



ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR MATTERS PRESENTED TO THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO 10:00 A.M. ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2025 FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING IN THE CHRISTOPHER IANNELLA CHAMBER ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2025 AT 12:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 24, 2025 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER HONOR, THE MAYOR:

- 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.
- 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.

[1740](#) Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Philomin Laptiste, as a member of the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health for a term expiring on January 15, 2028.

[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.

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES

REPORTS OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND OTHERS:

[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.

[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.

[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.

[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.

[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.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

[1570](#) The Committee on the Community Preservation Act, to which was referred on August 21, 2025, Docket #1570, an order to hold a meeting to interview applicants for the Community Preservation Committee, submits a report recommending that the appointment of Michelle Holmes Foster, ought to be confirmed.

MATTERS RECENTLY HEARD-FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:

- [1350](#) 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.
- [1351](#) 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.
- [1352](#) 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.
- [1282](#) Order for a hearing regarding the Boston Public Schools Exam Schools admissions policy and proposed changes.

MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS:

- [1747](#) **Councilor Durkan offered the following:** Ordinance amending the City of Boston Code Chapter X Section 10, University Accountability.
- [1748](#) **Councilor Durkan and Pepén offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss city services in regard to composting and the need for increased composting services.
- [1749](#) **Councilor Louijeune 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.
- [1750](#) **Councilor Flynn and Murphy offered the following:** Resolution in support of prioritizing a recovery campus for the City of Boston.

GREEN SHEETS:

- [/1/25](#) Legislative Calendar for October 1, 2025.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- [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.



City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
MICHELLE WU

September 29, 2025

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith 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.

I respectfully request your favorable action on this important matter.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston

CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL

AN ORDER REDUCING THE FY26 APPROPRIATION FOR THE RESERVE FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING BY THREE HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$347,178.00).

ORDERED: That the appropriation heretofore made, to meet the current operating expenses in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026, be reduced by the following amount:

100-999000-51000 Reserve for Collective Bargaining \$347,178.00

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

BY _____

ADAM CEDERBAUM
CORPORATION COUNSEL

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City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
MICHELLE WU

September 29, 2025

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith a supplemental appropriation order for the Boston 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 fiscal year of the contract term, excluding FY2022 where there is an increase of 1.5%. The agreement also includes adjustments to steps and other changes to pay structure.

As originally presented to you, the FY26 budget request included a Reserve for Collective Bargaining - a separate appropriation to fund projected collective bargaining increases. A separate order has been filed to reduce that appropriation to support this supplemental request.

I respectfully request your support of this supplemental appropriation.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston

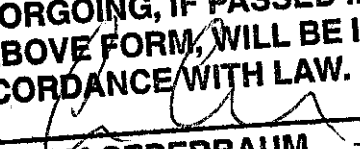
CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL

AN ORDER APPROPRIATING THREE HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$347,178.00) TO COVER THE FY26 COST ITEMS CONTAINED WITHIN THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOSTON PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION AND SEIU, LOCAL 1199.

ORDERED: That in addition to the appropriations heretofore made, to meet the current operating expenses of the fiscal period commencing July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2026, the sum of THREE HUNDRED FORTY-SEVEN THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED SEVENTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$347,178.00) be, and the same hereby is appropriated as follows, said sum to be met from available funds pursuant to Section 23 of Chapter 59 of the General Laws: -

620000	Boston Public Health Commission	Special Appropriation	\$347,178.00
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**I HEREBY CERTIFY
THE FORGOING, IF PASSED IN
THE ABOVE FORM, WILL BE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.**

BY 
ADAM CEDERBAUM
CORPORATION COUNSEL *TJB*

CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL

**AN ORDER CONFIRMING THE REAPPOINTMENT OF PHILLOMIN LAPTISTE TO
THE BOSTON PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION'S BOARD OF HEALTH**

ORDERED: That pursuant to the authority vested in me by Chapter 147 of the Acts of 1995, s. 3(b), the reappointment of Phillomin Laptiste of 30 Longfellow Street, Dorchester, as a member of the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health for a term ending on January 15, 2028, is confirmed.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY
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BY


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CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
Michelle Wu

September 29, 2025

TO THE COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Chapter 147 of the Acts of 1995, s. 3(b), I transmit herewith for your approval an Order confirming the reappointment of Phillomin Laptiste of 30 Longfellow Street, Dorchester, to a seat on the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health ("Board") for a term ending on January 15, 2028.

I urge the Council to act favorably on the reappointment of Phillomin Laptiste as a member of the Board.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston


CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL

**AN ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF DR. GUY FISH TO THE BOSTON
PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION'S BOARD OF HEALTH**

ORDERED: That pursuant to the authority vested in me by Chapter 147 of the Acts of 1995, s. 3(b), the reappointment of Dr. Guy Fish of 26 Shea Rd., Cambridge, as a member of the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health in a seat representing a community health center for a term ending on January 15, 2028, is confirmed.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY
THE FORGOING, IF PASSED IN
THE ABOVE FORM, WILL BE IN
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BY


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CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
Michelle Wu

September 29, 2025

TO THE COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Chapter 147 of the Acts of 1995, s. 3(b), I transmit herewith for your approval an Order confirming the appointment of Dr. Guy Fish of 26 Shea Rd., Cambridge, to a seat representing a community health center on the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health ("Board") for a term ending on January 15, 2028.

I urge the Council to act favorably on the appointment of Dr. Fish as a member of the Board.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston



City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
Michelle Wu

September 29, 2025

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

Dear Mr. Clerk:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 15-11 of Chapter XV of the City of Boston Municipal Code, I hereby appoint the following Member to the Black Men and Boys Commission, effective immediately:

Noah Tewolde of 7 Saint James St. Boston, MA 02119.

This member will serve for a term expiring on July 1, 2028.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Michelle Wu".

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston



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MAURA T. HEALEY
GOVERNOR

KIMBERLEY DRISCOLL
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

September 23, 2025

The Honorable Matthew J. O'Malley
51 Gretter Road
Boston, MA 02132

Dear Matt,

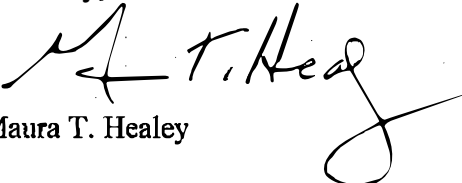
I am pleased to reappoint you as a member of the Boston Redevelopment Authority. Your commitment to active citizenship is a tremendous asset to your community, the Commonwealth, and the complex housing challenges we face.

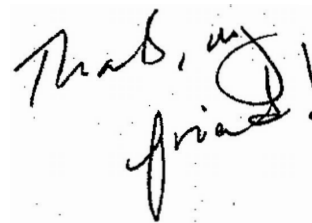
Before commencing your responsibilities, you must take an oath of office. The appointment will be void unless that oath is taken within three months of the date of this letter. Consistent with the statute under which you were appointed, your term will expire on September 9, 2030.

Lieutenant Governor Driscoll and I appreciate your willingness to serve the Commonwealth in this capacity.

Congratulations on your appointment.

Sincerely,


Maura T. Healey



cc: Kimberley Driscoll, Lieutenant Governor
William Francis Galvin, Secretary of the Commonwealth
William J. McNamara, Comptroller of the Commonwealth
Edward Augustus Jr., Secretary of the Office of Housing and Livable Communities



Office of the City Clerk
ALEX GEOURNTAS
City Clerk

September 22, 2025

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 September 17, 2025, viz.

- 1657 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount not to exceed the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) from the Department of Conservation and Recreation for a study relative to a natural resilience barrier to protect high tide and storm surge flooding at Tenen Street along Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) Red Line, commuter rail tracks and Tenen Beach in the Dorchester section of the City of Boston.

Approved by the Mayor September 22, 2025

- 1663 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Literacy Campaign Grant, awarded by the Donor Group to be administered by the Office of Early Childhood. The grant will fund a Citywide Literacy campaign for children to develop a lifelong love for reading, encourage families to incorporate reading and literacy activities into daily routines and celebrate Boston's diversity by offering inclusive, and multicultural literacy resources.

Approved by the Mayor September 22, 2025

1668 Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Directing the City of Boston Fire Department to Waive the Maximum Age Requirement for Firefighters for Stylianos Katikakis.

Approved by the Mayor September 22, 2025

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alex Geourntas", written in a cursive style.

Alex Geourntas
City Clerk



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Simplified Chinese: 简体中文

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的邮箱 apcc@boston.gov 电话# 617-635-3850。

Cape Verdean Creole: kriolu

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BUILDING EMISSIONS REDUCTION AND DISCLOSURE ORDINANCE REGULATIONS



BOSTON AIR POLLUTION CONTROL COMMISSION BUILDING EMISSIONS REDUCTION AND DISCLOSURE ORDINANCE CITY OF BOSTON CODE, ORDINANCES, CHAPTER VII-II.II

Approved by vote of the Boston Air Pollution Control Commission on 9/17/2025

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I. **Introduction.** The following Regulations are promulgated by the City of Boston Air Pollution Control Commission ("the Commission") pursuant to the authority granted to it under Chapter VII, Section 7-2.2 of the City of Boston Code.

II. **References.** References to Section 7-2.2 are to Chapter VII, Section 7-2.2 of the City of Boston Code.

III. **Definitions.** Terms defined in Section 7-2.2 have the same meanings for purposes of these Regulations and those definitions are hereby incorporated by reference. Terms related to data reporting that are not otherwise defined shall have the same meanings as in ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager. For the purposes of this section, the following additional terms are defined as follows:

Campus District Energy System means a District Energy System where the central generating plant, piped infrastructure, and all connected buildings that receive one or more of the generated products share a common owner.

Deed-Restricted Residential Building means any Residential Building that has and maintains a recorded deed restriction or covenant that restricts the occupancy of fifty (50) percent or more of the units to households earning incomes below eighty (80) percent of the Area Median Income, as defined by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. These recorded deed restrictions may be connected to funding provided by sources such as the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development, or the City of Boston, including the federal Low Income Housing Tax Credit program.

District Energy System means a system providing energy to more than one building, or fixed energy-consuming use, from one or more thermal energy production facilities through pipes, or other means, to provide space heating, space conditioning, hot water, steam, chilled water, compression, electricity, process energy, or other end uses for that energy.

Emissions Intensity means Emissions divided by the Gross Floor Area for which those Emissions are applicable.

Energy Type means any Energy source used in a building, including, but not limited to, electricity, natural gas, fuel oil, propane, steam, and hot and chilled water, and any other Energy Types that the Commission may designate.

Energy Use Intensity means Energy consumption divided by the Gross Floor Area for which that consumption is applicable.

Ordinance means City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter VII, Sections 7-2.1 and 7-2.2.

Owner, as defined in Section 7-2.2, means a Building's Owner of record, provided that the "Owner" may be deemed to include (i) multiple Owners in common ownership; (ii) the association or organization of unit Owners responsible for overall management in the case of a condominium; and (iii) the board of directors in the case of a cooperative apartment

corporation. In the case of a Building subject to a lease that assigns maintenance, regulatory compliance and/or capital improvement costs to Tenants with a term of at least thirty (30) years, inclusive of all renewal options, the Owner may designate the lessee as “Owner” for purposes of compliance with this Subsection; such designation must be provided in writing to the Commission as required by the Regulations. An Owner may designate an agent to act on its behalf, including reporting as required by this Subsection; provided, however, that such designation (i) must be provided in writing to the Commission, and (ii) does not relieve the Owner of any compliance obligation under this Subsection.

Policies and Procedures means those certain BERDO policies and procedures, as may be amended, modified, or restated from time to time, adopted on [DATE PLACEHOLDER].

Space Type, also referred to as Building Use, means the primary activity for which a given building or part of a building is utilized.

Sponsor means a nonprofit organization that: (i) is exempt from income taxation pursuant to section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code; (ii) has material control over the operations of a Building; and (iii) either: (1) is a certified Community Development Corporation as defined in G.L. chapter 40H; (2) is a certified Community Housing Development Organization pursuant to 24 CFR section 92.2; or (3) has been determined by the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development to have a history of successful development of affordable housing projects in the Commonwealth.

Tenant, as defined in Section 7-2.2, means any tenant, tenant-stockholder of a cooperative apartment corporation, and condominium unit Owner.

Verification Year, as defined in Section 7-2.2, means any year where an Owner must report third-party verified reporting data. Verification Years will be 2022, 2026, and every five years thereafter.

Whole-Building Data means complete Energy consumption data for all Energy Types used in a building and complete water data for an entire building, inclusive of Tenant spaces and uses.

IV. **Reporting Process.** Owners must annually report data through ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager and/or other methods or reporting platforms as outlined in guidance documents issued by the Environment Department. Data should be reported in accordance with the requirements in Section 7-2.2, the following provisions and any other methods detailed in guidance documents issued by the Environment Department.

a. **Energy and Water Use.**

- (i) Owners shall report Whole-Building Data for all Energy and water uses. Owners that are unable to obtain Whole-Building Data shall follow the procedures in section IV.e. of these Regulations.

- (ii) Owners that procure Energy through Boston Community Choice Electricity (BCCE) or any equivalent electricity municipal aggregation program, or Owners whose Tenants procure Energy through such program, may provide evidence of enrollment in such program when reporting a Building's Energy use in accordance with any guidance documents issued by the Environment Department.
- (iii) Owners that authorize an Energy or water utility or other third party to report Building-specific data on their behalf shall remain responsible for verifying the accuracy of such data. Any discrepancies between data provided by a utility or other third-party and reported data must be indicated in the "Property Notes" section of ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager or equivalent reporting platform designated by the Environment Department. The direct upload of such data by a utility or other third party does not relieve an Owner of the duty to report other required data.

b. Calculation of Gross Floor Area.

- (i) For the purpose of determining if a building meets the definition of Building in Section 7-2.2, Gross Floor Area or Area must be determined using records from the Boston Assessing Department. Boston Assessing Department records may be disputed in accordance with section VI.d of these Regulations. For any other purpose, Owners may either:
 - (a) Use the Gross Floor Area listed in the Boston Assessing Department records; or
 - (b) Calculate Gross Floor Area in accordance with the following provisions: (i) Gross Floor Area means the total number of square feet measured between the principal exterior surfaces of the enclosing fixed walls of the building, including tenant areas, lobbies, common areas, restrooms, stairways, elevator shafts, mechanical equipment rooms, basement space, and storage rooms; (ii) Gross Floor Area excludes all surface parking areas, unroofed courtyards, outdoor balconies, exterior loading docks, plenums between floors, and unroofed light wells; (iii) for atria, Gross Floor Area includes only the area of atrium floors; and (iv) for tenant spaces or interior Building Use(s), interior demising walls should be measured to the centerline of the wall. Owners that calculate Gross Floor Area in accordance with this provision must provide supporting documentation in annual reports to the Commission for purposes of third-party verification and, upon request, provide such supporting documentation to the Environment Department. Supporting documentation must be preserved pursuant to section XIV.

c. **Building Use Classifications.** For purposes of Section 7-2.2, the Building Use classifications in Appendix A of Policies and Procedures are assigned to ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager property types. Owners are encouraged to report all Building Uses and associated square footage in ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager or equivalent reporting platform designated by the Environment Department, including Building Uses that occupy less than ten (10) percent of the Building's square footage.

- (i) If ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager updates the property types listed in Appendix A of Policies and Procedures, the Environment Department may update said Appendix to reflect those changes.

d. **Vacant Space.** Owners must account for any vacant or unoccupied space in ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager or equivalent reporting platform designated by the Environment Department in accordance with ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager instructions or with guidance documents issued by the Environment Department.

e. **Buildings without Whole-Building Data.** If an Owner is not able to obtain Whole-Building Data for any Energy Type or water use, then the Owner must report such Energy Type use or water use as provided in this Subsection. In the event that an Owner does not have Whole-Building Data because Tenant(s) failed to respond to data requests and utilities have not provided Whole-Building Data within the time period specified in Section 7-2.2(o), the Owner shall also comply with the requirements in section IV.i.

- (i) **Common Area Energy and Water Use.** The Owner shall submit Energy and water use data for all common areas and all centrally metered areas.
- (ii) **Calculating Energy Use in Tenant Spaces.** For each Energy Type used in separately metered Tenant space, the Owner must report known Energy usage data and then use one of the following methods to determine Energy usage for the areas in which it is unknown, for each month.
 - (a) **With Significant Partial Data for a Building Use.** If an Owner has actual Energy use data for at least fifty (50) percent of a given Building Use, the Owner shall extrapolate the Energy data for the remainder of Gross Floor Area with the same Building Use. This extrapolation shall be applied only to those areas for which Energy use is unknown and shall be calculated by (i) multiplying the average Energy Use Intensity of the floor areas for which Energy Use Intensity is known by the total floor area for which the Energy Use Intensity is not known, and (ii) multiplying the result from step (i) by one hundred and fifty (150) percent.

(b) **Without Significant Partial Data for a Building Use.** If an Owner does not have actual Energy use data for at least fifty (50) percent of any particular Building Use, the Owner shall utilize the default values set by Policies and Procedures, applied only to those areas for which Energy use is unknown, and following the methodology included in Policies and Procedures.

(iii) **Noting When Whole-Building Use Data Is Not Available.** In accordance with guidance documents issued by the Environment Department, Owners shall indicate when Whole-Building Data for Energy or water use is not available and where extrapolated data is used.

g. **Contextual Information.** Owners may supply contextual information regarding their required data, including hyperlinks, in the “Property Notes” section of ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager or equivalent reporting platform designated by the Environment Department, or via any supplemental reporting methods detailed by the Environment Department in guidance documents. Such contextual information may be included in public disclosures. Contextual information shall conform to guidance that the Environment Department may issue regarding acceptable length and formats.

h. **New Information.** If, after having submitted a report to the Commission, the Owner of a Building changes or an Owner receives or becomes aware of new or updated information that would result in a change to whole building Emissions, Energy or water use, or Emissions or Energy Intensity of two (2) percent or more over the period of one (1) calendar year, the Owner shall, within thirty (30) Days of the change or of receiving the new information, submit the additional or corrected data to the Commission in accordance with guidance documents issued by the Environment Department, and notify the Commission accordingly. Owners may submit other updates at any time. The Commission will include such updates in its annual disclosure of data as long as the updates are submitted by the Owner prior to September 30 of the relevant year.

i. **Obligation to Request and Report Information from Building Tenants.**

(i) **Delegating Reporting Duties to a Single Tenant.** If an Owner has leased a Building to a single Tenant and that Tenant has assumed management, maintenance, regulatory compliance and/or capital improvement costs of the entire building, the Owner may, with the consent of the Tenant, delegate all responsibility regarding reporting under Section 7-2.2 to that Tenant. The Owner shall report such delegation in accordance with guidance documents issued by the Environment Department.

- (ii) **Tenant Non-Response.** Owners shall report in writing to the Commission if any non-residential Tenant fails to respond to data requests from the Owner within the time period specified in Section 7-2.2(o), accompanied by documentation of the Owner's request. Owners seeking data from Tenants shall document reasonable steps to collect such data, including making the written request using the most up-to-date contact information for the Tenant at least twice.

j. **Requesting Alternative Reporting Dates.** Owners seeking an alternative reporting date pursuant to Section 7-2.2(e)(ii) must (i) submit such request in accordance with any procedures created by the Review Board; and (ii) explain the extenuating circumstances that make the Owner unable to complete reporting and/or third-party data verification by May 15 of the applicable year.

Subject to any procedures created by the Review Board, the Environment Department may approve a timely requested extension upon a determination of extenuating circumstances.

For any given year, the Review Board shall have the discretion to set the alternative reporting date for Owners experiencing extenuating circumstances, provided that such date shall be no later than November 15 of said year.

V. ***Ownership Changes and Designations***

a. **Change of Ownership.**

- (i) When a Building changes ownership, the previous Owner shall provide to the new Owner any required data that has been collected and is necessary for completing the next required report under Section 7-2.2.
- (ii) If a Building changes ownership, any outstanding compliance obligations and liabilities shall become the responsibility of the new Owner.
- (iii) New Owners shall provide notice of change of ownership to the Environment Department within thirty (30) of the change. Notice shall include (a) a copy of the instrument evidencing the transfer of the rights and obligations to the successor-Owner and assumption by the successor-Owner of said rights and obligations and (b) the name, address and contact information of the new Owner and any designated agent.
- (iv) Previous and new Owners may request the Environment Department to provide a notice of compliance status for a Building.

b. **Designation of Tenant as Owner.**

- (i) A Building Owner seeking to designate the lessee of a Building as “Owner” for purposes of compliance shall submit to the Commission or its designee a letter of agreed designation as “Owner”, including a commencement date and term length, signed by both the Building Owner and the lessee, following any guidance set forth by the Environment Department.
- (ii) Once a notice of designation is submitted, the lessee shall be responsible for compliance with the Ordinance.
- (iii) If the lease is terminated or the Owner and lessee otherwise agree to terminate the designation of Tenant as “Owner”, the responsibility for Compliance and any outstanding compliance obligations will revert back to the Building Owner. The Owner and lessee are jointly and separately responsible for notifying the Environment Department within fourteen (14) Days of any change in the designation of a Tenant as Owner.

VI. **Buildings with Special Conditions**

a. **Buildings with Shared Energy or Water Systems.** If there are multiple buildings that share Energy or water systems, the Owner(s) shall report data required by Section 7-2.2 as follows:

- (i) For buildings that have one or more Energy or water use(s) that are separately metered or sub-metered, said Energy or water use data must be reported at the building level within ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager or equivalent reporting platform designated by the Environment Department, regardless of whether the buildings have other shared Energy or water uses(s).
- (ii) For buildings that have one or more Energy or water use(s) that are not separately metered or sub-metered, said shared Energy or water use(s) must be reported as a campus as defined in ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager or equivalent reporting platform designated by the Environment Department.
 - (a) Campuses that share one or more Energy use(s) must comply with Emissions standards at the campus level or as a Building Portfolio according to guidance adopted by the Environment Department.
- (iii) The Review Board may approve an alternative apportionment process proposed by the Owner.

b. **Newly Constructed Buildings.** The first reporting requirement for newly-constructed Buildings shall be the first full calendar year following the issuance of a Temporary Certificate of Occupancy for the Building or Certificate of Occupancy for the Building, whichever is earlier.

c. **Extenuating Circumstances.** Owners with extenuating circumstances may file a request with the Environment Department to report information required by Section 7-2.2 on a basis other than the building level. Such requests shall be made in accordance with any guidance issued by the Environment Department and the Environment Department must issue decisions in writing. The Environment Department shall provide summaries of such requests to the Commission in the first quarter of each calendar year or upon request from the Commission. Such extenuating circumstances may include, but are not necessarily limited to:

- (i) Parcels with multiple Buildings that (a) have three (3) or fewer residential Tenants, (b) have no Energy metering at the building level, or (c) have no building level Gross Floor Area data.
- (ii) Buildings that (a) share building walls, (b) are located on the same parcel or adjacent parcels and (c) have a common Owner.

d. **Disputing Assessing Department Records.** In the event that an Owner disputes the Boston Assessing Department's records of Gross Floor Area or unit count and believes the property does not meet the Ordinance's definition of a Residential Building or Non-Residential Building, the Owner may make a written request for the Boston Assessing Department to reassess the property and shall provide a copy of the request to the Environment Department.

- (i) An Owner that provides a copy of a reassessment request to the Environment Department shall not be subject to penalties for failure to comply with the Ordinance until the next update of the Property Assessment has been published.
- (ii) If after reassessment, the Property Assessment indicates that the property meets the Ordinance's definition of a Residential Building or Non-Residential Building, the Owner shall be responsible for all outstanding reporting requirements and compliance with Emissions standards since the request for reassessment was filed with the Assessing Department. In such cases, if an Owner fails to comply with the Ordinance within four months of publication of the updated Property Assessment, penalties defined in the Ordinance may be issued.

e. **Vacant Buildings.**

- (i) The Environment Department may determine a Building is vacant and therefore not subject to third-party verification or compliance with an Emissions standard.

- (ii) A vacant building shall be demonstrated by one or more of the following: (1) an active demolition permit issued by the City of Boston's Inspectional Services Department and proof of filing an Article 85 Demolition Delay application with the Boston Landmarks Commission, (2) insurance policies, (3) no active water or gas utilities, (4) transfer of all utilities to a construction company with an active construction permit, or (5) if Energy use is less than five (5) percent of previously reported annual data. Owners shall submit requests to determine a Building as vacant in accordance with any guidance or standard form provided by the Environment Department. The Environment Department may ask for additional documentation and will issue a determination in writing to the Owner. An Owner may appeal the Environment Department's decision to the Review Board in writing.
- (iii) To maintain the status of a vacant Building, Owners must submit documentation in writing to the Environment Department annually.
- (iv) Buildings that are determined by the Environment Department to be fully vacant for the entire compliance year are not subject to the Emissions standard for that compliance year. Owners must still follow applicable reporting requirements. When a Building is no longer determined to be vacant by the Environment Department or when it receives a Certificate of Occupancy, compliance obligations with the Emissions standards shall resume.

f. **Buildings that Serve as Standalone Power Plants or Central Power Generation Facilities.**

- (i) Energy generated by a Building that serves as a standalone power plant or central power generation facility and that is not used on-site shall not be reported within said Building in ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager or equivalent reporting platform designated by the Environment Department.
 - (a) If available, Owners must report any separately metered on-site Energy used for lighting, office purposes, or other needs within the Building.
- (ii) Energy generated by a Building that serves as a standalone power plant or central power generation facility must be reported as meter(s) within each Building or campus that is connected to said power plant or facility. Such meter(s) must represent either the fuel input(s) or the Energy product(s) corresponding to the consumption of each Building or Campus in accordance with Section VI.a, Section VIII.iv, and any guidance issued by the Environment Department.

- (iii) The on-site Energy usage and Gross Floor Area of Buildings that serve as standalone power plants or standalone central power generation facilities shall not be added to any campus or Building Portfolio in ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager or equivalent reporting platform designated by the Environment Department.

VII. **Third-Party Data Verification**

Third party verification of a Building Owner's reporting data shall be performed by a qualified energy professional who is not on the staff of a Building's Owner or Building's management company. Pursuant to Section 7-2.2(h), third-party verification is required for all reporting data for the specified time period, including, but not limited to, data necessary to show compliance with and qualification for Emissions Standards, Individual Compliance Schedules, and Hardship Compliance Plans, if applicable.

- a. **Qualified energy professionals** include individuals who hold an active qualification of at least one of the credentials listed in Policies and Procedures. The Review Board may approve additional credentials for designation as qualified energy professionals.
- b. **Corrections to Reported Data.** In the event of errors found in previously reported data or discrepancies between previously reported data and third-party verified data, Owners shall submit an updated report as outlined in guidance documents provided by the Environment Department.
- c. **Verification Years.**
 - (i) For any Building's first year of reporting, Owners shall provide a third-party verification of their reported data for the previous calendar year data.
 - (ii) For all Buildings with Emissions standard requirements starting in 2025, Owners shall provide a third-party verification of their 2025 calendar year data in 2026. For every Verification Year thereafter, Owners shall provide a third-party verification for the five calendar years prior to such Verification Year.
 - (iii) For all Buildings with Emissions standard requirements starting in 2030, Owners are not required to provide third-party verification in 2026. Owners shall provide a third-party verification of their 2030 calendar year data in 2031. For every Verification Year thereafter, Owners shall provide a third-party verification for the five calendar years prior to such Verification Year.

This provision supersedes Section 7-2.2(h)b.

VIII. **Emissions Factors**

a. No later than April 15 of each year, the Environment Department shall adopt guidance, updated as needed, establishing Emissions Factors in accordance with the following requirements. Building Owners shall use these Emissions Factors for calculating compliance with the Emissions standards.

- (i) Emissions Factors for natural gas, propane, fuel oil, diesel oil, and kerosene, and any other fuels not otherwise specified in the Regulations or Policies and Procedures, shall be the most recent Emissions Factors reported by ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager or an alternative source approved by the Review Board.
- (ii) Annual Emissions Factors for the electric grid shall be based on real data published by ISO New England, NEPOOL, any other relevant governmental sources for the compliance year, and any other factors determined relevant by the Environment Department.
 - (a) In the event that the Environment Department's annual electric grid Emissions Factor is higher than the Environment Department's projected electric grid Emissions Factor, the projected electric grid Emissions Factor shall be used for calculating compliance.
 - (b) In the event that the Environment Department fails to adopt an annual electric grid Emissions Factor by April 15, the lower of (i) the previous year's Emissions Factor or (ii) the Environment Department's projected Emissions Factor, shall be used for compliance.
- (iii) Emissions Factors for District Energy Systems shall be calculated for each end product using an efficiency methodology, as defined in Policies and Procedures.
 - (a) District Energy System operators shall provide annual Emissions Factors for their systems to the Environment Department by April 1st of each year and shall have the respective data, calculations, and Emissions Factors verified by a third party following any requirements included in Policies and Procedures.
 - (b) If a District Energy System operator fails to provide third-party verified annual Emissions Factors for its systems by April 1st, the most recent verified Emissions Factor from the District Energy System shall be used for compliance, provided, however, that if there is no verified Emissions Factor for the District Energy System, then the current Emissions Factors reported by ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager or an alternative

source approved by the Review Board for the corresponding products shall be used.

- (iv) Owners of Campus District Energy Systems may either (a) follow the Emissions Factors requirements for District Energy Systems as outlined in Section VIII.a.iii or (b) apply the appropriate Emissions Factors to their central plant's fuel inputs and apportion the Emissions across their connected buildings following Section VI.a of the Regulations.
- (v) Emissions Factors for thermal Energy generated from non-emitting renewable sources shall have an Emissions Factor of zero (0) kgCO₂e/MMBTU, provided that:

- (a) Any renewable Energy or Renewable Energy Certificates are purchased in accordance with the requirements in Section X, and

- (b) Any required third-party verification is provided.

b. The Review Board may adopt, via Policies and Procedures, Emissions Factors to be applied to fuels not referenced in the Regulations.

- (i) Any Owner or entity that generates or delivers Energy with fuels or Energy sources without Emissions Factors covered by Regulations or Policies and Procedures may petition the Review Board to approve custom Emissions Factors to be applied to Buildings. Such custom Emissions Factors may include, but are not limited to, biogenic fuels, hydrogen, and fuel cells.
- (ii) The Environment Department shall develop guidance for reviewing petitions for custom Emissions Factors.

c. Subject to approval by the Environment Department, and in accordance with conditions set forth in the Policies and Procedures, Owners with hourly-metered or more frequently metered Energy data may opt to use time-of-use Emissions Factors. Owners must provide third-party verification of annual time-of-use data, methodology, and Emissions Factors; such data shall be subject to audit. If a time-of-use Emissions Factors is not approved, the Emissions Factors adopted by the Environment Department shall be used.

IX. **Emissions Standards**

a. **Emissions Standards.**

- (i) When calculating square footage to determine compliance with Section 7-2.2(i), third-party verified Gross Floor Area shall be used. When third-party verified Gross Floor Area is not available, square footage as it appears in the records of the Boston Assessing Department shall be used.
- (ii) In any year that Owners update an Emissions standard for a Building due to a change of the largest primary Building Use, the annual report required by Section 7-2.2(e) shall include third-party verification of the new primary Building Use, regardless of whether it is a Verification Year.

b. **Blended Emissions Standards.**

- (i) Owners may opt-in or opt-out of a blended CO₂e Emissions standard in 2026, for the 2025 compliance year, and during each subsequent Verification Year; provided that, a new Owner may opt-in or opt-out of a blended CO₂e Emissions standard upon change of ownership, regardless of whether it is a Verification Year.
- (ii) Blended Emissions standards shall be calculated following the methodology specified in Policies and Procedures.
- (iii) Owners seeking to use a blended CO₂e Emissions standard for their Building(s) or Building Portfolio(s) shall submit the proposed blended CO₂e Emissions standard and documentation verifying the qualification of each primary Building Use in annual reports required by Section 7-2.2(e).
- (iv) If a blended Emissions standard for a Building or Building Portfolio is updated due to a change of primary Building Use(s) before a Verification Year, Owners must submit the updated blended CO₂e Emissions standard and new documentation verifying the qualification of each updated primary Building Use in annual reports required by Section 7-2.2(e), provided that such reports shall include third-party verification regardless of whether it is a Verification Year.

X. **Additional Compliance Mechanisms**

a. **Boston Municipal Electricity Aggregation Program.**

- (i) Renewable Energy Certificates (RECs) procured on behalf of customers by BCCE or any equivalent municipal electricity aggregation program are eligible as a method of compliance per Section 7-2.2(m)(a). For Energy purchased from BCCE or any

equivalent municipal electricity aggregation program that is not matched with one hundred (100) percent RECs that meet the RPS Class I eligibility criteria outlined in 225 CMR 14.05, the appropriate Emissions Factor adopted pursuant to Section VIII of these Regulations shall apply to the portion of the Energy not matched with said RECs.

b. Renewable Energy Certificates.

- (i) Owners that utilize unbundled or bundled RECs, including local Power Purchase Agreements that generate RPS Class I RECs pursuant to 225 CMR 14.05, as a method of compliance shall provide documentation demonstrating that the RECs comply with the conditions in Section 7-2.2(m)(b), provided that, notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Ordinance:
 - (a) RECs may be generated either within (1) the twelve (12) months before the compliance year or (2) within the compliance year in which they are used, and
 - (b) Owners must demonstrate that RECs are retired no later than six (6) months after the end of the compliance year in which they are used.

This provision supersedes Sections 7-2.2(m)(b)(iii) and (iv).

c. Power Purchase Agreements.

- (i) Owners that procure electricity and bundled RECs through Power Purchase Agreements, including virtual Power Purchase Agreements, for compliance with the Ordinance shall provide documentation demonstrating compliance with the requirements in Section 7-2.2(m)(c) and the following additional requirements:
 - (a) Power Purchase Agreements are for electricity generated by non-emitting renewable sources that meet the RPS Class I eligibility criteria outlined in 225 CMR 14.05, as those criteria may be amended from time to time, provided, however, that any requirements for metering and location in 225 CMR 14.05 are not applicable.
 - (b) Power Purchase Agreements are with electricity generators connected to an electric grid in the jurisdiction of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation.
 - (c) The Power Purchase Agreement is for electricity from a project that begins commercial operation after a Power Purchase Agreement is executed by or on behalf of the Owner of a

covered Building, provided, however, that this timing requirement will not apply to Owners that join an existing eligible Power Purchase Agreement that was executed by a different Owner in accordance with this provision.

1. Owners may request, based on extenuating circumstances, the Review Board to approve a Power Purchase Agreement that does not meet this requirement.

(ii) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the Ordinance:

- (a) RECs associated with the electricity purchased pursuant to a Power Purchase Agreement may be used for compliance if they are generated twelve (12) months before the compliance year or within the compliance year in which they are being used; and
- (b) The RECs associated with the Energy purchased under a Power Purchase Agreement are retired no later than (6) months after the end of the compliance year in which they are being used.

This provision supersedes Sections 7-2.2(m)(c)(i) and (ii).

(iii) Power Purchase Agreements that satisfy the criteria in the Ordinance and Regulations as exist at the time of execution may be used for compliance with the Ordinance for the length of the contract term, including extensions to the original term, and for any quantity or price of Energy purchased from the original generating source(s) identified in the Power Purchase Agreement.

d. **Local Renewable Generation.**

- (i) Electricity and associated generation credits, such as net-metering credits, directly attributable to electricity generated by non-emitting electricity generating systems are eligible as a compliance mechanism regardless of (i) who owns the electric generating system and (ii) whether or not the corresponding RECs are retired by or on behalf of the Owner, provided that one of the following conditions is met:
 - (a) (i) the system is a solar generating system, (ii) it is located in Eversource's Eastern Massachusetts territory, (iii) the system began operation prior to 2024, and (iv) the Owner or Tenant(s) of a covered Building first began to acquire electricity or generation credits from the solar generation system prior to 2024.
 - (b) (i) the Owner or Tenant(s) of a covered Building acquires electricity or generation credits from a non-emitting

renewable electricity generating system and (ii) the generating system is located in the City of Boston.

Based on extenuating circumstances, Owners may request the Review Board to approve the use of electricity or associated generation credits without corresponding REC retirement from solar generating systems located in Eversource's Eastern Massachusetts territory that do not meet the requirements in Section X.d.i.a. The Review Board reserves the right to approve or reject such requests in its sole discretion.

- (ii) Electricity or generation credits acquired from non-emitting electricity generating systems shall be reported following any requirements in guidance documents issued by the Environment Department.

XI. Building Portfolios

a. **Eligibility for Building Portfolios.** To confirm eligibility for a Building Portfolio, Owners must attest to the following and provide supporting documentation upon request:

- (i) All Buildings in the proposed Building Portfolio have the same Owner as listed in the records of the Boston Assessing Department or at least one of the following is true:
 - (a) The same Sponsor of two or more Deed-Restricted Residential Buildings may be considered the Owner of record for purposes of creating a Building Portfolio, provided, however, that a Building may not be in more than one Building Portfolio.
 - (b) The same majority owner or beneficial owner (provided that the beneficial owner is the entity legally responsible for BERDO compliance) of two or more special purpose entities or charitable organizations may be considered the Owner of record for purposes of creating a Building Portfolio; provided, however, that a Building may not be in more than one Building Portfolio.
 - (c) An entity that, directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries, exercises control over, or acts as managing member or managing partner (provided that the entity, directly or indirectly through its subsidiaries, (i) has ownership interest, (ii) is the entity legally responsible for BERDO compliance, and (iii) in the case of a limited partnership, is a general partner) of two or more special purpose entities or charitable corporations may be considered the Owner of record for

purposes of creating a Building Portfolio; provided, however, that a Building may not be in more than one Building Portfolio.

- (d) Charitable organizations under common ownership and control of an entity that is legally responsible for BERDO compliance may be considered the Owner of record for purposes of creating a Building Portfolio; provided, however, that a Building may not be in more than one Building Portfolio.
- (ii) For Building Portfolios based on Institutional Master Plans, all Buildings in the Building Portfolio are part of one approved Institutional Master Plan. Buildings from different Institutional Master Plans may not be combined into a single Building Portfolio unless all Buildings share the same Owner, as defined in Section XI.a.i.
- (iii) The Building Uses, Energy Use, Gross Floor Area, and Emissions data of all Buildings in the proposed Building Portfolio were third-party verified during the last applicable Verification Year.
- (iv) All Buildings in the proposed Building Portfolio are in compliance with the Ordinance and Regulations, including, as applicable, requirements for Individual Compliance Schedules or Hardship Compliance Plans, and (i) the payment of any applicable fines for any failure to comply with reporting requirements, accurately report information, or comply with an Emissions standard, (ii) where feasible, the submission of any missing required reporting data, and (iii) the submission of compliance mechanisms in the amount required to correct any failure to meet an Emissions standard in any calendar year.
- (v) None of the Buildings in the proposed Building Portfolio are vacant, as defined in Section VI.e.ii.;

b. **Requirements for Building Portfolios.** Owners must maintain compliance with (i) any conditions attached to the approval of a Building Portfolio and (ii) the following requirements; failure to do so may result in revocation of the Building Portfolio.

- (i) Any Building Portfolio that contains Buildings with different Building Uses shall comply with a blended Emissions standard, provided, however, that a blended Emissions standard is not required for Building Portfolios that are subject to an Individual Compliance Schedule. Blended Emission standards shall be calculated in accordance with Section IX.b.
- (ii) For any Building Portfolio that combines Buildings with Emissions standard requirements starting in 2025 and 2030, the Owner shall meet the applicable 2025-2029 Emissions standards in Section 7-2.2 Table 1 for the whole Building Portfolio until 2030; and

- (iii) Any Building in the proposed Building Portfolio, including newly constructed Buildings, that is required to meet a more stringent or net-zero Emissions standard prior to 2050 set through zoning requirements must meet its Building-specific Emissions standard every year.
- (iv) For any Building Portfolio that includes (a) on-site Campus District Energy Systems or on-site Combined Heat and Power plants that use non-renewable or CO₂e emitting fuels, industrial or manufacturing Buildings, or energy/power station Buildings located in Environmental Justice Populations, (b) a combination of Residential Buildings located in both Environmental Justice Populations and non Environmental Justice Populations, or (c) a combination of Deed-Restricted Residential Buildings and other Residential Buildings, Owners must:
 - (a) Submit an Emissions standard compliance plan within two (2) years of the Review Board's initial approval of the Building Portfolio. Such plan must comply with any requirements in Policies and Procedures and any guidance or standard form adopted by the Environment Department.
 - (b) Submit annual progress reports that identify any progress made on the Emissions standard compliance plan. Such reports must comply with any requirements in Policies and Procedures and any guidance or standard form adopted by the Environment Department.
 - (c) Submit an updated Emissions standard compliance plan every Verification Year.
- (v) If a Building Portfolio includes a vacant Building, as defined in Section VI.e.ii, or an existing Building in a Building Portfolio becomes vacant, the vacant building shall not be included in determining the Emissions standard for said Building Portfolio or used to achieve compliance with the Building Portfolio's Emissions standard. When a Building is no longer determined to be vacant by the Environment Department or when it receives a Certificate of Occupancy, it shall be included in the Emissions standard compliance obligations of the Building Portfolio.

c. **Application Process for Building Portfolios.** Applications for Building Portfolios may be submitted on a rolling basis. Applications must be submitted by September 1 for Building Portfolios to be used that same year; provided that, the Review Board may extend this deadline for all such applications for a given year in its sole discretion. Applications shall be made in accordance with any guidance or standard form issued by the Environment Department. A pending application for a new or modified Building Portfolio, or an appeal of a Review Board decision

regarding a Building Portfolio, shall not stay an Owner's compliance obligations under the Ordinance or Regulations. Owners shall utilize one of the following application pathways.

- (o) **Pathway Zero.** For Buildings that are subject to BERDO because a parcel with a single Owner contains multiple buildings that cumulatively meet the coverage thresholds in the Ordinance's definition of Residential Building (ii) or Non-Residential Building (ii).
 - (a) Owners may elect to create a Pathway Zero Building Portfolio by submitting the following information:
 - 1. Confirmation of compliance with the eligibility criteria listed in Section XI.a.
 - 2. A list of all Buildings on the parcel that will be in the Building Portfolio.
 - (b) Pathway Zero Building Portfolios do not need to prepare or submit Emissions standard compliance plans.
 - (c) Within fourteen (14) Days of receiving an application to create or modify a Building Portfolio, the Environment Department shall inform the Owner whether the application is complete.
 - (d) At the next regularly scheduled meeting of the Review Board after the Environment Department's finding of completeness, the Review Board shall approve the application.
 - (e) A written copy of the Review Board's decision shall be provided to the Owner within seven (7) Days.
- (i) **Pathway One.** For proposed Building Portfolios that do not include (a) on-site Campus District Energy Systems or on-site Combined Heat and Power plants that use non-renewable or CO₂e emitting fuels, industrial or manufacturing Buildings, or energy/power station Buildings located in Environmental Justice Populations, (b) a combination of Residential Buildings located in both Environmental Justice Populations and non Environmental Justice Populations, or (c) a combination of Deed-Restricted Residential Buildings and other Residential Buildings.
 - (a) Applications must include:
 - 1. Confirmation of compliance with the eligibility criteria listed in Section XI.a.
 - 2. A list of all Buildings included in the Building Portfolio.

- (b) The Environment Department shall review each application for completeness and recommend approval or denial to the Review Board.
 - (c) Within fourteen (14) Days of receiving an application to create or modify a Building Portfolio, the Environment Department shall inform the Owner whether the application is complete.
 - (d) Within forty-five (45) Days of the Environment Department's finding of completeness, or at such later date as requested in writing by the Owner and approved in writing by the Environment Department, the Review Board shall vote to approve with standard conditions or deny an application. A decision shall be based on whether the applicant meets the eligibility criteria set forth in Section XI.a.
 - (e) A written copy of the Review Board's decision shall be provided to the Owner within seven (7) Days after the vote.
 - (f) Within twenty-one (21) Days of issuance of the Review Board's written decision, the Owner may file a written appeal to the Commission. Appeals shall be made in accordance with any guidance or standard form provided by the Environment Department.
- (ii) **Pathway Two.** For proposed Building Portfolios that include (a) on-site Campus District Energy Systems or on-site Combined Heat and Power plants that use non-renewable or CO₂e emitting fuels, industrial or manufacturing Buildings, or energy/power station Buildings located in Environmental Justice Populations, (b) a combination of Residential Buildings located in both Environmental Justice Populations and non Environmental Justice Populations, or (c) a combination of Deed-Restricted Residential Buildings and other Residential Buildings.
- (a) Applications must include:
 1. Confirmation of compliance with the eligibility criteria listed in Section XI.a.
 2. A list of all Buildings included in the Building Portfolio.
 3. A map that identifies (i) each Building included in the Building Portfolio and (ii) any Environmental Justice Population criteria at the location of each Building based on data from the Massachusetts Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs. Owners shall highlight (i) any on-site Campus District Energy Systems that use

non-renewable or CO₂e emitting fuels, industrial or manufacturing Buildings, energy/power station Buildings located in Environmental justice Populations, (ii) any Deed-Restricted Residential Buildings, and (iii) Residential Buildings in Environmental Justice Populations. Owners shall provide maps that overlay asthma rates, the Air Toxics Respiratory Hazard Index, and heat resilience metrics; data sources for these maps will be provided in Policies and Procedures.

4. A brief narrative description of any existing plans to achieve compliance across the proposed Building Portfolio. This may include, but need not be limited to, (i) any anticipated building audits, retrofits, capital improvements, or any other Emissions reduction efforts that may be implemented in the Building Portfolio in the near term, (ii) any anticipated strategies for developing the Emissions standard compliance plan, and (iii) if applicable, any expected efforts to inform and engage tenants in the development of the Emissions standard compliance plan.
- (b) The Environment Department shall review each application for completeness, evaluate the Owner's narrative to assess potential impacts on and benefits to Environmental Justice Populations, and recommend approval or denial to the Review Board.
 - (c) Within thirty (30) Days of receiving an application, the Environment Department shall inform the Owner whether the application is complete.
 - (d) The Review Board may hold a hearing to evaluate the application and request more information on how the Owner will address any impacts on or provide benefits to Environmental Justice Populations. Regardless of whether the Review Board holds a hearing, there shall be an opportunity for the public to submit comments on an application prior to the Review Board's vote.
 - (e) Within sixty (60) Days of the Environment Department's finding of completeness, or at such later date as requested in writing by the Owner and approved in writing by the Environment Department, the Review Board shall vote to approve with standard conditions, approve with special conditions, or deny an application. A decision shall be based on whether the Owner meets the eligibility criteria set forth in Section XI.a and on consideration of potential impacts on and benefits to

Environmental Justice Populations based on information from the application and, if applicable, any public hearing.

- (f) A written copy of the Review Board's decision shall be provided to the Owner within seven (7) Days after the vote.
- (g) Within twenty-one (21) Days of issuance of the Review Board's written decision, the Owner may file a written appeal to the Commission. Appeals shall be made in accordance with any guidance or standard form provided by the Environment Department.

(iii) **Pathway Three.** For proposed Building Portfolios that (a) do not meet the eligibility criteria in Section XI.a, (b) are unable to calculate blended Emissions standards as required in Section XI.b.i, or (c) are concurrently applying for or already have an Individual Compliance Schedule.

(a) Applications must include:

1. A list of all Buildings included in the Building Portfolio.
2. If applicable, an explanation of why the Owner is unable to meet the eligibility criteria in Section XI.a. or is unable to calculate a blended Emissions standard.
3. For Building Portfolios that are required to complete an Emissions standard compliance plan, the map and narrative required by Section XI.c.ii.
4. If applying for an Individual Compliance Schedule, any data and documentation required by Section XII.

(b) The Environment Department shall review each application for completeness, evaluate the Owner's narrative to assess potential impacts on and benefits to Environmental Justice Populations, and recommend approval or denial to the Review Board.

(c) Within thirty (30) Days of receipt of an application, the Environment Department shall inform the Owner whether the application is complete.

(d) The Review Board shall hold a hearing to evaluate the application. If applicable, the Review Board may request more information on how the Owner will address any impacts on or provide benefits to Environmental Justice Populations. There shall be an opportunity for the public to submit comments on an application prior to the Review Board's vote.

- (e) Within ninety (90) Days of the Environment Department's finding of completeness, or at such later date as requested in writing by the Owner and approved in writing by the Environment Department, the Review Board shall vote to approve with standard conditions, approve with special conditions, or deny an application. A decision shall be based on whether, if applicable, (i) the Owner provided a reasonable basis for not meeting one or more of the eligibility criteria set forth in Section XI.a, (ii) the Owner provided a reasonable basis for not using a blended Emissions standard, (iii) the Owner meets the eligibility criteria for Individual Compliance Schedules, and (iv) consideration of the potential impacts on and benefits to Environmental Justice Populations based on information from the application and any public hearing.
- (f) A written copy of the Review Board's decision shall be provided to the Owner within seven (7) Days after the vote.
- (g) Within twenty-one (21) Days of issuance of the Review Board's written decision, the Owner may file a written appeal to the Commission. Appeals shall be made in accordance with any guidance or standard form provided by the Environment Department.

d. **Conditions of Approval for Building Portfolios.**

- (i) The Review Board shall include the following standard conditions on the approval of any Building Portfolio:
 - (a) Timely compliance with reporting and third-party verification requirements in the Ordinance.
 - (b) Timely compliance with the requirements in Section XI.b, including, when applicable, the submission of a satisfactory Emissions standard compliance plan.
 - (c) The Review Board or its designee may inspect any Building that is part of an approved Building Portfolio, at reasonable times and with reasonable notice, in order to assess compliance with the terms and conditions of said Building Portfolio.
- (i) For Building Portfolios that are required to complete an Emissions standard compliance plan, the Review Board may include special conditions relevant to the distribution of benefits to Environmental Justice Populations. Such conditions may be added to the approval of a Building Portfolio at the time of initial approval or following an Owner's submission of their first Emissions standard compliance plan. Any proposal to add special conditions shall be discussed at a public

meeting of the Review Board and Owners shall be provided notice of such meeting at least thirty (30) Days in advance, provided, however, that any Review Board vote to add special conditions must be made within ninety (90) Days of receipt of an initial or updated Emissions standard compliance plan, or at a later date upon request of the Owner. The Review Board may hold a public hearing at its discretion. If the Review Board approves addition of special conditions following submission of an initial or update Emissions standard compliance plan:

- (a) A written copy of the Review Board's decision shall be issued to the Owner within seven (7) Days after the vote.
- (b) Within twenty-one (21) Days of issuance of the Review Board's written decision, the Owner may file a written appeal to the Commission. Appeals shall be made in accordance with any guidance or standard form provided by the Environment Department.

e. **Modifications of Approved Building Portfolios.** Notices and requests to modify an approved Building Portfolio must be submitted by September 1 for the modification to be used in the same year, provided that the Review Board may extend this deadline for all such notices and requests for a given year in its sole discretion. For Building Portfolios using a blended Emissions standard, the Owner must update the blended Emissions standard to reflect any modification to the Building Portfolio according to the requirements in Section IX.b.

- (i) Notice to the Review Board is required to remove a Building from an approved Building Portfolio due to (a) change of Owner of an existing Building or (b) vacancy of an existing Building.
 - (a) If Building(s) are removed from an approved Building Portfolio for these reasons after September 1 or the applicable deadline of a given year, Owners must calculate and comply with an adjusted blended Emissions standard for the Building Portfolio.
- (ii) Approval from the Review Board is required to remove any Building from an approved Building Portfolio for any reason other than in (e)(i) or to add any Building. Any Building added to an approved Building Portfolio must meet the eligibility criteria and requirements for Building Portfolios in Section XI.
- (iii) For Building Portfolios that are required to complete an Emissions standard compliance plan, Owners must submit a short update to reflect any modification to the Building Portfolio as part of the next required annual progress report in accordance with Policies and Procedures and any guidance adopted by the Environment Department. Any modifications to the Building Portfolio must also be

reflected in any subsequent progress reports and updates to the Emissions standard compliance plan.

- (a) If adding a Building to a Building Portfolio would trigger the need to complete an Emissions standard compliance plan, when one was not required before, Owners shall submit an initial Emissions standard compliance plan within two (2) years of the Review Board's approval of the modification.
- (iv) The Review Board shall vote to approve or deny a requested modification at the next regularly scheduled public meeting or at such later date as requested in writing by the Owner and approved in writing by the Environment Department. The Review Board's decision shall be based on whether the Building Portfolio is, at the time of the request, in material compliance with the Ordinance and any requirements in Section XI, including any standard or special conditions set by the Review Board.
 - (a) A written copy of the Review Board's decision shall be provided to the Owner within seven (7) Days after the vote.
 - (b) Within twenty-one (21) Days of issuance of the Review Board's written decision, the Owner may file a written appeal to the Commission. Appeals shall be made in accordance with any guidance or standard form provided by the Environment Department.
- f. **Transfer of Building Portfolios.** Approved Building Portfolios are transferable upon change of ownership. The original and new Owners are jointly and separately responsible for notifying the Environment Department within thirty (30) Days of the change of ownership.
- g. **Termination of Building Portfolios.**
 - (i) An Owner may terminate an approved Building Portfolio with notice to the Review Board by September 1 for the termination to be effective in the same year, provided that the Review Board may extend this deadline for all such notices for a given year in its sole discretion.
 - (ii) The Review Board (i) may initiate a proceeding to terminate a Building Portfolio at its own initiative or (ii) shall initiate a proceeding to evaluate a petition from the greater of twenty (20) percent of Tenants or five (5) Tenants of a Building included in a Building Portfolio to terminate the Building Portfolio. The Review Board may revoke an approved Building Portfolio if the Review Board determines that (a) an Owner does not materially comply with the requirements in Section XI or the conditions of a Building Portfolio, or (b) absent extenuating circumstances beyond an Owner's control, an Owner has not

prioritized distribution of benefits to Environmental Justice Populations as proposed in the Building Portfolio's Emissions standard compliance plan.

- (a) In the event of a proceeding initiated by a petition from Tenants, the Review Board may, at its discretion, amend the special conditions of an approved Building Portfolio rather than terminate the Building Portfolio.
- (iii) Any proposed revocation or amendment shall be discussed at a public hearing of the Review Board. Owners shall be provided notice of such hearing at least thirty (30) Days in advance.
- (iv) A written copy of the Review Board's decision shall be provided to an Owner within seven (7) Days after the vote.
- (v) Within twenty-one (21) Days of issuance of the Review Board's written decision, Owners may file a written appeal to the Commission. Appeals shall be made in accordance with any guidance or standard form provided by the Environment Department.

XII. Individual Compliance Schedules

a. **Eligibility for Individual Compliance Schedules.** To confirm eligibility for an Individual Compliance Schedule, an Owner of a Building or approved Building Portfolio must attest to the following and provide supporting documentation upon request:

- (i) For all Buildings, the annual Energy use, Gross Floor Area, Building Use(s), and Emissions Factors data for the year selected as the baseline have been third-party verified.
 - (a) Energy use data shall be based on utility data, utility bills, or other factors outlined in Policies and Procedures.
 - (b) Emissions Factors shall be based on factors outlined in Policies and Procedures.
- (ii) For an individual building or for each building in a Building Portfolio, the total Gross Floor Area has not been reduced from the baseline year by more than ten (10) percent and the largest primary Building Use remains the same.
- (iii) All Buildings are currently in compliance with the Ordinance and Regulations, including, as applicable, requirements for Building Portfolios and the payment of (i) fines for any failure to comply with reporting requirements, accurately report information, or comply with an Emissions standard and (ii) the submission of relevant

compliance mechanisms in the amount required to correct any failure to meet an Emissions standard in any calendar year.

b. Applications for Individual Compliance Schedules for Individual Buildings.

Applications for Individual Compliance Schedules may be submitted on a rolling basis. Applications must be submitted by September 1 to use the Individual Compliance Schedule in the same year, provided that the Review Board may extend this deadline for all such applications for a given year in its sole discretion. Applications shall be made in accordance with any guidance or standard form issued by the Environment Department. A pending application for a new or modified Individual Compliance Schedule, or an appeal of a Review Board decision regarding an Individual Compliance Schedule, shall not stay an Owner's compliance obligations under the Ordinance or Regulations. An application for an Individual Compliance Schedule for a Building shall include the following information and any other material required by standards issued by the Review Board:

- (i) The baseline year for Emissions.
- (ii) An alternative CO₂e Emissions standard reduction schedule that meets the requirements set in the Ordinance.
- (iii) A brief narrative description of (a) any significant Emissions reduction efforts completed in the Building from the baseline year to date and (b) any cumulative increase of Gross Floor Area of ten (10) percent or more from the baseline year to date that did not significantly increase Energy use or Emissions.
- (iv) A brief narrative description of expected methods to meet the alternative CO₂e Emissions standard reduction schedule. This may include, but need not be limited to, any anticipated building audits, retrofits, capital improvements, or any other Emissions reduction efforts that may be implemented in the Building in the near term.
- (v) If relevant, an explanation for any inability to meet the eligibility criteria in Section XII.a.

c. Applications for Individual Compliance Schedules for Building Portfolios.

Applications to approve an Individual Compliance Schedule for Building Portfolios may be submitted on a rolling basis. Applications must be submitted by September 1 to use the Individual Compliance Schedule in the same year, provided that the Review Board may extend this deadline for all such applications for a given year in its sole discretion. Owners applying for a Building Portfolio and an Individual Compliance Schedule concurrently must follow the application requirements in Section XI. Applications shall be made in accordance with any guidance or standard form issued by the Environment Department. A pending application for a new or modified Individual Compliance Schedule, or an appeal of a Review Board decision regarding an Individual Compliance Schedule shall not stay an Owner's compliance obligations under the Ordinance or Regulations. Applications pursuant to this

section shall include the following information and any other material required by standards issued by the Review Board:

- (i) The baseline year for Emissions. Buildings in a Building Portfolio may have different baseline years, provided, however, that there will be one declining Emissions standard for the whole Building Portfolio.
- (ii) An alternative CO₂e Emissions standard reduction schedule for the Building Portfolio that meets the requirements set in the Ordinance. For Building Portfolios with multiple baseline years, the alternative CO₂e Emissions standard reduction schedule proposed in an application for, or modification to, an Individual Compliance Schedule must be verified by a third party. Third party verification of the alternative CO₂e Emissions standard reduction schedule is not required for Building Portfolios with a single baseline year. In the event an Owner had an approved Building Portfolio before applying for an Individual Compliance Schedule, the alternative CO₂e Emissions standard reduction schedule shall supersede the Building Portfolio's blended Emissions standard. The Individual Compliance Schedule must cover all Buildings in the Building Portfolio.
- (iii) A brief narrative description of (a) any significant Emissions reduction efforts completed across the Building Portfolio from the baseline year to date, and (b) any cumulative increase of Gross Floor Area of ten (10) percent or more from the baseline year to date that did not significantly increase Energy use or Emissions.
- (iv) For Building Portfolios that are required to complete an Emissions standard compliance plan, a copy of such plan. If the Emissions standard compliance plan is not completed at the time of application, submission upon completion shall be a required condition of the Individual Compliance Schedule.
- (iv) For Building Portfolios that are not required to complete an Emissions standard compliance plan, a brief narrative description of expected measures to meet the alternative CO₂e Emissions standard reduction schedule. This may include, but need not be limited to, any anticipated buildings audits, retrofits, capital improvements, or any other Emissions reduction efforts that may be implemented in the Building Portfolio in the near term.

d. **Review of Applications for Individual Compliance Schedules.**

- (i) The Environment Department shall review each application for completeness and technical accuracy and recommend approval or denial to the Review Board.

- (ii) The Review Board may, in its sole discretion, hold a hearing to evaluate applications for approved Building Portfolios seeking an Individual Compliance Schedule and for individual Buildings seeking an Individual Compliance Schedule. The Review Board shall consider whether an application demonstrates that (a) a Building or Building Portfolio should have an Emissions standard different than the one applicable under Section 7-2.2 Table 1, (b) there have been significant Emission reductions at the Building or Building Portfolio since the baseline year, (c) there are extenuating circumstances that support the need for an Individual Compliance Schedule, and (d) if relevant, the reason for and impact of any inability to meet the eligibility criteria in Section XII.a.
- (iii) The Review Board may vote to deny or approve applications with standard conditions regarding (a) timely compliance with reporting and third-party verification requirements in the Ordinance, and (b) timely compliance with the requirements in Section XII. The Review Board may include special conditions for Individual Compliance Schedules that do not meet the eligibility criteria in Section XII.a.

e. **Application Timeline for Individual Compliance Schedules.**

- (i) Within thirty (30) Days of receiving an application to create or modify an Individual Compliance Schedule, the Environment Department shall inform the Owner whether the application is complete.
- (ii) Within ninety (90) Days of the Environment Department's finding of completeness, or at such later date as requested in writing by the Owner and approved in writing by the Environment Department, the Review Board shall vote on an application.
- (iii) A written copy of the Review Board's decision shall be provided to the Owner within seven (7) Days after the vote.
- (iv) Within twenty-one (21) Days of issuance of the Review Board's written decision, the Owner may file a written appeal to the Commission. Appeals shall be made in accordance with any guidance or standard form provided by the Environment Department.

f. **Modifications of Approved Individual Compliance Schedules.** Review Board approval is required to make any modifications to an Individual Compliance Schedule. Requests to modify an approved Individual Compliance Schedule must be submitted by September 1 for the modifications to be effective in the same year, provided that the Review Board may extend this deadline for all such requests for a given year in its sole discretion. Situations for which modifications are required include:

- (i) Individual Compliance Schedules for individual Buildings if the Building's total Gross Floor Area is reduced by more than ten (10) percent or the largest primary Building Use changes.
- (ii) Individual Compliance Schedules for Building Portfolios if the Building Portfolio's total Gross Floor Area is reduced by more than ten (10) percent or the three largest primary Building Use(s) across the Building Portfolio change.
- (iii) Changes to an approved alternative CO₂e Emissions standard reduction schedule because of the addition of a Building to a Building Portfolio or Institutional Master Plan that has an Individual Compliance Schedule.

The Review Board shall approve requests for modifications that adjust approved alternative CO₂e Emissions standard reduction schedules using the standard methodology adopted in guidance provided by the Environment Department. The Review Board may hold a hearing for requests for applications that use a different methodology and may approve a proposed methodology and outcome that the Review Board determines is reasonable.

g. **Transfer of Individual Compliance Schedules.** Approved Individual Compliance Schedules for individual Buildings or whole Building Portfolios are transferable upon change of ownership. The original and new Owners are jointly and separately responsible for notifying the Environment Department within thirty (30) Days of the change of ownership.

h. **Termination of Individual Compliance Schedules.** Upon termination of an Individual Compliance Schedule, the Building or Building Portfolios will be subject to the Emissions standards in Section 7-2.2 Table 1.

- (i) An Owner may terminate an approved Individual Compliance Schedule. Notice must be provided to the Review Board by September 1 for the termination to be effective for the same year, provided that the Review Board may extend this deadline for all such notices for a given year in its sole discretion.
- (ii) An Individual Compliance Schedule for a Building Portfolio shall be automatically terminated if the associated Building Portfolio is terminated in accordance with Section XI.
- (iii) The Review Board may initiate a proceeding to revoke an approved Individual Compliance Schedule if the Review Board determines that an Owner does not materially comply with the requirements in Section XII or the conditions of an Individual Compliance Schedule.
 - (a) If an Owner demonstrates that material noncompliance was due to unique circumstances beyond the Owner's control, the

Review Board may, at its discretion, amend an approved Individual Compliance Schedule rather than terminate it.

- (iv) Any proposed revocation shall be discussed at a public hearing of the Review Board. Owners shall be provided notice of such meeting at least thirty (30) Days in advance.
- (v) A written copy of the Review Board's decision shall be provided to an Owner within seven (7) Days after the vote.
- (vi) Within twenty-one (21) Days of issuance of the Review Board's written decision, Owners may file a written appeal to the Commission. Appeals shall be made in accordance with any guidance or standard form provided by the Environment Department.

XIII. **Hardship Compliance Plans**

Explanatory Text: This overview is for informational purposes, not part of the regulatory requirements. As described in this section, Owners requesting a hardship compliance plan must complete the following steps:

Step 1. Demonstrate the existence of any of the circumstances and characteristics listed in Section XIII.b. The existence of these circumstances and characteristics alone does not constitute a hardship.

Step 2. Consider the use of all compliance and flexibility options.

Step 3. Demonstrate how Steps 1 and 2 together create one of the eligible hardships listed in Section XIII.c.

Step 4. Request one of the types of Hardship Compliance Plan listed in Section XIII.a, propose an alternative compliance plan consistent with the types of relief authorized by Section XIII.d, and provide any additional information required by Section XIII.e.

Any additional or different requirements in the Ordinance, Regulations or application forms apply regardless of the language in this explanatory text.

- a. **Types of Hardship Compliance Plans.** Owners may apply for either a:
 - (i) Short-term Hardship Compliance Plan, which may grant relief from compliance with applicable Emissions standards for one (1) to three (3) years. A short-term Hardship Compliance Plan may be extended once due to extenuating conditions for up to twelve (12) months. An Owner seeking relief for additional time must apply for a long-term Hardship Compliance Plan; or
 - (ii) Long-term Hardship Compliance Plan, which may grant relief from compliance with applicable Emissions standards for four (4) or more years.
- b. **Circumstances and Characteristics that Could Create Hardship in Complying with Emissions Standards.** The following circumstances and characteristics of an Owner, Building, or Building Portfolio could, either singularly or collectively, create a hardship in complying with the Emissions standards in the Ordinance. The existence of such circumstances and characteristics must be

demonstrated in accordance with Policies and Procedures and any guidance or standard form issued by the Environment Department.

- (i) Financial circumstances and characteristics, including:
 - (a) Owner bankruptcy for all or part of a year in which an Emissions standard must be met.
 - (b) Schedule of compliance-related costs do not align with long-term schedules for capital expenditures that cannot be changed or are beyond the control of the Owner.
- (ii) Regulatory or contractual circumstances and characteristics, including:
 - (a) Long-term Energy contracts signed prior to October 2021 without reopeners for a significant portion of a Building's or Building Portfolio's Energy demand.
 - (b) Long-term leases without reopeners signed prior to October 2021 that prohibit any significant compliance-related work at a Building.
 - (c) Delays in delivery of Renewable Energy Certificates pursuant to executed Power Purchase Agreements because of delays in initial commercial operation for reasons beyond a Building Owner's control.
 - (d) Delays in electric system interconnections or adequate delivery of electricity for reasons outside of an Owner's control, provided that requests for interconnections and notification of anticipated electricity demands were made in a timely manner in light of planned work and Emissions standard compliance deadlines.
 - (e) Denial of, or significant delays in, government permits or approvals, including delays in Mass Save determinations or any equivalent state energy efficiency program, for significant compliance-related work, provided that applications for such permits or approvals were made in a timely manner in light of planned work and Emissions standard compliance deadlines.
 - (f) Government regulations affecting minimum Energy use, provided, however, that any resulting hardship arises from reducing Emissions from such Energy use.
 - (g) Accreditation/certification standards affecting minimum Energy use, provided, however, that any resulting hardship arises from reducing Emissions from such Energy use.

- (iii) Technical or operational circumstances and characteristics, including:
 - (a) Building and/or site space constraints that limit significant compliance-related work.
 - (b) Equipment needed for significant compliance-related work is not adequately demonstrated or available in the United States, including due to supply chain constraints.
 - (c) High process loads, provided, however, that any resulting hardship arises from reducing Emissions from such Energy use.
- (iv) Other unusual circumstances or characteristics, including:
 - (a) Low-income Owners of Building(s) that provide affordable housing to low-income tenants.
 - (b) Delays in significant compliance-related work due to a natural disaster or declared state of emergency.
 - (c) Other circumstances and characteristics, including financial, regulatory, contractual, technical or operational circumstances and characteristics, that, in its discretion, the Review Board deems relevant on a case-by-case basis.

c. **Eligibility for Hardship Compliance Plans.** To confirm eligibility for a Hardship Compliance Plan, an Owner of a Building or approved Building Portfolio must demonstrate that:

- (i) Due to the circumstances or characteristics of an Owner and/or Building or Building Portfolio, meeting the applicable Emissions standard through all combinations of compliance mechanisms and flexibility measures authorized by the Ordinance would, at either the Building or Building Portfolio level:
 - (a) Require space, equipment, or electric service that is not available;
 - (b) Significantly interfere with the ability to or significantly increase the cost to provide services that are critical to community health and safety, including life saving services, affordable housing, and such other services the Review Board may deem critical on a case by case basis; or
 - (c) Create an undue burden on a Building Owner by resulting in costs that would:

1. Be significantly higher due to the circumstances or characteristics of a Building Owner, Building or Building Portfolio;
2. Interrupt financial ability to operate a Building or its primary Building Uses;
3. Have a more than merely negligible effect on a State agency's or State-created entity's ability to fulfill an essential government function; or
4. Cause other significant effects that the Review Board determines should be mitigated in light of benefits provided by and/or greenhouse gas Emissions avoided by the Building or Building Portfolio.

If a Hardship Compliance Plan is for a Building Portfolio, an eligible hardship must be shown to exist at the Building Portfolio level.

- (ii) The Building or Building Portfolio does not have an Individual Compliance Schedule or is requesting to replace an Individual Compliance Schedule with a Hardship Compliance Plan.
- (iii) For a Building Portfolio, the requested Hardship Compliance Plan would apply to all Buildings in the Building Portfolio.
- (iv) The Building or Building Portfolio is in compliance with the Ordinance and Regulations, including, as applicable, (i) requirements for Building Portfolios, (ii) payment of fines for any failure to comply with reporting requirements or Emissions standards, (iii) where feasible, the submission of any missing required reporting data, and (iv) the correction of any failure to meet an Emissions standard by using any compliance mechanism(s) authorized in Section 7-2.2(m).
 - (a) Owners may request, for financial reasons, a waiver or reduction of (i) fines for failure to comply with an Emissions standard or (ii) submission of compliance mechanisms to correct such failure. Relief shall be granted at the Review Board's discretion. The Review Board may consider the factors in Section XVIII(d)(iv) when assessing requests for relief.
- (v) The Owner has not previously been denied a Hardship Compliance Plan for the same Building or Building Portfolio, provided, however, that Owners may submit a new application if there are material changes to the circumstances or characteristics of an Owner, Building, Building Portfolio, or the hardship they create.

d. **Types of Relief for Hardship Compliance Plans.** At its discretion, the Review Board may grant an Owner one or more of the following types of relief for a defined period of time or permanently, provided, however, that any relief granted in a long-term Hardship Compliance Plan shall be reassessed every five (5) years. Relief may apply to some or all of an Owner's compliance obligations.

- (i) Alternative schedules for complying with the Emissions standards in the Ordinance.
- (ii) Alternative Emissions standards than those in the Ordinance.
- (iii) Exemption of specified Energy use(s), in whole or in part, from a Building Owner's compliance obligations.
- (iv) Adjusted compliance obligations in light of third-party barriers or delays to significant energy efficiency or electrification projects, provided that such third-party is unrelated to the Owner.
- (v) Additional compliance mechanisms that the Review Board determines are consistent with achieving the Purpose set forth in Section 7-2.2(a).
- (vi) Other relief the Review Board deems appropriate on a case-by-case basis.

e. **Applications for Hardship Compliance Plans.** Unless otherwise noted in this section, all applications for Hardship Compliance Plans must include the following information and supporting documentation in accordance with any guidance and application instructions issued by the Environment Department.

- (i) A brief narrative description of how the Owner has used, plans to use, and/or considered the use of all the compliance mechanisms and flexibility measures authorized by the Ordinance other than direct Emission reductions, including: on-site renewable Energy, Community Choice Electricity, Renewable Energy Certificates, Power Purchase Agreements, Building Portfolios, and Individual Compliance Schedules.
- (ii) A description, accompanied with supporting documentation, of the existence and scope of the circumstance(s) or characteristic(s) in Section XIII.b. that apply to the Owner, Building, or Building Portfolio.
- (iii) A description, accompanied with supporting documentation, of the hardship resulting from the combination of:
 - (a) The compliance actions described in (e)(i); and
 - (b) The circumstances and characteristics described in (e)(ii).

- (iv) An evaluation of opportunities, feasibility, costs and financial support for direct compliance-related work in the Building or Building Portfolio, including, where applicable, opportunities for conducting compliance-related work in phases to reduce or avoid hardships.
- (v) A brief narrative description of significant Emissions reduction efforts and work on heating/cooling systems and energy-intensive systems/process loads in the Building or Building Portfolio prior to the time of application.
- (vi) The requested type, scope and length of relief the Owner is requesting for a Building or Building Portfolio.
- (vii) For applications for long-term Hardship Compliance Plans for Building Portfolios with an Emissions standard compliance plan, a description of how a Hardship Compliance Plan will impact the development and implementation of such Emissions standard compliance plan.
- (viii) For applications for long-term Hardship Compliance Plans, proposed conditions for the approval of the Hardship Compliance Plan that provide benefits to Environmental Justice Populations and/or advance the Purpose set forth in Section 7-2.2(a). Such conditions may include, but need not be limited to, measures related to equitable workforce development, housing affordability and stabilization, Energy cost- and benefit-sharing, public health, and climate resilience.

f. **Consultant Review.**

- (i) The Review Board may, at its discretion, request reasonable payment from applicants for the purpose of securing outside consultants to advise the Review Board in its review of applications for Hardship Compliance Plans. The Review Board shall determine the scope of the consultant review in consultation with the applicant. Such consultants shall work for and represent the interests of the Review Board and must have an educational degree in or related to the field at issue or three or more years of practice in the field at issue or a related field. In deciding whether to request a payment, and the amount, the Review Board may consider, among other factors:
 - (a) The number, size and uses of Buildings to which the Hardship Compliance Plan would apply;
 - (b) The number and type of circumstances and characteristics from Section XIII(b) that the application asserts contribute to a hardship;
 - (c) The type(s) and amount of relief requested; and

- (d) The extent to which application material was provided by a third-party not related to the Owner.
 - (ii) The Review Board may, at its discretion, waive the consultant payment for applications from government agencies or for Owners that demonstrate financial difficulty in making the payment.
 - (iii) The Review Board shall develop, and may periodically update, guidance regarding limits on payments that may be requested from applicants for the purpose of securing outside consultants.
- g. **Conditions of Approval for Hardship Compliance Plans.**
 - (i) The Review Board shall include the following standard conditions on the approval or modification of any Hardship Compliance Plan:
 - (a) For any Building that is required to meet a more stringent or net-zero Emissions standard prior to 2050 pursuant to zoning requirements, an Owner must comply with that Building-specific Emissions standard every year regardless of any relief granted in a Hardship Compliance Plan.
 - (b) For long-term Hardship Compliance Plans, the Review Board shall reassess approved plans every five (5) years. As part of this review, Owners shall update the information provided in their initial applications for Hardship Compliance Plans, including any changes to (i) circumstances and characteristics contributing to a hardship for an Owner, (ii) relevant technology, (iii) applicable regulatory requirements, and (iv) other relevant factors.
 - (c) The Review Board or its designee may inspect any Building that is subject to a Hardship Compliance Plan, at reasonable times and with reasonable notice, in order to assess compliance with the terms and conditions of said Hardship Compliance Plan.
 - (ii) On a case-by-case basis, the Review Board may include special conditions relevant to the distribution of benefits to Environmental Justice Populations and advancing the Purpose set forth in Section 7-2.2(a). Any proposal to add special conditions shall be discussed at a public meeting of the Review Board.
- h. **Process for Hardship Compliance Plans Applications.** Applications for Hardship Compliance Plans may be submitted on a rolling basis in accordance with the following schedule:
 - (i) Applications for short-term Hardship Compliance Plans must be submitted by October 1 for the Hardship Compliance Plan to be used

that same year, provided that the Review Board may extend this deadline for all such applications for a given year in its sole discretion.

- (a) Owners may apply for a short-term Hardship Compliance Plan after the applicable deadline for a given year if the Owner experienced unforeseeable events or conditions outside the Owner's control that occurred or were identified after such deadline; provided that (i) the application must be submitted before December 31 of such year; and (ii) the application must include any information necessary for the Review Board to determine whether accepting such untimely application is appropriate, including but not limited to, the underlying event or condition and how it causes the Owner's need for a short-term Hardship Compliance Plan. The Review Board shall have sole discretion to reject any such application for untimeliness if it determines that the Owner has not met the foregoing requirements of this paragraph.
- (ii) Applications for long-term Hardship Compliance Plans must be submitted by July 1 for the Hardship Compliance Plan to be used that same year, provided that the Review Board may extend this deadline for all such applications for a given year in its sole discretion.
- (iii) Applications may be submitted in advance of the start of an anticipated hardship, provided, however, that the Review Board may prioritize the review of applications based on the year that the anticipated hardship would begin.
- (iv) Within forty-five (45) Days of receiving an application to create or modify a Hardship Compliance Plan, the Environment Department shall inform the Owner whether the application is complete.
- (v) For applications seeking relief that would begin in the next two (2) years, the Review Board shall hold a public hearing on an application within forty-five (45) Days of the Environment Department's finding of completeness or at such later date as requested in writing by the Owner and approved in writing by the Environment Department.
 - (a) Prior to the hearing, Owners must provide the Environment Department proof that the Owner provided Tenants written notice about the hearing in accordance with this Section at least seven (7) Days before the hearing. Acceptable forms of notice include posting a notice on Tenants' doors or in multiple common spaces such as Buildings' lobbies.
 - (b) The notice shall be made in accordance with any template that may be produced by the Environment Department. Notice to Tenants must be provided in English and the second most

commonly spoken language(s) in the neighborhood(s) where the Building or Building Portfolio is located, as determined by guidance from the Environment Department. The Environment Department will provide translated notice templates for the Owner to complete.

- (vi) A written copy of the Review Board's decision to approve with standard conditions, approve with special conditions, or deny an application for or modification to an approved Hardship Compliance Plan shall be provided to an Owner within seven (7) Days after the vote.
- (vii) Within forty-five (45) Days of issuance of the Review Board's written decision, the Owner may file a written appeal to the Commission. Appeals shall be made in accordance with any guidance or standard form provided by the Environment Department.
- (viii) A pending application for a new or modified Hardship Compliance Plan, or an appeal of a Review Board decision regarding a Hardship Compliance Plan, shall not stay an Owner's compliance obligations under the Ordinance or Regulations.

i. **Modifications of Approved Hardship Compliance Plans.** Review Board approval is required to make any modification to a Hardship Compliance Plan or to extend the relief granted in such plan to any additional Building. For Building Portfolios with Hardship Compliance Plans, a Building added to the Building Portfolio must meet the Emissions standard required by the Ordinance every year unless the Review Board approves a modification of the Hardship Compliance Plan for the Building Portfolio. Requests to modify an approved Hardship Compliance Plan must be submitted by September 1 for the modifications to be effective in the same year, provided that the Review Board may extend this deadline for all such requests for a given year in its sole discretion. The Review Board shall review and vote to approve with standard conditions, approve with special conditions, or deny a requested modification in accordance with the schedule in XIII.h. Decisions on modifications shall be made in accordance with the following requirements and other conditions the Review Board deems appropriate:

- (i) Any Building removed from a Hardship Compliance Plan will be subject to the Emissions standards set in Section 7-2.2 Table 1 or, if applicable, a Building Portfolio blended Emissions standard.
- (ii) If a Building is removed from a Building Portfolio with a Hardship Compliance Plan, the Review Board will reassess the Hardship Compliance Plan and may modify the relief and conditions provided, however, that:

- (a) For Buildings that are removed from a Building Portfolio due to change of ownership of an existing Building or vacancy of an existing Building, the Owner of the remaining Building Portfolio may continue to rely on the terms of the Building Portfolio's Hardship Compliance Plan, and must continue to comply with all conditions, until the Review Board makes a decision on a request for modification.
 - (a) Reassessment is not required if the term of the relief in the Hardship Compliance Plan will end in less than eighteen (18) months.
- (iii) Existing Buildings added to a Building Portfolio with a short or long-term Hardship Compliance Plan may be subject to the Hardship Compliance Plan only if the Review Board approves the modification to the Hardship Compliance Plan. Such modification may include changes to the relief and conditions of the Hardship Compliance Plan as the Review Board deems appropriate.
- (iv) An Owner seeking to modify both a Building Portfolio with a Hardship Compliance Plan and the Hardship Compliance Plan may submit a combined application to the Review Board. Such application shall be reviewed in accordance with the schedule in XIII.h.
- (v) Newly constructed Buildings, and new Buildings that begin zoning review or apply for a building permit after approval of a long-term Hardship Compliance Plan, may be added to an approved Building Portfolio with a Hardship Compliance Plan, provided that said Buildings meet their Building-specific Emissions standards every year regardless of any relief granted to the Building Portfolio in a Hardship Compliance Plan.

j. **Periodic Review of Long-Term Hardship Compliance Plans.**

- (i) In accordance with the schedule for reassessments of an approved long-term Hardship Compliance Plan, Owners shall provide the Review Board an update of the information provided in the application for the Hardship Compliance Plan. Such update should include a narrative description of any efforts to resolve or mitigate any circumstance, characteristic or hardship that contributed to the original Hardship Compliance Plan. Updates shall be provided in accordance with any forms or guidance issued by the Environment Department.
- (ii) If the Review Board determines that there has been a material change in (a) the circumstances, characteristics or hardship that were the basis for the Hardship Compliance Plan, (b) relevant technology, (iii) applicable regulatory requirements, or (iv) other relevant factors, the

Review Board may amend the relief and conditions of a Hardship Compliance Plan.

- (iii) The Review Board's review of updates and determinations regarding modifications shall be made in accordance with the timeline for modifications in Section XIII.h.

k. **Termination of Hardship Compliance Plans.** Upon termination of a Hardship Compliance Plan, the Building or Building Portfolios will be subject to the Emissions standards in Section 7-2.2 Table 1 or, if applicable, a Building Portfolio blended Emissions standard.

- (i) An Owner may terminate an approved Hardship Compliance Plan. Notice must be provided to the Review Board by September 1 for the termination to be effective for the same year, provided that the Review Board may extend this deadline for all such requests for a given year in its discretion.
- (ii) A Hardship Compliance Plan for a Building Portfolio shall be automatically terminated if the associated Building Portfolio is terminated in accordance with Section XI of the Regulations.
- (iii) The Review Board may initiate a proceeding to revoke an approved Hardship Compliance Plan if the Review Board determines that an Owner does not materially comply with the requirements in Section XIII, including requirements to report modifications to Building Portfolios subject to Hardship Compliance Plans, or the conditions of a Hardship Compliance Plan.
 - (a) If an Owner demonstrates that material noncompliance was due to unique circumstances beyond the Owner's control, the Review Board may, at its discretion, amend an approved Hardship Compliance Plan rather than terminate it.
- (iv) Any proposed revocation shall be discussed at a public hearing of the Review Board. Owners shall be provided notice of such meeting at least thirty (30) Days in advance.
- (v) A written copy of the Review Board's decision shall be provided to an Owner within seven (7) Days after the vote.
- (vi) Within thirty (30) Days of issuance of the Review Board's written decision, Owners may file a written appeal to the Commission. Appeals shall be made in accordance with any guidance or standard form provided by the Environment Department.

XIV. Preservation of Records

- a. Building Owners shall retain, in printed or electronic format, the following records for a period of ten (10) years:
- (i) All records and information submitted pursuant to Section 7-2.2 or the Regulations, including records and information that is optional to report, whether submitted via ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager, an equivalent reporting platform designated by the Environment Department, or otherwise;
 - (ii) All records and information necessary to demonstrate compliance with Section 7-2.2 or the Regulations, including, but not limited to, any back-up information substantiating a Building's Energy and water data, Emissions, and qualifications for Building Portfolios, blended Emission standards, Individual Compliance Schedules, or Hardship Compliance Plans, if applicable;
 - (iii) Confirmation of submissions from ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager or other systems designated for reporting by the Environment Department;
 - (iv) Requests to Tenants for information pursuant to Section 7-2.2(o) or as otherwise needed to comply with Section 7-2.2;
 - (v) Third-party verifications and a copy of the credentials and the contact information for the qualified energy professional that were uploaded to ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager or other systems designated for reporting by the Environment Department; and
 - (vi) Requests for extensions of reporting deadlines.

Building Owners shall make such records and information available for inspection or audit upon request by the Commission, Environment Department, Review Board or any third-party acting at their direction.

XV. Disclosure of Records and Information

- a. All records and information submitted pursuant to Section 7-2.2, including records and information that is optional to report, whether submitted via ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager, an equivalent reporting platform designated by the Environment Department, or otherwise, may be disclosed as determined appropriate by the Commission, Environment Department or Review Board.
- b. The Commission's public disclosure of any Building's compliance with the Emission standards in Section 7-2.2 may include information regarding a Building Owner's use of "Estimated" data and the Additional Compliance Mechanisms in Section 7-2.2(m), including, but not necessarily limited to, the type and amount of each Additional Compliance Mechanism used in a compliance year.

- c. Any Owner may request the Environment Department to provide a notice of compliance status for their Building or Building Portfolio.

XVI. Review Board

a. Designation of Community-Based Organizations.

- (i) Qualified not-for-profit organizations may apply to the Environment Department for designation as a Community-Based Organization using the application form developed, and updated as needed, by the Environment Department. All applicants must demonstrate and self-attest to their qualification as a Community-Based Organization as defined by Section 7-2.2(b).
 - (a) The requirement in Section 7-2.2(b) that the majority of the governing body and staff in Community-Based Organizations be local residents means residents of the Greater Boston area.
- (ii) The first application period for Community-Based Organizations shall begin in 2023, for a period set by the Environment Department, with subsequent application periods every five years thereafter.
 - (a) If fewer than six (6) qualifying Community-Based Organizations apply in any relevant application period, the Environment Department shall open an additional application period that will remain open until this number is met. Such an extended application period shall not delay nominations or appointments for members of the Review Board beyond any timeline established by the Environment Department.
- (iii) The Environment Department shall create a list of organizations that qualify as Community-Based Organization as defined by Section 7-2.2(b) based on its review of (a) applications and (b) any additional documentation that the Environment Department may request, at its discretion, from applicants in order to determine whether an organization meets the definition of a Community-Based Organization.
 - (a) Organizations on the list of qualified Community-Based Organizations must notify the Environment Department about any changes that would change their status as Community-Based Organizations. The Environment Department may, at its discretion, remove organizations from the list if it determines that they no longer qualify as Community-Based Organizations as defined by Section 7-2.2(b).
 - (b) If an applicant or member of the public disagrees with a decision by the Environment Department as to whether an organization

qualifies as a Community-Based Organization, they may request the Commission to review the determination. Any decision by the Commission shall be final.

b. Selection of Review Board Members.

- (i) All members of the Review Board must be residents of Boston at the time of their appointment and for the duration of their term.
- (ii) Excluding the Chair of the Boston City Council's Environment, Resiliency and Parks Committee, or their designee, the remaining Review Board members may not be elected officials in the City of Boston or full-time employees of the City of Boston or a quasi-City agency.
- (iii) Members of the Review Board shall have expertise in at least one of the areas listed in Section 7-2.2(s). Expertise can be demonstrated through academic degrees, professional experience, volunteer experience, lived experience or as otherwise provided in guidance documents. The Environment Department shall set nomination periods and may provide forms that must be used for nominations.
- (iv) Each qualified Community-Based Organization, as listed by the Environment Department in accordance with section XVI.a.iii., may nominate individuals to serve on the Review Board.
- (v) Six (6) individuals nominated by Community-Based Organizations will be appointed to the Review Board subject to the Mayor's selection and Council's approval. Preference may be given to nominees with expertise in multiple areas listed in Section 7-2.2(s) and any other criteria provided in Policies and Procedures. In the event that fewer than six (6) individuals are nominated by Community-Based Organizations or appointed by the Mayor and approved by the City Council, the Environment Department shall open a new round of nominations from qualified Community-Based Organizations.
- (vi) No more than two (2) individuals nominated exclusively by the same Community-Based Organization shall serve on the Review Board at the same time, except when a seated member nominated exclusively by the same Community-Based Organization is serving as a holdover after their term of appointment has expired. In such cases, three (3) individuals nominated exclusively by the same Community-Based Organization may serve on the Board until a qualified individual has been nominated by a separate Community-Based Organization to fill the open seat, subject to the Mayor's selection and Council's approval.
- (vii) Members of the public, in their individual capacity or on behalf of organizations, may nominate individuals to serve on the Review Board

and two (2) such nominees will be appointed to the Review Board subject to the Mayor's selection and the Council's approval. Preference may be given to nominees with expertise in multiple areas listed in Section 7-2.2(s) and any other criteria provided in Policies and Procedures.

- (viii) Members of the Review Board shall serve for terms of three (3) years. Individuals may serve more than one term, but no more than three (3) consecutive terms, provided that everyone must go through the nomination and selection process outlined in this Section for each term.
- (ix) If there is a current or upcoming vacancy on the Review Board, such vacancy shall be filled pursuant to Section 7-2.2(s) from the relevant pool of nominees for the current term. If there are not enough qualified individuals in the relevant existing pool of nominees, the Environment Department shall, as relevant, solicit new nominations from either the list of Community-Based Organizations or the public.
- (x) A member of the Review Board may continue to serve on the Board after their term is expired until the appointment process for a replacement is complete and the new member is seated on the Board.

c. **Review Board Procedures.**

- (i) Upon appointment or reappointment to the Review Board, members must participate in any training required by the City regarding ethics, the Ordinance, and the Review Board's responsibilities and procedures.
- (ii) A majority of seated members in office shall constitute a quorum.
- (iii) The Chair of the Review Board may increase the frequency of regular meetings and convene additional meetings as they deem necessary; provided, however, that notice of any meeting must be published at least ten (10) Days prior to said meeting by the Boston City Clerk. The Review Board shall be subject to M.G.L. c. 30A, §§ 18-25.
- (iv) The Review Board shall follow the latest language access policies of the City of Boston.
- (v) If any member should fail to attend six (6) consecutive meetings or more than fifty (50) percent of total meetings in a calendar year, their seat may be considered vacated and filled pursuant to Section XVI.b.x.
- (vi) Any Review Board member requesting compensation in accordance with Section 7-2.2(s) shall submit such a request to the Environment Department; compensation will not be provided retroactively. Any

member receiving compensation must notify the Environment Department of any change that would disqualify them from receiving compensation for their service on the Review Board. The Commission may, at its discretion, revoke compensation for any Review Board member if the Commission determines that they no longer qualify pursuant to Section 7-2.2(s). The Environment Department or Commission shall publish a compensation schedule, including rate and annual cap, for Review Board members via guidance documents.

- (vii) All records of the Review Board shall be public unless an exemption applies under the Massachusetts public records law, G. L. c. 66, § 10.

XVII. ***Equitable Emissions Investment Fund***

a. **Eligibility for Funding.** Any Building Owner or resident located in the City of Boston, or entity acting on behalf of Boston buildings, is eligible to receive funding from the Fund to evaluate, design, implement, support and/or administer projects that produce direct Emissions reductions from Energy use in buildings located in the City of Boston.

b. **Application Process.** The Review Board shall hold at least one application cycle per calendar year and shall provide at least a thirty (30) Day period for interested parties to submit applications. The Review Board may, at its discretion, dedicate any application cycle to specific types of benefits or types of applicants that align with the goals of the Fund and the Ordinance. An application shall include the following information and any other materials required by standards issued by the Review Board, and shall utilize any standard form issued by the Environment Department:

- (i) A description of the proposed project, including:
 - (a) The building(s) that will be served by a proposed project, including identifying which, if any, building(s) are subject to BERDO.
 - (b) The total cost of the proposed project. For requests for funding a phase of a project, the cost of the proposed phase as well as any known future costs to achieve Emissions reductions.
 - (c) The realized or anticipated project start date.
 - (d) The anticipated project completion date.
- (ii) The total amount of funding requested by the applicant and a description of how the requested funding will be used for the proposed project.
- (iii) The expected timeline and scale of Emissions reductions, including from Energy savings, that would be achieved by the proposed project.

- (iv) A narrative of how the project would provide benefits to Environmental Justice Populations and/or advance the Purpose set forth in Section 7-2.2(a).
- (v) If applicable, any anticipated efforts to inform and engage tenants in the proposed project and any potential impacts of the proposed project on tenants.
- (vi) If applicable, a description of any other funding or financial support that the proposed project has received in the past or that may be leveraged in the future.
- (vii) If applicable, a description of any previous funding received by the applicant from the Fund and/or past applications to the Fund.

The Environment Department shall review each application for completeness and compliance with the eligibility criteria in the Ordinance and Section XVII.a. The Environment Department shall send all complete and eligible applications to the Review Board.

c. **Funding Decisions.**

- (i) The Review Board shall hold a public hearing for any final funding decisions.
- (ii) For all funding decisions, the Review Board must:
 - (a) Prioritize project proposals that provide direct benefits to Environmental Justice Populations and populations disproportionately affected by air pollution.
 - (b) Evaluate project proposals based on their expected impacts and benefits, according to the following criteria:
 - 1. **Emissions reductions.** The expected timeline and scale of direct Emissions reductions produced by the proposed project. Review Board members may consider metrics such as expected absolute Emissions reductions or expected Emissions reductions achieved per dollar spent.
 - 2. **Benefits to affordable housing and tenant protections.** The expected timeline and scale of direct benefits provided to low-income residents or residents of affordable housing, including, but not limited to:
 - i. Whether projects will support the development or protection of low-income or affordable housing.

- ii. Whether projects will directly benefit low-income residents or residents of affordable housing.
 - iii. Whether projects include anti-displacement measures, such as rent stabilization, rent assistance, and/or relocation assistance.
 - 3. **Benefits to labor and workforce development.** The expected timeline and scale of benefits to local labor and workforce development, including equitable employment and contracting standards, living wage standards, and the hiring of local contractors, cooperative contractors, Minority, Women, and Disadvantaged Business Enterprises, and/or trainees or recent graduates from local workforce development programs.
 - 4. **Benefits to outdoor air quality.** The expected timeline and scale of direct emissions reductions of criteria air pollutants, including carbon monoxide, lead, ground-level ozone, nitrogen dioxide, particulate matter, and sulfur dioxide.
 - 5. **Benefits to indoor air quality and healthy environments for building occupants.** The expected timeline and scale of improvements related to indoor air quality, thermal comfort, and/or improvements resulting in a healthy environment for building occupants produced by the proposed project.
 - 6. **Climate resilience benefits.** The expected timeline and scale of climate resilience benefits produced by the project, including heat resilience, energy resilience, and coastal and stormwater flood management.
 - 7. **Energy justice benefits.** The expected timeline and scale of benefits related to reducing Energy bills for building occupants and/or contributing to community ownership or control over Energy infrastructure.
 - 8. **Other benefits.** Other benefits presented by the applicant and evaluated at the discretion of the Review Board. This may include the proposed project's replicability, scalability, uniqueness, urgency and timeliness.
- (iii) The Review Board shall develop, and may periodically update, a project review form that incorporates the criteria in Section XVII.c.ii. The Review Board will present the project review form for comment at

a public hearing. The Review Board shall use the project review form to inform funding decisions.

- (iv) If there are insufficient project proposals that meet the requirements of the Fund, funds may be held over to the next application cycle. If there are insufficient eligible proposals for three (3) or more consecutive application cycles or three (3) years, the Environment Department shall conduct community outreach and education about the Fund.

d. **Conditions for Expenditure.**

- (i) The following standard conditions shall apply to the award of any money from the Fund:
 - (a) If funding is provided for a project in Building(s) covered by the Ordinance, timely compliance with reporting requirements in the Ordinance and Regulations.
 - (b) For long-term projects or projects that include distinct phases or deliverables, a schedule for allocating awarded funds.
 - (c) Reporting by funding recipients to the Review Board regarding project progress and use of funding. The frequency of reporting may vary according to the project's lifetime.
 - (d) Reporting by funding recipients to the Review Board related to special conditions. The frequency of reporting may vary according to the project's lifetime.
 - (e) Completion of the funded project within the projected time frame.
 - (f) The Review Board or its designee may inspect any funded project and related records, at reasonable times and with reasonable notice, in order to assess compliance with the terms and conditions of the funding provided.
 - (g) If the funding recipient (i) fails to spend the funding and/or (ii) fails to comply with the terms and conditions of expenditure, the Review Board may consider limiting a recipient's access to new funding applications.
- (ii) On a case-by-case basis, approvals for funding may include special conditions relevant to the distribution of benefits to Environmental Justice Populations and advancement of the Purpose set forth in Section 7-2.2.(a). Any proposal to add special conditions shall be discussed at a public meeting of the Review Board.

XVIII. **Enforcement and Penalties**

- a. **Appeals of Review Board Decisions.** For any Review Board decision regarding Building Portfolios, Individual Compliance Schedules or Hardship Compliance Plans:
- (i) Owners may file a written appeal of a Review Board decision with the Commission in accordance with the timeframes set forth in the Ordinance and Regulations. Appeals should include a memorandum in support of an Owner's position and must comply with any form or guidance issued by the Environment Department.
 - (a) For Review Board decisions applicable to condominium associations, appeals must be brought by the association, and the association must demonstrate to the Commission that it provided notice of such appeal to its members.
 - (ii) A group of Tenants that requests a proceeding to terminate a Building Portfolio may file a written appeal within twenty one (21) Days of a Review Board decision to deny a petition to terminate or to modify a Building Portfolio in lieu of the requested termination.
 - (iii) The Commission shall hold a public hearing on an appeal within ninety (90) Days of receipt. Hearings shall include an opportunity for comment by the appellant, the Building Owner, the Review Board, and the public.
 - (a) If an appellant fails to appear at a scheduled hearing, the appeal shall be continued until the next regularly scheduled Commission hearing. If an appellant fails to attend both meetings without providing notice to the Commission, the appeal shall be dismissed with prejudice.
 - (iv) The Commission shall reverse a Review Board's decision if it determines that:
 - (a) The decision was inconsistent with the Ordinance or Regulations;
 - (b) The decision ignored material information in the record; or
 - (c) There was no reasonable basis for the decision.

The Commission shall base its decision on the record that was in front of the Review Board. In the event that the Commission determines that significant information relevant to the application materially changed or became available after the Review Board's decision, the Commission shall, at the request of an appellant, return the decision to the Review Board for further consideration.

- (v) Appellants shall carry the burden of proof except with respect to Review Board termination proceedings for Building Portfolios, Individual Compliance Schedules or Hardship Compliance Plans.
- (vi) If the Commission finds in favor of an appellant, the underlying decision shall be returned to the Review Board for reconsideration consistent with the Commission's findings and directions. The Review Board shall issue its revised decision within sixty (60) Days of the Commission's remand of an appeal. In the event that the Review Board's revised decision is appealed to the Commission, the Commission shall issue a direct ruling on the appeal.
- (vii) A Review Board decision to grant, modify or terminate a Building Portfolio, Individual Compliance Schedule or Hardship Compliance Plan shall not take effect pending an appeal and any reconsideration by the Review Board.
- (viii) An appeal shall not stay an Owner's compliance obligations, including as required by Section XIII.h.viii., provided, however, that, the Review Board's termination, or modification in lieu of termination, of a Building Portfolio, Individual Compliance Schedule, or Hardship Compliance Plan shall not take effect until the Commission's decision on an appeal and any reconsideration by the Review Board.

b. Notice and Appeals of Violations.

- (i) For any alleged violation of the Ordinance or Regulations, the Environment Department shall issue at least one notice of probable violation sixty (60) Days prior to the Review Board issuing a notice of violation with potential for penalties pursuant to Section 7-2.2(q). Notices shall be sent to either (i) the mailing address provided by an Owner via its BERDO reporting, or (ii) in the case of an Owner that has not reported, to the address provided by the Assessing Department.
 - (a) With respect to violations based on a discrepancy between third-party verification of information reported by a Building Owner and an Owner's self-certified reporting:
 1. There shall be at least ninety (90) Days between the Environment Department's notice of probable violation and the Review Board's issuance of a notice of violation with potential for penalties; and
 2. The Environment Department shall, at an Owner's request, meet with the Owner and/or their third-party verifier to discuss the discrepancy in the data and options to come into compliance.

- (ii) Building Owners may dispute a notice of violation by sending a written request for a hearing to the Review Board. Such appeals must comply with any guidance or standard form issued by the Environment Department and should include a memorandum in support of an Owner's position and relevant material to demonstrate compliance with the Ordinance and Regulations.

- c. **Penalties.** The violation of any provision of these Regulations is subject to the imposition of penalties pursuant to and as outlined in M.G.L. ch. 111, s. 31C and Sections 7-2.2(q) - 7-2.2(r), including as follows:

	Failure to Comply with Reporting Requirements	Failure to Comply with Emission Standards	Failure to Accurately Report Information
Non-Residential Buildings \geq 35,000 gross square feet or two (2) or more Buildings on the same parcel that \geq 100,000 gross square feet.	\$300 a Day	\$1,000 a Day	\$1,000-\$5,000
Residential Buildings \geq 35 units or 35,000 gross square feet.	\$300 a Day	\$1,000 a Day	\$1,000-\$5,000
Non-Residential Buildings \geq 20,000 gross square ft. but $<$ 35,000 gross square feet.	\$150 a Day	\$300 a Day	\$1,000-\$5,000
Residential Buildings \geq 15 units or 20,000 gross square feet. but $<$ 35 units or 35,000 gross square feet.	\$150 a Day	\$300 a Day	\$1,000-\$5,000

Fines and penalties may be enforced pursuant to M.G.L. c. 40, s. 21D, M.G.L. c. 111, s. 31C and/or M.G.L. c. 40U, s. 12.

- d. **Notice and Appeals of Penalties and Fines for Failure to Comply.**

- (i) The Environment Department shall issue an assessment of penalties and fines to Owners that fail to correct a noticed violation of the Ordinance within thirty (30) Days after the Review Board's issuance of the written notice of violation or within thirty (30) Days after the issuance of an adverse decision on an appeal to the Commission. Fines shall continue to accrue after the issuance of an assessment of penalties.

- (ii) For Building Portfolios:
 - (a) Any fine for a failure to comply with reporting requirements or to accurately report information shall apply to each Building for which reporting requirements were not met; and
 - (b) Any fine for a failure to comply with a required Emissions standard shall apply to each Building in the Building Portfolio, except for any Building that is required to, and does meet, a more stringent or net-zero Emissions standard prior to 2050 set through zoning requirements.
- (iii) An Owner may request a reduction or waiver of an assessed penalty or fine by filing a written request to the Review Board within twenty-one (21) Days of the issuance of an assessment of penalties or fines. The Review Board shall hold a public hearing on a request to reduce or waive an assessed penalty or fine within forty-five (45) Days of receipt. Hearings shall include an opportunity for comment by the appellant and the public.
- (iv) In exercising its discretion to (i) reduce or waive an assessed penalty or fine or (ii) recommend seeking injunctive relief or placing an assessment on an Owner's tax bill or lien on a Building, the Review Board may consider and condition relief on factors such as:
 - (a) An Owner's plans for bringing a Building or Building Portfolio into full compliance;
 - (b) An Owner's record of compliance with the requirements of the Ordinance, Regulations, and the terms and conditions of any Building Portfolio, Individual Compliance Schedule and/or Hardship Compliance Plan issued to the Owner;
 - (c) Whether a failure to comply with the Ordinance or Regulations was due to unexpected or unforeseeable events or conditions outside the Owner's control;
 - (d) Whether the Owner has an application pending for a Building Portfolio, Individual Compliance Schedule and/or Hardship Compliance Plan;
 - (e) Whether payment of the full penalty or fine would cause significant effects that the Review Board determines should be mitigated in light of benefits provided by and/or greenhouse gas Emissions avoided by a Building or Building Portfolio; and
 - (f) With respect to violations based on a discrepancy between third-party verification of information reported by a Building

Owner and an Owner's self-certified reporting, (1) the extent to which an Owner responded to any informal notifications from the Environment Department that there appeared to be inconsistencies or problems with their self-reported data and (2) whether the discrepancy caused a more than negligible impact on the Owner's compliance with applicable Emissions Standards.

e. **Notice of Appeal Hearings.** For appeals of Review Board decisions, notices of violations, assessments of fines, or other enforcement actions:

- (i) Appellants shall publish a notice of public hearing on the appeal, in conformance with any guidance or standard form issued by the Department, in a local newspaper of general circulation. The notice shall be published at least fourteen (14) Days but not more than twenty-one (21) Days in advance of the hearing. A copy of the notice, as published, and the date, page, and name of the publication, shall be submitted to the Commission prior to the hearing date. Such notice shall include:
 - (a) The date, time and place of such hearing;
 - (b) A brief description of the subject of the appeal;
 - (c) The street address of the relevant Building(s), provided, however, that for Building Portfolios with more than five (5) Buildings, notice may instead include: (i) the name of the Owner of the Building Portfolio, (ii) a list of the neighborhoods in which the Buildings are located, and (iii) a link to the full list of the street addresses for the Buildings in the Building Portfolio and directions for members of the public to request a printed copy of such list from the appellant; and
 - (d) Notice that a copy of the appeal is available for public inspection at the Environment Department.



STATEMENTS OF FISCAL EFFECT AND SMALL BUSINESS IMPACT

Pursuant to the Boston City Code, Ordinances, Chapter 2-12.5, all City of Boston departments, in promulgating rules and regulations, shall adhere to the requirements of the Massachusetts Administrative Procedure Act, Mass. Gen. Laws ch. 30A, provided, however, that the City Clerk shall perform those duties designated in chapter 30A to be performed by the Secretary of the Commonwealth. Mass. Gen. Laws ch. 30A, § 5, requires that an estimate of a rule or regulation's fiscal effect on both the public and private sector be filed with the City Clerk prior to the rule or regulation taking effect. Furthermore, an amended small business impact statement must be filed with the City Clerk prior to the adoption of the proposed rule or regulation. The small business impact statement shall consider whether the following methods of reducing the impact of the proposed regulation would hinder achievement of the purpose of the proposed regulation:

1. establishing less stringent compliance or reporting requirements;
2. establishing less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses;
3. consolidating or simplifying compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses;
4. establishing performance standards for small businesses to replace design or operational standards required in the proposed regulation;
5. an analysis of whether the proposed regulation is likely to deter or encourage the formation of new businesses in the Commonwealth; and
6. minimizing adverse impact on small businesses by using alternative regulatory methods.

A. Statement of Fiscal Effect

Fiscal Effect on the Public Sector

The Air Pollution Control Commission (Commission) anticipates that the fiscal effect of the Regulations on the City of Boston will be minimal and any additional fiscal impacts will be due to procedural requirements as required by the Ordinance. While the Commission does not anticipate that the City of Boston will have to hire additional staff to implement and administer these Regulations, the Commission acknowledges that additional positions may be needed for implementing and administering the Ordinance.



In instances where a state department and/or agency needs to comply with the Ordinance, the Commission anticipates that the fiscal effect of the Regulations on said state department and/or agency will also be minimal.

Fiscal Effect on the Private Sector

The Commission does not anticipate that the Regulations will have a measurable fiscal effect on the private sector. The Regulations clarified and streamlined already existing BERDO processes, including third-party verification, flexibility measures, and reporting.

B. Small Business Impact Statement

The Ordinance applies to commercial buildings that are 20,000 SF or larger or residential buildings with 15 or more units. The building owner is responsible for reporting and other compliance requirements.

Establishing Less Stringent Compliance or Reporting Requirements

The Regulations clarified and streamlined processes for third-party verification, flexibility measures, and reporting. These options provide building owners with less burdensome third-party verification requirements, clearer reporting procedures, and streamlined access to increased flexibility in complying with the Ordinance.

Establishing Less Stringent Schedules or Deadlines for Compliance or Reporting

The Regulations clarified the process to request reporting extension deadlines. The Commission does not anticipate that further leniency of schedules and deadlines will lessen the impact on small businesses, as all Owners will be required to report annually.

Consolidating or Simplifying Compliance or Reporting Requirements for Small Businesses

The Regulations provide different flexibility measures for which small businesses are eligible to apply. Hardship Compliance Plans offer the potential to have more flexibility in meeting the default emissions standards and timelines established by the Ordinance.



Appropriateness of Performance Standards Versus Design Standards

This consideration is not applicable as the Regulations are clarifying already existing processes defined in the Ordinance.

Identification of Duplicate or Conflicting Regulations and Consideration of Alternative Regulatory Methods

The Commission has not identified any conflicting or duplicate regulations of any other City of Boston department, agency, board, or commission, and the Commission has not identified an alternative regulatory method in lieu of the Proposed Regulations to implement and administer the Ordinance.

Analysis of Whether the Proposed Regulations are Likely to Deter or Encourage the Formation of New Businesses Within the City of Boston

The Commission does not expect that the Proposed Regulations will have any significant impact on the formation of small businesses in Boston, as the Regulations define and clarify already existing processes and streamline flexibility measures outlined in the Ordinance.

The Commission believes that the Ordinance may encourage the formation of new businesses to support Owners with reporting, applications for flexibility measures, and planning for emissions compliance as required by the Ordinance and defined in the Proposed Regulations. Creation of such businesses would not be a direct result of the Proposed Regulations, but a result of the Ordinance.

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS ENRIQUE J. PEPÉN, BREADON, DURKAN,
FITZGERALD, FLYNN, LOUIJEUNE, MEJIA, MURPHY, WEBER, AND WORRELL



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER TO HOLD A MEETING TO INTERVIEW APPLICANTS FOR THE COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, An at-large Community Preservation Committee (CPC) member had to leave their position, leaving a vacancy in the four designated roles appointed by the Boston City Council; *and*

WHEREAS, CPC members are crucial to reviewing the Community Preservation Grant applications that provide vital grant monies for affordable housing, historic preservation, and open space and recreation projects across the city; *and*

WHEREAS, The City Council Committee on the Community Preservation Act is responsible for nominating persons for consideration by the full Boston City Council for appointment to the Community Preservation Committee; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

ORDERED: That the Boston City Council Committee on the Community Preservation Act hold a meeting in early September to interview finalists for the Community Preservation Committee. The finalist will be voted at the following Council Meeting to allow this new Committee Member to follow the Community Preservation grant cycle.

Filed on: August 27, 2025



BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

Committee on the Community Preservation Act
Enrique J. Pepén, Chair

One City Hall Square 5th Floor, Boston, MA 02201 ♦ Phone: (617) 635-3040 ♦ city.council@boston.gov

REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

October 1, 2025

Dear Councilors,

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

Docket #1570, Order to hold a meeting to interview applicants for the Community Preservation Committee.

This matter was sponsored by Councilor Enrique J. Pepén and was referred to the Committee on August 21, 2025.

Summary of Legislation

The City of Boston adopted the Community Preservation Act in 2016, which enabled the City to levy a 1% surcharge on property taxes in order to create a dedicated fund (CPA fund) for community preservation. Following its adoption, the City Council passed the Community Preservation Act ordinance in 2017, which set up a nine-member Committee (the CPC) to study community preservation needs and recommend use of the City's CPA fund (which supports affordable housing, historic preservation, open space, and recreation). The Committee consists of five members from City Boards and Commissions as statutorily required, and four members appointed by the City Council.

The Council's Committee on the Community Preservation Act is charged with interviewing eligible candidates for the CPC and providing the Body with nominations for approval. The CPA ordinance tasks this Committee with appointing four members who, together, meet the following criteria: one with experience in development, business, or finance; one with expertise in open space, affordable housing, or historic preservation; and two with a history of community involvement – while ensuring the appointees reflect the City's racial, socioeconomic, and geographic diversity and meet residency and other eligibility rules.

In 2023, the Council appointed four members: Ann Sanders, Darian Leta, Robert Whitney, and Phuongduy Tran, all of whom, together, have experience in business, development, finance, community involvement, open space, and historic preservation.

With the departure of Ann Sanders, this Committee is now tasked with appointing a new member to fill the vacant seat. Applications for the seat opened on August 11, 2025 and closed on September 12, 2025. The Committee received six applications and conducted their interviews on September 16th and 24th.



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Information Received at Hearing

The Committee held meetings to interview applicants on September 16 and September 24, 2025.

Over the course of the sessions, the Committee conducted interviews with multiple candidates representing neighborhoods including Brookline, Dorchester, Roxbury, Ashmont, Jamaica Plain, West Roxbury, South Boston, and Brighton. Candidates brought a wide range of professional and community experience, spanning fields such as land conservation, nonprofit management, housing advocacy, finance and real estate, public health, higher education, business valuation and financial transactions, and community development.

Committee members asked candidates about their professional qualifications, their understanding of the Community Preservation Act, and their views on balancing funding priorities across housing, open space, and historic preservation. Members also explored how applicants would approach community engagement, equity, and displacement concerns, as well as how they would support nonprofit organizations and residents navigating complex processes.

Through these interviews, the Committee received valuable insights into how applicants would bring their expertise and perspectives to the Community Preservation Committee, particularly in relation to addressing Boston's housing crisis, strengthening community engagement, and ensuring equitable use of CPA resources.

Committee Chair Recommended Action

As Chair of the Committee on the Community Preservation Act 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 the attached appointment of **Michelle Holmes Foster**, **OUGHT TO BE CONFIRMED**.

Enrique J. Pepén, Chair
Committee on the Community Preservation Act



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October 1, 2025

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

Dear Mr. Clerk,

Pursuant to the authority vested in the City Council by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 44B, Section 5, and Chapter 8-12.4 of the City of Boston Code, Ordinances, I hereby appoint the following individual to the Community Preservation Committee:

Michelle Holmes Foster of 15 Walton Street, Boston, MA 02124.

Michelle will serve out a term expiring on January 1, 2027 and will serve as the appointment having experience in community involvement.

For the Committee:

Enrique J. Pepen
 Committee on the Community Preservation Act



City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
Michelle Wu

July 7, 2025

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Chapter 410 of the Acts of 1898, as amended by Chapter 362 of the Acts of 2012, and as further amended by Chapter 373 of the Acts of 2018, I transmit herewith for your approval an order confirming the appointment of Napoleon Jones-Henderson of 12 Morley Street, Roxbury, MA 02119 as a Commissioner on the Boston Art Commission.

Napoleon Jones-Henderson is a nominee of the Boston Public Library and shall serve a term expiring on June 1, 2029.

I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Napoleon Jones-Henderson as a Member of the Boston Art Commission. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston

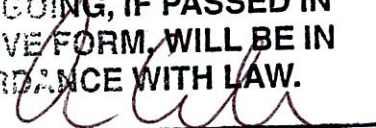
CITY OF BOSTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

AN ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF NAPOLEON JONES-HENDERSON TO THE BOSTON ART COMMISSION.

ORDERED: That, pursuant to Chapter 410 of the Acts of 1898, as amended by Chapter 362 of the Acts of 2012, as amended by Chapter 373 of the Acts of 2018, the appointment of Napoleon Jones-Henderson of 12 Morley Street, Roxbury, MA 02129 to the Boston Art Commission for a term expiring on June 1, 2029, be, and hereby is, confirmed.

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

Y 
ADAM CEDERBAUM
CORPORATION COUNSEL *Kmw*



City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
Michelle Wu

July 7, 2025

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Chapter 410 of the Acts of 1898, as amended by Chapter 362 of the Acts of 2012, and as further amended by Chapter 373 of the Acts of 2018, I transmit herewith for your approval an order confirming the appointment of Ian Alteveer of 158 West Brookline Street, Boston, MA 02118 as a Commissioner on the Boston Art Commission, effective immediately.

Ian Alteveer is a nominee of the Museum of Fine Arts and shall serve a term expiring on January 1, 2029.

I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Ian Alteveer as a Commissioner on the Boston Art Commission. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston

CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL

AN ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF IAN ALTEVEER TO THE BOSTON ART COMMISSION.

ORDERED: That, pursuant to Chapter 410 of the Acts of 1898, as amended by Chapter 362 of the Acts of 2012, as amended by Chapter 373 of the Acts of 2018, the appointment of Ian Alteveer of 150 West Brookline Street, Boston, MA 02118 to the Boston Art Commission for a term expiring on January 1, 2029, be, and hereby is, confirmed.

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

BY 
ADAM CEDERBAUM kmw
CORPORATION COUNSEL



City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
Michelle Wu

July 7, 2025

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Chapter 410 of the Acts of 1898, as amended by Chapter 362 of the Acts of 2012, and as further amended by Chapter 373 of the Acts of 2018, I transmit herewith for your approval an order confirming the appointment of Caitlin Gould Lowrie of 27 Cross Street, Charlestown, MA 02129 as a Commissioner on the Boston Art Commission, effective immediately.

Caitlin Gould Lowrie is a nominee of the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum and shall serve a term expiring on August 1, 2029.

I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Caitlin Gould Lowrie as a Commissioner on the Boston Art Commission. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston


CITY OF BOSTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

AN ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF CAITLIN GOULD LOWRIE TO THE BOSTON ART COMMISSION.

ORDERED: That, pursuant to Chapter 410 of the Acts of 1898, as amended by Chapter 362 of the Acts of 2012, as amended by Chapter 373 of the Acts of 2018, the appointment of Caitlin Gould Lowrie of 27 Cross Street, Charlestown, MA 02129 to the Boston Art Commission for a term expiring on August 1, 2029, be, and hereby is, confirmed.

I HEREBY CERTIFY
THE FORGOING, IF PASSED IN
THE ABOVE FORM, WILL BE IN
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BY 
ADAM CEDERBAUM
CORPORATION COUNSEL 



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING REGARDING THE BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS EXAM SCHOOLS ADMISSIONS POLICY AND PROPOSED CHANGES

WHEREAS, Boston Public Schools (BPS) operates three selective admission high schools—Boston Latin School, Boston Latin Academy, and the John D. O’Bryant School of Mathematics and Science—that play a critical role in the school district’s academic portfolio and serve as key college and career pathways for Boston students; *and*

WHEREAS, In 2021, the Boston School Committee adopted a new exam school admissions policy designed to expand access, maintain academic rigor, and better reflect the racial, socioeconomic, and geographic diversity of Boston’s student population; *and*

WHEREAS, Key features of the revised policy include the use of a composite score (GPA and MAP test), distribution of invitations by socioeconomic tier, and the assignment of additional points for students attending high-poverty schools or experiencing housing instability or state custody; *and*

WHEREAS, Following five years of implementation, BPS has completed a comprehensive review of the policy and is considering further changes for School Year 2026–2027, including the potential elimination of school-based bonus points, the introduction of a citywide admissions round for top-scoring students, and adjustments to how socioeconomic tiers are structured; *and*

WHEREAS, It is the responsibility of the City Council to understand policy changes within the Boston Public Schools system, including how those changes may affect student access and long-term planning; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to review the current exam school admissions policy, assess the findings of the five-year policy evaluation, and examine the implications of the potential changes on admissions outcomes, academic rigor, and equitable access. BPS administrators, administration officials, and community members will be invited to testify.

Filed on: June 25, 2025

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR SHARON DURKAN



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF BOSTON CODE CHAPTER X SECTION 10, UNIVERSITY ACCOUNTABILITY

- WHEREAS,** The City of Boston Code on University Accountability (10-10) was enacted to enhance the City of Boston's ability to more effectively provide requisite public services by requiring post-secondary institutions to collect and report comprehensive data on their locally residing off-campus student populations; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The ordinance aims to improve public safety, regulatory enforcement, and the quality of life in neighborhoods impacted by significant off-campus student populations; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The ordinance requires Boston-based institutions of higher education to maintain a directory of student information, monitor compliance with zoning regulations, and report detailed statistics to the City annually; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Committee on Housing and Community Development held a hearing on August 5, 2025, to assess the efficacy of the ordinance in addressing housing stability, neighborhood cohesion, and quality-of-life concerns in areas with high concentrations of student housing; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Following the hearing and subsequent working session, Councilors discussed amendments to strengthen the ordinance by ensuring more accurate reporting and by improving the utility of student housing data in shaping City housing policy; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Public testimony and recommendations from the Mayor's Office of Housing and local universities highlighted that the current October 1 reporting deadline does not allow sufficient time to collect accurate and complete data, and that moving the deadline to November 1 would strike a more effective balance between timeliness and accuracy; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Student Housing Trends Report, published annually by the Mayor's Office of Housing using this data, provides critical insight into enrollment, student housing locations, and impacts on the City's housing market, and should be used proactively to inform City planning, housing policy, and institutional master planning; *and*

WHEREAS, Requiring the Housing and Community Development Committee to hold an annual hearing reviewing the Student Housing Trends Report will ensure that data collected under this ordinance is operationalized to advance housing stability, protect neighborhood quality of life, and guide institutional accountability; **NOW THEREFORE**

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

SECTION 1:

The City of Boston Code, Chapter X shall be amended by striking out CBC 10-10.4 (A) and replacing it with the following:

(A) Each and every school shall supply a report with required statistics to the city. The information in the report shall be compiled by the school before November 1 of the fall semester. The information in the report shall be compiled by the school on or before November 1 of each calendar year.

SECTION 2:

The City of Boston Code Chapter X shall be amended by adding the following new section at the end thereof:

10-10.9 Annual Hearing.

The Housing and Community Development Committee shall hold an annual hearing following the release of the Mayor's Office of Housing Student Housing Trends Report. The hearing shall review the report's findings and explore how these trends can inform city planning, housing policy, and institutional master planning.

Filed on: September 29, 2025

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS SHARON DURKAN AND ENRIQUE PEPÉN



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS CITY SERVICES IN REGARD TO COMPOSTING AND THE NEED FOR INCREASED COMPOSTING SERVICES

- WHEREAS,** Nationally food scraps account for 22-24% of landfill matter and globally amount to about 1.4 billion tons, polluting soil and water and contributing to a warming climate due to the carbon dioxide outputs of the preparation, transportation, and management of food in addition to the methane generated by food in landfills, in fact, about 58% of all methane emissions are from landfilled food waste; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Data from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) show that food waste is the “single most common material landfilled and incinerated in the U.S.” even though it can be reused as a replacement for manufactured fertilizer when properly composted; *and*
- WHEREAS,** In 2022, the City of Boston launched a curbside composting program to make nutrient rich soil and clean energy with service to 10,000 households that have up to six units. Due to popularity, the program was expanded to 30,000 households in 2023 showing a passion amongst Boston residents; *and*
- WHEREAS,** In November 2022 the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection expanded waste bans to include mattresses, textiles, and commercial food waste – by consequence, the City of Boston has successfully implemented systems to enforce the ban on mattress disposal and meet the mattress recycling requirements, leading to a change in waste practices; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Similarly, the City’s community composting program, “Project Oscar,” began as a pilot in 2014 with just two bin locations, and has since expanded to 20 locations citywide, all available 24 hours a day; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The City’s contracted compost facility in Brockton, does not have the capacity for the full volume of food waste produced by current and future expansions of Boston’s compost program causing the City’s anaerobic digestion system in Charlestown to take on the excess volume; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Some City waste disposal services, including the composting program, do not service commercial buildings or households with seven or greater units, yet doing so will be critical to meeting Boston’s Zero Waste goals given that these larger

buildings on average produce more organic waste than smaller residential homes;
and

WHEREAS, Trash related to commercial, large buildings, and especially trash that includes food waste, is a significant factor affecting rodent populations, waste management costs, and overall sanitation challenges in the City of Boston, so Boston's large new and existing buildings need to be a proactive partner in the effort to build out composting capacity for the entire City of Boston; *and*

WHEREAS, PowerCorpsBOS provides hands on training opportunities to educate and employ Boston residents, whose service could support the expansion of a municipal composting program; *and*

WHEREAS, In 2012, Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection developed their Organics Action Plan and 2030 Solid Waste Master Plan, which set a goal of diverting 780,000 tons of food waste annually by 2030. Although the amount of waste diverted annually has increased four-fold since 2012 to 380,000 tons, this will have to double in the next five years to achieve their goal; *and*

WHEREAS, Seattle, San Francisco and many international municipalities like Hwaseong, South Korea have implemented effective waste reduction initiatives like Hwaseong's waste management system, referred to as jongnyangje, that requires food, garbage, and recyclables to be separated into color-coded bags, provides the City with a blueprint for success, providing a model for the City of Boston to follow; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss the city's composting efforts in relation to expanding the City of Boston curbside composting program to include commercial buildings, large buildings and possible regulations for new construction, and that representatives from the Public Works Department, the Environment Department, the Boston Planning and Development Agency, and the public be invited to testify.

Filed on: September 29, 2025



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION CELEBRATING THE 102nd ANNIVERSARY OF THE DECLARATION OF REPUBLIC OF TÜRKİYE AND THE 30th ANNUAL BOSTON TURKISH ARTS & CULTURE FESTIVAL

WHEREAS, The Republic of Türkiye, founded on October 29th, 1923, by Mustafa Kemal Atatürk, marks its 102nd year on October 29th, 2025, celebrating more than a century of progress, democracy, and cultural diversity; *and*

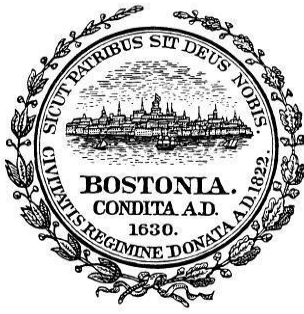
WHEREAS, The Boston Turkish Arts & Culture Festival, now in its 30th year, has played an essential role in promoting Turkish heritage and fostering understanding between diverse communities in the Boston area and beyond; *and*

WHEREAS, The Turkish American community in Boston and the New England region has, over the years, made substantial contributions to the social, economic, and cultural fabric of our great city, enhancing the diversity and vibrancy of our local communities; *and*

WHEREAS, As a celebration of this significant 102nd year milestone and the 30th annual Boston Turkish Arts & Culture Festival, it is important to recognize and honor the contributions of the Turkish-American community and the deep-rooted friendship and cooperation between the United States and Türkiye; ***NOW THEREFORE BE IT***

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council go on record proclaiming October 29th, 2025 to be the Turkish Republic Day in the City of Boston, and the Boston City Council orders the Property Management Department to raise the flag of the Republic of Türkiye on the third flagpole on City Hall Plaza in place of the City of Boston flag on Wednesday, October 29th, 2025; ***AND BE IT FURTHER***

RESOLVED: That all Bostonians join in commemorating the Republic of Türkiye for its 102nd year and 30th year of the Boston Turkish Arts & Culture Festival, and that Boston City Council extends to The Turkish American Cultural Society of New England its best wishes for continued success, and that this resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council, and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk to be made part of the permanent record of the City of Boston.



OFFERED BY COUNCILORS FLYNN & MURPHY

CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF PRIORITIZING A RECOVERY CAMPUS FOR THE CITY OF BOSTON

- WHEREAS:** In 2014, the Long Island Bridge was shut down due to longstanding concerns about structural integrity. Before the closure, the Boston Public Health Commission provided treatment facilities for those suffering from substance use disorders and shelters for those experiencing homelessness; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Recent reports indicate that rebuilding the Long Island Bridge and an addiction recovery center is still a long-term plan that will potentially take years or decades, and conservatively cost hundreds of millions of dollars. Continued and protracted legal battles have left residents wondering when, if ever, that a recovery campus will open on Long Island once again, and what the status of Mass & Cass will be in the meantime; *and*
- WHEREAS:** In the FY 2026-2030 Capital Plan, \$108,758,144 is reserved to construct a new bridge to Long Island, \$8,220,000 is set aside to repair and upkeep buildings that may be utilized for a recovery campus, and an additional \$2,000,000 to renovate existing buildings. However, previous estimates pegged repairs at more than \$550 million, while recent reports are now over \$1 billion due to inflation, tariffs, and increased construction costs since that time; *and*
- WHEREAS:** On September 4th, the City Council held a hearing on-site at the Hampton Inn, where approximately 200 constituents shared their lived experiences on public safety, public health, and quality of life issues due to the Mass & Cass crisis. These included public drug dealing, public drug use, human trafficking, violence, public urination and defecation, and shoplifting. A number of residents shared that beyond these unacceptable and existing conditions, concerns on public safety have increased significantly due to a series of recent break-ins and people sleeping in resident's homes and cars, or trespassing in backyards; *and*
- WHEREAS:** At that time, the overwhelming majority of the public testimony from neighbors, small businesses, and nonprofit partners emphasized the need for the city and state to make a recovery campus a top priority for the City of Boston, and treatment first to break the cycle of addiction; *and*
- WHEREAS:** With deteriorating conditions due to the Mass & Cass crisis, and continued uncertainty regarding the status, timeline, and feasibility of Long Island - it is

critical that the city and state now work collaboratively to take concrete steps that would allow for a recovery campus to be built for the City of Boston - not only to provide necessary treatment programs for our most vulnerable, but to address the public safety, public health, and quality of life of neighbors, small businesses, and nonprofit partners; *and*

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED:

That the Boston City Council supports the prioritization of a recovery campus in the City of Boston.

Filed on: October 1, 2025



Boston City Council

Legislative Calendar for the October 1, 2025 Session

Sixty Day Orders¹

In effect November 23, 2025

Message and order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to appropriate the amount of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) for the purpose of paying the cost of a feasibility study and schematic design associated with a project for the Ruth Batson Academy, formerly known as the John W. McCormick School, located at 315 Mount Vernon Street, Dorchester, MA 02125. 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. **(Docket #1690)**

¹Section 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

Unanswered Section 17F Orders²

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F re: Memoranda of Understanding between the Boston Police Department and external entities. (**Docket #1454**)

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

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

³**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.

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0154	Worrell	Durkan, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to bring NBA All-Star Weekend and the MLB All-Star Game to Boston.	1/8/2025		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0156	Worrell	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss the creation of cultural districts in Boston.	1/8/2025		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0160	Worrell	Flynn, Mejia	Order for a hearing on a proposal for a Crispus Attucks statue.	1/8/2025		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0479	Louijeune	Santana	Order for a hearing to update and replace Black Heritage Trail signage.	2/12/2025		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0614	Pepén	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to establish the Fairmount Avenue Arts and Cultural District in Hyde Park.	3/5/2025		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	1350	Mayor		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.	7/9/2025	9/29/2025	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	1351	Mayor		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.	7/9/2025	9/29/2025	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	1352	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Caitlin Gould Lowire as a Commissioner of the Boston Art Commission, for a term expiring August 1, 2029.	7/9/2025	9/29/2025	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	1370	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the goals and priorities of the Office of Arts & Culture and the Office of Tourism, Sports & Entertainment in the City of Boston.	7/9/2025		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	1443	Louijeune		Order for a hearing on equitable contracting and business opportunities for major civic and sporting events in Boston.	8/6/2025	10/10/2025	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	1444	Louijeune	Worrell, Mejia	Order for a hearing for equitable investment strategies in tourism funds in Boston.	8/6/2025	10/10/2025	

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Boston's COVID-19 Recovery	0476	Durkan	Worrell, Louijeune	Order for a hearing on Boston's distribution and implementation of COVID-19 relief funding and programs.	2/12/2025	9/25/2025	
Boston's COVID-19 Recovery	0482	Murphy		Order for a hearing to examine the impact of expiring COVID-related grant funding and other expenditures on City programs and staffing.	2/12/2025	9/25/2025	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0157	Worrell	Louijeune, Coletta	Order for a hearing regarding providing technical assistance to civic associations and outlining best practices for civic associations.	1/8/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0170	Coletta Zapata	Mejia, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss food access, sustainability, and the need for a food hub in East Boston.	1/8/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0257	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss accessibility in Boston City Hall.	1/15/2025	9/11/2025	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0308	Pepén	Santana, Weber	Order for a hearing to improve recruitment of civilian crossing guards to serve Boston families.	1/29/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0310	Pepén	Louijeune, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss the establishment of a Mattapan Square Task Force for economic and cultural growth.	1/29/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0314	Coletta Zapata	Louijeune, Worrell	Order for a hearing regarding fire emergencies and the creation of a Fire Victim Fund.	1/29/2025	7/10/2025	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0316	Durkan	Pepén, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss a pilot program for waste containerization.	1/29/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0324	Flynn	Anderson, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the notification process for abutters meeting in the City of Boston.	1/29/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0333	Santana	Durkan, Louijeune	Order for a hearing regarding gender-neutral bathrooms in City-owned buildings.	1/29/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0418	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the status of the South Boston Branch Library Study.	2/5/2025	3/24/2025	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0552	Breadon		Order for a hearing to discuss current population projections and preparation for the 2030 decennial census.	2/26/2025		

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City Services & Innovation Technology	0554	Breadon		Order for a hearing to discuss public authority-ordered towing practices in the City of Boston.	2/26/2025	8/26/2025	8/19/25-hearing canceled, 8/27/25-remains in committee
City Services & Innovation Technology	0692	Durkan		Order for a hearing to explore the role of artificial intelligence in improving city services and governance in the City of Boston	3/19/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0768	Flynn	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss water and sewer infrastructure in Chinatown and the Leather District.	4/2/2025	9/16/2025	9/17/25-remains in committee
City Services & Innovation Technology	0772	Murphy	Flynn, Pepén	Order for a hearing to assess and enhance the accessibility and safety of Boston's sidewalks for all residents.	4/2/2025	8/13/2025	7/22/25- hearing canceled
City Services & Innovation Technology	1369	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss pest control and the discovery of leptospirosis in the City of Boston.	7/9/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	1371	Murphy	Flynn, FitzGerald	Order for an expedited hearing on the City's July 4th payroll delay and its impacts on affected employees.	7/9/2025	8/14/2025	7/21/25-hearing canceled
City Services & Innovation Technology	1436	Murphy	Mejia, Flynn	Order for a hearing to assess the implementation of the City of Boston's Municipal Digital Equity Plan and explore next steps to close the digital divide.	8/6/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	1437	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing to review building safety protocols, 311 complaint response, and scaffold oversight in the City of Boston.	8/6/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	1447	Coletta Zapata		Order for a hearing to discuss electrical equipment maintenance and utility safety.	8/6/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	1448	Durkan	Coletta Zapata, Louiyeun	Order for a hearing to explore same-day put-out and pickup for non-containerized residential waste and containerization for commercial trash.	8/6/2025	10/2/2025	

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City Services & Innovation Technology	1664	Mayor		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.	9/17/2025	
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0168	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss a holistic vision for District Seven in order to redress historic racial harm and to uphold District Seven Constituents' Civil Rights.	1/8/2025	
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0172	Mejia	Louijeune, Anderson	Order for a hearing to address critical issues in jail-based voting and empower incarcerated communities to strengthen democracy.	1/8/2025	
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0184	Louijeune	Coletta Zapata, Mejia	Order for a hearing on the needs and services for recent migrant populations.	1/8/2025	
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0187	Louijeune	Worrell, Anderson	Order for a hearing on the civil rights and liberties of returning citizens and re-entry into their Boston communities.	1/8/2025	
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0188	Louijeune	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing on discrimination in lending and appraisals.	1/8/2025	
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	1670	Santana		Order for a hearing to ensure access to lifesaving online resources for LGBTQIA+ and other marginalized communities in response to proposed state and federal digital censorship legislation.	9/17/2025	
Community Preservation Act	1570	Pepén		Order to hold a meeting to interview applicants for the Community Preservation Committee.	8/27/2025	9/16/25- committee meeting, 9/17/25-remains in committee, 9/24/25-committee meeting, remains in committee

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Education	0147	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing to address growing concerns over the White Stadium Project's costs, community input, and transparency.	1/8/2025		
Education	0149	Worrell	Weber, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss BPS' plans to protect students during heat emergencies.	1/8/2025	8/13/2025	
Education	0151	Worrell		Order for a hearing to explore scholarships for Boston students to increase access to all forms of higher education.	1/8/2025		
Education	0171	Coletta Zapata	Louijeune, Santana	Order for a hearing to establish a climate change and environmental justice curriculum pilot program in Boston Public Schools.	1/8/2025		
Education	0182	Louijeune	Weber	Order for a hearing to explore the effectiveness of high-dosage tutoring and other academic recovery strategies.	1/8/2025		
Education	0235	Worrell	Murphy	Order for a hearing to examine Boston Public Schools' closures for 2026-27 and its long-term facilities plan.	1/8/2025		
Education	0265	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing to discuss the preservation of historical artifacts in Boston Public Schools slated for closure or merger.	1/15/2025	3/4/2025	3/5/25-remains in committee
Education	0267	Murphy	Flynn, FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools transportation for student athletes.	1/15/2025	2/27/2025	
Education	0313	FitzGerald	Pepén, Santana	Order for a hearing to discuss increasing access to high-quality school options for Boston Public School students in all neighborhoods.	1/29/2025		
Education	0318	Flynn	Murphy, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss financial literacy programs in Boston Public Schools.	1/29/2025	9/25/2025	
Education	0334	Santana	Mejia, Weber	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.	1/29/2025		
Education	0339	Santana		Order for the Boston City Council to hold a series of Policy Briefings with Boston Public Schools leadership.	1/29/2025		4/10, 7/17/25-policy briefing

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Education	0417	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss Holocaust and Genocide Education in Boston Public Schools.	2/5/2025		9/25/25-hearing canceled
Education	0551	Murphy		Order for a hearing regarding expanding internship opportunities for students with disabilities in Boston Public Schools.	2/26/2025	9/11/2025	
Education	0694	Louijeune	Worrell, Mejia	Order for a hearing on the creation of a Boston School Building Authority.	3/19/2025		
Education	0771	Murphy		Order for a hearing regarding the expansion of Boston Pre-K seats and the equitable distribution of City-funded seats across all neighborhoods.	4/2/2025		
Education	0905	Weber	Pepén, Durkan	Order for a hearing to discuss the impacts of social media on Boston Public School students.	4/16/2025	8/12/2025	
Education	0971	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools' New Bus Ridership Policy.	4/30/2025	8/28/2025	8/21/25-hearing canceled
Education	1101	Flynn		Order for a hearing to review the hiring, training and compliance certification of BPS Bus Drivers.	5/21/2025	8/28/2025	8/21/25-hearing canceled
Education	1282	Pepén	Louijeune, Weber	Order for a hearing regarding the Boston Public Schools Exam Schools admissions policy and proposed changes.	6/25/2025	9/29/2025	
Education	1283	Worrell	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to bring a Historically Black College or University Satellite Campus to Boston.	6/25/2025	8/26/2025	8/27/25-remains in committee
Education	1442	Mejia		Order for a hearing to review expenditures associated with the nominating panel and the school committee appointment process.	8/6/2025	8/25/2025	8/27/25-remains in committee
Education	1449	Worrell	Mejia, Breadon	Order for a hearing to explore ways of expanding and enhancing Boston's municipal early learning education center infrastructure.	8/6/2025		
Education	1635	Pepén	Santana	Order for a hearing to evaluate the performance of BPS Transportation during the first few weeks of school.	9/10/2025		

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Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0155	Worrell		Order for a hearing to create indoor playgrounds in the City of Boston.	1/8/2025		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0169	Coletta Zapata	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing regarding the implementation and funding of coastal resilience strategies and the establishment of a climate bank.	1/8/2025	3/31/2025	4/2/25-remains in committee
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0252	Flynn	Durkan	Order for a hearing to discuss expanding the urban tree canopy in District 2.	1/15/2025	5/9/2025	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0260	Worrell	Breadon	Order for a hearing to discuss the use of battery energy storage systems (BESS) in the City of Boston.	1/15/2025	3/25/2025	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0262	Durkan	Louijeune, Coletta	Order for a hearing to discuss the creation of a Parks Administrator for Downtown Parks including the Boston Common, Public Garden, Commonwealth Avenue Mall, Copley Square and Christopher Columbus Park.	1/15/2025		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0315	Coletta Zapata	Weber	Order for a hearing to assess a ban on polystyrene products in the City of Boston.	1/29/2025	7/16/2025	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0424	Murphy		Order for a hearing to assess the environmental impacts of the proposed White Stadium redevelopment on Franklin Park.	2/5/2025	6/6/2025	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0425	Murphy		Order for a hearing on the environmental preservation of Boston's historical parks and green spaces.	2/5/2025	6/6/2025	
Government Operations	0134	Worrell	Mejia	Ordinance to enhance driveway accessibility.	1/8/2025		
Government Operations	0136	Coletta Zapata	Mejia, Worrell	Ordinance establishing street food enterprises in the City of Boston Municipal Code by inserting Chapter 17, Section 22, Permitting and Regulation of non-motorized street food carts.	1/8/2025		
Government Operations	0137	Coletta Zapata		Ordinance regarding employee safety within Boston's oil terminals.	1/8/2025		3/6/25-working session, 3/12/25-remanded back to committee
Government Operations	0138	Louijeune		Ordinance codifying the Office of Returning Citizens.	1/8/2025		
Government Operations	0139	Weber	Mejia, Pepén	Ordinance preventing wage theft in the City of Boston.	1/8/2025	3/14/2025	

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Government Operations	0140	Mejia	Worrell, Anderson	Ordinance establishing the Office of Inspector General within the City of Boston.	1/8/2025		
Government Operations	0141	Mejia		Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to the Reorganization of the Boston School Committee.	1/8/2025		
Government Operations	0142	Murphy	Worrell, Flynn	Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Authorizing the City of Boston to Increase its Residential Exemption.	1/8/2025	1/27/2025	1/29/25-remains in committee
Government Operations	0145	Mejia	Worrell, Anderson	Petition for a Special Law Re: To establish the Commission of Inspectors General on Financial Management.	1/8/2025		6/5/25-hearing canceled
Government Operations	0249	Worrell	Coletta, Louijeune	Ordinance amending City of Boston Code 18-1.2B to make certificates of birth and death free.	1/15/2025		2/24/25-hearing canceled
Government Operations	0305	Fernandes Anderson		Ordinance and amendment to the Boston Municipal Code in regard to measuring racial equity in affordable housing.	1/29/2025		3/18/25-working session canceled, 3/19/25-remains in committee
Government Operations	0337	Murphy	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing regarding the transition and operations of the new City Planning Department.	1/29/2025	3/25/2025	
Government Operations	0411	Pepén	FitzGerald	Ordinance to establish a school bus violation detection monitoring system.	2/5/2025		
Government Operations	0468	Worrell		Ordinance to Establish RISE: Reshaping Inequities through Systematic Empowerment.	2/12/2025		
Government Operations	0469	Murphy	Flynn	Petition for a Special Law Re: The Use of Nondisclosure, Confidentiality, and Other Employment Agreements in the City of Boston	2/12/2025		7/8/25- hearing canceled
Government Operations	0470	Breadon	Louijeune, Pepén	Petition for a Special Law re: An Act requiring that broker fees in the City of Boston be paid by the party who solicits a licensed broker.	2/12/2025		
Government Operations	0549	Flynn		Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to Pension Benefits for Firefighter Leo J. Bracken.	2/26/2025	6/18/2025	

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Government Operations	0550	Flynn		Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to the Pension of Michael Sullivan.	2/26/2025	6/18/2025	
Government Operations	0613	Coletta Zapata		Petition for a Special Law RE: An Act Relative to the Zoning Board of Appeal.	3/5/2025	6/27/2025	
Government Operations	0765	Breadon	Louijeune, Mejia	Ordinance establishing a "Scofflaw Property Owner List."	4/2/2025		
Government Operations	0766	Breadon		Ordinance extending and enhancing protections for tenants facing displacement due to condominium or cooperative conversion in the city of Boston.	4/2/2025	9/23/2025	9/24/25-remains in committee
Government Operations	0900	Mejia		Ordinance creating a municipal identification card in the City of Boston.	4/16/2025	9/12/2025	
Government Operations	0969	Mejia	Breadon, Santana	Ordinance establishing a Transgender, Gender-diverse, Intersex, and LGBTQIA2S+ Oversight Commission.	4/30/2025	6/26/2025	6/5/25- hearing canceled
Government Operations	1059	Flynn		Ordinance Establishing A Road Safety and Community Engagement Commission to Regulate the Use of Bicycles, E-bicycles, Motorized Bicycles, and Motorized Scooters in the City of Boston.	5/14/2025		
Government Operations	1061	Louijeune	Breadon	Petition For A Special Law Re: An Act Relative To The Office of District Councilor In The City of Boston.	5/14/2025		
Government Operations	1187			Communication was received from the Elections Department pursuant to GL Chapter 53 Section 18A for your approval a citizen petition entitled "In the interest of government accountability, transparency, and accessibility, should the city of Boston establish a municipal independent Office of Inspector General" for the placement of a local nonbinding public opinion advisory question on the ballot of the next regular municipal election, which will occur on November 4, 2025.	6/4/2025		6/11/25-remains in committee
Government Operations	1206	Coletta Zapata		Ordinance amending the City of Boston code, Section 6-6.3, Schedule of Parking Fines.	6/11/2025	9/26/2025	
Government Operations	1276	Louijeune	Pepén, Worrell	Ordinance to prioritize surplus municipal property as affordable housing.	6/25/2025	8/15/2025	10/6/25-working session

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Government Operations	1277	Louijeune	Worrell, Flynn	Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to City of Boston Certified Emergency Telecommunicators.	6/25/2025	7/29/2025	
Government Operations	1431	Flynn	Murphy	Ordinance to establish an Office of Pest Control in the City of Boston.	8/6/2025		
Government Operations	1432	Santana	Murphy, Flynn	Ordinance Regarding the Safety and Efficacy of Commercial Autonomous Vehicle Operations Relative to Workers, Emergency First Responders, and Residents in the City of Boston.	8/6/2025		
Government Operations	1433	Murphy	Flynn	Ordinance Amending the City of Boston Code of Ordinances by Adding a New Provision to Chapter 23, Trash and Refusal Disposal to Require Rat-Resistant Trash Containers in Neighborhoods with High Rodent Activity.	8/6/2025		
Government Operations	1434	Santana	FitzGerald, Weber	Ordinance Codifying the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement.	8/6/2025		
Government Operations	1453	Louijeune		Order to submit a petition to the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy.	8/6/2025		
Government Operations	1667	Flynn		Ordinance amending City of Boston Code, Ordinances, 17-22, Road Safety and Accountability for Delivery Providers.	9/17/2025		
Housing & Community Development	0102	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty-Five Million Dollars (25,000,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Harvard Allston Brighton Fund grant, awarded by the Harvard Business School to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund the creation of affordable homeownership, affordable rental housing in the Allston-Brighton neighborhoods.	3/27/2024		2024-0572
Housing & Community Development	0158	Worrell	Louijeune, Pepén	Order for a hearing to address problem properties in Boston.	1/8/2025		
Housing & Community Development	0178	Worrell		Order for a hearing regarding the Homeownership Voucher program.	1/8/2025		

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Housing & Community Development	0185	Louijeune	Fernades Anderson	Order for a hearing regarding the state of anti-displacement as to Boston's Acquisition Opportunity Program.	1/8/2025		
Housing & Community Development	0251	Durkan	Santana, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to investigate the use, impact, and potential ban of algorithmic price setting in the Boston rental housing market.	1/15/2025		
Housing & Community Development	0259	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the status of the elevators at the BHA Ruth Barkley apartments.	1/15/2025	10/16/2025	
Housing & Community Development	0264	Louijeune	Worrell	Order for a hearing regarding strategies to expand homeownership programs in Boston.	1/15/2025		
Housing & Community Development	0327	Santana	Breadon, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to continue exploring strategies for developing Mixed-Income Social Housing to increase housing access and affordability for all Bostonians.	1/29/2025		
Housing & Community Development	0329	Santana	Weber, Louijeune	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.	1/29/2025		
Housing & Community Development	0474	Durkan	Santana, Breadon	Order for a hearing to assess the efficacy of the City of Boston Municipal Code's University Accountability Ordinance.	2/12/2025	6/12/2025	8/5/25-working session, 8/6/25-remains in committee
Housing & Community Development	0488	Fernandes Anderson		Resolution in support of establishing a community preference policy for affordable housing development to mitigate displacement in Boston neighborhoods.	2/12/2025		
Housing & Community Development	0769	Flynn	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's report on Boston Housing Authority.	4/2/2025	10/16/2025	
Housing & Community Development	0773	Breadon	Durkan, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss legalizing mid-rise single-stair housing in the Massachusetts State Building Code.	4/2/2025		
Housing & Community Development	1427	Mayor		Communication was received from the Mayor's Office of Housing regarding the Short-Term Rentals 2025 Report to the Boston City Council.	8/6/2025		

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Housing & Community Development	1440	Mejia	Worrell, Murphy	Order for a hearing to review public expenditures and fiscal oversight related to homeownership investments in Boston.	8/6/2025	10/9/2025	
Housing & Community Development	1634	Coletta Zapata	Durkan, Louijeune	Order for a hearing regarding ongoing challenges with the City of Boston's oversight of short-term rentals.	9/10/2025		
Housing & Community Development	1639	Santana	Weber, Pepén	Resolution urging support for the 2026 Ballot Question on Rent Stabilization to Protect Tenants in Massachusetts.	9/10/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0195	Flynn	Murphy	Resolution supporting Project Labor Agreements at White Stadium and all City of Boston construction projects valued at or more than \$35 million.	1/8/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0254	Worrell	FitzGerald, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss long-term city job vacancies.	1/15/2025	3/4/2025	3/5/25-remains in committee
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0323	Flynn	Pepén, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the impact of CORI on access to employment and other opportunities.	1/29/2025	9/22/2025	8/18/25-hearing canceled, 9/24/25-remains in committee
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0328	Santana		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.	1/29/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0416	Mejia	Weber	Order for a hearing on workforce development housing for City of Boston employees.	2/5/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0473	Weber	Mejia, Louijeune	Order for a hearing regarding biannual review of the Boston Employment Commission and the Boston Residents Jobs Policy.	2/12/2025	4/18/2025	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0693	Weber		Order for a hearing to explore how the City of Boston can hire laid-off federal workers.	3/19/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1212	Murphy	Flynn, FitzGerald	Resolution in support of extended hybrid work accommodations for Rosemarie Pessia during cancer treatment	6/11/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1285	Coletta Zapata	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing regarding reviving the "Red Shirts" program.	6/25/2025		

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Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1296	Murphy	Flynn	Resolution to call for an independent investigation into City Hall terminations, retaliation claims, and supervisory conduct.	6/25/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1618	Murphy	Flynn, FitzGerald	Hearing Order regarding Immediate Reforms to Background Checks, Sex-Offender Screening, and Ongoing Stability Reviews for City of Boston Hiring and Employment.	8/27/2025	9/22/2025	9/24/25-remains in committee
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1625	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Forty-Five Thousand One Hundred Eighty-Seven Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$1,045,187.20) in the form of a grant, for the FY25-26, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development, passed through the Economic Development & Industrial Corporation of Boston, to be administered by Office of Youth Employment Office (OYEO). The grant will fund support youth employment and development in accordance with the requirement outlined in Youthworks program administration and management guide.	9/10/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1658	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Twenty-Two Thousand Forty-One Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$222,041.20) in the form of a grant, for the WIOA Youth Activities Administration 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 will fund a program that focuses primarily on out-of-school youth, between the ages of 14-24, who face barriers to education, training, and employment.	9/17/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1659	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Seventy-Three Thousand Two Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$173,229.50) in the form of a grant, for the WIOA Adult Activities Administration 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 will fund the creation of a seamless system of adult education, workforce preparation and training services.	9/17/2025		

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Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1660	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eighty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars and Two Cents (\$89,593.02) in the form of a grant, for the Wagner Peyser Administration 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.	9/17/2025	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1691	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Nine Hundred Ninety-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Dollars and Eighty Cents (1,998,370.80) in the form of a grant, for the WIOA Youth Program Grant, awarded by the United States Department of Labor, passed through the MassHire Department of Career Services, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund a comprehensive youth employment program to serve eligible youth, ages 14-24, who face barriers to education, training and employment.	9/24/2025	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1692	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Five Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand Sixty-Five Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$1,559,065.50) in the form of a grant, for the WIOA Adult Activities, awarded by the United States Department of Labor, passed through the MassHire Department of Career Services, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund services to help job seekers access employment, education, skills training, apprenticeships and support services.	9/24/2025	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1693	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Forty Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars and Sixty-Seven Cents (\$1,040,435.67) in the form of a grant, for the Wagner Peyser Program, 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 will fund the individual reemployment needs of unemployment insurance claimants, as well as prevent and detect improper benefit payments, and application assistance for training and education resources and programs.	9/24/2025	

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Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1694	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Nine Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand Six Dollars (\$966,006.00) in the form of a grant, for the WIOA Dislocated Workers 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 will fund a program to help dislocated workers get back to work as quickly as possible and overcome barriers to employment.	9/24/2025	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1695	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eight Hundred Eighty-Four Thousand One Hundred Eleven Dollars (\$884,111.00) in the form of a grant, for the One Stop Career Center Grant, awarded by MassHire Department of Career Services to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund comprehensive career services and resources to unemployed job seekers such as reviewing job postings, career counseling and job coaching, education/skills training, and job placement assistance.	9/24/2025	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1697	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Seven Thousand Three Hundred Thirty-Four Dollars (\$107,334.00) in the form of a grant, for the WIOA Dislocation Workers Administration 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 will fund individualized career services and training services, for dislocated workers to rejoin the workforce as early as possible and overcome barriers to employment.	9/24/2025	
PILOT Agreements, Institutional & Intergovernmental Relations	0472	Flynn	Mejia	Order for a hearing to review the PILOT program in the City of Boston.	2/12/2025	
PILOT Agreements, Institutional & Intergovernmental Relations	0974	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing on fiscal transparency, equitable access, and Council oversight in the expansion of the Museum Access program.	4/30/2025	

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Planning, Development, & Transportation	0161	Durkan	Santana	Order for a hearing to explore amending the Boston Zoning Code to remove parking minimum requirements for new development.	1/8/2025		1/28/25-hearing canceled
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0266	Flynn	Santana, FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss pedestrian safety, traffic calming, and expanding the safety surge program in the City of Boston.	1/15/2025	6/9/2025	6/11/25-remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0307	Pepén	Durkan, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss ways to repair and maintain private ways.	1/29/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0309	Pepén	FitzGerald, Flynn	Order for a hearing to explore the creation of Safe School Zones to improve pedestrian safety around all schools in the City of Boston.	1/29/2025	4/3/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0311	Pepén	Mejia, Worrell	Order for a hearing to address the displacement of Bostonians as a result of new and future development.	1/29/2025	3/31/2025	4/2/25-remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0319	Flynn	Mejia, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss the proposed zoning amendment to remove the half mile buffer zone between cannabis establishments.	1/29/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0321	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the importance of the cruise industry in the City of Boston.	1/29/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0326	Mejia		Order for a hearing to examine accountability, transparency, and accessibility in administrative procedures for complying with Boston Landmarks Commission recommendations.	1/29/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0423	Murphy	Flynn, Pepén	Order for a hearing to review the effectiveness of speed humps in Boston.	2/5/2025	6/9/2025	6/11/25-remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0471	Flynn	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss requiring all micro-mobility devices to be licensed, registered and insured.	2/12/2025	2/20/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0477	Durkan	FitzGerald, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss contractor parking regulations, permitting, and enforcement in Boston.	2/12/2025	9/18/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0478	Fernandes Anderson	Mejia	Order for a hearing to evaluate alterative options for the center running bus lane on Blue Hill Avenue and Columbus Avenue.	2/12/2025		

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Planning, Development, & Transportation	0615	Flynn		Order for a hearing on regulation of Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) by the City of Boston and Boston Police Department.	3/5/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0695	Flynn		Order for a hearing to review the functionality of the Tremont Street Design Project in the South End.	3/19/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0728	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Ellen Moore as an alternate member of the Mission Hill Triangle Architectural Conservation District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2026.	4/2/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0729	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Katie Genovese as a member of the Mission Hill Triangle Architectural Conservation District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2026.	4/2/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0730	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Garry Walling as a member of the Mission Hill Triangle Architectural Conservation District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2025.	4/2/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0731	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Patricia Tongue Edraos as an alternate member of the Mission Hill Triangle Architectural Conservation District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2025.	4/2/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0767	Flynn	Murphy, FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss transportation planning within the Article 80 Development Review Process.	4/2/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0972	Weber	Pepén, Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss making neighborhood streets safer following the 30-day review of streets projects in Boston.	4/30/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0973	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss implementation of the seven nights per week Residential Parking Only Policy in South Boston.	4/30/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1018	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss repainting Summer Street Bus Lane.	5/7/2025	

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Planning, Development, & Transportation	1058	Coletta Zapata		Ordinance expediting the review of coastal resilient projects by amending Article 25A, Resilience Review, in the zoning code of the City of Boston.	5/14/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1103	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the community engagement process for installing EV Charging Stations in the City of Boston.	5/21/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1131	Murphy	FitzGerald, Flynn	Emergency hearing order regarding traffic safety at the intersection of Dorchester Avenue, Roseclair Street & Mt. Vernon Street.	5/21/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1141	Durkan	Flynn, Coletta Zapata	Order for a hearing to Evaluate Autonomous Vehicle Operations in Boston.	6/4/2025	7/24/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1207	Murphy		Order for a hearing to review the traffic and parking management plan for White Stadium game days.	6/11/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1281	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the community process to designate the Boston Fish Pier as a landmark.	6/25/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1297	Durkan		Resolution declaring the Boston City Council's support of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Shadow Regulations as affirmed by session law.	6/25/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1353	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Norm Stembridge as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeal, for a term expiring May 1, 2028.	7/9/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1354	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Rob Steinberg as a member of the St. Botolph Architectural Conservation District Commission, for a term expiring June 20, 2026.	7/9/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1373	Durkan	Pepén, Coletta Zapata	Order for a hearing to explore the inclusion of pollinator corridors as part of sustainable development.	7/9/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1412	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of J. Celina Barrios-Millner as a Member of the Zoning Board of Appeal, for a term expiring May 1, 2028.	8/6/2025		

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Planning, Development, & Transportation	1413	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of J. Anabela Gomes as a Member of the Zoning Board of Appeal, for a term expiring May 1, 2028.	8/6/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1450	Weber	Pepén, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss next steps to improve street safety on the northern stretch of Hyde Park Avenue from Walk Hill Street to the Arborway.	8/6/2025	10/6/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1459	Murphy	Flynn	Resolution in support of Massachusetts House Bill 3731 (H.3731), "An Act to Enhance Pedestrian Safety".	8/6/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1568	Breadon	Durkan	Order for a hearing to discuss improvements to Cleveland Circle.	8/27/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1632	Santana	Durkan, Pepén	Order for a hearing regarding legalizing Triple-Deckers and other 2- to 4-unit housing in the City of Boston.	9/10/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1718	Santana	Pepén, Durkan	Order for a hearing regarding legalizing Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) in every neighborhood in the City of Boston.	9/24/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0105	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of William Harry Shipps, as a member of the Audit Committee, for a term expiring November 9, 2029.	11/20/2024		(2024-1687), 3/13/25- hearing revised
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0173	Mejia	Pepén	Order for a hearing to audit the distribution of local, state, and federal grants to small businesses.	1/8/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0174	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit government transparency and accountability towards surveillance equipment.	1/8/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0175	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's procurement processes, procedures and progress.	1/8/2025	7/24/2025	
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0176	Mejia	Worrell, Anderson	Order for a hearing on government accountability, transparency, and accessibility of decision making protocols in city government.	1/8/2025	1/21, 1/22, 6/10/25	

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Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0177	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's hiring, firing and promotion policies, practices and procedures.	1/8/2025	1/24/2025	
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0180	Worrell	Meija	Order for a hearing regarding equity in City contracts.	1/8/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0415	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the 2024 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.	2/5/2025	3/20/25, 3/27/25	2/20, 3/10/25-hearing canceled
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0475	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to review and evaluate the Boston City Council's legislative impact on District 7 residents and its collaboration with the administration on projects in District 7 to identify areas for improvement.	2/12/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0480	Mejia	Worrell	Order for a hearing to evaluate the year-to-date financial performance of the FY2025 operating budget.	2/12/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0481	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the financial impact of the Boston Police Department's compliance with City of Boston code section 11-1.1.	2/12/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	1102	Murphy		Order for a hearing to review the management and oversight of the Boston Main Streets programs and the preliminary findings of the Wolf & Company audit.	5/21/2025	8/7/2025	7/16/25-hearing canceled
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	1284	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the Boston Fire Department hiring process and practices.	6/25/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	1439	Mejia	Worrell	Order for a hearing to audit child care investments and the financial stability of Family Child Care providers.	8/6/2025	9/18/2025	
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	1446	Mejia		Order for a hearing to review past expenditures through quarterly updates on the FY2026 operating budget.	8/6/2025		

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Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	1567	Mejia		Order for a hearing to review the City of Boston's use of federal and state grant funds.	8/27/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	1719	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit and review capital budget allocations and expenditures.	9/24/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0100	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Sandro Galea, as a member of the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health for a term expiring on January 26, 2026.	2/7/2024		2024-0286
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0306	Pepén	Louijeune	Order for a hearing on health access in Hyde Park.	1/29/2025	6/12/2025	3/20/25-hearing canceled
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0330	Santana	Breadon, Coletta	Order for a hearing regarding LGBTQIA+ youth and young adult homelessness in the city of Boston.	1/29/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0331	Santana	Anderson, Weber	Order for a hearing regarding Boston LGBTQIA+ youth community spaces and their public health benefits.	1/29/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0332	Santana	FitzGerald, Coletta	Order for a hearing regarding Boston's LGBTQIA+ mental health data collection processes, existing services, and further community needs.	1/29/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0422	Murphy	FitzGerald, Flynn	Order for a hearing to discuss the immediate reinstatement of and sustainable funding for the Community Syringe Redemption Program.	2/5/2025	4/1/2025	3/13/25-hearing canceled, 4/2/25-remains in committee
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0858	Worrell	Flynn, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss opioid-related overdose deaths in the older Black population in the City of Boston.	4/9/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0860	Flynn		Resolution in support of S.1042, "An Act relative to Life Saving Treatment."	4/9/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0975	Breadon		Order for a hearing to discuss the availability of cooling centers in the city of Boston during extreme heat emergencies.	4/30/2025		

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Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1063	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Health Commission's "Health of Asian Residents in Boston" Report.	5/14/2025		7/31/25-hearing canceled
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1346	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Nine Dollars and Eighty-Six Cents (\$262,908.86) in the form of a grant, for the FY26 DMH CIT TTAC Grant, awarded by the MA Department of Mental Health to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund the implementation of 4-hour Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training for officers under the umbrella of BPD Street Outreach Unit.	7/9/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1368	FitzGerald	Flynn, Murphy	Order for a hearing regarding the creation of a regional substance use disorder and mental health fund to address the Mass & Cass crisis.	7/9/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1372	Murphy	FitzGerald, Flynn	Order for a hearing regarding the modernization of the Boston EMS dispatch phone system.	7/9/2025	7/31/2025	
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1445	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss security at high-rise garages in the City of Boston.	8/6/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1451	Durkan	Weber, Santana	Order for a hearing to examine the impact of federal cuts to SNAP and Medicaid on Boston residents.	8/6/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1452	Durkan	Worrell, Santana	Order for a hearing to explore melanoma detection training for beauty and wellness professionals.	8/6/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1457	Flynn		Resolution to declare Mass & Cass and Impacted Neighborhoods a Public Safety and Public Health Emergency and a Humanitarian Crisis.	8/6/2025	9/4/2025	
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1566	Louijeune	Durkan	Order for a hearing regarding nitrous oxide abuse and its impact on community health and safety.	8/27/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0128	Mayor		Communication was received from the Police Commissioner Michael A. Cox in accordance with Section 3 of the Boston Trust Act regarding civil immigration detainer results for calendar year 2024.	1/8/2025	3/10/2025	3/6/25 hearing canceled, 3/12/25-remains in committee

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0153	Worrell	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to explore the summer community plan.	1/8/2025	.	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0163	Murphy	Flynn, Pepén	Order for a hearing to discuss enhanced public safety measures during large events in Boston.	1/8/2025	1/28/25, 2/13/25	1/29/25-remains in committee
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0164	Flynn	Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss 2024 crime statistics.	1/8/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0167	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss resources for the Boston Police Crime Laboratory.	1/8/2025	9/15/2025	9/17/25-remains in committee
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0186	Louijeune	Worrell	Order for a hearing on a cross-sector collaborative citywide strategy for community safety and violence prevention.	1/8/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0256	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss discrepancies in Boston's 2024 detainer requests.	1/15/2025		3/6/25 hearing canceled
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0322	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss ways to ensure operations of the 911 system and contingency plans in case of a 911 system outage.	1/29/2025	9/23/2025	9/24/25-remains in committee
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0335	Santana	Worrell, Flynn	Order for a hearing regarding all City of Boston grants administered by the Boston Fire Department.	1/29/2025	4/25/2025	3/17/25-hearing canceled
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0336	Santana	Worrell, Flynn	Order for a series of hearings regarding all City of Boston grants administered by the Boston Police Department.	1/29/2025		5/23/25-hearing canceled
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0412	Santana		Order for a hearing regarding the public safety requirements and possible locations for a new Emergency Operations Center in the City of Boston.	2/5/2025		3/18/25-hearing canceled
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0413	Santana		Order for a hearing regarding all City of Boston grants administered by the Office of Emergency Management, including the Urban Area Security Initiative Grant and Emergency Management Performance Grant.	2/5/2025	3/27/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0414	Mejia	Louijeune, Pepén	Order for a hearing to audit the implementation and effectiveness of the 2014 Boston Trust Act.	2/5/2025	3/10/2025	3/12/25-remains in committee

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0421	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing to discuss public safety and police staffing in Boston.	2/5/2025	3/13/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0847	Mayor		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		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0857	Santana	FitzGerald, Flynn	Order for a hearing to discuss public safety and public health updates related to the crises of mental health, substance use, and homelessness and housing instability concentrated in the area of Massachusetts Avenue and Melnea Cass Boulevard.	4/9/2025		6/9/25-hearing canceled
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0903	Santana	Worrell	Order for the Boston City Council to hold a policy briefing on the public safety and criminal justice implementation and impacts in the City of Boston of the "Shield Law," known formally as "A Massachusetts Act Expanding Protections for Reproductive and Gender-Affirming Care".	4/16/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0978	Pepén		Order to adopt Chapter 270 of the Acts of 2024 regarding local law enforcement continuity between the City of Boston and the Town of Dedham.	4/30/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1017	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss establishing a drone policy in the City of Boston.	5/7/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1062	Santana	Flynn, 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.	5/14/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1355	Mayor		Message and order for your review the City of Boston's 2024 Annual Surveillance Report pursuant to the Ordinance on Surveillance Oversight and Information sharing, Boston City Code Section 16-63.3 (b)(3) (the "Ordinance").	7/9/2025	8/11/2025	

2025 Matters in Committee

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1400	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Million Nine Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$3,966,900.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY26 Safe and Successful Youth Initiative Grant, awarded by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund a comprehensive, interagency strategy that connects law enforcement, employment, education, public health and youth development agencies to reduce youth violence in the Commonwealth.	8/6/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1409	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars and One Cent (\$10,000.01) in the form of a grant, for the FY23 National Violent Death Reporting System, awarded by the MA Department of Public Health to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund data collection by the Bureau of Investigative Services and the Drug Control Unit.	8/6/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1548	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Million One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$4,125,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY26 Public Safety Answering Point Support and Incentive Grant, awarded by MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund costs associated with providing Enhanced 911 services.	8/27/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1549	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Six Dollars and Thirty-Two Cents (\$528,156.32) in the form of a grant, for the FY26 State 911 Training Grant, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund the training and certification of Enhanced 911 telecommunications staff.	8/27/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1564	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss appropriate uses of Boston 311 and 9-1-1 emergency.	8/27/2025	

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1565	Santana		Order for a hearing regarding how the Boston Police Department collects, uses, protects, and shares information that may be requested by external entities.	8/27/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1569	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss an investigation into the breakdown of the Boston Police Department's main radio channel.	8/27/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1661	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00) in the form of a grant for the DMH FY26 Co-Response Grant, awarded by the MA Department of Mental Health to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund one full-time recovery coach through BEST.	9/17/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1662	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY26 DMH Training Grant, awarded by the MA Department of Mental Health to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund overtime costs to backfill the Crisis Intervention Team training and other mental health training for officers.	9/17/2025		
Rules & Administration	0162	Murphy		Order for a hearing regarding the use of nondisclosure, confidentiality, and any and all other types of employment agreements	1/8/2025	1/31/2025	
Rules & Administration	0420	Santana		Order for a hearing to explore ways to increase community engagement and better facilitate public participation for Boston City Council Hearings.	2/5/2025		
Rules & Administration	0616	Murphy		Order for a hearing to discuss and establish guidelines for the filing and adoption of Council Resolutions.	3/5/2025		7/14/25-committee meeting
Rules & Administration	0904	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss creating an Oversight Committee on Accountability and Compliance on the Boston City Council.	4/16/2025		
Rules & Administration	0976	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss adding State Oversight on Statement of Financial Interests (SFIs).	4/30/2025		

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Rules & Administration	0977	Murphy		Order for a hearing regarding procedures following a vacancy in the office of District City Councilor.	4/30/2025		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0150	Worrell	Louijeune, Mejia	Order for a hearing to review the distribution of Boston's 225 new liquor licenses and provide ongoing support to restaurateurs.	1/8/2025		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0152	Worrell		Order for a hearing regarding barriers to business.	1/8/2025		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0159	Worrell		Order for a hearing to review and establish a "Business Owner 101" program for grant recipients.	1/8/2025		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0263	Durkan		Order for a hearing to explore the creation of a City Wide Merchandise Licensing Program.	1/15/2025		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0770	Louijeune	Weber, Pepén	Order for a hearing regarding support for Boston's Main Streets organizations.	4/2/2025		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	1633	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss retail theft and the impact on small businesses and residents in the City of Boston.	9/10/2025		
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0183	Louijeune	Coletta Zapata, Durkan	Order for a hearing regarding the City of Boston's response to sexual assault, domestic violence, and related resources for survivors.	1/8/2025	4/24/2025	
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0261	Weber	FitzGerald, Worrell	Order for a hearing to address programming needs for older adults in the City of Boston.	1/15/2025	3/28/2025	
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0268	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing to address the plans underway to do facilities work this summer at several of our buildings that may impact the services we provide.	1/15/2025	2/25/2025	2/26/25-remains in committee
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0317	Flynn	Mejia, Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss elderly scamming.	1/29/2025	2/13/2025	2/11/25-hearuing canceled
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0821	Murphy		Order for an emergency hearing to address incidents at The Future BOS Youth Jobs & Resource Fair and to reschedule the event promptly.	4/2/2025		

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Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	1438	Murphy	Flynn, Meija	Order for a hearing regarding the status and future of the Blackstone Community Center Pool.	8/6/2025		
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0165	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the process of establishing Hero Squares in the City of Boston.	1/8/2025	2/28/2025	
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0166	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss services for women veterans.	1/8/2025	3/21/2025	
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0253	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss the goals and priorities of the City of Boston's Office of Veteran Services.	1/15/2025		3/21/25-hearing revised
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0255	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss new cancer presumptions announced by the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs.	1/15/2025	3/21/2025	
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0312	FitzGerald	Flynn, Murphy	Order for a hearing to establish a hometown military hero banner program.	1/29/2025	2/28/2025	
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0320	Flynn	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to discuss the lung cancer rates among Black Veterans.	1/29/2025	3/21/2025	
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0722	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twelve Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-One Dollars (\$12,881.00) in the form of a grant, for the Jobs for Veterans' State Grant, awarded by the United States Department of Labor, passed through the United States Department of Labor, passed through the MassHire Department of Career Services, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will 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.	4/2/2025		
Ways & Means	0148	Worrell	Weber, Meija	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools' FY26 Budget.	1/8/2025	2/18/25, 3/24/25	2/3, 2/24, 3/3/25-working session, 2/5, 2/26, 3/5/25-remains in committee, 2/13/25-hearing rescheduled

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Ways & Means	0179	Louijeune		Order for a hearing to discuss efforts to cancel medical debt.	1/8/2025		
Ways & Means	0250	Durkan	Coletta Zapata	Order for a hearing regarding the feasibility and impact of a Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Tax in Boston.	1/15/2025		
Ways & Means	0269	Murphy	FitzGerald, Weber	Order for a hearing to discuss residential property values and the assessing process.	1/15/2025	1/27/2025	1/29/25-remains in committee
Ways & Means	0325	Worrell	Weber	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston's FY26 budget.	1/29/2025	2/18, 2/27, 3/24/25	2/10, 3/17, 3/26/25-working session, 2/13/25-hearing rescheduled, 2/12, 3/19/25-remains in committee
Ways & Means	0419	Flynn	Murpjhhy	Order for a hearing to discuss tax exemptions for long-term residents age 55 & above and essential municipal employees.	2/5/2025		
Ways & Means	0553	Breadon	Worrell, Mejia	Order for a hearing to review capital planning, budgeting, and project management practices in the capital program of the City of Boston.	2/26/2025		
Ways & Means	1054	Mayor		Communication was received from Scott Finn, City Auditor, transmitting a list of FY25 reallocations made by the Mayor prior to April 15, 2025, for the purpose of continuing operations.	5/14/2025		
Ways & Means	1563	Pepén	Weber, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to review federal funds received by the City of Boston and discuss the establishment of a task force to prevent or mitigate funding cuts.	8/27/2025		
Ways & Means	1669	Worrell	Santana, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools' FY27 Budget.	9/17/2025		

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	1690	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to appropriate the amount of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) for the purpose of paying the cost of a feasibility study and schematic design associated with a project for the Ruth Batson Academy, formerly known as the John W. McCormick School, located at 315 Mount Vernon Street, Dorchester, MA 02125. 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.	9/24/2025	10/2/2025	
Whole	0181	Louijeune	Pepén, Murphy	Order for a hearing regarding voter accessibility and election preparedness.	1/8/2025		
Whole	0585	Murphy	Flynn	Order for an emergency hearing to discuss the state receivership of Boston Elections Commission.	2/26/2025	5/2/2025	
Whole	0911	Murphy		Resolution calling for the prompt scheduling of a special election to fill the vacancy in District 7.	4/16/2025		
Whole	1068	Murphy	Flynn	Resolution in support of ethical leadership and a Council vote on the status of Councilor Tania Fernandes Anderson.	5/14/2025		

Official Resolution

presented by

**Boston City Councilor At-Large
Henry Santana**

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

Breaktime

In recognition of:

Your tireless commitment to ending young adult homelessness, we proudly congratulate Breaktime on the Grand Opening of your new Hub at 63 Franklin Street. By providing job training, financial empowerment, and wraparound support, you are building pathways of dignity, stability, and opportunity for Boston's young adults.

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

presented by

Councilor At-Large Henry Santana

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

Neil Sullivan

In recognition of:

Your devoted leadership and service as Director of the Boston Private Industry Council, we thank you for your unwavering commitment to ensuring access, opportunity, and success for Boston's youth. Your vision has strengthened pathways from high school to college and careers, expanded summer jobs and internships, and built lasting partnerships between schools, employers, and communities. Through decades of advocacy, you have uplifted generations, leaving a legacy of equity and empowerment. As you retire, we extend our deepest gratitude for all you have done to champion young people and transform Boston's workforce future.

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

presented by

**Boston City Councilor At-Large
Henry Santana**

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

WinninAgainstAddiction

In recognition of:

Your five years of unwavering community support, we proudly celebrate #WinninAgainstAddiction at this year's Gala. Through vital services such as clothing donations and essential resources, your dedication has brought hope, healing, and strength to countless lives. Your impact continues to uplift and inspire our community.

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

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

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

Sister Joyce McMullen

In Recognition of:

**Her Many Decades of Dedicated Service and Unwavering
Commitment to the Residents of Columbia Point/Harbor
Point**

***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



Official Resolution of Councilor Benjamin Weber

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

Sherrill House

In Recognition of:

Opening an on-site Dialysis Den on Tuesday, September 23, 2025 at 135 South Huntington Avenue in Jamaica Plain.

Be it further Resolved that Councilor Benjamin J. Weber and the Boston City Council extends its gratitude for the services that Sherrill House provides to the Jamaica Plain community; that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.



By: Ruthzee Loujaune
President of the City Council

Attest: Alex Guintas
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Ben Weber

Date: September 22, 2025

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

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

COMMUNITY WORK SERVICES

IN RECOGNITION OF:

Your 148 years of service to Boston residents in providing hands-on training and support to people who face barriers while obtaining employment. Thank you for helping our residents achieve self-sufficiency through innovative job training and placement. Community Work Services plays an integral role in a global network of non-profit agencies dedicated to advancing the economic and social well-being of the disadvantaged. We commend you for all of your hard work to help our undersupported communities gain independence!

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



By: Ruthyee Loujaune
President of the City Council

Attest: Dessie Beecher
Asst. Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Edward M. Flynn

Date: August 25, 2025,

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

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

RICHARD WELCH

In Recognition of:

In honor of your 83rd birthday this September 12th, 2025, the City of Boston celebrates South Boston's own. Born in 1942, you graduated from South Boston High School where you met your wife, Frances. While working tirelessly as a printer, you were a devoted husband and father to three wonderful daughters. A dedicated supporter of South Boston's Veteran's Post #6536, you have always committed yourself to your community. Happy 83rd Birthday Richard!

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

By: _____
President of the City Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: _____

Date: _____

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

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

MASSACHUSETTS ASIAN RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION

IN RECOGNITION OF:

The 2025 MARA Annual Gala. Thank you for your commitment to creating professional leadership and providing Asian restaurants the resources and guidance to thrive in the industry. This year's theme "Asian Food Festival" highlights a family driven and wide community engaging approach, reflecting the core values of our rich culture. May you continue to have great success!

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

By: _____
President of the City Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: _____

Date: _____

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

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

BAY VILLAGE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

IN RECOGNITION OF:

Today's 53rd annual neighborhood block party! We commend your dedication to organizing meetings, special events and bringing residents and businesses together. Thank you for your continued advocacy for issues in your historic neighborhood. Your dedication to serving the community for over 50 years has made the City of Boston a better place to live.

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



By: Ruthzee Loujane
President of the City Council

Attest: Alex Grantes
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: _____

Date: _____

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

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

OUR LADY OF CZESTOCHOWA PARISH

IN RECOGNITION OF:

Today's Polish Harvest Festival! Your commitment to showcasing your rich traditions and culture not only highlights the beauty of your heritage but also strengthens our community bonds. The Lady of Czestochowa Parish holds immense value for us in serving the Polish immigrant community. Thank you for being great neighbors, and for sharing this special celebration with us; your contributions make our city a brighter and more diverse place.

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



By: Ruthzee Loujeune
President of the City Council

Attest: Alex Siantos
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: _____

Date: _____

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

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

JOEY ARCARI

IN RECOGNITION OF:

Your well-deserved honor as recipient of the Small Business Leadership Award by the South Boston Chamber and South Boston Neighborhood Development Corporation at the 25th Annual South Boston Street Fest! Thank you for your many years of generosity and contributions to our South Boston nonprofits, youth sports organizations, and quietly helping neighbors in need with little fanfare behind the scenes. We commend your continued dedication to being an upstanding philanthropist, a good neighbor, and friend to the South Boston community.

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

By: _____
President of the City Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: _____

Date: _____

City of Boston

IN

CITY COUNCIL



OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

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

COLIN'S JOY PROJECT

In Recognition of:

Your continued dedication to create safe spaces for the children of Boston to enjoy and enhance the community. Your devotion to making joy for the families in our community across the City of Boston has made a deep and meaningful impact on our City. Thank you for letting all of us share in Colin's legacy. Your mission to enhance our City's play spaces and funding family programming in South Boston has added greatly to our City and shown great commitment to your community and neighbors.

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

By: _____
President of the City Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: _____

Date: _____

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution of Councilor Benjamin Weber

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

Eagle Scout Bryce Mitchell Johnson

In Recognition of:

Officially earning the rank of an Eagle Scout, during a ceremony at Holy Name Parish on October 4, 2025.

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



By: Ruthzee Loujane
President of the City Council

Attest: Alex Sventas
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Ben Weber

Date: September 26, 2025

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution of Councilor Benjamin Weber

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

Marlin Ventura, Owner of Pa'Kalle 2.0

In Recognition of:

Opening your urban appeal and streetwear business at 3137A Washington Street in Egleston Square.

Be it further Resolved that Councilor Benjamin J. Weber and the Boston City Council extends its best wishes to owner Marlin Ventura; that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.



By: Ruthzee Loujaune
President of the City Council

Attest: Alvin Givintas
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: B. W.

Date: September 26, 2025

City of Boston

IN

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Official Resolution

of Councilor Benjamin Weber

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council

extends its Congratulations to:

Isaac E. Bargas, Owner of Prenda Ideal

In Recognition of:

Opening your fine jewelry boutique at 3137 Washington Street in Egleston Square.

Be it further Resolved that Councilor Benjamin J. Weber and the Boston City Council extends its best wishes to owner Isaac E. Bargas; that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.



By:

Anthony F. J. Fournier

President of the City Council

Attest:

Oliver Stoughton

Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by:

Ben

Date:

September 26, 2015

OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY CITY COUNCILOR

BRIAN WORRELL

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

Brooks Select Wine & Spirits

**Upon its second anniversary in Boston, and for serving the community as a locally
owned liquor store, the first solely owned by a Caribbean woman.**

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.

City of Boston
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CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution

Presented by Councilor At-Large Erin J. Murphy

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

WILLIAM “BILL” SMITH

In Recognition of:

Bill’s unwavering dedication to the Ward 20 Democratic Committee and to his community. A true leader in West Roxbury, Bill is a regular presence at the State Democratic Convention and at countless city events, always ready to lend a helping hand. As an attorney, he generously shares his legal expertise to guide the Ward 20 Caucus, a cornerstone of our committee’s work. His leadership, commitment, and service strengthen our neighborhood and our city.

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 a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: _____
President of the City Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City Council

Offered by: _____

Date: _____ 149

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution

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

In Recognition of:

Placing 1st overall for female runners in the Mission Hill Road Race; and

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



By: Ruthzee Loujaune
President of the City Council

Attest: Alex Fontana
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Sharon Derfen

Date: September 27, 2025

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



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By: Ruthzee Loujaune
President of the City Council

Attest: Alex Fontana
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Sharon Derfen

Date: September 27, 2025

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



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By: Ruthzee Loujaune
President of the City Council

Attest: Alex Fontana
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Sharon Derfen

Date: September 27, 2025

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



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By: Ruthzee Loujeune

President of the City Council

Attest: Alex Gontas

Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Sharon Derken

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