



City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
MICHELLE WU

May 8, 2026

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston, acting through its Mayor's Office of Housing, to accept and expend payments in the amount of Thirty Million Dollars (\$30,000,000.00) given to the City of Boston's Inclusionary Development Policy Fund.

The City of Boston's Inclusionary Development Policy (IDP) Fund was established by Executive Order in February 2000 to support the production and preservation of affordable housing in new market rate housing developments. The IDP required all developers of residential development projects with ten or more units to include affordable units in their projects as a condition of receiving relief from the Boston Zoning Code. Further, the Executive Order provided the option for developers to make contributions to the IDP Fund in lieu of providing on-site affordable units, subject to the approval of the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA).

At the inception of the Policy, the Fund had been maintained and administered by the BPDA. In September 2013, the administration of the IDP was transferred from the BPDA to the Mayor's Office of Housing.

I urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Order expeditiously so that the City may accept the funds and expend them for the purposes for which these funds were given.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston

CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON MAYOR'S OFFICE OF HOUSING TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND THIRTY MILLION DOLLARS (\$30,000,000.00) FROM THE INCLUSIONARY DEVELOPMENT POLICY FUND.

ORDERED: That the City of Boston, acting by and through its Mayor's Office of Housing, be, and hereby is, authorized in accordance with Section 53A of Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to accept and expend funds in the amount of Thirty Million Dollars (\$30,000,000.00) from the City of Boston's Inclusionary Development Policy Fund for the purpose of producing and preserving affordable housing in the City of Boston.

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

BY 
**MICHAEL FIRESTONE
CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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