

TO:

Members of the Boston City Council

FROM:

Alex Geourntas, City Clerk



RE:

Today's Meeting Agenda, Dockets #0593 – 0603

DATE:

March 5, 2025

I am writing about the above-mentioned dockets on today's City Council Meeting Agenda to provide an explanation as to why these appointments are before the City Council for approval.

Back on October 30, 2024, these same appointments were referred to the Committee on Planning, Development and Transportation since they needed to be confirmed by the City Council. The Committee held a hearing on December 9, 2024 to review the appointments to the Study Committee for the potential designation of a Monument Square Architectural Conservation District.

On December 11, 2024, the Boston City Council voted to confirm the appointments and a week or two later, the appointees took their oath in the City Clerk's Office.

On January 23, 2025, my office was contacted by Kathy Kottaridis, Director of the Office of Historic Preservation and City Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata indicating to me that the appointment letters should have had listed these individuals as members of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee not for the Monument Square Architectural Conservation District Study Committee.

Dockets #0593-0603 reflect the corrected information for each appointment and once they are confirmed by the City Council, I will need to administer the oath once again to each appointee as a member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee.

I ask for your consideration to confirm the appointments to allow this Study Committee to begin their important work relative to this designation.

Thank you for your anticipated support!