Assistant Superintendent of Equity  
Boston Public Schools



City of Boston, Massachusetts

Office of the Mayor  
**Michelle Wu**

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear City Councilors:

In Response to a 17F request filed by your Honorable Body on February 15, 2023, Docket 0418.  
Re: Relative to Boston Public Health Commission.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



March 10, 2023

Tania Fernandes Anderson, City Councilor  
1 City Hall Square, Room 550  
Boston, MA 02201

**RE: Information Request**

Dear Councilor Fernandes Anderson,

In response to your information request, please see the below responses. These responses focus on the work of the Boston Public Health Commission's Recovery Services Bureau, where BPHC's core programs addressing the opioid epidemic reside. We note, however, that a number of other programs and services across BPHC may in some way relate to the opioid epidemic or serve populations affected by it. If you need any further information, we are happy to work to provide.

1.

a. Please see **Attachment A, Opioid Epidemic Expenditures**.

b. Please see **Attachment B, Opioid Epidemic Vendor/Subrecipient Recap**. Please note that a "CUBE" as used in this document refers to a Certified Underrepresented Business.

c. For FY22, the total yearly expenditure on salary, pay, and other benefits paid to Recovery Services Bureau employees was \$11,312,740.87, of which \$7,816,779.35 was salary, and \$3,495,961.52 was in benefits. This information covers FY22 and reflect actual salaries paid. So, for example, if an employee was hired at any time during FY22, the amount shown reflects only a partial year of salary for that employee. These numbers also include actual overtime paid. Please note that we are unable to separate out administration and management from other staff as our record keeping system does not separate out those categories.

**Attachment C, Employee List with Demographics**, displays a de-identified list of the employees of the Recovery Services Bureau, together with management status, seniority (indicated by hire date), salary, and race/ethnicity.

d. Please see **Attachment D, Opioid Epidemic Projects**. For information on diversity and equity policies, please see both **Attachment E, Anti-Racism Policy**, and **Attachment F, Equitable Procurement Policy**. These two policies are general guides for all of our work at the Commission.

We look forward to continuing to work with you and your colleagues to advance health equity and tackle the many public health challenges before us, including the complex and multifaceted issues of the opioid epidemic. Thank you.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bisola Ojikutu". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent loop at the end.

**Bisola Ojikutu, MD, MPH, FIDSA**  
Commissioner of Public Health, City of Boston  
Executive Director, Boston Public Health Commission

BOSTON PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION  
BUREAU OF RECOVERY SERVICES  
OPIOID EPIDEMIC EXPENDITURES  
FY2020 - FY2023

Total Expenditures by Year:

FY2020	\$ 5,189,338.22
FY2021	\$ 5,456,985.69
FY2022	\$ 9,847,771.16
FY2023 (7/1/2022-2/28/2023)	\$ 4,255,785.06
	<u>\$ 24,749,880.13</u>

Total Expenditures by Funding Source:

Federal	\$ 5,106,232.29
Commonwealth	\$ 5,538,520.01
City of Boston	\$ 13,903,124.62
Private	\$ 202,003.21
	<u>\$ 24,749,880.13</u>

BOSTON PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION  
 BUREAU OF RECOVERY SERVICES  
 OPIOID EPIDEMIC VENDOR/SUBRECIPIENT RECAP  
 FY2020 - FY2023 (through 2/28/2023)

<u>Vendor/Supplier</u>	<u>Service/Goods Provided</u>	<u>Total Investment</u>	<u>CUBE?</u>
ADDICTION RESPONSE RESOURCES	Community Syringe Redemption	\$ 2,094,946	YES
SAFETY WORKS	Medical Supplies	\$ 1,617,766	
US FOODSERVICE INC	Client Food Expense	\$ 819,836	
MICHAEL D WARE	Security Contracts	\$ 799,686	
BOSTON HEALTHCARE FOR HOMELESS	Client Nursing Care	\$ 579,241	
ELIOT COMMUNITY HUMAN SERVICES INC	Professional Services	\$ 411,031	
THE THRONE DEPOT	Sanitation Facilities	\$ 264,555	
WAAVE INC	Client Transportation	\$ 250,955	
NEW ENGLAND TRAUMA SERVICES LLC	Biohazard Waste Collection	\$ 238,573	
NEWMARKET BUSINESS ASSOCIATION	Workforce Development	\$ 196,480	
GAVIN FOUNDATION INC	Job Training	\$ 178,570	
INDEPENDENT TAXI OPERATORS ASSOCIATION	Client Transportation	\$ 118,659	
WW GRAINGER INC	Other Supplies	\$ 82,968	
MCKESSON MEDICAL SURGICAL	Medical Supplies	\$ 76,923	
MEDLINE INDUSTRIES, INC	Medical Supplies	\$ 69,972	
HEALTH RESOURCES IN ACTION	Employer Seminars	\$ 66,667	
DONE RIGHT BUILDING SERVICES, INC	Janitorial Service Contracts	\$ 64,563	
PEGASUS INDUSTRIAL SPECIALTIES INC	Medical Supplies	\$ 57,102	
ALISON DOWD MARKETING INC	Uniforms/Employee Attire	\$ 53,231	YES
RIVERSIDE COMMUNITY CARE	Consultants	\$ 48,923	
LMI TEXTILES	Medical Supplies	\$ 43,698	YES
MCKESSON MEDICAL SURGICAL	Medical Supplies	\$ 42,391	
NESTLE WATERS NORTH AMERICA	Water	\$ 41,302	
AKIKI AUTO REPAIR INC	Vehicle Repair & Maintenance	\$ 40,555	
BAY COVE HUMAN SERVICES, INC.	Professional Services	\$ 40,000	
TOTAL ACCESS GROUP, INC.	Medical Supplies	\$ 39,335	
HOME DEPOT	Repairs & Maintenance-Other	\$ 31,373	
CROSTOWN CENTER LLC	Client Temporary Housing	\$ 31,170	
THE EAGLE LEASING COMPANY	Dumpster Rental	\$ 27,670	
CITY OF BOSTON	Vehicle - Gasoline	\$ 26,302	
DC CONSULTING SERVICE LLC	Computer Wiring	\$ 22,582	YES
EVAN DANA	Consultants	\$ 22,384	
BUSY BEE JUMPERS PARENT CORP	Tent Rental	\$ 21,500	
JOHN M TWOMEY	Rep & Maint - Building	\$ 20,470	
STANDARD MODERN CO., INC.	Forms - Outside Printing	\$ 20,111	
UNITED SITE SERVICES NORTHEAST, INC.	Leases/Rentals	\$ 18,862	
ANGELA KUKETZ	Rep & Maint - Building	\$ 18,485	
BOB BARKER COMPANY INC	Laundry/Linen Expense	\$ 18,137	
ALL TIME SERVICE INC	Janitorial Supplies	\$ 13,838	
ABREGO'S CONSTRUCTION LLC	Rep & Maint - Building	\$ 13,500	
ALL BRAND NEW ENGLAND LLC	Client Food Expense	\$ 11,471	
SHI INTERNATIONAL CORP	Minor Equipment	\$ 11,258	
WB MASON CO INC	Janitorial Supplies	\$ 10,048	
DIMITRIS PAINTING AND MASONRY	Rep & Maint - Building	\$ 10,000	
DELL MARKETING LP	Minor Equipment	\$ 9,418	

ACCESS CONTROL SYSTEMS INC	Minor Equipment	\$	8,850	
CAAN FENCE INC.	Repairs & Maintenance-Other	\$	8,689	
COMTRONICS A BEARCOM COMPANY	Two-way Radios	\$	8,684	
SIEMENS INDUSTRY INC	Security camera Installation	\$	7,974	
4IMPRINT	Uniforms/Employee Attire	\$	7,364	
BOSTON ELECTRICAL SOLUTIONS INC	Repairs & Maintenance-Other	\$	6,800	
SAMUEL TOBIAS	Consultants	\$	6,500	
SPIN CYCLE LAUNDROMAT LLC	Laundry/Linen Expense	\$	6,438	
B AND B PEST CONTROL	Exterminator	\$	4,750	
RAPID FLOW INC	Repairs & Maintenance-Other	\$	4,730	
INTRINSIC INTERVENTIONS INC	Charge Purchased Lab Services	\$	4,083	
BTNX INC	Medical Supplies	\$	3,900	
BOSTONIA WELDING SUPPLY INC.	Other Utilities	\$	2,954	
DORCHESTER TIRE SERVICE INC	Vehicle Repair & Maintenance	\$	2,632	
STEWARTS POWER EQUIPMENT INC	Leases/Rentals	\$	2,629	
BEST BUY STORES, L.P.	Minor Equipment	\$	2,558	
PR RESTAURANTS, LLC	Client Food Expense	\$	2,127	
DAVID W THOMAS	Consultants	\$	2,100	
DANIEL JOHNSON	Consultants	\$	2,000	
DH PACE COMPANY INC	Minor Equipment	\$	1,963	
PATRICK J. KENNEDY & SONS, INC.	Rep & Maint - Building	\$	1,863	
NEW MARKET PIZZA	Client Food Expense	\$	1,244	
DIVERSIFIED COMMUNICATIONS INC	Rep & Maint - Building	\$	1,126	
REPUBLIC SERVICE	Garbage & Waste	\$	1,022	
CSC SERVICEWORKS, INC.	Leases/Rentals	\$	440	
GLASS AND MIRROR, INC.	Repairs & Maintenance-Other	\$	386	
JUSTIN TIME PRODUCTIONS	Leases/Rentals	\$	375	
ALLIANCE AUTO GLASS SERVICE INC	Vehicle Repair & Maintenance	\$	333	
ADCARE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE	Staff Training	\$	250	
EL ORIENTAL DE CUBA	Client Food Expense	\$	245	YES
FRESH CITY RESTAURANT HOLDINGS, LLC	Client Food Expense	\$	231	
JOE WARREN & SONS CO., INC.	Repairs & Maintenance-Other	\$	230	
SCHLAGER AUTO BODY REPAIR INC	Vehicle Repair & Maintenance	\$	190	
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS	Furniture Expense	\$	50	
		\$	8,802,215	

Manager Y/N	Annual Rate	Full/Part Ti	Original Hire Date	Gender	Race/Ethnicity
N	50,000.08	F	04/22/2019	F	Black or African American
N	42,813.50	F	03/01/2021	F	Black or African American
N	55,754.43	F	09/11/2000	F	Black or African American
N	78,000.00	F	04/12/2021	M	Hispanic or Latino
N	80,000.00	F	10/10/2017	M	White
N	113,655.38	F	04/25/2011	F	Hispanic or Latino
N	66,000.19	F	06/18/2018	M	Black or African American
N	85,000.00	F	09/05/2017	M	White
N	138,010.10	F	09/02/2008	F	White
N	45,442.49	F	09/04/2007	M	Black or African American
N	49,676.90	F	07/07/2003	M	Black or African American
N	55,120.00	P	04/24/2019	M	White
N	19,604.00	P	09/06/2022	F	Asian
N	17,035.20	P	11/29/2021	F	Black or African American
N	17,035.20	P	07/21/2022	F	Hispanic or Latino
N	19,604.00	P	05/03/2021	F	White
N	13,628.16	P	04/16/2021	F	Hispanic or Latino
Y	69,455.59	F	06/10/1997	F	Hispanic or Latino
N	55,000.04	F	09/14/2020	M	White
N	54,909.09	F	02/06/2012	F	Hispanic or Latino
N	51,741.87	F	09/23/2013	F	Hispanic or Latino
N	49,733.32	F	10/11/2017	M	Hispanic or Latino
N	46,864.27	F	10/16/2017	M	Hispanic or Latino
N	46,864.27	F	04/05/2021	M	Black or African American
N	61,765.39	F	01/24/2000	F	Hispanic or Latino
N	61,765.39	F	08/31/2009	F	Hispanic or Latino
N	54,845.88	F	08/22/2017	M	Black or African American
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N	52,716.12	F	02/01/2017	M	White
N	52,716.12	F	09/18/2006	M	Black or African American
N	51,682.54	F	01/27/2020	M	Black or African American
N	58,135.71	F	07/18/2022	F	White
N	44,767.27	F	08/14/2011	F	Black or African American
N	44,767.27	F	08/16/2010	M	Black or African American
N	44,767.27	F	10/26/2009	M	Black or African American
N	43,028.80	F	05/08/2006	F	Black or African American
N	40,546.32	F	02/25/2019	M	Hispanic or Latino
N	39,751.89	F	08/05/2019	F	Black or African American
N	39,751.89	F	03/23/2020	M	Hispanic or Latino
N	38,972.39	F	09/12/2022	F	Black or African American
N	38,972.39	F	06/07/2021	M	White
N	38,972.39	F	11/22/2021	F	Black or African American
N	38,972.39	F	03/28/2022	F	Black or African American
N	25,817.28	P	06/16/2013	M	White
N	24,327.79	P	12/21/2018	M	Black or African American
N	36,367.14	F	04/17/2007	M	Hispanic or Latino

Y	95,000.00 F	10/12/2010	M	Hispanic or Latino
Y	94,171.77 F	08/20/2009	F	White
Y	139,000.00 F	08/03/2015	F	White
Y	100,000.00 F	05/12/2014	F	White
Y	96,900.00 F	10/12/2010	F	White
N	75,060.44 F	11/14/2022	F	Asian
N	41,600.00 P	08/08/2022	F	Black or African American
N	41,600.00 P	02/14/2022	M	Black or African American
N	41,600.00 F	09/12/2022	M	Not Specified
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N	19,760.00 P	08/09/2021	F	Black or African American
N	19,760.00 P	03/02/2014	F	Black or African American
N	19,760.00 P	03/14/2004	M	Black or African American
N	19,760.00 P	10/19/2015	F	Black or African American
N	19,760.00 P	04/21/2020	M	Hispanic or Latino
N	19,760.00 P	07/29/2019	M	Black or African American
N	19,760.00 P	05/30/2019	M	Black or African American
N	19,760.00 P	04/23/2015	F	Black or African American
N	19,760.00 P	05/16/2022	M	White
N	19,760.00 P	04/14/2022	M	Black or African American
N	19,760.00 P	01/19/2014	M	Black or African American
N	19,760.00 P	02/22/2021	F	Hispanic or Latino
N	19,760.00 P	10/03/2022	M	Black or African American
N	19,760.00 P	02/01/2021	M	Black or African American
N	19,760.00 P	11/22/2021	F	Black or African American
N	19,760.00 P	09/20/2021	F	Black or African American
N	19,760.00 P	08/07/2005	F	Hispanic or Latino
N	19,760.00 P	06/12/2016	F	Hispanic or Latino
N	19,760.00 P	08/18/2019	M	Black or African American
N	19,760.00 P	03/15/2021	M	Black or African American
N	19,760.00 P	01/07/2018	F	Black or African American
N	32,305.00 P	10/11/2022	F	White
N	27,300.00 P	02/06/2023	F	White
N	27,300.00 P	02/14/2022	F	White
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N	14,820.00 F	01/31/2022	M	Black or African American

N	54,661.15	F	04/12/2010	M	Black or African American
N	51,503.45	F	12/28/2015	F	Black or African American
N	55,754.43	F	02/02/2001	F	Black or African American
N	49,520.56	F	10/19/2015	M	Black or African American
N	45,442.49	F	05/14/2018	F	Black or African American
N	41,981.21	F	12/21/2020	M	Hispanic or Latino
Y	91,000.00	F	04/28/2014	M	Black or African American
Y	78,030.00	F	03/07/2019	F	Black or African American
Y	76,500.12	F	11/04/2019	F	White
Y	74,999.08	F	09/12/2011	M	Black or African American
Y	73,689.86	F	05/30/1998	F	White
Y	66,196.24	F	04/26/2010	M	Black or African American
Y	65,000.00	F	04/29/2019	M	Black or African American
Y	65,000.00	F	01/03/2022	F	White
Y	65,000.00	F	05/16/2022	F	Black or African American
Y	60,000.20	F	10/18/2021	F	Hispanic or Latino
Y	59,533.77	F	03/19/2012	M	Black or African American
Y	54,100.80	F	07/17/2017	F	Hispanic or Latino
N	43,395.87	F	04/24/2017	F	Hispanic or Latino
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N	41,710.58	F	12/20/2021	M	Black or African American
N	40,090.78	F	01/06/2020	M	Black or African American
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N	42,495.18	F	04/13/2020	M	Black or African American
N	42,495.18	F	03/16/2020	M	Black or African American
N	42,495.18	F	05/02/2022	F	Black or African American
N	41,662.17	F	04/20/2021	M	Black or African American
N	41,662.17	F	06/14/2021	F	White
N	41,662.17	F	01/03/2023	M	Black or African American
N	40,845.35	F	04/25/2022	M	Black or African American
N	40,845.35	F	03/21/2022	F	Black or African American
N	40,845.35	F	10/16/2016	F	Black or African American
N	40,844.44	F	07/05/2022	F	Black or African American

N	69,477.82 F	11/22/1999	F	Hispanic or Latino
N	69,477.82 F	05/24/2010	M	Black or African American
N	45,442.49 F	03/26/2017	F	Black or African American
N	44,551.42 F	07/08/2019	M	Black or African American
N	40,613.25 P	07/30/1997	F	Hispanic or Latino
N	45,442.49 F	02/12/2008	F	Black or African American
N	45,442.49 F	07/06/2010	M	White
N	55,754.43 F	02/25/2007	F	Black or African American
Y	59,533.77 F	04/24/2015	M	Black or African American



## **BPHC 17F Response: Opioid Epidemic (3/8/2023)**

### **Recovery Services Bureau Description**

Recovery Services offers comprehensive programming and resources aimed at preventing substance misuse and supporting the treatment and recovery for those impacted by substance use disorders. Services are provided at two locations in Boston and cover critical gaps in the continuum of care including comprehensive drug user health services and Narcan distribution, street outreach, long-term and transitional residential programming, outpatient services, the Engagement Center, drop-in access to treatment, a peer recovery center and youth prevention and advocacy.

**Divisions and Programs** – Harm Reduction, Engagement and Street Outreach, Access to Care, Substance Use Treatment, Community Grants, Youth Prevention, and Strategic Initiatives/Policy.

### **Opioid Epidemic Programs and Services**

#### ***Harm Reduction Division:***

The division's goal is to reduce the negative health consequences associated with drug use, particularly HIV/AIDS, Hepatitis C, and TB and promote HIV/STI testing and treatment for active users. The program utilizes a range of strategies to keep users engaged in the program. These strategies include services to people who use drugs such as needle exchange, overdose prevention education, and distribution of Narcan. Through a mobile van, drop-in center, and street outreach, the staff engage and educate active users and their families, increasing access to substance use treatment.

#### ***AHOPE: Access, Harm Reduction, Overdose Prevention, & Education***

- Overdose prevention training & access to nasal naloxone (Narcan).
- Free, legal & anonymous needle exchange & safe supplies.
- HIV, Hepatitis & STI testing.
- On-demand access to medication for addiction treatment through BHCHP and BMC.
- Referrals to HIV & HCV treatment.
- Fixed drop-in location in the South End. Mobile van services in downtown Boston, West End, Nubian Square, Dorchester, and Fenway.
- Partnership with the Kraft/BHCHP CareZone Van in Boston neighborhoods experiencing highest rates of overdose.

*Key Partners:* Boston Healthcare for the Homeless Program (BHCHP), Boston Medical Center, community providers

*Funding Source:* State, Private

- FY2020 = \$798,137.51
- FY2021 = \$816,200
- FY2022 = \$856,925.21
- FY2023 = \$1,486,280.03

### **Overdose Prevention Services**

- In-person and online overdose prevention trainings including the use of naloxone (Narcan).
- Distribution of naloxone to families, treatment providers, law enforcement, hospitals, health centers, housing developments, sober homes, city buildings and correctional facilities.
- On-line training module available in English and Spanish.

*Key Partners:* Community providers, residents, and individuals with SUD and their families

*Funding Source:* City, State, Federal

- FY2020 = \$1,233,981.65
- FY2021 = \$1,286,229.29
- FY2022 = \$1,364,168.7
- FY2023 = \$1,454,215.48

### **The Post Overdose Response Team (PORT)**

- Partnership between Recovery Services, Boston Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services to conduct in-person outreach to residential locations following a non-fatal overdose.
- Education, treatment placement, harm reduction supplies, family support, and naloxone provided as needed.

*Key Partners:* BFD and EMS

*Funding Source:* State

- FY2020 = \$100,000
- FY2021 = \$200,000
- FY2022 = \$100,000
- FY2023 = \$182,969.18

### **Syringe Collection**

- Mobile Sharps Team provides proactive sweeps in high volume areas and responds to 311 calls for improperly discarded syringes in public areas.
- Eleven outdoor kiosks for disposal located in hard-hit areas.
- Provide training on safe sharps disposal to Boston Public Schools, Boston Housing Authority, Parks Department and other city departments to improve collection and safety on city property.
- Community Syringe Redemption Program to stipend peers to collect syringes in the Newmarket Square neighborhood, Nubian Square, and downtown and provide a low-threshold workforce opportunity for vulnerable residents.

*Key Partners:* 24 Trauma, Addiction Response Resources, Environmental and Occupational Health Division, Department of Parks and Recreation, Department of Public Works, Mayor's Office Coordinated Response Team, constituents

*Funding Source:* City

- *FY2020 = \$335,947.77*
- *FY2021 = \$380,990.18*
- *FY2022 = \$1,160,308.65*
- *FY2023 = \$1,145,821.16*

**Engagement and Street Outreach Division:**

- **Engagement Center**
  - Welcoming drop-in center for people struggling with homelessness, substance use and mental health to spend time during the day and connect to services and nursing support.
  - Full-time nursing support provided by Boston Healthcare for the Homeless Program.
  - Two Peer Recovery Coaches onsite for rapid treatment access and assistance with social service connections.
  - *Key Partners:* BHCHP, Eliot Human Services, MA Registry of Motor Vehicles, community providers
- **Street Outreach Team**
  - Canvas the Mass. Ave/Melnea Cass neighborhood including parks and schools in S. End/Rox, engaging with people on the street.
  - Engagement includes bringing individuals directly to recovery and harm reduction services, responding to overdoses in the area, collecting syringes, and coordinating with homeless shelters.
  - Provide transportation or assistance in returning to family.
  - *Key Partners:* Businesses, BHCHP, BPS, EMS, BPD, Mayor’s Office Community Response Team (CRT), community providers

*Funding Source: City, State*

- *FY2020 = \$1,917,092.9*
- *FY2021 = \$1,974,829.9*
- *FY2022 = \$1,760,423.97*
- *FY2023 = \$1,802,133.11*

**Access to Care Division:**

***PAATHS (Providing Access to Addiction Treatment, Hope & Support)***

PAATHS is a one-stop shop for individuals and families looking for information about, or access to, substance use treatment and other recovery support services. Its goals are to increase access to care and better connect Boston residents to a wide continuum of available substance use and mental health services in Boston and statewide.

- Walk in service to assess people for treatment needs and placements.
- Address patient barriers like transportation, drug screening and insurance support.
- Work with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (MDPH) to flag any emerging gaps in care for immediate response across the system.
- *311 for Recovery Services/and 1-800 #*
  - The City’s confidential 24/7 referral center for treatment & recovery services.

- Function as a resource for loved ones in need of information, answer requests for treatment placements, and offer technical assistance to health centers and hospitals.

*Key Partners:* 311, BHCHP, BMC, BFD, BPD, hospitals, community providers

*Funding Source:* City

- FY2020 = \$1,060,376.00
- FY2021 = \$1,177,304.59
- FY2022 = \$1,163,430.62
- FY2023 = \$1,081,564.93

***Substance Use Disorder Treatment Division:***

Provides high quality, evidence-based, comprehensive, and culturally appropriate treatment services to residents of Boston, particularly to vulnerable and emerging populations and those historically difficult to engage in services.

***Residential Campus***

- Located on the Mattapan Campus providing 24/7 residential care for substance use disorder.
- **Transitions** (45 beds) is a co-ed post detox 30-day treatment program licensed by MDPH.
- **Entre Familia** (20 families) family residential treatment program that provides bilingual/bicultural, gender-specific, substance use disorder treatment to pregnant and postpartum women and their children licensed by MDPH.
- **Wyman Recovery Home** (30-beds) is a 4-6-month residential recovery program for men licensed by MDPH.

*Key Partners:* Community providers, PAATHS

*Funding Source:* State, City, Private

- FY2020 = \$5,928,079.74
- FY2021 = \$6,106,673.60
- FY2022 = \$5,921,909.97
- FY2023 (7/1/2022-2/28/2023) = \$3,551,346.81

***Case Management Initiative***

Target population is individuals with a history of chronic homelessness and severe substance use disorder, and individuals new to the area arriving from places outside of Boston. BPHC, with support from the Mayor’s Office, created a case management team to triage services to these two populations. The Case Management Initiative works with outreach to intake individuals located at Mass and Cass into a data system. The team then reconnects individuals to areas of ties, refers them to shelter/treatment/housing, and conducts ongoing engagement and coordination of care.

*Key Partners:* Mayor’s office CRT, Mayors Office of Housing, Eliot Human Services, outreach teams

*Funding:* City

- \$400,000 Pilot funded from Jan. 1 - June 30, 2023

## **American Rescue Plan Act Funded Programs:**

### ***Exploring Additional Day Time Engagement Space***

- BPHC currently runs a large engagement center space located at 26 Atkinson Street. There is a need to create smaller day spaces in the City for people to gather and congregate safely with supports and resources. This funding expanded the model providing for two additional spaces located in neighborhoods with demonstrated need and at locations with existing infrastructure to provide supportive harm reduction services and referrals.
- Welcoming drop-in center for people struggling with homelessness, substance use and mental health to spend time during the day and connect to services and nursing support.

*Key Partners:* Community providers, Whittier Street Community Health Center, Victory Programs, Resources for Recovery, outreach teams, BPHC van transportation.

*Funding Source:* Federal (ARPA)

- FY2023 – FY2025 = \$2,915,000

### ***Community Engagement to Address Substance Use and Unsheltered Residents***

These funds support a community engagement process with two communities in Boston, Nubian Square and East Boston, and advance the City's initiative to expand capacity building to communities outside of the Mass/Cass neighborhood. Faith and community leaders from two neighborhoods engage with community members, businesses, residents and the City to create a more coordinated approach to dealing with the unique challenges historically impacted by the "war on drugs," the most recent increase in fatal overdoses among Black men, and the disproportionate impact of Covid-19 on communities of color. These teams develop relationships with individuals spending time on the street and are a resource to the businesses/residents, creating consistent communication and support to address needs and challenges as they arise.

*Key Partners:* Torchlight, East Boston Neighborhood Health Center, service providers, BPD, businesses

*Funding Source:* Federal (ARPA)

- FY2023 – FY2025 = \$685,000

### ***ARPA Public Health Response***

- Expand medical and behavioral health supports in the target areas, including: LICSW support for people in crisis, expanding medical and psychiatric supports for unhoused individuals in the area, and expanding medical and psychiatric support for newly housed individuals.
- Increase cleaning efforts, targeting the cleaning of encampments, as well as in the collection of needles.
- Storage service to address the collection and storage of personal belongings for unsheltered individuals for up to 60 days.
- Enhance transportation to treatment and services outside of Boston.
- Enhance engagement between the task force and the community by creating funding opportunities to support targeted efforts.

*Key Partners:* Newmarket Business Improvement District, BPD, outreach, Mayor's Office, Coordinated Response Team, Boston Health Care for the Homeless

*Funding Source:* Federal (ARPA)

- *FY2023 – FY2025 = \$1,398,000*

**ARPA Harm Reduction**

- Provide services to address substance use disorder exacerbated by the pandemic, including: Mass & Cass specific expenses related to direct outreach and expansion of services hours, and specific outreach to vulnerable populations on substance use disorder.
- Expand syringe service hours into the evening to meet the need for additional skilled providers.
- Adding harm reduction vending machines in high use areas will allow individuals to access safer use supplies (syringes, condoms, Narcan, etc.) at any time of the day or night.
- Sterile syringes and supplies.

*Key Partners:* Boston Health Care for the Homeless

*Funding Source: Federal (ARPA)*

- *FY2023 – FY2025 = \$1,156,300*

**ARPA Workforce Development**

- *Increase syringe collection efforts and cleaning through incentive programs for individuals on the street or in shelter.*
- *Add peer-led street cleaning services in the Mass/Cass area.*
- *Pay per Day Program* –Building on the success of the pay-per-day program at the Engagement Center, the Newmarket Business Association was awarded a grant to provide low-threshold work opportunities to individuals experiencing homelessness.

*Key Partners:* Newmarket Business Improvement District, BPD, Department of Public Works, outreach and Mayor’s Office Coordinated Response Team.

*Funding Source: Federal (ARPA)*

- *FY2023 – FY2025 = \$1,456,818.17*

**ARPA Low-threshold Housing**

Low-threshold Programs do not have strict entry requirements related to abstinence or engagement in treatment and services. Beginning in the fall, the City of Boston collaborated with the State and community providers to establish 6 low-threshold housing sites, with the goal of providing safe emergency shelter to unsheltered individuals with severe substance use disorder. BPHC provides data management and programmatic support to the six sites

*Key Partners:* Mayor’s Office Coordinated Response Team, Mayors Office of Housing, Eliot Human Services, Victory Programs, BMC, BHCHP, Pine Street Inn, Boston Housing Authority

*Funding Source: Federal (ARPA)*

- *FY2023 – FY2025 = 2,447,410.16*

**ARPA Encampment Response**

Encampment response services are pivotal to the stabilization of homeless individuals with SUD both throughout the encampment crisis and during post-tenting clearing and stabilization. Without continued support, Recovery Services will not be able to sustain the level of services or support

provided at the Engagement Center and new satellite sites in new locations. This project includes continued expanded medical and behavioral health supports through Boston Health Care for the Homeless, cleaning efforts, enhanced transportation to services outside Boston, expanded services to address housing stability, biohazard encampment response, and provision of security.

*Key Partners:* 24 Trauma, Eliot Human Services, BHCHP, Victory Programs, BMC, BHCHP, Ware Security

*Funding Source:* Federal (ARPA)

- FY2023 – FY2025 = \$2,000,000

**BOSTON PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION  
POLICY AND PROCEDURE**

SUBJECT: Equitable Procurement

DATE: Issued June 24, 2019; Revision 1 - January 2021, Revision 2 - June 2021, Revision 3 - December 2021

APPROVED: Bisola Ojikutu  
Executive Director, Dr. Bisola Ojikutu

I. PURPOSE

The Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) must contract with business enterprises for various goods and services each year while delivering quality services to the residents of Boston. In alignment with BPHC's principles of fairness and equity, BPHC acknowledges the historic and structural barriers that have contributed to inequitable economic investment in businesses across the City of Boston and recognizes its responsibility in creating a procurement environment where all capable enterprises have an equitable opportunity to compete for BPHC contracts. It is the purpose of the policy to establish strategies to remove barriers and increase economic development opportunities to capable business enterprises often underrepresented in government contracting. *Subrecipients (as defined in 2 CFR § 200.331) are not considered government contractors due to the nature of their work; and are therefore exempt from this policy.*

II. POLICY

BPHC requires all Bureau Programs/Departments (Bureaus) and Public Health Service Centers (PHSCs) make measurable efforts to contract with a diverse group of Certified Underrepresented Business Enterprises (CUBE) and adhere to the procedures set forth within this policy. When all business considerations are determined to be equal among competitive suppliers, BPHC will award contracts to certified vendors.

III. CUBE DEFINITIONS

- A. Disability-owned Business Enterprises (DOBE): At least 51% owned and dominantly controlled by one or more adult persons with a disability, who are U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents
- B. Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender-owned Enterprise (LGBTBE): At least 51% owned and dominantly controlled by one or more adult LGBT persons, who are U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents
- C. Minority-owned Business Enterprise (MBE): At least 51% owned and dominantly controlled by one or more adult minority persons, who are U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents.



- D. Small Local Businesses Enterprise (SLBE): An independent business with its principal office physically located in Boston whose gross receipts, when averaged over a three-period, do not exceed gross income limitations for that particular industry as defined by the City of Boston's Small Local Business Enterprise Office
- E. Women-owned Business Enterprise (WBE): At least 51% owned and dominantly controlled by one or more adult women, who are U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents
- F. Veteran-owned Business Enterprise (VBE): At least 51% owned and dominantly controlled by adult veteran principals, who are U.S. citizens or lawful permanent residents
- G. Non-Profit: Your organization must be a tax-exempt non-profit. At least 51% of the organization's Board of Directors and Voting Membership must be women and/or members of one of our statutorily defined minority groups
  - Minority Only - Minority Woman and Men Combined (M/NPO)
  - Woman Only – Non-Minority and Minority Woman Combined (W/NPO)
  - Minority Woman Only (M/W/NPO)

#### IV. PROCEDURES

CUBE vendors are not guaranteed BPHC contracts. However, quotes and responses from CUBEs must be obtained whenever possible when deciding to enter into a contract for goods or services. When doing so, they must at a minimum check the databases listed below. When all business considerations are determined to be equal among competitive suppliers, BPHC will award contracts to certified vendors.

- **Certified Vendor Databases:**
  - MA Supplier Diversity Office Directory of Certified Businesses
  - City of Boston's Certified Business Directory

Bureaus and PHSCs can contract with under-represented business enterprises that are not certified but should in that event notify such businesses of this policy and the certification agencies referenced below.

- **Certifying Agencies:**
  - Massachusetts' Supplier Diversity Office (MBE, WBE, VBE)
  - City of Boston's Office of Economic Development (MBE, WBE, SLBE)
  - National Minority Supplier Development Council (MBE)
  - Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBE)
  - Disability:IN (DOBE)
  - National LGBT Chamber of Commerce (LGBTBE)
  - U.S. Small Business Administration (WBE, VBE)

## A. Solicitation

### 1. Goods & Services under \$50,000

- Bureaus and PHSCs are required to solicit at least three quotes, one of which must be from a CUBE. If a quote is unobtainable or a capable CUBE is unavailable, a notice must be submitted to the Procure to Pay Office via the Expenditure Authorization Form (EAF)
- Except as otherwise provided in this subparagraph, Bureaus and PHSCs do not need to solicit at least three quotes for Goods or Services under \$25,000 if the contract is awarded to a CUBE and the price offered by the CUBE is reasonable for the goods or services being purchased
- The two exceptions of the \$25,000 CUBE Bypass are 1) once the \$25,000 threshold has been exceeded per CUBE per fiscal year, the Bypass no longer applies; and 2) if the source of funding for the goods or services is a federal, federal pass-through or state funded grant, the threshold for contracting without three quotes is reduced to \$10,000

### 2. Goods & Services over \$50,000

- Bureaus and PHSCs are required to complete a Request for Response process when procuring goods or services over \$50,000 and must solicit responses from CUBEs. If a response cannot be obtained from a CUBE, include note on the Expenditure Authorization Matrix

### 3. Request for Response (RFR)

- RFRs over \$50,000 must be advertised for at least two-weeks prior to the response deadline. Boston neighborhood or community newspapers should be strongly considered for this advertising
- Bureaus and PHSCs may be required to include an evaluation tool to assist in the RFR vendor selection process. RFRs in excess of \$250,000 are always required to include an evaluation tool
- Bureaus and PHSCs may be required to hold at least one vendor conference during the duration of an RFR posting

### 4. Commission Wide Contract

- Procure to Pay Office will seek to increase the numbers of CUBEs that are included in the Commission wide contract listing. Bureaus and Programs may solicit quotes from other CUBE vendors not listed.

### 5. Vendor Funding

- Contractors and grant recipients of BPHC funds are required to make a good faith effort to contract with CUBEs while performing BPHC's scope of work. Contractors and grant recipients must report on all vendors used to perform BPHC's work and identify CUBEs

## V. RESPONSIBILITY

It is the responsibility of Program Directors or Principal Investigators (PIs), and Program Managers to ensure programs/departments adheres to this policy and procedures.

It is the responsibility of the Procure to Pay Office to:

- Verify that Bureaus and PHSCs adhere to the procedures set forth within this policy
- Manage, maintain, and make available listings of CUBEs and BPHC's Commission wide contracts to Bureaus and PHSCs
- Track, produce, and make available data on BPHC's CUBE contracting performance to the Equitable Procurement Committee

It is the responsibility of the Equitable Procurement Committee to periodically review BPHC's CUBE contracting performance and make recommendations for improvement.



Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS  
City Clerk

March 13, 2023

To The City Council

Councilors:

In accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979, I hereby notify you of the following actions taken by the Mayor with regard to the papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of, March 1, 2023, viz.

- 0116** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Six Hundred Thirty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,633,500.00) in the form of a grant, for the Resilient Moakley Connectors, awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, passed through the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency, to be administered by the Environment Department. The grant will fund pre-construction planning and design activities in the northern and southern areas adjacent to Moakley Park, located along the waterfront of Dorchester and South Boston neighborhoods. The project is separate but complementary to the flood mitigation project within Moakley Park..

**Approved by the Mayor March 6, 2023**

- 0117** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eight Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$870,000.00) in the form of a grant, for Climate Resilience, awarded by the Barr Foundation to be administered by the Environment Department. The grant will fund the continued implementation of Climate Ready Boston initiatives. This includes advancing coastal resilience and heat resilience strategies, prioritizing equitable electrification and creating a community tree care program.

**Approved by the Mayor March 6, 2023**

- 0118** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$297,200.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY23 Local Cultural Council Program, awarded by the Massachusetts Cultural Council to be administered by the Office of Arts and Culture. The grant will fund innovative arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences programming that enhance the quality of life in our city.
- Approved by the Mayor March 6, 2023**
- 0120** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$160,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Immigrant Advancement Fund, awarded by the Donor Group to be administered by the Mayor’s Office of Immigrant Advancement. The grant will fund programs, initiatives, events and small grants that enable immigrants to play an active role in the economic, civic, social and cultural life of the City of Boston.
- Approved by the Mayor March 6, 2023**
- 0407** Message and order for your approval an order at the recommendation of the Chair of the Board of Election Commissioners, I hereby transmit for the approval of your Honorable Body an Order Fixing the date of the Preliminary Election for this Municipal Year as September 12, 2023.
- Approved by the Mayor March 6, 2023**
- 0446** Message and order approving a supplemental appropriation for the Public Health Commission for FY23 in the amount of Fifty Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$50,850.00) to cover the FY23 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Public Health Commission and the SEIU Local 888 (Coordinators/Assistant Coordinators Unit). The terms of the contracts include base wage increases of 2% in October 2020, 1.5% in October of 2021, and 2% in October 2022.
- Approved by the Mayor March 6, 2023**

**0447** Message and order to reduce the FY23 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Fifty Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$50,850.00) to provide funding for the Public Health Commission for the FY23 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the Public Health Commission and the SEIU Local 888 (Coordinator/Assistant Coordinators Unit).  
**Approved by the Mayor March 6, 2023**

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alex Geourntas". The signature is written in black ink and has a fluid, connected style.

Alex Geourntas  
City Clerk



Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS  
City Clerk

March 13, 2023

To The City Council

Councilors:

In accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979, I hereby notify you of the following actions taken by the Mayor with regard to the papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of, March 8, viz.

**0323** Message and order or your approval a proposed Act to Improve and Modernize Planning and Community Development in the City of Boston.

**Approved by the Mayor March 13, 2023**

**0408** Message and order authorizing your approval, a home rule petition to the General Court RE: A Special Law Authorizing the City of Boston to Implement Rent Stabilization and Tenant Eviction Protections,"

**Approved by the Mayor March 13, 2023**

Respectfully,

Alex Geourntas  
City Clerk



## **CITY OF BOSTON**

### **RESIDENCY COMPLIANCE COMMISSION**

#### **ANNUAL REPORT (January 2021 to December 2021)**

##### **January-December 2021 Commission Members**

Chairperson:

Francis J. Doyle, Esq. (At Large)

Commissioners:

Anissa Essaibi-George (Boston City Council)

Eileen Boyle (Save Our City)

Denise Williams Harris (Save Our City)

Vivian Leonard (Affirmative Action Officer)

Kenneth Ryan (Union)

Blanca Tosado (At Large)

Reviewed and Approved By  
Current Chairperson:

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## OVERVIEW

The Residency Compliance Commission has been established pursuant to City of Boston Ordinances. 5-10.1, as amended in 1994, and most recently amended in 2016.

## MEETINGS

The Residency Compliance Commission meets regularly, with meetings normally scheduled for the first Thursday of each month at 9:00 am. Over the past year, the Commission conducted meetings on the following dates:

January 7, 2021	June 18, 2021
February 4, 2021	August 12, 2021
March 10, 2021	September 9, 2021
April 1, 2021	October 7, 2021
May 6, 2021	November 4, 2021
December 2, 2021	

## COMMISSION ACTIVITIES

### *Residency Commission Business Forms, Documentation & Procedures*

At the beginning of this period the Commission was presented with copies of the Open Meeting Law, the Annual Meeting Schedule, and Meeting Agenda, which the applicable documents were signed.

### *Annual Residency Compliance Update & Report*

As of the Annual reporting period, 99.98% of the required City of Boston workforce, which comprises of 3459 employees, has completed the 2020 Annual Residency Compliance during the period from March 8, 2021 – April 9, 2021.

Cabinet Chiefs and Department Heads have received communication pertaining to employees who have not completed Annual Residency Compliance, along with copies of the Residency Ordinance, an update is also provided with the annual compliance 2021 weekly summary report.

### *Cases, Investigations, & Hearings*

Consistent with the City Ordinance, the Commission reviews potential cases for violations. If warranted, the Commission accepts a case for investigation, and then assigns it to the Compliance Unit. The Compliance Unit assigns the case to its staff investigator or on occasion, a private firm contracted to conduct investigations for the Commission.

Referred to Investigation:

*Investigation Findings:*

In Compliance	n/a
Not in Compliance	n/a
Investigation Continued	4 (BPD - 2, BTD, PWD)

Hearings Held	7
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*Hearing Finding*

In Compliance	1 (BCYF)
Not in Compliance	n/a

*Employee Disposition*

Terminated under Ordinance	n/a
Resigned in Lieu of Termination	2 (Parks and BPL)

*Appeals – Grievances/Arbitrations/Civil service*

Upheld Finding	n/a
Reversed Finding	n/a

*Residency Data Requests*

*Other Activities*

Training, etc. – No Training was scheduled during the reporting period.

**CURRENT COMMISSION MEMBERS**

The Commission members and their affiliation as of the date of this report are as follows:

- Chairperson: Francis J. Doyle, Esq. (At Large)
- Commissioners: Anissa Essaibi-George (Boston City Council)  
Eileen Boyle (Save Our City)  
Denise Williams Harris (Save Our City)  
Vivian Leonard (Affirmative Action Officer)  
Kenneth Ryan (Union)  
Blanca Tosado (At Large)
- Compliance Unit Staff: Shiaka Allen (OHR)  
Ellen Ferry (OHR)



Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS

City Clerk

March 6, 2023

TO THE CITY COUNCIL,

Submitted herewith for your consideration, please find the designation of The First Church in Roxbury, 160 Roxbury Street, Boston, MA, as a Landmark.

The foregoing designation was approved by the Boston Landmarks Commission on February 28, 2023 and having been presented to the Mayor was returned signed on March 6, 2023.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, as amended, if not acted upon within thirty days (April 5, 2023), the designation shall be deemed as if approved.

Alex Geourntas

City Clerk

cc Rosanne Foley, Executive Director  
Boston Landmarks Commission

**VOTE OF DESIGNATION BY THE  
BOSTON LANDMARKS COMMISSION**

**PROPERTY:** The First Church in Roxbury, 160 Roxbury Street, Roxbury (Boston), MA

**STANDARDS AND CRITERIA TO BE APPLIED:**

As described in the section entitled: "8.0 Standards and Criteria," included in the study report for the subject property.

**APPROVED BY THE BOSTON LANDMARKS COMMISSION:**

Date approved: **2/28/2023**

Attest:

  
(Secretary to the Commission)

**PRESENTED TO THE MAYOR:**

**MAR 01 2023**

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(Date)

**APPROVED BY THE MAYOR:**

Date approved:

**3/6/23**  
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Signature:

  
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(Mayor)

**PRESENTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL:**

**MAR 15 2023**

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(Date)

**APPROVED BY CITY COUNCIL:**

Date approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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(City Clerk)

**VOTE OF DESIGNATION BY THE  
BOSTON LANDMARKS COMMISSION**

**PROPERTY:** The First Church in Roxbury, 160 Roxbury Street, Roxbury (Boston), MA

**VOTED:** That on February 28, 2023, the Boston Landmarks Commission designates the First Church in Roxbury at 160 Roxbury Street as a Boston Landmark under Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, as amended.

**VOTING IN FAVOR:**

David Berarducci  
John Freeman  
Christopher Hart

Kirsten Hoffman  
Felicia Jacques  
Lindsey Mac Jones

Justine Orlando  
Lynn Smiledge  
Brad Walker

**VOTING IN OPPOSITION:**

None.

**GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SITE:**

The Meetinghouse building of the First Church in Roxbury is the oldest wood frame church in Boston. The Meetinghouse is a paragon of the Federal/Adamesque style in the Boston area and New England, displaying a monumental scale, sophisticated composition and detailing, and a remarkable, 100-foot high steeple. Its historic building fabric has been preserved to a remarkable degree; it is probably the most intact Federal church building in Boston. It is notable also for its extraordinarily spacious, hilltop site with a panoramic view of Boston. More modestly scaled, Putnam Chapel is a lively example of ecclesiastical architecture in the Eastlake style. The property's architectural and landscape features remain substantially intact, presenting a striking reminder of Roxbury's transformation from an agricultural community to a densely populated urban center, and the role of religious societies in the development of the Roxbury community. Today, the Unitarian Universalist Urban Ministry is an active and integral part of the community. The church campus hosts community events and is an important gathering place for the majority Black population in Roxbury.

**GENERAL BOUNDARIES OF THE SITE:**

The boundaries of the designated property are limited to the following address and parcel number: 160 Roxbury Street, Roxbury, parcel number 0903294000.



The Honorable Michelle Wu  
Mayor of the City of Boston  
Boston City Hall  
Boston, MA 02201

March 1, 2023

**RE: Petition #122.87 – The First Church in Roxbury**

Dear Mayor Wu:

On February 28, 2023, the Boston Landmarks Commission unanimously voted to designate the First Church in Roxbury as a Landmark under the provisions of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, as amended.

The historical significance of the First Church in Roxbury spans across centuries. Two archaeological surveys in 2003 and 2019 at the First Church in Roxbury have documented that multiple intact ancient Native Massachusetts sites exist on the First Church property. In the 17th and 18th centuries, when Roxbury was a largely agricultural area, parishioners included some of its most substantial farmers, as well as both enslaved and free people of African and Indigenous descent. As Boston’s economy changed to manufacturing and trade in the early 19th century, the congregation was characterized by prominent merchants and professionals who built country estates. Today, the Unitarian Universalist Urban Ministry is an active and integral part of the community. The church campus hosts community events and is an important gathering place for the majority Black population in Roxbury.

The First Church in Roxbury is architecturally significant at the local and state levels as an outstanding example of ecclesiastical architecture in the early nineteenth century; for the visually stunning integrity of its architectural and landscape features; and for its associations with a nationally-renowned proponent of professional architectural design, Asher Benjamin.

The Boston Landmarks Commission asks that you give full consideration to the designation of the First Church in Roxbury as a Boston Landmark. Please don’t hesitate to call me at (617) 635-2510 if you have any questions.

Best Regards,



Rosanne Foley  
Executive Director  
Boston Landmarks Commission



Alex Geourntas  
City Clerk, City of Boston  
Boston City Hall - Room 601  
Boston, MA 02201

March 1, 2023

**RE: Petition #122.87 – The First Church in Roxbury**

Dear Mr. Geourntas,

On February 28, 2023, the Boston Landmarks Commission unanimously voted to designate the First Church in Roxbury as a Landmark under the provisions of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, as amended.

According to the Landmarks Commission's statute, a designation approved by the Commission is presented to the Mayor for signing. If the Mayor disapproves the designation, they file the designation form with the City Clerk with objections noted in writing. If no mayoral action is taken on a designation, it is deemed approved by the Mayor after fifteen days.

The statute states that within thirty days following mayoral approval, the City Council can override a designation by a two-thirds vote. In the absence of City Council action, the designation is approved after the thirty-first day.

I appreciate your supervision of this approval process. Please call me at (617) 635-2510 if you have any questions.

Best Regards,



Rosanne Foley  
Executive Director  
Boston Landmarks Commission



Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS  
City Clerk

RECEIVED FROM THE CITY CLERK FOR PRESENTATION TO THE  
MAYOR, VIZ:

Designation as a Landmark - Petition #122.87, The First Church in  
Roxbury, 160 Roxbury Street, Boston, MA





City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**MICHELLE WU**

January 23, 2023

The Honorable Alex Geourntas  
Office of the City Clerk  
1 City Hall Plaza  
Room 601  
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Mr. Clerk:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 2, Section 15, **I hereby appoint Vivian Leonard of 259 Fairmount Avenue, Hyde Park, Massachusetts 02136, as a member of the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission, effective immediately.**

This Member will serve a term coterminous with the mayor, provided members may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



# BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

Committee on Government Operations  
Ricardo Arroyo, Chair

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One City Hall Square ♦ 5<sup>th</sup> Floor ♦ Boston, MA 02201 ♦ Phone: (617) 635-3040 ♦ Fax: (617) 635-4203

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

March 15, 2023

Dear Councilors:

*Docket #0319, notice from the Mayor of the appointment of Vivian Leonard as a member of the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission; Docket #0320, notice from the Mayor of the appointment of Sammy Nabulsi as a member of the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission; and, Docket #0321, notice from the Mayor of the appointment of Vivien Li as a member of the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission, were referred to the Committee on January 25, 2023, and sponsored by Mayor Michelle Wu. The Committee held a hearing on March 9, 2023.*

### **Summary of Legislation As Filed:**

Dockets #0319, #0320 and #0321 are Mayor Michelle Wu's appointments to the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission. These appointments will serve coterminous with the Mayor.

### **Information Gathered at the March 9, 2023 Hearing:**

The Chair provided opening remarks explaining that the Mayor has the authority pursuant to City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 2 Section 15 to appoint members of the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission (Commission). The Mayor appoints the three commissioners and they serve coterminous with the Mayor. The Mayor fills any vacancies for the unexpired term. The Commission may create regulations for the administration and implementation of the lobbying ordinance. The Commission has the authority to investigate and make findings related to compliance with the lobbying ordinance. The Chair stated that this hearing is an opportunity for the Committee to hear from the Mayor's appointees.

The appointees described their experience, qualifications, and willingness to serve on the Commission. Ms. Leonard stated that she is a lifelong resident of Boston. Ms. Leonard described her educational and work experience. Ms. Leonard stated that the lobbying ordinance is crucial to ensure transparency and accountability in government and that she is honored to serve on the Commission.

Mr. Nabulsi and Ms. Li are reappointments to the Commission and they also expressed their willingness to remain on the Commission. Mr. Nabulsi stated that he is an attorney and partner in a Boston law firm that specializes in environmental, land use, zoning, and real estate matters. Attorney Nabulsi explained that he currently serves as Chairperson of the Commission and that the Commission served an important role in the implementation of the original lobbying

ordinance. Attorney Nabulsi highlighted the accomplishments of the Commission which included the promulgation of regulations that clarified lobbying activities and established a process for violations. The Commission also created a process for public access to information and an online reporting process working with the Clerk's Office and the Department of Innovation and Technology. The Commission also focused on the educational aspect of the ordinance and the City's Office of Human Resources will include compliance with the lobbying law training with the current compliance training. Attorney Nabulsi expressed his willingness to serve on the Commission and emphasized the importance of the Commission's role in carrying out the spirit of the lobbying ordinance.

Ms. Li stated that she has lived for 35 years in the Back Bay. Ms. Li referred to her experience working with the Boston Harbor Association. Ms. Li stated that as a non-attorney on the Commission that she brings a focus of a public advocacy and transparency lens looking at how the public can best access information. Ms. Li explained that as a current Commissioner she worked on the implementation of the regulations and technology upgrades which made the registration and filing process easier. Ms. Li stated that now the compliance is at 99.9% compared to the initial process that was very burdensome for the Clerk's Office. Ms. Li explained that the online filing and reporting system has made the process easier for all parties. Ms. Li expressed her willingness to serve on the Commission.

Councilors thanked the appointees for their willingness to serve and expressed their support for all of the appointees. Councilors discussed the importance of institutional continuity, public advocacy, and information sharing expertise of the Commission. Councilors asked the Commission if they would be willing to brief the Councilors about the requirements of the ordinance and regulations. The Committee discussed that having briefings by the Commission will be helpful for Councilors and staff. Councilors inquired if anything needed to be tweaked in the ordinance, if the portal issues have been resolved, the quarterly reporting requirements, and the difference between advocacy and lobbying activity that requires registration.

**Rationale and Recommended Action:**

The City Council is required to have a hearing on the Mayor's appointees to the Commission under the express terms of the *Lobbyist Registration and Regulation Ordinance, See CBC 2-15.4*. The Committee held the public hearing and heard from all of the appointees. The Committee also discussed the purpose and goals of the Commission. The Committee supports the Mayor's appointments and looks forward to the work of the Commission in implementing the lobbying law and providing accessibility and transparency to the public. Having held the public hearing, I will be recommending that these dockets be placed on file so that the appointees may be sworn in and continue the important work of the Commission.

By the Chair of the Committee on Government Operations, to which the following was referred:

***Docket #0319, notice from the Mayor of the appointment of Vivian Leonard as a member of the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission; Docket #0320, notice from the Mayor of the appointment of Sammy Nabulsi as a member of the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission; and, Docket #0321, notice from the Mayor of the appointment of Vivien Li as a member of the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission,***

submits a report recommending that these dockets **be placed on file**.

For the Chair:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ra", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Ricardo Arroyo, Chair  
Committee on Government Operations



City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**MICHELLE WU**

January 23, 2023

The Honorable Alex Geourntas  
Office of the City Clerk  
1 City Hall Plaza  
Room 601  
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Mr. Clerk:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 2, Section 15, **I hereby re-appoint Sammy Nabulsi of 235 Eustis Street, Unit 2, Roxbury, Massachusetts 02119.** , as a member of the **Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission**, effective immediately.

This Member will serve a term coterminous with the mayor, provided members may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston





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Office of the Mayor  
**MICHELLE WU**

January 23, 2023

The Honorable Alex Geourntas  
Office of the City Clerk  
1 City Hall Plaza  
Room 601  
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Mr. Clerk:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 2, Section 15, **I hereby re-appoint Vivien Li of 222 Marlborough Street Apt 41, Boston, Massachusetts 02116**, as a member of the **Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission**, effective immediately.

This Member will serve a term coterminous with the mayor, provided members may continue to serve until a successor is appointed.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



Offered by Councilors Ricardo Arroyo and Liz Breadon, Lara, Bok, Coletta, Fernandes Anderson, Flaherty, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Worrell and Flynn



**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING PROTECTIONS FOR  
THE CITY OF BOSTON TREE CANOPY**

**WHEREAS:** In September 2020, the City of Boston released a Tree Canopy Assessment, which analyzed tree cover changes in the City from 2014-2019 and evaluated which neighborhoods have ample tree cover and which areas have the most potential for increased tree cover; *and*

**WHEREAS:** Twenty-seven percent of Boston's land is covered by tree canopy, with higher concentrations in the neighborhoods of Hyde Park, Jamaica Plain, and West Roxbury; *and*

**WHEREAS:** While the report found that Boston’s tree canopy remained relatively stable overall from 2014-2019, it also found that the southern and eastern neighborhoods have suffered the highest relative tree canopy losses especially in Hyde Park, Roslindale, Mattapan, and West Roxbury; *and*

**WHEREAS:** The 2020 Tree Canopy Assessment found that more tree canopy was lost on residential land than any other land use type; *and*

**WHEREAS:** Protecting urban tree canopy is an important way to mitigate detrimental environmental effects such as heat island effect, flooding, air pollution, and more; *and*

**WHEREAS:** The City of Boston experienced two heat waves in 2021, including a record high temperature of 100 degrees on June 30th, making it the hottest June in Boston’s history; *and*

**WHEREAS:** In the City of Boston, neighborhoods that have high concentrations of Black Latinx, Asian, Indigenous, immigrant, and low-income communities are disproportionately impacted by negative environmental effects that affect their health and quality of life; *and*

**WHEREAS:** Residents in the City of Boston deserve to have a public, accessible, and transparent way to learn about changes to tree canopy in their neighborhoods; *and*

**WHEREAS:** Preserving existing tree canopy and planting new trees in areas where tree canopy is low or has been removed are the most effective ways to protect future tree canopy and build climate and environmental resiliency; **NOW**

*Therefore be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:*

That the City of Boston Code, Ordinances be amended in **Chapter VII** by adding the following after **7-14**:

**7-15: ESTABLISHING PROTECTIONS FOR THE CITY OF BOSTON TREE CANOPY**

**7-15.1 PURPOSE:** The preservation of existing tree canopy and replenishment of depleted tree canopy is intended to prevent adverse climate effects such as heat island effect, flooding, air pollution, and more, as well as improve the quality of living for residents in the City of Boston.

**7-15.2 APPLICABILITY:** The terms and provisions of this ordinance shall apply to trees within the City of Boston that are located on city-owned property, private property, or in the public right of way.

**7-15.3 DEFINITIONS:**

*Caliper* means a measurement of the tree trunk diameter used when purchasing tree plantings measured at twelve inches (12”) above the ground.

*Capital Improvement Project* means a major, non-recurring expenditure that generally meets all of the following criteria: M.G.L. c. 44, s. 7 and s. 8 permit the City to issue bonds to finance the expenditure, the expenditure is a facility or object or asset costing more than \$50,000, and the expenditure will have a useful life of ten years or more for infrastructure, buildings, and parks.

*City Tree* means a tree located on property owned by the City of Boston, including Public Shade Trees, trees in City parks, and trees on the grounds of City buildings.

*Diameter at Breast Height (DBH)* means the diameter of a tree trunk measured in inches at a height of four and a half (4.5) feet above the ground. For multiple trunk trees, DBH is the aggregate diameter of the trunks.



*Invasive Plant* means a plant that is both a non-native and able to establish on many sites, grow quickly, and spread to the point of disrupting plant communities or ecosystems, including but not limited to the trees listed on the Massachusetts Prohibited Plant List.

*Park Project* means a project involving the renovation and maintenance of existing parks and City-owned open spaces and the development of new parks and open spaces within the City of Boston. City-owned open spaces include parks, community gardens, playgrounds, school yards, library lawns, cemeteries, public plazas, triangles, and squares.

*Private Tree* means a tree located on private property.

*Public Shade Tree* means a tree located in the public way, as defined in the Massachusetts General Laws (M.G.L.) c.87, section 5.

*Removal* means the intentional cutting down of any tree, including all other acts which cause actual or effective removal through damaging, poisoning, or other direct or indirect actions that result in the death of the tree. This includes, but is not limited to, excessive pruning.

*Replacement Caliper* means the replacement caliper for Significant Trees shall be at least equal to the DBH of the tree removed.

*Significant Tree* means any living tree that is not an Invasive Plant and is eight inches (8") or more in DBH.

**7-15.4 TREE WARDEN:** The Tree Warden shall be an employee of the City, appointed by the Mayor, subject to confirmation by the City Council, for a term of three years.

1. The Tree Warden shall be qualified for the role as defined in M.G.L. c. 41 s.106, and also according to the standards established and published by the Massachusetts Tree Wardens and Foresters Association.
2. The duties and responsibilities of the Tree Warden shall conform to M.G.L. c. 87 and shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
  - a. Management of all trees within public rights-of-way and on City property.
  - b. Granting or denying and attaching reasonable conditions to all permits required under this ordinance.
  - c. Posting notices and holding public hearings for the Removal of Public Shade Trees and City Trees as required by this ordinance.
  - d. Enforcement of this ordinance.

**7-15.5 SENIOR URBAN FORESTRY AND LANDSCAPE PLANNER:** The Senior Urban Forestry and Landscape Planner shall be an employee of the City, appointed by the Mayor.

1. The Senior Urban Forestry and Landscape Planner shall be a Certified Arborist by the Massachusetts Arborist's Association, the International Society of Arboriculture, or any successor of either organization.
2. The duties and responsibilities of the Senior Urban Forestry and Landscape Planner shall include, but not be limited to, the following:
  - a. Seeking grants or other assistance concerning the preservation and maintenance of the City's tree canopy.
  - b. Develop and publish policies, regulations, tree inventory, manuals, and other data and documents necessary to carry out the purposes and intent of this ordinance.
  - c. Supervising the planting and care of City Trees to ensure that such planting and care meets these rules, regulations and standards.
  - d. Assisting and working closely with the Tree Warden to help the Tree Warden fulfill their responsibilities.

**7-15.6 URBAN FORESTRY COMMITTEE:** The Urban Forestry Committee will be charged with advising with respect to the management and maintenance of all existing and new trees and shrubs on all public grounds and public ways of the City of Boston.

1. Urban Forestry Committee Membership:
  - a. This Committee shall consist of the following members:
    - i. The Senior Urban Forestry and Landscape Planner
    - ii. The Tree Warden
    - iii. Nine (9) members of the public, with at least one member demonstrating expertise in the field of urban forestry, at least one member demonstrating expertise in the field of landscape design, and two members shall be between the ages of fourteen and seventeen at the time of their appointment or re-appointment
  - b. The Committee members will each serve a term of three years
  - c. Committee members shall be selected by the Mayor and subject to confirmation by the Boston City Council.
2. The duties of the Urban Forestry Committee shall be as follow:
  - a. Review planting policies for trees and shrubs on public grounds and public ways of the City of Boston, appraise the appropriateness of such plantings, their placement, and the type of maintenance necessary. The Urban Forestry Committee shall also review those planting proposals which it deems significant for trees and shrubs on public grounds and public ways of the City of Boston.
  - b. Have the ability to comment during any City of Boston permitting review process.
  - c. Elect to review issues related to the health, effective maintenance, and protection of existing trees and shrubs on public grounds and public ways of the City of Boston, recommend solutions to any problems identified with such plantings, update the tree inventory with detailed information, and support all public education and outreach by:
    - i. Promoting knowledge and awareness of the benefits of trees in the City;
    - ii. Developing and maintaining a website;

- iii. Developing and maintaining a noteworthy tree program;
  - iv. Developing educational materials regarding best management practices for tree care;
  - v. Supporting City staff in establishing a volunteer adopt-a-tree program; vi. Supporting City staff during Arbor Day Celebrations; and
  - vii. Considering and recommending incentives for tree planting and maintenance.
- d. Upon request of the applicant, this Committee shall consider and make recommendations to the Tree Warden on waivers for any required replantings or payments associated with the issuance of a Tree Permit.
  - e. Keep records of trees planted and removed within the City of Boston and may issue regular reports on the overall status of the City's urban canopy.

**7-15.7 CRITERIA FOR REMOVAL OF PUBLIC SHADE TREES:** A public hearing may not be initiated under M.G.L. c. 87 section 3 to remove a Public Shade Tree unless the Tree Warden finds in writing that there is a public health, safety, or welfare basis for removing the Public Shade Tree, including but not limited to hardship to a property owner, economic development, facilitating the development of affordable housing, pedestrian access enhancement, transportation improvement, or public project development. Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent the cutting, trimming, or removal of trees in accordance with M.G.L. c. 87 section 5.

**7-15.8 NOTICE REQUIREMENTS FOR REMOVAL OF PUBLIC SHADE TREES:** In addition to notice under M.G.L. c. 87 s. 3 for Removal of a Public Shade Tree, notice shall be given by the City by electronic notification where feasible and first-class mail to all property owners located within 150 feet of the Public Shade Tree proposed to be removed at least 14 days before the public hearing. To the extent feasible, the City shall notify all residents within 150 feet of the Public Shade Tree proposed to be removed by flyering at least 14 days before the public hearing. Notice shall also be given by placing notice on the City website at least 14 days before the public hearing. In the event that a public hearing is initiated under M.G.L. c. 87 s. 3 at the request of anyone other than the City, the requesting party shall pay for all costs of mailing and advertising, such costs to be determined by the City Clerk. The City Clerk may waive the costs if the requesting party demonstrated to the City Clerk that payment of the fee would cause financial hardship. Guidelines for determining financial hardship shall be established by the City Clerk. Applications for financial hardship shall be provided by the City Clerk.

**7-15.9 TREE REPLACEMENT FOR PUBLIC SHADE TREES:** Any healthy Public Shade Tree removed at the request of a property owner or agent thereof must be replaced within one year from the date of Removal. These replacement trees must be located at or near the location from which the tree was removed, and in no case shall trees planted in a different neighborhood qualify as replacements. The replacement trees must conform to the standards for size, species, and planting established by the Senior Urban Forestry and Landscape Planner.

**7-15.10 STREET TREE STABILIZATION FUND:** There shall be established a tree fund

which shall be held in a separate identifiable account, and administered in accordance with applicable provisions of General Laws. Any payment required by this article shall be deposited in the Street Tree Fund and shall be used in accordance with this section.

1. Payment for planting replacement Public Shade Trees: Where a healthy Public Shade Tree is removed at the request of a property owner or agent thereof, solely for reasons of private financial gain or personal preference, the requesting party shall make a contribution to the Street Tree Fund in an amount sufficient to pay for replacement trees as described in Section 7-15.9. This amount will be calculated using the schedule of costs established by the Senior Urban Forestry and Landscape Planner.
2. Maintenance of the Street Tree Fund: The Street Tree Fund shall be maintained in a separate account in accordance with state law. All sums deposited into such Fund shall be used solely for the purpose of buying, planting, and maintaining trees in the City. The Senior Urban Forestry and Landscape Planner shall expend these funds for tree planting, transplanting, care, and other tree-related needs.

**7-15.11 COMPLIANCE WITH STATE LAW:** All Public Shade Tree hearings shall comply with the applicable requirements set forth in M.G.L. c. 87 s. 3.

**7-15.12 CRITERIA FOR REMOVAL OF CITY TREES:** This section shall apply exclusively to City Trees, as set forth in the Section 7-15.3. Nothing in this section shall be construed to apply to Public Shade Trees within the City of Boston, whose care, maintenance, trimming, planting, and Removal are governed by the Public Shade Tree Law, M.G.L. c. 87, and the City of Boston Code of Ordinances Chapter 7-4.7. The public notice and meeting requirements for Public Shade Trees shall remain in full force and effect and are entirely unaffected by the language of this section.

1. Cutting down or removal of trees: No person, including but not limited to City employees, the Tree Warden, and their deputies shall cut down or remove any tree on City-owned property without the Tree Warden first holding a public hearing.
  - a. The Tree Warden, or their designee, shall post notice of the time and place of the public hearing in two or more public places in the City and upon the tree in question at least seven (7) days prior to the public hearing. This notice shall identify the size, type, and location of the trees to be cut down or Removed, and include a brief statement of the reason for the proposed action. Notice of this public hearing shall be sent to each City Councilor, all members of the Urban Forestry Committee, and published on the City website.
  - b. No later than 48 hours prior to the cutting down or Removal of any City Tree, a notice on brightly colored paper will be placed upon the tree stating the anticipated date on which the action is expected to occur.
  - c. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the Tree Warden, or their designee, from cutting down or Removing any tree which in their opinion is dead or dying or constitutes a threat to public health or safety.
2. Exceptions to the public notice and hearing requirements:

- a. No public hearing shall be necessary prior to the Tree Warden, or their designee, cutting down or removing trees measuring less than one and one-half inches (1½”) in diameter one foot from the ground on City-owned property.
- b. Public projects that fall under Park Projects and Capital Improvement Projects shall be exempt if their public process included all of the following:
  - i. All public meetings at which cutting down or Removal of trees is discussed were duly noticed and advertised including, but not limited to, notice sent to all member of the Urban Forestry Committee
  - ii. The public was provided reasonable opportunity to provide input regarding tree(s) to be cut down or removed.
  - iii. Reasonable notice was posted on or around any trees to be cut down or removed at least two (2) weeks prior to such action taking place.

**7-15.13 REMOVAL OF PRIVATE TREES:** No person may remove any Significant Tree from private property without first obtaining a Tree Permit from the Tree Warden.

1. Application for a Tree Permit:

- a. Applications must be made in writing on forms specified by the Tree Warden. b. The Tree Warden, or their designee, will review applications for tree permits in accordance with the provisions of this article. The Tree Warden, or their designee, shall date stamp or otherwise record the date of filing of each application for a tree permit. The Tree Warden, or their designee, shall complete the review of each Tree Permit application no later than thirty (30) business days after the submission of a completed application. In the event that this review is not completed within the time required by this ordinance, and if the applicant did not request a waiver of fees or replanting, the permit shall be considered issued.
- c. The application shall include a plan showing the location, species, and DBH of each tree on the property, and must indicate clearly which trees are to be Removed.
- d. If replacement trees are to be planted, the plan shall indicate the planned location, species, and size of any replacement trees to be planted. In order to qualify as replacements, trees must be planted on the same or adjacent lot, and must conform to species and planting standards as defined by the Senior Urban Forestry and Landscape Planner. Trees planted in the adjacent right-of-way or otherwise located on public property shall not be considered suitable for consideration as replacement trees.
- e. There shall be no fee or charge to submit an application for a tree permit.

2. Conditions for Granting a Tree Permit:

- a. Removal of Significant Trees: If any Significant Trees are to be Removed, the plan must show planting of new trees equal to the total Replacement Caliper of those trees.
- b. Payment instead of Replacement: Payment to the Street Tree Fund may be made in lieu of planting some or all of the Replacement Trees, according to a cost schedule established by the Senior Urban Forestry and Landscape Planner. Such

fees shall be based on the actual costs associated with purchasing, planting, and maintaining the City's Public Shade Trees. Payment must be made prior to issuance of the permit.

- c. Request for Waiver: The application for a Tree Permit shall allow the applicant to request a waiver of the requirement for replanting or payment.
  - d. Hearing of Request for Waiver: The Tree Warden, or their designee, shall hear requests for such waivers within sixty (60) days of the date the application was received. This hearing may take place at a public meeting of the Urban Forestry Committee. The applicant shall have the opportunity to speak and to answer questions. The Committee may, at the request of the applicant, make a recommendation to approve or deny the waiver. Examples of reasons supporting a waiver include, but are not limited to: financial hardship associated with the care and upkeep of the trees; unreasonably high requirements for replacement or repayment; and ongoing or reasonably foreseen damage or risk from the trees. The Tree Warden shall consider such recommendation considering whether or not to grant the waiver. If the waiver is approved, a Tree Permit will be issued within ten (10) business days of the close of the hearing
  - e. Owner-Occupants: the owner-occupant of a lot containing a one, two, or three-family dwelling, who resides at the same property as demonstrated by issuance of, or good faith application for, a valid Residential Exemption shall at their request, be granted a waiver of the requirement for replanting or payment with no need for a hearing.
  - f. Departure of Owner-Occupant: If at any point during the 18 consecutive months following the issuance of a Tree Permit the owner no longer resides at that address, and if the requirements for replanting or payment were waived based on said owner-occupancy status as described above, then said waiver shall be revoked. In the case, the owner or, if the property has been sold, the new owner, shall be required to obtain a Tree Permit either for a replanting plan to make full payment within thirty (30) days of the fees that were waived.
3. Standards for Replacement Trees:
- a. Replacement Trees must be planted within eighteen (18) months from the date the tree permit is issued, or prior to transfer of property ownership, whichever comes first.
  - b. Replacement trees must be of the same or similar species and size as described in the application for the Tree Permit, and must be planted according to standards established by the Senior Urban Forestry and Landscape Planner.
  - c. In the event that trees of the size and species that were described in the application for the Tree Permit cannot be obtained at the time of planting, multiple smaller replacement trees may be planted with the authorization of the Tree Warden.
  - d. If a replacement tree dies within eighteen (18) months from the date of planting, it must be replaced. The person planting the tree shall provide documentation as to the date of the planting and file the same with the Tree Warden within fifteen (15) days of the planting of said replacement tree.

4. Exceptions to the Tree Permit Requirement:

- a. Emergencies: If any tree shall be determined to be in a hazardous condition so as to immediately endanger the public health, safety, or welfare or cause an immediate disruption of public services and require immediate Removal without delay, verbal authorization may be given by the Tree Warden to remove such tree, and the tree may be removed without obtaining a written permit as otherwise required by this ordinance. The Tree Warden shall record in writing each such verbal authorization, and shall present these written notes at the next meeting of the Urban Forestry Committee.
- b. Waiver: The requirements of this article may be waived by the Tree Warden during the period of an emergency such as a hurricane, tornado, windstorm, flood, or similar threat to life and property.

5. Enforcement:

- a. If a Significant Tree is Removed without a Tree Permit, the property owner must apply for a Tree Permit within 30 days of the Removal. Each business day thereafter, until an application is filed, shall constitute a separate violation of this ordinance.
- b. Stop work order: Upon notice that trees are being removed without a Tree Permit, such work shall be immediately stopped by the Director of Inspectional Services or designee. The stop work order shall be in writing and shall be mailed to the owner of record of the property and posted at the front to the property in a conspicuous location, and if possible, given to the owner of the lot involved, or to the owner's agent, or to the person doing the work, and shall state the conditions under which work will be permitted to resume.
- c. Injunctive relief: Whenever there exists reasonable cause to believe that a person is violating any applicable provision of this article, the City may institute a civil action for a mandatory or prohibiting injunction in a court of competent jurisdiction ordering the defendant to correct the unlawful condition or to cease the unlawful use of the property.

6. Penalties:

- a. For each offense under this ordinance the person in violation shall be subject to a \$100 fine.
- b. Failure to make payment of any fines may result in the revocation, suspension, or denial of any local license or permit, including renewals and transfers.

7. Safety of Life and Property: Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to prevent a property owner from acting to Remove any Significant Tree, with written or oral authorization from the Tree Warden, that is an immediate and pressing health or safety hazard; that is dead or dying; or that is damaging existing structures or property; or could do so if it were to fall. In such cases, the Tree Warden may authorize immediate removal in writing or verbally, with written record to the Urban Forestry Committee as soon as practicable.

**7-15.14 EFFECTIVE DATE:** The provisions of this ordinance shall take effect 90 days after passage.

**Filed in Council: January 9, 2023**





City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**Michelle Wu**

January 23, 2023

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval, an acceptance of Chapter 269 of the Acts of 2022, *An Act Relative to Cost-Of-Living Adjustments for Retirees*.

The Trustees of the Boston Retirement Board voted to grant a Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) of 3% on the first \$15,000 of pension benefits at their May 18, 2022 Board meeting. The Act before you, signed by the Governor on November 16, 2022, gives local retirement systems the option to increase the Fiscal Year 2023 COLA up to 5% if accepted by a majority vote of the Trustees of the Boston Retirement Board, as well as the Boston City Council.

At its Board meeting of January 20, 2023, the Trustees of the Boston Retirement Board unanimously voted to provide a one-time COLA of 5%. This change would add \$26.6 million to the unfunded pension liability, resulting in an increased cost of \$5.4 million in FY 2023 and increased costs in the subsequent four fiscal years in order to meet our scheduled full funding in FY 2027. While I am mindful of the significant fiscal impact of this action, I am also mindful of the impact of this current high inflationary environment on our retirees. Therefore, I urge your Honorable Body to support this one-time increase in the FY 2023 COLA from 3% to 5%.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER APPROVING A PERCENTAGE INCREASE OF THE COST-OF-LIVING ADJUSTMENT TO 5%, PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 269 OF THE ACTS OF 2022.**

**ORDERED:** That, pursuant to Chapter 269 of the Acts of 2022, an increase in the percentage of the cost-of-living adjustment from 3% to 5% for Fiscal Year 2023.

The increase of the cost-of-living for Fiscal Year 2023 is a one-time increase of up to 5% on the base amount specified pursuant to G.L. ch. 32 §103 for all retirees and beneficiaries of the Boston Retirement System, effective July 1, 2022. This order may not be revoked.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY  
THE FORGOING, IF PASSED IN  
THE ABOVE FORM, WILL BE IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.**

**BY**

  
**ADAM CEDERBAUM**  
**CORPORATION COUNSEL**

**OFFERED BY COUNCILORS KENDRA LARA AND TANIA FERNANDES ANDERSON, ARROYO, BREADON, COLETTA, LOUIJEUNE, MEJIA AND FLYNN**



**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS THE IMPACT OF  
INEQUITABLE HOUSING CODE ENFORCEMENT AND  
BOSTON'S PROACTIVE RENTAL INSPECTION  
PROGRAM**

**WHEREAS,** Asthma is a chronic respiratory disease responsible for approximately 1.8 million annual emergency department visits in the US and a leading cause of childhood morbidity; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Housing quality is a critical determinant of asthma, particularly for children, with more than 44 percent of the risk of a childhood asthma diagnosis attributable to exposure at home; *and*

**WHEREAS,** A 2009 report by the United States Surgeon General estimated that household mold and poor ventilation contribute to 21 percent of asthma cases and called for a broad range of efforts to promote healthy homes; *and*

**WHEREAS,** BIPOC communities have higher rates of asthma which increases the risk of hospitalization and death from COVID-19, an infectious disease that continues to impact BIPOC communities disproportionately; *and*

**WHEREAS,** In April 2022, Harvard University released the results of a 10-year study that sought to assess how housing code enforcement systems in Boston address reports of asthma triggers by looking at reported data from the Inspectional Services Department; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The aforementioned study found that asthma triggers associated with housing are more common, and municipal government responses to correct them are significantly slower, more frequently overdue, and less likely to result in repair in both racially diverse and low-income neighborhoods in Boston; *and*

**WHEREAS,** This translates to a 17 percent longer median response time, 14 percent higher probability of cases being overdue, and a 54.4 percent lower probability of repair in neighborhoods with the lowest proportion of White residents; *and*

**WHEREAS,** In 2013, the City of Boston passed the Proactive Rental Inspection Ordinance which implemented a proactive rental inspection program that requires owners of all non-exempt units to undergo an inspection every five (5) years, which is

among the lowest frequency of any city with a proactive inspection program; *and*

***WHEREAS,*** There is an urgent need to strengthen code enforcement systems and programs like Breath Easy at Home and the Proactive Rental Inspection program to protect the health and safety of tenants, particularly the city's most marginalized communities;

***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED:***

That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss the impact of inequitable housing code enforcement and Boston's proactive rental inspection program. Representatives from the Mayor's Office of Housing (MOH), Office of Fair Housing and Equity (OFHE), Inspectional Service Department, and other interested parties are invited to testify.

Filed on: January 20, 2023

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS GABRIELA COLETTA, KENDRA LARA, RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE, ARROYO, BOK, BREADON, FERNANDES ANDERSON, FLAHERTY, WORRELL AND FLYNN



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO ESTABLISH A CLIMATE CHANGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CURRICULUM IN BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

**WHEREAS,** By 2030, sea level is projected to rise by 0.6 to 1.1 feet above 2000 levels. By 2070, some projections estimate a rise in sea level of 2.3 to 4.2 feet over 2000 levels. Sea level rise combined with more intense hurricanes and winter storms present a serious threat to people residing in coastal areas of Massachusetts; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Climate change is a pertinent part of our lives, and particularly our children's lives who will have to deal with the bulk of climate change consequences. Yet, climate change-related topics are missing from our Boston Public Schools learning standards; *and*

**WHEREAS,** In science, Elementary-aged students are expected to learn about weather and energy, but the discussion about how those topics relate to climate change is often missing from the lesson; *and*

**WHEREAS,** In 2021, An Act Creating a Next-Generation Roadmap for Massachusetts Climate Policy, also known as the 2050 Roadmap bill, was codified into Massachusetts state law. While the primary goal of the bill is to create a net-zero greenhouse gas emission limit in Massachusetts by 2050, the law also highlights environmental justice as a necessary tenet of the state's climate policy. This specific amendment is pertinent to Boston Public School students who often live in communities most vulnerable to environmental disasters; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Recently, a study analyzed publicly available documents from boards of education and state education departments across the U.S. and ranked Massachusetts in the lowest tier — along with most of the country— with “very low” inclusion of climate change-related content in state requirements; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The Department of Elementary and Secondary Education has a key opportunity to close the gaps within environmental education and develop a climate change curriculum for all public schools. Community resources and partnerships are readily available to address this need; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Our obligation is to foster a school environment that produces conscious citizens who understand the severity of the climate catastrophe. Additionally, it is vital to

educate the next generation of leaders and to prepare them for professional opportunities that contribute to this fight; *and*

***WHEREAS,*** As a coastal district, it is of the essence that Boston Public Schools has metrics in place to provide students and teachers with resources like community partnerships, curriculum, and professional development to help educate students of the impacts of climate change, and measures to reduce carbon emissions;  
***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

***ORDERED:*** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss establishing an environmental justice curriculum in Boston Public Schools and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, Superintendent Skipper, and other relevant BPS departments be invited to testify.

Filed on: January 11, 2023

Offered by City Councilor Ricardo Arroyo



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY THREE

### HOME RULE PETITION

*ORDERED*, That a petition to the General Court, accompanied by a bill for a special law relating to the City of Boston to be filed with an attested copy of this order be, and hereby is, approved under Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article II, as amended, of the Articles of Amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to the end that legislation be adopted precisely as follows, except for clerical or editorial changes of form only:

**PETITION FOR A SPECIAL LAW RE:  
AN ACT DIRECTING THE CITY OF BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT TO WAIVE  
THE MAXIMUM AGE REQUIREMENT FOR POLICE OFFICERS FOR ARIEL  
RODRIGUEZ**

Section 1.

Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, including the provisions of Chapter 43 of the Acts of 2007, the City of Boston Police Department shall waive the maximum age requirement for original appointment of police officers for Ariel Rodriguez. If Ariel Rodriguez meets all other requirements set forth by the Boston Police Department, he shall be eligible to have his name certified for original appointment to the position of police officer.

Section 2.

The provisions of this act shall take effect immediately upon passage.

Filed in Council: March 15, 2023

Offered by City Councilor Julia Mejia



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO CREATE MORE TRANSPARENCY INTO REPORTING AND ACCESSIBILITY INTO ADDRESSING THE DRUG OVERDOSE CRISES IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

- WHEREAS,** There has been an alarming recent uptick in deaths throughout the city of Boston due to drug overdoses; *and*
- WHEREAS,** In February of 2023, Boston Emergency Medical Services responded to a series of presumed opioid overdoses. Most of the individuals who were impacted believed that they were using cocaine; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Massachusetts Department of Public Health identified that between 2010 to 2018 overdoses from stimulants like cocaine increasingly involved opioids. Toxicology screens from 2022 showed that fentanyl was present in 94% of opioid-related overdose deaths; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Xylazine, a non-opioid and long-acting veterinary tranquilizer, has been detected in an increasing number of street drugs, primarily in drugs sold as heroin or fentanyl. Xylazine can contribute to over sedation and increases the risk of overdosing, especially when combined with opioids; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Since initial reporting by the Massachusetts Drug Supply Data Stream in March 2021, xylazine continues to be detected in a substantial number of samples sold as fentanyl and heroin throughout Massachusetts. 29% of drug samples tested from Boston between November 2021 to November 2022 were found to contain xylazine; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Opioid overdoses are the leading cause of death for Americans aged 18 to 45. Fentanyl leads the charge, and, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, overdose rates are highest in urban Black communities; *and*
- WHEREAS,** It is the responsibility of the Boston City Council to ensure the City of Boston has a transparent reporting system in place to bring awareness to the current drug and overdosing crisis. Greater efforts must also be made to bring accessibility to resources to the residents so they know how to best respond in the moment of a



crisis, particularly in more vulnerable and susceptible communities; ***NOW  
THEREFORE BE IT***

***ORDERED:*** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to address the drug overdose crises in the city of Boston. Representatives from the administration, including the Boston Public Health Commission, Boston Emergency Medical Services, Boston Police Department, Coordinated Response Team, and Access to Harm Reduction, Overdose Prevention and Education. Boston Healthcare for the Homeless, Grayken Center for Addiction Boston Medical Center, Bureau of Substance Addiction Services, Victory Programs, Eliot Community Human Services, Massachusetts General Hospital, and Police Assisted Addiction and Recovery Initiative, the Rize Foundation, as well as members of the public are also encouraged to testify.

Filed in Council: March 15, 2023



OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION TO INFORM VETERANS ABOUT THE RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO THEM THROUGH THE PACT ACT

**WHEREAS:** On August 10, 2022, President Biden signed the PACT Act, also known as the “*Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxins*” Act. This legislation addresses and expands the health care needs of U.S. service members who were exposed to Burn Pits, Agent Orange and other toxic substances while serving on duty overseas; *and*

**WHEREAS:** Recently, I attended the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) 2023 Mid-Winter Conference, where I met with Federal Officials and DAV members and discussed the PACT Act. Many veterans who served near burn pits were exposed to airborne toxins from burned waste products such as plastics, metal, rubber, and chemical solvents, resulting in diseases such as sinusitis, rhinitis and asthma. The DAV estimates that over 3.5 million veterans have been exposed to burn pits during operations in the Middle East; *and*

**WHEREAS:** Prior to the passage of this bill, many veterans lacked the proper documented evidence to prove these toxic exposures to receive treatment. Now that it is law, we must ensure veterans know about these new toxic exposure benefits and to start filing a claim. These are necessary and overdue veteran disability and health care benefits that they earned and rightfully deserve; *and*

**WHEREAS:** Applying to VA benefits is a free and straightforward process, and applying for the PACT Act benefits before August 10, 2023 will ensure benefits are backdated to August, 10, 2022; *and*

**WHEREAS:** Those seeking claims should contact their local Veterans’ Services Officer. Those who are not enrolled in VA Healthcare should visit their local VA to enroll, and veterans can also contact the City of Boston’s Office of Veterans Services, visit the Jamaica Plain VA Medical Center, or the West Roxbury VA Medical Center; *and*

**WHEREAS:** We must recognize the challenges our veterans face when returning home and provide them with the necessary health care, support, and resources. Their services and contributions are indispensable to our nation and we have a duty to protect and care for them; *and*

#### **NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED:**

That the Boston City Council informs our veterans about these available resources through the PACT Act and to urge those who have been exposed to burn pits while on duty to file for these exposure benefits.

**Filed on:** March 15, 2023

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR JULIA MEJIA



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE EVERSOURCE SUBSTATION ON THE CHELSEA CREEK WATERFRONT IN EAST BOSTON

- WHEREAS,** Eversource Energy has begun construction of a new transmission substation facility located on the Chelsea Creek waterfront, on Condor Street, in East Boston; *and*
- WHEREAS,** For nearly nine years the substation has been overwhelmingly opposed by elected officials, residents, and experts as it would result in the concentration of potentially dangerous and unnecessary infrastructure, obstruction of neighborhood access to open space and the waterfront, and an increased risk to neighborhood climate resiliency. The proximity of the proposed substation being 300 feet to residential housing, 60 feet to recreational spaces, and 450 feet to combustible fuel storage tanks, remain a serious concern; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The neighborhood of East Boston is one of the most racially and ethnically diverse communities in Massachusetts. More than 60% of its population are people of color and more than 50% are foreign born. The state has designated nearly every part of East Boston as an Environmental Justice community; *and*
- WHEREAS,** In November of 2021 the people of Boston unambiguously let their opinion be known in a non-binding ballot question where nearly 84% of voters opposed the siting of the substation on Condor Street; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Currently, the permits that Eversource received from the Commonwealth's Energy Facility Siting Board are pending an appeal to be heard in the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***
- RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council go on record in continued opposition to the Eversource substation and support a full vetting of alternative, more appropriate sites, closer to sources of major electrical demand and growth, in far safer contexts, vis a vis distance from residences, playgrounds and public ways, and in more flood-proofed areas, such as Logan International Airport.

Filed on: March 15, 2023

**BOSTON CITY COUNCIL**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

March 8, 2023

Councilor Flynn  
(Councilor Coletta)

**ORDERED:** That effective Saturday, March 18, 2023 the following named person be, and hereby is, appointed to the position set against their name until Friday, June 16, 2023.

BiWeekly Payroll

Joseph Gravellese	Secretary	\$500.00	part time
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**BOSTON CITY COUNCIL**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

March 10, 2023

Councilor Flynn  
(Councilor Louijeune)

**ORDERED:** That effective Saturday, March 11, 2023 the following named person be, and hereby is, appointed to the position set against their name until Friday, March 17, 2023.

BiWeekly Payroll

Cindy Dieujuste	Secretary	\$2,500.00	full time
Hodan Hashi	Administrative Asst.	\$2,500.00	full tim
Emily Polston	Secretary	\$2,730.78	full time
Jesse Purvis	Secretary	\$2,500.00	full time



# Boston City Council

## Legislative Calendar for the March 15, 2023 Session

### Sixty Day Orders

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The following ordinances, appropriations and/or orders recommended by the Mayor for passage by the City Council become effective after the date specified unless previously acted upon<sup>1</sup>

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**<sup>1</sup>Section 17E of Chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948 (as amended):**

*The mayor from time to time may make to the city council in the form of an ordinance or loan order filed with the city clerk such recommendations as he may deem to be for the welfare of the city. The City Council shall consider each ordinance or loan order so presented and shall either adopt or reject the same within sixty days after the date when it is filed as aforesaid. If such ordinance or loan order is not rejected within sixty days, it shall be in force as if adopted by the city council unless previously withdrawn by the mayor.*

In effect after March 19, 2023

Communication was received from the City Clerk transmitting a communication from the Boston Landmarks Commission for City Council action on the designation of the Richards Building, Downtown Boston, MA, as a Landmark. (Docket #0451)

**Assigned for Further Action**

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**On the Table**

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## Unanswered Section 17F Orders<sup>2</sup>

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Order requesting certain information under Section 17F re: the Boston Public Health Commission. (Docket #0418)

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F re: BPS Transportation follow-up on a previous request. (Docket #0464)

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F re: An Email regarding payroll overpayment in BPS issued February 3, 2023. (Docket #0506)

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F re BPS sexual assault and misconduct data. (Docket #0507)

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### 2 - Section 17F of Chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948 (as amended):

*The city council may at any time request from the mayor specific information on any municipal matter within its jurisdiction, and may request his presence to answer written questions relating thereto at a meeting to be held not earlier than one week from the date of the receipt of said questions, in which case the mayor shall personally, or through a head of a department or a member of a board, attend such meeting and publicly answer all such questions. The person so attending shall not be obliged to answer questions relating to any other matter.*

*Home Rule Petitions Not Responded to by the Mayor*<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>3</sup>*Section 22 of Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1982:*

*Every order of the city council approving a petition to the general court pursuant to Clause (1) of Section 8 of Article 2 of the amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth shall be presented to the mayor who shall forthwith consider the same, and, within fifteen days of presentation, either approve it, or file with the city council a statement in detail of his reasons for not approving the same, including any objection based on form, on content, or both; provided, that no such order shall be deemed approved or in force unless the mayor affixes his signature thereto.*

## *Matters in Committee*

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The following matters were previously filed with the City Council and have been referred to a committee. Matters in committee can be brought back before the City Council pursuant to City Council Rule 24. The following *definitions* describe different types of matters in committee:

- Ordinances:*** Local laws enacted by the Boston City Council and the Mayor that become part of the City Code of Ordinances.
- Loan Orders:*** Authorization for the City of Boston to incur debt and expend money for projects, purchases, or other obligations.
- Orders:*** Directives that authorize action. Orders are legally binding but are not part of the City Code of Ordinances.
- Home Rule Petitions:*** Requests for special acts that concern a particular municipality. Home Rule Petitions require approval of the Boston City Council and Mayor, as well as passage by the state legislature.
- Order for a Hearing:*** A formal request sponsored by a councilor that a committee of the Boston City Council conduct a hearing about a particular matter, issue, or policy that impacts the City of Boston. An Order for a Hearing is not a law and is not voted on by the City Council. The only action concerning an Order for a Hearing that can be taken at a City Council meeting is the administrative action of placing it on file.
- Legislative Resolution:*** A recommendation concerning policy issues that may urge action on particular matters. Legislative resolutions have no legal effect. Legislative resolutions represent a particular position or statement by a Councilor, Councilors, or the City Council as a whole.

## 2023 MATTERS IN COMMITTEE

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date Referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
<b>Arts, Culture &amp; Special Events</b>	0335	Worrell	Flynn, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to bring the 2026 NBA All-Star Weekend to Boston.	2 /1 /2023		
<b>Arts, Culture &amp; Special Events</b>	0334	Lara		Order for a hearing regarding winter placemaking and Boston as a 'Winter City'.	2 /1 /2023	3/21/23	
<b>Arts, Culture, &amp; Special Events</b>	0260	Coletta	Breadon, Fernandes	Order for a hearing to address the loss of rehearsal spaces for musicians in the City of Boston.	1 /25/2023	3/7/23	3/8/23 remains in committee
<b>Boston's COVID-19 Recovery</b>	0159	Bok	Breadon, Worrell	Order for a hearing regarding a review of COVID-19 recovery funds.	1 /11/2023	3/6/23	3/8/23 remains in committee
<b>Boston's COVID-19 Recovery</b>	0162	Bok	Worrell, Coletta	Order for a hearing regarding enhancing Boston's COVID recovery via competitive federal grants provided by the B.I.L. and I.R.A.	1 /11/2023	4/14/23	
<b>City Services &amp; Innovation Technology</b>	0144	Flynn	Breadon	Order for a hearing to discuss pest control in the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023	4/11/23	
<b>City Services &amp; Innovation Technology</b>	0145	Flynn	Flaherty	Order for a hearing to discuss the safety of light poles, bridges, and other public infrastructure in the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023	4/4/23	
<b>City Services &amp; Innovation Technology</b>	0146	Coletta	Flynn	Order for a hearing regarding the coordination of construction and utility permits.	1 /11/2023	4/19/203	
<b>City Services &amp; Innovation Technology</b>	0154	Louijeune	Flaherty, Breadon	Order for a hearing on fire and emergency disaster relief services in the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023	4/3/23	

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City Services & Innovation Technology	0160	Bok	Worrell	Order for a hearing regarding the supplemental sidewalk clearance program during snowstorms in Boston.	1 /11/2023		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0258	Fernandes Anderson	Arroyo, Worrell	Order for a hearing to explore a digital marketplace pilot program.	1 /25/2023		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0259	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss renaming the Roxbury branch of the Boston Public Library to the Nubian Library.	1 /25/2023		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0340	Lara		Order for a hearing to discuss the rise in public consumer energy costs.	2 /1 /2023	3/28/23	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0378	Fernandes Anderson	Flaherty, Flynn	Order for a hearing to increase the pay for Municipal Officers.	2 /8 /2023		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0416	Bok	Breadon, Lara	Order for a hearing to discuss city services in regard to composting and the need of composting capacity in new construction and large buildings in Boston.	2 /15/2023		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0417	Bok	Flynn, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss digital equity and municipal broadband in relation to affordable housing in the City of Boston.	2 /15/2023	3/31/23	
City Services & Innovation Technoloty	0443	Bok	Louijeune, Flaherty	Order for hearing to discuss trash contracts and procedures in Boston.	2 /15/2023	4/11/23	
City Services & Innovative Technology	0519	Mejia	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing addressing data privacy, security, and control at City of Boston agencies.	3 /8 /2023		
City Services & Innovative Technology	0521	Louijeune	Anderson, Bok	Order for a study on city wages and services for the lowest paid municipal employees.	3 /8 /2023		

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date Referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
<b>Civil Rights &amp; Immigrant Advancement</b>	0155	Louijeune		Order for a hearing to discuss an increase in racist incidents in Boston and the Human Rights Commission's role in tracking, reporting, and addressing discrimination and civil rights violations.	1 /11/2023		
<b>Civil Rights &amp; Immigrant Advancement</b>	0158	Louijeune	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing on the needs and services for migrant populations.	1 /11/2023		
<b>Civil Rights &amp; Immigrant Advancement</b>	0164	Louijeune	Fernandes Anderson, Bok	Order for a hearing on discrimination in lending and appraisals.	1 /11/2023	3/23/23	
<b>Civil Rights &amp; Immigrant Advancement</b>	0168	Louijeune	Worrell, Fernandes	Order for a hearing on the civil rights and liberties of returning citizens and re-entry into their Boston communities.	1 /11/2023		
<b>Education</b>	0142	Worrell		Order for a hearing regarding a cradle-to-career educational data tracking system.	1 /11/2023		
<b>Education</b>	0147	Coletta	Lara, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to establish a climate change and environmental justice curriculum in Boston Public Schools.	1 /11/2023	3/14/23	
<b>Education</b>	0163	Mejia	Worrell	Order for a hearing addressing sexual harassment in Boston Public Schools.	1 /11/2023		
<b>Education</b>	0167	Mejia		Order for hearing on government transparency and accountability towards COVID safety in Boston Public Schools.	1 /11/2023	2/14/23	2/15/23 Remains in Committee
<b>Education</b>	0173	Mejia	Lara	Order for a hearing on "Green New Deal for BPS" plans, specifically the plan to merge six schools into three and split each of them onto two campuses.	1 /11/2023		
<b>Education</b>	0244	Mejia		Order for a hearing on establishing a mental health curriculum in Boston Public Schools.	1 /25/2023	3/21/23	

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<b>Education</b>	0245	Mejia	Lara, Arroyo	Order for a hearing examining the implementation and outcomes of restorative justice practices in the Boston Public Schools	1 /25/2023	2/16/23	
<b>Education</b>	0247	Lara	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the Academic Performance and Social-Emotional Well-Being of LGBTQ+ Students in Boston Public Schools.	1 /25/2023	3/16/23	
<b>Education</b>	0254	Fernandes Anderson	Mejia, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss how the Boston Public Schools can more effectively support the needs of its Muslim students.	1 /25/2023		
<b>Education</b>	0255	Fernandes Anderson	Mejia, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss how Boston Public Schools are addressing the needs of the parents of English language learner students.	1 /25/2023		
<b>Education</b>	0380	Louijeune	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to address the mental health needs of our students with a focus on guidance counselors.	2 /8 /2023		
<b>Education</b>	0457	Arroyo	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools' lack of religious and dietary requirements for Jewish, Muslim and plant based students.	3 /1 /2023		
<b>Environmental Justice, Resiliency &amp; Parks</b>	0149	Coletta	Bok, Breadon	Order for a hearing regarding a tree mitigation fund for the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023		3/10/23 (canceled)
<b>Environmental Justice, Resiliency &amp; Parks</b>	0250	Lara	Arroyo, Fernandes	Order for a hearing on Installing Adjustable Height Basketball Hoops in the City of Boston Parks.	1 /25/2023		3/23/23 Revised to WS
<b>Environmental Justice, Resiliency &amp; Parks</b>	0251	Lara	Bok, Coletta	Order for a hearing to Discuss Establishing A Walking City Trail Connecting Urban Green Spaces Across Boston Neighborhoods.	1 /25/2023	3/2/23	
<b>Government Accountability, Transparency, &amp;</b>	0165	Mejia	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing on government transparency and accountability towards service provision and spending on ELL students.	1 /11/2023		

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<b>Government Accountability, Transparency, &amp;</b>	0169	Mejia		Order for a hearing on government accountability, transparency, and accessibility of decision-making protocols in city government.	1 /11/2023		
<b>Government Accountability, Transparency, &amp;</b>	0170	Mejia	Coletta, Louijeune	Order for a hearing on government accountability and transparency around the Clougherty Pool closure in Charlestown.	1 /11/2023		
<b>Government Accountability, Transparency, &amp;</b>	0241	Mejia	Lara	Order for a hearing regarding the Boston Public Schools Transportation system.	1 /25/2023		
<b>Government Accountability, Transparency, &amp;</b>	0242	Mejia	Lara, Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing on an audit for Boston Public School's Special Education services and return on investment.	1 /25/2023		
<b>Government Accountability, Transparency, &amp;</b>	0243	Mejia	Arroyo	Order for a hearing on government transparency and accountability towards surveillance equipment.	1 /25/2023		
<b>Government Accountability, Transparency, &amp;</b>	0253	Mejia	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's procurement processes, procedures and progress.	1 /25/2023	3/27/23	2/23/23 Hearing Postponed
<b>Government Accountability, Transparency, &amp;</b>	0341	Murphy		Order for a hearing to discuss the payroll concerns of many of our Boston Public School teachers who are owed back pay.	2 /1 /2023	3/24/23	
<b>Government Accountability, Transparency, &amp;</b>	0520	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit how the Boston Police Department responds to Latino Spanish-speaking residents in the City of Boston.	3 /8 /2023		
<b>Government Accountability, Transparency, &amp;</b>	0238	Mejia	Flynn, Arroyo	Order for a hearing on accountability and accessibility of language access services in the City of Boston.	1 /25/2023		
<b>Government Operations</b>	0100	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Ordinance establishing the Office of Participatory Budgeting, amending the City of Boston Code V, with the insertion of a new Section 5-1.11.	12/14/2022	1/30/23	2022-1520, 2/7/23 working session, 2/8/23 Not Passed



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Government Operations	0133	Worrell	Louijeune, Arroyo	Home Rule Petition Authorizing Additional Restricted Liquor Licenses.	1 /11/2023	3/9/23	
Government Operations	0135	Arroyo	Mejia	A Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to Reorganization of the Boston School Committee.	1 /11/2023		1/24/23 working session, 1/25/23 Remains in Committee, 2/6/2023 working session, 2/8/23 Remains in Committee
Government Operations	0136	Arroyo		An Ordinance Creating a Municipal Identification Card in the City of Boston	1 /11/2023	4/3/23	
Government Operations	0137	Arroyo	Breadon, Lara	An Ordinance Establishing Protections for the City of Boston Tree Canopy.	1 /11/2023	3/13/23	4/20/23 working session
Government Operations	0138	Louijeune	Arroyo, Bok	An Ordinance regulation and enforcement of keeping honey bees.	1 /11/2023	3/20/23	
Government Operations	0139	Louijeune	Bok, Arroyo	Text amendment to the Boston zoning code with respect to honey bees.	1 /11/2023	3/20/23	
Government Operations	0237	Fernandes Anderson		Ordinance and Amendment to the Boston Municipal Code in Regard to Measuring Racial Equity in Affordable Housing.	1 /25/2023		
Government Operations	0319	Mayor		Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Vivian Leonard as a member of the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission.	1 /25/2023	3/9/23	
Government Operations	0320	Mayor		Notice was received from the Mayor of the re-appointment of Sammy Nabulsi as a member of the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission.	1 /25/2023	3/9/23	
Government Operations	0321	Mayor		Notice was received from the Mayor of the re-appointment of Vivien Li as a member of the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission.	1 /25/2023	3/9/23	

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date Referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Government Operations	0369	Mayor		Message and orders for your approval an acceptance of Chapter 269 of the Acts of 2022, An Act Relative to Cost-Of-Living Adjustments for Retirees.	2 /8 /2023	3/13/23	4/28/23 (canceled)
Government Operations	0410	Breadon	Louijeune, Bok	Petition for a Special Law re: An Act increasing the maximum amount of fines which may be imposed for violations of ordinances and authorizing the City of Boston to place municipal charge liens on certain properties in the City of Boston for nonpayment of any local charges, fees or fines.	2 /15/2023		
Government Operations	0452	Breadon	Louijeune	Ordinance providing remote access to meetings of municipal public bodies.	3 /1 /2023		
Government Operations	0453	Bok	Flynn	Ordinance Amending the City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Section 7-3, Bay Village Historic District.	3 /1 /2023		
Government Operations	0454	Arroyo	Coletta	Ordinance formally creating the Office of Food Justice and establishing a food recovery program in the City of Boston.	3 /1 /2023		
Government Operations	0455	Flynn	Worrell	Ordinance amending the City of Boston code relating to the study and report on the trafficking of illegal firearms.	3 /1 /2023		
Government Operations	0516	Bok	Flynn	Petition for a Special Law re: An Act to Make Certain Changes in the Law Relative to the Historic Beacon Hill Historic District.	3 /8 /2023		
Housing & Community Development	0157	Louijeune	Bok, Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing regarding the state of anti-displacement as to Boston's Acquisition Opportunity Program.	1 /11/2023	2/9/23	
Housing & Community Development	0161	Bok		Order for a hearing regarding increasing public housing in the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023		
Housing & Community Development	0240	Mejia	Lara, Worrell	Order for a hearing on workforce development housing for City of Boston employees.	1 /25/2023		

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<b>Housing &amp; Community Development</b>	0249	Lara	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to discuss the Impact Of Inequitable Housing Code Enforcement of Boston's Proactive Rental Inspection Program.	1 /25/2023	3/14/23	
<b>Housing &amp; Community Development</b>	0337	Worrell	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing regarding efforts to increase housing affordability for long-term residents.	2 /1 /2023		
<b>Housing &amp; Community Development</b>	0412	Lara		Order for a hearing to create a Renters' Bill of Rights for the City of Boston.	2 /15/2023	3/30/23	
<b>Housing &amp; Community Development</b>	0456	Fernandes Anderson	Louijeune, Lara	Order for a hearing to restrict up-front rental costs for tenants.	3 /1 /2023		
<b>Labor, Workforce, &amp; Economic Development</b>	0153	Louijeune	Worrell, Fernandes	Order or a hearing regarding biannual review of the Boston Employment Commission and Boston Residents Jobs Policy.	1 /11/2023	4/7/23	
<b>Labor, Workforce, &amp; Economic Development</b>	0338	Worrell	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing regarding equity in city contracts.	2 /1 /2023		
<b>PILOT Agreements, Institutional &amp; Intergovernmental</b>	0256	Fernandes Anderson	Louijeune, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss ways of creating a partnership between colleges and high schools to create jobs and academic support for children.	1 /25/2023		
<b>PILOT Agreements, Institutional &amp; Intergovernmental</b>	0414	Breadon	Bok, Louijeune	Order for a hearing regarding targeted coordination of community benefits in the payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) program.	2 /15/2023	4/21/23	
<b>Planning, Development &amp; Transportation</b>	0101	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a grant from the Planning and Development Agency in the amount not to exceed Two Million Five Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand, Two Hundred Ninety-Seven Dollars (\$2,562,297.00) for the costs related to transportation improvement projects.	8 /10/2022		2022-0930

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Planning, Development & Transportation	0102	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seven Million Five Hundred One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$7,501,200.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal Highway Administration Grant from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Highway Division, to be administered by the Boston Transportation Department and the Boston Public Works Department. The grant will fund a portion of the design cost for the Sullivan Square/Rutherford Avenue project.	9 /28/2022		2022-1166
Planning, Development & Transportation	0104	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Alaa Mukahhal as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeal for a term expiring May 1, 2024.	9 /28/2022		2022-1174
Planning, Development & Transportation	0105	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Theodora Massouh as an alternate member of the Zoning Board of Appeal for a term expiring May 1, 2024.	9 /28/2022		2022-1175
Planning, Development & Transportation	0150	Coletta		Order for a hearing regarding a comprehensive, district-wide planning process for Boston's waterfront.	1 /11/2023		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0342	Lara	Baker	Order for a hearing to discuss the recovery and revitalization of the taxi industry.	2 /1 /2023	4/11/23	
Planning, Development & Transportation	0343	Fernandes Anderson	Lara	Order for a hearing regarding calling for a moratorium on all development on all city owned land in district seven prior to the request for proposal process.	2 /1 /2023	4/18/23	
Planning, Development & Transportation	0379	Fernandes Anderson	Mejia, Louijeune	Order for a hearing calling for District Increment Financing (DIF) to be Utilized in District Seven.	2 /8 /2023	3/16/23	
Planning, Development & Transportation	0413	Baker		Order for a hearing to discuss District Improvement Financing (DIF) from Kosciuszko Circle through Morrissey Boulevard Corridor.	2 /15/2023	3/16/23	

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<b>Planning, Development &amp; Transportation</b>	0451	Mayor		Communication was received from the City Clerk transmitting communication from the Boston Landmarks Commission for City Council action on the designation of The Richards Building, Downtown Boston, MA, as a Landmark (In effect after March 19, 2023 if not acted upon).	3 /1 /2023		
<b>Public Health, Homelessness, &amp; Recovery</b>	0119	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$235,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Food, Fuel and Shelter grant, awarded by the Boston Foundation to be administered b the Office of Human Services. The grant will fund the City's effort to expand its mobile outreach to connect people more equitably and effectively to housing, treatment and other services.	1 /11/2023		
<b>Public Health, Homelessness, &amp; Recovery</b>	0148	Coletta	Louijeune, Arroyo	Order for a hearing regarding contraception and menstrual product vending machines in the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023	4/4/23	
<b>Public Health, Homelessness, &amp; Recovery</b>	0156	Louijeune	Mejia, Coletta	Order for a hearing to discuss regulation of limited service pregnancy centers and crisis pregnancy centers in the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023	4/13/23	
<b>Public Health, Homelessness, &amp; Recovery</b>	0248	Lara	Arroyo	Order for a hearing to discuss the Disproportionate Criminalization of the LGBTQ+ Community and Their Health And Well-Being While Incarcerated.	1 /25/2023		
<b>Public Health, Homelessness, &amp; Recovery</b>	0257	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss the need for a health center in Nubian Square.	1 /25/2023		
<b>Public Safety &amp; Criminal Justice</b>	0151	Coletta	Louijeune, Bok	Order for a hearing to address contaminated beverages in clubs and bars.	1 /11/2023		3/7/23 WS Canceled, Rescheduled for 2/28/23 WS, 3/1/23 Remains in Committee
<b>Public Safety &amp; Criminal Justice</b>	0140	Murphy		Order for a hearing on efforts to proactively combat summer violence in the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023	4/6/23	
<b>Public Safety &amp; Criminal Justice</b>	0143	Worrell	Fernandes Anderson,	Order for a hearing to address gun violence	1 /11/2023		

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<b>Public Safety &amp; Criminal Justice</b>	0166	Murphy	Flaherty	Order for a hearing to ensure that the Boston Police and Schools Safety officers work together to ensure a safe environment for all our students and staff in the Boston Public Schools.	1 /11/2023	3/30/23	2/7/23 Hearing Canceled, 2/8/23 Remains in Committee
<b>Public Safety &amp; Criminal Justice</b>	0252	Flaherty	Murphy	Order for a hearing regarding public safety measure recommendations for Boston Public Schools and Boston Police.	1 /25/2023	3/30/23	
<b>Public Safety &amp; Criminal Justice</b>	0458	Worrell	Anderson, Murphy	Order for a hearing to Assess Expanded Hospital & Community-Centric Violence Prevention and Intervention.	3 /1 /2023		
<b>Rules &amp; Administration</b>	0339	Flynn		Order for a meeting to review he Boston City Council rules.	2 /1 /2023		
<b>Rules &amp; Administration</b>	0405	Fernandes Anderson		Order for an Ordinance to increase the Allocated Budget for City Council Staff.	2 /8 /2023		
<b>Small Business &amp; Professional Licensure</b>	0141	Worrell	Mejia	Order for a hearing regarding barriers to small businesses.	1 /11/2023		
<b>Small Business &amp; Professional Licensure</b>	0171	Mejia		Order for a hearing diversifying cannabis business models.	1 /11/2023	4/20/23	
<b>Small Business &amp; Professional Licensure</b>	0239	Mejia	Arroyo	Order for a hearing on expanding access for minority business enterprises into high volume commercial centers.	1 /25/2023		
<b>Small Business &amp; Professional Licensure</b>	0263	Fernandes Anderson	Worrell	Resolution to request Walgreens to postpone all closures of Boston locations.	1 /25/2023		
<b>Small Business &amp; Professional Licensure</b>	0459	Arroyo		Order for a hearing to discuss challenges Latino owned businesses and entrepreneurs face when accessing government and corporate contracts.	3 /1 /2023		

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<b>Strong Women, Families &amp; Communities</b>	0122	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Age Strong Universal Fund, awarded by the Donor Group to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund senior center programs and services for older adults in Boston through small contributions from various donors in the amount not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00).	1 /11/2023		
<b>Strong Women, Families &amp; Communities</b>	0246	Lara	Flaherty, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to assess the need for a Senior Center in the neighborhood of West Roxbury.	1 /25/2023	2/2/23	
<b>Strong Women, Families &amp; Communities</b>	0377	Flynn	Lara	Order for a hearing to discuss increasing access to swimming lessons and awareness of water safety.	2 /8 /2023		
<b>Strong Women, Families &amp; Communities</b>	0415	Murphy	Baker	Order for a hearing for the possible closing of several Boston public schools and BCYF community centers this summer.	2 /15/2023	3/7/23	3/8/23 remains in committee
<b>Strong Women, Families, &amp; Communities</b>	0261	Murphy		Order for a hearing to discuss the results of last year's youth summer jobs programs and the social emotional benefits of summer employment.	1 /25/2023	3/27/23	
<b>Ways &amp; Means</b>	0152	Louijeune	Fernandes Anderson, Bok	Order for a hearing to explore municipal bonds and other fiscal options to increase affordable housing and community investments.	1 /11/2023		
<b>Ways &amp; Means</b>	0322	Fernandes Anderson	Louijeune	Order for a hearing regarding the City Budget.	1 /25/2023	3/28/23	4/10/23-WS (10am) 4/10/23 WS (2pm-canceled) 4/13/23-WS

# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



## Official Resolution

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council  
extended its Congratulations to:

Sisters of St. Joseph of Boston

In Recognition of:

Its 150th anniversary ; and

Be it further Resolved that the Boston City Council extends its  
best wishes for continued success; that this Resolution be duly  
signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and  
a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
President of the City Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Elizabeth Brendon

Date: March 15, 2023



# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



## Official Resolution

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council  
extended its Congratulations to:

Patrick Ellis

In Recognition of:

His promotion to City of Boston Deputy Chief and Fire Marshall ; and  
Be it further Resolved that the Boston City Council extends its  
best wishes for continued success; that this Resolution be duly  
signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and  
a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
President of the City Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Elizabeth Bredon

Date: March 15, 2023

**City of Boston**  
IN  
**CITY COUNCIL**

**Official Resolution**

Presented By

**Council President Ed Flynn**  
**波士頓市議會議長 - 愛德華、費連**

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council  
Extends its Congratulations and Recognition to

**Denny Chen**

In Honor of:

**Your Support and Contributions in Promoting  
Chinese Music in the Chinese Community.**

and Be it further Resolved that the Boston City Council extends its best wishes for continued success; that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: Edward M. Flynn  
President of the City Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Edward M. Flynn

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

City of Boston  
IN  
CITY COUNCIL

Official Resolution

Presented By

Council President Ed Flynn  
波士頓市議會議長 - 愛德華、費連

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council  
Extends its Congratulations and Recognition to

Brian Hayes

In Honor of:

Your Support and Contributions in Promoting  
Chinese Music in the Chinese Community.

and Be it further Resolved that the Boston City Council extends its best  
wishes for continued success; that this Resolution be duly signed by the  
President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof  
transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: Edward M. Flynn  
President of the City Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Edward M. Flynn

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# City of Boston

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## CITY COUNCIL

### Official Resolution

presented by

**Council President Ed Flynn**

**波士頓市議會議長 - 愛德華、費連**

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council  
Extends its Congratulations and Recognition to

**Joe Tay 鄭敬基**

In honor of:

Your Years of Dedication, Commitment and Contributions of Promoting Chinese Popular Music, Canto Pop as We Know It, and Never Giving Up! Generations of Chinese and Chinese Americans in the Diaspora Grew up Listening to you from Your Very First Imitation of the Legendary Leslie Cheung! The City of Boston Welcomes you and is Delighted to have you!

and Be it further Resolved that the Boston City Council extends its best wishes for continued success; that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: Edward M. Flynn  
President of the City Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Edward M. Flynn

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# City of Boston

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## CITY COUNCIL

### Official Resolution

presented by

**Council President Ed Flynn**

**波士頓市議會議長 - 愛德華·費連**

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council  
Extends its Congratulations and Recognition to

**Ed Carlson**

In honor of:

Your Support in Bringing International Stars from Hong Kong and China to the United States. We Recognize Your Dedication and Commitment in Promoting Chinese Music in the Chinese Diaspora, particularly here, in the City of Boston. We Welcome more Opportunities in the Near Future for Performances, and Entertainment for our Chinese Community.

and Be it further Resolved that the Boston City Council extends its best wishes for continued success; that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: Edward M. Flynn  
President of the City Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Edward M. Flynn

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## CITY COUNCIL

### Official Resolution

presented by

**Council President Ed Flynn**

**波士頓市議會議長 - 愛德華·費連**

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council  
Extends its Congratulations and Recognition to

**Dung Chui Du**

In honor of:

Your 90th Birthday! Your Heart is Made of Gold, and You have a Century's Worth of Wisdom and Experiences. You're One of the Most Extraordinary People We Know. May Joy Follow You Wherever You Go, May Good Health be Your Companion, and May We Continue to be Blessed by your Presence! Happy Birthday! Thank you for your Dedication to the Boston Community.

and Be it further Resolved that the Boston City Council extends its best wishes for continued success; that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: Edward M. Flynn  
President of the City Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Edward M. Flynn

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# City of Boston IN

## CITY COUNCIL

### Official Resolution

presented by

**Council President Ed Flynn**

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council  
Extends its Congratulations and Recognition to

**The Birthday of His Majesty  
The Emperor**

In honor of:

The Consul General of Japan Mr. Kotaro Suzuki and The Japanese Consulate for your Contribution and Dedication to the Continual Cultural Exchanges in Fostering Further Collaboration and Friendship Between Japan and The United States! We are Delighted for this Wonderful Experience, The City of Boston is also Committed to The Cause and Legacy of the AAPI Community and in Recognition of your Sacrifice and Loyalty. Last but not Least, May The Emperor Enjoy Longevity and Good Health!

and Be it further Resolved that the Boston City Council extends its best wishes for continued success; that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: Edward M. Flynn  
President of the City Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Edward M. Flynn

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

City of Boston  
IN  
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Official Resolution  
of Councilor Ricardo Arroyo

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council  
extends its Gratitude to:

**Louis Barnes**

In Recognition of:

**His Dedication to Developing the Flaherty Dolphins Youth  
Swim Team**

Be it further Resolved that the Boston City Council recognizes Louis Barnes of Roslindale, MA for his leadership and commitment as manager of the BCYF Flaherty Pool and for his passion and dedication for nearly twenty years in developing the Flaherty Dolphins Youth Swim Team, winning countless awards and championing diversity. Be it further Resolved that the Council extends its best wishes for her continued success; that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to, and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: Edward M. Flynn  
President of the City Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: ra

Date: March 15, 2023



**City of Boston**  
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**IN TRIBUTE**

THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL EXTENDS ITS  
DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO YOU AND YOUR  
FAMILY IN THE PASSING OF YOUR LOVED ONE

*Anne Louise Connolly*

IN WHOSE MEMORY ALL MEMBERS STOOD  
IN TRIBUTE AND REVERENCE AS  
THE COUNCIL ADJOURNED ITS MEETING OF

**March 15, 2023**

SINCERELY,

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CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

*Attest*

*Presented By*

*Kenzie Bok*

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