

March 20, 2024

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Boston was held in the Christopher A. Iannella Chamber, City Hall on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 12:07 P.M.

President Louijeune in the Chair. All Councilors Present.

Father Broderick Walsh, The Paulist Center, delivered the invocation and the meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

President Louijeune moved to adopt the minutes from the March 13, 2024 meeting. Motion Prevailed.

Message and order for your approval a home rule petition to the General Court entitled "Petition for a Special Law Re: An Act Relative to the Creation of a Branch of the Boston Public Library within an Affordable Housing Development in the Downtown Section of the City of Boston." Filed in Office of the City Clerk on March 18, 2024. Referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

Message and order for your approval, an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Seven Million Seven Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand One Hundred and Ninety-Three Dollars (\$7,767,193.00) to provide funding for the Boston Police Department for the FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Boston Police Detectives Benevolent Society.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston Police Department in the amount of Seven Million Seven Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars (\$7,767,193.00) to cover the FY24 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Boston Police Detectives Benevolent Society. The terms of the contract are July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023 and July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025. The major provisions for the contract include base wage increases of 2%, 2%, 1%, and 2.5% to be given in July of each fiscal year of the contract term as well as the addition of the Transitional Career in July 2023. The contract also contains reforms relating to discipline, officer return to duty, paid detail system, and union release.

Filed in Office of the City Clerk on March 18, 2024. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

- Message and order for your approval, an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Thirty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Four Dollars (\$34.294.00) to provide funding for a city department for the FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Office and Professional Employees International Union, Local 6. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.
- Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for a city department in the amount of Thirty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Four Dollars (\$34,294.00) to cover the FY24 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Office and Professional Employees International Union, Local 6. The terms of the contract are July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027. The major provisions for the contract include base wage increases of 2% to be given in October of each fiscal year of the contract term and flat amounts of \$500, \$250, \$900, and \$800 to be added to annual salaries in January of each fiscal year.

Filed in Office of the City Clerk on March 18, 2024. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

- Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Senam Kumahia as a member of the Bay Village Historic District Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2025.
 Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Franklin Ross as a member of the Back Bay Architectural District Commission, for a term expiring March 18, 2029.
 Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Fadi Samaha as a member of the Highland Park Architectural Conservation District Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2025.
 Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Celina Barrios-Millner as a member of the Highland Park Architectural Conservation District Commission, for a term expiring February 5, 2027.
 Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Lindsey Marie Mac-Jones as a Commissioner of the Boston Landmarks Commission, for a term expiring March 18, 2027.
 Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of John Amodeo as a Commissioner of the Boston Landmarks Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2024.
 Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Fadi Samaha as a Commissioner of the Boston Landmarks Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2025.
 Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.

- Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Celina Barrios-Millner as a Commissioner of the Boston Landmarks Commission, for a term expiring February 5, 2027.
 Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- Message and order for the confirmation of the re-appointment of Michael Woodall as a member of the Boston Water and Sewer Commission, for a term expiring January 3, 2028.Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Mariama White-Hammond, as a member of the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately.

 Placed on file.
- 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 March 6, 2024.

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 Communication was received by the City Clerk from the Boston Landmarks
 Commission for City Council action on the designation of The Blue Cross
 Blue Shield Building, 133 Federal Street, Boston, MA, as a Landmark (in
 effect after April 20, 2024 if not acted upon).
 Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- O547 Communication was received by the City Clerk from the Boston Landmarks Commission for City Council action on the designation of The Hutchinson Building, 29 Bromfield Street, Boston, MA, as a Landmark (in effect after April 20, 2024 if not acted upon).

 Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- O548 Communication was received by the City Clerk of the filing by the Boston Residency Compliance Commission regarding the Updated Annual Report (January thru December 2022).

 Placed on file.
- O549 Communication was received from Nicholas Ariniello, Assessing
 Commissioner, of the appointment of Kidani Abadi as Director of Assessor
 Services for the Personal Property Unit.
 Placed on file.
- O550 Communication was received by the City Clerk of the filing by the Boston Planning and Development Agency regarding "Proposed Minor Modification to the Washington Park Urban Renewal Area, Project No. Mass.R-24, with respect to L-49 and L-50."

 Placed on file.

Councilor Gabriela Coletta, on behalf of the Committee on Government Operations, submitted the following:

- **0171** On the Home Rule Petition, referred on January 24, 2024, Docket #0171, To Ensure Future Inauguration Dates Do Not Fall on a Federal Holiday, the committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass in a new draft.
 - The report was accepted; the petition was passed in a new draft; yeas 11, nays 2 (Flynn, Murphy).
- 0257 Message and order for your approval an Ordinance creating the Planning Department in the City of Boston. Remains in the Committee on Government Operations.
- <u>0256</u> Message and order for your approval an Ordinance amending City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 12, Section 12-3.5, Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-Off Abatement.

Remains in the Committee on Government Operations.

Councilor Worrell, on behalf of the Committee on Ways & Means, submitted the following:

- 0338 On the message and order, referred on February 14, 2024, Docket #0338, an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by One Million Two Hundred and Three Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-One Dollars (\$1,203,751.00) to provide funding for various City Departments for the FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees, Council 93, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass. The rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.
- 0339 On the message and order, referred on February 14, 2024, Docket #0339, a supplemental appropriation Order for various departments for the FY24 in the amount of One Million Two Hundred and Three Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-One Dollars (\$1,203,751.00) to cover the FY24 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees, Council 93. The terms of the contract are July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027. The major provisions for the contract include base wage increases of 2% to be given in July of each fiscal year of the contract term and flat amounts of \$500, \$250, \$900, and \$800 to be added to annual salaries in January of each fiscal year. The agreement also includes changes to personal days, an increase in the clothing allowance and training funds, and increases to certain differentials, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

The rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.

0340 On the message and order, referred on February 14, 2024, Docket #0340, an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Six Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars (\$647,254.00) to provide funding for various City Departments for the FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Service Employees International Union, Local 888, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass. The rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.

- 0341 On the message and order, referred on February 14, 2024, Docket #0341, a supplemental appropriation Order for various departments for the FY24 in the amount of Six Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars (\$647,254.00) to cover the FY24 cost items contained with the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Service Employees International Union. The terms of the contract are July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027. The major provisions for the contract include base wage increases of 2% to be given in January of each fiscal year of the contract term and flat amounts of \$500, \$250, \$900, and \$750 to be added to annual salaries in January of each fiscal year after the percentage increase. The agreement also includes an expansion of the clothing allowance, an increase to the weekend differential, and compensation reviews of certain position groups, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.
 - The rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.
- 0459 On the message and order, referred on March 6, 2024, Docket #0459, an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Two Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$2,945.00) to provide funding for the Boston Police Department for the FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the New York Typographical Union CWA Local 14156, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass. The rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.
- **0460** On the message and order, referred on March 6, 2024, Docket #0460, a supplemental appropriation Order for the FY24 in the amount of Two Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$2,945.00) to cover the FY24 cost items contained with the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the New York Typographical Union CWA Local 14156. The terms of the contract are July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027. The major provisions of the contract include base wage increases of 2% to be given in January of each fiscal year of the contract term and flat amounts of \$500, \$250, \$900 and \$800 to be added to annual salaries in January of each fiscal year, after the 2% increase, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

The rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.

0551 Councilor Weber, FitzGerald, Santana, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Pepén and Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing to review resources and organization of youth sports across Boston.

On the motion of Councilors Weber and FitzGerald, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Santana as an original co-sponsor. Referred to the Committee on Education.

0552 Councilor Mejia, Louijeune, Breadon, Durkan, FitzGerald, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing to audit the implementation and outcomes of restorative justice practices in Boston Public Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

- Councilor Mejia, Breadon, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's procurement processes, procedures, and progress.
 Committee on Government Accountability, Transparency, and Accessibility.
- Ourkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing to audit Boston Public Schools' special education services and return on investments.

 On the motion of Councilor Mejia, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilors Fernandes Anderson and Murphy as original co-sponsors. Referred to the Committee on Education.
- Osts Councilor Mejia, Fernandes Anderson, Louijeune, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing on government transparency and accountability towards service provision spending for English language learners.

On the motion of Councilor Mejia, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilors Fernandes Anderson and Louijeune as original co-sponsors. Referred to the Committee on Education.

- Osside Councilor Mejia, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Louijeune, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing on government accountability, transparency, and accessibility of decision making protocols in city government. Committee on Government Accountability, Transparency, and Accessibility.
- Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing Bangladesh Independence Day. On the motion of Councilor Fernandes Anderson, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.
- Councilor Mejia, Fernandes Anderson, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing March 21, 2024 as Andrea Swain Day in the City of Boston.

 On the motion of Councilors Mejia and Fernandes Anderson, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.
- O559 Councilor Durkan, Santana, Weber, Breadon, Coletta, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén and Worrell offered the following: Resolution in Support of The Location Shield Act.

On the motion of Councilors Durkan and Santana, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Weber as an original co-sponsor.

On the motion of Councilors Durkan, Santana, and Weber, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 13.

20/24 Legislative Calendar for March 20, 2024.

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

- Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Susan Goganian as a Commissioner of the Boston Landmarks Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2024.
 Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Susan Goganian as a Member of the Fort Point Channel District, for a term expiring June 30, 2024.

Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.

- Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Mejia offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Ariel Burey in City Council, effective March 18, 2024.
 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Yuqing Sun in City Council, effective March 23, 2024.
 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- O571 Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Yuqing Sun in City Council, effective March 30, 2024.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.

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

- <u>0560</u> Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing National Equal Pay Day.
- **Obs.** Councilor Weber offered the following: Resolution recognizing Captain Nemo's.
- <u>0562</u> Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing the 125th anniversary of the Animal Rescue League of Boston.
- <u>0563</u> Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing sixteen students for their artistic creativity as 3rd grade poster winners.
- <u>0564</u> Councilor FitzGerald and Murphy offered the following: Resolution congratulating Frank Baker for being inducted into the Dorchester Hall of Fame.
- <u>0565</u> Councilor Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing Elder Kenneth L. Forde.
- Oscillation Durkan offered the following: Resolution extending congratulations to the Boston Latin School Boys Hockey team for winning the 2024 Division 2 MIAA Championship.

The matters contained within the Consent Agenda were severally adopted.

Adjourned at 2:32 p.m. on motion of President Louijeune, and in memory of Rose Pugliese, Dr. Alice Kidder, Barbara Walker, and Cassandra "Queen" Gunter, to meet again on Wednesday, March 27, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

Attest:

Alex Geourntas City Clerk