



**October 01, 2025**

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Boston was held in the Christopher A. Iannella Chamber, City Hall on Wednesday, October 1, 2025 at 12:03 PM.

President Louijeune in the Chair. Present Councilors Breadon, Coletta Zapata, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber, and Worrell.

City Clerk Alex Geourntas delivered the invocation, and the meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance.

The Chair moved to adopt the minutes from the September 24, 2025 City Council Meeting.

Motion prevailed.

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**1738** Message and order for your approval an order to reduce the FY26 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Three Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars (\$347,178.00) to provide funding for the Boston Public Health Commission for the FY26 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston Public Health Commission and the SEIU, Local 1199. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on September 29, 2025. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. Later in session, Councilor Worrell moved for reconsideration of Docket #1738. Seconded by Councilor Flynn. Reconsideration prevailed. On motion of Councilor Worrell, the rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 11 (Breadon, Coletta Zapata, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber, Worrell); not present 1 (Mejia).

**1739** Message and order for a supplemental appropriation order for the Public Health Commission for FY26 in the amount of Three Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars (\$347,178.00) to cover the FY26 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the Public Health Commission and SEIU, Local 1199. The term of the contracts span October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2027. The major provisions of the contracts include base wage increases of 2% to be given in October of each year of the contract term, excluding FY22 where there is an increase of 1.5%. The agreement also includes adjustments to steps and other changes to pay structure.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Later in session, Councilor Worrell moved for reconsideration of Docket #1739. Seconded by Councilor Flynn.

Reconsideration prevailed.

On motion of Councilor Worrell, the rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 11 (Breadon, Coletta Zapata, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber, Worrell); not present 1 (Mejia).

**1740** Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Phillomin Laptiste, as a member of the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health for a term expiring on January 15, 2028.

The rules were suspended; the appointment was confirmed.

**1741** Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Dr. Guy Fish, as a member of the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health for a term expiring on January 15, 2028.

The rules were suspended; the appointment was confirmed.

**1742** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Noah Tewolde as a Member of the Black Men and Boys Commission for a term expiring July 1, 2028.

Placed on file.

**1743** Notice was received from Governor Healey of the appointment of Matthew J. O'Malley as a Member of the Boston Redevelopment Authority expiring September 9, 2030.

Placed on file.

**1744** Notice was received from the City Clerk in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979 re: action taken by the Mayor on papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of September 17, 2025.

Placed on file.

**1745** Communication was received from the Boston Air Pollution Control Commission regarding the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance Regulations and the Statements of Fiscal Effect and Small Business Impact report.

Placed on file.

**1746** The Constable Bonds of Dominique Chester, Inez Chester, Tyrone Grant, Michael A. Lopes, and Grismaldy O. Nova having been duly approved by the Collector-Treasurer were received and approved under the usual terms and conditions.

Councilor Pepén, on behalf of the Committee on the Community Preservation Act:

- 1570** On the motion and order, referred on August 21, 2025, Docket #1570, an order to hold a meeting to interview applicants for the Community Preservation Committee, the committee submitted a report recommending that the appointment of Michelle Holmes Foster, ought to be confirmed. The report was accepted; the appointment was confirmed.

Councilor Flynn, on behalf of the Committee on Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism and Special Events:

- 1350** On the message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Napoleon Jones-Henderson as a Commissioner of the Boston Art Commission, for a term expiring June 1, 2029, the committee submitted a report recommending that the appointment should be confirmed. The report was accepted; the appointment was confirmed.
- 1351** On the message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Ian Alteveer as a Commissioner of the Boston Art Commission, for a term expiring January 1, 2029, the committee submitted a report recommending that the appointment should be confirmed. The report was accepted; the appointment was confirmed.
- 1352** On the message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Caitlin Gould Lowrie as a Commissioner of the Boston Art Commission, for a term expiring August 1, 2029, the committee submitted a report recommending that the appointment should be confirmed. The report was accepted; the appointment was confirmed.
- 1282** Order for a hearing regarding the Boston Public Schools Exam Schools admissions policy and proposed changes. Remains in the Committee on Education.
- 1747** **Councilor Durkan, Breadon and Santana offered the following:** Ordinance amending the City of Boston Code Chapter X Section 10, University Accountability. On motion of Councilors Durkan and Breadon, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Santana as an original co-sponsor. On motion of Councilors Durkan, Breadon, and Santana, the rules were suspended; the ordinance was passed.
- 1748** **Councilor Durkan, Pepén, Louijeune, Breadon, Coletta Zapata, FitzGerald, Mejia, Murphy, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss city services in regard to composting and the need for increased composting services. On motion of Councilors Durkan and Pepén, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Louijeune as an original co-sponsor. Referred to the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology.
- 1749** **Councilor Louijeune, Breadon, Coletta Zapata, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution celebrating the 102nd anniversary of the declaration of the Republic of Türkiye and the 30th Annual Boston Turkish Arts & Culture Festival. Councilor Worrell in the chair. On motion of Councilor Louijeune, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.

**1750 Councilor Flynn, Murphy, FitzGerald, Breadon, Coletta Zapata, Durkan, Louijeune, Mejia, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution in support of prioritizing a recovery campus for the City of Boston.

Councilor Louijeune in the chair.

Councilor Flynn moved to substitute language. Motion prevailed.

On motion of Councilors Flynn and Murphy, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor FitzGerald as an original co-sponsor.

On motion of Councilors Flynn, Murphy, and FitzGerald, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 12 (Breadon, Coletta Zapata, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber, and Worrell).

**/1/25** Legislative Calendar for October 1, 2025.

**1664** Councilor Pepén called Docket #1664, message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) in the form of a grant, the AI Research Grant, awarded by Schmidt Sciences, a philanthropic organization run by the Schmidt Family, to be administered by the Department of Innovation & Technology. The grant will fund a project that will deliver the first randomized evidence on how Generative AI tools affect day-to-day work in a large U.S. city government, from the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology.

No objection being heard, the matter was properly before the body.

On motion of Councilor Pepén, the order was passed.

The Chair stated that in absence of objection, four late filed matters would be added to the Agenda. No objection being heard, the following matters were added:

**1772** Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Santana offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Carla Indus Johnson, Joaquim Lombos, and Wilmer Quinones in City Council, effective October 4, 2025. Passed under suspension of the rules.

**1773** Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Santana offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Carla Indus Johnson, Joaquim Lombos, and Wilmer Quinones in City Council, effective October 11, 2025. Passed under suspension of the rules.

**1774** Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Mejia offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Victoria Lamarche-White in City Council, effective October 3, 2025. Passed under suspension of the rules.

**1775 Councilor Flynn, Murphy, Mejia, Breadon, Coletta Zapata, Durkan, FitzGerald, Louijeune, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Emergency order for a hearing to discuss the impact of the ongoing government shutdown on Boston's veterans, military members, and military families.

On motion of Councilors Flynn and Murphy, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Mejia as an original co-sponsor.

Referred to the Committee on Veterans, Military Families and Military Affairs.

The Chair moved adoption of a Consent Agenda containing the following items:

**1751 Councilor Santana offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Breaktime.

- 1752 Councilor Santana offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Neil Sullivan.
- 1753 Councilor Santana offered the following:** Resolution recognizing WinninAgainstAddiction.
- 1754 Councilor FitzGerald offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Sister Joyce McMullen.
- 1755 Councilor Weber offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Sherrill House.
- 1756 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Community Work Services.
- 1757 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Richard Welch.
- 1758 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Massachusetts Asian Restaurant Association.
- 1759 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Bay Village Neighborhood Association.
- 1760 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Our Lady of Czestochowa Parish.
- 1761 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Joey Arcari.
- 1762 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Colin's Joy Project.
- 1763 Councilor Weber offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Bryce Mitchell Johnson.
- 1764 Councilor Weber offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Marlin Ventura.
- 1765 Councilor Weber offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Isaac E. Bargas.
- 1766 Councilor Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Brooks Select Wine & Spirits.
- 1767 Councilor Murphy offered the following:** Resolution recognizing William "Bill" Smith.
- 1768 Councilor Durkan offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Zachary Bennett.
- 1769 Councilor Durkan offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Ava Planz.
- 1770 Councilor Durkan offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Wesley Martinez.
- 1771 Councilor Durkan offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Raquel Navarro.

The Chair stated in absence of objection, one late file matter would be added to the Consent Agenda. No objection being heard, the following item was added:

- 1776 Councilor Durkan offered the following:** Resolution recognizing TD Garden Day.

The items contained within the Consent Agenda were severally adopted.  
Adjourned at 1:50 p.m. on motion of President Louijeune, and in memory of Raulene Denise Rose, Jean Robert Casseus, Mariana F. Rosa and Vakita Maxwell, to meet again on Wednesday, October 8, 2025 at 12:00 p.m.

Attest:

Alex Geourntas  
City Clerk