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CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

**ORDINANCE MANDATING ANNUAL REPORTING OF
STREETS PROJECTS**

WHEREAS, The City of Boston has made numerous commitments to improve pedestrian and street safety, reduce emissions in accordance with climate goals, and expand the City's multimodal and accessible transportation networks, as reflected in such documents as the *Vision Zero Action Plan* and *Go Boston 2030*; *and*

WHEREAS, Implementation of ambitious and thoughtful infrastructure projects is required to fulfill the City's commitments to safe street design and sustainable and accessible transportation ; *and*

WHEREAS, It is important for residents to understand how the City uses taxpayer funds to finance the fulfillment of its commitments with short and long term projects; *and*

WHEREAS, Robust and recurring reporting by the City's Streets Cabinet, the Boston Transportation Department, and the Public Works Department will demonstrate to residents how the City is using its resources to reach its goals and provide accountability and transparency; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

ORDERED: That the Boston Municipal Code is hereby amended by inserting the following Section to Chapter 5, Section 5.34A:

5-5.34A - Annual Reporting of Streets Projects

a. *Definitions.*

Annual Report shall mean a report created and released on a yearly basis that details the acts of the Department, including financial and operational activities and information.

Streets Projects shall mean all streets, mobility, and transportation-related projects that fall under the jurisdiction of the City of Boston's Streets Cabinet, the City of Boston Transportation Department, and/or the City of Boston Public Works Department. This definition shall also include those projects that are led or managed by external agencies, that require coordination with the City of Boston's Streets Cabinet, the City of Boston Transportation Department, and/or the City of Boston Public Works Department.

Annual Reporting.

1. The City of Boston Office of Budget Management (the ‘Department’), in coordination with relevant City department(s), shall issue and transmit to the Mayor and City Council an annual report.
 2. By January 27, 2027, and by the last Wednesday of January of every year thereafter, the Department shall transmit the annual report to the Mayor and the City Council and shall post this report clearly and prominently on the Department’s website.
- b. *Contents of the Annual Report.*
1. The Annual Report shall include the following:
 - i. An analysis on the management of streets projects
 - ii. A budget analysis of streets projects
 2. *Project Management Analysis*
 - i. The analysis of project management shall include the following:
 - i. A list of all streets projects, including those that are active, incomplete, paused, and/or planned; information on the current status, scope, and expected completion date for all streets projects; and information on work conducted to date for each streets project, including completed and planned community engagement efforts, conducted studies, and collaboration with relevant agencies.
 - ii. Specification of any temporarily or permanently paused and/or cancelled streets projects. For each such project, a project description, the cause of the project’s pause or cancellation, and details on any progress or work completed to date shall be included in this analysis.
 3. *The Budget Analysis*
 - i. The budget analysis shall include the following:
 - i. Total estimated cost for each streets project; a schedule of funding allocated and expended across fiscal years for each streets project; planned allocations and expenditures for each streets project in future fiscal years; and origin of all funding sources for each streets project. For all funding sources, the report shall make clear any conditions attached to the funding including the source of the external funding, the amount of external funding, any and all deadlines attached to the funding.
 - ii. This report shall also include: a list of any temporarily or permanently paused and/or cancelled streets projects infrastructure and design projects under the jurisdiction of the City with allocated, dedicated, or planned funding. The report shall include, for every project, the lead agency for each project, the current status of each project, the cause of the pause or cancellation, details on any progress or work completed, an estimation of funds already expended, and details on the status of any funds allocated, dedicated, or planned for the project including any details on reallocation of funds to other City projects.

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