



ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR MATTERS PRESENTED TO THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO 10:00 A.M. ON MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2026 FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING IN THE CHRISTOPHER IANNELLA CHAMBER ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29, 2026 AT 12:00 P.M.

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## **ROLL CALL**

### **APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 15, 2026 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

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

- [0850](#) Message transmitting certain information under Section 17F regarding Boston Public Schools' school bus auto liability insurance coverage, including the non-renewal of the prior policy, the procurement of a new insurance provider, and all related safety, claims, and cost data, Docket #0779, passed by the City Council on April 8, 2026.
- [0851](#) Message transmitting certain information under Section 17F relative to the City of Boston's insurance and liability coverage, Docket #0817, passed by the City Council on April 15, 2026.

#### **PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES**

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

- [0852](#) Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Rodney Marshall as Fire Commissioner and Chief of the Boston Fire Department effective May 1, 2026.
- [0853](#) Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Mac Hudson as a member of the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately.

- [0854](#) Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Darien Johnson as a member of the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately.
- [0855](#) Notice was received from Nicholas Ariniello, Assessing Commissioner, of the appointment of Caroline Noone as an Assistant Assessor, effective April 10, 2026.
- [0856](#) Notice was received from the Trustees of the Boston Retirement Board seeking an individual to fill the vacant Fifth Member board position. Due to the vacancy, this term shall expire on January 15, 2027.
- [0857](#) Communication was received from Timothy J. Smyth, Executive Officer of the Boston Retirement Board re: the FY27 Retiree Cost of Living Adjustment ("COLA") Base Vote.
- [0858](#) Notice was received from the City Clerk in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979 regarding action taken by the Mayor on papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of January 28, 2026.
- [0859](#) Notice was received from the City Clerk in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979 regarding action taken by the Mayor on papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of February 4, 2026.
- [0860](#) Notice was received from the City Clerk in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979 regarding action taken by the Mayor on papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of February 25, 2026.
- [0861](#) Notice was received from the City Clerk in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979 regarding action taken by the Mayor on papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of March 18, 2026.
- [0862](#) Communication was received from Councilor Flynn requesting a response on Docket #0221 relating to BHA Ruth Barkley elevators.
- [0863](#) Communication was received from Councilor Flynn regarding a public records request relating to drink spiking in Boston.

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

- [0260](#) The Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks, to which was referred on February 4, 2026, Docket #0260, message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Samira Ahmadi as a Member of the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance (BERDO) Review Board, for a term expiring May 23, 2026, submits a report recommending that the appointment ought to be confirmed.
- [0569](#) The Committee on Community Preservation Act, to which was referred on March 18, 2026, Docket #0569, message and order approving an appropriation of Thirty-Two Million, Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$32,600,000.00) from Fiscal Year 2026 community preservation fund revenues for community preservation projects at the recommendation of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee (“CPC”). The upcoming projects will aim to improve the quality of life across Boston neighborhoods. Plans include renovating playgrounds and enhancing or creating recreational spaces such as parks, community gardens, and urban farms. In addition, these projects will plant trees to grow the city’s tree canopy, preserve historic buildings and artifacts, support a program for affordable first-time home buyers and construct new affordable housing units for residents. Together, these efforts are expected to deliver a meaningful and lasting positive impact on Boston’s neighborhoods and communities, submits a report that the order ought to pass.
- [0758](#) The Committee on Community Preservation Act, to which was referred on April 8, 2026, Docket #0758, message and order approving an appropriation order in the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand Ninety Dollars (\$1,763,090.00) for the administrative and operating expenses of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee (“CPC”) for Fiscal Year 2027, and a further appropriation order in the amount of Thirty-Nine Million Five Hundred Eighty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Eight Dollars (\$39,587,798.00) from the Community Preservation Fund’s (“the Fund”) estimated annual revenues for Fiscal Year 2027, to be appropriated and reserved for future appropriation, submits a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

[0760](#) The Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks, to which was referred on April 8, 2026, Docket #0760, message and order for your approval an appropriation order in the amount of Eight Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$860,000) for the Cemetery Division of the Parks and Recreation Department and the Trust Office of the Treasury Department to be funded from the Cemetery Trust Fund established under Chapter 13 of the Acts of 1961, submits a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

[0761](#) The Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks, to which was referred on April 8, 2026, Docket #0761, message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000.00) in the form of a grant, Red Sox Arts and Parks Program Grant, awarded by the Boston Red Sox to be administered by the Mayor's Office, submits a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

[0771](#) The Committee on Planning, Development, and Transportation, to which was referred on April 8, 2026, Docket #0771, communication was received by the City Clerk from the Boston Landmarks Commission for City Council action on the designation of the Petition #147.89 - The Copley Plaza Hotel, Back Bay (in effect after April 30, 2026 if not acted upon), submits a report recommending that this designation ought to be passed.

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

Dockets #0733-0735, Orders for the FY27 Operating Budget, including annual appropriations for departmental operations, for the School Department, and for other post-employment benefits (OPEB).

Dockets #0736-0737, Orders for capital fund transfer appropriations.

Dockets #0738-0740, Orders for the Capital Budget, including loan orders and lease-purchase agreements.

Docket #0757, Message and order approving an appropriation of Three Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,600,000.00) from the 21st Century Fund, also known as the Public, Educational, or Governmental (PEG) Access and Cable Related Fund. Pursuant to Section 53F 3/4 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, the funds may be used to support PEG access services, to monitor compliance with the cable franchise agreement, and for preparation of renewal of the franchise license.

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

- 0864** Councilor Coletta Zapata and Weber offered the following: An Ordinance Increasing Tenant Protection During Rental Inspection Code Violations.
- 0865** Councilor Pepén offered the following: Order for a hearing to explore the use of parking structures.
- 0866** Councilor Durkan offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the City of Boston Planning Department's performance and 2026 Annual Report.
- 0867** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss a moratorium for artificial intelligence (AI) data centers in Boston.
- 0868** Councilor Culpepper offered the following: Order for a hearing to explore establishing a university small business technical assistance partnership in the City of Boston.
- 0869** Councilor Culpepper offered the following: Resolution in support of establishing a university small business technical assistance partnership in the City of Boston.
- 0870** Councilor Culpepper offered the following: Order for a hearing to examine the circumstances surrounding in-custody deaths at the Suffolk County House of Correction and systemic factors contributing to mortality in custody.
- 0871** Councilor Culpepper offered the following: Resolution calling for an independent investigation into the in-custody death of Shacoby Kenny at the Suffolk County House of Correction.
- 0872** Councilor Culpepper offered the following: Resolution calling for the temporary suspension of correctional staff involved in the December, 2025 in-custody death of Shacoby Kenny at the Suffolk County House of Correction.
- 0873** Councilor Murphy offered the following: Order requesting certain information under Section 17F regarding all grant programs, contacts, and funding provided to nonprofit organizations, community-based organizations and external partners in Fiscal Year 2026 and Fiscal Year 2027, including all reductions, eliminations, and changes in funding.

- 0874** Councilor Murphy and Flynn offered the following: Order requesting certain information under Section 17F regarding the City of Boston's efforts to address drink spiking and drug-facilitated sexual assault in nightlife establishments, including safety training programs, prevention initiatives, communications with licensed venues, and records maintained by the City related to these efforts.
- 0875** Councilor Culpepper offered the following: Resolution demanding that the United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement does not conduct civil immigration enforcement activities at or surrounding Fenway Park.
- 0876** Councilor Coletta Zapata offered the following: Resolution affirming the City of Boston's opposition to the use of Charlestown for Everett Stadium event parking.
- 0877** Councilor Breadon offered the following: Resolution in support of safeguarding state and federal funding allocated for transportation and streets projects.
- 0878** Councilor Breadon offered the following: Resolution in support of United States Postal Service reestablishing a post office location in Allston.
- 0879** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution in support of the elimination for summer block party grants.
- 0880** Councilor FitzGerald offered the following: Resolution declaring "Polish Constitution Day" in the City of Boston.
- 0881** Councilor FitzGerald offered the following: Resolution recognizing National Teacher Appreciation Week.
- 0882** Councilor Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing May 1st, 2026 as Dr. Jean McGuire Day in the City of Boston.
- 0883** Councilor Mejia offered the following: Resolution recognizing May as Mental Health Awareness Month.
- 0884** Councilor Mejia offered the following: Resolution recognizing National Nurses Month and National Nurses Week.
- 0885** Councilor Flynn and Durkan offered the following: Resolution in support of nurses at Brigham and Women's Hospital.

**0886** Councilor Weber offered the following: Resolution recognizing Jewish American Heritage Month.

**PERSONNEL ORDERS:**

**0887** Councilor Breadon for Councilor Murphy offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Vu Tran in City Council, effective May 9, 2026.

**0888** Councilor Breadon offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Moira Carragee in City Council, effective May 2, 2026.

**GREEN SHEETS:**

**29/26** Legislative Calendar for April 29, 2026.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**0889** Councilor Weber offered the following: Resolution recognizing Jack Fultz.

**0890** Councilor Durkan offered the following: Resolution recognizing the grand opening of Avra Estiatorio.

**0891** Councilor Durkan offered the following: Resolution recognizing Sherley Smith.

**0892** Councilor Durkan offered the following: Resolution recognizing the Friends of the Boston Park Rangers Mounted Unit.

**0893** Councilor FitzGerald offered the following: Resolution recognizing Eileen Peterson.

**0894** Councilor FitzGerald offered the following: Resolution recognizing Elsie Morantus Petion.

**0895** Councilor Breadon offered the following: Resolution in memory of John Francis Snedeker.

**0896** Councilor Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing the Prince Hall and African Lodge No. 459.

- 0897** Councilor Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing Siobhan Salani.
- 0898** Councilor Culpepper offered the following: Resolution recognizing Dr. Jonathan K. Jefferson.
- 0899** Councilor Culpepper offered the following: Resolution recognizing Candelaria Silva-Collins.
- 0900** Councilor Culpepper offered the following: Resolution recognizing Chris Sumner.
- 0901** Councilor Culpepper offered the following: Resolution recognizing Marcia Butman.
- 0902** Councilor Louijeune and Culpepper offered the following: Resolution recognizing April 30th 2026, as International Jazz Day.
- 0903** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution congratulating Larry E. Polston Jr.



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

April 27, 2026

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

This is the response to the 17F: Order requesting certain information under section 17F regarding Boston Public Schools' school bus auto liability insurance coverage, including the non-renewal of the prior policy, the procurement of a new insurance provider, and all related safety, claims, and cost data. (**Docket #0779 filed on 4/6/2026**).

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



[0779](#) - Councilor Murphy offered the following: Order requesting certain information under section 17F regarding Boston Public Schools' school bus auto liability insurance coverage, including the non-renewal of the prior policy, the procurement of a new insurance provider, and all related safety, claims, and cost data.

## Response to City Council Order Under Section 17F

*Order requesting certain information under section 17F regarding Boston Public Schools' school bus auto liability insurance coverage, including the non-renewal of the prior policy, the procurement of a new insurance provider, and all related safety, claims, and cost data.*

**Passed in Council:** April 8, 2026

**Responding Agency:** Boston Public Schools

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Pursuant to the Order issued under Section 17F, Boston Public Schools (BPS) provides the following information regarding Boston Public Schools' school bus auto liability insurance coverage, as available.

**The name of the prior insurer and the current insurer providing school bus auto liability coverage.**

Prior Insurer: National Interstate

Current Insurer: Obsidian Specialty Insurance Company

**Copies of any notices of non-renewal, cancellation, or correspondence from the prior insurer explaining the reasons coverage was not renewed.**

The non-renewal notice received from National Interstate in March 2025 is [linked here](#).

**The effective dates of both the prior and current insurance policies.**

[FY25 \(Prior\) Policy](#): Effective 6/30/24 to 6/30/25

[FY26 \(Current\) Policy](#): Effective 6/30/25 to 6/30/26

**Documentation confirming whether there was any lapse in coverage, and if not, records demonstrating continuity of coverage**

There was no lapse in coverage. See FY25 and FY26 policies linked above.

**A detailed explanation of all reasons provided by the prior insurer for declining to renew coverage, including but not limited to accident frequency, claim frequency, claim severity,**

**driver safety concerns, training deficiencies, preventable accident history, or operational issues.**

See non-renewal notice linked above.

**Copies of any risk assessments, safety audits, loss control reports, or recommendations issued by the prior insurer from January 1, 2023 to present.**

See following loss control reports linked below:

- [April 2023](#)
- [February 2024](#)
- [January 2025](#)
- [May 2025](#)

**The total number of claims related to Boston Public Schools transportation for each year from July 1, 2023 to present.**

As of the time of this response:

- FY24: 196
- FY25: 196
- FY26: 167

**The total dollar value of claims, including paid and reserved losses, during that same period.**

BPS does not share the dollar amounts paid and reserved associated with auto insurance claims.

**A breakdown of claims by category, including bodily injury, pedestrian incidents, vehicle collisions, property damage, and student-related injuries.**

BPS does not compile this data.

**The total number of preventable and non-preventable accidents for each year, and the criteria used to classify such incidents.**

As of the time of this response:

- FY24: 176 preventable, 164 non-preventable
- FY25: 222 preventable, 202 non-preventable
- FY26: 203 preventable, 193 non-preventable

**The number of drivers involved in multiple preventable incidents during that period.**

BPS does not compile this data.

**A comparison of the prior and current insurance policies, including premiums, deductibles or self-insured retention, coverage limits, exclusions, and any changes in terms or conditions.**

See policies linked above.

**The total projected cost of the current insurance coverage for Fiscal Years 2026 and 2027, including all associated costs.**

As of the time of this response:

- FY2025: \$3.3M
- FY2026: \$3.3M
- FY2027: Renewal underway

**A description of any operational or safety changes implemented by Boston Public Schools or its transportation vendor in response to insurer concerns, including changes to driver training, safety protocols, supervision, or oversight.**

BPS contracts with Transdev to provide yellow bus services, which includes the hiring, training, and oversight of drivers. Over the past year, BPS has increased oversight of Transdev's safety department, including additional oversight and auditing of driver credentials and enhanced, daily review of all accidents. In addition, BPS has worked with Transdev to take additional steps to bolster safety over the past year, in response to insurer and other concerns. These include:

- [Linked here](#) is Transdev's response to National Interstate's January 2025 loss control reports. Transdev introduced a new Professional Operator Development Program (PODP) training program for all drivers in 2025. All Transdev Boston school bus drivers completed the PODP training prior to the end of the 2025 calendar year.
- [Linked here](#) is a description of a restructuring of the Transdev Safety Department which was recommended by Transdev, approved by BPS, and implemented by Transdev in September 2025 to increase safety staffing and improve oversight, planning, and administration of safety functions. The ratio of trainers to drivers was also increased from 1:75 to 1:50, by agreement of BPS and Transdev, in summer 2025.

**Copies of communications between Boston Public Schools, its transportation vendor, insurance brokers, and insurers related to non-renewal, claims history, safety concerns, and procurement of new coverage from January 1, 2024 to present.**

BPS does not share information that could reveal either the dollar amounts paid and reserved associated with auto insurance claims or privileged legal strategies.

**Information regarding any additional requirements, conditions, or oversight measures imposed by the current insurer as part of the new policy.**

See policies linked above.

**Information regarding whether Boston Public Schools anticipates any challenges in renewing the current policy in future years.**

BPS is currently in the process of renewing our current insurance policy and does not anticipate any challenges.

**Information regarding whether the current insurance policy is more costly, more restrictive, or less favorable than the prior policy, and in what specific ways.**

As described above, the cost of the current insurance policy is approximately the same as the prior insurance policy. See policies linked above for additional details on the policies themselves.



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

April 27, 2026

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

This is the response to the 17F: Order requesting certain information under Section 17F relative to the City of Boston's insurance and liability coverage. (**Docket #0817 filed on 4/13/2026**).

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



## Response to City Council Order Under Section 17F:

*Order requesting certain information under section 17F: Relative to the City of Boston's insurance and liability coverage.*

**Passed in Council: April 15 , 2026**

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### **1) What are the City of Boston's costs for insurance and liability coverage related to lawsuits and legal settlements?**

The City of Boston is self-insured for all liability related to lawsuits and legal settlements. The City does not purchase general liability insurance for lawsuits and legal settlements.

### **2) How much has the City of Boston paid out in lawsuit settlements and related liabilities over the past five years?**

The Law Department represents and defends the City of Boston in a wide range of claims. Any settlements that result from litigation of these claims are paid out of the central Execution of Courts Budget.

As published in the City's financial statements and reports, the settlements and liabilities over the past five years:

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Total</b>
FY21	5,790,678
FY22	34,508,737
FY23	32,026,150
FY24	24,103,105
FY25	6,187,405



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

April 27, 2026

**TO THE CITY CLERK**

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

Dear Mr. Clerk,

In accordance with the provisions of Section 5-5.10 of the Boston City Code, I hereby appoint Rodney Marshall of 58 Supple Street, Dorchester, MA 02121, Fire Commissioner & Chief of the Fire Department, effective May 1, 2026.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



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

April 27, 2026

Dear Mr. Clerk:

I hereby appoint Mac Hudson of 1301 Blue Hill Avenue, Apt# 206, Mattapan, Massachusetts 02126 as a member of the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately.

I am appointing Mac Hudson as a member pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 15-13.2 of Chapter XII of the City of Boston Municipal Code.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



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

April 27, 2026

Dear Mr. Clerk:

I hereby appoint Darien Johnson of 20 Bryon Road, Apt# 5, Chestnut Hill, Massachusetts 02467 as a member of the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately.

I am appointing Darien Johnson as a member pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 15-13.2 of Chapter XII of the City of Boston Municipal Code.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



## Assessing Department

Michelle Wu, Mayor

April 10, 2026

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

RE: Request to Administer Oath of Office

Dear Mr. Geourntas:

Pursuant to MGL Ch. 41 Sec 29, I hereby appoint Caroline Noone (ee id:144898) to the role of Assistant Assessor in the Valuation Unit in the Assessing Department for the City of Boston. Caroline received her MAAO certification in April 2026. Caroline resides at 713 E 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Apt. 1, South Boston, MA 02127.

I respectfully request that she be administered the Oath of Office.

Patricia Marcella can arrange his availability; Patricia can be reached at 617-635-4555 or [patricia.marcella@boston.gov](mailto:patricia.marcella@boston.gov).

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Ariniello  
Commissioner, Assessing



**BOARD MEMBERS**

*Sally D. Glora  
Sean F. Kelly  
Karen T. Cross  
Scott M. Finn*

**EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

*Timothy J. Smyth, Esquire*

**Notice of Fifth Board Member Vacancy**

The Trustees of the Boston Retirement Board (“BRB”) seek an individual to fill the vacant Fifth Member board position. Due to the vacancy, this term shall expire on **January 15, 2027**.

The BRB is a cost sharing, multi-employer, public employee retirement system established under Chapter 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws. The mission of the BRB is to oversee its Retirement System, which disburses retirement benefits and provides retirement-related services to 21,100+ active members, as well as 15,000+ retirees and beneficiaries. The BRB actively manages nearly \$8.6 billion in pension funds with the guidance of a pension consultant and fund managers, which are fully invested in diversified asset categories.

Qualifications for this position include, but not limited to, the following:

- Serve as a fiduciary, free of any conflicts of interest.
- Act for the exclusive benefit of the members and their beneficiaries.
- Ability to attend monthly meetings at the Boston Retirement Board.

Preferred attributes include, but not limited to, familiarity with the following:

- Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 32.
- Governmental defined benefit plans.
- Experience with large investment portfolios.
- Experience with investment management systems, operations and/or infrastructure.

Board Members are required to complete 18 hours of educational training during the three-year term, and to file Annual Statements of Financial Interest with the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission. Board Members must comply with GL c. 268A (Massachusetts Ethics law).

The Fifth Member may not be an employee, retiree or official of the Retirement Board, City of Boston, Boston Planning & Development Agency f/k/a Boston Redevelopment Authority, Boston Housing Authority, Suffolk County Sheriff’s Department, Boston Water & Sewer Commission or Boston Public Health Commission. An annual stipend of \$4,500 is available to the successful candidate.

Interested candidates must respond by sending a cover letter and curriculum vitae to Timothy J. Smyth, Esquire at email: [timothy.smyth@boston.gov](mailto:timothy.smyth@boston.gov) no later than 5:00 p.m. on **May 1, 2026**.

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## Boston Retirement System

### BOARD MEMBERS

Thomas V.J. Jackson, Chair  
Sally D. Glora  
Karen T. Cross  
Scott M. Finn  
Sean F. Kelly

### EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Timothy J. Smyth, Esquire

**Via: [publicnotice@boston.gov](mailto:publicnotice@boston.gov)**

April 22, 2026

Alex G. Geourntas, City Clerk  
Boston City Council  
Boston City Hall, Room 601  
Boston, MA 02201

### **RE: Notice of FY27 Cost-of-Living Adjustment ("COLA") & COLA Base**

Dear Clerk Geourntas:

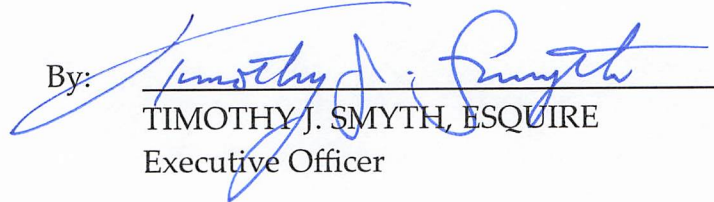
The Trustees of the Boston Retirement Board hereby notifies the Boston City Council that it shall receive public comment relative to retiree Cost of Living Adjustment ("COLA") and COLA base for FY27 at a public meeting scheduled for May 27, 2026, at 10:00 a.m., in Room 801 at Boston City Hall. The actual vote is scheduled for June 17, 2026, at 10:00 a.m.

Each year, pursuant to G.L. c. 32, §103(c), the Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission ("PERAC") reports to the General Court the computation of any increase in the United States Consumer Price Index and the percentage thereof in the previous year by the Commissioner of Social Security. Any such increase is based upon the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers. This index is used annually to adjust benefits paid to Social Security retirees and beneficiaries.

The Social Security Administration has announced that the latest COLA is 2.8%. However, pursuant to G.L. c. 32, §103(i), a Retirement Board with proper notice to the legislative body may elect to increase this percentage up to 3.0%. In addition, the Board may elect not to grant a COLA in the event it "determines that the cost of living adjustment recommended by said report shall substantially impair the funding schedule of said system," see G.L. c. 32, §103(c). See also PERAC Memo # 5/2026 attached hereto. As to our COLA base, the System has irrevocably adopted a base of \$15,000.

We note that our latest actuarial valuation, as of January 1, 2025, is included for your review as well. Thank you for your customary assistance with these matters.

Respectfully submitted,  
BOSTON RETIREMENT SYSTEM

By:   
TIMOTHY J. SMYTH, ESQUIRE  
Executive Officer

Attachments (PERAC Memo # 5/2026 & BRS Actuarial Valuation as of 01/01/2025)

cc: Honorable Michelle Wu, Mayor of City of Boston (via email)  
Elizabeth Breadon, City Council President (via email)  
Ashley Groffenberger, City of Boston Chief Financial Officer (via email)  
Priscilla M. Bok, Boston Housing Authority (via email)  
Bisola Ojikutu, MD, Boston Public Health Commission (via email)  
Henry F. Vitale, Boston Water & Sewer Commission

# PERAC

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS | PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT ADMINISTRATION COMMISSION

PHILIP Y. BROWN, ESQ., *Chair*

WILLIAM T. KEEFE, *Executive Director*

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## MEMORANDUM

TO: All Retirement Boards

FROM: Bill Keefe, Executive Director

RE: COLA Notice

DATE: January 12, 2026

The Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission (PERAC) is providing this notice regarding the COLA Report required by Chapter 17, Section 8(c) of the Acts of 1997.

Under the statute, PERAC reports to the General Court the computation of the increase in the United States Consumer Price Index in the previous year by the Commissioner of Social Security. Any such increase is based on the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers (CPI-W). This index is used annually to adjust benefits paid to Social Security retirees and beneficiaries.

The Social Security Administration has announced that the latest Cost of Living Adjustment (COLA) is 2.8%.

The COLA, which any such system may grant pursuant to Chapter 32, Section 103(c) and effective July 1, 2026, will thus be 2.8%. Pursuant to Section 103(i), a Retirement Board, with proper notice to the legislative body, may elect to increase this percentage up to 3.0%, at a duly called meeting. By statute, this process should be completed prior to June 30, 2026.

Each Retirement Board making a decision whether or not to grant a COLA must notify the Commission of that decision through PROSPER within 30 days.

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Boston Retirement System

# January 1, 2025 Preliminary Actuarial Valuation Results

May 23, 2025 / Kathleen A. Riley, FSA, MAAA, EA / Andrew R. Luongo, ASA, MAAA, EA

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# BRS Excluding Teachers

## Participant data

The table below presents the data used in this year's valuation for the BRS excluding Teachers, in comparison to the data used in the January 1, 2024 valuation.

- The number of active participants has increased 12.0% since the prior valuation. This increase reflects 1,349 participants reported for the first time with dates of hire in 2023 or earlier.
- Average compensation has decreased 0.7% over the past year due to the additional participants.
- The number of participants in pay status has increased 0.1%.

Demographic Data	Year Ended December 31, 2024	Year Ended December 31, 2023	Change From Prior Year
<b>Active participants:</b>			
• Number	16,207	14,476	12.0%
• Average age	44.9	46.2	-1.3
• Average years of service	10.9	12.3	-1.4
• Average compensation	\$84,574	\$85,204	-0.7%
<b>Inactive participants:</b>			
• Inactive participants due a refund of employee contributions	11,864	10,869	9.2%
• Inactive participants with a vested right to a deferred or immediate benefit	897	934	-4.0%
<b>Retired participants:</b>			
• Number in pay status	6,954	6,917	0.5%
• Average age	73.7	73.6	0.1
• Average monthly benefit	\$3,953	\$3,832	3.2%
<b>Disabled participants:</b>			
• Number in pay status	1,603	1,583	1.3%
• Average age	70.3	70.2	0.1
• Average monthly benefit	\$5,331	\$5,133	3.9%
<b>Beneficiaries:</b>			
• Number in pay status	1,659	1,707	-2.8%
• Average age	75.9	76.3	-0.4
• Average monthly benefit	\$2,519	\$2,377	6.0%

Notes:

Compensation figures are for the prior year and reflect annualized salaries for participants hired during the year.

Calendar year 2024 compensation figures were decreased by 8.7% for Police to estimate retroactive payments made during the year.

Calendar year 2023 compensation figures were increased by 15.1% for Police to estimate unsettled contracts and TCAP impact in fiscal 2025 and decreased by 5.6% for Fire Fighters and 2.5% for school department employees to estimate retroactive payments made during the year.

# Financial information

- During the plan year ending December 31, 2024, the rate of return on the market value of assets was 8.00%, compared to the assumed rate of return of 6.90%. The rate of return on the actuarial value of assets (which gradually recognizes market fluctuations) for the plan year ending December 31, 2024 was 5.99%.
- The actuarial value of assets as of December 31, 2024 was \$8.20 billion, or 103.5% of the market value of assets of \$7.92 billion (as reported in the Annual Statement).
  - As of December 31, 2023, the actuarial value of assets was 105.5% of the market value of assets.
- With the actuarial value of assets, there was a total unrecognized investment loss as of December 31, 2024 of \$278.3 million. This investment loss will be recognized in the determination of the actuarial value of assets for funding purposes in the next few years, to the extent it is not offset by recognition of investment gains derived from future experience.
  - This implies that earning the assumed rate of investment return (net of expenses) on a market value basis will result in investment losses on the actuarial value of assets in the next few years.
  - The projected unfunded actuarial accrued liability in the funding schedule does not reflect the recognition of deferred investment losses.

# Experience analysis

- The unfunded liability was expected to decrease by \$325 million from \$1,257 million as of January 1, 2024 to \$932 million as of January 1, 2025. The actual unfunded liability (before consideration of assumption changes) of \$977 million as of January 1, 2025 is \$45 million higher than expected. The sources of the net experience loss are:

Component	Amount (In millions)
January 1, 2024 unfunded actuarial accrued liability	\$1,257
January 1, 2025 expected unfunded actuarial accrued liability	932
Change due to:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Investment loss on an actuarial value basis</li> </ul>	\$70
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gain due to administrative expenses less than assumed</li> </ul>	-2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gain due to mortality experience (primarily beneficiaries)</li> </ul>	-11
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Loss due to salaries increasing more than expected (primarily Police)</li> </ul>	58
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gain due to transfer to Teachers</li> </ul>	-53
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Miscellaneous experience gain (retirement, turnover, disability, net of show-ups)</li> </ul>	-17
Net loss	\$45
<b>January 1, 2025 unfunded actuarial accrued liability (before consideration of assumption changes)</b>	<b>\$977</b>

# Assumptions review

## Mortality assumption

- **Current assumption:**

- Groups 1 and 2
  - Healthy: Pub-2010 General Employee, Healthy Retiree and Contingent Survivor Amount-weighted Mortality Tables set forward one year, projected generationally using Scale MP-2021
  - Disabled: Pub-2010 General Healthy Retiree Amount-weighted Mortality Tables set forward one year, projected generationally using Scale MP-2021
- Group 4
  - Healthy: Pub-2010 Safety Employee, Healthy Retiree and Contingent Survivor Amount-weighted Mortality Tables, projected generationally using Scale MP-2021
  - Disabled: Pub-2010 Disabled Retiree Amount-weighted Mortality Tables, projected generationally using Scale MP-2021

- **Experience:**

Years	Retirees Expected	Retirees Actual	Disableds Expected	Disableds Actual	Beneficiaries Expected	Beneficiaries Actual
2016-2017	551.00	626	112.50	140	241.22	318
2018-2019	501.42	530	102.14	135	232.74	279
2020-2021	477.24	619	92.16	140	199.84	260
2022-2023	455.66	546	87.60	115	194.16	274
2024	232.72	289	45.77	57	89.91	160
<b>9 Year Average</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>143</b>

- **Comment:**

- We recommend maintaining the current mortality assumption.

## Investment return

- The System's investment advisor (NEPC) has calculated the following expected rates of return:
  - 30 year time horizon: 7.8%
  - 10 year time horizon: 6.7%
- Based on the current target asset allocation, Segal Marco Advisors' capital market expectations as of December 31, 2024 and a building block approach, we calculate the following expected geometric rates of return (see next page for additional detail):
  - 20 year time horizon: 7.01%
  - 15 year time horizon: 7.10%
  - 10 year time horizon: 7.21%
- After reviewing this information and the experience since the last valuation, we recommend maintaining the investment return assumption of 6.90%.

## Segal Marco Advisors Capital Market Assumptions as of December 31, 2024

Arithmetic Returns by Asset Class	Domestic Equity	International Developed Markets Equity	Emerging Markets Equity	Core Fixed Income	High Yield Fixed Income	Emerging Mkt Debt Fixed Income	Core Real Estate	Hedge Fund, GTAA, Risk Parity, etc.	Private Credit	Private Equity
<b>Nominal Expected Return as of December 31, 2024</b>										
5 Year Time Horizon	8.82%	8.92%	10.12%	4.62%	6.22%	6.32%	6.22%	5.62%	8.82%	12.37%
10 Year Time Horizon	8.68%	8.78%	9.98%	4.48%	6.08%	6.18%	6.08%	5.48%	8.68%	12.23%
15 Year Time Horizon	8.58%	8.68%	9.88%	4.38%	5.98%	6.08%	5.98%	5.38%	8.58%	12.13%
20 Year Time Horizon	8.50%	8.60%	9.80%	4.30%	5.90%	6.00%	5.90%	5.30%	8.50%	12.05%
<b>Target Allocation</b>	<b>25.00%</b>	<b>15.00%</b>	<b>8.00%</b>	<b>18.00%</b>	<b>4.00%</b>	<b>3.00%</b>	<b>10.00%</b>	<b>5.00%</b>	<b>5.00%</b>	<b>7.00%</b>

Returns for Total Portfolio	(1) Forward Looking Expected Arithmetic Return	(2) Forward Looking Expected Geometric Return	(3) Median Geometric Return
<b>Nominal Expected Return as of December 31, 2024</b>			
5 Year Time Horizon	7.81%	7.36%	7.25%
10 Year Time Horizon	7.67%	7.16%	7.11%
15 Year Time Horizon	7.57%	7.05%	7.01%
20 Year Time Horizon	7.49%	6.96%	6.93%

## Review of other assumptions

- Administrative expense assumption
  - We recommend increasing the assumption from \$8,190,000 for calendar year 2024 to \$10,500,000 for calendar year 2025 based on information on expenses provided by the Retirement System.
- We do not recommend any changes in the salary increase, retirement, turnover, disability or other assumptions at this time.

# Summary of preliminary valuation results

The table below summarizes the results of the January 1, 2025 actuarial valuation using the recommended \$10,500,000 administrative expense assumption with a comparison to the prior valuation.

Component	2025 Amount	Percent of Projected Payroll	2024 Amount	Percent of Projected Payroll
1. Total normal cost	\$239,477,803	16.82%	\$218,663,563	17.05%
2. Administrative expense assumption	10,500,000	0.74%	8,190,000	0.64%
3. Expected employee contributions	-145,141,556	-10.20%	-130,390,399	-10.17%
<b>4. Employer normal cost: (1) + (2) + (3)</b>	<b>\$104,836,247</b>	<b>7.36%</b>	<b>\$96,463,164</b>	<b>7.52%</b>
5. Actuarial accrued liability	\$9,173,008,955		\$8,879,934,968	
6. Actuarial value of assets (AVA)	8,195,838,215		7,623,038,719	
<b>7. Unfunded actuarial accrued liability: (5) - (6)</b>	<b>\$977,170,740</b>		<b>\$1,256,896,249</b>	
8. Funded percentage based on AVA: (6) ÷ (5)	89.35%		85.85%	
9. Market value of assets (MVA)	\$7,917,574,100		\$7,222,830,103	
10. Funded percentage based on MVA: (9) ÷ (5)	86.31%		81.34%	

# Funding schedules

## Funding Schedule adopted with the January 1, 2024 Valuation

With the prior valuation, the Board approved a funding schedule that fully funded the System by June 30, 2028 with appropriations that increased by approximately 8.85% per year for fiscal 2026 and fiscal 2027 and a smaller appropriation in fiscal 2028, if all assumptions are met and there are no changes in the plan of benefits or actuarial assumptions.

(1) Fiscal Year Ended June 30	(2) Employer Normal Cost	(3) Amortization of Unfunded Inactive Sheriff Liability	(4) Amortization of Remaining Unfunded Liability	(5) Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC): (2) + (3) + (4)	(6) Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (using AVA) at Beginning of Fiscal Year	(7) Percent Increase in ADC over Prior Year
2025	\$98,018,157	\$2,237,070	\$384,116,856	\$484,372,083	\$1,299,535,904	--
2026	101,547,862	2,237,070	423,454,080	527,239,012	976,191,534	8.85%
2027	105,203,998	2,237,070	466,458,597	573,899,665	588,484,910	8.85%
2028	108,991,074	2,237,070	125,817,631	237,045,775	128,054,701	-58.70%
2029	112,913,759	0	0	112,913,759	0	-52.37%
2030	116,976,887	0	0	116,976,887	0	3.60%

**Notes:**

Actuarially determined contribution for fiscal year 2025 is set equal to the amount determined with the prior valuation, updated to reflect the 5% COLA.

Actuarially determined contributions are assumed to be paid on July 1.

Item (2) reflects 3.25% growth in payroll and a 0.15% adjustment to total normal cost to reflect the effect of morality improvements due to the generational mortality assumption.

Projected normal cost does not reflect the future impact of pension reform for new hires.

Projected unfunded actuarial accrued liability does not reflect the recognition of deferred investment gains or losses.

## January 1, 2025 Funding Schedule

This funding schedule fully funds the System by June 30, 2028 with appropriations that increase by 8.85% for fiscal 2027 and a smaller appropriation in fiscal 2028, if all assumptions are met and there are no changes in the plan of benefits or actuarial assumptions. Because there was an experience loss this year, the fiscal 2028 appropriation is larger than in last year's schedule.

(1) Fiscal Year Ended June 30	(2) Employer Normal Cost	(3) Amortization of Unfunded Inactive Sheriff Liability	(4) Amortization of Remaining Unfunded Liability	(5) Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC): (2) + (3) + (4)	(6) Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (using AVA) at Beginning of Fiscal Year	(7) Percent Increase in ADC over Prior Year
2026	\$106,526,215	\$2,237,070	\$418,475,727	\$527,239,012	\$1,010,320,829	- -
2027	110,365,187	2,237,070	461,297,408	573,899,665	630,290,986	8.85%
2028	114,341,758	2,237,070	176,025,637	292,604,465	178,262,707	-49.01%
2029	118,460,836	0	0	118,460,836	0	-59.52%
2030	122,727,505	0	0	122,727,505	0	3.60%

**Notes:**

Actuarially determined contribution for fiscal year 2026 is set equal to the amount determined with the prior valuation.

Actuarially determined contributions are assumed to be paid on July 1.

Item (2) reflects 3.25% growth in payroll and a 0.15% adjustment to total normal cost to reflect the effect of morality improvements due to the generational mortality assumption.

Projected normal cost does not reflect the future impact of pension reform for new hires.

Projected unfunded actuarial accrued liability does not reflect the recognition of deferred investment gains or losses.

## January 1, 2025 Funding Schedule Using the Market Value of Assets

This schedule is provided only to illustrate the impact of the deferred investment losses. This funding schedule fully funds the System by June 30, 2028 with appropriations that increase by 8.85% for fiscal 2027 and by 8.27% in fiscal 2028, if all assumptions are met and there are no changes in the plan of benefits or actuarial assumptions. The deferred investment loss is funded in fiscal 2028.

(1) Fiscal Year Ended June 30	(2) Employer Normal Cost	(3) Amortization of Unfunded Inactive Sheriff Liability	(4) Amortization of Remaining Unfunded Liability	(5) Actuarially Determined Contribution (ADC): (2) + (3) + (4)	(6) Unfunded Actuarial Accrued Liability (using MVA) at Beginning of Fiscal Year	(7) Percent Increase in ADC over Prior Year
2026	\$106,526,215	\$2,237,070	\$418,475,727	\$527,239,012	\$1,298,024,933	- -
2027	110,365,187	2,237,070	461,297,408	573,899,665	937,846,673	8.85%
2028	114,341,758	2,237,070	504,802,666	621,381,494	507,039,736	8.27%
2029	118,460,836	0	0	118,460,836	0	-80.94%
2030	122,727,505	0	0	122,727,505	0	3.60%

**Notes:**

Actuarially determined contribution for fiscal year 2026 is set equal to the amount determined with the prior valuation.

Actuarially determined contributions are assumed to be paid on July 1.

Item (2) reflects 3.25% growth in payroll and a 0.15% adjustment to total normal cost to reflect the effect of morality improvements due to the generational mortality assumption.

Projected normal cost does not reflect the future impact of pension reform for new hires.

# Cost of increasing the COLA base effective July 1, 2025

- The additional unfunded liability and employer normal cost if the COLA base is increased for Non-Teachers effective July 1, 2025 from \$15,000 to \$16,000, \$17,000 and \$18,000 is shown in the following table:

Cost element	January 1, 2025 valuation results	Increase due to change in COLA base to \$16,000	Increase due to change in COLA base to \$17,000	Increase due to change in COLA base to \$18,000
1. July 1, 2025 projected unfunded liability	\$1,010,320,829	\$30,356,458	\$60,391,610	\$90,087,396
– Percent increase	N/A	3.0%	6.0%	8.9%
2. July 1, 2025 projected employer normal cost	\$106,526,215	\$737,370	\$1,460,678	\$2,170,347
– Percent increase	N/A	0.7%	1.4%	2.0%

- The following table shows four alternatives for reflecting in the funding schedule the additional cost of increasing the COLA base. The four alternatives amortize the unfunded liability due to increasing the COLA base over three, four, five or six years, with an initial payment in fiscal 2025 and subsequent payments increasing 8.85% each year. Some of these alternatives extend funding of the increase in the COLA base beyond the full funding of the existing unfunded liability. This approach to amortizing the unfunded liability is referred to as layered amortization.

COLA funding date	Fiscal 2026 appropriation	Increase in fiscal 2026 appropriation due to change in COLA base to \$16,000	Increase in fiscal 2026 appropriation due to change in COLA base to \$17,000	Increase in fiscal 2026 appropriation due to change in COLA base to \$18,000
1. COLA increase funded by fiscal 2028	\$527,239,012	\$10,673,833	\$21,228,432	\$31,658,308
– Percent increase	N/A	2.0%	4.0%	6.0%
2. COLA increase funded by fiscal 2029	\$527,239,012	\$8,121,959	\$16,151,694	\$24,085,235
– Percent increase	N/A	1.5%	3.1%	4.6%
3. COLA increase funded by fiscal 2030	\$527,239,012	\$6,591,168	\$13,106,315	\$19,542,381
– Percent increase	N/A	1.3%	2.5%	3.7%
4. COLA increase funded by fiscal 2031	\$527,239,012	\$5,570,919	\$11,076,615	\$16,514,636
– Percent increase	N/A	1.1%	2.1%	3.1%

# Teachers

## Participant data

The table below presents the data used in this year’s valuation for the Teachers, in comparison to the data used in the January 1, 2024 valuation.

- The number of active participants has increased 12.0% since the prior valuation. This increase reflects 477 participants reported for the first time with dates of hire in 2023 or earlier.
- Average compensation has decreased 0.2% over the past year due to the additional participants.
- The number of participants in pay status has increased 0.8%.

Demographic Data	Year Ended December 31, 2024	Year Ended December 31, 2023	Change From Prior Year
<b>Active participants:</b>			
• Number	6,760	6,035	12.0%
• Average age	42.7	43.4	-0.7
• Average years of service	11.4	12.1	-0.7
• Average compensation	\$114,585	\$114,791	-0.2%
<b>Inactive participants:</b>			
• Inactive participants due a refund of employee contributions	3,120	3,169	-1.5%
• Inactive participants with a vested right to a deferred or immediate benefit	504	548	-8.0%
<b>Retired participants:</b>			
• Number in pay status	4,388	4,360	0.6%
• Average age	75.5	75.0	0.5
• Average monthly benefit	\$5,118	\$5,034	1.7%
<b>Disabled participants:</b>			
• Number in pay status	104	104	0.0%
• Average age	70.7	70.4	0.3
• Average monthly benefit	\$3,971	\$3,708	7.1%
<b>Beneficiaries:</b>			
• Number in pay status	346	334	3.6%
• Average age	75.0	75.0	0.0
• Average monthly benefit	\$2,461	\$2,381	3.4%

**Notes:**

Compensation figures are for the prior calendar year and reflect annualized salaries for participants hired during the year.

Calendar year 2024 compensation figures were increased by 1% to estimate unsettled contracts.

Calendar year 2023 compensation figures decreased by 2.5% to estimate retroactive payments made during the year.

## Financial information

- During the plan year ending December 31, 2024, the rate of return on the market value of assets was 8.78%, compared to the assumed rate of return of 7.00%. The rate of return on the actuarial value of assets (which gradually recognizes market fluctuations) for the plan year ending December 31, 2024 was 7.06%.
- The actuarial value of assets as of December 31, 2024 was \$2.61 billion, or 99.8% of the market value of assets of \$2.62 billion (as reported in the Annual Statement).
  - As of December 31, 2023, the actuarial value of assets was 101.4% of the market value of assets.
- With the actuarial value of assets, there was a total unrecognized investment gain as of December 31, 2024 of \$5.7 million. This investment gain will be recognized in the determination of the actuarial value of assets for funding purposes in the next few years, to the extent it is not offset by recognition of investment losses derived from future experience.
  - This implies that earning the assumed rate of investment return (net of expenses) on a market value basis will result in investment gains on the actuarial value of assets in the next few years.

# Experience analysis

- The unfunded liability was expected to decrease by \$78 million from \$2,466 million as of January 1, 2024 to \$2,388 million as of January 1, 2025. The actual unfunded liability (before consideration of assumption changes) of \$2,416 million as of January 1, 2025, is \$28 million higher than expected. The sources of the net experience loss are:

Component	Amount (In millions)
January 1, 2024 unfunded actuarial accrued liability	\$2,466
January 1, 2025 expected unfunded actuarial accrued liability	2,388
Change due to:	
• Investment gain on an actuarial value basis	-\$1
• Gain due to administrative expenses less than assumed	-1
• Loss due to mortality experience	17
• Gain due to salaries increasing less than expected	-24
• Loss due to transfer from non-Teachers	53
• Miscellaneous experience gain (net of show-ups)	-16
Net loss	\$28
<b>January 1, 2025 unfunded actuarial accrued liability (before consideration of assumption changes)</b>	<b>\$2,416</b>

# Assumptions review

## Mortality assumption

- **Current assumption:**

- Healthy: Pub-2010 Teacher Employee, Healthy Retiree and Contingent Survivor Headcount-weighted Mortality Tables, projected generationally using Scale MP-2021
- Disabled: Pub-2010 Teacher Healthy Retiree Headcount-weighted Mortality Tables, projected generationally using Scale MP-2021

- **Experience:**

Years	Retirees Expected	Retirees Actual	Disableds Expected	Disableds Actual	Beneficiaries Expected	Beneficiaries Actual
2016-2017	221.26	220	9.48	6	25.06	32
2018-2019	199.18	231	9.72	13	20.86	24
2020-2021	197.68	256	5.48	12	28.92	33
2022-2023	209.12	245	4.54	15	32.20	44
2024	109.43	103	1.90	5	16.22	13
<b>9-Year Average</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>16</b>

- **Comment:**

- We recommend maintaining the current mortality assumption.

## Investment return

- The PRIT Fund's investment advisor (NEPC) has calculated the following expected rates of return:
  - 30 year time horizon: 8.0%
  - 10 year time horizon: 6.9%
- Based on the current target asset allocation, Segal Marco Advisors' capital market expectations as of December 31, 2024 and a building block approach, we calculate the following expected geometric rates of return (see next page for additional detail):
  - 20 year time horizon: 7.02%
  - 15 year time horizon: 7.11%
  - 10 year time horizon: 7.22%
- After reviewing this information and the experience since the last valuation, we recommend maintaining the investment return assumption of 7.00%.

## Segal Marco Advisors Capital Market Assumptions as of December 31, 2024

Arithmetic Returns by Asset Class	Domestic Equity	International Developed Markets Equity	Emerging Markets Equity	Core Fixed Income	High Yield Fixed Income	Core Real Estate	Commodities	Hedge Fund, GTAA, Risk Parity, etc.	Private Equity
<b>Nominal Expected Return as of December 31, 2024</b>									
5 Year Time Horizon	8.82%	8.92%	10.12%	4.62%	6.22%	6.22%	6.72%	5.62%	12.37%
10 Year Time Horizon	8.68%	8.78%	9.98%	4.48%	6.08%	6.08%	6.58%	5.48%	12.23%
15 Year Time Horizon	8.58%	8.68%	9.88%	4.38%	5.98%	5.98%	6.48%	5.38%	12.13%
20 Year Time Horizon	8.50%	8.60%	9.80%	4.30%	5.90%	5.90%	6.40%	5.30%	12.05%
<b>Target Allocation</b>	<b>23.50%</b>	<b>9.00%</b>	<b>3.50%</b>	<b>15.00%</b>	<b>9.00%</b>	<b>10.00%</b>	<b>4.00%</b>	<b>10.00%</b>	<b>16.00%</b>

Returns for Total Portfolio	(1) Forward Looking Expected Arithmetic Return	(2) Forward Looking Expected Geometric Return	(3) Median Geometric Return
<b>Nominal Expected Return as of December 31, 2024</b>			
5 Year Time Horizon	7.88%	7.42%	7.30%
10 Year Time Horizon	7.74%	7.22%	7.16%
15 Year Time Horizon	7.64%	7.11%	7.07%
20 Year Time Horizon	7.57%	7.02%	6.99%

## Review of other assumptions

- Administrative expense assumption
  - We recommend increasing the assumption from \$3,510,000 for calendar year 2024 to \$4,500,000 for calendar year 2025 based on information on expenses provided by the Retirement System.
- We do not recommend any changes in the salary increase, retirement, turnover, disability or other assumptions at this time.

# Summary of preliminary valuation results

The table below summarizes the results of the January 1, 2025 actuarial valuation using an administrative expense assumption of \$4,500,000 for 2025 with a comparison to the prior valuation.

Component	2025 Amount	Percent of Projected Payroll	2024 Amount	Percent of Projected Payroll
1. Total normal cost	\$109,140,666	13.38%	\$97,995,181	13.43%
2. Administrative expense assumption	4,500,000	0.55%	3,510,000	0.48%
3. Expected employee contributions	-88,697,003	-10.88%	-79,378,343	-10.88%
<b>4. Employer normal cost: (1) + (2) + (3)</b>	<b>\$24,943,663</b>	<b>3.06%</b>	<b>\$22,126,838</b>	<b>3.03%</b>
5. Actuarial accrued liability	\$5,027,832,234		\$4,863,094,136	
6. Actuarial value of assets (AVA)	2,611,856,272		2,396,714,185	
<b>7. Unfunded actuarial accrued liability: (5) - (6)</b>	<b>\$2,415,975,962</b>		<b>\$2,466,379,951</b>	
8. Funded ratio based on AVA: (6) ÷ (5)	51.95%		49.28%	
9. Market value of assets	\$2,617,523,450		\$2,363,600,554	
10. Funded ratio based on MVA: (9) ÷ (5)	52.06%		48.60%	

# Cost of increasing the COLA base effective July 1, 2025

- The additional unfunded liability and employer normal cost if the COLA base is increased for Teachers effective July 1, 2025 from \$15,000 to \$16,000, \$17,000 and \$18,000 is shown in the following table:

Cost element	January 1, 2025 valuation results	Increase due to change in COLA base to \$16,000	Increase due to change in COLA base to \$17,000	Increase due to change in COLA base to \$18,000
1. July 1, 2025 projected unfunded liability	\$2,499,104,969	\$15,658,295	\$31,290,282	\$46,892,106
– Percent increase	N/A	0.6%	1.3%	1.9%
2. July 1, 2025 projected employer normal cost	\$25,345,757	\$279,532	\$558,440	\$836,606
– Percent increase	N/A	1.1%	2.2%	3.3%

# Strategies to Consider When Approaching Full Funding

- When a retirement system is fully funded or approaching full funding, small experience fluctuations can result in significant changes in the employer cost because fluctuations may be large relative to the remaining unfunded liability and the number of years remaining on the funding schedule may be small.
- The Board may want to lower the investment return assumption to increase the likelihood of achieving the assumption, assuming no change in the System's asset allocation.
- To provide a buffer for employer contributions once the System is fully funded, you may consider funding more than 100% of the actuarial accrued liabilities, e.g. 105% of the actuarial accrued liabilities.
- Another approach to consider for mitigating contribution volatility is a layered amortization approach. With layered amortization, changes in the unfunded liability due to experience gains or losses, changes in assumptions, or a change in the plan of benefits are identified and then amortized over a fixed time period. The amortization period could be as long as 10 to 15 years and the amortization payments can be level dollar payments or payments that are level as a percentage of payroll.
- MGL Chapter 32 currently requires the unfunded liability to be fully amortized in 15 years, by June 30, 2040. As we get closer to that date, MGL Chapter 32 may be amended to allow for layered amortization or the full funding date may be extended.
- Once a System is fully funded, the employer(s) may redirect all or a portion of the retirement contribution that was allocated to reduce the System's unfunded liability to the employer's OPEB liability. Future contributions could be redirected back to the System if necessary.
- We can model these strategies and show the impact of future investment volatility.

# Caveats and Questions

- It is important to note that this actuarial valuation is based on plan assets as of December 31, 2024. The System's actuarial status is not based on the daily fluctuations of the market, but on the market values on the last day of the Plan Year. While it is impossible to determine how the market will perform in the future, and how that will affect the results of next year's valuation, Segal is available to prepare projections of potential outcomes upon request.
- Projections, by their nature, are not a guarantee of future results. The projections are intended to serve as estimates of future outcomes, based on the information available to us and the assumptions described herein. Emerging results may differ significantly if the actual experience proves to be different from these assumptions.
- A discussion of the risks inherent in the measurement of pension plan obligations will be included in the January 1, 2025 Actuarial Valuation and Review.



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# Disclosures

- This report was prepared in accordance with generally accepted actuarial principles and practices for the exclusive use and benefit of the Board, based upon information provided by the staff of the Retirement System and the System's other service providers.
- The actuarial assumptions and plan provisions used for this valuation are as described in Section 5 of the January 1, 2024 Actuarial Valuation and Review dated September 26, 2024, except for the changes noted previously. The financial information used in this valuation is as of December 31, 2024.
- The measurements shown in this actuarial valuation may not be applicable for other purposes. Future actuarial measurements may differ significantly from the current measurements presented in this report due to such factors as the following: plan experience differing from that anticipated by the economic or demographic assumptions; changes in economic or demographic assumptions; increases or decreases expected as part of the natural operation of the methodology used for these measurements and changes in plan provisions or applicable law.
- An actuarial valuation is a measurement at a specific date – it is not a prediction of a plan's future financial condition. We have not been retained to perform an analysis of the potential range of financial measurements, except where otherwise noted.
- Segal makes no representation or warranty as to the future status of the Retirement System and does not guarantee any particular result. This document does not constitute legal, tax, accounting or investment advice or create or imply a fiduciary relationship. The Board is encouraged to discuss any issues raised in this report with the System's legal, tax and other advisors before taking, or refraining from taking, any action.
- Segal valuation results are based on proprietary actuarial modeling software. The actuarial valuation models generate a comprehensive set of liability and cost calculations that are presented to meet regulatory, legislative and client requirements. Deterministic cost projections are based on a proprietary forecasting model. Our Actuarial Technology and Systems unit, comprised of both actuaries and programmers, is responsible for the initial development and maintenance of these models. The models have a modular structure that allows for a high degree of accuracy, flexibility and

user control. The client team programs the assumptions and the plan provisions, validates the models, and reviews test lives and results, under the supervision of the responsible actuary.

- The actuarial calculations were directed under the supervision of Kathleen A. Riley, FSA, MAAA, EA. She is a member of the American Academy of Actuaries and meets the Qualification Standards of the American Academy of Actuaries to render the actuarial opinion herein. To the best of her knowledge, the information supplied in this actuarial valuation is complete and accurate. The assumptions used in this actuarial valuation were selected by the Boston Retirement Board based upon our analysis and recommendations. In her opinion, the assumptions are reasonable and take into account the experience of the Boston Retirement System and reasonable expectations. In addition, in her opinion, the combined effect of these assumptions is expected to have no significant bias.



Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS  
City Clerk

April 24, 2026

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 January 28, 2026, viz.

**0131** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a grant in an amount not to exceed One Million One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,150,000.00) from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) Program. This grant is awarded to the City of Boston through the Parks and Recreation Department for improvements to Christopher Columbus Park and Long Wharf located in the Downtown neighborhood of Boston.

**Approved by the Mayor February 2, 2026**

**0138** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) in the form of a grant, Mayor's Office of Human Services' Connect, Learn and Explore Initiative, awarded by Boston Children's Hospital to be administered by the Office of Human Services. The grant would fund training an additional ten lifeguards to support the Swim Safe: Autism Swim program, hold an Autism Awareness Water Safety event, Purchase Autism Swim equipment to support Sensory Swim programs in BCYF pools, provide all youth participating in the Same Safe: Lessons Gear program with goggle and swim caps, host a weeklong All Girls Sports Festival camp, Launch "Get into the Game" ad campaign as part of the Women's Coaching Initiative.

**Approved by the Mayor February 2, 2026**

0139 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend through the Office of Human Services an in-kind donation of athletic shoes and apparel, valued at Three Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-Six dollars (\$3,276.00), donated by Reebok Corporation. The purpose of this donation is to support the Mayor's Let's Play Boston Youth Sports Initiative.

**Approved by the Mayor February 2, 2026**

0156 The Constable Bond of Tamika J. Dash having been duly approved by the Collector-Treasurer was received and approved under the usual terms and conditions.

**Approved by the Mayor February 2, 2026**

Respectfully,



Alex Geourntas  
City Clerk



Office of the City Clerk

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City Clerk

April 24, 2026

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 February 4, 2026, viz.

- 0124** Message and order for your approval an order to reduce the FY26 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Eighteen Million One Hundred Eighteen Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars (\$18,118,488.00) to provide funding for the Fire Department for the FY26 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Boston and the Boston Firefighters IAFF Local 718.

Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on January 26, 2026.

**Approved by the Mayor February 6, 2026**

- 0125** Message and order for a supplemental appropriation order for the Boston Fire Department for FY26 in the amount of Eighteen Million One Hundred Eighteen Thousand Four Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars (\$18,118,488.00) to cover the FY26 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Boston and IAFF Local 718. The terms of the contracts are July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 and July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2028. The major provisions of the contracts include a base wage increase of 2.5% to be given in July of 2024, and a base wage increase of 2% in July of each subsequent fiscal year of the contract term. The agreement also includes salary adjustments in January of 2025, starting at 5, 10, 15, 20 and 25 years of service.

**Approved by the Mayor February 6, 2026**

0126 Message and order for your approval an order to reduce the FY26 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by One Million Three Hundred Seven Thousand Nine Hundred One Dollars (\$1,307,901.00) to provide funding for the Boston Public Schools for the FY26 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the School Committee of the City of Boston and the Boston Association of School Administrators and Supervisors (BASAS). Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on January 26, 2026.

**Approved by the Mayor February 6, 2026**

0127 Message and order for a supplemental appropriation order for the Boston Public Schools Department for FY26 in the amount of One Million Three Hundred Seven Thousand Nine Hundred One Dollars (\$1,307,901.00) to cover the FY26 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the School Committee of the City of Boston and the Boston Association of School Administrators and Supervisors (BASAS). The terms of the contracts are September 1, 2024 through August 31, 2027. The major provisions of the contracts include base wage increases of 2% to be given in September of each fiscal year of the contract term. The contract also adds a new step in FY27 and a new degree to the education differential.

**Approved by the Mayor February 6, 2026**

0258 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seventy-One Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars and Eighty-Two Cents (\$71,977.82) in the form of a grant, the Department of Transitional WPP Grant, awarded by MassHire Department of Career Services to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant would fund employment and training assistance, career counseling and job search assistance for individuals in need who receive cash assistance, food assistance, and housing assistance, to help transition from temporary to self-sufficiency.

**Approved by the Mayor February 6, 2026**

0259 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty-Seven Thousand Six Hundred Seventy-Four Dollars and Ninety-Five Cents (\$27,674.95) in the form of a grant, the Jobs for Veterans' State Grant, awarded by United States Department of Labor, passed through the MassHire Department of Career Services, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant would fund enhanced employment services

for eligible veterans, prioritizing disabled veterans, and those facing significant barriers to employment, with the goal of improving their job search outcomes and economic self-sufficiency.

**Approved by the Mayor February 6, 2026**

**0296** Order requesting certain information under Section 17F re: Memoranda of Understanding between the Boston Police Department and external entities.

**Approved by the Mayor March 23, 2026**

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alex Geourntas".

Alex Geourntas  
City Clerk



Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS  
City Clerk

April 24, 2026

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 February 25, 2026, viz.

**0128** Message and order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to appropriate the amount of Six Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$6,500,000.00) for the purpose of paying costs for the window and door replacement projects at the following schools: the Edward Everett Elementary School and the Richard J. Murphy K-8 School. This includes the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, and for which the City of Boston may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (“MSBA”), said amount to be expended under the direction of the Public Facilities Department on behalf of the Boston Public Schools.

**Approved by the Mayor March 3, 2026**

**0129** Message and order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to appropriate the amount of Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000.00) for the purpose of paying costs for the roof replacement projects at the following schools: the Thomas J. Kenny Elementary School and Hugh Roe O’Donnell Elementary School. This includes the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, and for which the City of Boston may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (“MSBA”), said amount to be expended under the direction of the Public Facilities Department on behalf of the Boston Public Schools.

**Approved by the Mayor March 3, 2026**


0377 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Eighty-Nine Thousand Dollars (\$189,000.00) in the form of a grant, The Solar Recommissioning Project Grant, awarded by MA Department of Energy Resources to be administered by the Environment. The grant would fund the replacement of existing inverters with newer models, the incorporation of rapid shutdown modules to meet safety regulations, the replacement of the monitoring system, and proper redressing of wiring.

**Approved by the Mayor March 3, 2026**

0390 Petition for a Special Law Re: An Act Directing the City of Boston Fire Department to Waive the Maximum Age Requirement for Firefighters for Richard Scimeca.

**Approved by the Mayor March 3, 2026**

Respectfully,

  
Alex Geourntas  
City Clerk



Office of the City Clerk

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City Clerk

April 24, 2026

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 18, 2026, viz.

- 0567** Message and order for your approval an order to reduce the FY26 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Thirty-Three Thousand, Seven Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars (\$33,759.00). This Order is necessary to provide funding for the Property Management Department for the FY26 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Boston and the New England Police Benevolent Association, Local 174.  
Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on March 16, 2026.

**Approved by the Mayor March 23, 2026**

- 0568** Message and order for a supplemental appropriation order for the Property Management Department for FY26 in the amount of Thirty-Three Thousand, Seven Hundred Fifty-Nine Dollars (\$33,759.00). This Order is necessary to cover the FY26 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Boston and New England Police Benevolent Association, Local 174. The terms of the contracts are July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2026 and July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027. The major provisions of the contracts include a market rate adjustment to wage scales, effective July 2025, as well as increases to the detail rate.

**Approved by the Mayor March 23, 2026**

0572 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Fifty-Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$256,500.00) in the form of a grant, the Community First Partnership Grant, awarded by Mass Save to be administered by the Environment. The grant would fund outreach and engagement with environmental justice communities to drive increased awareness and measurable participation in energy efficiency programs.

**Approved by the Mayor March 23, 2026**

0573 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) in the form of a grant, FY26-Earmark - West End, awarded by MA Office of Travel & Tourism to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant would fund older adult programs in the West End neighborhood.

**Approved by the Mayor March 23, 2026**

0574 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) in the form of a grant, FY26-Earmark - East Boston, awarded by MA Office of Travel & Tourism to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant would fund older adult programs in the East Boston neighborhood.

**Approved by the Mayor March 23, 2026**

0575 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) in the form of a grant, FY26-Earmark - Dorchester, awarded by MA Office of Travel & Tourism to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant would fund older adult programs in the Dorchester neighborhood.

**Approved by the Mayor March 23, 2026**

0576 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) in the form of a grant, FY26-Earmark - South End, awarded by MA Office of Travel & Tourism to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant would fund older adult programs in the South End neighborhood.

**Approved by the Mayor March 23, 2026**

0577 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) in the form of a grant, FY26-Earmark - Roxbury and Dorchester, awarded by MA Office of Travel & Tourism to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant would fund older adult programs in the Roxbury and Dorchester neighborhoods.

**Approved by the Mayor March 23, 2026**

0578 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Thirty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars and Thirty Cents (\$38,229.30) in the form of a grant, the State Literacy Program Grant, awarded by MA Department of Education to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant would fund the infrastructure costs for the Adult Community Learning Services at the MassHire Career Centers.

**Approved by the Mayor March 23, 2026**

Respectfully,



Alex Geourntas  
City Clerk



**Boston City Council**  
**ED FLYNN**  
Councillor - District 2

April 23, 2026

Michael Firestone, Corporation Counsel  
City of Boston - Law Department  
1 City Hall Square, Room 615  
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Corporation Counsel Firestone,

As a follow up to our conversation this morning at the City Council hearing regarding Boston Housing Authority (BHA) elevators at Ruth Barkley apartments, I am writing again on a 17F I filed this year on BHA elevators and quality of life issues (Docket #0221) at the Council on January 28, 2026. This follows my previous letter requesting assistance on this issue from February 12, 2026. I am again respectfully requesting that the City's Law Department please provide any information with regard to whether BHA is currently out of compliance, and when the Boston City Council and the public should expect a response on a 17F request from January 28, 2026.

Since that time, I have also sent a letter to the Massachusetts Architectural Access Board (MAAB) regarding the investigation into the frequent breakdown of elevators at the Ruth Barkley Apartments. I refuse to stop advocating for residents of public housing, our seniors, persons with disabilities, immigrant neighbors, and communities of color on these critical accessibility issues.

I am again respectfully requesting assistance from your office on an immediate response from BHA and the City, and clarity as to whether BHA is currently out of compliance with their response to the Boston City Council. I am specifically requesting clarification on whether the Boston City Council should have received a response on this 17F request from January 28, 2026 by now and, if so, when that should have occurred to remain in compliance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ed Flynn".

Ed Flynn  
Boston Councillor, District 2



**Boston City Council**  
**ED FLYNN**  
Councilor - District 2

April 16, 2026

Michael Firestone, Corporation Counsel  
City of Boston - Law Department  
1 City Hall Square, Room 615  
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Corporation Counsel Firestone,

Please note I am writing to the Law Department to request an immediate response to the public records request regarding the Office of Nightlife Economy/Venue Safety Programs, on behalf of Boston resident Ilana Katz Katz.

Ilana is a survivor of drink spiking and now serves as a powerful voice for survivors in the City of Boston and across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. On August 21, 2025, Ilana requested records from the City of Boston related to drink spiking prevention and nightlife safety efforts since spring 2023. This included internal documents and communications from the Office of Nightlife Economy, as well as correspondence between venues, manufacturers, and distributors about preventative measures like drink covers.

She also requested detailed information on safety training (drink spiking prevention, naloxone, CPR), including communications, materials, schedules, and participant details. In addition, the requests cover publication history and drafts of relevant safety guidance documents, records of grant inquiries and recipients, and documentation related to specific advisories and public safety best practices.

I respectfully request assistance from your office on an immediate response from the City of Boston and provide the relevant documents. It's critical that these records become available to the public so that we can prevent drug spiking in Boston and hold bars, restaurants, and perpetrators accountable.

Sincerely,

Ed Flynn  
Boston Councilor, District 2



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

January 27, 2026

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Samira Ahmadi of 45 Province Street, Unit 904, Boston, MA 02108 as a Member of the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance Review Board, for a term expiring on May 23, 2026. I am appointing Samira Ahmadi pursuant to the authority vested in me by City of Boston Municipal Code Chapter 7.2.2, and subject to your confirmation.

I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Samira Ahmadi as a Member of the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance Review Board. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

**CITY OF BOSTON**  
**IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF SAMIRA AHMADI AS A BOARD MEMBER OF THE BUILDING EMISSIONS REDUCTION AND DISCLOSURE ORDINANCE REVIEW BOARD.**

**ORDERED:** That pursuant to the City of Boston Municipal Code Chapter 7.2.2, the appointment of Samira Ahmadi of 45 Province Street, Unit 706, Boston, MA 02108, as a Member of the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance Review Board for a term expiring on May 23, 2026, be, and hereby is, approved.

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

BY   
**MICHAEL FIRESTONE** *KMLW*  
**CORPORATION COUNSEL**



# BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks  
Brian J. Worrell, Chair

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## REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

April 23, 2026

Dear Councilors,

The Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks was referred the following docket for consideration:

***Docket #0260, Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Samira Ahmadi as a Member of the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance (BERDO) Review Board, for a term expiring May 23, 2026.***

This matter was sponsored by Mayor Michelle Wu, and was referred to the Committee on February 4, 2026.

### ***Summary of Legislation***

***Docket #0260*** is an Order regarding the appointment of Samira Ahmadi as a member of the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance Review Board, for a term expiring on May 23, 2026.

### ***Information Received at Hearing***

The Committee held a hearing on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 to discuss Docket #0260. The Committee heard from Samira Ahmadi who was recommended to be appointed as a member of the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance (BERDO) Review Board by Mayor Michelle Wu, requiring confirmation by the Boston City Council.

Ms. Ahmadi stated that she is a Boston resident with over 15 years of experience in energy and sustainability consulting. Currently, Ms. Ahmadi is the Founding Principal of enviENERGY Studio LLC. With a background in architecture and engineering, she has focused recently on assisting large residential and commercial building owners, including those of affordable housing, in Boston and Cambridge with compliance related to data reporting and BERDO requirements.

Her practice also focuses on sustainability and energy performance analyses for new construction and existing building retrofit projects that are pursuing LEED certification and energy upgrades, occupant's health and comfort in the built environment, and post-occupancy evaluation, and measurement and verification. Ms. Ahmadi discussed her advocacy for sustainability and energy efficiency in the built environment and has served on the USGBC Massachusetts Chapter Board of Directors.

The Committee further discussed with her challenges related to decarbonization of affordable housing developments, and overall navigating BERDO compliance.

### ***Committee Chair Recommended Action***



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As Chair of the Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks, I recommend moving the listed docket from the Committee to the full Council for discussion and formal action. At this time, my recommendation to the full Council will be that this matter **OUGHT TO PASS**.

*Brian Worrell*

Brian J. Worrell, Chair  
Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks



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

March 16, 2026

## **TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an appropriation order in the total amount of **THIRTY-TWO MILLION, SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$32,600,000)** from Fiscal Year 2026 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 Community Preservation Committee, the City Council shall take action and approve such appropriations from the Community Preservation Fund in order to implement the recommendations of the Community Preservation Committee.

The CPC is recommending \$16,300,000 in affordable housing projects, \$8,150,000 in historic preservation projects, and \$8,150,000 in open space and recreational use projects. Since adopting the Community Preservation Act, over \$230 million has been awarded to 397 projects spanning across every neighborhood in the City of Boston. With your approval of this appropriation request, we will have awarded over \$260 million to 442 projects since the first funding round in 2018. Since 2018, only eighteen awarded projects have been withdrawn, resulting in more than \$5 million being returned to the reserve for future projects.

The upcoming projects will aim to improve the quality of life across Boston neighborhoods. Plans include renovating playgrounds and enhancing or creating recreational spaces such as parks, community gardens, and urban farms. In addition, these projects will plant trees to grow the city’s tree canopy, preserve historic buildings and artifacts, support a program for affordable first-time homebuyers and construct new affordable housing units for residents. Together, these efforts are expected to deliver a meaningful and lasting positive impact on Boston’s neighborhoods and communities.

I urge your Honorable Body to pass this order expeditiously so that the CPC may fund important



affordable housing, historic preservation, open space and recreational use projects in the City of Boston prior to the close of the Fiscal Year 2026.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M. Wu', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

# CITY OF BOSTON

## IN CITY COUNCIL

**ORDERED:** That, upon the recommendation of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee and in order to undertake community preservation projects with Community Preservation Fund revenues for Fiscal Year 2026, 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 2026.

### Appropriations

#### Affordable Housing - 6 Projects

<u>NEIGHBORHOOD</u>	<u>PROJECT NAME</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED AMOUNT</u>
Charlestown	Austin Street - Building B	Mayor's Office of Housing	\$3,700,000
Citywide	ONE + Boston First-Time Homebuyers Program Funding (MOH)	Mayor's Office of Housing	\$5,000,000
Jamaica Plain	Rogerson-Beaufort	Mayor's Office of Housing	\$2,000,000
Jamaica Plain	294 Hyde Park Avenue	Mayor's Office of Housing	\$2,000,000
Roslindale	1198 Centre Street (aka 1200 Centre Street)	Mayor's Office of Housing	\$2,000,000
West End	151 Cambridge Street (West End Library)	Mayor's Office of Housing	\$1,600,000
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$16,300,000</b>

## Historic Preservation - 23 Projects

<u>NEIGHBORH OOD</u>	<u>PROJECT NAME</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED AMOUNT</u>
Allston-Brighton	Brighton Allston Congregational Church	Brighton Allston Congregational Church (United Church of Christ)	\$500,000
Back Bay	Community Church - Phase III	The Community Church of Boston	\$100,540
Back Bay	Guild of Boston	Guild of Boston Artists, Inc.	\$242,880
Back Bay	First Baptist Church	The First Baptist Church of Boston	\$595,540
Charlestown	Charlestown Working Theater	Charlestown Working Theater, Inc.	\$213,172
Citywide	Archival Preservation at the CLA	American Congregational Association	\$56,980
Citywide	Hyde Park Historical Society Archives Preservation	The Hyde Park Historical Society, Inc.	\$231,000
Dorchester	Greater Love Tabernacle	Greater Love Tabernacle Church	\$274,716
Dorchester	First Haitian Baptist Church	First Haitian Baptist Church of Boston	\$597,850
Dorchester	Capen House Acquisition	City of Boston Office of Historic Preservation	\$100,000
Dorchester	G{Code} Tech - Carriage House	G   Code, Inc.	\$528,040
Downtown	Old State House	Revolutionary Spaces, Inc.	\$278,019
Hyde Park	Riverside Theater Building	Inspire Arts and Music, Inc.	\$625,331
Hyde Park	B.F. Sturtevant Blower Works Powerhouse	Roundhead Brewing, LLC	\$285,482
Hyde Park	Phillips Brooks Memorial Reading Room Acquisition	Historic Boston Incorporated	\$500,000
Jamaica Plain	Hope Central Church - Phase III	Hope Central Church	\$595,000
Jamaica Plain	Community Care Collaborative	Community Service Care, Inc.	\$190,331
Roxbury	Ionic Hall	The Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts	\$812,307
Roxbury	Paige Academy	Paige Company, Inc.	\$92,405

Roxbury	Accessibility at 130 Warren Street	The Center for Teen Empowerment, Inc.	\$146,654
South Boston	Boston Wharf Co. Sign	263 Summer Street Development LLC	\$465,453
South End	Haley House Roof Repair	Haley House, Inc.	\$291,500
West Roxbury	Centre Street Jewish Cemeteries	The Jewish Cemetery Association of Massachusetts, Inc.	\$426,800
		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,150,000</b>

### Open Space and Recreational Use - 16 Projects

<u>NEIGHBORH OOD</u>	<u>PROJECT NAME</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED AMOUNT</u>
Charlestown	Harborwalk Extension at Little Mystic Channel	Boston Redevelopment Authority	\$500,000
Chinatown	Chinatown Immigrant Heritage Center	Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association of New England, Inc.	\$148,379
Dorchester	Up Academy Playground	Boston Public Schools	\$1,100,000
Dorchester	Everett Elementary School	Boston Public Schools	\$250,000
Dorchester	Trina Persad Community Park	Dudley Neighbors Incorporated	\$721,240
Dorchester	Norwell-Radcliffe Food Forest	Boston Food Forest Coalition, Inc.	\$573,388
East Boston	McLean Playground	Boston Parks and Recreation Department	\$198,000
Mattapan	Mass Audubon Boston Nature Center	Massachusetts Audubon Society, Inc.	\$499,998
Mission Hill	Mission Hill Pathway - Phase II	Mayor's Office of Housing	\$646,929
Roslindale	Conley School Playground	Boston Public Schools	\$1,100,000
Roslindale	Fairy Hollow Community Garden	Sherman Street Green Space Conservancy & Boston Food Forest Coalition, Inc.	\$62,440





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Committee on Community Preservation Act  
Enrique J. Pepén, Chair

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## REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

April 29, 2026

Dear Councilors,

The Committee on Community Preservation Act was referred the following dockets for consideration:

*Docket #0569, Message and order approving an appropriation of Thirty-Two Million, Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$32,600,000.00) from Fiscal Year 2026 community preservation fund revenues for community preservation projects at the recommendation of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee (“CPC”). The upcoming projects will aim to improve the quality of life across Boston neighborhoods. Plans include renovating playgrounds and enhancing or creating recreational spaces such as parks, community gardens, and urban farms. In addition, these projects will plant trees to grow the city’s tree canopy, preserve historic buildings and artifacts, support a program for affordable first-time home buyers and construct new affordable housing units for residents. Together, these efforts are expected to deliver a meaningful and lasting positive impact on Boston’s neighborhoods and communities.*

*Docket #0758, Message and order approving an appropriation order in the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand Ninety Dollars (\$1,763,090.00) for the administrative and operating expenses of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee (“CPC”) for Fiscal Year 2027, and a further appropriation order in the amount of Thirty-Nine Million Five Hundred Eighty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Eight Dollars (\$39,587,798.00) from the Community Preservation Fund’s (“the Fund”) estimated annual revenues for Fiscal Year 2027, to be appropriated and reserved for future appropriation.*

These matters were sponsored by Mayor Michelle Wu, and were referred to the Committee on March 18, 2026 (Docket #0569) and on April 8, 2026 (Docket #0758).

### **Summary of Legislation**

**Docket #0569** is an appropriation order from the FY26 Community Preservation Fund revenues in the amount **\$32,600,000.00** for community preservation projects pursuant to the recommendation of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee (“CPC”).

This year, the CPC considered 45 projects and has recommended full funding for 42 of those projects. The CPC has proposed allocating **\$16,300,000.00** for affordable housing projects, **\$8,150,000.00** for historic preservation projects, and **\$8,150,000.00** for open space and recreational use projects.

The City of Boston's Community Preservation Act Fund was established pursuant to the Community Preservation Act (“CPA”) M.G.L. c.44B § 5 of the Community Preservation Act, mandates that the City



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Council, upon receiving recommendations from the CPC, annually approve appropriations from the CPA fund to implement the CPC's recommendations.

**Docket #0758** is an appropriation order from the FY27 Community Preservation Fund revenues in the amount of **\$1,763,090.00** for the administrative and operating expenses for the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee (CPC) and a further appropriation order from the FY27 Community Preservation Fund revenues in the amount of **\$39,587,798.00** to be appropriated and reserved for further appropriation for FY27 community preservation projects.

The Community Preservation Act ('CPA') M.G.L. c.44B § 6 provides that in each fiscal year, the Council shall make annual appropriations from the Fund as it deems necessary for the administrative and operating expenses of the CPC, and such appropriations shall not exceed 5% of the Fund's annual revenues. The estimated revenues for FY27 are **\$41,350,888.00**; the amount being appropriated for administrative and operating expenses totals **\$1,763,090.00** or 4.3% of the estimated revenues for FY27, thereby under the 5% ceiling.

The administrative and operating expenses are increasing by \$209K from FY26, due to permanent employee salary costs, the reallocation of costs from the City's Treasury department towards the CPA to cover the costs of staff that support CPA, and an increase in contractual services for an updated CPA master plan.

In order to appropriate or reserve funds for future spending in FY27, funds must be appropriated before the tax rate is set for FY27; therefore, an appropriation in the amount of **\$39,587,798.00** is requested to be appropriated into a budgeted reserve for future recommendation by the CPC and appropriation by City Council consistent with the Act.

FY27 project funding is projected to be \$39.59M, a \$4.35M increase from FY26 driven by a \$3M increase in the projected CPA surcharge (a 1% surcharge on property taxes). In FY26 the CPA Fund had a balance of \$4.19M; in FY27, the estimated fund balance is \$5.7M. These reserves will be available to expend or carry forward in future funding rounds.

### ***Information Received at Hearing***

The Committee held a hearing on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 to discuss Dockets #0569 and #0758. Thadine Brown, Director, Community Preservation Office (CPO), and Christine O'Keefe, Director, Neighborhood Housing Division, Mayor's Office of Housing (MOH) testified on behalf of the Administration.

Director Brown shared her gratitude towards the members of the CPC and members of the CPO staff. She provided an overview of the Community Preservation Act (CPA) process and of FY26 projects. In FY26, the total CPA allocation was \$32.6M allocated across 45 total projects. Of said \$32.6M, \$3.3M was allocated from the reserve towards projects. 50% of funding (\$16.3M) was allocated towards affordable housing, 25% (\$8.2M) towards historic preservation, and 25% (\$8.2M) towards open space and recreation.

The following are requirements under the CPA (Chapter 44B of Mass General Laws): 10% of CPA funds must be spent in three categories every year—Historic Preservation, Affordable Housing, and Open Spaces



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and Recreation, up to 5% may be spent on administrative costs, only capital projects can be funded (CPA funds cannot cover maintenance, operations, or programming), and recipients of funds can be public or private entities, non-profit or for profit organizations. The following are allowable uses of CPA funds, as determined by statute: acquisition, creation, preservation, rehabilitation, and restoration and support.

To date, the Community Preservation Fund has funded 396 projects awarding over \$229M in funding, which include 60 affordable housing projects, 185 historic preservation projects, and 151 open space and recreation projects. CPA funds have helped preserve over 150 historical building sites, vessels, and artifacts protecting Boston's cultural and architectural heritage, rehabilitated and created more than 100 playgrounds and recreational spaces, expanding access to safe, vibrant outdoor areas for residents of all ages, preserved and developed nearly 2,200 units of affordable housing, and allocated over \$28M to programs supporting first time homeownership and preventing displacement.

See below for a breakdown of previous funding rounds:

2025: \$38.1M awarded, 52 projects  
2024: \$38.3M awarded, 57 projects  
2023: \$38.8M awarded, 55 projects  
2022: \$26.2M awarded, 49 projects  
2021: \$25.2M awarded, 63 projects  
2020: \$21.7M awarded, 33 projects  
2018 & 2019: over \$41M awarded, 87 projects

Director Brown provided an overview of projects by neighborhood across 2018 to 2025 and stated the following are neighborhoods with the highest number of projects: Dorchester (72), Roxbury (66), Jamaica Plain (28), Mattapan (17), Charlestown (17), South End (17), Back Bay (17), and East Boston (16). She pointed the public towards multiple resources that provide updates on CPA projects and showcase completed projects. She provided an overview of funding and project percentage in each category for the last 8 funding rounds: Affordable Housing (\$177,905,596 (51% of funding); 60 projects (15% of projects), Historic Preservation (\$54,535,227 (24% of funding); 185 projects (47% of projects), Open Space and Recreation (\$57,169,877 (25% of funding); 151 projects (38% of projects).

To date, 19 projects have withdrawn for a variety of reasons including not meeting the readiness to proceed, not being able to agree to the 15 year terms of the CPA grant agreement, and not being able to align to the long term site control agreements. The CPO actively monitors 120 projects, conducts site visits, and holds monthly check-ins to track construction timelines and compliance. Approximately 80% of funds from 2018-2025 have been paid out (which does not indicate project completion) and grant installment payments are moving at a rapid pace out the door. The CPO utilizes a rolling eligibility form which allows applicants to apply early; this provides the office with additional time to verify proposed projects before they are selected to go before the committee.

The CPO hosts annual community engagement and educational meetings, looking to expand their reach and ensure residents across all neighborhoods can participate. It organizes multiple virtual information sessions and workshops throughout the spring and summer, helping applicants understand eligibility, readiness to proceed, and the CPA process. The office provides language access accessibility when needed. The office utilizes social media channels and a monthly newsletter (which reaches over 1,500



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residents) to keep the public informed about funding rounds, project updates, and upcoming events. Director Brown reiterated that the office has launched its FY27 funding round.

Metrics from the FY26 funding round include the following: CPA staff hosted over 15 virtual CPA events, information sessions, workshops, and meet and greets, received over 100 eligibility forms/requests for proposals (RFPs), and submitted 84 applications to the CPC totalling over \$45M in funding requests. The CPC held 9 public meetings from September through January, totalling over 15 hours of public discussion. 45 projects were considered in the FY26 funding round, totalling \$32,600,000 with 42 of the 45 projects recommending full funding. Once approved by City Council, the Committee will have recommended 441 projects, awarding over \$260M in funding through nine CPA funding rounds.

The following are the number of projects by neighborhood recommended in the FY26 funding round: Allston-Brighton (1), Back Bay (3), Charlestown (3), Chinatown (1), Dorchester (8), Downtown (1), East Boston (1), Hyde Park (3), Jamaica Plain (4), Mattapan (1), Mission Hill (1), Roslindale (3), Roxbury (7), South Boston (1), South End (1), West End (2), and West Roxbury (1). The following neighborhoods did not have any projects in the FY26 funding round: Beacon Hill, Boston Harbor, Fenway-Kenmore, North End, and Bay Village.

The CPC utilizes a CPA plan to guide the allocation of funding, and has been doing so since FY23. The plan includes data from the eighth funding round and is available on the CPC website. The plan measures several key indicators, including income, language access, demographics, and the poverty line. The following are statistics detailing the impact of CPA projects: 215 projects (55.5%) are in neighborhoods where over 65% of households earn below the Area Median Income (AMI), 162 projects (39.5%) are in neighborhoods with the highest language access needs, 157 projects (40%) are in neighborhoods where more than 65% of residents identify as People of Color, and 33 projects (8.3%) are in census tracts with elevated poverty levels, where 40% of more of residents live below the poverty line.

### *Committee Chair Recommended Action*

As Chair of the Committee on Community Preservation Act, I recommend moving the listed dockets from the Committee to the full Council for discussion and formal action. At this time, my recommendation to the full Council will be that these matters **OUGHT TO PASS**.

Enrique J. Pepén, Chair  
Committee on Community Preservation Act



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

April 06, 2026

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an appropriation order in the amount of \$1,763,090.00 for the administrative and operating expenses of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee (“CPC”) for Fiscal Year 2027, and a further appropriation order in the amount of \$39,587,798.00 from the Community Preservation Fund’s (“the Fund”) estimated annual revenues for Fiscal Year 2027, to be appropriated and reserved for future appropriation.

The Fund was created upon the adoption of the Community Preservation Act (the “Act”) in November 2016 and is funded in part 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. General Laws chapter 44B, § 6, provides that in each fiscal year, the Council shall make annual appropriations from the Fund as it deems necessary for the administrative and operating expenses of the CPC, and such appropriations shall not exceed 5% of the Fund’s annual revenues. The Fund’s estimated annual revenues for Fiscal Year 2027 are \$41,350,888.00. An appropriation in the amount of \$1,763,090.00 is therefore requested to fund CPC operations for Fiscal Year 2027, or 4.3% of Fiscal Year 2027 estimated annual revenues.

In addition, in order to appropriate or reserve funds for future spending in Fiscal Year 2027, funds must be appropriated before the tax rate is set for Fiscal Year 2027. Therefore, an appropriation in the amount of \$39,587,798.00 is requested to be appropriated into a budgeted reserve for future recommendation by the CPC and appropriation by City Council consistent with the Act.

I urge your Honorable Body to pass these orders expeditiously so that the CPC may fund its operations for Fiscal Year 2027 and may make recommendations to the Council for expenditures from the Fund in Fiscal Year 2027.


Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

**CITY OF BOSTON**  
**IN CITY COUNCIL**

**ORDERED:** That, upon the recommendation of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee and in order to meet the administrative and operating expenses of the Community Preservation Committee for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027, the amount of ONE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY-THREE THOUSAND NINETY DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$1,763,090.00) be appropriated from the Fiscal Year 2027 Community Preservation Fund annual revenues; and be it

**FURTHER ORDERED:** That the sum of THIRTY-NINE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED EIGHTY-SEVEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-EIGHT DOLLARS AND ZERO CENTS (\$39,587,798.00) be appropriated and reserved from the Fiscal Year 2027 Community Preservation Fund annual revenues for further appropriation upon the recommendations of the Community Preservation Committee for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY  
THE FORGOING, IF PASSED IN  
THE ABOVE FORM, WILL BE IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.**  
BY  **MICHAEL FIRESTONE**  
**CORPORATION COUNSEL** 3/31/26



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

April 6, 2026

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an appropriation order in the amount of eight hundred and sixty thousand dollars (\$860,000) for the Cemetery Division of the Parks and Recreation Department and the Trust Office of the Treasury Department to be funded from the Cemetery Trust Fund established under Chapter 13 of the Acts of 1961.

I urge your Honorable Body to pass this order as expeditiously as possible so that the Cemetery Division can continue its important work.

Respectfully,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor  
City of Boston

**CITY OF BOSTON**  
**IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE APPROPRIATION OF EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$860,000) FROM THE CEMETERY TRUST FUND TO THE CEMETERY DIVISION OF THE PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT AND TO THE TRUST OFFICE OF THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT.**

**ORDERED:** That the sum of eight hundred and sixty thousand dollars (\$860,000) be, and hereby is, appropriated out of the fund established under Chapter 13 of the Acts 1961 known as the Cemetery Trust Fund as follows:

To engage licensed professionals to develop a plan for future burials needs in City Cemeteries .....	\$200,000
To improve paved ways and water infrastructure at Mt Hope, Fairview and Evergreen Cemeteries .....	\$300,000
To improve the landscape infrastructure including fencing and walls at Mt Hope, Fairview and Evergreen Cemeteries.....	\$200,000
To improve signage at Mt Hope, Fairview and Evergreen Cemeteries.....	\$100,000
To improve public access by supporting digital access to cemetery records and maps of the burials in Mt Hope, Fairview and Evergreen Cemeteries .....	\$35,000
To provide tree care at City Cemeteries .....	\$25,000

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

BY  KAT  
**MICHAEL FIRESTONE  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**



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## REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

April 23, 2026

Dear Councilors,

The Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks was referred the following docket for consideration:

***Docket #0760, Message and order for your approval an appropriation order in the amount of Eight Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$860,000) for the Cemetery Division of the Parks and Recreation Department and the Trust Office of the Treasury Department to be funded from the Cemetery Trust Fund established under Chapter 13 of the Acts of 1961.***

This matter was sponsored by Mayor Michelle Wu, and was referred to the Committee on April 8, 2026.

### ***Summary of Legislation***

***Docket #0760*** is an Order authorizing the appropriation of \$860,000 for the Cemetery Division of the Parks and Recreation Department and the The Trust Office of the Treasury Department to be funded from the Cemetery Trust Fund established under Chapter 13 of the Acts of 1961.

### ***Information Received at Hearing***

The Committee held a hearing on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 to discuss Docket #0760. The Committee heard from Tom Sullivan, General Superintendent of the Cemetery Division, and Margaret Dyson, Director of Trust from the Treasury Department.

The panelists stated that this Docket is an approval for an appropriation of \$860,000 from the Cemetery Trust Fund to the Cemetery Division of the Parks and Recreation Department. They stated that of this total, \$200,000 will be used to engage licensed professionals to develop a plan for future burial needs in City cemeteries, \$300,000 to improve paved ways and water infrastructure at Mt. Hope, Fairview, and Evergreen Cemeteries; \$200,000 to improve the landscape infrastructure including fencing and walls at Mt. Hope, Fairview, and Evergreen Cemeteries; \$100,000 to improve signage at Mt. Hope, Fairview, and Evergreen Cemeteries; \$35,000 to improve public access by supporting digital access to cemetery records and maps of the burials in Mt. Hope, Fairview, and Evergreen Cemeteries; and \$25,000 to provide tree care at City cemeteries.

Mr. Sullivan added that the City owns and operates 19 cemeteries, 16 of which are historic and maintained primarily for beautification. The Cemetery Division oversees 265 acres and conducts 600-800 burials annually. About 25 employees maintain cemetery operations.

### ***Committee Chair Recommended Action***

As Chair of the Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks, I recommend moving the listed docket from the Committee to the full Council for discussion and formal action. At this time, my recommendation to the full Council will be that this matter **OUGHT TO PASS**.



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*Brian Worrell*

Brian J. Worrell, Chair

Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks



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

04-02-2026

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 SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$375,000.00)** in the form of a grant, Red Sox Arts and Parks Program grant, awarded by Boston Red Sox to be administered by the Mayor's Office.

The grant would fund arts programming, community events and parks operations across Boston.

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 Red Sox Arts and Parks Program grant FUNDS, AWARDED BY Boston Red Sox.**

**WHEREAS**, the Boston Red Sox, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Mayor's Office; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds in the amount of THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$375,000.00**) would fund arts programming, community events and parks operations across Boston. 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 Red Sox, Red Sox Arts and Parks Program grant award not to exceed the amount of THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$375,000.00**).

**Docket #** \_\_\_\_\_

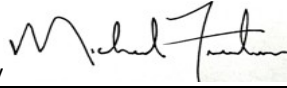
**In City Council  
Passed** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
**City Clerk**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Mayor**

**Approved** \_\_\_\_\_

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

by 

Michael Firestone  
Corporation Counsel



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## REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

April 23, 2026

Dear Councilors,

The Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks was referred the following docket for consideration:

***Docket #0761, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000.00) in the form of a grant, Red Sox Arts and Parks Program Grant, awarded by the Boston Red Sox to be administered by the Mayor's Office.***

This matter was sponsored by Mayor Michelle Wu, and was referred to the Committee on April 8, 2026.

### ***Summary of Legislation***

***Docket #0761*** is an Order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the Red Sox Arts and Parks Program Grant in the amount of \$375,000 by the Mayor's Office.

### ***Information Received at Hearing***

The Committee held a hearing on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 to discuss Docket #0761. The Committee heard from Beata Coloyan, Deputy Chief of Staff of Strategic Planning for Mayor Michelle Wu who provided information on the grant.

Deputy Chief Coloyan stated that this grant is received annually from the Boston Red Sox under an eight-year agreement which provided incremental increases of \$25,000 per year. The grant is in the amount of \$375,000 and in the fourth year of the agreement. These funds are designated for the Fenway area of Boston with aims to mitigate neighborhood impacts from large events held at Fenway Park and support community initiatives. The Deputy Chief stated that the Administration will collaborate with community leaders and the City Council to implement a finalized spending plan.

### ***Committee Chair Recommended Action***

As Chair of the Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks, I recommend moving the listed docket from the Committee to the full Council for discussion and formal action. At this time, my recommendation to the full Council will be that this matter **OUGHT TO PASS**.

*Brian Worrell*

Brian J. Worrell, Chair  
Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks



Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS  
City Clerk

March 31, 2026

TO THE CITY COUNCIL,

Submitted herewith for your consideration, please find the designation of The Copley Plaza Hotel, Back Bay.

The foregoing designation was approved by the Boston Landmarks Commission on March 24, 2026 and having been presented to the Mayor was returned signed on March 31, 2026.

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, as amended, if not acted upon within thirty days (April 30, 2026), the designation shall be deemed as if approved.

Respectfully

Alex Geourntas  
City Clerk

cc Elizabeth Sherva, 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 #147.89 – The Copley Plaza Hotel,  
Back Bay



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

March 26, 2026

**RE: Petition #147.89 – The Copley Plaza Hotel, Back Bay**

Dear Mr. Geourntas,

On March 24, 2026, the Boston Landmarks Commission unanimously voted to designate the Copley Plaza Hotel in Back Bay 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 approves the designation, they sign and date the provided signature page. If the Mayor disapproves the designation, they return the signature page to 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) 635-1935 if you have any questions.

Best Regards,



Elizabeth Sherva  
Executive Director  
Boston Landmarks Commission



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

March 26, 2026

**RE: Petition #147.89 – The Copley Plaza Hotel, Back Bay**

Dear Mayor Wu:

On March 24, 2026, the Boston Landmarks Commission unanimously voted to designate the Copley Plaza Hotel in Back Bay as a Landmark under the provisions of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, as amended.

The Copley Plaza Hotel is significant to the city, the Commonwealth, and the New England region as one of Boston's most prominent hotels for over 110 years. The hotel has notable historical associations with the evolution of the hospitality industry as it was the first hotel in the world to have an international reservation system and to accept credit cards, in addition to other advances. The hotel has hosted many notable events and guests, including most American presidents since 1912 and many foreign dignitaries and entertainment celebrities.

The Copley Plaza Hotel is also a monumental and architecturally significant example of the Italian Renaissance Revival style. It is known for its structural innovations and exceptionally elaborate interiors. The hotel is also a prominent character-defining element of one of Boston's most iconic urban spaces, Copley Plaza.

The property owner, Iconic Copley Plaza Hotel LLC, is supportive of the designation.

The Boston Landmarks Commission asks that you give full consideration to the designation of the Copley Plaza Hotel in Back Bay as a Boston Landmark.

Please don't hesitate to call me at (617) 635-1935 if you have any questions.

Best Regards,



Elizabeth Sherva  
Executive Director  
Boston Landmarks Commission

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

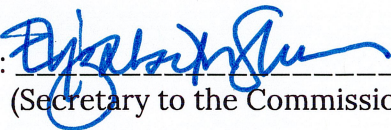
**PROPERTY:** The Copley Plaza Hotel, 138 St. James Avenue, Back Bay (Boston), MA

**STANDARDS AND CRITERIA TO BE APPLIED:**

As described in the section titled "Standards and Criteria" included in the study report for the subject property.

**APPROVED BY THE BOSTON LANDMARKS COMMISSION:**

Date approved: 3/24/2026

Signature:   
(Secretary to the Commission)

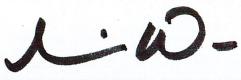
**PRESENTED TO THE MAYOR:**

Date: MAR 27 2026

**DECISION OF THE MAYOR:**

Approved     Disapproved

Date: MAR 31 2026

Signature:   
(Mayor)

**(OR) DEEMED IN EFFECT WITH NO ACTION BY THE MAYOR:**

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

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
(City Clerk)

**PRESENTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL:**

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

**DECISION OF THE CITY COUNCIL:**

Approved     Disapproved

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

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
(City Clerk)

**(OR) DEEMED IN EFFECT WITH NO ACTION BY CITY COUNCIL:**

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

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
(City Clerk)

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

**PROPERTY:** The Copley Plaza Hotel, 138 St. James Avenue, Back Bay (Boston), MA

**VOTED:** That on March 24, 2026, the Boston Landmarks Commission designates the Copley Plaza Hotel at 138 St. James Avenue as a Boston Landmark under Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, as amended.

**VOTING IN FAVOR:**

John Amodeo

Celina Barrios-Millner

John Freeman

Jeffrey Gonyeau

Jeffrey Heyne

Felicia Jacques

Justine Orlando

Brad Walker

Angela Ward-Hyatt

**VOTING IN OPPOSITION:**

None.

**GENERAL CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SITE:**

The Copley Plaza Hotel is an architecturally significant example of the Italian Renaissance Revival style, articulated as a palazzo of pale brick and rusticated limestone blocks with a massive and graceful swell front and flanking wings. It is known for its structural innovations and exceptionally elaborate interiors. The hotel is built on 8,000 wood piles driven nearly 70 feet below ground level, and incorporates a recessed steel beam structural system designed to impede erosion and any critical structural damage. The hotel is a prominent character-defining element of one of Boston's most iconic urban spaces, Copley Plaza.

The Copley Plaza Hotel is significant to the city, the commonwealth, and the New England region as one of Boston's most prominent hotels for over 110 years. The hotel has notable historical associations with the evolution of the hospitality industry as it was the first hotel in the world to have an international reservation system and to accept credit cards, in addition to other advances. The hotel has hosted many notable events and guests, including most American presidents since 1912 and many foreign dignitaries and entertainment celebrities.

**GENERAL BOUNDARIES OF THE SITE:**

The boundaries of the designated property are limited to the following address and parcel number: 138 St. James Avenue (205 Dartmouth Street), parcel number 0401087000.



# BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

Committee on Planning, Development, and Transportation  
Sharon Durkan Chair

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## REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

April 23, 2026

Dear Councilors,

The Committee on Planning, Development, and Transportation was referred the following docket for consideration:

***Docket #0771, Communication was received by the City Clerk from the Boston Landmarks Commission for City Council action on the designation of the Petition #147.89 - The Copley Plaza Hotel, Back Bay (in effect after April 30, 2026 if not acted upon).***

This matter was sponsored by Mayor Michelle Wu, and was referred to the Committee on April 8, 2026.

### ***Summary of Legislation***

***Docket #0771*** authorizes the City Council to take action on the Landmark designation of Petition #147.89 - The Copley Plaza Hotel, Back Bay

As stated in Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975: “Within thirty days of the mayor's approval of a designation, amendment or rescission of designation of a landmark, landmark district, architectural conservation district or protection area pursuant to this section, the city council may override such designation, amendment or rescission of designation of such landmark, landmark district, architectural conservation district or protection area by a two-thirds vote of the council. In the absence of such override or express approval thereof, any such designation, amendment or rescission of designation of any such landmark, landmark district, architectural conservation district or protection area shall be deemed approved by the council after the thirty-first day following such action by the mayor pursuant to this section.”

### ***Information Received at Hearing***

The Committee held a hearing on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 to discuss Docket #0771. The Committee heard from Elizabeth Sherva, Deputy Director of Historic Preservation, Office of Historic Preservation; and Jennifer Gaugler, Architectural Historian, Boston Landmarks Commission who stated that this Docket is a communication from the Boston Landmarks Commission requesting the City Council take action on designating the The Copley Plaza Hotel a Boston Landmark.

The panelists discussed the historical significance of The Copley Plaza Hotel stating that the hotel has been a prominent establishment in New England since opening their doors in 1912. They stated that Copley Square, by the 1870s, had emerged as a civic center with monumental institutional and religious buildings with the hotel harmonizing architecturally with adjacent landmarks such as the Boston Public Library and Trinity Church. The hotel's architectural design by Henry Janeway Hardenbergh is a key example of Italian Renaissance Revival, characterized by a palazzo-style structure with pale brick and rusticated limestone blocks, and Massive, graceful swell fronts and flanking wings.



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The panelists stated that the proposed landmark designation boundary corresponds to the hotel parcel and includes specific interior spaces on the lobby level. The hotel's interiors are noted for their exceptional decorative finishes including mosaic tile floors, marble and plaster work, painted murals, and elaborate crown molding and decorative ceilings. Restoration efforts in the 1970s utilized original floor plans and historic photographs to accurately restore many original features.

Councilors and panelists further discussed the Landmarks' designation criteria process, accessibility and impact on persons with disabilities, and ongoing Landmark petitions and reviews.

### *Committee Chair Recommended Action*

As Chair of the Committee on Planning, Development, and Transportation, I recommend moving the listed docket from the Committee to the full Council for discussion and formal action. At this time, my recommendation to the full Council will be that this matter **OUGHT TO BE APPROVED**.

Sharon Durkan, Chair  
Committee on Planning, Development, and Transportation

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS GABRIELA COLETTA ZAPATA AND BENJAMIN J. WEBER



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### AN ORDINANCE INCREASING TENANT PROTECTION DURING RENTAL INSPECTION CODE VIOLATIONS

**WHEREAS,** Boston is facing a historic housing shortage that has driven rents among the highest in the nation. As population growth continues to outpace regional housing production, the resulting tight housing market reinforces a sustained imbalance of power between landlords and tenants. Under these conditions, tenants may be reluctant to report unsafe living conditions or assert their legal rights for fear of retaliation or loss of housing. This dynamic can allow substandard conditions to persist and too often results in the displacement of the City's least affluent and most vulnerable residents; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Housing displacement carries significant costs for all parties, particularly for individuals and families already in precarious situations. When displacement leads to housing instability or even homelessness, it can trigger serious declines in physical and mental health and often results in lasting socioeconomic harm. These outcomes also place substantial financial and service burdens on local governments working to respond to and mitigate homelessness; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Boston has one of the largest housing stocks in the Commonwealth, with more than 300,000 housing units and a rental-heavy market in which approximately two-thirds of households are renters. As a result, the City hosts the largest concentration of renter households in Massachusetts, many of whom face heightened vulnerability to housing instability, eviction, and displacement when tenancy disputes arise; *and*

**WHEREAS,** In a housing market defined by persistently high costs and limited vacancy, even minor tenancy issues can quickly escalate into housing insecurity. These conditions underscore the importance of strong local policies and interventions that stabilize tenancies, prevent unnecessary displacement, and protect residents from the cascading economic and public health consequences associated with housing loss; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The traditional civil litigation process has proven to be an insufficient mechanism for deterring landlord misconduct and protecting tenants from maltreatment. The cost, time, procedural complexity, and uncertainty associated with pursuing relief through the courts often place meaningful legal recourse out of reach for many tenants. At the same time, landlords frequently prefer alternatives to litigation due

to similar concerns about expense, delay, and risk. These shared limitations highlight the need for proactive City intervention and stronger enforcement mechanisms that can address disputes more efficiently while safeguarding housing stability; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The Inspectional Services Department (ISD) plays a critical role in enforcing Boston’s housing and sanitary codes and has long served as a frontline resource for both tenants and property owners navigating housing conditions and compliance issues. However, the Department’s enforcement of existing tenant protections has at times been constrained by limited staffing capacity, resource demands, and the growing volume of cases across the city’s housing stock; *and*

**WHEREAS,** These constraints have revealed underlying policy and coordination gaps, including inconsistent mechanisms for ensuring that tenants facing serious code violations are systematically connected with the Office of Housing Stability (OHS) and other available support services. Strengthening coordination, resources, and enforcement tools would help build on the important work already being carried out by these departments while ensuring tenants and responsible property owners receive timely assistance and clear pathways to resolution; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Even with aggressive efforts to increase housing production, new residential construction cannot meet the scale of current demand in the near term. The City must ensure that strong tenant protection policies are in place to mitigate the ongoing impacts of the housing crisis. This includes strengthening safeguards against landlord retaliation, improving coordination among City departments, and ensuring tenants facing habitability issues are proactively connected to the resources and support necessary to remain safely housed; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

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

The City of Boston Municipal Code, Ordinances, *Chapter 9, Section 1.3, Inspection and Re-Inspection of Rental Units*, is hereby amended with the following provisions:

**SECTION 1.**

City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 9, Section 1.3 (A), is hereby amended by inserting after the words “chronic and priority offenders.” the following:

“This Section implements a joint dataset between the Inspectional Services Department (ISD) and the Office of Housing Stability (OHS) where all rental unit data will be shared to aid in tenant support and available resources.”

**SECTION 2.**

City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 9, Section 1.3 (B), is hereby amended by inserting the following definitions:

*COMPLEX.* Any building with seven or more rental units.

*MULTI-FAMILY HOME.* Any building with six or fewer rental units.

*RETALIATION.* Any adverse actions taken by a residential property owner against a tenant seeking to understand or assert their rights regarding this Section or housing in general.

Retaliatory actions by the rental property owner include:

- (a) Threatening or forcing eviction without due cause (e.g.) changing locks, shutting off utilities, serving a Notice of Quit);
- (b) Physical or psychological harassment (i.e. manipulation, bullying, intimidation, humiliation);
- (c) Revoking access to amenities stated in the signed lease (i.e. laundry facilities removal, pool drainage, hot water removal) without underlying cause (i.e. repairs, seasonal weather conditions);
- (d) Entering the involved unit without a 24 hour notice to the lessor in a non-emergency situation;
- (e) Sudden increase in rent that is not specified and agreed upon in the lease;
- (f) Changing the terms of the lease before the agreement has expired; or
- (g) Coercing the tenant(s) to move out prematurely by offering payments.

*WARRANT OF HABITABILITY.* A document to be provided by ISD upon rental unit registration that certifies compliance with the Commonwealth's Sanitary Code (105 C.M.R. § 410).

### SECTION 3.

City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 9, Section 1.3 (C), is hereby amended by

- I. In section (1) inserting after the words "shall also be included in the notice." the following: "The posted notice shall also include the City's non-emergency phone number, 311 (617-635-4500)."
- II. In section (2), by striking "twenty-five (\$25.00)" and inserting in place thereof "seventy-five dollars (\$75.00)", and by striking "fifteen (\$15)" and inserting in place thereof "fifty dollars (\$50.00)".

### SECTION 4.

City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 9, Section 1.3(D)(1), is hereby amended by striking subsections (a) and (b) in their entirety and inserting in place thereof the following:

"Rental units owned or operated by federal, commonwealth, or city government shall be exempt from the inspection requirements of this Section. ISD shall provide all rental unit owners subject to these provisions with education materials on all code requirements relative to their units on a regular basis."

**SECTION 5.**

City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 9, Section 1.3(F), is hereby amended by:

- I. Inserting “ If a rental property is owner occupied and meets the definition of a multi-family home, as defined herein, the property owner may apply for an alternative compliance plan.” following the first sentence.
- II. Inserting “Applicants shall be required to certify that they have read and understand the requirements of the Commonwealth’s Sanitary Code as well as the provisions of 940 CMR 3.17 and that if approved, such alternative plan would not impact their ability to comply with such regulations.” following the second sentence.
- III. In section (1)(c) striking the words "A site visit of the property" and inserting in place thereof the words "A site visit and inspection of the property".
- IV. In section (2) inserting “ISD shall refer any tenant complaint of a violation to OHS who shall refer said tenant to the appropriate state agency.” after the first sentence.

**SECTION 6.**

City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 9, Section 1.3(H), is hereby amended by:

- I. In section (1), inserting “Residential rental property owners who fail to register shall incur a fine of one hundred and twenty-five (\$125) dollars in addition to the standard registration fee. Additionally,” before the first sentence.
- II. In section (1), inserting the following after subsection (d): “(e) Failure to sign and present a Warrant of Habitability to the tenant(s) prior to move-in (one point);” and “(f) Repeatedly found intimidating or seeking retaliation against a tenant seeking mediation assistance and/or City guidance regarding a housing issue (two points).”
- III. In section (2) striking the words "once every three years, and it shall be mandatory that ISD conduct said three-year inspection" and inserting in place thereof the words "once every two years, and it shall be mandatory that ISD conduct said two-year inspection"
- IV. In section (2), Table 1, striking the table in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the following:

<b><i>TABLE 1</i></b>		
<b><i># Rental Units Owned</i></b>	<b><i>Point Threshold in a 12-Month Period</i></b>	<b><i>Point Threshold in a 16-Month Period</i></b>
1 to 6 units	4	8

7 to 50 units	6	10
51 to 500 units	10	16
501 or more units	14	24

- V. Inserting after subsection (2) the following: “(3) If a tenant raises concerns regarding the habitability of their rental unit, whether by communicating with the landlord or by seeking legal or non-legal assistance and/or advice from third parties, the landlord shall not take retaliatory action against the tenant(s) involved. If a tenant believes that they have been retaliated against by their rental property owner, OHS shall refer them to the appropriate state agency.”

SECTION 7.

City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 9, Section 1.3(I)(1), is hereby amended by striking the subsection in its entirety and inserting in place thereof the following: “(1). All inspections performed under Sections (G) and (H) shall be performed in accordance with the requirements of the Commonwealth’s Sanitary Code and recorded on a form approved by the ISD. The Commissioner shall charge a filing fee of one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00) for any registration or sworn statement filed by an owner, authorized inspector, or other agent of the owner; said filing fees shall be capped at a maximum of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) per multi-family home or twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000.00) per complex.”

SECTION 8.

City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 9, Section 1.3 (N), is hereby amended by inserting after subsection (4) the following:

“(5) Information on the effectiveness of the shared data system between ISD and OHS in addressing unit habitability concerns, facilitating timely resolution between property owners and tenants, and preventing tenant displacement; and”

SECTION 9.

City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 9, Section 1.3(T), is hereby amended by striking the words "a fine of \$300 per month" and inserting in place thereof the words "up to a fine of three hundred dollars (\$300) per day as determined by ISD".

SECTION 10.

City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 9, Section 1.3, is hereby amended by inserting the following new section:

“(U) Data sharing and Tenant Support

(1) All rental housing data collected by the ISD shall be compiled into a joint dataset with OHS. This dataset shall be updated within five (5) business days of the initial reporting.

(2) The joint dataset shall include all relevant information regarding each rental unit in the City, including, but not limited to:

- (a) Unit address;
- (b) Property owner contact information, including phone number, email address, and work address;
- (c) Tenant primary contact information, including phone number and email address;
- (d) Code enforcement violations;
- (e) Problem Property classification;
- (f) Property owner “Chronic Offender” classification;
- (g) Inspection records;
- (h) Sanitary Code compliance history;
- (i) History of property managers and owners;
- (j) Approved five-year alternative compliance plans;
- (k) Documented mediation services used between tenant(s) and property owner; and
- (l) Documented retaliatory measures taken against the tenant(s) of the rental unit.

(3) The data compiled pursuant to this Section shall be made available to OHS for the sole purposes of enhancing tenant protections and supporting casework brought forth by affected tenant(s). Such data shall only be used in instances in which a tenant’s rental unit experiences a degradation in habitability, and shall be used to determine how OHS may assist tenants and connect them to appropriate resources.

(4) Upon receipt of joint dataset information indicating one or more of the following conditions, OHS shall initiate the tenant support set forth in this Section:

- (a) Open or unresolved code enforcement violations affecting habitability;
- (b) Designation of the rental unit or building as a Problem Property;
- (c) Classification of the property owner as a Chronic Offender; or
- (d) An ISD determination to pursue enforcement through Housing Court.

(5) Intake, Assignment, and Tenant Outreach

- (a) Within five (5) business days of receipt of data indicating a triggering event, OHS shall conduct an intake review to determine whether tenant support services are appropriate.
- (b) Within seven (7) business days of intake review, OHS shall assign a designated caseworker to serve as the primary point of contact for impacted tenant(s), subject to tenant consent.
- (c) Within ten (10) business days of case assignment, the assigned caseworker shall:

1. Contact the tenant(s);
2. Provide educational materials regarding tenant rights, code enforcement processes, and anti-retaliation protections; and
3. Explain the respective roles of ISD, Housing Court, and OHS.

(6) OHS may coordinate with ISD and other relevant City departments to assist tenants in understanding inspection results, compliance timelines, and available stabilization resources.

OHS tenant support under this Section may occur concurrently with ISD enforcement actions and Housing Court proceedings and shall not delay, interfere with, or substitute for ISD's enforcement authority.

(7) OHS case coordination shall continue until:

- (a) ISD certifies substantial compliance with applicable codes;
- (b) Enforcement proceedings related to habitability are resolved; or
- (c) The tenant requests closure of the case.

OHS shall document outreach, education, referrals, and coordination efforts within the joint dataset for purposes of program oversight.

(8) Nothing in this Section shall be construed to designate the Office of Housing Stability, or any of its employees, as a legal representative or attorney for any tenant. OHS shall not provide legal advice or represent tenants in Housing Court or other legal proceedings.”

#### SECTION 11.

The provisions of this Section are severable, and if any provision, or portion thereof, should be held to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or invalidity will not affect the remaining provisions, which will remain in full force and effect.

#### SECTION 12.

This ordinance shall take effect six (6) months after passage.

Filed on: April 29, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ENRIQUE J. PEPÉN



## CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

### **ORDER FOR A HEARING TO EXPLORE THE USE OF PARKING STRUCTURES**

**WHEREAS,** Parking is an issue that animates many in Boston, with residents having varying concerns on the supply of parking, illegal or double parking, street parking, and what the City is doing to address these topics; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Many large neighborhoods in Boston are less dense and lack access to frequent, reliable, and abundant transit options, which make using a car the most efficient means of transportation; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Car-centered communities are less healthy, less safe, and can be less economically resilient when compared to communities that prioritize more active forms of transportation like walking, biking, and using transit; *and*

**WHEREAS,** One of the most challenging aspects of car-centered communities is the land which must be set aside for parking and storing cars, which is unsustainable in a City with finite land and a growing rate of vehicles per household; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The City has taken on approaches to planning and infrastructure development that incentivize active transportation and a reduced dependency on cars as part of efforts to make Boston safer, greener, healthier, and more resilient; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Squares + Streets is one such approach to neighborhood planning which seeks to make neighborhood commercial centers more densely populated to promote the high levels of local foot traffic needed to create resilient main streets in a growing City; *and*

**WHEREAS,** As the selected neighborhoods undergo this update to zoning, community members have raised genuine concerns about the state of parking in their neighborhoods, due in part to the Squares + Streets program's bold step in not requiring parking minimums for projects in new zones; *and*

**WHEREAS,** As these communities undergo this important transition away from the car, the City should work to support communities throughout the adjustment including businesses whose current models rely on clients coming via car, residents who work outside the city in car-centered suburbs, addressing transit gaps with bus and train service adjustments, and encouraging active transportation and carsharing programs as alternatives to costly private vehicle ownership; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Paved parking lots and spaces represent large amounts of private and public land solely dedicated to the temporary or long term storage of cars, reducing the amount of potentially productive land, especially on our main streets; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Municipal parking lots, often located near commercial centers represent an opportunity for the City to potentially reevaluate the use of street space and potentially implement other installations like outdoor dining and tree planting; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Municipal parking lots, transformed into parking structures, could absorb parking spots from the main streets of our neighborhoods and provide relief for employees and residents who need a place to store their vehicles; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing on the use of parking structures. Administration officials from the Streets Cabinet and Planning Department will be invited to testify.

Filed on: April 29, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR SHARON DURKAN



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS THE CITY OF BOSTON PLANNING DEPARTMENT'S PERFORMANCE AND 2026 ANNUAL REPORT

**WHEREAS**, In April 2024, the Mayor signed an ordinance passed by the Boston City Council establishing a Planning Department within the City of Boston, restoring planning as a core city function with the same oversight and accountability as other City departments; *and*

**WHEREAS**, The ordinance codifies the purpose and powers of the Planning Department as the city's primary land use agency, responsible for planning and designing the built environment, proposing changes to the zoning code, and evaluating and managing urban development. Its duties include developing plans and strategies to address the city's growth and infrastructure needs, providing staff and technical support for planning and zoning efforts, and reviewing large scale private development proposals; *and*

**WHEREAS**, The ordinance further authorizes financial transfers from the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) to the Planning Department, specifying that such funds shall be transferred to the City of Boston to support the Department's operations, subject to approval through the standard City Council and Administration budget process; *and*

**WHEREAS**, The ordinance further requires the City and the BPDA to execute a memorandum of agreement (the "financial transfer MOA") to memorialize the process by which such transfers are carried out. The financial transfer MOA may be amended from time to time, with any such amendments submitted to the City Council on an annual basis; *and*

**WHEREAS**, The BPDA is required to submit an annual audited financial statement to the Mayor and the City Council, including summaries of revenues and expenses, a list of all assets and ground leases, capital expenditures, and developer mitigation funds, all of which shall be made publicly available. The City shall also provide the Council with copies of any amendments to the financial transfer MOA; *and*

**WHEREAS**, To ensure transparency and oversight during the transition period, the Planning Department, in consultation with the BPDA, is required to publish an annual report evaluating its performance in advancing the goals of affordability, resilience, and equity in citywide zoning and planning initiatives. This report shall be made publicly available and submitted to the City Council; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The Ordinance calls upon City Council to hold an annual hearing to review the report and assess the Department's performance, until the requirement sunsets after five years; ***NOW THEREFORE BE IT***

**ORDERED:** That the Boston City Council shall hold a hearing to evaluate the Planning Department's annual report and performance in 2025.

Filed On: April 27, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR EDWARD M. FLYNN



**CITY OF BOSTON**

**IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX**

**ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS A  
MORATORIUM FOR ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE  
(AI) DATA CENTERS IN BOSTON**

**WHEREAS,** In recent years, state and local governments have been slow to adjust and regulate advances in innovation technology, with continued public and pedestrian safety concerns related to both rideshare and third-party food delivery applications; *and*

**WHEREAS,** During a nationwide affordability crisis, local communities across the United States have raised concerns on the impact of large-scale data center infrastructure on their electricity bills. Data centers also require cooling systems and consume significant amounts of freshwater. The indirect water consumption from data centers in the United States reached an estimated 211 billion gallons in 2023, increasing concerns about water scarcity and sustainability. Moreover, Data centers generate continuous noise pollution from cooling systems and equipment, with nearby residents reporting persistent humming that negatively impacts their quality of life and public health; *and*

**WHEREAS,** This month, a bipartisan bill passed the Maine Legislature to impose an 18-month moratorium on new data centers, while Port Washington, WI passed a referendum requiring AI data center projects that cost over \$10 million and receive tax benefits to obtain approval from local voters; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Both the state of Massachusetts and the City of Boston have been supportive of data center development while referencing innovation economy, though concerns relating to community impact and electricity costs have been acknowledged. In Lowell, the Markley Data Center has raised similar concerns among residents regarding noise pollution, air quality, and lack of transparency in expansion plans, leading the City to impose a moratorium on further expansion; *and*

**WHEREAS,** More than 4,200 data centers now operate across the United States, and their rapid expansion is increasingly affecting the daily lives of hundreds of thousands of residents. In response, communities nationwide have raised concerns to their local governments, citing a range of impacts including heavy water consumption, rising electricity and utility costs, environmental strain, persistent noise, and potential soil contamination. While municipalities have been slow to regulate impacts of innovation technology in recent years, it is critical that Boston also weigh the pros and cons of a potential moratorium on data centers; ***NOW THEREFORE BE IT***

**ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss a moratorium on data centers in Boston.

Filed on: April 29, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR MINIARD CULPEPPER



## CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO EXPLORE ESTABLISHING A UNIVERSITY SMALL BUSINESS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PARTNERSHIP IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

**WHEREAS,** The City of Boston, through its Office of Small Business, provides tools and guidance to support the creation, growth, and sustainability of small businesses; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The City currently delivers direct technical assistance through Neighborhood Business Managers and a network of approved experts and providers; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Boston is home to a concentration of world-class universities whose business students participate in consulting programs that provide technical assistance to businesses; *and*

**WHEREAS,** While both City-administered technical assistance programs and university-based student consulting programs exist, there does not appear to be a formal, ongoing City initiative that systematically connects these resources to deliver coordinated technical assistance at scale to Boston small businesses; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Small businesses in Boston, particularly in neighborhood commercial corridors and sectors such as retail, food service, and personal services, continue to face economic challenges associated with changing commuter patterns and shifts in consumer behavior; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Other cities have demonstrated models in which local government coordinates technical assistance delivery through external partners, including universities, creating opportunities to expand capacity and improve outcomes for small businesses; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to explore the feasibility of establishing a University Small Business Technical Assistance Partnership that would integrate business student consulting programs into the City's existing small business support infrastructure, and that the Office of Small Business, representatives of local universities, and other interested parties shall be invited to attend.

Filed on: April 29, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR MINIARD CULPEPPER



## CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

### RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ESTABLISHING A UNIVERSITY SMALL BUSINESS TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PARTNERSHIP IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

- WHEREAS,** The City of Boston, through its Office of Small Business, provides tools and guidance to support the creation, growth, and sustainability of small businesses; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The City currently delivers direct technical assistance through Neighborhood Business Managers and a network of approved experts and providers; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Boston is home to a concentration of world-class universities whose business students participate in consulting programs that provide technical assistance to businesses; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Despite the presence of both City-led technical assistance infrastructure and university-based consulting programs, the City does not currently maintain a formal, unified partnership that integrates these efforts into a coordinated system; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Establishing such a partnership would expand the City's capacity to provide high-quality, no-cost technical assistance to small businesses, particularly those located in historically underserved neighborhoods and commercial corridors; *and*
- WHEREAS,** A partnership model in which the City maintains intake and coordination through the Office of Small Business while designating universities as technical assistance partners would build on existing infrastructure without requiring the creation of an entirely new system; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**
- RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council supports the creation of a University Small Business Technical Assistance Partnership, to be administered through the Office of Small Business, which would integrate participating universities into the City's existing small business support infrastructure by connecting supervised student consulting teams with small businesses identified through the City's outreach and intake processes; prioritize assistance to small businesses in vulnerable neighborhoods

and sectors, including retail, food service, and neighborhood services; establish defined project scopes including, but not limited to, financial management, marketing, e-commerce, operations, and procurement readiness; ensure appropriate faculty or program oversight to maintain quality and accountability; create a framework for tracking outcomes including businesses served, neighborhoods reached, student participation, and measurable business impacts; and encourages the Mayor and the Office of Small Business to explore launching a pilot version of this partnership and to provide a report to the Boston City Council on its feasibility and implementation.

Filed on: April 29, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR MINIARD CULPEPPER



## CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO EXAMINE THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING IN-CUSTODY DEATHS AT THE SUFFOLK COUNTY HOUSE OF CORRECTION AND SYSTEMIC FACTORS CONTRIBUTING TO MORTALITY IN CUSTODY

**WHEREAS,** The death of individuals in custody raises serious concerns regarding public safety, accountability, and the protection of civil rights within correctional facilities; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Over the past five years, there have been over 20 deaths in custody across Suffolk County correctional facilities, including several at the Suffolk County House of Correction, indicating a concerning pattern of mortality within a relatively short period of time; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The death of Shacoby Kenny, which occurred in December 2025 following an altercation with correctional officers, has raised significant questions regarding the use of force, staff conduct, and the adequacy of emergency response and medical care provided to individuals in custody; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Reporting and legal filings have highlighted concerns related to underlying health conditions, access to timely and appropriate medical and mental health care, and whether systemic deficiencies may contribute to preventable deaths in custody at the Suffolk County House of Correction; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Advocates, legal representatives, and members of the public have called for greater transparency, accountability, and oversight into both individual incidents and the broader conditions within the Suffolk County House of Correction; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to examine the circumstances surrounding recent in-custody deaths at the Suffolk County House of Correction, with a particular focus on the December 2025 incident, as well as the systemic factors contributing to deaths in custody, including the use of force, access to medical and mental health care, and institutional policies and practices, and that relevant government agencies and other interested parties shall be invited to attend.

Filed on: April 29, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR MINIARD CULPEPPER



## CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

### RESOLUTION CALLING FOR AN INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION INTO THE IN-CUSTODY DEATH OF SHACOBY KENNY AT THE SUFFOLK COUNTY HOUSE OF CORRECTION

**WHEREAS,** The death of individuals in custody raises serious concerns regarding public safety, accountability, and the protection of civil rights within correctional facilities; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Over the past five years, there have been over 20 reported deaths in custody across Suffolk County correctional facilities, including several at the Suffolk County House of Correction, where the death of Shacoby Kenny followed an altercation with correctional officers, raising questions about the circumstances surrounding the incident and the conduct of those involved; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The integrity of any investigation into an in-custody death is essential to maintaining public trust, particularly where existing investigative bodies may have relationships or overlapping responsibilities that could create the appearance of a conflict of interest; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Concerns have been raised by legal advocates and public defenders regarding the current investigative process, including issues related to conflict of interest, witness access and fairness; *and*

**WHEREAS,** A transparent, impartial, and independent investigation is necessary to ensure accountability, protect the rights of all individuals involved, and provide clarity and confidence to the public; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The Suffolk District Attorney's Office and the Massachusetts Attorney General has the authority to appoint an independent investigator to ensure that this matter is reviewed free from conflicts of interest and in a manner that upholds the highest standards of justice; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council calls upon the Suffolk District Attorney's Office and the Massachusetts Attorney General to appoint an independent investigator to conduct a full, transparent, and impartial investigation into the in-custody death of Shacoby Kenny at the Suffolk County House of Correction, including a comprehensive review of the actions of correctional staff, the treatment of

individuals in custody, and the policies and practices governing the use of force and oversight within the facility, and that the findings be made public to ensure accountability and restore public trust.

Filed on: April 29, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR MINIARD CULPEPPER



## CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

### RESOLUTION CALLING FOR THE TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF CORRECTIONAL STAFF INVOLVED IN THE DECEMBER 2025 IN-CUSTODY DEATH OF SHACOBY KENNY AT THE SUFFOLK COUNTY HOUSE OF CORRECTION

**WHEREAS**, The death of individuals in custody raises serious concerns regarding public safety, accountability, and the protection of civil rights within correctional facilities; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Over the past five years, there have been over 20 reported deaths in custody across Suffolk County correctional facilities, including several at the Suffolk County House of Correction, where the most recent death followed an altercation with correctional officers, raising questions about the circumstances surrounding the incident and the conduct of those involved; *and*

**WHEREAS**, The in-custody death of Shacoby Kenny, which occurred in December 2025 following an altercation with correctional officers, has raised significant questions regarding the use of force, staff conduct, and the adequacy of emergency response and medical care provided to individuals in custody; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Individuals in custody who may have witnessed or have knowledge of the incident are in a uniquely vulnerable position, as they remain under the authority and supervision of correctional staff and may reasonably fear retaliation, intimidation, or adverse treatment; *and*

**WHEREAS**, The safety and protection of in-custody witnesses is essential not only to ensuring their personal well-being, but also to guaranteeing that they are able to come forward and provide information freely and without fear; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Fear of retaliation may deter witnesses from cooperating, thereby undermining both witness safety and the pursuit of accountability; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Temporary suspension of personnel involved in the incident is a necessary and appropriate measure to protect in-custody witnesses from retaliation, ensure their safety, and maintain public confidence in the fairness of the process; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Collective bargaining agreements governing correctional staff do not preclude the use of administrative suspension during an active investigation, particularly where necessary to protect the safety of individuals in custody and prevent retaliation;  
*and*

**WHEREAS,** A transparent, impartial, and accountable response is necessary to uphold the rights and safety of individuals in custody and to restore public trust; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council calls upon the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department to immediately place on administrative leave, for the duration of the investigation, any correctional staff directly involved in the December 2025 in-custody death of Shacoby Kenny at the Suffolk County House of Correction, in order to protect in-custody witnesses from retaliation or intimidation, ensure their safety and ability to come forward without fear, and uphold accountability and public confidence in the response to this incident.

Filed on: April 29, 2026



# CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

IN THE YEAR TWO-THOUSAND AND TWENTY-SIX

## ORDER OF COUNCILOR ERIN 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:

Information regarding all grant programs, contracts, and funding provided to nonprofit organizations, community-based organizations, and external partners in Fiscal Year 2026 and Fiscal Year 2027, including all reductions, eliminations, and changes in funding.

A comprehensive list of all such programs by department, including Fiscal Year 2026 and Fiscal Year 2027 funding amounts.

A list of all nonprofit organizations and external partners that received funding in Fiscal Year 2025, Fiscal Year 2026 and Fiscal Year 2027, including identification of those with reduced funding, eliminated funding, or level or increased funding.

A list of all City departments that reduced or eliminated funding to external partners, and the specific programs affected.

All guidance, directives, and communications provided to City departments regarding identifying and implementing budget reductions prior to submission of the Fiscal Year 2027 budget, including departmental responses and proposed reductions.

A list of all programs and services that will no longer be provided in Fiscal Year 2027 as a result of these funding changes.

Information identifying any positions eliminated as a result of these funding changes, including positions within City departments and those supported through contracts or grants.

This request follows prior Requests for Information and budget hearings in which this information was requested but not provided, as well as testimony during the Fiscal Year 2027 Operating Budget hearing in which, in response to this request, Ashley Groffenberger and James Williamson stated on the record, **“Yes, we can certainly do that.”** This Order is intended to formalize that request and ensure timely delivery of the information.

Requesting that the Mayor, the Office of Budget Management, and all relevant City departments provide any and all information available regarding this matter, including summary tables and electronically usable data where possible.

**Filed in Council:** April 29, 2026



# CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

IN THE YEAR TWO-THOUSAND AND TWENTY-SIX

## ORDER OF COUNCILORS MURPHY & FLYNN

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, without delay, the following information:

Information previously requested in Docket #0595, an Order adopted by the City Council on March 18, 2026, regarding the City of Boston's efforts to address drink spiking and drug-facilitated sexual assault in nightlife establishments, including safety training programs, prevention initiatives, communications with licensed venues, and records maintained by the City related to these efforts.

This Order is filed as a follow-up request, as the information requested in Docket #0595 has not been provided to the Council.

The original Order required that the information be delivered within one week of receipt. The response was due on March 25, 2026. As of the date of this filing, that information is now 21 days overdue.

Given the serious public safety concerns associated with drink spiking and drug-facilitated sexual assault, and the importance of ensuring that the Council has the information necessary to carry out its responsibilities, this request is made on a basis to obtain these answers without further delay.

Requesting that the Mayor, the Office of Nightlife Economy, the Boston Licensing Board, the Boston Police Department, the Boston Public Health Commission, and all relevant City departments provide any and all information available regarding this matter, including summary tables and electronically usable data where possible.

Filed in Council: April 29, 2026

### **ORIGINAL 17F FILING (DOCKET #0595)**

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:

Information regarding the City of Boston's efforts to address drink spiking and drug-facilitated sexual assault in nightlife establishments, including safety training programs, prevention initiatives, communications with licensed venues, and the status of records maintained by the City regarding these efforts.

This request follows testimony provided at a Boston City Council hearing on drink spiking and nightlife safety, as well as concerns raised by Boston residents and advocates seeking transparency regarding the City's prevention efforts, training programs, and public safety initiatives related to these incidents.

Specifically, the Council requests:

- The current status of the public records request submitted to the City of Boston on August 21, 2025 regarding the City's efforts to address drink spiking and improve safety in nightlife establishments, including the anticipated timeline for completion and the departments responsible for responding to that request.
- A description of all actions, initiatives, or meetings undertaken by the Office of Nightlife Economy, the Boston Licensing Board, the Boston Police Department, the Boston Public Health Commission, or any other City department since August 2022 related to drink spiking prevention or drug-facilitated sexual assault in nightlife establishments.
- Copies of any meeting agendas, notes, presentations, memoranda, or recommendations produced by the Office of Nightlife Economy since its creation in 2023 related to drink spiking prevention or nightlife safety.
- Copies of communications between the City of Boston and bars, nightclubs, restaurants, or other licensed venues regarding drink spiking prevention, drink safety covers, or other measures intended to prevent drink spiking.
- Copies of communications among City employees or departments regarding drink safety covers or other drink-spiking prevention tools.
- Information regarding any drink safety cover programs implemented by the City of Boston, including:
  - the number of drink covers purchased, ordered, or received
  - the number currently in the custody or control of the City
  - the number distributed to venues
  - the venues receiving them
  - and the dates of distribution
- Information regarding any communications between the City of Boston and manufacturers or distributors of drink safety covers or related prevention tools.
- Information regarding requests from bars, nightclubs, or restaurants seeking drink safety covers or similar safety tools from the City.
- A description of all safety training programs provided by the City of Boston to bars, restaurants, nightclubs, or other licensed establishments related to drink spiking prevention, nightlife safety, or drug-facilitated sexual assault.
- Information regarding any additional safety trainings offered to nightlife establishments on related topics including naloxone administration, de-escalation training, CPR training, "Stop the Bleed" training, or identifying fake identification.
- The number of training sessions conducted by the City since August 2022 related to these topics.
- The dates, locations, trainers, and number of attendees for each training session conducted.
- Copies of training materials, presentations, advisories, or guidance documents provided to nightlife establishments related to drink spiking prevention or nightlife safety.
- Records sufficient to show when the City's drink spiking advisory document was first published online and whether any revisions have been made since its publication.

- Copies of the most recent version of the City’s “Best Practices in Public Safety for Nightclubs and Licensed Premises,” including any updates, revisions, or draft versions created since the 2019 version was published.
- Information regarding inquiries received by the City regarding the “Wake Up the Night” grant program between January 1, 2024 and May 28, 2024.
- Information regarding all grants awarded by the Office of Nightlife Economy, including recipients and grant amounts.

Requesting that the Mayor’s Office of Nightlife Economy, the Boston Licensing Board, the Boston Police Department, the Boston Public Health Commission, and the City of Boston Public Records Department provide any and all information available regarding this matter, including summary tables and electronically usable data where possible.

Filed in Council: March 18, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR MINIARD CULPEPPER



## CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

### RESOLUTION DEMANDING THAT THE UNITED STATES IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT DOES NOT CONDUCT CIVIL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES AT OR SURROUNDING FENWAY PARK

**WHEREAS,** Fenway Park is a cherished Boston landmark and the oldest ballpark in the United States, having served as a gathering place for residents and visitors for over a century; *and*

**WHEREAS,** As the home of the Boston Red Sox, Fenway Park has long brought together people from all backgrounds, cultures, and communities, reflecting the diverse fabric of the City of Boston and the game of baseball; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Baseball is a global and multicultural sport, played and celebrated by individuals from across the world, and has historically served as a unifying force that transcends language, nationality, and identity; *and*

**WHEREAS,** On April 21, 2026, the Department of Homeland Security posted on the social media platform X an image of Fenway Park accompanied by the message, "Our nation and our people are worth fighting for."; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The presence of immigration enforcement activity at or surrounding Fenway Park is antithetical to the values of the City of Boston and the unifying spirit of baseball and undermines the inclusive environment that Fenway Park represents; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Boston has long prided itself on being a welcoming city that values diversity, protects civil rights, and fosters spaces where all residents can gather without fear; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council demands that the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement and the Department of Homeland Security refrain from conducting civil immigration enforcement activities at or in the vicinity of Fenway Park and affirms that Fenway Park and the surrounding neighborhood must remain safe, welcoming, and accessible spaces for all residents and visitors regardless of immigration status, and further calls upon federal authorities to respect the

cultural and civic significance of Fenway Park as a unifying space for people of all backgrounds.

Filed on: April 29, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR GABRIELA COLETTA ZAPATA



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION AFFIRMING CITY OF BOSTON'S OPPOSITION TO THE USE OF CHARLESTOWN FOR EVERETT STADIUM EVENT PARKING

- WHEREAS,** The Kraft Group has proposed the development of a professional soccer and event stadium in the City of Everett; *and*
- WHEREAS,** During a public presentation before the Charlestown Neighborhood Council, project representatives outlined a conceptual parking plan that identified multiple parking zones including half of Charlestown; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The City of Boston, through its agreement with the Kraft Group, has established a clear framework governing transportation, traffic mitigation, and neighborhood protections related to the proposed project; *and*
- WHEREAS,** This agreement contemplates a comprehensive Event Transportation and Parking Management Plan (TPMP), to be finalized following review under the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA), with the explicit goal of minimizing vehicle traffic impacts on Charlestown; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Under this framework, the City will utilize the TPMP to limit vehicular traffic entering and exiting Charlestown, monitor congestion at critical intersections such as Sullivan Square, and require additional mitigation measures should traffic exceed project thresholds; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The agreement further includes dedicated parking enforcement officers to ensure non-residents are not using City of Boston streets to park during events and ongoing annual review of event operations; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Residents of Charlestown have consistently and clearly expressed that traffic and parking impacts are among their most serious concerns regarding this project. Public statements made at the time of the project's announcement emphasized that the stadium would be a transit-oriented project, minimizing reliance on personal vehicles and avoiding additional burdens on surrounding neighborhoods; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Any proposal to utilize Charlestown as a parking zone is inconsistent with both

the City's negotiated agreement and these stated commitments, and would undermine the integrity of the planning and review process; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

***RESOLVED,*** That the Boston City Council urges the Boston Planning Department, the Boston Transportation Department, the Environment Department and all relevant municipal agencies to reject any proposal or modification that would direct stadium-related parking or traffic into Charlestown, and that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, the Mayor of Boston, Boston's Environment, Energy, and Open Space cabinet, Boston's Streets Cabinets, Boston Planning Department, the Charlestown Neighborhood Council, and the project's proponents.

Filed on: April 29, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR BREADON



## CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

### **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF SAFEGUARDING STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING ALLOCATED FOR TRANSPORTATION AND STREETS PROJECTS**

**WHEREAS,** The City of Boston’s Streets Cabinet, Transportation Department (‘BTD’), Public Works Department, in coordination with the MBTA, MassDOT, and other relevant state-level departments and agencies, often rely on a combination of federal, state, and City funding to plan, design, and implement transportation projects throughout Boston; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** Many Boston projects have successfully secured federal or state support, including: the Columbus Ave Bus Lane Phase 2 project, which has secured approximately \$34MM in federal funding from the MPO TIP and the MBTA; the Dorchester Greenway project, which has received approximately \$3MM in state funding; the Blue Hill Ave Transportation Action Plan, which has received approximately \$146MM in federal funding from the Federal Transit Administration and the MBTA; and a sidewalk improvement project to along Vineland Street and Riverview Road in Brighton, which has received approximately \$3.8MM in state funding via MassDOT; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** Federally-funded transportation projects must meet federal design and procurement deadlines in order to maintain eligibility for funding, with state funding subject to similar deadlines; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** In recent months, the City has paused its involvement in several transportation initiatives, and the Streets Cabinet and BTD have not advanced a number of key projects, from small-scale pedestrian improvements to major corridor-level efforts; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** The Boston City Council Committee on Planning, Development, and Transportation held a hearing on the status of state and federal funding allocated for transportation and streets projects on April 23, 2026, where it heard from the Chief of Streets and the Director of Office of Neighborhood Services, advocacy groups, and concerned residents about these stalled projects; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** At this hearing, representatives from BTD confirmed that there have been concerns raised by funding partners around Boston’s delay in meeting milestones for to federally- and state-funded projects, and that many projects remain significantly behind schedule; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** This delay is already having a tangible impact on Boston’s ability to deliver much-needed safety improvements, with the Boston Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) choosing to remove the Boylston Street pedestrian and bicyclist safety improvements project in the Fenway, which had been allocated approximately \$8MM in federal funding, from their five-year TIP, delaying the project start date to at least 2031; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** The Trump administration has shown itself willing to rescind federal funding allocated to projects in Boston, with \$327 million for the I-90 Allston Multimodal Project cancelled as part of the “Big Beautiful Bill” Act; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** Delaying compliance with existing grant deadlines poses a risk to the safety and lives of pedestrians, bikers, transit riders, and drivers—all Bostonians getting from one place to another every day; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** The loss of these funds would not only delay or cancel critical infrastructure improvements, but also undermine public trust and damage the City’s credibility and competitiveness in securing future funding; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council calls on the Administration, the Streets Cabinet, and all relevant City departments to take necessary action to ensure these externally-funded transportation projects are advancing in a timely manner to maintain compliance with funding deadlines and requirements and fully secure and retain these funds.

Filed on: April 27, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR BREADON



## CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

### RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE REESTABLISHING A POST OFFICE LOCATION IN ALLSTON

**WHEREAS,** The Allston Post Office was closed in 2019 when the building that previously housed the Post Office was found to have structural issues, requiring the approximately 87,000 residents of Allston and Brighton to rely solely on the Brighton Post Office Branch in Brighton Center for the past seven years; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** In 2021, the former Allston Post Office site was purchased by real estate firm Eden Properties; as part of the site's redevelopment, Eden Properties worked with the United State Postal Service (USPS) to reestablish the Allston Post Office Branch in retail space situated on the ground floor of its proposed development; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** USPS agreed upon a letter of intent to occupy some of the ground-floor retail space in this development and reestablish the Allston Post Office in this location; subsequently, USPS sent a letter to Mayor Michelle Wu in June 2025 stating its intent to reopen a location in Allston; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** On April 23, 2026, Eden Properties announced the USPS backed out of the project, in spite of a fully negotiated lease and construction plans; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** Allston's immigrant communities, small business owners, and elderly residents rely heavily on the essential services that the Post Office provides, making it a vital resource for civic participation, economic activity, and daily life in the community; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** USPS provides essential services including but not limited to: secure and affordable mail and package delivery; access to P.O. boxes; passport application processing; money orders; certified and registered mail; delivery of medications and government documents; and reliable shipping services that support small businesses, residents without internet access, and individuals who depend on consistent mail delivery for financial, legal, and healthcare needs; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** The community of Allston has been waiting for seven years for the restoration of a local accessible post office location; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council urges the United States Postal Service to reestablish a post office location in Allston and restore the essential services that are critical to the quality of life for residents.

Filed on: April 27, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR EDWARD M. FLYNN



## CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

### RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE ELIMINATION OF SUMMER BLOCK PARTY GRANTS

**WHEREAS,** The Office of Civic Organizing is currently offering \$750 grants for summer block parties, funded by the City of Boston Operating Funds. The City of Boston has historically provided these grants to promote community engagement and connect with neighbors; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The Operating Budget is intended to fund basic city services, including our first responders, teacher salaries, transportation, and street repair. During these challenging economic times, it's critical that the City maintains its focus on delivering such basic city services; *and*

**WHEREAS,** However, Boston is currently facing challenging economic times with falling commercial property values and a stark increase in property taxes in the double digits for homeowners. It is the responsibility of the City of Boston to ensure that public funds are allocated responsibly and reflect the current fiscal conditions and neighborhood needs; *and*

**WHEREAS,** During these challenging economic times, it's critical that the City of Boston eliminate the summer block party grants to evaluate the program's effectiveness and long-term success. We must demonstrate fiscal discipline, transparency and accountability. Fiscal discipline requires us to immediately eliminate any program that is unnecessary during these challenging economic times. We must account for every dollar the City of Boston receives and spends; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council supports the elimination of the summer block party grants.

Filed on: April 29, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR JOHN FITZGERALD



**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION DECLARING  
“POLISH CONSTITUTION DAY”  
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON**

**WHEREAS**, Polish Constitution Day is celebrated on May 3rd each year, celebrating the signing of the Constitution of 3 May 1791; *and*,

**WHEREAS**, The Constitution of 3 May 1791 is regarded as the first liberal constitution of Europe, and second worldwide only preceded by the U.S. Constitution; *and*,

**WHEREAS**, Following its signing the neighboring monarchies responded by invading and partitioning Poland. In 1918 when Poland once again became independent, Constitution Day was commemorated as an official holiday; *and*,

**WHEREAS**, During both the Nazi and Soviet occupations from 1939 to 1989 Constitution Day persisted as a day for Polish solidarity, with many pro-democracy and pro-independence demonstrations taking place across the country; *and*,

**WHEREAS**, Polish immigrants have made significant contributions our city, with their legacy thriving across all sectors including our culture, businesses, government, labor and education. The Polish community has made strong roots in Boston, especially in Dorchester’s Polish Triangle;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,**

That the Boston City Council recognizes May 3, 2026 as Polish Constitution Day in the City of Boston. In recognition, the Boston City Council ordered the Property Management Department to raise the Polish flag at 10:30am on May 6, 2026.

Filed in Council: April 29, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR JOHN FITZGERALD



**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL  
TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK**

**WHEREAS,** Since 1984, the National Parent Teacher Association has recognized the first week of May as “National Teacher Appreciation Week”, in order to acknowledge the individuals who passionately dedicate their livelihoods to educating our children; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** Our Boston Public School system is composed of over 4,300 teachers alone, with additional teachers working in private and charter schools and daycares across the City of Boston; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** Teachers serve as important early mentors for our children’s development, helping foster their interests and develop into the next generation of leaders; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** Teachers are asked to go above and beyond when working with students, additionally serving as dedicated advisors, empathetic listeners and overall positive role models; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** Teaching is unique as a workforce dominated by women, with 75% of Boston Public School staff composing of women; *and,*

**WHEREAS,** We continue to call upon teachers to be adaptive and innovative leaders, with them going above and beyond to meet the issues of the current day while also providing students with the best education possible;

**THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED,**

That the Boston City Council recognize May 4, 2026 through May 8, 2026 as “ National Teacher Appreciation Week”; and encourage students, administrators, parents to express their gratitude for teachers and their work.

Filed in City Council: April 29, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR BRIAN WORRELL



## CITY OF BOSTON

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### **RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 1 AS DR. JEAN MCGUIRE DAY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON**

**WHEREAS,** The first Black woman to be elected to the Boston School Committee, and a founder of the Metropolitan Council for Educational Opportunity (METCO) in 1966, Dr. Jean McGuire carries a long legacy as a Boston civil rights and education leader; *and*

**WHEREAS,** A former Boston Public Schools teacher, and an advocate for improved outcomes and educational equity for students and teachers of color since the 1960s, Dr. McGuire and her deep understanding of the challenges impacting education access were integral to the fight for desegregation and, through her role as the Executive Director of METCO beginning in 1973, she helped numerous youth obtain quality opportunities and became a leading voice in the fight for better education for youth of color in Boston and across the country; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Dr. McGuire continues to influence educational and civil rights work to this day through such efforts as the ongoing work of METCO, the founding of the Jean McGuire Educational and Health Fund in 2022, Dr. McGuire's continued work as a member of multiple Boards and Committees, and other initiatives to improve educational outcomes and equity for all students; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Dr. McGuire's impact endures during a time when education equity remains a serious challenge for the City to address; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council recognize May 1, 2026, as Dr. Jean McGuire Day in the City of Boston, honors the contributions and enduring legacy of Dr. McGuire to the City, and continues building off of her work to address and rectify education inequities and create inclusive educational spaces and opportunities for all Bostonians.

Filed on: April 27, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR JULIA MEJIA



CITY OF BOSTON  
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**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY AS MENTAL HEALTH  
AWARENESS MONTH**

- WHEREAS,** May is recognized nationally as Mental Health Awareness Month, a time dedicated to raising awareness, reducing stigma, and promoting access to mental health care and support services; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Mental health is an essential component of overall health and well-being, affecting individuals of all ages, backgrounds, and communities; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Millions of Americans experience mental health conditions each year, yet many face barriers to care due to stigma, cost, language access, cultural barriers, workforce shortages, and inequitable access to services; *and*
- WHEREAS,** In the City of Boston, community-based organizations, healthcare providers, educators, first responders, and advocates work daily to provide prevention, early intervention, crisis response, and long-term support services; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The COVID-19 pandemic, economic instability, community violence, and social isolation have further highlighted the urgent need for accessible, culturally responsive, and trauma-informed mental health services; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Promoting mental wellness requires a comprehensive approach that includes early childhood support, school-based services, workplace protections, community-based care, and policies that address social determinants of health; **THEREFORE BE IT**
- RESOLVED,** That the Boston City Council hereby recognizes May as Mental Health Awareness Month and reaffirms its commitment to advancing equitable, accessible, and culturally responsive mental health services for all residents.

Filed in Council: April 29, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR JULIA MEJIA



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**RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL NURSES MONTH AND  
NATIONAL NURSES WEEK**

- WHEREAS,** The nursing profession is the backbone of our healthcare system, with nurses providing essential, compassionate, and life-saving care to patients and families across the City of Boston; *and*
- WHEREAS,** National Nurses Month is celebrated each May, with National Nurses Week observed annually from May 6 through May 12, concluding on the birthday of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing; *and*
- WHEREAS,** In Boston, nurses have played a critical role in advancing public health, reducing health disparities, responding to public health emergencies, and supporting historically underserved communities; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Nurses serve in hospitals, schools, community health centers, long-term care facilities, shelters, public health agencies, correctional facilities, and home-based settings, ensuring that residents of all ages receive quality care; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Nurses not only provide direct patient care, but also serve as educators, advocates, researchers, and leaders who shape health policy and promote equity in healthcare access and outcomes; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The dedication, resilience, and professionalism demonstrated by nurses—particularly during times of crisis—reflect a deep commitment to service and the well-being of our communities; **THEREFORE BE IT**
- RESOLVED,** That the Boston City Council hereby recognizes May as National Nurses Month and May 6–12 as National Nurses Week, and expresses its sincere gratitude to the nurses serving the residents of Boston for their unwavering commitment, compassion, and leadership.

Filed in Council: April 29, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS EDWARD M. FLYNN & SHARON DURKAN



## CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

### RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NURSES AT BRIGHAM AND WOMEN'S HOSPITAL

**WHEREAS**, The nurses and nurse practitioners of Brigham and Women's Hospital comprise a workforce of more than 4,000 dedicated professionals who provide high-quality, lifesaving care to patients in Boston and across New England; *and*

**WHEREAS**, These clinicians are the backbone of one of the nation's leading healthcare institutions, ensuring safe patient care, advancing the public health of the region, and supporting the well-being of families and communities in Boston; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Members of the Massachusetts Nurses Association at Brigham and Women's Hospital have been engaged in contract negotiations since October 2025, advocating for fair wages, affordable healthcare, and safe working conditions; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Current management proposals include a 0% wage increase for most nurses and nurse practitioners, while at the same time proposing a significant increase in healthcare premium costs, effectively resulting in a reduction in take-home pay; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Fair compensation and accessible healthcare benefits are essential to retaining experienced nurses, maintaining safe staffing levels, and ensuring the continued delivery of high-quality patient care; *and*

**WHEREAS**, The nurses' efforts to secure a fair contract reflect their commitment not only to their profession but to the patients and communities they serve; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED**: That the Boston City Council go on record in support of the nurses and nurse practitioners at Brigham and Women's Hospital in their efforts to receive fair wages, affordable healthcare, safe working conditions, and the respect and dignity they deserve.

Filed on: April 29, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR BENJAMIN J. WEBER



## CITY OF BOSTON

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### RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

- WHEREAS,** Jewish American Heritage Month originated when Congress passed a resolution authorizing and requesting the President to issue a proclamation for Jewish American Heritage Week in April of 1980; *and*
- WHEREAS,** In 2006, Jewish American Heritage Month was established to recognize the Jewish community's contributions across many different fields, including academics, arts, and sciences; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The United States observes Jewish American Heritage Month each May to encourage all Americans to learn about Jewish culture and recognize the contributions of generations of Jewish Americans who helped shape our country; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Jewish immigrants began arriving in America in 1654 and have played a central role in the creation, growth, freedom, prosperity, and strength of the United States of America; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The welcoming of Jews into American life dates back to the founding of our nation. In 1790, George Washington received an inquiry from the Hebrew Congregation of Newport, Rhode Island asking if the liberties discussed in the nation's new Constitution applied to the Jewish people. Washington assured the Hebrew Congregation that the government of the United States would give "to bigotry no sanction," and his letter is seen as a clarion call for religious tolerance in the United States of America; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The history of the Jewish people and the enduring values of the Jewish faith have been vital sources of inspiration for the founding of the United States, the Civil Rights movement, and America's commitment to social justice, including workers rights, women's rights, racial equality, and LGBTQ+ rights; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Jewish Americans are an integral part of our Commonwealth and our city. They make up an indispensable part of our city's workforce, our teachers, our policy makers, our medical workers, our military and veterans, and our business leaders; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Jewish Americans have long been the target of antisemitism. The Anti-Defamation League’s (ADL) Annual Audit of Antisemitic Incidents began recording instances of harassment, vandalism, and assault against individuals or groups in 1979. In 2024, the ADL reported an all-time high of 638 incidents in New England – which broke the previous year’s record for the fourth year in a row, and represented a 213% increase since 2022. Massachusetts had the fifth highest recorded antisemitic incidents in the country with 438, while the City of Boston had 96. In 2021, a Rabbi was stabbed in an antisemitic attack in Brighton;  
*and*

**WHEREAS,** The Boston City Council stands against all forms of hate and is committed to standing with Jewish American residents of Boston and the Commonwealth *and*;  
**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council recognizes May as Jewish American Heritage Month, honors the contributions of Jewish Americans, and is committed to standing up with our Jewish residents to denounce all forms of antisemitism and hate.

Filed on: April 29, 2026

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

April 23, 2026

Councilor Breadon  
(Councilor Murphy)

**ORDERED:** That effective Saturday May 9, 2026 the following named person be, and hereby is, appointed to the position set against their name until Friday, June 12, 2026.

BiWeekly Payroll

Vu Tran	Secretary	\$7,875	Full-Time
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**BOSTON CITY COUNCIL**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

April 24, 2026

Councilor Breadon

**ORDERED:** That effective Saturday May 2, 2026 the following named person be, and hereby is, appointed to the position set against their name until Friday, June 12, 2026.

BiWeekly Payroll

Moira Carragee	Secretary	\$3,653.85	Full-Time
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## Boston City Council

### *Legislative Calendar for the April 29, 2026 Session*

#### **Sixty Day Orders<sup>1</sup>**

##### **In effect May 17, 2026**

Message and order approving an appropriation of Thirty-Two Million, Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$32,600,000.00) from Fiscal Year 2026 community preservation fund revenues for community preservation projects at the recommendation of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee (“CPC”). The upcoming projects will aim to improve the quality of life across Boston neighborhoods. Plans include renovating playgrounds and enhancing or creating recreational spaces such as parks, community gardens, and urban farms. In addition, these projects will plant trees to grow the city’s tree canopy, preserve historic buildings and artifacts, support a program for affordable first-time home buyers and construct new affordable housing units for residents. Together, these efforts are expected to deliver a meaningful and lasting positive impact on Boston’s neighborhoods and communities. **(Docket #0569)**

##### **In effect after June 10, 2026, in accordance with Section 15 of Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1982 (as amended)**

Orders for the FY27 Operating Budget, including annual appropriations for departmental operations, for the School Department, and for other post-employment benefits (OPEB). **(Dockets #0733-0735)**

##### **In effect after June 7, 2026**

Orders for capital fund transfer appropriations. **(Dockets #0736-0737)**

Orders for the Capital Budget, including loan orders and lease-purchase agreements. **(Dockets #0738-0740)**

Message and order approving an order appropriating One Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,400,000.00) from the income of the George Francis Parkman Fund. The funds are to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Parks and Recreation for the maintenance and improvement of Boston Common and Parks in existence as of January 12, 1887.

Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 6, 2026. **(Docket #0756)**

Message and order approving an appropriation of Three Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,600,000.00) from the 21st Century Fund, also known as the Public, Educational, or Governmental (PEG) Access and Cable Related Fund. Pursuant to Section 53F 3/4 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, the funds may be used to support PEG access services, to monitor compliance with the cable franchise agreement, and for preparation of renewal of the franchise license.

Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 6, 2026. **(Docket #0757)**

Message and order approving an appropriation order in the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand Ninety Dollars (\$1,763,090.00) for the administrative and operating expenses of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee (“CPC”) for Fiscal Year 2027, and a further appropriation order in the amount of Thirty-Nine Million Five Hundred Eighty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Eight Dollars (\$39,587,798.00) from the Community Preservation Fund’s (“the Fund”) estimated annual revenues for Fiscal Year 2027, to be appropriated and reserved for future appropriation.

Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 6, 2026. **(Docket #0758)**

## Sixty Day Orders<sup>1</sup>

Message and order for your approval an appropriation order in the amount of Eight Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$860,000) for the Cemetery Division of the Parks and Recreation Department and the Trust Office of the Treasury Department to be funded from the Cemetery Trust Fund established under Chapter 13 of the Acts of 1961.  
Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 6, 2026. **(Docket #0760)**

<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.*

**Section 15 of Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1982 (as amended by Section 2 of Chapter 701 of the Acts of 1986)** *The city council shall take definite action on any supplementary appropriation order and any order for a transfer of appropriations by adopting, reducing or rejecting it within sixty days after it is filed with the city clerk; and in the event of their failure to do so, such supplementary appropriation order or transfer as submitted by the mayor shall be in effect as if formally adopted by the city council.*

**Assigned for Further Action**

## **On the Table**

Order to adopt Rules for the Boston City Council for Municipal Years 2026-2027. (**Docket #0157 - Amendment to Rule 35**)

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

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F: regarding elevator access, life safety, and disability compliance. **(Docket #0221)**

Order requesting certain information under section 17F regarding increased White Stadium costs and their effect on other Boston Public Schools capital projects. **(Docket #0433)**

Order requesting certain information under section 17F regarding Memoranda of Understanding, cooperation agreements or collaborative partnerships between the City of Boston and external entities. **(Docket #0434)**

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F regarding the City of Boston's efforts to address drink spiking and drug-facilitated sexual assault in nightlife establishments, including safety training programs, prevention initiatives, communications with licensed venues, and the status of records maintained by the City regarding these efforts. **(Docket #0595)**

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F regarding White Stadium. **(Docket #0637)**

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F relative to BPS student-athlete school transfer policies. **(Docket #0698)**

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F regarding environmental impact, transportation planning, and resiliency considerations associated with Franklin Park and the White Stadium project. **(Docket #0699)**

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F regarding MWBE participation, local business inclusion, workforce impact, and procurement practices associated with the White Stadium project. **(Docket #0700)**

Order requesting certain information under section 17F regarding Boston Public Schools' school bus auto liability insurance coverage, including the non-renewal of the prior policy, the procurement of a new insurance provider, and all related safety, claims, and cost data. **(Docket #0779)**

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F regarding the release of certain body-worn camera footage from the Boston Police Department. **(Docket #0815)**

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F relative to mopeds and e-bikes in Boston. **(Docket #0816)**

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F relative to the City of Boston's insurance and liability coverage. **(Docket #0817)**

### <sup>2</sup>**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 ahead 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***

Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to Real Estate Transfer Fees and Senior Property Tax Relief. **(Docket #0163)**

Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to Pension Benefits for Firefighter Leo J. Bracken. **(Docket #0268)**

### ***<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*

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.

## 2026 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism & Special Events	<b>0186</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>		Order for a hearing on equitable contracting and business opportunities for major civic sporting events in Boston.	1/28/2026	3/20/2026	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism & Special Events	<b>0210</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the creation of cultural districts in Boston.	1/28/2026		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism & Special Events	<b>0212</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Flynn	Order for a hearing on a proposal for a Crispus Attucks Statue.	1/28/2026		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism & Special Events	<b>0220</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing to bring more signature sports events to Boston.	1/28/2026		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism & Special Events	<b>0339</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss the goals and priorities of the Office of Arts and Culture and the Office of Tourism, Sports, and Entertainment in the City of Boston.	2/11/2026		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism & Special Events	<b>0412</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	Pepén, Worrell	Order for a hearing to bring World Cup activations and economic activity to Boston neighborhoods.	2/25/2026	3/20/2026	
Census, Redistricting, and Elections	<b>0183</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	Pepén	Order for a hearing regarding voter accessibility and election preparedness.	1/28/2026		
Census, Redistricting, and Elections	<b>0355</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>		Resolution affirming Boston's Ranked Choice Voting Home Rule Petition.	2/11/2026		
Census, Redistricting, and Elections	<b>0411</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	Culpepper, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to explore how to amend special law to expand access to the ballot box by removing language barriers and aligning with the language and communications access ordinance.	2/25/2026		
City Services	<b>0112</b>	<b>Murphy</b>		Order for a hearing regarding parking access for traveling Boston Public Schools employees.	1/5/2026	2/12/2026	
City Services	<b>0187</b>	<b>Mejia</b>		Order for a hearing to examine income-adjusted parking fines and interest-free payment plans.	1/28/2026		3/19/26-hearing canceled
City Services	<b>0209</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing on technical assistance and best practices for civic associations.	1/28/2026		

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
City Services	<b>0270</b>	<b>Pepén</b>		Order for a hearing to explore snow removal relief and options.	2/4/2026	3/3/2026	3/4, 4/1/26-remains in committee, 3/30/26-working session
City Services	<b>0281</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss pest control and the discovery of leptospirosis in the City of Boston.	2/4/2026	3/16/2026	3/18/26-remains in committee
City Services	<b>0291</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Mejia, Pepén	Order for a hearing to discuss creation of a snow corps in Boston.	2/4/2026	3/3/2026	3/4, 4/1/26-remains in committee, 3/30/26-working session
City Services	<b>0292</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss the City of Boston purchasing snow melters.	2/4/2026	3/3/2026	3/4/26-remains in committee
City Services	<b>0335</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss accessibility in Boston City Hall.	2/11/2026		
City Services	<b>0413</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss water and sewer infrastructure in Chinatown and the Leather District.	2/25/2026		
City Services	<b>0505</b>	<b>Pepén</b>	Worrell, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss the achievements of the Mattapan Square Task Force and other municipal support for Mattapan Square.	3/11/2026		
City Services	<b>0506</b>	<b>Durkan</b>	Coletta Zapata, Pepén	Order for a hearing on modernizing permitting systems to improve accessibility related to transportation, curbside management, construction, and development.	3/11/2026		
City Services	<b>0512</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>		Order for a hearing to examine Boston's 48-hour parking space saver policy following snow emergencies.	3/11/2026		
City Services	<b>0515</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss the status of addressing potholes in the City of Boston.	3/11/2026	5/8/2026	
City Services	<b>0592</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss the impact of the FIFA World Cup fan marches on basic city services.	3/18/2026		

## 2026 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
City Services	0623	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Christopher Osgood as a member of the Boston Water and Sewer Commission, for a term expiring March 30, 2030.	3/25/2026		
City Services	0636	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss city services and quality of life concerns in Copley Square.	3/25/2026		
City Services	0773	Coletta Zapata	Durkan, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss the status of the City of Boston's Curbside Food Waste Collection Program.	4/8/2026		
City Services	0777	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the role, responsibilities, and staffing levels of the Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS) in light of Boston's fiscal crisis.	4/8/2026		
City Services	0811	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing to review animal control enforcement, leash law compliance, dog licensing, and public safety in the city of Boston.	4/15/2026		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0169	Culpepper		Order for a hearing to develop a report on the state of civil rights in Boston.	1/28/2026	3/6/2026	4/9/26-hearing canceled
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0191	Mejia		Order for a hearing to address critical issues in jail-based voting and empower incarcerated communities to strengthen democracy.	1/28/2026		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0222	Coletta Zapata	Louijeune	Resolution in support of Bill SD.3607: An Act Protecting Access to Justice.	1/28/2026		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0293	Louijeune		Order for a hearing on the civil rights and liberties of returning citizens and re-entry into their Boston communities.	2/4/2026		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0299	Culpepper	Mejia, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to confront the termination of federal protected status for Haitian immigrants and examine the City of Boston's response to protect affected residents.	2/4/2026	4/9/2026	4/7/26-hearing canceled
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0328	Louijeune	Breadon, Pepén	Order for a hearing on a scalable funding model for an immigrant Emergency Response Fund.	2/11/2026		4/7/26-hearing canceled

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Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	<b>0393</b>	<b>Santana</b>		Order for a hearing to ensure access to lifesaving online resources for LGBTQIA+ and other marginalized communities in response to proposed federal and state digital censorship legislation.	2/25/2026		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	<b>0409</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	Culpepper, Santana	Order for a hearing on civil rights, constitutional, and legal implications of the Boston Regional Intelligence Center (BRIC), The Associative Violence Information System (AVIS), Automated License Plate Readers (ALPR), and participation in Federal Joint Task Forces (JTTF).	2/25/2026	5/22/2026	
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	<b>0631</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>	Worrell, Weber	Order for a hearing to examine diversity and representation within the Boston Fire Department, including leadership positions.	3/25/2026		
Community Preservation Act	<b>0569</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order approving an appropriation of Thirty-Two Million, Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$32,600,000.00) from Fiscal Year 2026 community preservation fund revenues for community preservation projects at the recommendation of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee (“CPC”). The upcoming projects will aim to improve the quality of life across Boston neighborhoods. Plans include renovating playgrounds and enhancing or creating recreational spaces such as parks, community gardens, and urban farms. In addition, these projects will plant trees to grow the city’s tree canopy, preserve historic buildings and artifacts, support a program for affordable first-time home buyers and construct new affordable housing units for residents. Together, these efforts are expected to deliver a meaningful and lasting positive impact on Boston’s neighborhoods and communities.	3/18/2026	4/21/2026	

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Community Preservation Act	<b>0758</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order approving an appropriation order in the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand Ninety Dollars (\$1,763,090.00) for the administrative and operating expenses of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee (“CPC”) for Fiscal Year 2027, and a further appropriation order in the amount of Thirty-Nine Million Five Hundred Eighty-Seven Thousand Seven Hundred Ninety-Eight Dollars (\$39,587,798.00) from the Community Preservation Fund’s (“the Fund”) estimated annual revenues for Fiscal Year 2027, to be appropriated and reserved for future appropriation. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 6, 2026.	4/8/2026	4/21/2026	
Education	<b>0113</b>	<b>Murphy</b>	Flynn, Mejia	Order for a hearing to examine Boston Public School closure and merger actions related to the 2026-27 and 2027-28 school years and transparency in the Long-Term Facilities Plan.	1/5/2026		3/2/26-Hearing Canceled
Education	<b>0166</b>	<b>Coletta Zapata</b>		Order for a hearing regarding Boston Public Schools student-athlete transfer and eligibility policies.	1/28/2026	3/24/2026	2/23/26-Hearing Canceled, 2/25, 3/25/26-remains in committee
Education	<b>0176</b>	<b>FitzGerald</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss increasing access to high-quality school options for Boston Public Schools students in all neighborhoods.	1/28/2026		
Education	<b>0188</b>	<b>Mejia</b>		Order for a hearing on Boston Public School facilities, public assets and White Stadium.	1/28/2026		
Education	<b>0200</b>	<b>Murphy</b>	Flynn, FitzGerald	Order for a hearing on BPS staffing program impacts.	1/28/2026	3/2/2026	2/23/26-Hearing Canceled, 2/25, 3/4/26-remains in committee
Education	<b>0215</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing to explore scholarships for Boston students to increase access to all forms of higher education.	1/28/2026		
Education	<b>0216</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Mejia	Order for a hearing to bring a Historically Black College or University Satellite Campus to Boston.	1/28/2026		
Education	<b>0276</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	Culpepper, Santana	Order for a hearing on transparency and accountability in service provision and spending for English Learners.	2/4/2026	3/10/2026	3/11/26-remains in committee

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Education	0277	Mejia	Murphy	Order for a hearing to audit Boston Public School's special education and return on investments.	2/4/2026	3/10/2026	3/11/26-remains in committee
Education	0278	Mejia	Murphy, Culpepper	Order for a hearing to audit mental health curriculum and services in Boston Public Schools.	2/4/2026		
Education	0279	Mejia	Culpepper, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to audit the implementation and outcomes of restorative justice practices in Boston Public Schools.	2/4/2026		
Education	0280	Mejia	Isabella Zapata, Culpepper	Order for a hearing addressing the relationship between school lunches and the achievement gap.	2/4/2026		
Education	0294	Louijeune		Order for a hearing on the creation of a Boston School Building Authority.	2/4/2026		
Education	0330	Santana	Murphy	Order for a hearing regarding MassCore graduation requirements and student supports in Boston Public Schools.	2/11/2026		
Education	0334	Louijeune		Order for a hearing on community college access and student success for Boston residents.	2/11/2026		
Education	0340	Murphy		Order for a hearing to examine student academic outcomes and return on investment in Boston Public Schools.	2/11/2026		
Education	0342	Murphy	Santana	Order for a hearing to examine graduation requirement implementation, waivers, and equity in Boston Public Schools.	2/11/2026		
Education	0374	Murphy	Flynn, FitzGerald	Emergency hearing order regarding chronic school bus delays and special education transportation failures.	2/11/2026	3/31/2026	4/1/26-remains in committee
Education	0397	Santana	Culpepper, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss how Boston Public Schools can expand the use of evidence-based best practices for inclusive learning environments for multilingual and special education learners.	2/25/2026		
Education	0406	Mejia		Order for a hearing on transparency and accountability of private fundraising in Boston Public Schools.	2/25/2026		

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Education	<b>0407</b>	<b>Mejia</b>		Order for a hearing to review prevention and response to bullying, sexual harassment, sexual assault, and sexual misconduct in Boston Public Schools.	2/25/2026	6/16/2026	
Education	<b>0408</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	Culpepper	Order for a hearing to identify community priorities, needs, and hopes in Boston Public Schools.	2/25/2026		
Education	<b>0417</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Murphy, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools (BPS) health services leadership requirements.	2/25/2026		
Education	<b>0478</b>	<b>Murphy</b>	Flynn	Order for a hearing regarding recent juvenile weapon incidents and school safety coordination.	3/4/2026		
Education	<b>0507</b>	<b>Weber</b>	Breadon, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss strategies to prevent homelessness among students in the Boston Public Schools.	3/11/2026		3/26/26-hearing canceled
Education	<b>0508</b>	<b>Santana</b>		Order for a hearing regarding the use and impact of high-quality instructional materials in Boston Public Schools.	3/11/2026		
Education	<b>0509</b>	<b>Santana</b>		Order for a hearing regarding Boston Public Schools' efforts to improve chronic absenteeism.	3/11/2026		
Education	<b>0510</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Worrell, Culpepper	Order for a hearing to discuss career and technical education in Boston Public Schools and its impacts on students' college and career readiness.	3/11/2026		
Education	<b>0516</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>		Order for a hearing to ensure equitable investment, fiscal accountability, and academic excellence in the Boston Pre-K program.	3/11/2026		
Education	<b>0520</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	Pepén, Santana	Resolution commending historic graduation and dropout rate improvements in Boston Public Schools.	3/11/2026		
Education	<b>0587</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	Culpepper	Order for a hearing to review administrative transparency, equitable student representation, and student freedoms in higher education.	3/18/2026	3/23/2026	3/25/26-remains in committee
Education	<b>0775</b>	<b>Murphy</b>	Flynn	Order for a hearing on equity in athletic funding and access across Boston Public Schools.	4/8/2026		

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0165</b>	<b>Coletta Zapata</b>		Order for a hearing regarding the establishment and implementation of funding mechanisms for Boston's coastal protection	1/28/2026		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0211</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the creation of indoor playgrounds in Boston.	1/28/2026		4/1/26-hearing canceled
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0260</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Samira Ahmadi as a Member of the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance (BERDO) Review Board, for a term expiring May 23, 2026.	2/4/2026	4/21/2026	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0341</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss the status of the City of Boston's application to certify with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Ranking System (CRS).	2/11/2026		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0514</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Groundwater Trust and groundwater infrastructure in the City of Boston.	3/11/2026		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0519</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Resolution in support of a temporary rollback for the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance (BERDO) and Stretch Energy Codes for five years.	3/11/2026		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0635</b>	<b>Murphy</b>	Flynn	Order for a hearing to examine the denial of a longstanding nonprofit event permit and the city's policies governing use of public parkland.	3/25/2026		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0760</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for your approval an appropriation order in the amount of Eight Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$860,000) for the Cemetery Division of the Parks and Recreation Department and the Trust Office of the Treasury Department to be funded from the Cemetery Trust Fund established under Chapter 13 of the Acts of 1961. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 6, 2026.	4/8/2026	4/21/2026	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0761</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000.00) in the form of a grant, Red Sox Arts and Parks Program Grant, awarded by the Boston Red Sox to be administered by the Mayor's Office.	4/8/2026	4/21/2026	

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Government Operations	0158	Coletta Zapata		Ordinance Establishing Street Food Carts in the City of Boston.	1/28/2026		
Government Operations	0160	Mejia		Ordinance creating a municipal identification card in the City of Boston.	1/28/2026		4/24/26-hearing canceled
Government Operations	0161	Weber	Mejia, Pepén	Ordinance preventing wage theft in the City of Boston.	1/28/2026		3/19/26-Working Session
Government Operations	0162	Mejia	Worrell	Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to Reorganization of the Boston School Committee.	1/28/2026	3/26/2026	
Government Operations	0164	Worrell		Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to Various Tax Classification Definitions, Exemptions, and Credits.	1/28/2026		
Government Operations	0266	Culpepper	Mejia, Worrell	Ordinance Prohibiting the Use of Boston City Property for Civil Immigration Enforcement Activities by United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement.	2/4/2026		
Government Operations	0267	Worrell	Mejia	Ordinance to Codify the Equity & Inclusion Cabinet in the City of Boston.	2/4/2026		
Government Operations	0324	Flynn		Ordinance establishing the Office of Pest Control in the City of Boston.	2/11/2026		
Government Operations	0325	Flynn		Ordinance amending City of Boston Code, Ordinances, 17-22, Road Safety and Accountability for Delivery Providers.	2/11/2026	4/7/2026	4/8/26-remains in committee
Government Operations	0326	Flynn		Ordinance regulating all e-bikes in the City of Boston.	2/11/2026		
Government Operations	0387	Coletta Zapata	Louijeune, Worrell	An Ordinance Establishing the Boston Emergency Relief Fund.	2/25/2026		4/17/26-hearing canceled
Government Operations	0388	Coletta Zapata	Santana	An Ordinance Modernizing and Increasing Transparency at the Zoning Board of Appeal.	2/25/2026		
Government Operations	0389	Coletta Zapata	Santana	Petition for a Special Law Re: An Act Relative to the Zoning Board of Appeal.	2/25/2026		
Government Operations	0410	Mejia		Order for a hearing to examine and modernize the Boston City Charter in advance of the City's 400th anniversary.	2/25/2026	4/24/2026	

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Government Operations	<b>0414</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Murphy	Order for a hearing on the establishment of a Committee on Civility in the City of Boston.	2/25/2026		
Government Operations	<b>0504</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Petition for a Special Law Re: An Act Relative to Military Buy-Back for Veteran Municipal Employees.	3/11/2026		
Government Operations	<b>0583</b>	<b>Mejia</b>		Home Rule Petition for an Act Relative to Voting For All Legal Residents in the City of Boston.	3/18/2026		
Government Operations	<b>0692</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>	Louijeune, Mejia	Ordinance Establishing a Pharmacy Stabilization and Access Fund.	4/1/2026		
Government Operations	<b>0772</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>	Santana, Flynn	Ordinance Establishing a Childcare Access Fund.	4/8/2026		
Government Operations	<b>0807</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Murphy	Ordinance to Address Private Way Potholes.	4/15/2026		
Government Operations	<b>0808</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>	Mejia, Worrell	Ordinance Establishing a Minority Business Enterprise Procurement Readiness Pilot Program.	4/15/2026		
Housing & Community Development	<b>0172</b>	<b>Durkan</b>	Breadon, Santana	Order for a hearing to investigate the use, impact, and potential ban of algorithmic price setting in the Boston rental market.	1/28/2026		
Housing & Community Development	<b>0184</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	Weber	Order for a hearing on building a stronger fair housing future for Boston.	1/28/2026		
Housing & Community Development	<b>0208</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing to address problem properties in Boston.	1/28/2026		
Housing & Community Development	<b>0217</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing regarding the homeownership voucher program.	1/28/2026		
Housing & Community Development	<b>0271</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss the status of the elevators at the BHA Ruth Ruth Barkley apartments.	2/4/2026		
Housing & Community Development	<b>0272</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's Report on Boston Housing Authority.	2/4/2026		
Housing & Community Development	<b>0286</b>	<b>Weber</b>		Order for a hearing on housing development costs and barriers to building affordable housing units in the City of Boston.	2/4/2026	4/2/2026	

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Housing & Community Development	<b>0295</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>		Order for a hearing regarding the state of anti-displacement as to Boston's Acquisition Opportunity Program.	2/4/2026	
Housing & Community Development	<b>0307</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Resolution in support of a Boston Housing Authority (BHA) Elevator Safety Commission.	2/4/2026	
Housing & Community Development	<b>0343</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Pepén, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to continue exploring strategies for developing mixed-income social housing to increase housing access and affordability for all Bostonians.	2/11/2026	
Housing & Community Development	<b>0347</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Culpepper	Order for a hearing to explore programs the City of Boston offers or could establish to prevent illegal discrimination by landlords and real estate brokers against prospective tenants utilizing housing choice vouchers.	2/11/2026	
Housing & Community Development	<b>0396</b>	<b>Santana</b>		Order for a hearing to facilitate the creation of Single Room Occupancy (SROs) in the City of Boston.	2/25/2026	
Housing & Community Development	<b>0429</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Resolution in support of receiving a response to docket #0221: Order requesting certain information under Section 17F: regarding elevator access, life safety, and disability compliance.	2/25/2026	
Housing & Community Development	<b>0432</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Resolution in support of a temporary rollback for the Inclusionary Development Policy (IDP) and affordable housing requirement to 13%.	2/25/2026	
Housing & Community Development	<b>0474</b>	<b>Durkan</b>	Breadon, Santana	Order for a hearing to examine potential reforms to the Massachusetts State Building Code to allow for mid-rise single stair buildings.	3/4/2026	
Housing & Community Development	<b>0477</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	Pepén, Santana	Order for a hearing to conduct a comprehensive review of Boston's Anti-Displacement Action Plan.	3/4/2026	
Housing & Community Development	<b>0695</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Culpepper, Mejia	Order for a hearing on the status of the implementation of the City of Boston's Assessment of Fair Housing.	4/1/2026	

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Housing & Community Development	0792	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston, acting through its Mayor's Office of Housing, to apply for, and to accept and expend, the Federal Fiscal Year 2025 Continuum of Care grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in an amount not to exceed Fifty Million Dollars (\$50,000,000.00). These funds will be used to support programs that provide services and housing to persons experiencing homelessness.	4/15/2026		
Human Services	0179	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss food insecurity and malnutrition in the City of Boston.	1/28/2026	3/30/2026	4/1/26-remains in committee
Human Services	0182	Louijeune	Coletta Zapata	Order for a hearing regarding the City of Boston's response to sexual assault, domestic violence, and related resources for survivors.	1/28/2026		
Human Services	0189	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit child care investments and the financial stability of Family Child Care Providers.	1/28/2026		
Human Services	0206	Worrell	Mejia	Order for a hearing to explore ways of using municipal buildings to host childcare centers.	1/28/2026		
Human Services	0275	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the status of the South Boston Branch Library Study.	2/4/2026		
Human Services	0283	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing regarding elder scamming and fraud prevention.	2/4/2026	3/9/2026	2/26/26-hearing canceled, 3/11/26-remains in committee
Human Services	0284	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing regarding equitable access to services and programming through the Boston Public Library System.	2/4/2026	2/20/2026	
Human Services	0285	Murphy		Order for a hearing regarding navigating city services for residents with complex family and caregiving needs.	2/4/2026	3/3/2026	3/4/26-remains in committee
Human Services	0287	Murphy		Order for a hearing regarding senior programming and services across the city of Boston.	2/4/2026	2/26/2026	
Human Services	0289	Murphy	Worrell	Order for a hearing regarding youth summer jobs, access and readiness for the upcoming summer.	2/4/2026	3/13/2026	

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Human Services	<b>0290</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Murphy, Mejia	Order for a hearing to review and strengthen Boston's Summer Safety and Youth Programming Plan.	2/4/2026	4/6/2026	4/8/26-remains in committee
Human Services	<b>0350</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>	Flynn, FitzGerald	Order for a hearing on the status of the South End Branch Library reopening.	2/11/2026	6/15/2026	
Human Services	<b>0352</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Breadon, Durkan	Resolution recognizing June 2026 as Pride Month.	2/11/2026		
Human Services	<b>0391</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Louijeune	Order for a hearing regarding Boston LGBTQIA+ youth community spaces and their public health benefits.	2/25/2026		
Human Services	<b>0694</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	Pepén, Murphy	Order for a hearing on the conditions, operations, and access of Boston Centers for Youth and Families (BCYF) Pools.	4/1/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	<b>0168</b>	<b>Coletta Zapata</b>		Order for a hearing regarding reviving the "Red Shirts" program.	1/28/2026	4/9/2026	
Labor and Economic Development	<b>0171</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>		Order for a hearing to explore designating economically disenfranchised areas of District 7 as empowerment zones to spur economic development and improve quality of life for residents.	1/28/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	<b>0190</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	Weber	Order for a hearing on workforce development housing for City of Boston employees.	1/28/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	<b>0193</b>	<b>Mejia</b>		Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's hiring, firing and promotion policies, practices and procedures.	1/28/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	<b>0194</b>	<b>Mejia</b>		Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's procurement processes, procedures and progress	1/28/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	<b>0207</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing to review and establish a "Business Owner 101" program for grant recipients.	1/28/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	<b>0214</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing to review the distribution of Boston's 225 new liquor licenses and provide ongoing support to restaurateurs.	1/28/2026		

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Labor and Economic Development	<b>0218</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing to review the effectiveness of the Boston Residents Jobs Policy in improving equity and employment standards on projects throughout the city.	1/28/2026	4/13/2026	4/15/26-remains in committee
Labor and Economic Development	<b>0219</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Weber	Order for a hearing to discuss long-term city job vacancies.	1/28/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	<b>0282</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Murphy, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss retail theft and the impacts on small businesses and residents in the City of Boston.	2/4/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	<b>0336</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss the impact of CORI on access to employment and other opportunities.	2/11/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	<b>0344</b>	<b>Santana</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss the educational and workforce development past successes and future opportunities of youth jobs offered by the City of Boston.	2/11/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	<b>0762</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) in the form of a grant, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) Program, awarded by the United States Department of the Treasury to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant would fund services to underserved populations in the most difficult-to-reach areas, both urban and rural, through free basic tax return preparation for qualified individuals.	4/8/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	<b>0774</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing to explore pro-growth redevelopment tools for under-performing commercial properties in Boston.	4/8/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	<b>0776</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing to explore the creation of a public-private lending agency in Boston.	4/8/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	<b>0810</b>	<b>Coletta Zapata</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss workforce pipeline opportunities between the Wentworth Institute of Technology and the City of Boston's Inspectional Services Department.	4/15/2026		
PILOT Agreements, Institutional & Intergovernmental Relations	<b>0288</b>	<b>Durkan</b>	Breadon, Culpepper	Order for a hearing to evaluate the progress and impact of the City's Payment in Lieu of Tax (PILOT) Program.	2/4/2026		

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Planning, Development & Transportation	0173	Durkan	Santana, Breadon	Order for a hearing to explore amending the Boston Zoning Code to remove parking minimum requirements for new residential development.	1/28/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0178	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss dedicating the new open space at Phillips Square to Tunney Lee Plaza	1/28/2026	4/6/2026	4/8/26-remains in committee
Planning, Development & Transportation	0199	Mejia		Order for a hearing on government accountability, transparency, and accessibility of decision making protocols in city government.	1/28/2026	3/16/2026	3/18/26-remains in committee
Planning, Development & Transportation	0204	Weber	Pepén	Order for a hearing to discuss making neighborhood streets safer following the 30-day review of streets projects in Boston.	1/28/2026	4/22/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	0302	Flynn	Mejia	Resolution in support of the replacement of concurrent traffic signals in the City of Boston.	2/4/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0327	Pepén	Flynn, FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to explore the creation of safe school zones to improve pedestrian safety around all schools in the City of Boston.	2/11/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0331	Pepén	Durkan, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss ways to repair and maintain private ways.	2/11/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0332	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the importance of the cruise industry in the City of Boston.	2/11/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0333	Flynn	Pepén	Order for a hearing to discuss pedestrian safety, traffic calming, and Vision Zero in the City of Boston.	2/11/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0345	Durkan	Breadon, Santana	Order for a hearing to explore amending the Boston Zoning Code to shift residential use to allowed where appropriate.	2/11/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0346	Durkan	Soletta Zapata, Louijeun	Order for a hearing to explore the inclusion of pollinator corridors as part of sustainable development.	2/11/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0349	Flynn		Order regarding a text amendment to the Boston Zoning Code relative to adult entertainment.	2/11/2026		

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Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0394</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Durkan, Pepén	Order for a hearing regarding legalizing construction of triple-deckers and other 2- to 4-unit housing in the City of Boston.	2/25/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0395</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Pepén, Durkan	Order for a hearing regarding legalizing accessory dwelling units (ADUs) in every neighborhood in the city of Boston.	2/25/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0401</b>	<b>Pepén</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss parking benefit districts.	2/25/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0402</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>	Worrell, Mejia	Order for a hearing to examine reallocating funding for the Blue Hill Avenue project toward streetscape improvements and beautification and to provide a status update on project implementation.	2/25/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0471</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>	Pepén, Worrell	Order for hearing to examine options to extend and fund the fare-free bus program for routes 23, 28, and 29.	3/4/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0479</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>	Worrell, Pepén	Order regarding a text amendment to the Boston Zoning Code to expand the eligible location of off-site affordable housing units under the Inclusionary Development Policy.	3/4/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0480</b>	<b>FitzGerald</b>	Flynn	Order regarding a text amendment to the Boston Zoning Code with respect to retail zoning.	3/4/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0481</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Culpepper, FitzGerald	Order regarding a text amendment to Article 37 of the Boston Zoning Code "Green Buildings and Net Zero Carbon" to expedite and lower costs for development processes.	3/4/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0483</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>	Worrell, Pepén	Resolution urging the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority and the City to cancel proposed center running bus lanes as part of the Blue Hill Avenue transportation plan project and reallocate funds dedicated for the center running bus lanes to fund the continuation of the fare-free bus program.	3/4/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0517</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>	Worrell	Order regarding a text amendment to the Boston Zoning Code to establish a neighborhood impact contribution requirement as part of the linkage program.	3/11/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0588</b>	<b>Durkan</b>	Pepén, Weber	Order for a hearing to discuss City of Boston transportation philosophy and status of infrastructure projects.	3/18/2026	4/22/2026	

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Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0589</b>	<b>Breadon</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss the status of state and federal funding allocated for transportation and streets projects.	3/18/2026	4/22/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0593</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order regarding a text amendment to the Boston Zoning Code relative to requiring on-site affordable housing in PLAN: Downtown.	3/18/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0594</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Mulpepper, Coletta Zapata	Order regarding a text amendment to the Boston Zoning Code to establish Boston Investment Zones: An Anti-Displacement Tool.	3/18/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0599</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Resolution against the approval and construction of additional roof decks in residential areas of South Boston.	3/18/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0771</b>			Communication was received by the City Clerk from the Boston Landmarks Commission for City Council action on the designation of the Petition #147.89 - The Copley Plaza Hotel, Back Bay (in effect after April 30, 2026 if not acted upon).	4/8/2026	4/21/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0809</b>	<b>Durkan</b>	Santana, Breadon	Order for a Text Amendment to the Boston Zoning Code with respect to parking minimums for residential development.	4/15/2026	6/4/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0796</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of David Sampson as an Alternate Member of the Back Bay Architectural District Commission for a term expiring on December 31, 2030.	4/15/2026	6/5/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0797</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Robert Weintraub as a Member of the Back Bay Architectural District Commission for a term expiring on December 31, 2029.	4/15/2026	6/5/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0798</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of David Dixon as a Member of the Boston Landmarks Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2028.	4/15/2026	6/5/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0799</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Kirsten Hoffman as an Alternate Member of the Boston Landmarks Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2026.	4/15/2026	6/5/2026	

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Planning, Development & Transportation	<b>0800</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Kirsten Hoffman as a Member of the Fort Point Channel Landmark District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2026.	4/15/2026	6/5/2026	
Post Audit	<b>0195</b>	<b>Mejia</b>		Order for a hearing to audit the distribution of local, state, and federal grants to small businesses.	1/28/2026		
Post Audit	<b>0196</b>	<b>Mejia</b>		Order for a hearing to review the City of Boston's use of federal and state funds.	1/28/2026		
Post Audit	<b>0197</b>	<b>Mejia</b>		Order for a hearing to review past expenditures through quarterly updates on the FY2026 operating budget.	1/28/2026		
Post Audit	<b>0203</b>	<b>Weber</b>	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss prior operating budget amendments from FY23 to FY25.	1/28/2026		
Post Audit	<b>0205</b>	<b>Weber</b>		Order for a hearing to review construction costs associated with the White Stadium project.	1/28/2026	3/16/2026	3/18/26-remains in committee
Post Audit	<b>0337</b>	<b>Murphy</b>		Order for a hearing to consider a full independent audit of Boston Public Schools' finances, operations and and program effectiveness.	2/11/2026		
Post Audit	<b>0511</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	Culpepper, Weber	Order for a hearing to review the mid-year implementation and educational impact of the Boston Public Schools' FY27 budget.	3/11/2026		
Post Audit	<b>0633</b>	<b>FitzGerald</b>	Mejia	Order for a hearing to audit and review the City Council budget amendment process.	3/25/2026		
Post Audit	<b>0812</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston's alleged noncompliance and lack of transparency in the use of federal funds.	4/15/2026		
Public Health, Homelessness & Recovery	<b>0175</b>	<b>FitzGerald</b>	Flynn	Order for a hearing to discuss the regulation of Kratom in the City of Boston	1/28/2026	3/9/2026	3/11/26-remains in committee
Public Health, Homelessness & Recovery	<b>0348</b>	<b>Santana</b>		Order for a hearing regarding LGBTQIA+ youth and young adult homelessness in the City of Boston.	2/11/2026		

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred Hearing(s)	Notes
Public Health, Homelessness & Recovery	<b>0392</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Durkan	Order for a hearing regarding Boston's LGBTQIA+ mental health data collection processes, existing services, and further community needs.	2/25/2026	
Public Health, Homelessness & Recovery	<b>0403</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>	Flynn, FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to examine the status of the proposed Long Island reconstruction project and the reopening of the Long Island Treatment Center.	2/25/2026	
Public Health, Homelessness & Recovery	<b>0404</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>	Weber, Durkan	Order for a hearing to examine weather emergency policies for unhoused individuals in the City of Boston and coordination with housing and homelessness assistance providers and the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority.	2/25/2026	
Public Health, Homelessness & Recovery	<b>0473</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>	FitzGerald, Flynn	Order for a hearing to examine treatment-centered policy approaches to address substance use disorder, homelessness, and civil rights issues in the Massachusetts Avenue and Melnea Cass Boulevard area.	3/4/2026	
Public Health, Homelessness & Recovery	<b>0584</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>	FitzGerald, Durkan	Order for a hearing to examine telehealth access and digital health equity in the City of Boston.	3/18/2026	
Public Health, Homelessness & Recovery	<b>0585</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>	FitzGerald, Durkan	Order for a hearing to examine access to primary care physicians in the City of Boston.	3/18/2026	
Public Health, Homelessness & Recovery	<b>0693</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Mejia	Order for a hearing regarding barriers to accessing gender-affirming healthcare in the City of Boston.	4/1/2026	
Public Health, Homelessness & Recovery	<b>0813</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss gambling and predatory marketing in Chinatown.	4/15/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0100</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$850,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY25 Boston Regional Intelligence Center Earmark, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund upgrading, expanding, and integrating technology and protocols related to anti-terrorism, anti-crime, anti-gang and emergency response.	4/9/2025	2025-0847

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0167	Coletta Zapata	Durkan	Order for a hearing to discuss progress and opportunities for addressing drink spiking and Drug-Facilitated Sexual Assault.	1/28/2026	3/12/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0174	FitzGerald		Order for a hearing to discuss 2026 large event safety resources and infrastructure.	1/28/2026	3/26/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0177	Flynn	FitzGerald, Culpepper	Order for a hearing to discuss public safety and quality of life concerns at Mass & Cass and surrounding neighborhoods.	1/28/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0180	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss resources for the Boston Police Crime Laboratory.	1/28/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0181	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss public safety and quality of life issues in Downtown Boston and the Boston Common.	1/28/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0185	Louijeune	Worrell	Order for a hearing on a cross-sector collaborative citywide strategy for community safety and violence prevention.	1/28/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0192	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit government transparency and accountability towards surveillance equipment.	1/28/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0198	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the implementation and effectiveness of the 2014 Boston Trust Act.	1/28/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0329	Worrell	Flynn, Weber	Order for a hearing to review the mission, goals, objectives, and challenges at the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency (OPAT).	2/11/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0398	Santana		Order for a hearing regarding the public safety requirements and possible locations for a new emergency operations center in the city of Boston.	2/25/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0399	Santana	Weber, Mejia	Order for a hearing regarding how the Boston Police Department collects, uses, protects, and shares information that may be requested by external entities.	2/25/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0400	Santana		Order for a hearing regarding all City of Boston grants administered by the Boston Fire Department.	2/25/2026	3/31/2026	4/1/26-remains in committee

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0405	Culpepper	Mejia, Pepén	Order for a hearing to examine crossing guard staffing shortages in the City of Boston and to explore strategies for improved coordination and volunteer recruitment.	2/25/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0415	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss appropriate uses of Boston 311 and 9-1-1 emergency.	2/25/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0416	Flynn	Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss the Boston 2025 crime statistics.	2/25/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0472	Santana	Louijeune	Order for a hearing regarding occupational cancer risks for Boston firefighters, and programs the City of Boston offers or could offer for prevention, diagnosis, and treatment.	3/4/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0476	Santana	Flynn, Worrell	Order for a series of hearings regarding all City of Boston grants administered by the Boston Police Department.	3/4/2026	4/13/2026	4/15/26-remains in committee
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0513	Culpepper	Louijeune, Worrell	Order for a hearing to examine options to improve public safety and quality of life in the Nubian Square area.	3/11/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0590	Murphy	Flynn, Culpepper	Order for a hearing to review nightlife industry safety training and the role of the Office of Nightlife Economy.	3/18/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0591	Murphy	FitzGerald, Flynn	Order for a hearing to review funding, reimbursement, and accountability for police overtime details in the City of Boston.	3/18/2026	5/19/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0632	Culpepper	Santana, FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to examine measures to prevent human and drug trafficking during the 2026 FIFA World Cup in Boston.	3/25/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0638	Culpepper	Worrell	Order for a hearing to examine the Boston Police Department's protocols for releasing police body camera and dashboard camera footage.	3/25/2026	4/7/2026	4/8/26-remains in committee
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0696	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Police Department staffing levels.	4/1/2026	5/19/2026	
Rules, Ethics & Administration	0475	Murphy		Order for a hearing to review the application and intent of rule 15.	3/4/2026		
Rules, Ethics & Administration	0778	Flynn		Order to amend Rule 46 of the Rules of the Boston City Council for Municipal Years 2026-2027.	4/8/2026		

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Veterans, Military Families & Military Affairs	<b>0273</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Santana	Order for a hearing to discuss the Lung Cancer Rates among Black Veterans.	2/4/2026		
Veterans, Military Families & Military Affairs	<b>0274</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss services for women veterans.	2/4/2026		
Ways & Means	<b>0201</b>	<b>Weber</b>	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston's FY27 operating budget.	1/28/2026	2/26, 3/5, 3/10, 3/23/26	2/12/26-Committee Meeting, 3/11, 3/25/26-remains in committee, 3/24/26-Public Testimony
Ways & Means	<b>0202</b>	<b>Weber</b>	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools' FY27 operating budget.	1/28/2026	3/10/2026	2/19/26-working session, 3/2/26-Working Session, 3/4, 3/11, 3/25/26- remains in committee, 3/5/26-Policy Briefing, 3/24/26-Public Testimony,
Ways & Means	<b>0213</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing to allow for monthly property tax payments for residents.	1/28/2026		
Ways & Means	<b>0312</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Resolution in support of proposed state legislation on tax relief.	2/4/2026		
Ways & Means	<b>0338</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss property tax relief for long-term residents and essential municipal employees.	2/11/2026		
Ways & Means	<b>0586</b>	<b>Culpepper</b>	Murphy, Worrell	Order for a hearing to review discrepancies between market value and tax assessed value for residential properties in the City of Boston and to evaluate the City's tax assessment practices.	3/18/2026		
Ways & Means	<b>0634</b>	<b>Murphy</b>		Order for a hearing regarding citywide spending controls, hiring constraints, and fiscal outlooks across departments.	3/25/2026		

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	<b>0697</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	Worrell, Weber	Order to Accept Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 59, Section 5, Clause 41D, Authorizing Annual Increases to Senior Exemption Income and Asset Limits.	4/1/2026	
Ways & Means	<b>0733</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for Annual Appropriation and Tax Order for FY2027. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 6, 2026.	4/8/2026	4/15/26-remains in committee
Ways & Means	<b>0734</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for Annual Appropriation for the School Department for FY2027. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 6, 2026.	4/8/2026	4/15/26-remains in committee
Ways & Means	<b>0735</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order approving an appropriation of Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000.00) to the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Liability Trust Fund authorized under Chapter 32B, §20, as added by Chapter 479 of the Acts of 2008. The latest available OPEB actuarial valuation as of June 30, 2023 estimated the City's unfunded liability at \$2.68 Billion Dollars. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 6, 2026.	4/8/2026	4/15/26-remains in committee
Ways & Means	<b>0736</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order approving an appropriation order authorizing the City of Boston to appropriate the amount of Three Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,500,000.00) from the City's Capital Grant Fund to address the impact of transportation network services on municipal roads, bridges, and other transportation infrastructure or any other public purpose substantially related to the operation of transportation network services in the City. Such funds will be transferred and credited to the Capital Grant Fund from revenue received from the Commonwealth Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Trust Fund. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 6, 2026.	4/8/2026	4/15/26-remains in committee
Ways & Means	<b>0737</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order approving an appropriation order in the amount of Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) from the Surplus Property Disposition Fund, credited to the Capital Fund for planning, design, and construction of coastal resilience solutions around the City. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 6, 2026.	4/8/2026	4/15/26-remains in committee

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	<b>0738</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order approving an appropriation order in the amount of Three Hundred Eighty-Four Million Seven Hundred Five Thousand Dollars (\$384,705,000.00) for various capital improvement purposes for city departments including the Boston Center for Youth and Families, Boston Housing Authority, Boston Planning and Development Agency, Boston Public Library, Innovation and Technology, Environment, Fire, Mayor's Office of Housing, Office of Arts & Culture, Parks and Recreation, Planning, Property Management, Public Health Commission, Public Works, and the Transportation Departments. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 6, 2026.	4/8/2026	4/15/26-remains in committee
Ways & Means	<b>0739</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order approving an appropriation order in the amount of Thirteen Million Eight Hundred Fifty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$13,855,000.00) for various capital improvement purposes for the Boston Public Schools. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 6, 2026.	4/8/2026	4/15/26-remains in committee
Ways & Means	<b>0740</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to enter into one or more lease, lease-purchase or installment sales agreements in Fiscal Year 2027 in an amount not to exceed Twenty-Eight Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$28,500,000.00). These funds are to be used by various City departments for the acquisition of equipment in furtherance of their respective governmental functions. The list of equipment includes: computer equipment (hardware and software), motor vehicles and trailers, ambulances, firefighting equipment, office equipment, telecommunications equipment, photocopying equipment, medical equipment, school and educational equipment, school buses, parking meters, street lighting installation, traffic signal equipment and equipment functionally related to, and components of, the foregoing.	4/8/2026	4/15/26-remains in committee

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	0741	Mayor		Message and order approving an order authorizing a limit for the Boston Public Schools revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2027 to support the maintenance and repair of Boston Public Schools facilities, including custodial and utility costs for extended building time, floor refinishing, landscaping and building repairs. Receipts from Lease, Permit for Use and Parking Fees for Boston Public Schools facilities will be deposited in the fund. Boston Public Schools Facilities will be the only unit authorized to expend from the fund and such expenditures shall not exceed Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00).	4/8/2026	
Ways & Means	0742	Mayor		Message and order approving an order authorizing a limit for the Boston Public Schools revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2027 for Boston Public Schools Transportation costs, including bus and public transportation costs. This revolving fund shall be credited with revenue received by the Boston Public Schools Department for the provision of transportation to groups and entities for field trips and activities other than transportation to and from school. Receipts and resulting expenditures from this fund shall not exceed One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00).	4/8/2026	
Ways & Means	0743	Mayor		Message and order approving an order authorizing a limit for the Boston Public Schools revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2027 to repair and purchase Boston Public Schools computer technology, including computers, mobile devices and instructional software. This revolving fund shall be credited with any and all receipts from equipment sales and repair fees for Boston Public Schools technology. Receipts and resulting expenditures from this fund shall not exceed Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00).	4/8/2026	

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	0744	Mayor		Message and order approving an order authorizing a limit for the Environment Conservation Commission revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2027 for the purpose of securing outside consultants including engineers, wetlands scientists, wildlife biologists, or other experts in order to aid in the review of proposed projects to the Commission, per the City's ordinance protecting local wetland and promoting climate change adaptation. This revolving fund shall be funded by receipts from fees imposed by the Commission for the purpose of securing outside consultants. The Environment Department will be the only department authorized to expend from the fund and such expenditures shall be capped at Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00).	4/8/2026	
Ways & Means	0745	Mayor		Message and order approving an order authorizing a limit for the Distributed Energy Resource Revolving Fund for Fiscal Year 2027 to facilitate the purchase of offsets of greenhouse gas emissions which shall be associated with a portion of the electricity consumed by the City annually; and to operate, maintain, monitor, and expand the City's existing solar arrays and Boston Public Schools' combined heat and power facilities. This revolving fund shall be credited with any and all receipts from the sale of renewable and alternative energy certificates and demand response program revenues produced by combined heat and power units located at Boston Public Schools sites, and solar renewable energy certificates produced by the City's photovoltaic arrays. Receipts and resulting expenditures from this fund shall not exceed One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00).	4/8/2026	
Ways & Means	0746	Mayor		Message and order approving an order authorizing a limit for the Equitable Emissions Investment (BERDO) revolving fund outlined in Section 1(g) of BERDO for Fiscal Year 2027, pursuant to M.G.L. ch. 44 s. 53E1/2, to incur liabilities against and spend monies from such fund consistent with the Ordinance. This revolving fund shall be funded by receipts from Alternative Compliance Payments (ACP). ACPs are an approved emissions mitigation pathway that consists of payments equal to the average cost per metric ton of CO <sub>2e</sub> to decarbonize buildings. The Environment Department will be the only department authorized to expend from the fund and such expenditures shall be capped at \$1,500,000.	4/8/2026	

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	0747	Mayor		Message and order approving an order authorizing a limit for the Boston Center for Youth & Families (BCYF) revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2027 to pay salaries and benefits of employees and to purchase supplies and equipment necessary to operate the City Hall Child Care. This revolving fund shall be credited with any and all receipts from tuition paid by parents or guardians of children enrolled at the center. Receipts and resulting expenditures from this fund shall not exceed One Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,100,000.00).	4/8/2026	
Ways & Means	0748	Mayor		Message and order approving an order authorizing a limit for the Law Department revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2027 to purchase goods and services to pay for repairs to city property. This revolving fund shall be funded by receipts from recoveries for damages to city property caused by third parties. The Law Department will be the only department authorized to expend from the fund and such expenditures shall be capped at Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00).	4/8/2026	
Ways & Means	0749	Mayor		Message and order approving an order authorizing a limit for the Boston Police Department revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2027 to pay salaries and benefits of employees and to purchase supplies and equipment necessary to operate the Police Department Fitness Center. Revenue for this fund is derived from monthly membership fees. Receipts and resulting expenditures from this fund shall not exceed One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00).	4/8/2026	
Ways & Means	0750	Mayor		Message and order approving an order authorizing a limit for the Boston Police Department revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2027 to support the Canine Unit's training programs for officers and police dogs from non-City of Boston law enforcement agencies. The Special Operations Division will charge tuition and other fees to outside law enforcement agencies for training with the Canine Unit. The tuition and other fees paid by outside agencies will be used to purchase training equipment, certify instructors, update facilities and provide funds for other training needs not otherwise budgeted. The Special Operations Division will be the only unit authorized to expend from the fund and such expenditures shall be capped at One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00).	4/8/2026	

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	0751	Mayor		<p>Message and order approving an order authorizing a limit for the Mayor's Office of Arts &amp; Culture revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2027 to purchase goods and services to support public art to enhance the public realm throughout the City of Boston. This revolving fund shall be funded by receipts from easements within the public way granted by the Public Improvement Commission. The Mayor's Office of Arts &amp; Culture will be the only unit authorized to expend from the fund and such expenditures shall be capped at Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$800,000.00).</p>	4/8/2026	
Ways & Means	0752	Mayor		<p>Message and order approving an order authorizing a limit for the Mayor's Office of Arts &amp; Culture revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2027 to purchase goods and services to support the operation of the Strand Theatre. This revolving fund shall be funded by receipts from rental fees for the use of the Strand Theatre. The Mayor's Office of Arts &amp; Culture will be the only unit authorized to expend from the fund and such expenditures shall be capped at Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00).</p>	4/8/2026	
Ways & Means	0753	Mayor		<p>Message and order approving an order authorizing a limit for the Mayor's Office of Tourism revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2027 to purchase goods and services to support events and programming on and around City Hall Plaza to advance tourism and promote participation in public celebrations and civic and cultural events. This revolving fund shall be funded by receipts from payments for the use of City Hall Plaza pursuant to CBC Chapter 11, section 7-14. The Mayor's Office of Tourism will be the only unit authorized to expend from the fund and such expenditures shall be capped at One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00).</p>	4/8/2026	
Ways & Means	0754	Mayor		<p>Message and order approving an order authorizing a limit for the Transportation Department revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2027 to support the operation of the bikeshare program within the City of Boston. This revolving fund shall be funded by system-generated user revenues, sponsorship revenues, and advertising revenues. The Transportation Department will be the only department authorized to expend from the fund and such expenditures shall be capped at \$1,400,000.</p>	4/8/2026	

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Ways & Means	<b>0756</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order approving an order appropriating One Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,400,000.00) from the income of the George Francis Parkman Fund. The funds are to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Parks and Recreation for the maintenance and improvement of Boston Common and Parks in existence as of January 12, 1887. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 6, 2026.	4/8/2026	
Ways & Means	<b>0757</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order approving an appropriation of Three Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$3,600,000.00) from the 21st Century Fund, also known as the Public, Educational, or Governmental (PEG) Access and Cable Related Fund. Pursuant to Section 53F 3/4 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, the funds may be used to support PEG access services, to monitor compliance with the cable franchise agreement, and for preparation of renewal of the franchise license. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 6, 2026.	4/8/2026	

# City of Boston in the Boston City Council



## Official Resolution

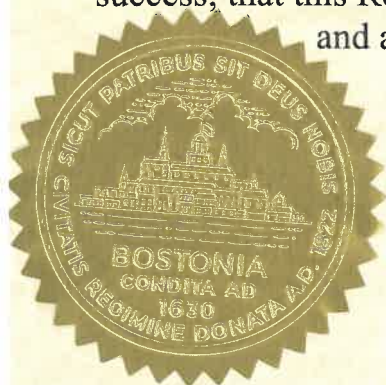
Be it Resolved, that Councilor Benjamin Weber and the entire Boston City Council extends its  
Congratulations to

# Jack Fultz

in recognition of

**The 50th anniversary of his winning the 1976 Boston Marathon. Better known as "The Run for the Hoses," as temperatures hovered around 100 degrees, spectators along the course cooled runners down with garden hoses. In honor of Fultz's historic run, he was named grand marshal of the 2026 Boston Marathon.**

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.



*Dassie Bheecham*  
Assl Clerk of the City of Boston

*Ben Weber*  
Ben Weber

*Gabriela Coletta Zapata*  
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Boston City Council President

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# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



## OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY

**Councilor Sharon Durkan**

Be It Resolved, that the Boston City Council Celebrates  
The Grand Opening of:

### **Avra Estiatorio**

The grand opening of Avra Estiatorio in the Back Bay brings more than 25 years of award-winning coastal Greek culinary tradition and a premier dining experience to Boston. As the restaurant's eighth location and its first in New England, Avra's arrival on the second floor of Lyrik Back Bay, a mixed-use development along one of Boston's busiest corridors, enhances both the building and the surrounding neighborhood. Founded by co-owners Nick Tsoulos and Nick Pashalis, who are dedicated to delivering an authentic seafood experience rooted in Greek tradition, this location is distinguished by its elegant design and atmosphere inspired by the Greek islands, as well as a variety of curated dining spaces, including a main dining room and private accommodations. With its opening, Avra brings celebrated vitality to the Back Bay and further contributes to Boston's reputation as a destination for world-class dining and hospitality.



By: Elizabeth Bredon  
President of the City Council

Attest: Pessie Sheehan  
Asst. Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Sharon Durkan

Date: April 14, 2026

# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



## OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY

**Councilor Sharon Durkan**

Be It Resolved, that the  
Boston City Council Celebrates:

**Sherley Smith**

IN RECOGNITION OF:

Being named the Friends of the Public Garden's 2026 Parks Champion Award recipient, Sherley Smith has demonstrated an enduring commitment to Boston's treasured green spaces. Over many years, Sherley has played a vital role in advancing the organization's mission, serving as an ex-officio Board member, Council member, tour guide, and dedicated volunteer. Her leadership and service have helped steward the Boston Common, Public Garden, and Commonwealth Avenue Mall for future generations. Through her unwavering passion and commitment, Sherley has helped countless residents and visitors enjoy and appreciate Boston's green spaces.



By: Elizabeth Bresson  
President of the City Council

Attest: Dacie Sheehan  
Asst. Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Sharon Durkan

Date: April 14, 2026



## **OFFICIAL RESOLUTION**

OFFERED BY

**Councilor Sharon Durkan**

Be It Resolved, that the Boston City Council  
Celebrates The Contributions of:

**Friends of The Boston Park  
Rangers Mounted Unit**

IN RECOGNITION OF THEIR ANNUAL RECEPTION:

The Friends of the Boston Park Rangers Mounted Unit works to support the Mounted Park Ranger Unit and its role in promoting public safety, education, and community engagement across Boston's parks, and has helped grow the Unit into a highly recognized and respected agency in the City of Boston. Its fundraising efforts have provided critical resources to support the Mounted Unit's needs and operation, including veterinary and farrier care for its equine members, stable needs, and transportation. The Boston City Council commends the Friends organization, and all who have supported their annual reception, for their dedication to sustaining a valued public safety and community asset and for ensuring that the Boston Park Rangers Mounted Unit can patrol all nine parks of the Emerald Necklace for years to come.

***Official Resolution  
of Councilor John Fitzgerald***

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

**Eileen Peterson**

***In Recognition of:***

***Celebrating her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday***

***Honoring her many accomplishments, and wishing her  
continued health and happiness***

***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.***

***Official Resolution***  
***of Councilor John Fitzgerald***

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

**Elsie Morantus Petion**

***In Recognition of:***

**A Well Deserved Retirement after Thirty Eight Years of  
Compassionate and Dedicated Service as a Public Nurse and for  
Guiding Healthy Baby Healthy Child Mothers and Families through  
Life's Most Meaningful Beginnings in the City of Boston**

***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.***

# City of Boston

IN

## CITY COUNCIL



### IN TRIBUTE

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

**John Francis "Jack" Snedeker**

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

**Wednesday, April 29th, 2026**

SINCERELY,

*Elizabeth Brandon*

CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT



Attest *Alex Groutas*

Presented By

*Elizabeth Brandon*

# OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY CITY COUNCILOR

**BRIAN WORRELL**

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council Extends its  
Commendation and Recognition of:

## ***The Prince Hall and African Lodge No. 459***

Upon the 12th Biennial celebration and re-opening of African Lodge No. 459, the birthplace of Prince Hall Freemasonry. Founded by Black American abolitionist Prince Hall, Prince Hall Masonry is the oldest Black Fraternal Organization, built by Black Bostonians with a vision for equity, liberty, and peace. Ever since the founding of Prince Hall Grand Lodge, its masons have been stalwart leaders in the fight for Black freedom, and integral to the development and well-being of their communities through their work in combating food insecurity, financially supporting those burdened by unemployment, creating scholarships to support the education of young people, and delivering countless other contributions. Prince Hall remains a sacred central space to honor, uplift, and build off of these and other contributions by Black people, stewarded by a long line of dedicated Grand Masters who continue the mission of empowering the work of the Black community as leaders of abolition, education, arts, humanities and civil rights.

And be it resolved that the Boston City Council hereby expresses its gratitude, congratulations, and best wishes for your 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 City of Boston.

# OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY CITY COUNCILOR

**BRIAN WORRELL**

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council Extends its  
Commendation and Recognition of:

**Siobhan Salani**

**Upon her completion of the 2026 Boston Marathon with perseverance, faith and dedication. The beloved Lower Mills Grade 1 teacher showed her community the power of resiliency and tenacity, and her fundraising efforts raised more than \$12,000 to support her students and the work of the Corey C. Griffin Charitable Foundation in creating education, mentorship, and work opportunities for all youth.**

And be it resolved that the Boston City Council hereby expresses its gratitude, congratulations, and best wishes for your 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 City of Boston.



Official Resolution Presented by  
Councilor **MINIARD CULPEPPER**

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council offers its congratulations to:

**Dr. Jonathan K. Jefferson**

In Recognition of:

Dr. Jefferson's appointment as President of Roxbury Community College. Dr. Jefferson has demonstrated a steadfast commitment to strategic planning, academic excellence, and leadership development. He has achieved significant early successes, including balancing the College's budget, increasing enrollment, and launching comprehensive strategic and campus master planning efforts. His visionary leadership has driven transformative improvements across Roxbury Community College.

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



Official Resolution Presented by  
Councilor **MINIARD CULPEPPER**

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council offers its congratulations to:

**Candelaria Silva-Collins**

In Recognition of:

The 2026 Ralph F. Browne Unsung Hero Award, bestowed posthumously. Candelaria Silva-Collins was a visionary arts administrator, author and cultural leader whose lifelong work transformed the way arts and culture are understood as powerful tools for community development in Roxbury. For more than five decades, she championed artists, nurtured creative talent and helped build cultural institutions and programs that strengthened neighborhood pride and created opportunities for residents to share their stories across all mediums. Her leadership helped bring national recognition to Roxbury's vibrant cultural community and ensured that artists had a voice and place to thrive. Her work reflected a deep belief that the arts could strengthen communities and open doors for future generations.

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



Official Resolution Presented by  
Councilor **MINIARD CULPEPPER**

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council offers its congratulations to:

**Chris Sumner**

In Recognition of:

The 2026 Ralph F. Browne Unsung Hero Award. Chris Sumner is a respected community leader, mentor and public servant whose work with the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation reflects a deep and enduring commitment to the Roxbury community. As Executive Director of the Melnea H. Cass Recreation Center complex, Chris Sumner has helped strengthen these important community spaces as hubs for recreation, learning and connection. His efforts have helped expand recreational and educational opportunities while honoring Roxbury's rich cultural and historical legacy.

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Official Resolution Presented by  
Councilor **MINIARD CULPEPPER**

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council offers its congratulations to:

**Marcia Butman**

In Recognition of:

The 2026 Ralph F. Browne Unsung Hero Award. A respected Boston community historian, educator and founder of Discover Roxbury, Marcia Butman's work has strengthened community pride, supported local businesses, and preserved important historic sites and stories for future generations. Her participation and encouragement in Roxbury Patriot's Day have helped sustain this important tradition, which honors the courage, service and civic spirit rooted in Roxbury's Revolutionary history.

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

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE & MINIARD CULPEPPER



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL 30TH 2026, AS INTERNATIONAL JAZZ DAY

- WHEREAS,** Jazz is a unique art form that embodies a unique blend of creativity, cultural heritage, individual expression, and combining elements of Black musical traditions with global musical techniques and forms; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Jazz Preservation Act of 1987, United States Congressional Act, *H.Con.Res. 57 (100th)* states “jazz has achieved preeminence throughout the world as an indigenous American music and art form, bringing this country and the world a uniquely American musical synthesis and culture through the African-American experience”; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Jazz has played a significant role in the cultural development of Boston, influencing and being integrated into the city's education, arts, and community life; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Boston has been home to many legendary jazz musicians, such as Mal Hallett, Leo Resiman, Don Redman, Johnny Huges, Harry Carney, Dean Earl, Slam Stewart, Roy Haynes, Alan Dawson, and so many others, and has fostered a vibrant jazz scene that contributes to the city’s reputation as a cultural hub; *and*
- WHEREAS,** In the 1940s and 1950s, Boston thrived with well-known jazz clubs, like the Hi Hat, the Wig Wam, Savoy, and Wally’s, frequented by jazz greats at the intersection of the South End and Roxbury. Wally’s is still operating today, offering live music 365 days a year, and new clubs like Jazz Urbane set to open in May 2026 in Nubian Square, showcase jazz’s longstanding endurance and freshness; *and*
- WHEREAS,** International Jazz Day highlights the power of jazz as a force for enrichment and creativity, promoting expression and dialogue through musical art, spontaneity, and vitality; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The observance of International Jazz Day supports the cultural vibrancy of Boston, enriching the lives of residents and visitors alike through performances, education, and community events; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***
- RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council hereby recognizes April 30th, 2026, as International Jazz Day and encourages all citizens to participate in activities and events celebrating the rich heritage of jazz music, thereby enhancing cultural appreciation and fostering a deeper understanding of this significant art form.



## **OFFICIAL RESOLUTION**

PRESENTED BY

**COUNCILOR AT-LARGE RUTHZEE LOUJEUNE**

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL  
EXTENDS ITS CONGRATULATIONS TO

**LARRY E. POLSTON JR.**

IN RECOGNITION OF:

**Ten years of sobriety - what an extraordinary milestone. Your strength, commitment, and resilience over the past decade are truly inspiring.**

**Each day represents a choice, and ten years of those choices speak volumes to your courage and growth. Wishing you continued peace, health, and fulfillment in the years ahead**

**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.**