

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR SHARON DURKAN



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS CITY OF BOSTON TRANSPORTATION PHILOSOPHY AND STATUS OF INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS

WHEREAS, The City of Boston has committed to improving street safety and transportation infrastructure with the goal of eliminating all fatal and severe traffic crashes by 2030; *and*

WHEREAS, The City has undertaken an ambitious portfolio of street safety initiatives, including street redesigns, bike lane installations, speed humps, and other safety infrastructure, reflecting a strong commitment to the health and wellbeing of Boston residents; *and*

WHEREAS, The Mayor has emphasized the importance of ensuring that street infrastructure projects reflect genuine community consensus, and that residents have meaningful opportunities to shape the design and implementation of projects in their neighborhoods; *and*

WHEREAS, Several projects have received federal and state funding, including pandemic recovery funds that expire at the end of the fiscal year, and a hearing would help ensure the City is well-positioned to meet funding deadlines and protect these investments; *and*

WHEREAS, The Council seeks to better understand the current transportation philosophy and the criteria that guide the selection, prioritization, and advancement of street infrastructure projects; *and*

WHEREAS, The public and other stakeholders would benefit from an update on the status and anticipated timelines for projects that have been frequently discussed, including bike, bus, and traffic calming infrastructure; *and*

WHEREAS, It is important to clearly articulate the City of Boston's transportation goals for this term, and how progress toward those goals will be measured; **NOW
THEREFORE BE IT**

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council shall hold a hearing to engage in a substantive and constructive discussion on transportation philosophy, governance of street infrastructure, project status, and mechanisms for community engagement, with representatives from the Transportation Department and any other relevant city leaders to provide comprehensive information at this hearing.

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