



ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR MATTERS PRESENTED TO THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO 10:00 A.M. ON MONDAY, MARCH 3, 2025 FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING IN THE CHRISTOPHER IANNELLA CHAMBER ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2025 AT 12:00 P.M.

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## **ROLL CALL**

## **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

## **COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER HONOR, THE MAYOR:**

- 0589** Message and order for your approval a revised home rule petition to the General Court entitled "Petition for a Special Law Re: An Act Relative to Creation of a Branch of the Boston Public Library (BPL) within an Affordable Housing Development in the Dorchester Section of the City of Boston."
- 0590** Message and order authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds in a principal amount not to exceed Three Hundred Fifty Million Dollars (\$350,000,000). The current conditions in the municipal bond market appears to be favorable for the City to potentially realize significant saving in debt service costs by refunding certain of its outstanding general obligation bonds.
- 0591** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend an in-kind donation of a set of lockers, three bookshelves, and a desk, valued at \$1,800.00, donated by The Winsor School. The purpose of this donation is to enhance the facilities at the BCYF Mattahunt Community Center for the benefit of the Mattapan neighborhood.
- 0592** Message and order for your approval an Order accepting a Preservation Restriction on the Shirley-Eustis Outbuilding/W. Elliott Woodward Rental House, 42-44 Shirley Street, Boston, Massachusetts, 02119-2726.

- [0593](#) Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Senam Kumahia as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee.
- [0594](#) Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Lindsey Mac-Jones as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee.
- [0595](#) Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Fadi Samaha as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee.
- [0596](#) Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Jeffrey Gonyeau as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee.
- [0597](#) Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Ameeth Deenanath as an Alternate Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee.
- [0598](#) Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Linda Neshamkin as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee.
- [0599](#) Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Intiya Ambrogi-Isaza as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee.
- [0600](#) Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Julie Hall as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee.
- [0601](#) Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Ian Urquhart as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee.
- [0602](#) Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Crystal Galvin as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee.
- [0603](#) Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Nancy Johnson as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee.

## **PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES**

## **REPORTS OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND OTHERS:**

- [0604](#) Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Sally Glora as a member of the Boston Retirement Board, for a term expiring February 25, 2028.
- [0605](#) Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Dr. Elsie Taveras as Chair of the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health, for a term expiring January 20, 2026.
- [0606](#) Notice was received from the Mayor of her absence from the City on Monday March 3, 2025 at 6:10 p.m., returning Wednesday March 5, 2025 at 7:59 p.m.
- [0607](#) Communication was received from Councilor Flynn regarding increasing oversight on TNC rideshares.
- [0608](#) Communication was received from Dr. Samuel DePina transmitting certain information under section 17F re: Boston Public Schools (BPS) Code of Conduct Violations, filed on Docket #0489, presented at the February 10, 2025 meeting of the Boston City Council.
- [0609](#) Communication was received from the City Clerk regarding the 2024 - 2025 University Accountability-Statistical Report.
- [0610](#) Communication was received from the City of Boston's Coordinated Response Team RE: an update on ongoing efforts to end congregate substance use in Boston.

**MATTERS RECENTLY HEARD-FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:**

- [0458](#) Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to submit a Statement of Interest to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) Core Program for Madison Park Technical Vocational High School pursuant to M.G.L. c. 70B, § 5. The Statement of Interest describes and explains the deficiencies within the school facility that prevents Boston Public Schools (BPS) from delivering their desired educational program.

- [0459](#) Message and order authorizing for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) Statements of Interest for their Accelerated Repair Program for the following schools: Boston Adult Technical Academy, Hurley K-8 School, Mildred Avenue K-8 School, Mendell Elementary School, Mary Lyon Pilot High School, Joyce Kilmer Lower School, Margarita Muñiz Academy, Orchard Gardens K-8 School, Trotter K-6 Elementary School. The Statements of Interest describe and explain the deficiencies and the priority category for which the City of Boston may be invited to apply to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future: Priority 5 - Replacement, renovation or modernization of the school facility systems, such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility.
- [0148](#) Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools' FY26 Budget.
- [0265](#) Order for a hearing to discuss the preservation of historical artifacts in Boston Public Schools slated for closure or merger.
- [0254](#) Order for a hearing to discuss long-term city job vacancies.

#### **MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS:**

- [0611](#) **Councilor Worrell offered the following:** Petition for a Special Law RE: An Act Directing the City of Boston Police Department to Waive the Maximum Age Requirement for Police Officers for Gissell Melo.
- [0612](#) **Councilor Worrell offered the following:** Petition for a Special Law RE: An Act Directing the City of Boston Police Department to Waive the Maximum Age Requirement for Police Officers for Jonathan Telfort.
- [0613](#) **Councilor Coletta Zapata offered the following:** Petition for a Special Law RE: An Act Relative to the Zoning Board of Appeal.
- [0614](#) **Councilor Pepén offered the following:** Order for a hearing to establish the Fairmount Avenue Arts and Cultural District in Hyde Park.
- [0615](#) **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Order for a hearing on regulation of Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) by the City of Boston and Boston Police Department.
- [0616](#) **Councilor Murphy offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss and establish guidelines for the filing and adoption of Council Resolutions.

- 0617** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Order requesting certain information under Section 17F regarding TNC Rideshare arrests.
- 0618** **Councilor Coletta Zapata offered the following:** Resolution designating a Hero Square in Charlestown in recognition of Major General Joseph Warren.
- 0619** **Councilor Weber and Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution in support of immigrant's rights legislation, including the Safe Communities Act, the Immigrant Legal Defense Act, and the Dignity Not Deportations Act.
- 0620** **Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following:** Resolution to embrace and extend heartfelt wishes to the beloved Muslim community in Boston, Massachusetts, throughout the United States and across the globe, invoking blessings upon them as they embark upon the sacred journey of Ramadan, a month revered for its rituals of prayer, fasting, charity, and deep reflection.
- 0621** **Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following:** Resolution to support addressing the needs of the Cabo Verdean Americans in Boston.
- 0622** **Councilor Louijeune and Mejia offered the following:** Resolution denouncing the rollback of temporary protected status for Haitian, Venezuelan, and other designated communities.
- 0623** **Councilor Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing March 5th as Crispus Attucks Day in the City of Boston.

**GREEN SHEETS:**

**5/25** Legislative Calendar for March 5, 2025.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

- 0624** **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Fabiola Jean-Louis.
- 0625** **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution congratulating United In Care Services.
- 0626** **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution in memory of Keith Gloe.

- 0627** **Councilor Breadon offered the following:** Resolution in memory of Josephine Bianchi.
- 0628** **Councilor Santana offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Melvin J. Vargas-Tineo.
- 0629** **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Jean Esaïe Petit-Homme.
- 0630** **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Hanso Marquis.
- 0631** **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Renaldo Estigene.
- 0632** **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Verwhens Lise Venoïis.
- 0633** **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution in memory of Michael Joseph O'Brien.
- 0634** **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution in memory of Papercuts' Beloved Sammy.
- 0635** **Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Roberta Wiggins.



City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**MICHELLE WU**

March 3, 2025

## TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval a revised home rule petition to the General Court entitled "Petition for a Special Law Re: An Act Relative to Creation of a Branch of the Boston Public Library (BPL) within an Affordable Housing Development in the Dorchester Section of the City of Boston."

Through this special act, the Boston Redevelopment Authority, d/b/a The Boston Planning & Development Agency (BPDA) seeks to ground lease BPDA-owned vacant land at 555- 559 Columbia Road to a developer selected via a Request for Proposals process who will participate in a redevelopment of the BPDA land using city and state funds to fund the development of affordable housing. This project will also create a shell and core space within it that would be conveyed to the Boston Public Library at cost, to allow BPL to build out the space as the new Uphams Corner branch library in Dorchester. Creating the branch library within a larger affordable housing development is a way to achieve two much-needed public purposes within one development. This redevelopment necessitates certain exemptions from the Commonwealth's contract procurement and award laws. Although there have been reforms to the state statutes regarding filed sub-bids under Ch. 149, the changes are insufficient to allow for the selected developer to move forward in a redevelopment effort of this kind. Without passage, the project must adhere to an extremely structured filed sub-bid process, with separate General Contractor and subcontractor selection. The Chinatown Branch Library development project has highlighted some additional exemptions to state law that would facilitate these projects, which is why a revised version of this special act has been submitted to the Council. These exemptions will not compromise a fair and transparent process because the BPDA's selected developer and the BPL must still adhere to the stringent regulations of its public funding sources.

This model has been utilized successfully by several agencies who have applied for similar legislation. R-1, the BPDA's first development project of affordable housing with a branch library space project in Chinatown, was passed in December 2022, and the Legislature passed a similar HRP for the redevelopment of the West End Branch Library in December 2024. The Boston Housing Authority (BHA) has filed similar legislation for BHA housing located at Whittier Street, Orient Heights, Bromley Heath, Mission Main, Orchard Gardens, Maverick Gardens, West Broadway Homes, and Old Colony, Washington Beech, Franklin Hill, Amory Street, and Lenox-Camden family developments.



I urge your Honorable Body to support this special act so that we can make this redevelopment effort a reality for the Uphams Corner neighborhood in Dorchester and its people who have been waiting for a new branch library.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michelle Wu', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



**CITY OF BOSTON**  
**IN CITY COUNCIL**

*WHEREAS*, The Boston Redevelopment Authority seeks to participate in a redevelopment to create affordable housing that includes shell and core space for a branch library in Uphams Corner in Dorchester. This redevelopment necessitates certain exemptions from the Commonwealth's contract procurement and award laws; and

*WHEREAS*, Participating in the redevelopment will increase the supply of affordable housing in the neighborhood, as well as provide space for a long-awaited branch library, furthering the aims of the Commonwealth's housing and community service initiatives; and

*WHEREAS*, The exemptions will not contravene the legislative intent behind the affected procurement and public contract laws because the additional regulation and public oversight that accompanies the Boston Public Library's funding sources minimizes the risk of unfair competition and misuse of taxpayer funds.

*NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED,*

That a petition to the General Court, accompanied by a bill for a special law relating to the Boston Planning & Development Agency and the Boston Public Library to be filed with an attested copy of this order be, and hereby is, approved under Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article II, as amended, of the Articles of Amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; provided, that the Legislature may reasonably vary the form and substance of the requested legislation within the scope of the general public objectives of this petition:

**PETITION FOR A SPECIAL LAW RE:**

**AN ACT RELATIVE TO CERTAIN AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND BRANCH LIBRARY SPACE IN THE CHINATOWN SECTION OF THE CITY OF BOSTON**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

**SECTION 1.** Construction and development activity related to redevelopment by the developer selected by the Boston Redevelopment Authority of subsidized affordable housing, including space for a branch library to be procured by the Boston Public Library, to be built on Boston Redevelopment Authority-owned land under a ground lease, or any part thereof, shall not be subject to any general or special law related to the procurement and award of contracts for the planning, design, construction management, construction, reconstruction, installation, demolition, maintenance, or repair of buildings or public works by a public agency, including chapter 149, chapter 7C, or section 39M of chapter 30 of the General Laws, but shall be subject to sections 26 to 27H, inclusive, of chapter 149 of the General Laws. Nor shall the acquisition of any interest in real property by the City of Boston necessary to support the completion of the project be subject to section 16 of chapter 30B of the General Laws, nor shall the cost of any such acquisition be limited by any general or special law, including section 12 of chapter 642 of the Acts of 1966. Contracts for the construction, reconstruction, alteration, remodeling, or repair of any publicly owned public works that service this project and would otherwise be subject to section 39M of chapter 30 of the General Laws shall be subject to said section 39M if the redevelopment of the project is funded in part by state or federal government low-income housing tax credit, grant, or loan, or pursuant to the issuance of tax-exempt bonds authorized by general law. A conveyance of the project, whether by leasehold or fee estate, to an urban redevelopment corporation organized under chapter 121A of the General Laws or to a nonprofit state and federally tax-exempt corporation organized for the purpose of revitalizing the project, shall be subject to chapter 30B of the General Laws to the extent that the project is conveyed to an entity that is not owned, controlled, or managed by the Boston Public Library on the date of the conveyance.

**SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect upon its passage.

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

  
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**ADAM CEDERBAUM  
CORPORATION COUNSEL** kmw



City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**MICHELLE WU**

March 3, 2025

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds in a principal amount not to exceed Three Hundred and Fifty Million Dollars (\$350,000,000). The current conditions in the municipal bond market appear to be favorable for the City to potentially realize significant savings in debt service costs by refunding certain of its outstanding general obligation bonds.

The practicality of and debt service savings associated with refunding bond issues are extremely sensitive to bond market conditions, particularly interest rates. Therefore, I urge your Honorable Body to pass this Order as expeditiously as possible so that the City will be positioned to issue refunding bonds on short notice and thereby effect savings in its debt service payments.

Sincerely

Michelle Wu

Mayor of Boston



**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING REFUNDING BONDS.**

**ORDERED:** That, in order to reduce interest costs, the Collector-Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to issue refunding bonds pursuant to Section 13 of Chapter 643 of the Acts of 1983 as amended (the "Act") to refund such portion of the outstanding bonds or other obligations of the City as the Collector-Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, may select; that the refunding bonds shall be issued in an amount not to exceed Three Hundred and Fifty Million Dollars (\$350,000,000) in order to pay the principal, redemption premium, if any, and interest on the bonds or other obligations to be refunded and other costs provided in Section 13 of the Act; that, if determined by the Collector/Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, the refunding bonds may be issued (i) as federally taxable or federally tax exempt bonds, (ii) bearing interest at variable rates, as the collector-treasurer shall select, and be redeemable at the option of the holder thereof, at such price or prices and under such conditions as may be fixed by the collector-treasurer with the approval of the mayor prior to the issuance thereof, (iii) as special obligations of the City as provided in Section 8 of the Act or (iv) as provided in Section 11 of the Act; and that the Collector-Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to execute such documents as may be necessary or desirable to issue and sell the refunding bonds, including, without limitation, one or more trust or security agreements pursuant to Section 9 of the Act.

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BY \_\_\_\_\_

**ADAM CEDERBAUM  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**MICHELLE WU**

March 3, 2025

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend an in-kind donation of a set of lockers, three bookshelves, and a desk, valued at \$1,800, donated by The Winsor School.

The purpose of this donation is to enhance the facilities at the BCYF Mattahunt Center for the benefit of the Mattahunt neighborhood.

I urge your Honorable Body to pass this order as expeditiously as possible, so that the City may receive and expend the donation for the purpose for which it was awarded.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston




**CITY OF BOSTON**  
**IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND THE DONATION OF A SET OF LOCKERS, THREE BOOKSHELVES, AND A DESK FROM THE WINSOR SCHOOL IN SUPPORT OF THE BOSTON CENTERS FOR YOUTH AND FAMILIES MATTAHUNT COMMUNITY CENTER.**

**ORDERED:** That the City of Boston, acting by and through the Boston Centers for Youth and Families, be, and hereby is, authorized, in accordance with Section 53A½ of Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to accept and expend a donation from The Winsor School of a set of lockers, three bookshelves, and a desk, valued at one thousand eight hundred dollars (\$1,800), to support the Boston Centers for Youth and Families Mattahunt Community Center.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY  
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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**

March 3, 2025

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order approving accepting a Preservation Restriction on the Shirley-Eustis Outbuilding/W. Elliott Woodward Rental House, 42-22 Shirley Street, Boston, Massachusetts, 02119-2726. The Shirley-Eustis Outbuilding/W. Elliott Woodward Rental House has historic significance to the City, and the owner, The Shirley-Eustis House Association, wishes to convey a historic preservation restriction on the exterior and interior features of the building to the Boston Landmarks Commission acting for and on behalf of the City of Boston, Massachusetts. The Boston Landmarks Commission will work to preserve the historic significant features of the Shirley-Eustis Outbuilding/W. Elliott Woodward Rental House pursuant to the preservation restriction.

I urge your Honorable Body to pass this Order, which approves the preservation restriction pursuant to G.L. c. 184, § 32, as expeditiously as possible to preserve and protect this significant building in perpetuity and ensure that the historic character of the building, specifically its exterior features, retain their integrity.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER ACCEPTING A PRESERVATION RESTRICTION ON THE SHIRLEY EUSTIS OUTBUILDING / W. ELLIOTT WOODWARD RENTAL HOUSE AT 42-44 SHIRLEY STREET IN ROXBURY.**

WHEREAS: Pursuant to Chapter 184, Section 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws, the City of Boston is empowered to approve preservation restrictions for historically significant structures located in the City; and

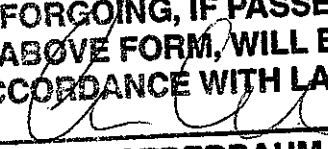
WHEREAS: The Shirley-Eustis Outbuilding/ E. Elliott Woodward Rental House, 42-44 Shirley Street, Roxbury, is a structure which is historically significant for its architecture and cultural significance to the City of Boston and is therefore appropriate for preservation; and

WHEREAS: The Shirley-Eustis House Association, the owner of the Shirley-Eustis Outbuilding/ E. Elliott Woodward Rental House has conveyed a historic preservation restriction to the exterior and interior historic framing members, sheathing boards and remnants of horsehair plaster and riven lath in the first story southwest and southeast rooms of 42-44 Shirley Street, Roxbury to the Boston Landmarks Commission acting for and on behalf of the City of Boston, Massachusetts as a qualified recipient of historic preservation restrictions under Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 184, §§31, 32, and 33; and

WHEREAS: The Massachusetts Historic Commission has approved the Preservation Restriction pursuant to Chapter 184, §32 of the Massachusetts General Laws and the Boston Landmarks Commission, as the preservation planning agency of the City of Boston, has approved the Preservation Restriction.

***NOW THEREFORE, be it ordained by the City of Boston as follows:***

ORDERED: That pursuant to Chapter 184, Section 32 of the Massachusetts General Laws, the Preservation Restriction on the Shirley-Eustis Outbuilding/ E. Elliott Woodward Rental House at 42-44 Shirley Street, Roxbury, as set forth in the attached instrument be, and the same hereby is, approved.

**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**

March 3, 2025

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Senam Kumahia of 14 Van Winkle Street, #1, Boston, MA 02124 as a Member of the Study Committee to prepare the report for the potential designation of a Monument Square Landmark District. Please find this revised appointment order attached. This order replaces the previously submitted order, which contained a clerical error incorrectly appointing Senam Kumahia to the “Monument Square Architectural Conservation District Study Committee” instead of the above mentioned committee. I am appointing Senam Kumahia pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 4 of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, and subject to your confirmation.

We appreciate your attention to this correction. The revised appointment order accurately reflects the intended designation and ensures that the Committee is properly named to carry out its work. I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Senam Kumahia to the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee. 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 SENAM KUMAHIA TO THE  
MONUMENT SQUARE LANDMARK DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE.**

**ORDERED:** That, pursuant to Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, the appointment of Senam Kumahia of 14 Van Winkle Street, #1, Boston, MA 02124 as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee, be, and hereby is, confirmed.

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

**ADAM CEDERBAUM  
CORPORATION COUNSEL** *Kmw*



City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**Michelle Wu**

March 3, 2025

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Lindsey Mac-Jones of 4 Hancock Street, Boston, MA 02129 as a Member of the Study Committee to prepare the report for the potential designation of a Monument Square Landmark District. Please find this revised appointment order attached. This order replaces the previously submitted order, which contained a clerical error incorrectly appointing Lindsey Mac-Jones to the “Monument Square Architectural Conservation District Study Committee” instead of the above mentioned committee. I am appointing Lindsey Mac-Jones pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 4 of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, and subject to your confirmation.

We appreciate your attention to this correction. The revised appointment order accurately reflects the intended designation and ensures that the Committee is properly named to carry out its work. I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Lindsey Mac-Jones to the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

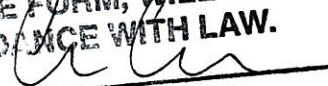
Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

**CITY OF BOSTON**  
**IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF LINDSEY MAC-JONES TO THE MONUMENT SQUARE LANDMARK DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE.**

**ORDERED:** That, pursuant to Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, the appointment of Lindsey Mac-Jones of 4 Hancock Street, Boston, MA 02129 as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee, 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 *kmw*



City of Boston, Massachusetts  
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**Michelle Wu**

March 3, 2025

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Fadi Samaha of 69 Tremont Street, Apartment 4, Boston, MA 02118 as a Member of the Study Committee to prepare the report for the potential designation of a Monument Square Landmark District. Please find this revised appointment order attached. This order replaces the previously submitted order, which contained a clerical error incorrectly appointing Fadi Samaha to the “Monument Square Architectural Conservation District Study Committee” instead of the above mentioned committee. I am appointing Fadi Samaha pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 4 of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, and subject to your confirmation.

We appreciate your attention to this correction. The revised appointment order accurately reflects the intended designation and ensures that the Committee is properly named to carry out its work. I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Fadi Samaha to the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee. 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 FADI SAMAHA TO THE MONUMENT SQUARE LANDMARK DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE.**

**ORDERED:** That, pursuant to Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, the appointment of Fadi Samaha of 69 Tremont Street, Apartment 4, Boston, MA 02118 as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee, 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  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**Michelle Wu**

March 3, 2025

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Jeffrey Gonyeau of 86 Ocean Street, Boston, MA 02124 as a Member of the Study Committee to prepare the report for the potential designation of a Monument Square Landmark District. Please find this revised appointment order attached. This order replaces the previously submitted order, which contained a clerical error incorrectly appointing Jeffrey Gonyeau to the “Monument Square Architectural Conservation District Study Committee” instead of the above mentioned committee. I am appointing Jeffrey Gonyeau pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 4 of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, and subject to your confirmation.

We appreciate your attention to this correction. The revised appointment order accurately reflects the intended designation and ensures that the Committee is properly named to carry out its work. I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Jeffrey Gonyeau to the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee. 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 JEFFREY GONYEAU TO THE MONUMENT SQUARE LANDMARK DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE.**

**ORDERED:** That, pursuant to Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, the appointment of Jeffrey Gonyeau of 86 Ocean Street, Boston, MA 02124 as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee, be, and hereby is, confirmed.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY  
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BY \_\_\_\_\_

**ADAM CEDERBAUM**  
**CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**Michelle Wu**

March 3, 2025

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Ameeth Deenanath of 8 Lexington Avenue, Charlestown, MA 02129 as an Alternate Member of the Study Committee to prepare the report for the potential designation of a Monument Square Landmark District. Please find this revised appointment order attached. This order replaces the previously submitted order, which contained a clerical error incorrectly appointing Ameeth Deenanath to the “Monument Square Architectural Conservation District Study Committee” instead of the above mentioned committee. I am appointing Ameeth Deenanath pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 4 of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, and subject to your confirmation.

We appreciate your attention to this correction. The revised appointment order accurately reflects the intended designation and ensures that the Committee is properly named to carry out its work. I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Ameeth Deenanath to the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee. 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 AMEETH DEENANATH TO THE MONUMENT SQUARE LANDMARK DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE.**

**ORDERED:** That, pursuant to Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, the appointment of Ameeth Deenanath of 8 Lexington Avenue, Charlestown, MA 02129 as an Alternate Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee, be, and hereby is, confirmed.

I HEREBY CERTIFY  
THE FOREGOING, 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**

March 3, 2025

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Linda Neshamkin of 5 Monument Square, Unit 6, Charlestown, MA 02129 as a Member of the Study Committee to prepare the report for the potential designation of a Monument Square Landmark District. Please find this revised appointment order attached. This order replaces the previously submitted order, which contained a clerical error incorrectly appointing Linda Neshamkin to the "Monument Square Architectural Conservation District Study Committee" instead of the above mentioned committee. I am appointing Linda Neshamkin pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 4 of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, and subject to your confirmation.

We appreciate your attention to this correction. The revised appointment order accurately reflects the intended designation and ensures that the Committee is properly named to carry out its work. I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Linda Neshamkin to the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee. 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 LINDA NESHAMKIN TO THE MONUMENT SQUARE LANDMARK DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE.**

**ORDERED:** That, pursuant to Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, the appointment of Linda Neshamkin of 5 Monument Square, Unit 6, Charlestown, MA 02129 as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee, 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  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**Michelle Wu**

March 3, 2025

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Intiya Ambrogi-Isaza of 10 Trenton Street, Charlestown, MA 02129 as a Member of the Study Committee to prepare the report for the potential designation of a Monument Square Landmark District. Please find this revised appointment order attached. This order replaces the previously submitted order, which contained a clerical error incorrectly appointing Intiya Ambrogi-Isaza to the "Monument Square Architectural Conservation District Study Committee" instead of the above mentioned committee. I am appointing Intiya Ambrogi-Isaza pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 4 of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, and subject to your confirmation.

We appreciate your attention to this correction. The revised appointment order accurately reflects the intended designation and ensures that the Committee is properly named to carry out its work. I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Intiya Ambrogi-Isaza to the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee. 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 INTIYA AMBROGI-ISAZA TO THE MONUMENT SQUARE LANDMARK DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE.**

**ORDERED:** That, pursuant to Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, the appointment of Intiya Ambrogi-Isaza of 10 Trenton Street, Charlestown, MA 02129 as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee, 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  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**Michelle Wu**

March 3, 2025

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Julie Hall of 7 Cross Street, Charlestown, MA 02129 as a Member of the Study Committee to prepare the report for the potential designation of a Monument Square Landmark District. Please find this revised appointment order attached. This order replaces the previously submitted order, which contained a clerical error incorrectly appointing Julie Hall to the "Monument Square Architectural Conservation District Study Committee" instead of the above mentioned committee. I am appointing Julie Hall pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 4 of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, and subject to your confirmation.

We appreciate your attention to this correction. The revised appointment order accurately reflects the intended designation and ensures that the Committee is properly named to carry out its work. I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Julie Hall to the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

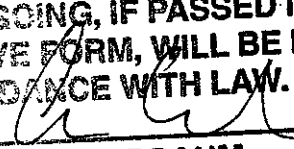
Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

**CITY OF BOSTON**  
**IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF JULIE HALL TO THE MONUMENT SQUARE LANDMARK DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE.**

**ORDERED:** That, pursuant to Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, the appointment of Julie Hall of 7 Cross Street, Charlestown, MA 02129 as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee, be, and hereby is, confirmed.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY  
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**ADAM CEDERBAUM  
CORPORATION COUNSEL** kmw





City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**Michelle Wu**

March 3, 2025

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Ian Urquhart of 13 Cordis Street, Charlestown, MA 02129 as a Member of the Study Committee to prepare the report for the potential designation of a Monument Square Landmark District. Please find this revised appointment order attached. This order replaces the previously submitted order, which contained a clerical error incorrectly appointing Ian Urquhart to the “Monument Square Architectural Conservation District Study Committee” instead of the above mentioned committee. I am appointing Ian Urquhart pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 4 of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, and subject to your confirmation.

We appreciate your attention to this correction. The revised appointment order accurately reflects the intended designation and ensures that the Committee is properly named to carry out its work. I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Ian Urquhart to the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee. 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 URQUHART TO THE MONUMENT SQUARE LANDMARK DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE.**

**ORDERED:** That, pursuant to Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, the appointment of Ian Urquhart of 13 Cordis Street, Charlestown, MA 02129 as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee, 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  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**Michelle Wu**

March 3, 2025

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Crystal Galvin of 58 13th Street, Unit 155, Charlestown, MA 02129 as a Member of the Study Committee to prepare the report for the potential designation of a Monument Square Landmark District. Please find this revised appointment order attached. This order replaces the previously submitted order, which contained a clerical error incorrectly appointing Crystal Galvin to the "Monument Square Architectural Conservation District Study Committee" instead of the above mentioned committee. I am appointing Crystal Galvin pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 4 of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, and subject to your confirmation.

We appreciate your attention to this correction. The revised appointment order accurately reflects the intended designation and ensures that the Committee is properly named to carry out its work. I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Crystal Galvin to the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee. 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 CRYSTAL GALVIN TO THE MONUMENT SQUARE LANDMARK DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE.**

**ORDERED:** That, pursuant to Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, the appointment of Crystal Galvin of 58 13th Street, Unit 155, Charlestown, MA 02129 as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee, 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  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**Michelle Wu**

March 3, 2025

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Nancy Johnson of 14 Hill Street, Charlestown, MA 02129 as a Member of the Study Committee to prepare the report for the potential designation of a Monument Square Landmark District. Please find this revised appointment order attached. This order replaces the previously submitted order, which contained a clerical error incorrectly appointing Nancy Johnson to the “Monument Square Architectural Conservation District Study Committee” instead of the above mentioned committee. I am appointing Nancy Johnson pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 4 of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, and subject to your confirmation.

We appreciate your attention to this correction. The revised appointment order accurately reflects the intended designation and ensures that the Committee is properly named to carry out its work. I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Nancy Johnson to the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee. 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 NANCY JOHNSON TO THE MONUMENT SQUARE LANDMARK DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE.**

**ORDERED:** That, pursuant to Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, the appointment of Nancy Johnson of 14 Hill Street, Charlestown, MA 02129 as a Member of the Monument Square Landmark District Study Committee, 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  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**Michelle Wu**

February 25, 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 GL c. 32 §20(4)(b), I hereby appoint the following member to the Boston Retirement Board:

**Sally Glora of 723 E 7th Street, Boston, MA 02127.**

This Member shall serve a term expiring on February 25, 2028. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**Michelle Wu**

March 3, 2025

Elsie M. Taveras  
91 Shaw Road  
Chestnut Hill, MA 02467

Dear Dr Taveras,

Pursuant to my authority under Chapter 177, Section 3 of the Acts of 1995, I am pleased to appoint you as Chair of the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health. Consistent with the statute under which you were appointed, your term will expire on January 20, 2026.

I appreciate your willingness to serve the City in this capacity. Congratulations on your appointment.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

cc:

Dr. Bisola Ojikutu, Executive Director of the Boston Public Health Commission  
Alex Geourntas, City of Boston Clerk





City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**MICHELLE WU**

March 3, 2025

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

Dear Clerk Geourntas,

Please note that I will be out of town on Monday March 3, 2025 from 6:10 p.m. returning Wednesday March 5, 2025 at 7:59 p.m.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



## Boston City Council

**ED FLYNN**

Councilor - District 2

February 25, 2025

Mayor Michelle Wu  
1 City Hall Square, Suite 550  
Boston, MA 02201

Michael Cox  
Commissioner, Boston Police Department  
1 Schroeder Plaza  
Boston, MA 02120

### **RE: Increasing oversight on rideshares**

Dear Mayor Wu and Commissioner Cox,

I'm writing today to highlight and share public safety concerns from my constituents regarding Transportation Network Companies (TNCs), or rideshares. Over the weekend, a woman was allegedly sexually assaulted by her rideshare driver when travelling from South Boston to her home. While the driver was swiftly identified and arrested on a reported rape charge the next day, this is not the first incident of sexual assault charges when it comes to rideshares. In 2018, a driver was charged with exposing himself to two women near Downtown Crossing. In 2015, another driver was convicted of aggravated rape, kidnapping, assault and battery.

Ensuring the safety of all residents - particularly our young women - who use rideshares is critical. While the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities (DPU) currently regulates TNCs, including rideshare drivers, services, and companies, I believe the Boston Police Department needs to play a larger role in regulating and providing oversight on public safety issues regarding rideshares in our City. The City of Boston should seriously consider creating a division, similar to the Hackney Carriage Unit of the Boston Police Department, to regulate rideshares.

We should also require rideshare drivers to register with the City and get fingerprinted. Currently, while Massachusetts requires a two-step background check for those who want to drive for a rideshare company, there is no requirement for rideshare drivers to undergo fingerprinting. In New York City, rideshare drivers are required by the City and the Taxi & Limousine Commission (TLC) to submit their fingerprints in addition to background checks.

Please note I previously filed a hearing order on TNCs and rideshares in 2019 due to concerns on public and pedestrian safety, as well as their impact on traffic with Boston being rated one of the highest rated cities for congestion issues. I will file additional legislation next week regarding these public safety and quality of life concerns.

According to data from Mass.gov, in 2019, transportation network companies (TNCs) provided 91.1 million rides in Massachusetts, of which 45.3 million rides originated in Boston (124,110 per day).



## Boston City Council

**ED FLYNN**

Councilor - District 2

While the industry was hit during the pandemic, rideshares are back on the rise. In 2021, 18.3 million rides originated from Boston (50,137 per day), with 13 million rides being local trips.

Given the sheer volume of rideshares that start and operate in Boston, there needs to be stronger municipal oversight on TNCs in the form of a personal registration - or license and fee - to drive on account of public safety issues, traffic, and the wear and tear of our roads.

Incidents of sexual assault on rideshares are deeply disturbing and unsettling for residents across the City of Boston. I urge the City to work closely with the DPU and state partners to register and fingerprint drivers, as well as transferring public safety and oversight functions to the Boston Police.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ed Flynn".

Ed Flynn

Boston City Councilor, District 2



**Office of the Superintendent**

Dr. Samuel DePina, Deputy Superintendent of Operations

Bruce C. Bolling Municipal Building  
2300 Washington Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Roxbury, Massachusetts 02119

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[www.bostonpublicschools.org](http://www.bostonpublicschools.org)

February 26, 2025

Dear Councilor Murphy,

I am writing in response to your request under Section 17F regarding incidents of school violence, sexual misconduct, and violations of the Boston Public Schools' Code of Conduct for the 2024-2025 school year. Please find attached a detailed report containing the requested information.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Samuel DePina".

Dr. Samuel DePina





Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS  
City Clerk

**CITY OF BOSTON - OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK  
UNIVERSITY ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT, 2024 - 2025 STATISTICS**

<i>Institutions of Higher Education</i>	<b># of Students Enrolled</b>	<b>Students ON Campus in Boston</b>	<b>Students OFF Campus in Boston</b>	<b>Properties in Boston</b>
Benjamin Franklin Cummings Institute	463	0	229	0
Berklee College of Music/Boston Conservatory	6047	1495	4552	11
Boston Architectural College	416	33	383	9
Boston Baptist College	43	12	12	2
Boston College/Woods College	14842	5227	9615	0
Boston University	31656	12942	18713	178
Emerson College	4485	3354	270	0
Emmanuel College	1906	1374	541	5
Fisher College	728	311	417	8
Harvard University (Boston-Based Schools)	4889	1544	1007	17
Massachusetts College of Art	1802	705	359	3
MA College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences	3737	690	1290	2
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	11907	0	1168	64
MGH Institute of Health Professions	1707	0	239	0
New England College of Optometry	515	0	352	0
New England Conservatory	852	236	339	0
New England Law / Boston	1142	0	525	0
Northeastern University	43907	9537	18143	0
Sattler College	56	44	2	2
SHOWA Boston Institute	838	838	0	1
Simmons University	3179	941	551	9
St. John's Seminary	97	38	17	1
Suffolk University	6379	1482	1967	5
Tufts University/School of the MFA	3031	87	1253	0
University of Massachusetts/Boston	13875	1150	4389	0
Urban College of Boston	0	0	0	0
Wentworth Institute of Technology	3890	2177	370	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>162,389</b>	<b>44,217</b>	<b>66,703</b>	<b>317</b>

## MEMO

TO: Honorable Members of the Boston City Council and interested parties  
FROM: City of Boston's Coordinated Response Team  
DATE: February 26, 2025  
RE: Update on Ongoing Efforts to End Congregate Substance Use in Boston

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This memo on the City of Boston's Coordinated Response activities and goals is provided to the Boston City Council under Section 1, City of Boston Code, Ordinances, § 16-65.10.

As the warm weather season of 2025 approaches, the City is committed to addressing safety, health, and quality of life for residents with **a goal to end congregate substance use in neighborhoods of Boston and the criminal activity that supports it**. Since November 2023, City policies and investments, including significant expansion of low-threshold shelter and housing, public health staffing, and active policing, have largely succeeded in keeping a permanent tent encampment from reestablishing. Nevertheless, active groups of individuals engaged in congregate substance use and dealing undermine quality of life in city neighborhoods, particularly in the Downtown and Boston Common, Roxbury, the South End and parts of Dorchester and South Boston, and hinder ongoing efforts to connect individuals to addiction and recovery services and treatment. Our goal is to end this congregation. The city's multi-faceted approach for the past three years has been a continuous process of adapting to changing dynamics on the ground.

We view this report to the Boston City Council as an opportunity to share updates from City departments that reflect adjustments in our coordinated response with the goal to end congregate use through 1) co-response and diversion, 2) active enforcement of drug laws, 3) enhanced street cleaning and needle pickup, 4) a shift in delivery of harm reduction away from congregate sites, and 5) collaboration with neighbors to continuously assess our progress and adapt our strategies.

The City considers this ***an adaptable point-in-time update, and NOT a plan set in stone***, and will continue to work closely with leaders in impacted neighborhoods to iterate and respond to changing circumstances on the ground. We will also work collaboratively on metrics to assess successes and areas for continued improvement, including census counts and evaluation of 911 and 311 calls.

The Coordinated Response Team and affiliated departments will continue to meet regularly with neighborhood groups as we get into the spring and summer of 2025, and expect to make implementation adjustments as we continue to receive feedback on the ground.

**Background:**

The closure of the Long Island Bridge in 2014 displaced many programs providing social services, shelter for individuals experiencing homelessness, and treatment for individuals with substance use disorder. Operated by the Boston Public Health Commission, the [campus](#) once included 742 shelter beds and 225 recovery beds. In response to the closure, the City opened the men's shelter at 112 Southamptton Street, near the intersection of Massachusetts Avenue and Melnea Cass Boulevard (Mass & Cass). The long-running ongoing opioid epidemic, exacerbated by the increasing presence of fentanyl and other synthetic opioids and pandemic disruption increased the number of unsheltered individuals to record levels. By the time Mayor Wu was elected to office in November 2021, there were more than 90 [identified tents and fortified structures](#) in the area, ultimately resulting in a threat to public health and safety.

Since November of 2021, under Mayor Wu's leadership, the City's Coordinated Response Team (CRT) and many affiliated Departments including the Boston Police Department (BPD), the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC), the Mayor's Office of Housing (MOH), and the Department of Public Works (DPW), have worked collectively to address the impacts on public safety, public health and neighborhood quality of life resulting from unsheltered homelessness, co-occurring mental health and substance use challenges and congregate outdoor substance use and related criminal activity in the neighborhoods around the intersection of Mass & Cass, as well as other areas of Boston.

At Mayor Wu's direction, in January of 2022, the City carried out a public health-led emergency response at the encampment near Mass & Cass. This effort included a housing surge that transitioned over 145 individuals into shelter and housing from November 2021 to January 2022 at [six low threshold sites](#). These sites included new low threshold beds inside BPHC's [emergency shelters](#), Woods Mullen and Southamptton Street, as well as City-funded and state-funded sites, which helped to significantly reduce the unsheltered population. Since January 2022, the low-threshold shelters have taken in over 650 individuals and supported housing pathways for over 230 of these individuals. Additionally, these sites helped contribute to a temporary end to the quasi-permanent encampment at Atkinson Street.

When the encampment on Atkinson Street reemerged, the City determined that tents, tarps, and other enclosures were impeding our collective efforts to keep individuals housed in City shelters and other low threshold sites and were contributing to violence and criminal activity in the neighborhoods. With Fall weather approaching, in September of 2023, Mayor Wu announced a phase change involving three related measures to curtail the heavy crowds, increasing criminal activity and unsanitary conditions on Atkinson Street, and to close the permanent encampment.

First, the City filed [An Ordinance Related to Unlawful Camping on Public Property](#) with the Boston City Council, which passed on October 25, 2023. The Ordinance empowered the BPD and other officials to prohibit the tents, tarps, and other temporary structures, which were shielding dangerous activity in the area and undermining recovery services, provided that the City offered shelter, storage of belongings, and transportation. Second, Mayor Wu and the BPHC brought online additional shelter beds in a temporary overnight space. Third, the BPD provided an increased presence on Atkinson Street and in the area, which remains to this day. Implementing the new approach involved months of preparation and cross-department collaboration. By the time the Ordinance went into effect, on November 1, 2023, no individuals living on Atkinson Street remained without placement. To date, the City has made no arrest tied solely to the encampment ordinance. We have successfully sheltered 218 individuals who have accepted shelter and services pursuant to the Ordinance policy.

Over the course of 2024, public health and public safety officials from CRT, BPD, and BPHC worked together to enforce the Ordinance and keep Boston a tent-free and encampment-free City. A BPHC survey in fall 2024 found that a significant majority (83%) of individuals in the Mass & Cass area reported staying in shelter, their own house, or with family or friends immediately before coming to the area. Following enforcement of the Ordinance and the closure of the encampment on Atkinson Street, BPD also reported a significant decrease in violent crime in the area (see Table 1 below).

**Table 1. Changes in violence crime by type year before and year after encampment**

Mass Ave. / Melnea Cass Area - Violent Crime				
November 1 - October 29, 2022-2023 v. 2023-2024				
Crime Category	22/23	23/24	Change	Percent Reduction
Homicide	2	0	-2	100%
Rape & Attempted	17	7	-10	59%
Robbery	68	53	-15	22%
Aggravated Assault	157	120	-37	24%
<b>Total Violent Crime</b>	<b>244</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>-64</b>	<b>26%</b>

Total numbers of individuals around Mass & Cass also dropped significantly following the closure of the Atkinson Street encampment, falling from June 2023 levels of 134-200 daily to June 2024 levels of 30-90 daily. In August of 2024, the state closed the low threshold cottages at the Shattuck and ended state funding for the EnVision Hotel site in December of 2024. In late 2024, the City agreed to assume primary responsibility for funding EnVision



and, most recently, in January of 2025, Mayor Wu [announced](#) that the site will continue to operate as a low threshold shelter until becoming permanent supportive housing.

Notwithstanding the significant progress in housing individuals, reducing violent crime, decreasing the average crowd size at Mass and Cass and keeping Boston encampment-free, new congregations of outdoor substance users, and related activity, emerged as the most pressing issue impacting quality of life for residents citywide, particularly in the Downtown and Boston Common, Roxbury, the South End and parts of Dorchester and South Boston. After a sustained period without significant crowding from November 2023 thru early April 2024, congregate outdoor substance use emerged as a daily challenge at the Mass & Cass intersection, the surrounding areas, and in areas of downtown Boston. Until colder weather late in 2024, the City experienced an increase in 311 calls for needle pickup, human waste, and other impacts on quality of life, and more individuals congregating and in need of recovery services.

In late 2024, led by CRT, the City redefined our coordinated strategy around the goal of ending congregate substance use and drug related activities in Boston, and connecting all individuals with addiction services.

With a focus on improving quality of life for all residents, we will work with neighborhood leaders to implement the following shifts in strategy to stop future congregation and drug related activity **wherever** it occurs in Boston. We expect to meet regularly with neighborhood leaders to adapt these measures in response to changing circumstances on the ground.

### **Citywide 2025 Strategy: Ending congregate substance use in Boston**

To achieve the City's goal of ending congregate substance use and related criminal activity in Boston neighborhoods, and connecting individuals to recovery services and treatment, the City will implement a set of updated strategies, led by the core teams working on the ground, CRT, BPD and BPHC, with accompanying metrics to evaluate success and areas for improvement. **Implementation measures and metrics will be reviewed and revised in response to neighborhood feedback and changing circumstances.**

### **Strategic Updates led by the Coordinated Response Team:**

1. *Daily coordinating and increased staffing to address needs in real time*

The City is using grants and funds available through repurposing open positions to expand the CRT team, led by Kellie Young, a former member of the Boston Emergency Services Team at Boston Medical Center's Criminal Justice Diversion Program. CRT has primary

responsibility for arranging preventative co-response, implementing the Ordinance, triaging and responding to 311 requests and constituent calls related to congregate outdoor substance use and drug related activity. CRT coordinates a daily 9:00am call with leaders from BPHC and BPD to implement proactive co-response and coordinate the response to 311 calls, and actively participates in a BPD-led HUB model to identify individuals with elevated risk. CRT also serves as a primary point of contact for community members in the Mass and Cass area and other city areas impacted by congregate use.

*2. Implement a co-response strategy with law enforcement*

CRT will oversee implementation of an enhanced preventative co-response strategy with BPD and other law enforcement partners, prioritizing deflection and diversionary measures that connect high need individuals with recovery services and treatment. BPHC will support access to treatment pathways and transportation. CRT-led co-response will advance alternatives to the criminal justice system that provide substance use disorder and mental health related treatment, including Services over Sentences (SOS), a North Suffolk Community Services program supported by the Suffolk County District Attorney's Office and the Commonwealth.

*3. Draw on community partners for strategy and implementation*

CRT will lead working groups with the community leaders citywide, including the South End, Downtown, and Newmarket and Nubian Square, to closely track the success in curtailing congregate use and drug related activity and to advise on adjustments to the City's efforts in the area.

CRT will convene community, city and state partners to discuss regional needs for addiction and recovery services and strategize around ways to meet those needs. CRT, BPD, and BPHC will engage all local organizations on strategies to connect individuals with recovery services and treatment, and end congregate outdoor substance use, dealing, and related criminal activity in Boston.

**Public Safety Strategic Updates:**

*4. BPD will increase deployments and coordination in the broader Mass and Cass area and other congregate sites, with supervision from the Bureau of Field Services (BFS)*

Three different BPD Districts share a boundary in the Mass and Cass area, B2 (Roxbury), C6 (South Boston), and D4 (South End). Moving forward, during each shift, staffing will include dedicated deployments of officers from the Districts, with enhanced coordination and

additional support provided by a BFS supervisor. Through BFS, BPD will marshal the significant resources deployed daily to implement co-response and achieve the City's goals of curtailing congregate use and criminal activity.

#### 5. *Expand Street Outreach Unit Coverage and Focus*

The officers of the BPD [Street Outreach Unit \(SOU\)](#) have special training to support individuals with mental health and substance use disorders. With additional staffing, SOU will expand its coverage capacity to seven days/week and lead the BPD efforts to develop the necessary documentation to enable successful Section 12s and Section 35s (involuntary commitments) which can be an important tool in connecting individuals with the recovery services they need. Additionally, officers who have received the 40 hour Critical Incident Training, but are not assigned to SOU, will be available on a volunteer basis to respond to incidents when additional BPD support is necessary.

#### 6. *Increase Enforcement of Drug Related Activity*

In addition to uniformed officers currently assigned to the Mass and Cass area, BPD will prioritize the assignment of officers at sites of congregate use to conduct active enforcement of criminal law violations, including drug related criminal behavior.

### **Public Health Strategic Updates:**

The [Boston Public Health Commission](#) plays a key role in the substance use response in the City by providing low-threshold shelter and housing pathways, life-saving harm reduction services, and recovery services.

#### 7. *Continue Low-threshold Shelter and Housing Access*

Low-threshold shelter and permanent housing have been vital to providing safe, stabilizing spaces for people who have been chronically unsheltered with substance use disorder in the City. To address overnight congregating, BPHC will continue to fund and oversee 147 low-threshold shelter beds and provide permanent housing navigation to individuals in these spaces. BPHC's emergency shelters have also expanded harm reduction policies and practices that support people with substance use disorder.

#### 8. *Expand Treatment Access and Pathways*

Through our PAATHS program, we will increase PAATHS treatment access during outreach routes, at our homeless shelters, and in the low-threshold shelters to help people complete

treatment pathways assessments and provide transportation to help people access treatment. Through our partnerships with our partners, we will continue to expand access to medication for opioid use disorder, proven interventions to stabilize people and save lives.

#### 9. *Citywide Response to Address Needs*

BPHC's Recovery Services Outreach Team conducts daily morning and end of day routes to respond to proactively address any needs of unsheltered persons and syringe clean-up on schools and park property. Beginning in January 2025, the team is responding to incidents and 311 calls citywide. Based on trusted relationships with people who are often on the streets, the outreach team provides referrals and transports to treatment and services. The outreach team will increase the number of business visits in the hotspots of the City to provide overdose prevention education and information on responding to any concerns related to unsheltered persons with substance use disorder.

#### 10. *Focus Harm Reduction Services at Indoor Locations*

BPHC and provider partners play a critical role in providing harm reduction and clinical services to prevent overdose and the transmission of infectious diseases, including HIV and hepatitis C. To direct existing harm reduction services indoors and away from congregate sites, BPHC will direct individuals to existing providers, day spaces, and shelters in the City where harm reduction supplies can be accessed along with services and pathways into treatment. BPHC will also work with other health care and service providers across the city to further decentralize delivery. BPHC outreach teams will now refer any individuals at the Mass and Cass area, and those congregating citywide, to indoor locations/service providers and day spaces for harm reduction supplies, rather than deliver materials at outdoor congregate locations. The BPHC mobile outreach team will continue to engage individuals during street outreach in hot spots of the city, as well as in response to 311 calls citywide, to connect and transport them to shelter, housing services, medical care, and treatment pathways.

#### 11. *Expand Syringe Removal and Other Clean Up*

BPHC's Mobile Sharps Team operates 7 am – 7 pm seven days a week, conducting proactive sweeps of hot spots and responding to 311 calls with an average time of 45 minutes. To address the disbursement of people from the encampment, BPHC expanded the Newmarket BID Back2Work cleaning crew, which hires people in early recovery to clean the streets and pick up syringes seven days/week from 7 am – 2 pm. The City and BPHC will expand the use of employment-based clean-up crews and crew hours of operation,

particularly in the early morning, to maintain cleanliness and quality of life, seeking regular feedback from impacted neighbors on challenging spots.



City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**MICHELLE WU**

February 10, 2025

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to submit a Statement of Interest to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) Core Program for Madison Park Technical Vocational High School pursuant to G.L. c. 70B, § 5. The Statement of Interest describes and explains the deficiencies within the school facility that prevents Madison Park and Boston Public Schools (BPS) from delivering a high-quality, comprehensive Career and Technical Educational Program.

Madison Park Technical Vocational High School will be submitted for improvements under MSBA Priorities #4, #5 and #7 in the MSBA Core Program. Priority #4 focuses on the prevention of severe overcrowding due to anticipated increased enrollments. Priority #5 is for facilities where the necessary work includes the replacement, renovation, or modernization of school facility systems, such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility. Priority #7 is for facilities where the necessary work includes the replacement of or addition to obsolete buildings in order to provide for a full range of programs consistent with state and approved local requirements

The MSBA Core Program is an opportunity to construct a new or renovated school facility for Madison Park Technical Vocational High School, delivering the full vision of a redesigned school that Madison Park community members have been advocating for for decades. Redesigning Madison Park is a critical investment for the City of Boston, better preparing BPS students for good jobs in every sector of Boston's economy. Submitting the Statement of Interest is the first step in the MSBA process, building on the community feedback received through the previous Programming and Feasibility Study, and requires a vote of the City Council as part of the submission.

I urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Order as soon as possible so that the City of Boston may submit the Statement of Interest expeditiously and continue the process of seeking funds for the improvement of school facilities within the City of Boston.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

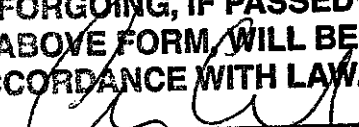

**ORDERED:** Having convened in an open meeting prior to April 11, 2025 the Boston City Council, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statements of Interest dated on or before April 11, 2025 for the following school:

Schools	Address	City	State	Zip
Madison Park Technical Vocational High School	75 Malcom X Blvd	Roxbury	MA	02120

The Statement of Interest for the facility listed above describes deficiencies submitted under Priority #4: Prevention of severe overcrowding expected to result from increased enrollments; Priority #5: Replacement, renovation or modernization of school facility systems, such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility; and Priority #7: Replacement of or addition to obsolete buildings in order to provide for a full range of programs consistent with state and approved local requirements.

The City Council hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting the Statement of Interest Forms, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the City of Boston to file an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

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

BY   
**ADAM CEDERBAUM**   
**CORPORATION COUNSEL**



City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**MICHELLE WU**

February 10, 2025

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) Statements of Interest for their Accelerated Repair Program for the following schools: Boston Adult Technical Academy, Hurley K-8 School, Mildred Avenue K-8 School, Mendell Elementary School, Mary Lyon Pilot High School, Joyce Kilmer Lower School, Margarita Muñiz Academy, Orchard Gardens K-8 School, Trotter K-6 Elementary School. The Statements of Interest describe and explain the deficiencies and the priority category for which the City of Boston may be invited to apply to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future:

Priority 5 - Replacement, renovation or modernization of the school facility systems, such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility.

I urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Order as soon as possible so that the City of Boston may submit the Statement of Interest expeditiously and continue the process of seeking funds for the improvement of school facilities within the City of Boston.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



# CITY OF BOSTON

## IN CITY COUNCIL

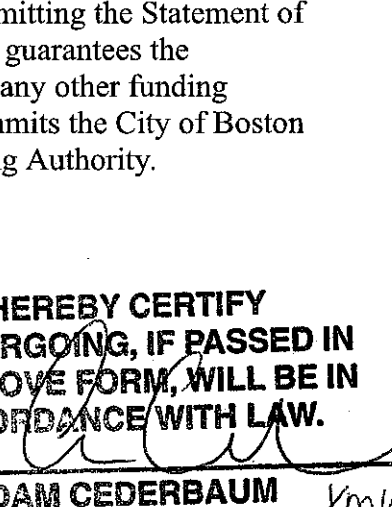
**ORDERED:** Having convened in an open meeting prior to March 21, 2025 the City Council of the City of Boston, in accordance with its charter, by-laws, and ordinances, has voted to authorize the Superintendent to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority the Statements of Interest dated on or before March 21, 2025 for the following schools:

Schools	Address	City	State	Scope
Boston Adult Tech Academy	20 Church Street	Boston	MA	Roof
Hurley K-8 School	70 Worcester Street	South End	MA	Roof
Mildred Ave K-8 School	5 Mildred Ave	Mattapan	MA	Roof
Mendell Elementary School	164 School Street	Roxbury	MA	Windows/Doors
Mary Lyon Pilot High School	95 Beechcroft Street	Brighton	MA	Windows/Doors
Joyce Kilmer Lower School	35 Baker Street	West Roxbury	MA	Windows/Doors
Margarita Muniz Academy	20 Child Street	Jamaica Plain	MA	Heat Pumps
Orchard Gardens K-8 School	906 Albany Street	Roxbury	MA	Heat Pump and Roof
Trotter K-6 Elementary School	135 Humboldt Ave	Dorchester	MA	Heat Pump

The Statement of Interest for the facility listed above describes deficiencies submitted under Priority #5: Replacement, renovation or modernization of school facility systems, such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility

The City Council hereby further specifically acknowledges that by submitting the Statement of Interest Forms, the Massachusetts School Building Authority in no way guarantees the acceptance or the approval of an application, the awarding of a grant or any other funding commitment from the Massachusetts School Building Authority, or commits the City of Boston to file an application for funding with the Massachusetts School Building Authority.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY  
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ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.**

BY   
**ADAM CEDERBAUM**  
**CORPORATION COUNSEL** *Kmw*

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS BRIAN WORRELL, JULIA MEJIA, BENJAMIN WEBER, COLETTA ZAPATA, FERNANDES ANDERSON, FITZGERALD, FLYNN, PEPÉN, SANTANA, AND LOUIJEUNE



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS' FY26 BUDGET

**WHEREAS,** Boston Public Schools' Fiscal Year 2025 budget totals more than \$1.5 billion; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Boston Public Schools' Fiscal Year 2026 budget will be the first budget in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic to not include any ESSER funding; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Boston Public Schools Superintendent Mary Skipper will present the FY26 budget to the School Committee on the first Wednesday of February; *and*

**WHEREAS,** For Fiscal Year 2025, the City Council worked collaboratively with Boston Public Schools starting in January to allow more advocacy from the Council before the School Committee approved the budget in March; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The Boston School Committee remains an unelected body, despite a 2021 non-binding resolution that was supported by 79 percent of Boston voters, thus leaving the City Council as the only direct district-level line from constituents to the Boston Public Schools budget; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Boston Public Schools is committed to creating a physical budget book for Fiscal Year 2026, which will be similar to BPS budget books from last decade and will allow for more public transparency earlier in the budget process; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Boston Public Schools began actively working on the Fiscal Year 2026 budget starting in the fall of 2024, and the City Council engaged with Boston Public Schools starting in November 2024 to better advocate for priorities of the students in FY26; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**ORDERED:** That the Ways & Means Committee of the Boston City Council hold a committee meeting in February, a working session in early March, multiple hearings in April, and that representatives of Boston Public Schools and other interested parties be invited to attend.

Filed on: January 3, 2025

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS ERIN MURPHY, ED FLYNN, FITZGERALD, MEJIA,  
WORRELL AND LOUIJEUNE



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS THE  
PRESERVATION OF HISTORICAL ARTIFACTS IN BOSTON  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS SLATED FOR CLOSURE OR MERGER

**WHEREAS**, The Boston Public Schools (BPS) has recently proposed the closure and merger of several schools, including Excel High School, Dever Elementary School, and the Mary Lyon Pilot High School, as part of their Long-Term Facilities Plan; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Many of these schools have histories spanning well over a century and contain significant historical artifacts and memorabilia, such as plaques, photographs, documents, and memorials that reflect Boston's rich educational heritage; *and*

**WHEREAS**, The closure of these schools raises concerns about the preservation of these historical artifacts, which are vital to maintaining the community's historical fabric and honoring the legacy of Boston's educational institutions; *and*

**WHEREAS**, Councilor Flynn has highlighted the importance of preserving significant memorials, including the World War I Memorial at Excel High School, which honors veterans who served in both World Wars, underscoring the need for a comprehensive preservation plan; *and*

**WHEREAS**, The City of Boston has a responsibility to ensure that the historical artifacts from schools undergoing closure or merger are carefully preserved, transported, and stored in a manner that prevents deterioration and allows for continued public access and educational use;  
**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**ORDERED**: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss the development of a comprehensive plan for identifying, preserving, transporting, and storing historical artifacts from Boston Public Schools affected by closures or mergers; and that the City Archivist, the Boston Public Schools administration, alumni associations, local historical societies, and other relevant stakeholders be invited to testify.

Filed on: January 15, 2025.



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS LONG-TERM CITY JOB VACANCIES

**WHEREAS,** The City of Boston's Fiscal Year 2025 operating budget was \$4.64 billion, covering more than 18,000 employees; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The City of Boston had nearly 2,000 vacancies as of RFIs submitted in April 2024, including nearly 550 at the Boston Police Department, 400 in Boston Public Schools, more than 300 at the Boston Transportation Department, more than 150 at the Boston Public Commission, and more than 150 on Public Works; *and*

**WHEREAS,** These vacancies include roles that need to be filled for the city's government to reach its full potential; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Work for unfilled jobs can either be outsourced to contractors without a residency requirement, reallocated elsewhere in the department's budget, or partially reassigned to the city's general fund;

**WHEREAS,** Cities such as Los Angeles give specific numbers on long-term job vacancies in their budgets; *and*

**WHEREAS,** A better understanding of job vacancies and unused money would give a more accurate picture of the city's budget for the upcoming fiscal year, allow the city to strategize how to fill vacant positions, and empower city employees and unions to advocate for higher compensation; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The City of Boston is actively creating the Fiscal Year 2026 budget, which will include projections for full-time employees; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**ORDERED:** That the Ways & Means Committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing on the current status of unfilled jobs in city departments and that representatives of the City's Position Review Committee, Boston Public Schools, Boston Police Department, Boston Public Health Commission, Public Works, Boston Center for Youth and Families and other interested parties be invited to attend.

Filed on: Jan. 10, 2025

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR WORRELL



## CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FIVE

### HOME RULE PETITION

**WHEREAS,** Gissell Melo, a 42-year-old longtime Bostonian and combat veteran of the United States Army, has dreamed of becoming a Boston Police Officer to work with other like-minded individuals to keep her communities safe and secure; *and*

**WHEREAS,** A magna cum laude graduate of the University of Massachusetts Boston with fluency in both Spanish and English, and a strong belief in the power of community policing, Gissell Melo's background prepares her with the skills to serve such a diverse city while ensuring her communities feel understood and included; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Having served in the Army as a combat veteran for nine years, Gissell Melo possesses particularly beneficial training, skills, and resilience to equip her well as a police officer; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Gissell Melo has made several attempts since her 20s to become a police officer but had to resign from the process during one attempt when she learned she was pregnant and, upon her last successful attempt at joining the Academy, sustained an injury forcing her to resign until healed; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Gissell Melo's determination and perseverance to become a Boston Police Officer never wavered despite any setbacks she might have faced; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Boston has an age limit of 40-years-old for new officers, but the force is currently below minimum staffing requirements and in need of officers;  
**NOW, THEREFORE**

**BE IT ORDERED:** That a petition to the General Court, accompanied by a bill for a special law relating to the City of Boston to be filed with an attested copy of this Order be, and hereby is, approved under Clause One (1) of Section Eight (8) of Article Two (2), as amended, of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to the end that legislation be adopted precisely as follows, except for clerical or editorial changes of form only:

**PETITION FOR A SPECIAL LAW RE: AN ACT DIRECTING THE CITY OF BOSTON  
POLICE DEPARTMENT TO WAIVE THE MAXIMUM AGE REQUIREMENT FOR  
POLICE OFFICERS FOR GISELL MELO**

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, including the provisions of Chapter 43 of the Acts of 2007, the City of Boston Police Department shall waive the maximum age requirement for original appointment of police officers for Gissell Melo. If Gissell Melo meets all other requirements set forth by the Boston Police Department, she shall be eligible to have her name certified for original appointment to the position of police officer.

SECTION 2.

This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Filed in Council: March 3, 2025

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR WORRELL



## CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FIVE

### HOME RULE PETITION

**WHEREAS,** Jonathan Telfort, a 42-year-old native Bostonian, wants to become a police officer to help law enforcement establish positive and healthy relations with the communities it serves; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Jonathan Telfort's bachelor's degrees in both Criminal Justice and Human Services have provided him with a foundation in law-enforcement policy, social services, investigative methods, and community outreach that would enhance his ability to be attuned to the social dynamics and challenges driving crime and public safety issues as a police officer; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Jonathan Telfort's passions motivate him to be the kind of officer who not only enforces the law but also acts as a mentor, advocate, and bridge between law enforcement and the community to see to it that each person—despite background—is accorded dignity and respect; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Jonathan Telfort would've applied to be a police officer earlier however, intent on making sure he was equipped with the life experience and leadership abilities to make a tangible impact as a police officer, he accordingly spent the past few years getting involved in his community, building relationships, and acquiring keen insight into his community's needs in order to learn how best to advance justice; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Boston has an age limit of 40-years-old for new officers, but the force is currently below minimum staffing requirements and in need of officers;  
**NOW, THEREFORE**

**BE IT ORDERED:** That a petition to the General Court, accompanied by a bill for a special law relating to the City of Boston to be filed with an attested copy of this Order be, and hereby is, approved under Clause One (1) of Section Eight (8) of Article Two (2), as amended, of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to the end that legislation be adopted precisely as follows, except for clerical or editorial changes of form only:

**PETITION FOR A SPECIAL LAW RE: AN ACT DIRECTING THE CITY OF BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT TO WAIVE THE MAXIMUM AGE REQUIREMENT FOR POLICE OFFICERS FOR JONATHAN TELFORT**

SECTION 1. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, including the provisions of Chapter 43 of the Acts of 2007, the City of Boston Police Department shall waive the maximum age requirement for original appointment of police officers for Jonathan Telfort. If Jonathan Telfort meets all other requirements set forth by the Boston Police Department, he shall be eligible to have his name certified for original appointment to the position of police officer.

SECTION 2.

This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Filed in Council: March 3, 2025



OFFERED BY COUNCILOR GABRIELA COLETTA ZAPATA



**CITY OF BOSTON**

**IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FIVE**

**HOME RULE PETITION**

**WHEREAS,** The Zoning Board of Appeal provides a powerful and critical function in city government and in the development process, granting conditional use permits, variances and other exceptions to the zoning code; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Members of the ZBA are dedicated volunteers whose service is authorized by and dependent on statutory guidance established by the City of Boston and the general court; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Records and notice policies at the ZBA are out of date and not conducive to fully informing members of the general public; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Renters, persons knowledgeable in civil rights and fair housing, experts in environmental protection and other stakeholders are not currently represented on the ZBA; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Members of the board deserve timely notification and explanation of changes to city ordinances and changes to zoning; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Residents of the city would benefit from legal support and guidance and the ability to access zoning services and records of decisions electronically and at Boston City Hall; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Establishing a regular report on variances by neighborhood and zoning district would inform future zoning by clearly indicating where actual development practices and the zoning code differ substantially; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The City of Boston has launched a review of practices at the Board of Appeal and is considering a range of operational changes; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Legislative action is necessary in addition to such review and as a complement, as the enabling legislation for the ZBA currently requires the appointment of certain real estate and other interests among its members, and does not allow for a change in membership or appointment structure; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Improvements to mitigate conflict of interest are necessary to ensure public trust in the continued and substantial work of the board; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**ORDERED:** That a petition to the General Court, accompanied by a bill for a special law relating to the City of Boston to be filed with an attested copy of this Order be, and hereby is, approved under Clause One (1) of Section Eight (8) of Article Two (2), as amended, of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to the end that legislation be adopted precisely as follows, except for clerical or editorial changes of form only:

**PETITION FOR A SPECIAL LAW RE: AN ACT RELATIVE TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEAL**

SECTION 1. Chapter 665 of the Acts of 1956, as amended, is further amended by striking Section 8 and replacing it with the following:

There is hereby established in the City of Boston a board to be called the board of appeal, and to consist of nine members and nine alternate members appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the city council in the following manner: one member and one alternate member from four candidates with expertise in environmental protection and climate change nominated by the Conservation Law Foundation; one member and one alternate member from four candidates with a background in urban planning and the design of neighborhoods nominated by the Metropolitan Area Planning Council; one member and one alternate member from four candidates nominated by the Greater Boston Real Estate Board; one member and one alternate member nominated by the Boston Society of Architects; one member and one alternate member from eight candidates, two nominated by the Master Builders Association, two by the Building Trades Employers' Association, two by the Associated General Contractors of Massachusetts, and two by The Contractor's Association of Boston, Inc.; one member and one alternate member from four candidates nominated by the Building Trades Council of Greater Boston; one member and one alternate member selected at large by the mayor with expertise in zoning and the general laws; and two members and two alternate members selected by the mayor each of whom has served for at least one year (1) as an officer or member of the board of directors or similar governing body of a residential neighborhood organization which (a) is a non-profit organization consisting primarily of residents of a specific neighborhood; (b) has at least twenty-five members; (c) allows any resident of the neighborhood to join as a member; (d) has as a principal purpose the preservation of the quality of residential life in the neighborhood; and (e) has been in existence for at least two years; or (2) as a member of a residential neighborhood organization which (a) has been established by the mayor; (b) consists primarily of residents of a specific neighborhood; and (c) has as a principal purpose the preservation of the quality of residential life in the neighborhood; provided that any person appointed from a residential neighborhood organization under this section is a resident of the neighborhood represented by the residential neighborhood organization in which she or he has served. The two members from residential neighborhood organizations shall reside at the time of their respective appointments in different city council districts. The two alternate members from residential neighborhood organizations shall reside at the time of their respective appointments in different city council districts. Of the two members and two alternate members from residential neighborhood organizations, one member and alternate member shall be a homeowner in the City of Boston and the other member and alternate member a renter in the City of Boston.

All members and all alternate members of said board shall be residents of the City of

Boston. Appointments of members and alternate members of said board shall be for terms of three years and shall serve no more than two terms in total, provided, however, that members serving on the Board at the time this provision comes into effect shall serve no more than 1 additional term from that date if so appointed by the Mayor and approved by the Council. Any vacancy in the office of a member or alternate member shall be filled for the unexpired term in the same manner in which the original appointment to such term was made.

Each member and each alternate member of said board shall be subject to the provisions of chapter two hundred and sixty-eight A of the General Laws. In addition, notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, no member or alternate member shall participate in hearing or deciding (a) any appeal involving property in which he has held an ownership interest, or received compensation for services rendered, within five years of the date the appeal was filed with the board; and (b) any appeal involving property in the same geographic zoning district and seeking relief from the same provisions of the zoning regulations as any other appeal pending before the board in which the member or alternate member has a financial or legal interest. A violation of the provisions of the preceding sentence shall be punishable in the same manner as a violation of the provisions of section nineteen of said chapter two hundred and sixty-eight A and shall be subject to the provisions of section twenty-one of said chapter two hundred and sixty-eight A.

Upon the absence or disqualification from the hearing of any appeal of a member appointed upon nomination or at large under this section, the alternate member appointed in the same manner as such member shall substitute for such member; provided, however, that upon the absence or disqualification from such hearing of such alternate member, the chairperson shall designate one of the remaining alternate members to substitute for such members.

Upon the absence or disqualification from the hearing of any appeal of a member appointed from a residential neighborhood organization under this section, the alternate member appointed from a residential neighborhood organization whose term is concurrent with such member shall substitute for such member; provided, however, that upon the absence or disqualification from such hearing of such alternate member, the other alternate member appointed from a residential neighborhood organization shall substitute for such member; and provided, further, that upon the absence or disqualification from such hearing of such other alternate member, the chairperson shall designate one of the remaining alternate members to substitute for such member.

Each member and each alternate member of the board of appeal shall receive for every day or part thereof of actual service two hundred dollars or such sum as may from time to time be fixed by the city council with the approval of the mayor; but no member or alternate member shall so receive in any one year more than twenty-four thousand dollars or such other sum as may from time to time be fixed by the city council with the approval of the mayor. The board shall establish rules and regulations for its own procedures not inconsistent with this act. Any board or officer of the city or any person aggrieved by reason of being refused a permit by any administrative official under the provisions of the state building code or by reason of any order or decision of the building commissioner or other administrative official in violation of any provision of the state building code or any zoning regulation or amendment thereof adopted under the state building code may appeal to said board of appeal within forty-five days after such refusal, order or decision by paying to the building commissioner a fee of twenty-five dollars\* or such other sum as the city council with the approval of the mayor may from time to time

prescribe, and by filing with the board or officer from whose refusal, order or decision the appeal is taken a notice of appeal specifying the grounds thereof. Such board or officer shall forthwith transmit to said board of appeal such notice of appeal and all documents and papers constituting the record of the case in which the appeal is taken. Such appeal may be filed electronically or in person at the office of the building commissioner or at Boston City Hall.

Said board of appeal shall fix a reasonable time for the hearing of any appeal and give at least twenty days public notice thereof in a newspaper of general circulation in the city and give at least twenty days public notice electronically through relevant city mailing lists and informational portals. Said board of appeal shall also send notice, by mail, postage prepaid, at least twenty days prior to the hearing, to the appellant and to the owners of all property deemed by said board of appeal to be affected thereby, as they appear on the then most recent local tax list, and to any person filing written request for notice of hearings, such request to be renewed yearly in December, and to the Boston Redevelopment Authority. The board shall schedule the hearing in the evening, if the board receives from the mayor or any city councilor and from fifty residents of the neighborhood in which the project is located, prior to the submission of the notice for publication and the mailing of the notice, a written request that the hearing be scheduled in the evening. The notice shall identify the specific variance, exception, or other zoning relief which the appellant is seeking. At the hearing any party whether or not entitled to notice thereof may appear in person or by agent or attorney. The board of appeal may in its discretion administer oaths to all persons testifying at said hearing. No such hearing shall be held any day on which a state or municipal election, preliminary election or primary is held in said city.

In acting upon such appeal, said board of appeal may, in conformity with the provisions of this act, reverse or affirm in whole or in part, or may modify, any order or decision, and may make such order or decision as ought to be made, and to that end shall have all the powers of the board or officers from whom the appeal is taken and may direct the issue of a permit. The board may in its discretion continue the hearing in order that the appellant may meet with any residential neighborhood organization specified by the board to discuss the appeal, and the board may in its discretion deny the appeal without prejudice in the event the appellant fails to do so. The concurring vote of five members of said board of appeal shall be necessary to reverse any order or decision of any administrative official under this act, or to decide in favor of the appellant on any matter upon which it is required to pass under any zoning regulation or amendment thereof, or to grant any variance in, or exception to the application of any such regulation or amendment. Standards of review for said board of appeal shall be promulgated in the Boston Zoning Code.

Said board of appeal shall cause to be made available contact information for the board, including electronic contact information, an electronic subscription list for notice and advertisement of board hearings, and a detailed record of all its proceedings, which record shall set forth: the reasons for its decision; the vote of each member participating therein; the absence of a member or her or his failure to vote; and any conditions or provisos to which the granting of any variance or exception was made subject by vote of said board of appeal at the hearing. The board shall also produce and publish a quarterly report to the Boston City Council Committee on Planning, Development, and Transportation detailing: The number of variances, conditional use permits, and other forms of zoning relief granted in the previous quarter; A breakdown of variances granted by zoning district and neighborhood; A detailed explanation of each variance

granted that does not meet the hardship standards set forth in state law or the Boston Zoning Code, including the specific rationale for the Board's decision; Any variances granted in contravention of recommendations made by city planning staff, environmental agencies, or community impact reports; and The number of variance applications denied, including reasons for denial.

The Boston City Council Committee on Planning, Development, and Transportation shall hold a public oversight hearing at least once per quarter at which the Zoning Board of Appeal shall testify regarding its decision-making process and provide justification for variances granted in deviation from hardship standards. If the City Council finds that the Zoning Board of Appeal has repeatedly granted variances in excess of legal standards, it may: Issue a formal recommendation for procedural reforms to be implemented by the Board; Request that the Mayor review and reconsider appointments to the Zoning Board of Appeal based on patterns of noncompliance; and Propose legislative amendments to strengthen zoning enforcement and limit discretionary approvals.

The City Council may establish a Variance Review Panel, composed of: The Chair of the City Council Committee on Planning, Development, and Transportation; a representative from the Planning Department; a representative from the Inspectional Services Department; and a legal expert in municipal zoning and land use law. The panel shall annually review and audit the variance approvals granted by the Zoning Board of Appeal and issue findings on compliance with zoning laws and equity in the application of variances across Boston neighborhoods.

To ensure public access to zoning decisions, the Zoning Board of Appeal shall: Make all quarterly reports and variance data available electronically on a publicly accessible website; Provide an annual summary of zoning relief granted, highlighting trends and patterns in variance approvals; and Establish an electronic database where members of the public may search for and review past Zoning Board of Appeal decisions.

Said board of appeal shall be supported by one or more employees of the City of Boston who shall not be otherwise engaged in real estate, permitting, planning or development within or on behalf of the city, except as to report findings or recommendations of the board to other boards, offices, departments or agencies and to the general public. Such staff shall also educate and update members of the board on updates to the municipal code, zoning code, or other regulations which may impact matters before the board. The mayor of Boston and director of the Boston Redevelopment Authority, or their designees, shall convey such updates to the municipal code, zoning code, or other regulations which may impact matters before the board to the staff of the board of appeal.

The commissioner of inspectional services, also known as the building commissioner, shall ensure that an employee within that office, or an individual provided by a non-profit organization under contract with that office, provide neutral advice and guidance explaining to members of the public the standards, procedures, appeal process and all other matters relevant to the Board of Appeal. Such employee or individual shall be present and clearly identifiable at each meeting of the board of appeal and shall be located either at city hall or at the office of the building commissioner.

SECTION 2. To ensure continuity in development and prevent a lack of quorum for the Board of Appeal, members of the Board serving under a prior nomination and legislative authorization shall serve until such time as their term of service expires, until replacement members are appointed or until members currently serving are re-appointed under new legislative authorization.

SECTION 3.

This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Filed on: March 5, 2025

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ENRIQUE J. PEPÉN



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO ESTABLISH THE FAIRMOUNT AVENUE ARTS AND CULTURAL DISTRICT IN HYDE PARK

**WHEREAS,** The commercial section of Fairmount Avenue has been a critical thread in the history, economy, and culture in the tapestry of Hyde Park; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The commercial section of Fairmount Avenue is located within the Squares + Streets Plan Area for Cleary Square, which will turn the avenue into a prime location for development and investment; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Planned increased frequency of the 32 bus on Hyde Park Avenue and the Fairmount Line Commuter Rail will expand access to the area, bringing new residents and patrons; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Several arts-based businesses and organizations already call Fairmount Avenue home such as Riverside Theater Works and Canvas Studio Boston making Fairmount Avenue an ideal candidate for an arts and cultural district; *and*

**WHEREAS,** A formal arts and cultural district would increase connectivity between arts-based businesses and organizations on Fairmount Avenue with other arts-based organizations in the neighborhood by creating a central location from which visitors can branch off; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing on the establishment of an arts and cultural district on Fairmount Avenue between River Street and Truman Parkway. Experts on arts and cultural districts, administration officials, and community members will be invited to testify.

Filed on: March 5, 2025

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### ORDER FOR A HEARING ON REGULATION OF TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES (TNCs) BY THE CITY OF BOSTON AND BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

- WHEREAS:** Transportation Network Companies (TNCs), such as Uber and Lyft, provide ride-sharing services that are convenient and used by many to commute in Boston. They are now a ubiquitous sight on our streets; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Recognizing that TNCs have become an integral part of our overall transportation system, residents have also expressed that this evolving industry continues to present serious concerns related to public safety, pedestrian safety, traffic and congestion; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Recently, a woman was allegedly sexually assaulted by her rideshare driver when travelling from an establishment in South Boston to her home. In 2018, a driver was charged with exposing himself to two women near Downtown Crossing. In 2015, another driver was convicted of aggravated rape, kidnapping, assault and battery; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Ensuring the safety of all residents in rideshares is critical. Currently, while Massachusetts requires a two-step background check for those who want to drive for a rideshare company, there is no requirement for rideshare drivers to undergo fingerprinting or to register with the City of Boston. In New York City, rideshare drivers are required by the City and the Taxi & Limousine Commission (TLC) to submit their fingerprints in addition to background checks; *and*
- WHEREAS:** While the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities (DPU) currently regulates TNCs, there is precedent for the Boston Police Department (BPD) to play a larger role in regulating and providing oversight on public safety issues regarding rideshares in our City. The Boston Police Department includes the Hackney Carriage Unit, which oversees taxi cabs in the city. Discussion is warranted with state partners on exploring the merits of transferring public safety and oversight functions to the City of Boston; *and*
- WHEREAS:** According to data from Mass.gov, in 2019, transportation network companies (TNCs) provided 91.1 million rides in Massachusetts, of which 45.3 million rides originated in Boston (124,110 per day). While the industry was hit during the pandemic, rideshares are back on the rise. In 2021, 18.3 million rides originated from Boston (50,137 per day), with 13 million rides being local trips; *and*



**WHEREAS:** Given the sheer volume of rideshares that start and operate in Boston, residents continue to call attention to the need for stronger municipal oversight on TNCs, including in the form of a personal registration, license and fee for drivers to operate in Boston due to continued public safety concerns, traffic, and the wear and tear of our roads; *and*

**WHEREAS:** A 2018 report from the Metropolitan Area Planning Council estimated that 59% of all ridesharing trips are adding additional vehicles on our region's streets. It is worthwhile to discuss prohibiting out-of-state operators from ridesharing in the City of Boston due to their exacerbation of our existing traffic crisis, consistently rated among the worst in the country, and posing additional pedestrian safety challenges. The lack of designated TNC pick up and drop off areas, or adherence to them, often results in vehicles pulling over in the middle of the street, heightening the safety risks for all on our roads due to blocked travel lanes. TNC drivers are often unfamiliar with the neighborhoods of Boston and residents often report speeding on our streets; *and*

**WHEREAS:** The increased demand for TNC rides also creates consumer protection concerns about prices jumping significantly during sporting or city events, or when the MBTA breaks down; *and*

**WHEREAS:** With TNCs being a significant part of our transportation network, they belong in the discussion of our current traffic issues, as well as their impact on public safety, pedestrian safety, the environment and our overall quality of life. It is worthwhile to explore how other major US cities regulate these companies, and the ability for additional oversight at the municipal level via the Boston Police Department; *and*

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED:**

That the appropriate Committee of the Boston City Council holds a hearing to discuss regulation of TNCs by the City of Boston and Boston Police Department to address public safety, pedestrian safety, traffic and quality of life issues relating to TNCs. Representatives from the Boston Transportation Department, Boston Police Department, State Department of Public Utilities, TNCs and other relevant and interested parties shall be invited to testify.

**Filed in Council:** February 27, 2025



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### Hearing Order to Discuss and Establish Guidelines for the Filing and Adoption of Council Resolutions

**WHEREAS**, Recent Council sessions have highlighted the need for clarity regarding the scope and content of resolutions, particularly concerning matters beyond the Council's legislative authority; and

**WHEREAS**, Instances such as debates over resolutions related to municipal employee demotions, contracts, and labor policies have led to concerns about overstepping our legislative boundaries; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolutions addressing paid sick leave policies for city employees have raised questions about the extent of our legislative authority in personnel matters; and

**WHEREAS**, Resolutions recognizing cultural observances, such as Dominican Heritage Month and Women's History Month, have fostered community pride and unity. Discussions about raising flags over City Hall Plaza to honor cultural heritage, like the Italian flag, present opportunities to celebrate our city's diversity while remaining within our purview;

#### **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED:**

1. **Review of Current Practices:** Analyze recent resolutions to identify patterns where Council actions may have exceeded our jurisdiction.
2. **Establishment of Clear Guidelines:** Develop criteria for future resolutions, focusing on city-specific matters and avoiding entanglement in federal or international issues that fall outside our legislative scope.
3. **Promotion of Consensus:** Create a framework that encourages broad support for resolutions, minimizing instances where members feel compelled to abstain from voting due to jurisdictional concerns.

**BE IT FURTHER ORDERED:** The Committee shall solicit input from Council members to inform the development of these guidelines. The Committee shall report its findings and recommendations to the full Council, ensuring that our resolutions align with the Council's mission and respect the limits of our authority.

**Filed on the 5th day of March, 2025**

**OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN**



**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND AND TWENTY-FIVE**

**ORDER OF COUNCILOR FLYNN**

**ORDERED:** That under the provisions of section 17F of Chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948, as amended, and any other applicable provision of law, Her Honor, the Mayor, be, and hereby is, requested to obtain and deliver to the City Council, within one week of the receipt hereof, the following information relative to:

1. Data regarding the number of drivers contracted with Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) since 2014 that have been arrested by Boston Police Department (BPD), the reasons for these arrests, including how many have been arrested for violent or sexual assault against a passenger.
2. Data regarding the number of TNC drivers that were rearrested since 2014 and for what reason(s)?
3. Of the TNC Drivers that were arrested by BPD since 2014, how many were living outside of Massachusetts and/or didn't have a Massachusetts drivers license?
4. How many drivers were arrested by any police departments in Massachusetts and rearrested in Boston?

I hereby request that the Mayor's Office, Boston Police Department, and other relevant city departments, through the Mayor, provide any and all information that is available regarding this matter.

**Filed on:** March 5, 2025

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR GABRIELA COLETTA ZAPATA



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION DESIGNATING A HERO SQUARE IN CHARLESTOWN IN RECOGNITION OF MAJOR GENERAL JOSEPH WARREN

**WHEREAS,** Dr. Joseph Warren was born on June 11th, 1741 in the Roxbury neighborhood of Boston to parents Joseph and Mary Warren; *and*

**WHEREAS,** He was enlisted in the Continental Army on June 14th, 1775 and immediately earned the rank of Major General; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Major General Warren served in the Battle of Bunker Hill assigned to the Massachusetts Provincial Army Unit; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Tragically, Major General Warren was killed instantly in action when attacking British forces in Charlestown, Massachusetts on June 17th, 1775 at the age of 34; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Major General Joseph Warren served his country bravely. His story of service remains an important part of the Boston's history as well as the founding of the United States of America; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council honor the supreme sacrifice endured by Major General Joseph Warren, one of America's first patriots, who died on behalf of the cause of freedom and democracy, by designating a Hero Square in his honor.

Filed on: March 5, 2025

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS BENJAMIN J. WEBER AND RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE



## CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FIVE

### **RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF IMMIGRANT'S RIGHTS LEGISLATION, INCLUDING THE SAFE COMMUNITIES ACT, THE IMMIGRANT LEGAL DEFENSE ACT, AND THE DIGNITY NOT DEPORTATIONS ACT**

**WHEREAS,** Massachusetts and the City of Boston are home to over one million immigrants, many of whom pay taxes and contribute to our economy; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The American Immigration Council estimates that 18.1 percent of the Commonwealth's population is foreign-born, accounting for a significant portion of the state's labor force, including jobs in healthcare, STEM, and entrepreneurship; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Senator Jamie Eldridge and Reps. Priscila Sousa and Manny Cruz have reintroduced legislation prohibiting law enforcement from being deputized as immigration agents; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Furthermore, the legislation, "An Act to protect the civil rights and safety of all Massachusetts residents," known as "the Safe Communities Act," would prohibit law enforcement from inquiring about an individual's immigration status without their consent; *and*

**WHEREAS,** In addition to HD.3816 and SD.1670, Senator Adam Gomez and Reps. David Rogers and Frank Moran have reintroduced "An Act ensuring access to equitable representation in immigration proceedings"; *and*

**WHEREAS,** SD.2057 and HD.4072, known as "the Immigrant Legal Defense Act," would create a fund to provide immigration legal services to eligible immigrants and refugees who lack access to legal representation and are facing removal proceedings from the US; *and*

**WHEREAS,** More than 50 percent of immigrants in Massachusetts lack legal representation in immigration court, and those with attorneys are 10 times more likely to win their cases; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The fund created by this bill would support the work of a nonprofit organization equipped to provide these immigrants with attorneys; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Sen. Gomez, Rep. Rogers and Rep. Christine Barber have introduced “An Act relative to immigration detention and collaboration agreements” (SD.1107 and HD.3596), also known as “the Dignity Not Deportations Act,” to prohibit Massachusetts entities from voluntarily renting beds to ICE or donating time and resources to ICE by signing contracts that deputize local officials as ICE agents; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The Safe Communities Act was first introduced in 2017, with the Boston City Council voting to adopt a resolution in support of the Safe Communities Act, sponsored by Councilor Josh Zakim in 2017, and a similar resolution in support of the Act, sponsored by Councilor Ayanna Pressley, in 2018; *and*

**WHEREAS,** This body reaffirmed its commitment to the Boston Trust Act in 2024, demonstrating that we are a welcoming City to all and recommitting ourselves to protecting our immigrant community in the face of attacks at the federal level;  
***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council supports the Massachusetts Safe Communities Act, the Immigration Legal Defense Act, and the Dignity Not Deportation Act, urging the state legislature and Governor Healey to enact these laws and expeditiously protect our immigrant families from being separated.

Filed on: March 5, 2025

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS TANIA FERNANDES ANDERSON



## CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FIVE

**A RESOLUTION TO EMBRACE AND EXTEND  
HEARTFELT WISHES TO THE BELOVED MUSLIM COMMUNITY  
IN BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS, THROUGHOUT THE UNITED  
STATES, AND ACROSS THE GLOBE, INVOKING BLESSINGS UPON  
THEM AS THEY EMBARK UPON THE SACRED JOURNEY OF  
RAMADAN, A MONTH REVERED FOR ITS RITUALS OF PRAYER,  
FASTING, CHARITY, AND DEEP REFLECTION.**

***WHEREAS,*** Islam, a radiant thread woven into the rich tapestry of the world's spiritual traditions, is one of the world's major religions and stands as a testament to our shared faith and heritage; *and*

***WHEREAS,*** Ramadan, an ethereal interval of fasting and spiritual rejuvenation, graces Muslims worldwide, marking the luminous ninth month of the Islamic calendar; *and*

***WHEREAS,*** The profound purpose of fasting during Ramadan transcends personal restraint, aspiring for a profound understanding of the challenges faced by those ensnared in the grasp of poverty; *and*

***WHEREAS,*** Ramadan emerges as an opportune moment for spiritual contemplation, fostering communal bonds, and extending a helping hand to those in financial strife, a jubilant celebration of gratitude; *and*

***WHEREAS,*** The indelible presence of Muslims in the American narrative spans over four centuries, with their roots entwined in the complex history of the nation, having arrived as resilient souls in the crucible of slavery; *and*

***WHEREAS,*** The Commonwealth of Massachusetts, a haven for diversity, warmly embraces its 131,000 Muslim residents, acknowledging their cherished faith as an intrinsic part of the vibrant mosaic that is our shared community; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The Muslim community stands as a testament to the kaleidoscope of human diversity within the United States, contributing immeasurably to the cultural vibrancy of the City of Boston and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Fostering the utmost diversity within the most varied religion globally; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The sacred commencement of Ramadan, anticipated to commence in the evening on Sunday, March 1, 2025, and conclude on Tuesday, March 29, 2025, ushers in a celestial journey spanning one lunar month. The initiation and conclusion dates are determined by the lunar Islamic calendar: ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council, with profound reverence, officially acknowledge and extend its warmest wishes to the esteemed Muslim community in Boston, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the United States, and across the globe, earnestly desiring a joyous and spiritually enriching observance of Ramadan. That the City Clerk is hereby respectfully implored to ensure that esteemed organizations such as Jetpac Resource Center, the Council on American-Islamic Relations – Massachusetts (CAIR-MA), Muslim American Society Boston, the Islamic Society of Boston Cultural Center (ISBCC Roxbury), Masjid Al Noor, Masjid Al Qur'an, Mosque for the Praising of Allah (Masjid Alhumdulillah), Mosque #11, Boston Islamic Center (Masjid Al Taqwa), and Boston Islamic Center (ISB Cambridge), receive a copy of this resolution.

**Filed: March 5, 2025**



OFFERED BY COUNCILOR FERNANDES ANDERSON



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT ADDRESSING THE NEEDS OF THE CABO VERDEAN AMERICANS IN BOSTON

**WHEREAS,** The Cape Verdean community in Boston has historically played a vital role in the city's cultural, social, and economic landscape, enriching its diversity and contributing significantly to its vibrancy; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Understanding the history of the nation of Cape Verde is essential in recognizing the resilience and cultural heritage of its people, who endured abuse, exploitation, slaughter, sexual violence, and displacement while the Colonizers looted their land through the African Halocaust for over three hundred years as a port for the West's Transatlantic slave trade, and subsequently gained independence from Portugal on July 5, 1975, marking a significant milestone in their history; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Like the Irish, Scottish, Italians, English and many other Immigrants, Cape Verdean have been arriving in the United States, including Boston, since the late 19th centuries, seeking better opportunities and a brighter future for themselves and their families, and have since become an integral part of the fabric of Boston's communities; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The Cape Verdean community in Boston has demonstrated a strong work ethic and a commitment to self-reliance, rarely seeking assistance despite facing systemic barriers and disparities in accessing essential services and opportunities; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The contributions of the Cape Verdean community to Boston are numerous and varied, including their involvement in local businesses, cultural events, educational initiatives, healthcare services, and advocacy efforts, all of which have greatly enriched the city's social and economic landscape; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Despite their resilience and contributions, the needs of the Cape Verdean community in Boston have often been overlooked or inadequately addressed, leading to disparities in healthcare access, educational attainment, economic opportunities, and other areas; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Recognizing the past traumas endured by the Cape Verdean community and the value they bring to Boston, it is imperative for the City Council to hold a hearing

to examine how Boston is addressing their needs and identify ways to better support and empower this vibrant community; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Acknowledging the historical injustices faced by the Cape Verdean community and their enriching contributions to Boston, the City must enhance assistance for this dynamic community, aligning with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 151B, Section 4, which prohibits racial discrimination and ensures equitable treatment for all residents, including Cape Verdeans; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Recognizing the vital contributions and historical significance of the Cabo Verdean American community to Boston, the city must prioritize addressing their unique needs, aligning with the ethos of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 6A, Section 18, which mandates agencies to develop programs tailored to meet the diverse needs of immigrant populations; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**WHEREAS,** Examples of the Cape Verdean community's contributions to Boston include their involvement in local businesses, cultural events, educational initiatives, healthcare services, and advocacy efforts, enriching the city's social and economic landscape; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to address the needs of the Cape Verdean community in Boston, with a focus on understanding their historical significance, contributions, and challenges faced. The hearing shall provide an opportunity for community members, advocates, experts, and city officials to share insights, experiences, and recommendations for better supporting the Cape Verdean community in Boston. Topics of discussion shall include but are not limited to healthcare access, educational opportunities, economic development, housing affordability, cultural preservation, and civic engagement. The hearing shall explore ways in which the City of Boston can collaborate with community organizations, institutions, and stakeholders to address the identified needs and enhance the well-being of the Cape Verdean community. The findings and recommendations from the hearing shall inform future policy decisions, resource allocation, and initiatives aimed at advancing equity, inclusion, and justice for all residents of Boston, including the Cape Verdean community.

Filed on: March 5, 2025



## CITY OF BOSTON

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IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FIVE

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### RESOLUTION DENOUNCING THE ROLLBACK OF TEMPORARY PROTECTED STATUS FOR HAITIAN, VENEZUELAN, AND OTHER DESIGNATED COMMUNITIES

**WHEREAS,** Temporary Protected Status (TPS) has historically provided humanitarian relief to individuals from countries experiencing armed conflict, environmental disasters, or other extraordinary conditions, enabling them to live and work lawfully in the United States without fear of deportation; and

**WHEREAS,** Thousands of Haitian and Venezuelan TPS recipients, along with TPS holders from many other countries, have become integral members of local economies, neighborhoods, and workplaces, strengthening our communities through their cultural, social, and economic contributions; and

**WHEREAS,** The TPS program was extended to Haiti in 2010 due to ongoing violence, political instability, and natural disasters that continue to pose serious threats to the safety of Haitian nationals; and Massachusetts alone has the second-largest Haitian population in the United States, who have deeply integrated and contributed to local communities; and

**WHEREAS,** Close to 500,000 Haitians nationwide currently depend on TPS for protection, with some estimates placing more than 16,000 Haitian TPS holders in Massachusetts alone; many of these individuals fill crucial roles in health care, construction, transportation, hospitality, and food service, contributing to the stability and growth of our local economies; and

**WHEREAS,** Venezuelan nationals, numbering up to 600,000 under TPS, have similarly fled severe social, political, and economic upheaval; under recent federal changes, an estimated 350,000 Venezuelan TPS recipients face a sudden termination in April, with the remaining set to lose protections in September, despite having become vital members of communities across the nation; and

**WHEREAS,** Ending TPS would force many recipients who have lived in the United States for years, often raising families and contributing substantially to local economies, into precarious positions or possible deportations; Massachusetts alone has roughly 30,000 TPS holders, whose sudden loss of lawful status could inflict a heavy toll on our workforce in critical sectors, including health care, hospitality, and manufacturing; and

**WHEREAS,** Terminating or shortening TPS designations without robust evidence or adequate justification that country conditions have improved places recipients, including families who have resided here for years, in grave danger should they be forced to return to countries still grappling with widespread violence, political instability, and economic devastation; and

**WHEREAS,** Such actions have been widely decried as cruel, harmful, and contrary to the humanitarian intent of TPS, eroding trust while jeopardizing public health, local economies, and family unity; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council condemn any rollback of TPS protections for Haitian, Venezuelan, and other designated communities, and uphold the humanitarian principles upon which TPS is founded.

Filed on: March 3, 2025

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR BRIAN WORRELL



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MARCH 5TH AS CRISPUS ATTUCKS DAY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

**WHEREAS,** Crispus Attucks was born into slavery in Framingham, Massachusetts, around the year 1723, with his father being an enslaved African man named Prince Yonger and his mother being a Native American woman named Nancy Attucks; and

**WHEREAS,** For over 300 years, the legacy of Crispus Attucks has stood as a testament to the resilience, courage, and contributions of Black and Indigenous Americans to the fight for freedom and equality in this nation; and

**WHEREAS,** Crispus Attucks embraced his multicultural heritage and rose above the shackles of slavery to become a sailor and a skilled whaler, spending much of his life at sea and working along the docks of the Atlantic seaboard, earning a reputation as a trusted longshoreman and negotiator; and

**WHEREAS,** On March 5, 1770—255 years ago—Crispus Attucks made the ultimate sacrifice as the first person killed in the Boston Massacre, an event that ignited the flames of the American Revolution and forever changed the course of history, acknowledging him as the first hero of the Revolution; and

**WHEREAS,** Attucks' sacrifice symbolizes the fight for freedom, justice, and equality, inspiring generations of Americans to stand up against oppression, and his legacy has been celebrated nationwide, including through institutions such as the Crispus Attucks High School in Indianapolis, the U.S. Navy's USS Attucks, and various statues and memorials across the country; and

**WHEREAS,** Boston Latin School held the inaugural Crispus Attucks Commemoration Day essay competition this year, organized by the Friends of Crispus Attucks, as a way to further the education of his life; and

**WHEREAS,** The City of Boston is committed to ensuring Crispus Attucks' legacy is honored through the establishment of a permanent monument, with efforts underway to finalize a location; and

**WHEREAS,** A temporary memorial is planned to be in place by the country's 250th anniversary in 2026, with a permanent statue to be completed in time for Boston's 400th anniversary in 2030; and

**WHEREAS,** The City of Boston is committed to ensuring Crispus Attucks' legacy is honored through the establishment of a permanent monument, with efforts underway to finalize a location; and

**WHEREAS,** Designating March 5th as Crispus Attucks Day serves as a reminder of the ongoing struggle for civil rights and social justice, providing an opportunity for education, reflection, and community engagement; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT;**

**RESOLVED,** That the Boston City Council hereby recognizes March 5, 2025, as Crispus Attucks Day in the City of Boston, and urges all residents to honor his memory and legacy through appropriate observances and activities.

Filed on: March 3, 2025



## **Boston City Council**

### *Legislative Calendar for the March 5, 2025 Session*

#### **Sixty Day Orders**

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The following ordinances, appropriations and/or orders recommended by the Mayor for passage by the City Council become effective after the date specified unless previously acted upon<sup>1</sup>

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**<sup>1</sup>Section 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.*

**In effect April 6, 2025**

Message and order for your approval an Ordinance for Road Safety and Accountability for Delivery Providers. **(Docket #0407)**

**Assigned for Further Action**

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## Unanswered Section 17F Orders<sup>2</sup>

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Order requesting certain information under Section 17F RE: Sidewalk repair deposits and refunds (disaggregated). **(Docket #0340)**

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F RE: Capital Projects in D7 from 2020 to date. **(Docket #0341)**

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F RE: Maintenance and Improvements of streets and sidewalks in District 7 from 2020 to date. **(Docket #0342)**

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F regarding Boston Public Schools (BPS) Code of Conduct Violations. **(Docket #0489)**

Order requesting certain information under section 17F re: vehicles owned, leased, or otherwise utilized by the City of Boston. **(Docket #0490)**

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### 2 - Section 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.*

## *Home Rule Petitions Not Responded to by the Mayor*<sup>3</sup>

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### *<sup>3</sup>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*

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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.

## 2025 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred Hearing(s)	Notes
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	<b>0154</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	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	<b>0156</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss the creation of cultural districts in Boston.	1/8/2025	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	<b>0160</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Flynn, Mejia	Order for a hearing on a proposal for a Crispus Attucks statue.	1/8/2025	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	<b>0479</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	Santana	Order for a hearing to update and replace Black Heritage Trail signage.	2/12/2025	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	<b>0527</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the BPS Sunday's Phase 2 Grant, awarded by the Pilot House Philanthropy to be administered by the Office of Arts and Culture. The program will fund the learning and evaluation components of the BPS Sundays pilot program.	2/26/2025	
Boston's COVID-19 Recovery	<b>0476</b>	<b>Durkan</b>	Worrell, Louijeune	Order for a hearing on Boston's distribution and implementation of COVID-19 relief funding and programs.	2/12/2025	
Boston's COVID-19 Recovery	<b>0482</b>	<b>Murphy</b>		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	
City Services & Innovation Technology	<b>0157</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	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	<b>0170</b>	<b>Coletta Zapata</b>	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	<b>0257</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss accessibility in Boston City Hall.	1/15/2025	
City Services & Innovation Technology	<b>0308</b>	<b>Pepén</b>	Santana, Weber	Order for a hearing to improve recruitment of civilian crossing guards to serve Boston families.	1/29/2025	

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City Services & Innovation Technology	<b>0310</b>	<b>Pepén</b>	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	<b>0314</b>	<b>Coletta Zapata</b>	Louijeune, Worrell	Order for a hearing regarding fire emergencies and the creation of a Fire Victim Fund.	1/29/2025	
City Services & Innovation Technology	<b>0316</b>	<b>Durkan</b>	Pepén, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss a pilot program for waste containerization.	1/29/2025	
City Services & Innovation Technology	<b>0324</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	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	<b>0333</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Durkan, Louijeune	Order for a hearing regarding gender-neutral bathrooms in City-owned buildings.	1/29/2025	
City Services & Innovation Technology	<b>0418</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss the status of the South Boston Branch Library Study.	2/5/2025	
City Services & Innovation Technology	<b>0552</b>	<b>Breadon</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss current population projections and preparation for the 2030 decennial census.	2/26/2025	
City Services & Innovation Technology	<b>0554</b>	<b>Breadon</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss public authority-ordered towing practices in the City of Boston.	2/26/2025	
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	<b>0168</b>	<b>Fernandes Anderson</b>		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	<b>0172</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	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	<b>0184</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	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	<b>0187</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	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	<b>0188</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing on discrimination in lending and appraisals.	1/8/2025	

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
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		
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	
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 inancial literacy programs in Boston Public Schools.	1/29/2025		
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		

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Education	<b>0417</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss Holocaust and Genocide Education in Boston Public Schools.	2/5/2025		
Education	<b>0551</b>	<b>Murphy</b>		Order for a hearing regarding expanding internship opportunities for students with disabilities in Boston Public Schools.	2/26/2025		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0155</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing to create indoor playgrounds in the City of Boston.	1/8/2025		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0169</b>	<b>Coletta Zapata</b>	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing regarding the implementation and funding of coastal resilience strategies and the establishment of a climate bank.	1/8/2025		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0252</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Durkan	Order for a hearing to discuss expanding the urban tree canopy in District 2.	1/15/2025		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0260</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	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	<b>0262</b>	<b>Durkan</b>	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	<b>0292</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00), awarded by the Donor Group to be administered by the Parks & Recreation Department. The grant will fund the maintenance of the City of Boston Animal Shelter, and assistance with medical care for sick or injured animals (whose owners are Boston residents), through donations in an amount not to exceed Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00).	1/29/2025		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0315</b>	<b>Coletta Zapata</b>	Weber	Order for a hearing to assess a ban on polystyrene products in the City of Boston.	1/29/2025		



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Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0395</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$800,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the UCFC-Program, awarded by the United States Department of Agriculture, passed through The Corps Network, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund the historic workforce investment of boosting the City's tree cover in various neighborhoods.	2/5/2025		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0399</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Hundred Forty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Ten Dollars (\$449,710.00) in the form of a grant, for the Boston MVP Action Grant, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Energy and Environment Affairs to be administered by the Public Works Department. The grant will fund building a database and map of current and projected flooding impacts, focusing primarily on storm water and riverine flooding.	2/5/2025		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0424</b>	<b>Murphy</b>		Order for a hearing to assess the environmental impacts of the proposed White Stadium redevelopment on Franklin Park.	2/5/2025		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	<b>0425</b>	<b>Murphy</b>		Order for a hearing on the environmental preservation of Boston's historical parks and green spaces.	2/5/2025		
Government Operations	<b>0134</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Mejia	Ordinance to enhance driveway accessibility.	1/8/2025		
Government Operations	<b>0135</b>	<b>Weber</b>	Pepén, Santana	Ordinance to protect workers from heat-related illness and injuries in the City of Boston.	1/8/2025		2/10/25-working session, 2/12/25-remains in committee
Government Operations	<b>0136</b>	<b>Coletta Zapata</b>	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	<b>0137</b>	<b>Coletta Zapata</b>		Ordinance regarding employee safety within Boston's oil terminals.	1/8/2025		3/6/25-working session
Government Operations	<b>0138</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>		Ordinance codifying the Office of Returning Citizens.	1/8/2025		

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Government Operations	0139	Weber	Mejia, Pepén	Ordinance preventing wage theft in the City of Boston.	1/8/2025		
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	0144	Louijeune	Mejia, Santana	Petition for a Special Law Re: Ranked Choice Voting in Boston.	1/8/2025		2/25/25-working session, 2/26/25-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		
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	0304	Coletta Zapata		Ordinance codifying the Office of Food Justice in the City of Boston.	1/29/2025		
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	3/18/2025	
Government Operations	0337	Murphy	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing regarding the transition and operations of the new City Planning Department.	1/29/2025		
Government Operations	0406	Mayor		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 Certain Affordable Housing and Cultural Space in the Brighton Section of the City of Boston."	2/5/2025		
Government Operations	0407	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Ordinance for Road Safety and Accountability for Delivery Providers.	2/5/2025	2/24/2025	2/26/25-remains in committee
Government Operations	0411	Pepén	FitzGerald	Ordinance to establish a school bus violation detection monitoring system.	2/5/2025		

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Government Operations	<b>0468</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Ordinance to Establish RISE: Reshaping Inequities through Systematic Empowerment.	2/12/2025	
Government Operations	<b>0469</b>	<b>Murphy</b>	Flynn	Petition for a Special Law Re: The Use of Nondisclosure, Confidentiality, and Other Employment Agreements in the City of Boston	2/12/2025	
Government Operations	<b>0470</b>	<b>Breadon</b>	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	<b>0548</b>	<b>Coletta Zapata</b>	Louijeune	An Ordinance Amending City of Boston Code, Ordinances Chapter VII Section 7-5.	2/26/2025	
Government Operations	<b>0549</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to Pension Benefits for Firefighter Leo J. Bracken.	2/26/2025	
Government Operations	<b>0550</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to the Pension of Michael Sullivan.	2/26/2025	
Housing & Community Development	<b>0102</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		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	<b>0158</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Louijeune, Pepén	Order for a hearing to address problem properties in Boston.	1/8/2025	
Housing & Community Development	<b>0178</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing regarding the Homeownership Voucher program.	1/8/2025	
Housing & Community Development	<b>0185</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	Fernades Anderson	Order for a hearing regarding the state of anti-displacement as to Boston's Acquisition Opportunity Program.	1/8/2025	

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Housing & Community Development	<b>0251</b>	<b>Durkan</b>	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	<b>0259</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss the status of the elevators at the BHA Ruth Barkley apartments.	1/15/2025		
Housing & Community Development	<b>0264</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	Worrell	Order for a hearing regarding strategies to expand homeownership programs in Boston.	1/15/2025		
Housing & Community Development	<b>0327</b>	<b>Santana</b>	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	<b>0329</b>	<b>Santana</b>	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	<b>0474</b>	<b>Durkan</b>	Santana, Breadon	Order for a hearing to assess the efficacy of the City of Boston Municipal Code's University Accountability Ordinance.	2/12/2025		
Housing & Community Development	<b>0488</b>	<b>Fernandes Anderson</b>		Resolution in support of establishing a community preference policy for affordable housing development to mitigate displacement in Boston neighborhoods.	2/12/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	<b>0195</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	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	<b>0254</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	FitzGerald, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss long-term city job vacancies.	1/15/2025	3/4/2025	

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Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0294	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) in the form of a grant, from the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program, awarded by the United States Department of the Treasury to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund services to underserved populations in the hardest-to-reach areas, both urban and non-urban, in basic tax return preparation to qualified individuals.	1/29/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0295	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$75,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Boston Tax Help Coalition Santander Bank Grant, awarded by Santander Bank, N.A. to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund the Boston Tax Help Coalition to provide pathways from poverty to financial empowerment by maximizing the impact of tax credits through free tax preparation, financial education, and economic stability opportunities.	1/29/2025		
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		
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	0397	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seven Hundred Two Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Four Dollars and Twenty-Two Cents (\$702,244.22) in the form of a grant, for the REDEA Program for Field CY24 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 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.	2/5/2025	3/11/2025	

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Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	<b>0398</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Six Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Six Dollars and Fifty-Seven Cents (\$626,466.57) in the form of a grant, for the Carry-in WIOA Dislocated Workers 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 program to help dislocated workers get back to work as quickly as possible and overcome barriers to employment.	2/5/2025	3/11/2025	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	<b>0400</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$410,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Funding, awarded by the MA Executive Office for Administrative & Finance to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund to support the Center for Working Families' Boston Tax Help Coalition in assisting low-income taxpayers with personal income tax filing for the 2024 tax session.	2/5/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	<b>0401</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-One Dollars (\$254,921.00) in the form of a grant, for the WIOA Youth Activities Admin 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 program that focuses primarily on out-of-school youth, between ages 14-24, who face barriers to education, training, and employment.	2/5/2025	3/11/2025	

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Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0403	Mayor		Message and orders authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Nine Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-One Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$109,271.70) in the form of a grant, for the WIOA Dislocated Worker Admin 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 individualized career services and training services, for dislocated workers to rejoin the workforce as early as possible and overcome barriers to employment.	2/5/2025	3/11/2025	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0404	Mayor		Message and orders authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Ninety-Four Thousand Eighty-Nine Dollars (\$94,089.00) in the form of a grant, for the Wagner Peyser Admin Grant, awarded by the United States Department of Labor, passed through the MassHire Department of Career Services, to be administered by the Office Workforce Development. The grant will fund 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.	2/5/2025	3/11/2025	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0405	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Friends of Youth Opportunity Boston Grant, awarded by The Baupost Group to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund opportunities for young people ages 12-24 to work and learn along with intensive staff support.	2/5/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0416	Mejia	Weber	Order for a hearing on workforce development housing for City of Boston employees.	2/5/2025		

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Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0449	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Million Two Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Nine Dollars (\$2,294,289.00) 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.	2/12/2025	3/11/2025	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0450	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Sixty-One Thousand Two Hundred Twelve Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$1,761,212.70) 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.	2/12/2025	3/11/2025	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0451	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Seventy-Six Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Seven Dollars (\$1,076,177.00) in the form of a grant, for the Wagner Peyser Program, 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 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.	2/12/2025	3/11/2025	



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Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0452	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Nine Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Five Dollars and Thirty Cents (\$983,445.30) in the form of a grant, for the WIOA Dislocated Workers 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 program to help dislocated workers get back to work as quickly as possible and overcome barriers to employment.	2/12/2025	3/11/2025	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0454	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Forty-Three Thousand Three Hundred Twelve Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$43,312.50) in the form of a grant for the FYOB MLK Scholars Program Grant, awarded by the Boston Foundation, passed through the Philanthropic Initiative, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund summer jobs, financial education, and professional development opportunities for Boston youth.	2/12/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0455	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Carry-In Regional Planning 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 regional planning efforts to address the creation of regional pipeline programming for high demand industries and occupations in alignment with regional planning priorities.	2/12/2025	3/11/2025	
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		

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Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0526	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million One Hundred Ninety Thousand Seventy-One Dollars and Sixty-Four Cents (\$1,190,071.64) in the form of a grant for the Carry-in WIOS Adult Program, awarded by the United States Department of Labor, passed through the MassHire Department of Career Services, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Department. The grant will fund services to help job seekers access employment, education, skills, training, apprenticeships and support services.	2/26/2025	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0529	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Ninety-Five Thousand Dollars (\$95,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Workforce Training Fund Grant, awarded by MassHire Department of Career Services to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund programming to help address business productivity and competitiveness by providing resources to Massachusetts businesses for training current and newly hired employees.	2/26/2025	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0531	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Forty-One Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Eight Dollars and Sixty Cents (\$41,828.60) in the form of a grant for the Shelter Supplemental Funding Grant, awarded by MassHire Department of Career Services to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund MassHire career centers with supplemental funding to support emergency assistance (EA) shelters residents with training and employment opportunities.	2/26/2025	
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	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0124	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of J. Andres Bernal as an Alternate Member of the Zoning Board of Appeal, for a term expiring July 1, 2027.	1/8/2025	
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

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0266</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Santana, FirzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss pedestrian safety, traffic calming, and expanding the safety surge program in the City of Boston.	1/15/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0307</b>	<b>Pepén</b>	Durkan, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss ways to repair and maintain private ways.	1/29/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0309</b>	<b>Pepén</b>	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		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0311</b>	<b>Pepén</b>	Mejia, Worrell	Order for a hearing to address the displacement of Bostonians as a result of new and future development.	1/29/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0319</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	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	<b>0321</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss the importance of the cruise industry in the City of Boston.	1/29/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0326</b>	<b>Mejia</b>		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	<b>0423</b>	<b>Murphy</b>	Flynn, Pepén	Order for a hearing to review the effectiveness of speed humps in Boston.	2/5/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0471</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	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	<b>0477</b>	<b>Durkan</b>	FitzGerald, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss contractor parking regulations, permitting, and enforcement in Boston.	2/12/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0478</b>	<b>Fernandes Anderson</b>	Mejia	Order for a hearing to evaluate alternative options for the center running bus lane on Blue Hill Avenue and Columbus Avenue.	2/12/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	<b>0105</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		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

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Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	<b>0106</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Samantha Riemer, as a member of the Audit Committee, for a term expiring November 9, 2029.	11/20/2024		2024-1688
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	<b>0107</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Janet Peguero, as a member of the Audit Committee, for a term expiring October 27, 2029.	11/20/2024		2024-1689
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	<b>0173</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	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	<b>0174</b>	<b>Mejia</b>		Order for a hearing to audit government transparency and accountability towards surveillance equipment.	1/8/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	<b>0175</b>	<b>Mejia</b>		Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's procurement processes, procedures and progress.	1/8/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	<b>0176</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	Worrell, Anderson	Order for a hearing on government accountability, transparency, and accessibility of decision making protocols in city government.	1/8/2025	1/21/25, 1/22/25	
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	<b>0177</b>	<b>Mejia</b>		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	<b>0180</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Mejia	Order for a hearing regarding equity in City contracts.	1/8/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	<b>0415</b>	<b>Mejia</b>		Order for a hearing to audit the 2024 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.	2/5/2025		2/20, 3/10/25-hearing canceled
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	<b>0462</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Lawrence DiCara as a member of the Audit Committee, for a term expiring November 9, 2026.	2/12/2025		

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Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	<b>0475</b>	<b>Fernandes Anderson</b>		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	<b>0480</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	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	<b>0481</b>	<b>Mejia</b>		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		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	<b>0100</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		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	<b>0101</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Elsie Tavares, as a member of the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health for a term expiring on January 26, 2026.	2/7/2024		2024-0287
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	<b>0306</b>	<b>Pepén</b>	Louijeune	Order for a hearing on health access in Hyde Park.	1/29/2025	3/20/2025	
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	<b>0330</b>	<b>Santana</b>	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	<b>0331</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Anderson, Weber	Order for a hearing regarding Boston LGBTQIA+ youth community spaces and their public health benefits.	1/29/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	<b>0332</b>	<b>Santana</b>	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	<b>0422</b>	<b>Murphy</b>	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

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Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	<b>0460</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Dr. Gualde Valdez as a member of the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health, for a term expiring January 15, 2028.	2/12/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0128</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Murphy	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	3/6/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0153</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to explore the summer community plan.	1/8/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0163</b>	<b>Murphy</b>	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	<b>0164</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss 2024 crime statistics.	1/8/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0167</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss resources for the Boston Police Crime Laboratory.	1/8/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0186</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	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	<b>0256</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss discrepancies in Boston's 2024 detainer requests.	1/15/2025	3/6/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0322</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	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		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0335</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Worrell, Flynn	Order for a hearing regarding all City of Boston grants administered by the Boston Fire Department.	1/29/2025	3/17/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0336</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Worrell, Flynn	Order for a series of hearings regarding all City of Boston grants administered by the Boston Police Department.	1/29/2025		

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0394</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand One Hundred Seven Dollars and Thirty-Nine Cents (\$1,735,107.39) in the form of a grant, for the FY25 Senator Charles E. Shannon Jr. Community Safety Initiative Grant awarded by MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund regional and multi-disciplinary approaches to combat gang violence through coordinated prevention and intervention, law enforcement, prosecution, and reintegration programs.	2/5/2025	4/3/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0412</b>	<b>Santana</b>		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	3/18/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0413</b>	<b>Santana</b>		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	<b>0414</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	Louijeune, Pepén	Order for a hearing to audit the implementation and effectiveness of the 2014 Boston Trust Act.	2/5/2025	3/10/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0421</b>	<b>Murphy</b>	Flynn	Order for a hearing to discuss public safety and police staffing in Boston.	2/5/2025	3/13/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0530</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Fifty-Eight Thousand Dollars (\$58,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY19 Fire Prevention and Safety Grant Program, awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund fire prevention education and training, fire code enforcement, fire/arson investigation, firefighter safety and health programming, prevention efforts, and research and development.	2/26/2025		
Rules & Administration	<b>0162</b>	<b>Murphy</b>		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	

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Rules & Administration	<b>0420</b>	<b>Santana</b>		Order for a hearing to explore ways to increase community engagement and better facilitate public participation for Boston City Council Hearings.		2/5/2025	
Small Business & Professional Licensure	<b>0150</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	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	<b>0152</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing regarding barriers to business.		1/8/2025	
Small Business & Professional Licensure	<b>0159</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing to review and establish a "Business Owner 101" program for grant recipients.		1/8/2025	
Small Business & Professional Licensure	<b>0263</b>	<b>Durkan</b>		Order for a hearing to explore the creation of a City Wide Merchandise Licensing Program.		1/15/2025	
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	<b>0183</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	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	
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	<b>0261</b>	<b>Weber</b>	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	<b>0268</b>	<b>Murphy</b>	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	<b>0317</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	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	<b>0393</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Million Five Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Six Dollars and Twenty-Eight Cents (\$2,563,236.28) in the form of a grant, for the FY25 State Elder Lunch Program Grant, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund nutrition services for older adults in the City of Boston, at a rate of \$7.39 per meal for up to 358,679 meals.	2/5/2025	3/10/2025	



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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
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		
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		
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		
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		
Ways & Means	0148	Worrell	Weber, Mejia	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, 2/26/25-remains in committee, 2/13/25-hearing rescheduled
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

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	<b>0325</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Weber	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston's FY26 budget.	1/29/2025	2/18, 2/27, 3/24/25	2/10/25-working session, 2/13/25-hearing rescheduled, 2/12/25-remains in committee, 3/27/25-working session
Ways & Means	<b>0419</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss tax exemptions for long-term residents age 55 & above and essential municipal employees.	2/5/2025		
Ways & Means	<b>0458</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to submit a Statement of Interest to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) Core Program for Madison Park Technical Vocational High School pursuant to M.G.L. c. 70B, § 5. The Statement of Interest describes and explains the deficiencies within the school facility that prevents Boston Public Schools (BPS) from delivering their desired educational program.	2/12/2025	3/3/2025	
Ways & Means	<b>0459</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) Statements of Interest for their Accelerated Repair Program for the following schools: Boston Adult Technical Academy, Hurley K-8 School, Mildred Avenue K-8 School, Mendell Elementary School, Mary Lyon Pilot High School, Joyce Kilmer Lower School, Margarita Muñoz Academy, Orchard Gardens K-8 School, Trotter K-6 Elementary School. The Statements of Interest describe and explain the deficiencies and the priority category for which the City of Boston may be invited to apply to the Massachusetts School Building Authority in the future: Priority 5 - Replacement, renovation or modernization of the school facility systems, such as roofs, windows, boilers, heating and ventilation systems, to increase energy conservation and decrease energy related costs in a school facility.	2/12/2025	3/3/2025	
Ways & Means	<b>0553</b>	<b>Breadon</b>	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		

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred Hearing(s)	Notes
Whole	<b>0181</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	Pepén, Murphy	Order for a hearing regarding voter accessibility and election preparedness.	1/8/2025	
Whole	<b>0585</b>	<b>Murphy</b>	Flynn	Order for an emergency hearing to discuss the state receivership of Boston Elections Commission.	2/26/2025	

# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



## OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

PRESENTED BY

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE**

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL  
EXTENDS ITS CONGRATULATIONS TO

**Fabiola Jean-Louis**

IN RECOGNITION OF:

**Your amazing contributions to the world of art. Your artistry has redefined story-telling by illuminating the beauty, the culture and the resilience of the African diaspora. Through your powerful work, Haitian art, spirituality and experiences are celebrated and elevated. Your groundbreaking creations are an inspiration for future artists**

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 Quintas*  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *Ruthzee Loujeune*

Date: February 24, 2025

# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



## OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

PRESENTED BY

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE**

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL  
EXTENDS ITS CONGRATULATIONS TO

## UNITED IN CARE SERVICES

IN RECOGNITION OF:

**Your grand launch, marking the beginning of your mission to provide compassionate and high-quality home care services to individuals and families. Your commitment to excellence, professionalism and community support has a positive impact on the lives of those in need, promoting dignity, independence and well-being**

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 Quintas  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Ruthzee Loujeune

Date: February 24, 2025

# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



**IN TRIBUTE**  
PRESENTED BY  
**COUNCIL PRESIDENT RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE**

BOSTON CITY COUNCIL EXTENDS ITS DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO YOU AND  
YOUR FAMILY IN THE PASSING OF YOUR LOVED ONE

## Keith Gloe

IN WHOSE MEMORY ALL MEMBERS STOOD IN TRIBUTE AND  
REVERENCE AS THE COUNCIL ADJOURNED ITS MEETING OF

### January 22, 2025

SINCERELY



By: Ruthzee Loujeune  
President of the City Council

Attest: Alex Santos  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Ruthzee Loujeune

Date: February 24, 2025

# City of Boston

IN  
CITY COUNCIL



## IN TRIBUTE

THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL EXTENDS ITS  
DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO YOU AND YOUR  
FAMILY IN THE PASSING OF YOUR LOVED ONE

### *Josephine Bianchi*

IN WHOSE MEMORY ALL MEMBERS STOOD  
IN TRIBUTE AND REVERENCE AS  
THE COUNCIL ADJOURNED ITS MEETING OF

**Wednesday, February 26, 2025**



SINCERELY,

*Ruthyee Loujaune*

CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Attest

*Alex Avantes*  
City Clerk

Presented By

*Elizabeth Bresnan*

# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL

## 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

**Melvin J. Vargas-Tineo**

In recognition of:

**Your dedication as a student leader and community advocate. As a senior at Abbott Lawrence Academy and a dual-enrolled student at Merrimack College, you excel academically while actively engaging in political and social initiatives. We appreciate your contributions as a legislative intern in Senator Pavel Payano’s office, where your support with speechwriting, publicity, and constituent engagement has been invaluable. Your role as a founder of Geni, a nonprofit organization providing scholarships to first-generation students, exemplifies your commitment to other youths. Congratulations on receiving the Youth Award at the 2025 Dominican Independence Day Breakfast.**

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 Loujaine*  
President of the City Council

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: February 27th 2025



# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



## OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

PRESENTED BY

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT RUTHZEE LOUJEUNE**

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL  
EXTENDS ITS CONGRATULATIONS TO

**Jean Esaïe Petit-Homme**

IN RECOGNITION OF:

Your exemplary leadership as the principal of “Ecole Mixte Maranatha” of Bois-Aubé. Your commitment and enthusiastic service are commendable to all

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 Santos  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Ruthzee Loujeune

Date: 02/28/2025

# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



## OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

PRESENTED BY

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE**

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL  
EXTENDS ITS CONGRATULATIONS TO

**Hanso Marquis**

IN RECOGNITION OF:

**Your unconditional contribution and commitment to “Ecole Mixte  
Maranatha” of Bois-Aubé.**

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL EXTENDS ITS  
BEST WISHES FOR CONTINUED SUCCESS; THAT THIS RESOLUTION BE DULY  
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By: *Ruthzee Loujeune*  
President of the City Council

Attest: *Alex Quintas*  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *Ruthzee Loujeune*

Date: *02/28/2025*

# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



## OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

PRESENTED BY

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT RUTHZEE LOUJEUNE**

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL  
EXTENDS ITS CONGRATULATIONS TO

**Renaldo Estigene**

IN RECOGNITION OF:

**Your unconditional contribution and commitment to “Ecole Mixte  
Maranatha” of Bois-Aubé.**

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL EXTENDS ITS  
BEST WISHES FOR CONTINUED SUCCESS; THAT THIS RESOLUTION BE DULY  
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By: *Ruthzee Loujeune*  
President of the City Council

Attest: *Alex Grantas*  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *Ruthzee Loujeune*

Date: 02/28/2025

# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



## OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

PRESENTED BY

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT RUTHZEE LOUJEUNE**

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL  
EXTENDS ITS CONGRATULATIONS TO

**Verwhens Lise Venois**

IN RECOGNITION OF:

**Your unconditional contribution and commitment to “Ecole Mixte  
Maranatha” of Bois-Aubé.**

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 Spintar*  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *Ruthzee Loujeune*

Date: *02/28/2025*

# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



**IN TRIBUTE**  
PRESENTED BY  
**COUNCIL PRESIDENT RUTHZEE LOULJEUNE**

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**Michael Joseph O'Brien**

IN WHOSE MEMORY ALL MEMBERS STOOD IN TRIBUTE AND  
REVERENCE AS THE COUNCIL ADJOURNED ITS MEETING OF

**February 26, 2025**

SINCERELY



By: \_\_\_\_\_

President of the City Council

Attest: *Alex Santos* \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



**IN TRIBUTE**  
PRESENTED BY  
**COUNCIL PRESIDENT RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE & COUNCILOR BEN  
WEBER**

BOSTON CITY COUNCIL EXTENDS ITS DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO YOU AND  
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## **Papercuts' Beloved Sammy**

IN WHOSE MEMORY ALL MEMBERS STOOD IN TRIBUTE AND  
REVERENCE AS THE COUNCIL ADJOURNED ITS MEETING OF

**February 26, 2025**

SINCERELY

By: \_\_\_\_\_

President of the City Council

Attest: *Alex Guanter* \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



## Official Resolution Offered by Boston City Councilor **Tania Fernandes Anderson**

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

**Roberta Wiggins**

In Recognition of:

Being a beloved neighbor and friend. Wife of Gerard Wiggins for 53 years who made their home on Wellington Street in the South End and were long time residents. Roberta was involved in local garden organizations and civic activities. Roberta and Gerard spent many winters in India over the last decade. \_\_\_\_\_; 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 copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.



By: *Ruthyee Loujaine*  
President of the City Council

Attest: *Alex Guintes*  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *[Signature]*

Date: FEB 26 2025