



ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR MATTERS PRESENTED TO THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO 10:00 A.M. ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2024 FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING IN THE CHRISTOPHER IANNELLA CHAMBER ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2024 AT 12:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER HONOR, THE MAYOR:

- 1640** Message and order for your approval an Order to reduce the FY25 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Three Million Eight Hundred Six Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Seven Dollars (\$3,806,367.00) to provide funding for various departments for the FY25 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Boston and the Salaried Employees of North America (SENA).
- 1641** Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for various City Departments for FY25 in the amount of Three Million Eight Hundred Six Thousand Three Hundred Sixty-Seven Dollars (\$3,806,367.00) to cover the FY25 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Boston and the Salaried Employees of North America (SENA). The terms of the contract are October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2027. The major provision of the contract includes a base wage increase of 2% to be given in October of each fiscal year of the contract term and flat amounts of \$500.00, \$250.00, \$900.00, and \$750.00 to be added to annual salaries in January of each fiscal year, as well as a new pre-paid legal benefit.
Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on November 4, 2024.

[1642](#) Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) in the form of a grant from BHCCI Connect, Learn & Explore Grant, awarded by Boston Children’s Hospital to be administered by the Office of Early Childhood. The grant will fund the Boston Healthy Child Care Initiative and the Connect, Learn, Explore Program.

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES

REPORTS OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND OTHERS:

[1643](#) Communication was received from Sam DePina, Deputy Superintendent, Boston Public Schools regarding certain information under section 17F pertaining to chronic absenteeism, Docket #0938 passed by the Council on June 5, 2024, and Docket #1061 passed by the Council on June 26, 2024.

[1644](#) Communication was received from Kenzie Bok, Administrator and CEO of the Boston Housing Authority, regarding certain information under section 17F pertaining to Boston Housing Authority Elevators, Docket #1357, passed by the Council on September 11, 2024.

[1645](#) Communication was received from Clare Kelly, Director of Intergovernmental Relations, regarding Docket #1399, an order for a hearing to review the procedures and protocols for the termination of City appointees.

[1646](#) Communication was received from Councilor Murphy and Councilor Flynn regarding a letter to the City Clerk.

[1647](#) Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Kairos Shen as Chief of Planning, effective October 15, 2024.

[1648](#) Notice was received from the City Clerk in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979 re: action taken by the Mayor on papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of October 9, 2024.

[1649](#) Notice was received from the City Clerk in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979 re: action taken by the Mayor on papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of October 23, 2024.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

[1202](#) The Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred on August 7, 2024, Docket #1202, Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Providing Certain Death Benefits for Rachel Marie Troy, the widow of a former Firefighter of the City of Boston, submits a report recommending that the petition ought to pass.

[1197](#) The Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred on August 7, 2024, Docket #1197, Ordinance Amending the City of Boston Code, Ordinances Chapter VII Section 7 Regulating Restrictions on Park Frontages, submits a report recommending that the ordinance ought to pass.

MATTERS RECENTLY HEARD-FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:

MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS:

[1650](#) **Councilor Coletta Zapata offered the following:** An Ordinance Regarding Employee Safety within Boston's Oil Terminals.

[1651](#) **Councilor Mejia offered the following:** Petition for a Special Law re: An Act relative to reorganization of the Boston School Committee.

[1652](#) **Councilor FitzGerald and Pepén offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss increasing access to high-quality school options for Boston Public School students in all neighborhoods.

[1653](#) **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss the responsibilities of the City Council President during the Weekly Council Meeting.

[1654](#) **Councilor Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing November as Men's Mental Health Awareness Month in the City of Boston.

[1655](#) **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution celebrating Veterans Day and honoring those who served our country.

PERSONNEL ORDERS:

[1656](#) Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Durkan offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Lilly Sweeterman, effective November 4, 2024.

GREEN SHEETS:

[/6/24](#) Legislative Calendar for November 6, 2024.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 1657** Councilor FitzGerald offered the following: Resolution recognizing Comfort Kitchen.
- 1658** Councilor FitzGerald offered the following: Resolution recognizing No Relation.
- 1659** Councilor FitzGerald offered the following: Resolution recognizing Toro.
- 1660** Councilor FitzGerald offered the following: Resolution recognizing Via Cannuccia.
- 1661** Councilor Weber and Pepén offered the following: Resolution recognizing members of the Flora Way Working Group.
- 1662** Councilor Weber offered the following: Resolution recognizing the MSPCA Animal Care & Adoption Center.
- 1663** Councilor Weber offered the following: Resolution recognizing John Miller.
- 1664** Councilor Pepén offered the following: Resolution recognizing Antonio's Bacari.
- 1665** Councilor Pepén offered the following: Resolution recognizing Baron Langston.
- 1666** Councilor Pepén offered the following: Resolution recognizing Geovani Cheverre.
- 1667** Councilor FitzGerald and Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing eight people for winning the 2024 Hidden Heroes and Sheroes Award.
- 1668** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing South Boston Community Health Center and the Laboure Center.
- 1669** Councilor Murphy offered the following: Resolution recognizing Lisa Duarte.



City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
MICHELLE WU

November 4, 2024

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order to reduce the FY25 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by three million, eight hundred six thousand, three hundred sixty-seven dollars (\$3,806,367) to provide funding for various city departments for the FY25 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Boston and the Salaried Employees of North America (SENA).

I respectfully request your favorable action on this important matter.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston

CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL

AN ORDER REDUCING THE FY25 APPROPRIATION FOR THE RESERVE FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING BY THREE MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED SIX THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN DOLLARS (\$3,806,367).

ORDERED: That the appropriation heretofore made, to meet the current operating expenses in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025, be reduced by the following amount:

100-999000-51000 Reserve for Collective Bargaining \$3,806,367

**I HEREBY CERTIFY
THE FORGOING, IF PASSED IN
THE ABOVE FORM, WILL BE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.**
BY *[Signature]*
**ADAM CEDERBAUM
CORPORATION COUNSEL** *Kmw*



City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
MICHELLE WU

November 4, 2024

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith a supplemental appropriation order for various city departments for FY25 in the amount of three million, eight hundred six thousand, three hundred sixty-seven dollars (\$3,806,367) to cover the FY25 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Boston and the Salaried Employees of North America (SENA). The terms of the contract are October 1, 2023 through September 30, 2027. The major provision of the contract includes a base wage increase of 2% to be given in October of each fiscal year of the contract term and flat amounts of \$500, \$250, \$900, \$750 to be added to annual salaries in January of each fiscal year; as well as a new pre-paid legal benefit.

As originally presented to you, the FY25 budget request included a Reserve for Collective Bargaining - a separate appropriation to fund projected collective bargaining increases. A separate order has been filed to reduce that appropriation to support this supplemental request.

I respectfully request your support of this supplemental appropriation.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston

CITY OF BOSTON

IN CITY COUNCIL

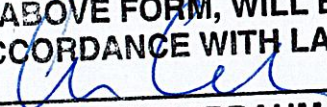
AN ORDER APPROPRIATING THREE MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED SIX THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED SIXTY-SEVEN DOLLARS (\$3,806,367) TO COVER THE FY25 COST ITEMS CONTAINED WITHIN THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BOSTON AND SENA.

ORDERED: That in addition to the appropriations heretofore made, to meet the current operating expenses of the fiscal period commencing July 1, 2024 and ending June 30, 2025, the sum of THREE MILLION, EIGHT HUNDRED SIX THOUSAND, THREE HUNDRED SIXTY SEVEN DOLLARS (\$3,806,367) be, and the same hereby is appropriated as follows, said sum to be met from available funds pursuant to Section 23 of Chapter 59 of the General Laws:

387000	Age Strong	Personnel Services	\$14,368
142000	ASD Human Resources	Personnel Services	\$65,988
142000	ASD Human Resources	Current Charges	\$319,912
150000	ASD Intergvernmtl Relations	Personnel Services	\$10,196
141000	ASD Office of Budget Mangmnt	Personnel Services	\$41,955
136000	Assessing Department	Personnel Services	\$92,163
131000	Auditing Department	Personnel Services	\$112,511
385000	Boston Centers for Youth and Families	Personnel Services	\$306,356
221000	Boston Fire Department	Personnel Services	\$182,707
211000	Boston Police Department	Personnel Services	\$379,047
157000	Labor Compliance and Worker Protection	Personnel Services	\$9,138
400000	Cemetery Division	Personnel Services	\$14,511
321000	Central Fleet Management	Personnel Services	\$15,972
161000	City Clerk	Personnel Services	\$43,055
114000	Consumer Affairs & Licensing	Personnel Services	\$4,159
149000	Dpt of Innovation & Technology	Personnel Services	\$583,750
121000/128000	Election Division	Personnel Services	\$38,763
260000	Inspectional Services Dept	Personnel Services	\$224,451

151000	Law Department	Personnel Services	\$3,352
111000	Mayor's Office	Personnel Services	\$3,930
182000	Off of Eco Opp & Incl	Personnel Services	\$4,846
310000	Office of Streets	Personnel Services	\$75,805
300000	Parks Department	Personnel Services	\$221,299
143000	Procurement	Personnel Services	\$66,389
180000	Property Management	Personnel Services	\$128,151
181000	Public Facilities Department	Personnel Services	\$306,221
311000	Public Works Department	Personnel Services	\$149,779
163000	Registry Division	Personnel Services	\$12,427
156000	Supplier Diversity	Personnel Services	\$18,848
251000	Traffic Division	Personnel Services	\$188,168
253000	Transportation-Parking Clerk	Personnel Services	\$48,763
138000	Treasury-Collecting Division	Personnel Services	\$39,930
137000	Treasury-Treasury Division	Personnel Services	\$68,017
741000	Veterans' Services	Personnel Services	\$11,440

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

BY 
ADAM CEDERBAUM
CORPORATION COUNSEL *KMW*



**City Of Boston • Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
Michelle Wu**

11-04-2024

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$200,000.00**) in the form of a grant, BHCCI Connect, Learn & Explore Grant, awarded by Boston Children's Hospital to be administered by the Office of Early Childhood.

The grant would fund the Boston Healthy Child Care Initiative and the Connect, Learn, Explore program.

I urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Order so that the City of Boston may accept the funds expeditiously and expend them upon award for the purposes for which they are granted.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston



City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND BHCCI Connect, Learn & Explore Grant FUNDS, AWARDED BY Boston Children's Hospital.

WHEREAS, the Boston Children's Hospital, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Office of Early Childhood; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$200,000.00**) would fund the Boston Healthy Child Care Initiative and the Connect, Learn, Explore program. Therefore be it

ORDERED: that the Mayor, acting on behalf of the City of Boston be, and hereby is authorized, pursuant to section 53A of chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to accept and expend the Boston Children's Hospital, BHCCI Connect, Learn & Explore Grant award not to exceed the amount of TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$200,000.00**).

Docket # _____

In City Council Passed _____

City Clerk

Mayor

Approved _____

I hereby certify that the foregoing, if passed in the above form, will be in accordance with law.

by Adam Cederbaum

Adam Cederbaum
Corporation Counsel

TO: Boston City Council

FROM: Sam Depina, Deputy Superintendent, Boston Public Schools

DATE: June 14, 2024

RE: 17F (Docket 0938) Response

Below please find the response to the 17F (Docket 0938) filed by At-Large City Councilor Erin Murphy on June 3rd, 2024.

Chronic Absenteeism is a serious problem in school districts across the Commonwealth. Massachusetts defines chronic absenteeism as missing at least 10% of the school year for any reason. Usually this means 18 absences out of a 180-day school year. Chronic absence does not distinguish between excused and unexcused absences, illness, obstacles such as lack of transportation, or truancy. Students need only to miss two days of school per month to become chronically absent.

Boston Public Schools recognizes the importance of our students attending school. When students are not in school they can't learn and don't have access to critical social networks and support. While we have seen a decline in our chronic absenteeism rates there is more work to do and we have developed different methods to help reduce the rates of absenteeism. In spring of 2024, BPS launched the new "WIN THE DAY" pilot campaign aimed at significantly improving student attendance rates across schools in region 8.

The BPS team, lead by Chief of Student Support Cory McCarthy, reached more than 800 students in Region 8 through the campaign and drew them back to school with creative strategies like:

- Home visits, transportation support and credit recovery;
- Before school intramural sports including basketball, volleyball and indoor soccer which promotes both exercise and friendship;
- And community incentives like visits to the nail and hair salon and local pizza shops.

BPS chose **Region 8** due to its high rate of chronic absenteeism and the diversity of schools:

- Another Course to College
- Boston Arts Academy
- BCLA/McCormack
- Boston International Newcomers Academy
- Boston Collaborative High School
- Excel High School
- Greater Egleston High School
- Henderson K-12 Inclusion School
- Margarita Muniz Academy
- New Mission High School

This Pilot will run through June 20th, 2024.

Pilot programs like this are helping to slow the trend of Chronic Absenteeism in Boston. BPS acknowledges that there is more work that needs to be done in order to help to ensure student success through school attendance.

The 17F data for Chronic Absenteeism for SY 23-24, was pulled on 6/5/2024 therefore including attendance records through 6/4/2024.

[Here you will find a chart](#) with a comparison of Chronic Absenteeism by school in 2022-23 and 2023-24.

School Name	SY 22-23		SY 23-24	
	N	Chronic Absenteeism Rate	N	Chronic Absenteeism Rate
District (excluding HM charters)	17,803	38%	14,938	31%
Adams Elementary School	87	35%	75	29%
Alighieri Dante Montessori School	22	22%	12	11%
Another Course to College	190	74%	158	65%
BCLA-McCormack	372	60%	79	41%
Baldwin Early Learning Pilot Academy	88	51%	62	22%
Bates Elementary School	98	35%	310	52%
Beethoven Elementary School	106	38%	84	30%
Blackstone Elementary School	283	46%	272	42%
Boston Adult Tech Academy	131	63%	140	58%
Boston Arts Academy	269	56%	177	38%
Boston Collaborative High School	183	58%	275	92%
Boston Day-Evening Academy	288	97%	266	98%
Boston Green Academy	215	49%	185	43%
Boston International High School and Newcomers Academy	213	40%	213	37%
Boston Latin Academy	488	29%	428	25%
Boston Latin School	373	16%	267	11%
Boston Teachers Union K-8 Pilot School	98	31%	86	31%
Bradley Elementary School	59	20%	35	12%
Brighton High School	445	70%	365	58%
Burke High School	176	43%	207	47%
Carter School	25	76%	23	79%
Channing Elementary School	86	45%	66	31%
Charlestown High School	512	63%	526	61%
Chittick Elementary School	52	22%	68	30%
Clap Elementary School	49	44%	41	30%
Community Academy	53	84%	65	93%
Community Academy of Science and Health	208	61%	194	49%
Condon K-8 School	294	44%	233	38%

School Name	SY 22-23		SY 23-24	
	N	Chronic Absenteeism Rate	N	Chronic Absenteeism Rate
District (excluding HM charters)	17,803	38%	14,938	31%
Conley Elementary School	47	29%	48	30%
Curley K-8 School	323	34%	225	24%
Dearborn 6-12 STEM Academy	269	47%	252	46%
Dever Elementary School	179	44%	141	33%
Dudley Street Neighborhood School	89	31%	70	26%
East Boston Early Education Center	61	33%	32	17%
East Boston High School	419	32%	436	34%
Edison Elementary School	243	39%	169	28%
Eliot K-8 Innovation School	73	9%	70	9%
Ellis Elementary School	164	47%	130	35%
Ellison-Parks Early Education School	57	29%	46	23%
English High School	421	65%	408	57%
Everett Elementary School	83	29%	58	20%
Excel High School	254	63%	250	69%
Fenway High School	141	39%	120	33%
Frederick Pilot Middle School	127	35%	124	31%
Gardner Pilot Academy	85	22%	90	24%
Greater Egleston High School	88	97%	91	97%
Greenwood Sarah K-8 School	143	36%	93	25%
Grew Elementary School	56	27%	46	21%
Guild Elementary School	66	26%	44	17%
Hale Elementary School	65	37%	51	29%
Haley Pilot School	122	31%	109	27%
Harvard-Kent Elementary School	91	25%	55	16%
Haynes Early Education Center	67	31%	58	29%
Henderson K-12 Inclusion School Lower	91	44%	92	39%
Henderson K-12 Inclusion School Upper	285	42%	263	41%
Hennigan K-8 School	233	42%	164	31%

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District (excluding HM charters)	17,803	38%	14,938	31%
Hernandez K-8 School	120	28%	60	15%
Higginson Inclusion K0-2 School	79	62%	82	49%
Higginson-Lewis K-8 School	100	52%	78	41%
Holmes Elementary School	149	50%	109	37%
Horace Mann School for the Deaf Hard of Hearing	31	42%	33	43%
Hurley K-8 School	132	36%	97	28%
Kennedy Academy for Health Careers	196	53%	154	43%
Kennedy John F Elementary School	133	33%	105	25%
Kennedy Patrick J Elementary School	71	26%	44	16%
Kenny Elementary School	114	33%	91	26%
Kilmer K-8 School	103	26%	81	21%
King Elementary School	233	50%	201	42%
Lee Academy	91	44%	72	34%
Lee K-8 School	214	38%	168	30%
Lyndon K-8 School	100	17%	66	12%
Lyon High School	50	46%	45	46%
Lyon K-8 School	43	32%	39	31%
Madison Park Technical Vocational High School	595	60%	560	56%
Manning Elementary School	31	19%	24	14%
Margarita Muniz Academy	160	53%	152	49%
Mario Umana Academy	173	28%	170	24%
Mason Elementary School	61	31%	57	29%
Mather Elementary School	173	35%	119	26%
Mattahunt Elementary School	183	37%	126	23%
McKay K-8 School	155	23%	111	16%
Mel H King - Elementary	8	47%	8	42%
Mel H King - Middle	17	89%	16	89%
Mel H King - Prep	26	93%	16	94%

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Mel H King South End Academy	76	77%	70	78%
Mendell Elementary School	86	27%	75	24%
Mildred Avenue K-8 School	290	46%	147	23%
Mozart Elementary School	28	16%	24	15%
Murphy K-8 School	286	33%	174	21%
New Mission High School	243	40%	207	30%
O'Bryant School of Math & Science	408	26%	374	25%
O'Donnell Elementary School	96	32%	37	14%
Ohrenberger School (3-8)	174	36%	115	24%
Orchard Gardens K-8 School	220	30%	182	26%
Otis Elementary School	100	24%	47	12%
Perkins Elementary School	80	51%	81	48%
Perry Elementary School	38	20%	32	17%
Philbrick Elementary School	28	24%	35	24%
Quincy Elementary School	82	11%	96	13%
Quincy Upper School	155	29%	153	28%
Roosevelt K-8 School	125	35%	80	23%
Russell Elementary School	122	32%	90	25%
Shaw Elementary School	107	58%	87	43%
Snowden International High School	323	69%	240	58%
Sumner Elementary School	171	31%	160	27%
Taylor Elementary School	89	23%	82	21%
TechBoston Academy	505	56%	427	47%
Tobin K-8 School	189	45%	150	38%
Trotter Elementary School	140	44%	125	38%
Tynan Elementary School	110	54%	80	36%
UP Academy Boston	86	42%	59	39%
UP Academy Dorchester	173	29%	137	24%

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UP Academy Holland	315	51%	228	38%
Warren-Prescott K-8 School	80	15%	70	13%
West Zone Early Learning Center	64	60%	50	48%
Winship Elementary School	87	26%	53	15%
Winthrop Elementary School	124	53%	94	39%
Young Achievers K-8 School	304	59%	217	44%



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November 4, 2024

Dear Councilor Ed Flynn,

Thank you for your interest in the Boston Housing Authority's elevator portfolio, which is a vital component of how the BHA serves our residents, including elders and people with disabilities.

Transmitted with this letter, please find an overview presentation delivered by BHA staff to the Architectural Access Board on September 9th, 2024. Please also find a copy of the BHA's "Elevator Down" protocols.

As you know, the provisions of City Charter section 17F are as follows:

"SECTION 17F. Requests for Specific Information. The city council at any time may request from the mayor specific information on any municipal matter within its jurisdiction, and may request [her] 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. The mayor at any time may attend and address the city council in person or through the head of a department, or a member of a board, upon such subject as he may desire." [Acts of 1951, c. 376, s. 1.17F]

As Administrator of the Boston Housing Authority, I will be available on behalf of the Mayor to answer your questions at the noticed hearing on Docket 1298 at November 22, 2024 at 10AM. Per the provisions of Section 17F, please submit any questions in writing at least 7 days in advance of that hearing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kenzie Bok", written over a horizontal line.

Kenzie Bok

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Elevator Out of Service Protocols

Introduction

The BHA recognizes an elevator shutdown as an emergency and begins its response immediately upon notification that an elevator is out of service.

The emergency response will take place immediately after the initial service call. The Director of ERS or supervisor on duty will be responsible for initiating the emergency response at the appropriate time.

Redundant Elevator Response Time

If nobody is trapped and a redundant elevator (the elevator is one of a pair of side by side elevators) is out of service, the elevator contractor shall respond within 2 hours between the hours of 8am and 12am. Overtime shall be approved for the hours from 4pm to 12am.

If a redundant elevator is out of service between the hours of 12am and 8am and no one is trapped in the elevator, a service call will be placed to the elevator contractor at 8am.

Site staff will post signage around the elevator to mark that the elevator is currently out of service.

Non-Redundant Elevator Response Time

If the elevator is non-redundant (the elevator is the only elevator servicing the building), the elevator contractor shall be contacted as soon as the elevator is verified as out of service. The elevator must be verified as out of service by the Resident Custodian or Special Assignment Laborer in order to make a call from 12am to 8am. The expected contractor response time for a non-redundant elevator is within one hour of the call.

Under normal circumstances, sites are staffed with a manager and/or a management aide from 9 am – 5 pm Monday through Friday. Each site also has a live in resident custodian (elderly/disabled sites) or a Special Assignment Laborer (family sites). Some elderly/disabled sites also have safety officer present during certain hours. Residents may reach out to their management office staff during normal business hours

Staff Communication during an Elevator Outage

Site staff will confirm the elevator outage and any other information needed, such as the floor where the car rests alarms present, etc.). Staff will relay this information to the Supervisor on Duty, who will then contact the elevator company. Site staff must conduct a well-being check for any resident who calls the work order number. If the resident is experiencing a life safety or medical emergency, he or she should call 911 at all times.

Resident Communication during an Elevator Outage

All Residents should call the work order number (617-988-4357) if they are in need of assistance during an elevator outage. If the resident is experiencing a life safety or medical emergency, they should call 911 at all times.

BHA is willing and interested, if resident(s) are in agreement, to employ volunteer resident floor captains during an elevator shut down. Resident volunteers will receive a stipend for their assistance during an elevator shutdown and would be notified on an on-call

basis when a shutdown occurs. Residents who are interested in working as a floor captain for their floor should contact their manager directly. BHA will also dispatch tenant coordinators to assist with elevator outages when available.

Upon notification of an Elevator outage, BHA staff will initiate a message that will be sent by Text or Phone and Email to residents impacted by the outage. BHA staff will confirm the outage and determine the floor where the elevator is parked, and report back to the Supervisor on Duty. Messages will be sent between the hours of 7am and 10pm, outages occurring after 10pm will be sent at 7am the following morning if the Elevator Cab(s) remain out of service over night.

Standard Procedures for Out of Service Elevators

Entrapments

Entrapments can be reported by Security officers, residents, or via the entrapped individual(s) utilizing elevator phones. Upon notification the following steps should occur:

- Safety officers will contact 911 as first call for BFD to respond to entrapment. A second call will be made to the Emergency Response Operator (617-988-HELP) to notify the Elevator Contractor, place a work order to record the time of the entrapment.
- Call comes into Emergency Response Operator either by residents, staff, of passenger WOC operator contacts 911, then Elevator Contractor (617-988-HELP), and then SAL/RC
- SAL/RC will report back to Emergency Response Operator if the car has been damaged during the entrapment rescue, and whether we will need to revert to one of the protocols above.

Residents in Lobby When Entrapment Occurs

If there are residents located in the lobby when elevator is down then the following steps should occur:

- Staff should be present in the lobby to assist residents if elevator has been reported out of service.
- If during off-hours, residents should notify work order center. Work Order Center must notify Duty Officer to coordinate hotel stay.
- Duty Officer must have access to a BHA credit card and the ability to reserve a hotel.
- If during business hours, residents should notify work order center. Work Order Center must notify ADPM and site manager to coordinate response.

Redundant Elevator Out of Service During BHA Business Hours (9-5, Monday-Friday)

- Site staff or Work Order Center will immediately contact the elevator company for service (the elevator repair company is required to arrive on-site within two hours or less). Prior to contacting the elevator company, a work order must be created to provide reference number to the elevator company. The Work Order Center may also receive the information directly from a resident. Work order center will verify elevator status with the on-site contact.

- Site staff will alert the Work Order Center to send a One Call Now Message.
- The Work Order Center will note the time of the original request on the shift log and follow up by entering a work order for the call to the Elevator Contractor.

Site staff will immediately post “Elevator Out Of Order” on each elevator lobby floor to specified cab(s). BHA will confirm the Community Room and public bathrooms are open and bathrooms are clean and stocked. Staff will place folding chairs as necessary on each floor location for rest stops for residents.

- Upon arrival and diagnostics, elevator contractor will immediately attempt to restore cab(s) to service or inform management of anticipated down time.
- If the elevator is projected to be out of service for three or more hours, site staff will immediately contact all residents by phone or by knocking on doors at the affected address. If available, assigned floor captains and or Tenant Coordinators will also perform door knocks.

Site staff will immediately monitor activity in the lobby and determine resident needs. Residents shall be assisted as necessary.

- Site staff will also provide additional seating in lobby/1st floor area-and other locations throughout the building. Site staff will also conduct a visual check of each floor’s elevator lobby.
- Site staff and the maintenance crew will minimize the use of the working elevator for non-emergency work order and maintenance work
- Bottled water and snacks will be provided as needed. Staff will also provide assistance to get any medications from apartments as needed.
- Staff will contact EMS if medical service if required.

Redundant Elevator Out of Service during Non-BHA Business Hours, Weekends, and Holidays

- The Safety Officer (if at a development and is notified there is a problem) or Resident Custodian, or Special Assignment Laborer will immediately contact BHA Work Order Center upon an elevator shut down – the elevator company will then be notified immediately to come to the site.
- Residents may also contact the Work Order Center upon learning that the elevator is down. Work Order Center notifies the elevator contractor immediately upon notification by staff or residents. Work order center will note the time of the original request on the

shift log, and follow up with entering a work order for the call to the Elevator contractor. Work Order Operator will monitor the time from the call, and report to the Supervisor on Duty if the Contractor fails to respond within the required time frame in the current contract.

- The Work Order Center notifies the Director of ERS or supervisor on duty that there is an elevator down (if between midnight and 6 am, Work Order Center notifies the Director of ERS or supervisor on duty only if the elevator is a non-redundant elevator and otherwise will notify at 6 am).
- The Work Order Center will send out One Call Now Message to the appropriate residents.
- BHA staff will immediately post "Elevator Out Of Order" on each elevator lobby floor to specified cab(s). Staff will insure Community Room and public bathrooms are open and bathrooms are clean and stocked (Elderly / disabled).
- Family Sites may need to open community spaces or management offices for those who cannot climb stairs.
- Upon arrival and diagnostics, the elevator contractor will work to immediately restore cab(s) to service or inform Duty Officer and Work Order Center of anticipated down time.
- In the case a FIRE ALARM is tripped and Fire Department has cleared the property the Fire Alarm panel must be reset prior to the elevator being restored to service. A separate call needs to be made to the Fire Alarm contractor to reset the alarm (Family sites only).
- ONLY ONE elevator will operate when the emergency power generator is engaged (loss of power to buildings)
- If the total elevator down time is projected to be three or more hours, management staff will be called in. Management staff will proceed to call/contact all households at the address being serviced by the elevator and check in with residents. Management staff will also initiate any temporary relocation required for longer-term shut-downs.
- The Resident Custodians or other assigned staff will immediately monitor activity in the lobby and determine if any resident(s) have any specific needs and report it to the Duty Officer. ***** Duty Officer will also call in additional staff to assist with resident needs based on situation.**
- Site staff and maintenance crew will minimize use of the working elevator for any non-emergency work orders and maintenance work. Also staff will monitor outside service

providers, so they do not place chairs or other objects to hold open elevator doors. Residents should be allowed to board elevators first when space is limited on the single operational car.

- If needed and/or possible, staff will assist resident(s) to Community Spaces or Management offices. In addition, staff will prepare additional seating in lobby/1st floor area, and on each floor of the building for those who can climb the stairs.
- Staff will provide bottled water and snacks as needed. Staff will provide assistance to get any medications from apartment as requested and approved by resident.
- Staff will notify EMS if any additional medical service is required.

Non-Redundant Elevators

- Management/additional staff will be called in immediately if both of the elevators or the single elevator in a building is shut down outside of regular M-F, 9-5 hours; staff will remain on site until at least one of the elevators is operational again.
- Work order center will note the time of the original request on the shift log, and follow up with entering a work order for the call to the Elevator contractor.
- Management staff will remain on site if both elevators remain shut down beyond regular hours on a weekday until at least one of the elevators is operational again. At least one staff person should be stationed in the lobby to provide assistance.
- Management/site staff will conduct well-being checks on frail residents in the event both elevators are shut down.
- In the event an outage is projected to last in excess of 48 hours and **no elevator services** are available, management will contact residents to determine if they have any medical or grocery needs and whether they have friends or family they may be able to reside with for a short period. Management will speak with all house bound and mobility impaired residents who may wish to be placed with family or friends for the duration of the outage. Hotel stays will be provided as an option for mobility impaired residents while elevators are down for extended periods of time. Managers should work with Duty Officer (off hours) or ADPM (business hours) to determine hotel stays.
- BHA will contact vendors and provide transportation from the resident's unit to the hotel, or other destination. Upon elevator service restoration those transportation services will also provide a return trip to the resident's building.
- BHA will employ floor captains or tenant coordinators for additional posts to assist residents as available. BHA will communicate to residents the hours that the additional staff will be available via email, voice and text, along with hand delivered flyers. The

communication will include the individuals name the hours of service and phone number of each person employed.

- Staff and tenant coordinators will assist in retrieving mail, packages and deliveries while the elevators are not operational,
- BHA will provide daily updates and have staff check in with each resident in the affected building via in-person or electronic communications during the outage.

During this service outage, residents who feel ill and need medical attention should call 911,

Service Restoration

Upon full restoration of services the following steps shall be taken:

1. A One Call Now message will be sent to residents in the building that had the service outage.
2. Staff will be dispatched to remove all signage documenting the outage and knock on resident doors to inform residents that the outage is over.
3. All staff including public safety, maintenance, and management staff shall be notified that elevator service has been restored.

Instructions for Residents

- If you observe an issue with an elevator at your site please contact the Work Order Center
- If you experience an elevator entrapment, please contact 911

Standard Flyer Contents

1. Elevator down and information about where to call for assistance.
2. Items related to resident behavior such as whether elevator has capacity.
3. BHA is looking for tenant coordinators.



November 4, 2024

Dear Chair Weber,

I am writing to address the inquiry in the hearing order entitled: Order for a hearing to review the procedures and protocols for the termination of City appointees (Docket #1399). More than one hundred boards and commissions across the City of Boston support our departments and City employees; ensure community voices inform important decisions; and foster collaboration, transparency, and programmatic progress in our City operations.

State laws, ordinances, and bylaws govern the selection process of members to these boards and commissions. There are three types of appointments that are determined by law:

- Ex-officio seats that are designated for individuals holding specific roles,
- Direct appointments by the Mayor, and
- Appointments by the Mayor that are selected from candidates nominated by a variety of entities, including but not limited to, the Boston City Council, the Governor, neighborhood groups, and professional associations representing organized labor, the business community, and other stakeholders.

The City Council has a role in the appointment processes for some of these boards and commissions as outlined by the statute or ordinance creating that board or commission, and not subject to the Administration's discretion. For example, some appointments by the Mayor require City Council confirmation prior to the individual assuming the position. Additionally, for some boards and commissions, the City Council is statutorily required to submit nominations to the Mayor. There are also instances where City Councilors serve as ex officio members on some boards, commissions, and trusts.

Since Mayor Wu has taken office, we have asked the City Council to confirm 296 individuals to various boards or commissions as required by law. There have been multiple hearings over the past two years where Councilors have vetted appointees before voting to confirm them.

Under the City Charter, the Mayor may unilaterally remove a member of most boards or commissions before the expiration of their term by filing a written statement with the City Clerk outlining the reasons for the member's removal. However, there is an important distinction between the Mayor using her authority to *remove* members of boards and commissions before the expiration of their term, and the Mayor *declining to reappoint* a member whose term has expired (which falls within her authority without any further filing requirements). Mayor Wu has not exercised this removal power for any boards or commissions in any instance during her tenure.



City of Boston
Intergovernmental Relations

Because our administration inherited many vacancies and holdovers across these boards and commissions, the Mayor's Office continues to actively work to nominate and appoint individuals to ensure continued support of City operations. Occasionally, this involves declining to reappoint individuals whose terms have expired or not having the option to reappoint certain individuals who have not been renominated. Based on the enabling legislation, board members and commissioners are appointed for a specific number of years. Upon expiration of a term, the process described above is restarted. If the Mayor directly appoints members, she has the authority to reappoint the board or commission member or appoint someone else, subject to term limits outlined in the enabling legislation. For those boards and commissions where the Mayor selects from candidates nominated by other nominating authorities, the nominating authority may renominate the person whose term is expiring or choose to nominate other candidates, subject to term limits. In the most recent appointment involving the Zoning Commission, the incumbent member's term had expired, and the nominating authority nominated other candidates instead of renominating the incumbent member.

Our administration values the service of each and every individual who takes the time to share their expertise and insight with the City through serving on a board or commission, and we continue to strive for the most productive and empowering processes to work with board members and commissioners. This also requires working to ensure that vacancies are filled in a timely manner. Especially for those boards and commissions whose membership requires Council confirmation, we hope to partner on bringing nominations before the Council for an efficient vetting process. We will continue to communicate with the Council about these boards and commissions, and we appreciate your partnership.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Clare Kelly".

Clare Kelly
Director of Intergovernmental Relations



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November 4, 2024

Mr. Alex Geourntas
City Clerk, City of Boston
One City Hall Square, Room 601 Boston, MA 02201

RE: Concerns Regarding Council President's Conduct in Meetings

Dear Mr. Geourntas,

We are writing to formally express our concerns regarding the conduct of the current Council President during our City Council meetings. As you are aware, our operations are governed by the Boston City Charter, the rules of the Boston City Council, and Robert's Rules of Order. It is imperative that we uphold these guidelines to ensure fair and orderly proceedings.

The Council President frequently engages in commentary following the remarks of certain councilors, particularly myself and Councilor Flynn, which undermines the impartiality expected of the presiding officer. This behavior raises concerns about adherence to our established rules, specifically regarding the expectation that the Council President must step down from the dais to express personal opinions that are not procedural in nature.

Several colleagues and members of the public have noted this behavior and expressed their discomfort with the perceived bias. It is essential that all councilors feel respected and treated equally, without fear of being undermined or receiving negative commentary from the presiding officer. The role of the Council President is to facilitate discussions, not to take sides or add personal critiques to the proceedings.

We urge you to consider these concerns seriously, as they affect the integrity of our council and the public's perception of our work. It is our hope that we can foster a more collaborative environment where all voices are heard and respected, adhering strictly to the rules that govern our conduct.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We look forward to your support in ensuring that our council meetings are conducted fairly and respectfully.

Sincerely,

Erin J. Murphy
Boston City Councilor
At Large

Edward M. Flynn
Boston City Councilor
District 2



City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
MICHELLE WU

November 4, 2024

The Honorable Alexander Geourmtas
City Clerk
City Hall, Room 601
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Mr. Clerk:

In accordance with the provisions of Section 5-5.10 of the City of Boston Municipal Code, I hereby appoint Kairos Shen of 79 Tyler St. #4 Boston 02111, Chief of Planning effective October 15, 2024.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston





Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS
City Clerk

November 4, 2024

To The City Council

Councilors:

In accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979, I hereby notify you of the following actions taken by the Mayor with regard to the papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of October 9, 2024, viz.

- 0911 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 Earmark for Fairmount Housing Development, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund the support of Police overtime for visible patrols in the Fairmount Development.
Approved by the Mayor October 16, 2024
- 1166 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Million One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$4,125,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY25 Public Safety Answering Point Support and Incentive Grant, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund costs associated with providing Enhanced 911 services.
Approved by the Mayor October 16, 2024
- 1167 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Stove Replacement Program (EJG2G), awarded by the United States Environmental Protection Agency, to be administered by the Environment Department. The grant will fund to educate residents on electric cooking and its environmental/health benefits.
Approved by the Mayor October 16, 2024



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ALEX GEOURNTAS
City Clerk

- 1168 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$850,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY24 Boston Regional Intelligence Center Earmark, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund upgrading, expanding, and integrating technology and protocols related to anti-terrorism, anti-crime, anti-gang and emergency response.

Approved by the Mayor October 16, 2024

- 1170 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars and Seventy-Seven Cents (\$445,865.77) in the form of the grant for the FY25 State 911 Training Grant, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund the training and certification of Enhanced 911 telecommunications staff.

Approved by the Mayor October 16, 2024

- 1175 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eighty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Seven Dollars (\$87,427.00) in the form of a grant, for the United States Attorney's Project Safe Neighborhood (PSN) Initiative grant, awarded by the United States Attorney's Office passed through the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security, to be administered by the Boston Police Department. The grant will fund the purchase of needed equipment, software, and other technology items considered vital for preventing or reducing violent crime.

Approved by the Mayor October 16, 2024



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City Clerk

- 1177 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY23 National Violent Death Reporting System, awarded by the MA Department of Public Health to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund data collection by the Bureau of Investigative Services and the Drug Control Unit.

Approved by the Mayor October 16, 2024

- 1286 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eleven Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$11,200.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY23 Safe and Successful Youth Initiative, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Health and Human Services to be administered by the Boston Police Department. The grant will fund to support enrollment in the Certificate of Intensive Training in Motivational Interviewing for the SSIYI Boston Case Management Team.

Approved by the Mayor October 16, 2024

- 1385 Message and order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston (the "City") to accept and expend the amount of Seven Million Dollars (\$7,000,000.00) in the form of a grant (the "Grant Payment"), awarded by the United States Department of the Treasury, to be administered by the City's Chief Financial Officer/Collector-Treasurer. This Grant Payment is made from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund in the Treasury of the United States established by Section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) of 2021.

Approved by the Mayor October 16, 2024



Office of the City Clerk

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1432 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 Police Reform and Equitable Justice Grant Program, awarded by the Target Corporation to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund the Youth and Police Initiative (YPI), which provides police with the skills and tools necessary to understand and deal with troubled youth and gives troubled youth new ways to understand, perceive and deal with police authority.

Approved by the Mayor October 16, 2024

1436 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Sixty-Two Thousand One Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars (\$62,149.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 Port Security Grant, awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund strengthened port-wide risk management and protection of critical surface transportation infrastructure from acts of terrorism, major disasters, and other emergencies.

Approved by the Mayor October 16, 2024

Respectfully,


Alex Geourntas
City Clerk



Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS
City Clerk

November 4, 2024

To The City Council

Councilors:

In accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979, I hereby notify you of the following actions taken by the Mayor with regard to the papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of October 23, 2024, viz.

0116 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) in the form of a grant for the BHCCI Connect, Learn & Explore Grant, awarded by Boston Children's Hospital to be administered by the Office of Early Childhood. The grant will fund the Boston Healthy Child Care Initiative and the Office of Early Childhood's Connect, Learn and Explore Initiative.

Approved by the Mayor October 28, 2024

1165 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seventy-Five Million Dollars (\$75,000,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Commonwealth Builder Program, awarded by the Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund the creation of workforce homeownership housing units and the long-term availability of those units to eligible moderate-income households.

Approved by the Mayor October 28, 2024

1303 Order to increase Veterans property tax exemption.

Approved by the Mayor October 28, 2024



Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS
City Clerk

- 1386 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the MBI Digital Equity Partnership Program, awarded by the United States Department of the Treasury, passed through the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative, to be administered by the Department of Innovation & Technology. The grant will fund services and support for residents of the Commonwealth who cannot afford broadband service and/or internet connected devices or lack the digital literacy skills needed to utilize the internet.

Approved by the Mayor October 28, 2024

- 1430 Message and order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to appropriate the amount of Two Million Two Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$2,225,000.00) for the purpose of paying the cost of a feasibility study and schematic design associated with a project for the Pauline Agassiz Shaw-Charles H. Taylor Elementary School, Mattapan, MA 02126. This includes the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, and for which the City of Boston may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended under the direction of the Public Facilities Department on behalf of the Boston Public Schools.

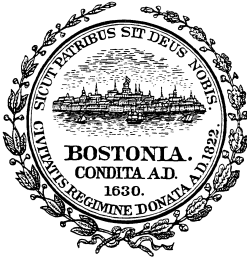
Approved by the Mayor October 28, 2024

- 1475 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Clougherty Pool Project, awarded by the United States Department of the Treasury passed through the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation to be administered by the Public Facilities Department. The grant will fund the Clougherty Pool replacement and bathhouse renovation project.

Approved by the Mayor October 28, 2024

Respectfully,

Alex Geourntas
City Clerk



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FOUR

HOME RULE PETITION

WHEREAS: Mathew Troy, a former firefighter of the City of Boston, passed away as a result of Occupational Cancer he suffered while performing his essential duties as a firefighter; ***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 1 of Section 8 of Article II, as amended, of the Articles of Amendment 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 PROVIDING ACCIDENTAL DEATH BENEFITS FOR THE SURVIVING
SPOUSE OF A FORMER FIREFIGHTER OF THE CITY OF BOSTON**

Section 1.

(a) Notwithstanding Section 9 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, and in order to promote the public good, there shall be paid an accidental death benefit from the Boston Retirement Board to Rachel Marie Troy, the surviving spouse of Mathew M. Troy, a former Firefighter of the City of Boston, who died as a result of a condition of impairment of health, including Cholangiocarcinoma, suffered while performing the essential duties of a Firefighter. The benefits shall be paid and administered in accordance with Section 9 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws. Rachel Marie Troy shall receive a lump sum payment from the Boston Retirement Board equal to the total accumulated retirement deductions paid by Mathew M. Troy into the annuity savings fund.

Section 2.

Such an accidental death benefit allowance shall consist of a yearly amount of pension equal to seventy-two percent of the annual rate of regular compensation of such member on the date such injury was sustained or such hazard was undergone, or equal to seventy-two percent of the average annual rate of compensation for the twelve-month period for which he last received regular compensation immediately preceding the date of his death, whichever is greater.

Section 3.

Rachel Marie Troy, the surviving spouse of Mathew M. Troy, a former Firefighter of the City of Boston, shall be afforded the opportunity to retain medical insurance coverage equivalent to such coverage that Matthew M. Troy would have been entitled to if he had retired from the City of Boston.

Section 4. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Filed in Boston City Council: August 7, 2024



BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

Committee on Government Operations
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REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

November 6, 2024

Dear Councilors,

The Committee on Government Operations was referred the following docket for consideration:

Docket #1202, petition for a Special Law re: An Act Providing Certain Death Benefits for Rachel Marie Troy, the Widow of a former Firefighter of the City of Boston.

This matter was sponsored by Councilors Ed Flynn and Erin Murphy and referred to the Committee on August 7, 2024.

Summary of Legislation

Docket #1202 is a Home Rule Petition (HRP) intended to deem the petitioner eligible to receive death benefits available under **M.G.L. c.32 s.9** via the presumption established under **M.G.L. c.32 s.94B**.

Section 9 provides for conditions under which death benefits may be made available to beneficiaries of public service members who die as a direct result of an injury or hazard experienced while performing duties. **Section 9** benefits provide for lump sum payment from the Boston Retirement Board equal to the total accumulated retirement deductions paid by Mathew M. Troy into the annuity savings fund, as well as a yearly amount of pension equal to 72% of the annual rate of regular compensation of such member on the date such injury was sustained or a yearly amount of pension equal to 72% of the average annual rate of his regular compensation for the 12 month period for which he last received regular compensation immediately preceding the date of his death, whichever is greater.

Section 94B establishes a presumption that certain cancers affecting specific body systems that cause total disability or death in certain fire and public safety personnel are job-related. The law applies if the cancer is of a type that could generally result from exposure to heat, radiation, or a recognized carcinogen, as identified by the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC). It also extends to any other cancers with a statistically significant correlation to fire service exposure, as regulated by the Commissioner of Public Health. To qualify, the affected individual must have passed a physical examination at the start of service that did not reveal cancer. The presumption stands unless it's proven by a preponderance of evidence that non-service-related factors caused the cancer. **Section 94B**, subsection outlines eligibility limitations for the cancer presumption benefits, specifying that the presumption does not apply to individuals who have served in eligible fire or public safety roles for fewer than five years when the cancer was first diagnosed or should have been discovered. This Home Rule Petition is



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necessary as Firefighter Troy was diagnosed 4 years into his time with the Department, just a few months shy of the five-year requirement.

Information Received at Hearing

The Committee held a hearing on November 1, 2024. The Committee heard testimony from Petitioner Rachel Marie Troy, widow of Firefighter Mathew Troy, and Sam Dillon, President of Boston Firefighters IAFF Local 718. The Petitioner shared her personal story, detailing her relationship with Firefighter Troy, their life together, and the challenges they faced together after his cancer diagnosis. Petitioner stated that following his time in the Marines, Firefighter Troy joined the Boston Fire Department in 2018. In 2022, at age 30, Firefighter Troy was diagnosed with stage 4 Cholangiocarcinoma, a cancer of the bile ducts in the liver. Following his diagnosis, in 2024, Firefighter Troy passed away at 32 years old. The Petitioner described the immense layer of difficulty the loss of income has added to her grief as she mourns the loss of her husband and is confronted with the reality of managing expenses on her own. The Petitioner stated that since losing her husband, financial pressures have only intensified her grief, explaining that she could only take one month off from work as bills began to pile up. President Dillon testified to Firefighter Troy's dedication as a firefighter and the impact of his loss on the firefighting community. President Dillon requested the Committee pass this petition to grant the Petitioner the benefits she would have automatically received had Firefighter Troy been diagnosed a few months later.

Councilors expressed their support for this petition and, in acknowledging the sacrifices made by Firefighter Troy, emphasized the need to provide the Petitioner with the benefits she deserves.

Committee Chair Recommended Action

As Chair of the Committee on Government Operations, I recommend moving the listed docket from the Committee to the full Council for discussion and formal action. At this time, my recommendation to the full Council will be that this matter **OUGHT TO PASS**.

Gabriela Coletta Zapata, Chair
Committee on Government Operations



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF BOSTON CODE ORDINANCES CHAPTER VII SECTION 7 REGULATING RESTRICTIONS ON PARK FRONTAGES

WHEREAS, Chapter VII of the Boston Municipal Code outlines regulations related to Environmental Protection in the City of Boston and Section IV of Chapter VII outlines regulations as they pertain to the City’s Parks and Recreation Department including guidelines pertaining to building restrictions on park frontages; *and*

WHEREAS, City of Boston Code, Ordinances, 7-4.10, “Restrictions on Park Frontages.”, colloquially known as the “Parks and Parkways Ordinance”, provides important protections for our City’s green spaces by requiring necessary setbacks and height restrictions for parcels of land abutting the parks; *and*

WHEREAS, The Parks and Parkways Ordinance protects our parks by preserving the aesthetics, user experience, and environmental viability of the park; *and*

WHEREAS, The historic Emerald Necklace is a publicly-owned, permanently-protected landscape that was enabled through a legislative act and a vote of the people of Boston in the 1870s, constructed by the Boston Parks Commission in the 1880s, and protected through deed restrictions when completed in the 1890s; *and*

WHEREAS, Transformed from marshland to a vibrant green space designed by Frederick Law Olmsted, the Back Bay Fens is a key component of Olmsted’s Emerald Necklace Park system, which includes a number of important landscape features including the Muddy River, the historic Fenway Victory gardens, recreation space, and reflective open space; *and*

WHEREAS, There are several notable gateways to the Fenway neighborhood, which abut or are situated in close proximity to the Back Bay Fens including the North Boylston Gateway Development Area, within the Fenway North Boylston Neighborhood Subdistrict; *and*

WHEREAS, The Project Proponent proposing a development of a residential building at 2 Charlesgate W/6 Charlesgate W/1161 Boylston Street within the North Boylston Gateway Development Area is subject to the Parks and Parkways Ordinance; *and*

WHEREAS, The 2023 Draft Project Impact Report (DPIR) for the proponent included a subdivision of the parcel to exempt it from the 70’ height restriction and the proponent worked with the BPDA and corporation counsel to comply with the Parks and Parkways Ordinance; *and*

WHEREAS, The Executive Secretary of the Boston Parks and Recreation Department (BPRD) submitted a letter to the 2 Charlesgate W project proponent on January 21, 2024 which concluded: “BPRD recommends that the proponent seek an amendment to the Municipal Code from the City Council so that its effort to exempt the project from the height restriction does not set a precedent that would have significant negative impact on the iconic design; historic landscape materials; and user experience of the parks and parkways of the Emerald Necklace”; *and*

WHEREAS, A text amendment to the Municipal Code’s “Restrictions on Park Frontages” would provide the opportunity to build needed housing, including affordable housing, while respecting protections for our historic parks; **NOW, THEREFORE**

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:

Section 1.

The City of Boston Code, Ordinances, 7-4.10, “Restrictions on Park Frontages.” is hereby amended by adding the following to the end of the section:

“Provided further, as it relates to those certain lots located at the intersection of Boylston Street, Ipswich Street, and Private Alley 938, known and numbered as of the date of adoption of this section as 1161 Boylston Street, 2 Charlesgate West, and 6 Charlesgate West, the following provisions shall apply, anything contained in this chapter to the contrary notwithstanding:

- A. No building shall be erected or placed upon premises within fifteen (15) feet of the easterly boundary of said lots where such property line abuts the Fens;
- B. Any building located in that portion of the lots that is within sixty-seven and one-half (67.5) feet from the sideline of Ipswich Street may be built to a height not exceeding two hundred eighty (280) feet;
- C. Any buildings located in that portion of the lots that is greater than sixty-seven and one-half (67.5) feet from the sideline of Ipswich Street and greater than fifty (50) feet from the easterly boundary of said lots where such property line abuts the Fens may be built to a height not exceeding one hundred eighty (180) feet;
- D. Any buildings located in the remaining portion of said lots may be built to a height not exceeding seventy (70) feet;
- E. Steeples, towers, domes, railings/guardrails, balustrades, parapets, sculptured ornaments, chimneys, flues, roofs, aerials, antennae, elevator and mechanical penthouses, water tanks, screen walls, monitors or other structures normally built

above the roof and not devoted to human occupancy shall not be included in the computation of height of buildings for purposes of subparagraphs b. through d. above. The height of buildings as used in subparagraphs b. through d. above shall be measured from the mean grade of the edgestone or sidewalk on the easterly property line where such property line abuts the Fens;

- F. No building or structure shall hereafter be erected or altered on the lots described above without prior written approval by the Boston Redevelopment Authority of the exterior design of such building or structure. The Authority's review of such exterior design shall be concerned with such matters as the exterior facade, exterior materials, signs, the location of roof top structures described in subparagraph e. above, building mass and its placement on the site, the relation of the building to architectural characteristics of the Fenway, and adequacy of vehicular ingress and egress, if any. The purpose of this subparagraph f. is to ensure that new buildings shall, without limiting the dimensions and building volume permitted herein and under applicable zoning regulations, be of outstanding architectural character and harmonious with the Fenway area.”

Section 2.

The provisions of this ordinance are severable and if any provision, or portion thereof, should be held to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions, which remain in full force and effect.

Section 3.

The provisions of this ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage.

Filed on: July 26, 2024



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REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

November 6, 2024

Dear Councilors,

The Committee on Government Operations was referred the following docket for consideration:

Docket #1197, Ordinance Amending the City of Boston Code Ordinances Chapter VII Section 7 Regulating Restrictions on Park Frontages.

This matter was sponsored by Councilor Sharon Durkan and referred to the Committee on August 7, 2024.

Summary of Legislation

Docket #1197 is an Ordinance that would amend *City of Boston Code 7-4.10 Restrictions on Park Frontages* by inserting additional language regarding certain lots located at the intersection of Boylston Street, Ipswich Street, and Private Alley 938 to be known and numbered as 1161 Boylston Street, 2 Charlesgate West, and 6 Charlesgate West. The Ordinance codifies specific parameters related to building height and setback that would apply to new development on said lots.

The Ordinance establishes an additional setback restriction within the current Park Frontages Ordinance that would restrict the development or placement of a building within fifteen (15) feet of the easterly boundary of said lots where such property line abuts the Fens. Further, the Ordinance establishes building height requirements for said lots as follows: Any building located in that portion of the lots that is within sixty-seven and one-half (67.5) feet from the sideline of Ipswich Street may be built to a height not exceeding two hundred eighty (280) feet; Any buildings located in that portion of the lots that is greater than sixty-seven and one-half (67.5) feet from the sideline of Ipswich Street and greater than fifty (50) feet from the easterly boundary of said lots where such property line abuts the Fens may be built to a height not exceeding one hundred eighty (180) feet; Any buildings located in the remaining portion of said lots may be built to a height not exceeding seventy (70) feet.

The Ordinance further proposes that the height of any building developed on the aforementioned lots be measured from the mean grade of the edgestone or sidewalk on the easterly property line where such property line abuts the Fens (excluding Steeples, towers, domes, railings/guardrails, balustrades, parapets, sculptured ornaments, chimneys, flues, roofs, aeriels, antennae, elevator and mechanical penthouses, water tanks, screen walls, monitors or other structures normally built above the roof and not devoted to human occupancy in the computation of building height.) Finally, the Ordinance requires the written approval of the Boston Redevelopment Authority prior to the development or altering of any building or



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structure on said lots. When reviewing plans for development or alteration on said lots, the Ordinance declares that the Authority's review of such exterior design shall be concerned with such matters as the exterior facade, exterior materials, signs, the location of rooftop structures, building mass and its placement on the site, the relation of the building to architectural characteristics of the Fenway, and adequacy of vehicular ingress and egress, if any.

The City's current height and setback requirements apply only to properties within 100 feet of certain park frontages and were designed to protect Boston's green spaces from adverse effects, such as shadowing and visual intrusion from nearby high-rise developments. True to spirit and form, this Ordinance bolsters those protections by establishing specific restrictions and requirements for the aforementioned lots as they also border park frontage but are excluded from adherence to the current provisions. Additionally, the language of the Ordinance is designed to ensure that new buildings shall, without limiting the dimensions and building volume permitted herein and under applicable zoning regulations, be of outstanding architectural character and harmonious with the Fenway area.

Information Received at Hearing

The Committee held a hearing on October 28, 2024, and heard testimony from Liza Meyer, Chief Landscape Architect of the Boston Parks Department; Diana Fernandez Bibeau, Deputy Chief of Urban Design of the Boston Planning Department; and Brett Bentson, Principal of Utile.

Brett Benson from Utile presented details related to intended development at the location described in the Ordinance. Benson provided details related to environmental impacts, community benefits, and affordability. Following presentation of the project, the Administration testified in favor of the proposed Ordinance, explaining that the outlined setback and height restrictions are the result of a compromise between the developer, the City, and the community, reflecting unique community and planning goals. It was explained that pursuant to *City of Boston Code 7-4.11 Permission for Construction Near Parks or Parkways*, the City requires the approval of the Boston Parks and Recreation Commission (the Commission) for all buildings and structures that are constructed or altered within 100 feet of a park or parkway, the purpose of which is to ensure that projects which are adjacent to open space are designed so that they do not negatively impact the protected open space or public realm.

It was explained that amending the City's current restrictions on park frontages, to include requirements for the lots located at the intersection of Boylston Street, Ipswich Street, and Private Alley 938, would create standards that the Commission may rely on when issuing their approval and would allow the developer here to build, incentivizing adherence to a plan that was designed as a result of a compromise. Without the proposed ordinance amendment, the Commission emphasized the precedent this very process could set, explaining that if the Commission were to deny the developer's plans without working towards a compromise, the developer could seek to subdivide the premises and circumvent the Commission's



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approval. The Commission explained that codifying this compromise could encourage other developers in the future to seek approval from the Commission via the same route.

Councilors raised concerns with the approval process that would allow a developer to pursue a subdivision to build in line with their goals rather than the Commission's. Councilors asked if this Ordinance should consider closing what was referred to as the 'subdivision loophole.' In advocating for the Ordinance's language as written, the Administration explained that, in practice, closing such a loophole could prove consequential, potentially stifling much-needed development in the middle of a housing crisis. In consultation with the Parks and Planning Departments, the Council could consider additional legislation to address this in the future.

The proposed Ordinance is an effective way to safeguard the intent of park protections while allowing a carefully considered project to move forward. Further, passage of the Ordinance will help set a precedent that prevents the exploitation of zoning loopholes under the current ordinance and underscore the importance of a transparent legislative process for similar projects within 100 feet of certain park frontages in the future.

Committee Chair Recommended Action

As Chair of the Committee on Government Operations, I recommend moving the listed docket from the Committee to the full Council for discussion and formal action. At this time, my recommendation to the full Council will be that this matter **OUGHT TO PASS**.

Gabriela Coletta Zapata, Chair
Committee on Government Operations



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

AN ORDINANCE REGARDING EMPLOYEE SAFETY WITHIN BOSTON'S OIL TERMINALS

- WHEREAS,** The Boston City Council has the authority to adopt ordinances designed to protect the health, safety, and welfare of all residents and workers of the City of Boston; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Currently, there are four active oil terminals along Chelsea Creek with one located at 467 Chelsea St. in East Boston. All of these facilities operate twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The East Boston oil terminal is the busiest terminal in terms of volume of petroleum products delivered by ship and the highest volume of transit carrying oil in the area. The East Boston oil terminal provides over 1.6 million gallons of jet fuel a day to Logan Airport. Additionally, another 1.6 million gallons are transported out of the terminal by tanker trucks; *and*
- WHEREAS,** All three other oil terminals surrounding the Chelsea Creek have mandatory staffing to ensure protection of the environment, property, and especially the public; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The City of Chelsea has enacted legislation to standardize the minimum requirement of staffing to ensure trained employees are always onsite. This staffing guardrail provides additional layers of safety during the offloading and onloading of petroleum at terminals. The East Boston oil terminal only requires one operator onsite, unless a vessel is at the dock; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Having only one trained operator onsite at any time creates a variety of safety concerns. This includes leaving the terminal unattended during times when the operator has to perform offsite duties, lack of immediate support if the operator is injured, immense size and volume of operations, and the need to leave the site to activate a spill response in the event of a leak or failure at the terminal; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Staffing needs must be aligned across industry standards in order to guarantee the safety of terminal employees and the overall safety of the public; *and*

WHEREAS, Further protection to employees and residents is required for the oil terminals that exist within the city; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:

That the City of Boston Municipal Code, Section 17-15.2 is hereby amended by adding the following provisions:

SECTION 1

Definitions.

Marine Terminal Operator shall mean a person overseeing the operations of offloading and onloading petroleum and other hazardous materials from ship vessels to motor vehicles at oil terminals.

SECTION 2

All oil terminals within the boundaries of the City of Boston shall have at minimum two trained employees on duty at all times.

- a. At least one such trained employee shall be a Marine Terminal Operator who has knowledge and training in the following areas:
 - i. Storage tank type, location and operation of all valves including pressure relief devices, operations of all piping and valves and emergency venting operations;
 - ii. Operations of the loading rack(s), including emergency venting operations;
 - iii. Offloading operations at the dock, including ship to shore connections and emergency procedures;
 - iv. Operations of the of the fire suppression system(s); and
 - v. Spill and product release procedures, including proper notification of the fire department.
- b. The second trained employee shall have knowledge and training in the following areas:
 - i. Storage tank type, location, and emergency procedures;
 - ii. Operations of loading rack(s), including emergency procedures;
 - iii. Operations of the fire suppression system(s); and
 - iv. Spill and product release procedures, including proper notification of the fire.
- c. Whenever there are offloading operations at the dock, there shall be at least two Marine Terminal Operators on duty.

SECTION 2

This ordinance shall take effect upon passage.

Filed on: November 6, 2024

Offered by City Councilor Julia Mejia



**CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL**

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FOUR

**HOME RULE PETITION FOR A SPECIAL LAW AN ACT RELATIVE TO
REORGANIZATION OF THE BOSTON SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

- WHEREAS,** The Boston School Committee is the governing body of the Boston Public Schools (BPS) and is responsible for defining the vision, mission, and goals of BPS; the annual operating budget; hiring, managing and evaluating the Superintendent; and setting and reviewing district policies and practices; *and*
- WHEREAS,** For over 200 years following the formation of the first 21-member Boston School Committee in 1789, citizens of Boston elected school committees with between five and 116 members; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Upon passage of Chapter 605 of the Acts of 1982, the Boston School Committee was restructured to resemble the composition of the Boston City Council with 13 members total, four members elected at-large and nine elected for each district; *and*
- WHEREAS,** In November 1989, an advisory ballot question asking Boston voters whether the elected school committee should be changed to a Mayor-appointed school committee narrowly passed by a margin of just 670 votes citywide; *and*
- WHEREAS,** In 1991, the City of Boston passed a Home Rule Petition, which went on to become Chapter 108 of the Acts of 1991, resulting in the first appointed school committee in December 1991 and the consolidation of the powers of the school committee into the office of the Mayor; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Every municipality in Massachusetts, except Boston, elects its school committee; *and*
- WHEREAS,** In November 2021, the voters of Boston overwhelmingly voted to change from the current appointed school committee structure to an elected school committee, with 79 percent—more than 99,000 voters, the majority in every precinct of every ward—of Boston voters supporting an elected body; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Elected school committees place the power of community representation on education matters back into communities, allowing for people from diverse

backgrounds to have their voices heard and for those in power to be held accountable; ***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 1 of Section 8 of Article II, as amended, of the Articles of Amendment 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 REORGANIZATION OF THE BOSTON
SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

Chapter 108 of the Acts of 1991 is hereby stricken and replaced with the following:

Section 1.

Notwithstanding sections one hundred and twenty-eight to one hundred and thirty-four, inclusive, of chapter forty-three of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the school committee of the City of Boston as presently constituted is hereby restructured and thereafter each member shall be elected or appointed as provided herein.

Section 2.

Subject to the provisions of this act, the existing school committee of the City of Boston shall be dissolved and the composition of the school committee of the City of Boston shall transition to a thirteen member school committee to be phased in as follows:

- a) At the start of the 2025-2026 school year, two (2) non-voting student members shall be selected by the Boston Public Schools student population through a vote of the Boston Student Advisory Council. Both students will be seated with the school committee and allowed to participate in discussion.
- b) The first Tuesday after the first Monday following the municipal election year immediately following passage of this Act a thirteen (13) member school committee composed of nine (9) district members elected in November of the previous year and four (4) members appointed by the Mayor shall be seated. The nine (9) district seats shall correspond to the electoral districts for Boston City Councilors in accordance with districting and residency laws established in Chapter 605 in the Acts of 1982.
- c) The first Tuesday after the first Monday following the second municipal election year

immediately following this Act a thirteen (13) member school committee composed of nine (9) district members and four (4) at-large members elected in November of the previous year shall be seated. The nine (9) district seats shall correspond to the electoral districts for Boston City Councilors in accordance with districting and residency laws established in Chapter 605 in the Acts of 1982.

The members of the school committee shall at all times during their terms of office be Boston residents. No member of the school committee shall hold more than one elected office at the same time. This restriction shall apply to every office which is elected by the qualified voters of the Commonwealth or any political subdivision or part thereof.

Section 3.

All existing powers and duties hitherto exercised by the school committee of the City of Boston, including the powers and duties set forth in chapter 613 of the acts of 1987, shall henceforth be exercised by both the temporary hybrid elected/appointed school committee and, upon formation, the thirteen (13) member elected school committee.

Section 4.

The term of office of the members of the school committee of the City of Boston shall be two (2) years and shall commence on the first day of the municipal year, except for the student members. The student members shall have a term of office of one (1) year and shall commence on June 1 and expire on May 31. Upon the selection, whether by election or appointment, of all members, the City Clerk shall administer the oath of office to the school committee and they shall subscribe in the book kept by the City Clerk in accordance with the provisions of St. 1948, c. 452, s.11A, as amended by Acts of 1951, c. 376 s. 1.11A and as further amended by Acts of 1983, c.342, s.1. The office of each committee member shall become vacant upon the expiration of the term of said member. Any appointed member whose term of office shall expire may be considered for reappointment, but only if renominated by the nominating panel. All member offices excluding the student members shall automatically become vacant on the first Tuesday after the first Monday following the first Boston municipal election immediately following the passage of this Act regardless of unexpired terms. The vacant offices shall be filled by elected school committee members chosen during the Boston municipal elections immediately following passage of this Act. A president of the school committee shall be elected annually by its members at the first meeting in each municipal year. In the event that the president is unable to complete their term, a new president shall be elected by committee members for the unexpired term.

Section 5.

Notwithstanding any special or general law to the contrary, the members of the school

committee of the City of Boston elected or appointed pursuant to this act shall not have the authority to hire personal staff; provided, however, that a paid administrative assistant may be appointed by the president of the school committee.

Section 6.

This section shall only apply to appointed members of the school committee of the City of Boston until the transition to a fully elected committee is complete. Upon which the nominating panel and all appointed members of the school committee of the City of Boston shall be disbanded.

There shall be in the City of Boston a nominating panel composed of thirteen (13) members whose sole function shall be to nominate persons for consideration by the Mayor for appointment to the school committee. Representation on the panel and the selection of said members shall be as follows:

- a) Four parents of children in the Boston Public Schools system as follows: (i) one parent who shall be selected by the Citywide Parents Council; (ii) one parent who shall be selected by the Citywide Educational Coalition; (iii) one parent who shall be selected by the Boston Special Needs Parent Advisory Council; and (iv) one parent who shall be selected by the bilingual education citywide parent advisory council.
- b) One teacher in the Boston Public School system who shall be selected by the Boston Teachers Union from its membership.
- c) One head of school or principal in the Boston Public School system who shall be selected by the Boston Association of School Administrators and Supervisors from its membership.
- d) One representative from the Boston business community as follows: one representative each shall be selected by the private industry council, the Boston Municipal Research Bureau, and Boston Chamber of Commerce from their respective memberships. Such representatives shall serve on a rotating basis as follows: the representative from the private industry council shall serve for the first year of the first term of the nominating panel; the representative from the Boston Municipal Research Bureau shall serve for the second year of the first term of the nominating panel; the representative from the Boston Chamber of Commerce shall serve for the first year of the second term of the nominating panel; and so forth.
- e) One president of a public or private college or university who shall be selected by the chancellor of higher education of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- f) One person shall be the Commissioner of Education of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- g) Four persons shall be appointed by the Mayor

The members of the nominating panel shall be selected from time to time no later than September thirtieth and shall serve for a term of two (2) years, except as otherwise provided in

this section. In the event that any member does not complete his or her term for any reason, the person or entity who selected such member shall select another person in like manner to complete the unexpired term.

Section 7.

This section shall only apply to appointed members of the school committee of the City of Boston until the transition to a fully elected committee is complete, upon which the nominating panel shall be disbanded.

The nominating panel annually shall from among its membership elect a chairman who shall forthwith file a list of the name and addresses of the members of the panel with the City Clerk. The panel shall meet in public for the sole purpose of deliberating upon, hearing public comment with respect to, and finally selecting a list of nominees to be presented to the Mayor from time to time. Each nominee shall be a resident of Boston at the time of such nomination. The panel shall strive to nominate individuals who reflect the ethnic, racial and socioeconomic diversity of the City of Boston and its public school population.

On the first Wednesday of October of every year the nominating panel shall convene to select not fewer than three (3) but no more than five (5) nominees for each appointed office of school committee members that shall become vacant on the first day of the next municipal year. No later than the first Monday in December of each year, the panel shall present to the Mayor a list containing the names and addresses of the said nominees for each term of office to commence on the first day of the next municipal year; provided, however, should the panel fail to present said list to the Mayor by said first Monday in December, the Mayor shall have the power to appoint any person they deems suitable to the office of school committee for the term to commence in the following January. The Mayor shall strive to appoint individuals who reflect the full diversity of the City of Boston, and its public school population. This includes but is not limited to ethnic, racial, and socioeconomic diversity as well as disability, and LGBTQIA+ representation.

Section 8.

Upon notice provided by the City Clerk that a vacancy exists in the office of any appointed school committee member due to death or resignation, the nominating panel shall convene within ten (10) days of such notice and shall, within thirty (30) days after so convening, select and present to the Mayor a list containing the names and addresses of not fewer than three (3) but not more than five (5) nominees. Within fifteen (15) days after such presentment, the Mayor shall appoint a school committee member to serve the unexpired term of the vacant office; provided, however, should the panel fail to present said list within said thirty (30) days, the Mayor shall have the power to appoint any person they deem suitable to the vacant office to serve said unexpired term. Upon notice provided by the City Clerk that a vacancy exists in the office of any student member appointed school committee member due to personal

circumstances, illness, or resignation, the Boston Student Advisory Council the nominating panel shall convene within one (1) month of such notice and shall, select a replacement student member.

Section 9A.

If at any time a vacancy occurs in the office of school committee-at-large for any cause, the City Clerk shall forthwith notify the school committee thereof; and within fifteen days after such notification, the remaining school committee members shall choose, a school committee member-at-large for the unexpired term, whichever of the defeated candidates for the office of school committee member-at-large at the regular municipal election at which the school committee member-at-large were elected for the term in which the vacancy occurs, who are eligible and willing to serve, received the highest number of votes at such election, provided, however, that the defeated candidate shall have received no less than 20 percent of the total ballots cast for the seat being vacated. For the purpose of this section, the 20 percent minimum threshold shall be calculated as a ratio of votes obtained by the defeated candidate to ballots cast for the office being vacated.

If there is no such defeated candidate eligible and willing to serve, and the vacancy occurs more than one hundred and eighty days prior to a regular municipal election, the City Clerk shall forthwith notify the Boston City Council regarding the vacancy; at the first Boston City Council meeting after the notice has been read, the Boston City Council shall forthwith adopt an order calling a special preliminary election for the purpose of nominating a school committee member-at-large for the unexpired term, which election shall be held on a Tuesday, not less than sixty-two nor more than seventy-six days after the adoption of such order, as the Boston City Council shall in such order fix. The two candidates for school committee member-at-large receiving the greatest number of votes at the special preliminary election shall be deemed nominated and their names shall be placed on the ballot for the special municipal election, which election shall be held twenty-eight days following the special preliminary election.

Section 9B.

If a vacancy occurs in the office of district school committee member more than one hundred and eighty days prior to a regular municipal election, the City Clerk shall forthwith notify the Boston City Council regarding the vacancy; at the first Boston City Council meeting after the notice has been read, the Boston City Council shall forthwith adopt an order calling a special preliminary election for the purpose of nominating a district school committee member for the unexpired term, which election shall be held on a Tuesday, not less than sixty-two nor more than seventy-six days after the adoption of such order, as the Boston City Council shall in such order fix. The two candidates for district school committee member receiving the greatest number of votes at the special preliminary election shall be deemed nominated and their names shall be placed on the ballot for the special municipal election, which election shall be held twenty-eight days following the special preliminary election.

Section 10.

This act shall not be amended or repealed except by special act passed in conformance with article 89 of the amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Section 11.

The provisions of this act shall take effect immediately upon passage.

Filed in Council: November 6, 2024

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS JOHN FITZGERALD AND ENRIQUE PEPÉN



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS INCREASING ACCESS TO HIGH-QUALITY SCHOOL OPTIONS FOR BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS IN ALL NEIGHBORHOODS

- WHEREAS,** We must ensure that students in every neighborhood of Boston have access to high-quality schools, and that all Boston Public Schools (BPS) have adequate resources to serve students and families, regardless of the neighborhood they are in; *and,*
- WHEREAS,** BPS utilizes a Home-Based lottery process to assign students to kindergarten through grade 8, which provides families with the opportunity to rank their top school choices from a customized list, which includes every school within a one-mile radius of their home; *and,*
- WHEREAS,** Without high-quality school options in every neighborhood, families are forced to make a false choice between nearby schools or long commutes to higher-quality schools in other neighborhoods; *and,*
- WHEREAS,** By ensuring all students in every neighborhood have high-quality school choices nearby, we can reduce travel distances for more BPS students; *and,*
- WHEREAS,** BPS Transportation costs have also increased significantly over the past decade, rising by \$60 million since 2014, despite losing nearly ten thousand student passengers in that same time frame; *and,*
- WHEREAS,** Money spent on transportation accounts for a large portion of the BPS budget, and reducing these costs would allow greater investments in providing better school environments, improved academic and athletic programs, more counselors and other student and family support programs, and other direct benefits for the education and welfare of our students; *and,*
- WHEREAS,** We must recognize the inequitable distribution of resources our school system has historically had and continues to suffer from, and as the City continues to work to rectify this legacy, any decreases in BPS transportation costs must be reinvested towards improving the schools with the greatest need; *and,*

- WHEREAS,** This investment strategy would counteract inequalities that arose in previous school community-based models, and which were upheld by a Boston School Committee that aggressively blocked school funding and resources from communities of color; *and,*
- WHEREAS,** Reducing long travel distances for some BPS students would enable prioritizing existing bus operators and transportation staff to better serve students who still need school bus travel options; *and,*
- WHEREAS,** Boston is experiencing increased traffic congestion, and BPS travel adds 632 school buses to our city’s traffic, in addition to cars and other transportation needed to transport the two-thirds of BPS students who do not use school bus travel; *and,*
- WHEREAS,** As the City works towards addressing traffic by improving pedestrian safety and elevating alternative forms of travel, we must further expand these initiatives within school transportation; with some students attend schools closer to their homes, we can reduce demand on our school bus transportation system and reduce car trips by encouraging more students to walk, bike, or take other non-vehicular modes of travel to school; *and,*
- WHEREAS,** Decreasing school bus demand can also reduce staggered school start times, allowing for a more uniform school schedule, making planning easier for parents when coordinating drop-off and pick-up times; *and,*
- WHEREAS,** In 2023, school buses accounted for 11% percent of municipal greenhouse gas emissions, and fossil fuel emissions also release harmful particulate matter and nitrogen oxides, which risk human and environmental health; shorter travel distances can allow the City to more easily phase out existing propane- and diesel-powered buses, as the City moves towards electric vehicles; *and,*
- WHEREAS,** School bus electrification alone does not remove all environmental and public health concerns, with greenhouse gasses released during electricity generation, and environmental harm done in mining for the raw materials for batteries, so reducing travel distances is still beneficial; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**
- ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council holds a hearing to discuss the potential of increasing access to high-quality school options for Boston Public School students in all neighborhoods. Representatives from the appropriate departments of the administration and other interested parties will be invited, and members of the public are encouraged to attend and testify.

Filed in City Council: November 6, 2024



OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT DURING THE WEEKLY COUNCIL MEETING

WHEREAS: The role of the City Council President holds many responsibilities. Part of those responsibilities includes presiding over weekly Council Meeting, calling members to order and regulating proceedings; *and*

WHEREAS: It is important that the public is informed about the full responsibilities of the City Council President; *and*

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED:

That the appropriate Committee of the Boston City Council holds a hearing to discuss the responsibilities of the City Council President in the City of Boston.

Filed in Council: November 4, 2024

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR BRIAN WORRELL



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NOVEMBER AS MEN'S MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

WHEREAS, November is Men's Health Awareness Month, dedicated to bringing awareness to a wide range of men's mental health issues; *and*

WHEREAS, Men tend to be more reluctant to seek help or treatment for their mental health struggles compared to women, as evidenced by the fact that men are almost half as likely to report seeking professional help for their mental health concerns; *and*

WHEREAS, The state of men's health in the United States reveals that the average life expectancy for men is almost 5 years less than women, around 15 million American adults (6.7% of the population) will be diagnosed with depression each year, 1 in 2 men will be diagnosed with cancer in their lifetime, more than one-third of adults (34.9%) in the United States are obese, and 12.1% of men aged 18 and over are in fair or poor health; *and*

WHEREAS, In Boston, Black and Latinx men report experiencing higher rates of mental health symptoms than their White counterparts, according to a 2024 report by the Boston Public Health Commission, highlighting the need for culturally sensitive mental health services and outreach; *and*

WHEREAS, The reasons for the poor state of men's health are numerous and complex, including a lack of awareness and understanding of the health issues men face, men not openly discussing their health and how they're feeling, reluctance to take action when men don't feel physically or mentally well, men engaging in risky activities that threaten their health, and stigmas surrounding mental health; *and*

WHEREAS, Resources in Boston such as NAMI Greater Boston, the Men's Health and Recovery Program, and MassMen provide critical support for men's mental health, working to reduce barriers and address disparities through counseling, advocacy, and community outreach; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council recognizes November as Men's Mental Health Awareness Month, encourages initiatives and discussions aimed at promoting men's mental health, reducing stigma, and fostering a healthier and more supportive environment for men to seek the help they need.

Filed on: October 31, 2024



OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION CELEBRATING VETERANS DAY AND HONORING THOSE WHO SERVED OUR COUNTRY

WHEREAS: Every year, November 11th marks Veterans Day - a day in honor of those who served in the U.S. military for their service, sacrifice, and contributions to our country. This date marked the end of the First World War between the Allied nations and Germany after they declared an armistice on November 11th, 1918 after four years at war; *and*

WHEREAS: In November of 1919, President Woodrow Wilson proclaimed November 11th as Armistice Day to remember all the lives lost in the war as well as the heroism of those who served; *and*

WHEREAS: In May of 1938, November 11th was made a legal holiday through an act of Congress, and was dedicated to the cause of peace and honoring veterans who served in World War I; *and*

WHEREAS: In December of 1941, the United States entered into World War II, and in 1950, the Korean War. In 1954, after the return of service personnel from both World War II and the Korean War, President Eisenhower signed a bill rededicating and renaming November 11 from Armistice Day to Veterans Day. November 11th became a day for Americans to honor veterans who served in all wars and commit themselves to the cause of peace; *and*

WHEREAS: In 1968, the Uniform Holiday Bill was passed to ensure that some federal holidays, including Veterans Day, would be celebrated on Monday. However, in 1975, President Ford signed into law that Veterans Day will be on November 11th of every year as many still preferred to commemorate Veterans Day on November 11th; *and*

WHEREAS: As we mark November 11th this year, we must recommit ourselves to supporting all our veterans and military families. Our veterans - including our LGBTQ+ veterans, veterans of color, women veterans, and veterans with disabilities - have made great sacrifices to serve our nation, and deserve our continuous recognition and support. We thank them and their families for their service each and every day; *and*

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED:

That the Boston City Council honors those who served our country on Veterans Day, and demonstrates continued support for our veterans and military families in Boston.

Filed on: November 6, 2024

November 1, 2024

Councilor Louijuene
(Councilor Durkan)

ORDERED: That effective Monday, November 4, 2024 the following named person be, and hereby is, appointed to the position set against their name until Friday, December 13, 2024.

BiWeekly Payroll

Lily Sweeterman	Secretary	\$2,692.32	full time
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Boston City Council

Legislative Calendar for the November 6, 2024 Session

Sixty Day Orders

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 upon¹

¹Section 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 December 30, 2024

Message and order for your approval an Order to reduce the FY25 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Eight Hundred Eighty-One Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Nine Dollars (\$881,479.00) to provide funding for the Boston Public Schools (BPS) for the FY25 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston Public School Committee and AFSCME, Council 93 and Affiliate Local 230 (Cafeteria Workers). **(Docket #1613)**

Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston Public Schools for FY25 in the amount of Eight Hundred Eighty-One Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Nine Dollars (\$881,479.00) to cover the FY25 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston School Committee and the AFSCME, Council 93 and Affiliate Local 230 (Cafeteria Workers). The term of the contract is September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2027. The major provisions of the contract include base wage increases of 2% in September of 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026; with additional annual wage increases of \$500, \$250, \$900, and 800 per employee in September of 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on October 28, 2024. **(Docket #1614)**

Message and order for your approval an Order to reduce the FY25 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Four Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Eighty Eighty-Six Dollars (\$457,886.00) to provide funding for the Boston Public Schools (BPS) for the FY25 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston School Committee and the Lunch Monitors, AFSCME, Council 93. **(Docket #1615)**

Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston Public Schools for FY25 in the amount of Four Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Eighty Eighty-Six Dollars (\$457,886.00) to cover the FY25 cost item contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston School Committee and the Lunch Monitors, AFSCME, Council 93. The term of the contract is September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2027. The major provisions of the contract include Step changes in September 2023; base wage increases of 2% in September of 2024, 2025, and 2026; and increases of \$0.15, \$0.60, and \$0.56 to be added to hourly wages in September 2024, 2025, and 2026. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on October 28, 2024. **(Docket #1616)**

Message and order for your approval an Order to reduce the FY25 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Forty Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars (\$40,838.00) to provide funding for the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) for the FY25 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between Boston Public Health Commission and SEIU Local 888, Coordinators Unit. **(Docket # 1617)**

Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston Public Health Commission for FY25 in the amount of Forty Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars (\$40,838.00) to cover the FY25 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston Public Health Commission and the SEIU Local 888, Coordinators Unit. The terms of the contracts are July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 and July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027. The major provisions of the contracts including base wage increases of 2% in October 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026; and flat amount additions of \$500.00, \$250.00, \$900.00, and \$800.00 to be added in January of 2024, 2025, 2026, and 2027. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on October 28, 2024. **(Docket #1618)**

Message and order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to appropriate the amount of One Million Five Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$1,515,000.00) for the purpose of paying the costs of a feasibility study through schematic design for the roof, window, and door replacement projects for the following schools: Kenny Elementary School, O'Donnell Elementary School, Adams Elementary School, Chittick Elementary School, Everett Elementary School, Gardner Pilot Academy, Lyndon Elementary School, and Murphy K-8 School. **(Docket #1619)**

Message and order for your approval an Order appropriating from the Edward Ingersoll Browne Fund in the sum of Four Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$423,500.00) for projects described in the attached order. The Edward Ingersoll Browne Fund Commissioners met on October 15, 2024 and voted to approve these projects. **(Docket #1620)**

Assigned for Further Action

Unanswered Section 17F Orders²

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F relative to chronic absenteeism. **(Docket #0938)**

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F to chronic absenteeism in Boson Public Schools. **(Docket #1061)**

Order requesting certain information under section 17F: regarding Boston Housing Authority (BHA) elevators. **(Docket #1357)**

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F regarding all newly created job positions. **(Docket #1565)**

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*³

Message and order for your approval a home rule petition to the General Courts entitled " Petition for a Special Law Re: An Act Relative to Property Tax Classification in the City of Boston." (**Docket #1612**)

³*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

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.

2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0175	Worrell	Durkan, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to bring the NBA All-Star Weekend to Boston.		1/24/2024	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0474	Worrell	Louijeune, Flynn	Order for a hearing on a proposal for a Crispus Attucks statue.		3/6/2024	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0872	Worrell	Pepén, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss the creation of cultural districts in Boston.		5/22/2024	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	1434	Mayor		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 Sundays pilot support grant, awarded by the Boston Foundation to be administered by the Office of Arts & Culture. The grant will fund the BPS Sundays Cultural Museum Access pilot program.		9/25/2024	
Boston's COVID-19 Recovery	0181	Durkan		Order for a hearing to discuss the mental health and wellness resources available to City of Boston employees and new resources implemented after the COVID-19 pandemic.		1/24/2024	
Boston's COVID-19 Recovery	0473	Durkan	Worrell, Anderson	Order for a hearing regarding a review of COVID-19 Recovery Funds.		3/6/2024 9/4/2024	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0179	Durkan	Coletta, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss trash collection in Boston.		1/24/2024 4/2/2024	4/3/24- remains in committee
City Services & Innovation Technology	0180	Durkan	Pepin, Breadon	Order for a hearing to discuss city services in regard to composting and the need for increased composting services.		1/24/2024	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0189	Worrell	Louijeune, Coletta	Order for a hearing regarding providing technical assistance to civic associations and outlining best practices for civic associations.		1/24/2024 4/18/2024	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0198	Coletta Zapata	Flynn, Breadon	Order for a hearing regarding technological infrastructure improvements across city departments.		1/2/2024 4/2/2024	4/3/24-remains in committee

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City Services & Innovation Technology	0266	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss creating a fund for translation and interpretive services to be utilized at community meetings held by City Councilors.	1/31/2024		7/2/24 hearing (canceled)
City Services & Innovation Technology	0332	Murphy	Flynn	Order for hearing to discuss the safety of city workers.	2/7/2024	2/22/2024	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0356	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss prioritizing equitable development by exploring financial solutions to clean parcels prior to acquisition in Boston.	2/14/2024		7/2/24 hearing (canceled)
City Services & Innovation Technology	0476	Pepén		Order for a hearing on technological improvements in Boston School Bus transportation.	3/6/2024	8/12/2024	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0513	Murphy		Order for a hearing to discuss the services the Boston Public Library offers our communities.	3/13/2024	4/24/2024	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0587	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to examine and address issues surrounding residential parking in District 7.	3/27/2024		7/1/24-hearing (canceled)
City Services & Innovation Technology	1000	Flynn	Anderson, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the notification process for abutters meetings in the City of Boston.	6/12/2024		
City Services & Innovation Technology	1051	Santana	Durkan, Louijeune	Order for a hearing regarding gender-neutral bathrooms in City-owned buildings.	6/26/2024		
City Services & Innovation Technology	1127	Pepén	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss alternative sidewalk options than concrete.	7/10/2024		
City Services & Innovation Technology	1129	Pepén	Santana, Weber	Order for a hearing to improve recruitment of civilian crossing guards to serve Boston families.	7/10/2024		
City Services & Innovation Technology	1130	Pepén	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to implement community-safe rodent birth control to protect Boston families, companion animals, and wildlife.	7/10/2024	10/7/2024	9/19/24 hearing canceled, 9/23/24-hearing canceled, 10/9/24-remains in committee
City Services & Innovation Technology	1206	Coletta Zapata	Mejia, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss food access, sustainability, and the need for a food hub in East Boston.	8/7/2024	11/12/2024	

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City Services & Innovation Technology	1210	Pepén		Order for a hearing to support the creation of lending libraries to benefit residents and reduce wasteful purchases.	8/7/2024	10/21/2024	10/23/24-remains in committee
City Services & Innovation Technology	1302	Breadon		Order for a hearing to discuss towing practices in the City of Boston, with a particular focus on public authority-ordered towing.	8/28/2024		
City Services & Innovation Technology	1384	Coletta Zapata	Pepén	Order for a hearing to address utility street work coordination, notification, and compliance post-completion.	9/11/2024	10/15/2024	
City Services & Innovation Technology	1559	Pepén	Worrell	Order for a hearing on winter weather preparation and safety.	10/23/2024		
City Services & Innovation Technology	1620	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Order appropriating from the Edward Ingersoll Browne Fund in the sum of Four Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$423,500.00) for projects described in the attached order. The Edward Ingersoll Browne Fund Commissioners met on October 15, 2024 and voted to approve these projects.	10/30/2024		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0193	Louijeune	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to discuss an increase in racist incidents in Boston and the Human Rights Commission's role in tracking, reporting, and addressing discrimination and civil rights violations.	1/24/2024		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0195	Louijeune	Anderson, Breadon	Order for a hearing on discrimination in lending and appraisals.	1/24/2024		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0200	Louijeune	Worrell	Order for a hearing on the civil rights and liberties of returning citizens and re-entry into their Boston communities.	1/24/2024		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0204	Louijeune	Coletta	Order for a hearing on the needs and services for recent migrant populations.	1/24/2024		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0591	Fernandes Anderson	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the alignment of the Reparations Task Force process, its request for proposals, and community inclusion efforts with civil rights.	3/27/2024	6/27/2024	

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Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	1212	Fernandes Anderson	Mejia	Order for a hearing to audit all City of Boston Boards and Commissions to evaluate their composition, selection process, criteria for selection, appointment timeline, and adherence to the principles of equity and inclusion.	8/7/2024		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	1391	Fernandes Anderson	Mejia	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.	9/18/2024	12/9/24, 12/10/24	11/13/24-(hearing canceled)
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	1394	Fernandes Anderson	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss the Nubian Square Task Force, its goals, vision, and composition in alignment with the principles of equity and recovery.	9/18/2024		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	1627	Mejia	Louijeune, Anderson	Order for a hearing to address critical issues in jail-based voting and empower incarcerated communities to strengthen democracy.	10/30/2024		
Education	0177	Murphy	Weber, Anderson	Order for a hearing reclaiming the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center for our Boston Public School athletes.	1/24/2024	3/11/2024	3/13/24 -remains in committee
Education	0188	Worrell	Mejia, Anderson	Order for a hearing to explore scholarships for Boston students to increase access to all forms of higher education.	1/24/2024		
Education	0194	Coletta Zapata	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to establish a Climate Change and Environmental Justice Curriculum Pilot Program in Boston Public Schools.	1/24/2024		
Education	0197	Louijeune	Coletta, Anderson	Order for a hearing to address the mental health needs of our students with a focus on guidance counselors.	1/24/2024	10/3/2024	
Education	0353	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss the feasibility of BPS providing ESOL classes for parents.	2/14/2024		
Education	0551	Weber	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to review resources and organization of youth sports across Boston.	3/20/2024		
Education	0552	Mejia	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to audit the mplementation and outcomes of restorative justice practices in Boston Public Schools.	3/20/2024		
Education	0554	Mejia	Anderson, Murphy	Order for a hearing to audit Boston Public Schools' special education services and return on investments.	3/20/2024		

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Education	0555	Mejia	Louijeune, Anderson	Order for a hearing on government transparency and accountability towards service provision spending for English language learners.	3/20/2024		
Education	0583	Mejia	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to audit mental health curriculum and services in Boston Public Schools.	3/27/2024		
Education	0651	Murphy	Breadon, Weber	Order for a hearing to discuss the need that all our youngest children in the Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program are receiving their special education services.	4/3/2024	9/23/2024	9/25/24-remains in committee
Education	0705	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools transportation for student athletes.	4/10/2024	11/7/2024	
Education	0762	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the community engagement efforts of Boston Public School's "Green New Deal" and "Long-Term Facilities Plan."	5/1/2024		
Education	1126	Flynn	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss resources for early childhood education and ways to ensure access to early childhood education for Boston families.	7/10/2024		
Education	1209	Santana	Mejia	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.	8/7/2024		
Education	1299	Worrell	Weber, Pepén	Order for a hearing to discuss BPS's plans to protect students during heat emergencies.	8/28/2024		
Education	1349	Flynn	Murphy, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools transportation for students on the first week of school.	9/11/2024	11/7/2024	
Education	1351	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing to discuss the extension of free museum passes exclusively for Boston Public Schools families.	9/11/2024	10/28/2024	10/30/24-remains in committee
Education	1444	Fernandes Anderson	Mejia	Order for a hearing on standardized testing as a graduation requirement.	9/25/2024	10/15/2024	

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Education	1560	Flynn	Murphy, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss financial literacy programs in Boston Public Schools.	10/23/2024		
Education	1563	Louijeune	Weber, Durkan	Order for a hearing to explore the effectiveness of high-dosage tutoring and other academic recovery strategies.	10/23/2024		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0172	Worrell	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to create indoor playgrounds in the City of Boston.	1/24/2024		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0190	Coletta Zapata	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing regarding implementing coastal resilience strategies for Boston's waterfront.	1/24/2024	10/3/2024	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0355	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss ways to equitably fight climate displacement in District Seven.	2/14/2024	6/28/2024	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0819	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss expanding the urban tree canopy in District 2.	5/8/2024		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0873	Durkan	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.	5/22/2024		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	1282	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Hundred Fifty-Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$456,500.00) in the form of a grant, for FY25 MVP Action Grant, awarded by the Executive Office of Energy & Environment Affairs to be administered by the Environment Department. The grant will fund the permit submittals for the project in FY26, with a goal of completing the MEPA permitting process and submitting permits to other applicable Local, State and Federal permitting agencies.	8/28/2024		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	1300	Coletta Zapata	Santana, Coletta Zapata	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston's Walking City Trail, an urban hiking route connecting 27 miles of Boston parks, gardens, urban forests, and streets through 17 Boston neighborhoods.	8/28/2024	11/12/2024	

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Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	1334	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eleven Million Four Hundred Six Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty-Two Dollars (\$11,406,762.00) in the form of a grant, awarded by the USDA Forest Service Urban and Community Forestry to be administered by the Parks and Recreation Department. The grant will fund the creation of an accessible, inclusive and resilient urban forest in Boston and reduce technical and financial barriers to accessing and preserving trees.		9/11/2024	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	1431	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Nine Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Two Dollars (\$1,983,872.00) in the form of a grant, for the Strengthening Mobility and Revolutionizing Transportation (SMART) Grant, awarded by the United States Department of Transportation to be administered by the Department of Innovation and Technology. The grant will fund the Digitizing of Boston's Curbs via Machine Learning: Promoting Transparency, Workforce Development, and Equitable Green Policy Project.		9/25/2024	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	1513	Breadon	Pepén, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss the use of Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) in the City of Boston.		10/9/2024	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	1558	Coletta Zapata		Order for a hearing regarding the establishment of a municipal climate bank in Boston.		10/23/2024	
Government Operations	0166	Coletta Zapata		Ordinance Formally Creating the Office of Food Justice and Establishing a Food Recovery Program in the City of Boston.		1/24/2024	
Government Operations	0170	Coletta Zapata	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.		1/24/2024	3/12/24 (WS)-canceled, 3/13/24-remains in committee
Government Operations	0262	Flynn		Ordinance Establishing the Office of Pest Control in the City of Boston.		1/31/2024 4/9/2024	4/10/24- remains in committee
Government Operations	0471	Fernandes Anderson	Worrell, Louijeune	Ordinance and amendment to the Boston Municipal Code in regard to measuring racial equity in affordable housing.		3/6/2024 6/14/2024	8/13/24 (WS)

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Government Operations	0645	Mejia	Worrell, Anderson	An ordinance establishing the office of Inspector General within the City of Boston.	4/3/2024	5/29/2024	11/14/24-working session
Government Operations	0759	Santana	Coletta, Durkan	Ordinance for Safe and Healthy Hotels in the City of Boston.	5/1/2024	9/26/2024	
Government Operations	0925	Coletta Zapata	Pepén	An Ordinance to Adopt the Small Commercial Tax Exemption as a Local Option in the City of Boston.	6/5/2024	7/9/2024	7/10/24-remains in committee
Government Operations	0996	Louijeune	Santana	Home Rule Petition for a Special Act Re: Ranked Choice Voting in Boston.	6/12/2024	10/10/2024	
Government Operations	0997	Fernandes Anderson	Worrell	Order for a hearing on city offices without enabling legislation in the municipal code.	6/12/2024		
Government Operations	1050	Fernandes Anderson		Ordinance to establish an internal discretionary incidentals fund for each Council office.	6/26/2024		
Government Operations	1197	Durkan		Ordinance Amending the City of Boston Code Ordinances Chapter VII Section 7 Regulating Restrictions on Park Frontages.	8/7/2024	10/28/2024	10/30/24-remains in committee
Government Operations	1198	Worrell	Mejia	Ordinance to Enhance Driveway Accessibility.	8/7/2024		
Government Operations	1199	Worrell	Anderson, Mejia	Ordinance Codifying the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT).	8/7/2024	10/24/2024	
Government Operations	1200	Worrell	Mejia, Anderson	Ordinance to Establish RISE: Reshaping Inequities through Systematic Empowerment.	8/7/2024	12/2/2024	
Government Operations	1201	Weber	Mejia, Pepén	Ordinance preventing wage theft in the City of Boston.	8/7/2024	9/30/2024	10/2/24- remains in committee, 11/19/24-working session
Government Operations	1202	Flynn	Murphy	Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Providing Certain Death Benefits for Rachel Marie Troy, the Widow of a former Firefighter of the City of Boston.	8/7/2024	11/1/2024	8/26/24- hearing canceled
Government Operations	1347	Weber	Mejia, Worrell	Ordinance establishing the Office of Labor Compliance and Worker Protections.	9/11/2024	11/25/2024	

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Government Operations	1478	Weber	Pepén, Santana	Ordinance to protect workers from heat-related illness and injury.	10/2/2024	11/21/2024	
Housing & Community Development	0176	Worrell	Breadon	Order for a hearing regarding the Homeownership Voucher Program.	1/24/2024	4/16/2024	
Housing & Community Development	0202	Louijeune	Breadon	Order for a hearing on addressing and improving fair housing practices in the city of Boston.	1/24/2024	4/8/2024	4/10/24- remains in committee
Housing & Community Development	0203	Louijeune	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing regarding the state of anti-displacement as to Boston's Acquisition Opportunity Program.	1/24/2024		
Housing & Community Development	0265	Weber	Louijeune, Breadon	Order for a hearing to explore a right to counsel pilot program for tenants facing eviction in the City of Boston.	1/31/2024	3/21/2024	5/24/24- WS
Housing & Community Development	0398	Santana	Louijeune, Breadon	Order for a hearing to explore strategies for developing Mixed-Income Social Housing to increase housing access and affordability for all Bostonians.	2/28/2024	3/28/2024	10/17/24-working session
Housing & Community Development	0414	Santana	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.	2/28/2024	4/8/2024	4/10/24-remains in committee
Housing & Community Development	0488	Breadon	Louijeune, Mejia	Resolution calling for further measures to supplement inclusionary zoning and advance affordable housing in the City of Boston.	3/6/2024		
Housing & Community Development	0510	Mejia	Weber	Order for a hearing on workforce development housing for City of Boston employees.	3/13/2024		
Housing & Community Development	0572	Mayor		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		

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Housing & Community Development	0703	Worrell	Louijeune, Durkan	Order for a hearing to address problem properties in Boston.	4/10/2024		
Housing & Community Development	0704	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss the impact of restricted deeds on property ownership and transfer, including both negative and positive effects, and strategies to promote generational wealth creation.	4/10/2024	9/19/2024	9/5/24- hearing postponed
Housing & Community Development	0706	Weber	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to review the City of Boston Voucher Program.	4/10/2024		
Housing & Community Development	0764	Louijeune	Santana, Weber	Order for a hearing to utilize former school and municipal buildings as affordable housing.	5/1/2024	9/30/2024	10/2/24- remains in committee
Housing & Community Development	0841	Durkan	Breadon, Santana	Order for a hearing to discuss enforcement of short-term rental violations in Boston.	5/15/2024		
Housing & Community Development	0924	Mayor		Communication was received from the Mayor transmitting information received from Boston Inspectional Services Department pertaining to the 2023 Annual Rental Registration & Inspection Report pursuant to CBC 9-12.3(m).	6/5/2024		
Housing & Community Development	1288			Communication was received from the Mayor's Office of Housing regarding the Short-Term Rentals 2024 Report to the Boston City Council.	8/28/2024		
Housing & Community Development	1298	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the current status of the elevator system in Boston Housing Authority (BHA) developments.	8/28/2024	11/22/2024	
Housing & Community Development	1479	Durkan	Santana, Breadon	Order for a hearing to investigate the use, impact, and potential ban of algorithmic price setting in the Boston rental housing market.	10/2/2024		

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Housing & Community Development	1542	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Three Hundred Forty-Nine Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-One Dollars and Twenty-Four Cents (\$1,349,531.24) in the form of a grant, for the FFY24 Shelter & Service Program Competitive (SSP-C) grant, awarded by the United States Department of Homeland Security, passed through Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities (EOHLC), to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund the increase of capacity to shelter non-citizen migrants recently released from DHS custody, including renovations and modifications to existing facilities.	10/23/2024		
Housing & Community Development	1544	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety-Six Dollars (\$999,896.00) in the form of a grant, for the FFY24 Shelter & Services Program Allocated (SSP-A) grant, awarded by the United States Department of Homeland Security, passed through the Executive Office of Housing and Livable Communities (EOHLC), to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund the increase of capacity to shelter non-citizen migrants recently released from DHS custody, including renovations and modifications to existing facilities.	10/23/2024		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0418	Worrell	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss long-term city job vacancies.	2/28/2024	4/9/24, 12/9/24	4/10/24- remains in committee
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0475	Weber	Louijeune, Worrell	Order for a hearing regarding biannual review of the Boston Employment Commission and Boston Residents Jobs Policy.	3/6/2024	4/24/24, 11/26/24	10/29/24 hearing-canceled
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0487	Fernandes Anderson	Mejia, Pepen	Resolution to improve bus monitor pay rates and working conditions in the City of Boston.	3/6/2024		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0843	Flynn	Murphy, FitzGerald	Resolution calling on the Massachusetts Legislature to pass the Act Establishing Protections and Accountability for TNC and DNC Workers.	5/15/2024		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0928	Flynn	Pepén, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the impact of CORI on access to employment and other opportunities.	6/5/2024		

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Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1004	Mejia	Fernandes Anderson	Resolution calling on the Massachusetts Legislature to pass an act establishing collective bargaining rights for TNC drivers.	6/12/2024		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1053	Weber	Pepén	Order for a hearing to discuss protections for workers during extreme heat.	6/26/2024	7/24/2024	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1395	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss residency requirements for COB employees.	9/18/2024		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1398	Santana	Mejia, Anderson	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.	9/18/2024	11/25/2024	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1399	Murphy		Order for a hearing to review the procedures and protocols for the termination of City appointees.	9/18/2024	11/7/2024	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1569	Flynn		Resolution in support of our local restaurants in the City of Boston.	10/23/2024		
PILOT Agreements, Institutional & Intergovernmental Relations	0589	Flynn		Order for a hearing to review the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) program in the City of Boston.	3/27/2024		
PILOT Agreements, Institutional & Intergovernmental Relations	1425	Durkan	Santana, Weber	Order for a hearing to discuss inadequate delivery services by the United States Postal Service within Mission Hill and other Boston neighborhoods.	9/18/2024	10/8/24, 11/13/24	10/9/24-remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0107	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Peter Sanborn, as a member of the South End Landmark District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2025.	11/15/2023		2023 - 1706, 8/28/24-remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0184	Durkan	Santana, Weber	Order for a hearing to review the creation of a municipal bus service to provide last-mile service and late night shuttle service for third-shift workers.	1/24/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0192	Coletta Zapata	FitzGerald, Anderson	Order for a hearing to discuss the ongoing modernization of Article 80 in Boston's Zoning Code.	1/24/2024	7/15/2024	4/5/24- hearing canceled
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0259	Mayor		Petition of Uptown Transport Inc., for a license to operate motor vehicles for the carriage of passengers for hire over certain streets in Boston.	1/31/2024		

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Planning, Development, & Transportation	0292	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Craig Douglas as a Member of the Bay Village Historic District Commission, for a term expiring April 1, 2026.	2/7/2024	3/25/2024	3/27/24- remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0303	Durkan		Order for a hearing To Review The Rules and Regulation of Vehicles in Relation to Expansion of Micromobility Access.	2/7/2024	7/9/2024	4/5/24- hearing canceled, 7/10/24- remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0350	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the community process for transportation planning in the City of Boston.	2/14/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0357	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss the possibility of congestion pricing in Boston.	2/14/2024	7/8/2024	7/10/24-remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0477	Pepén		Order for a hearing to explore the creation of Safe School Zones to improve pedestrian safety around all schools in the City of Boston.	3/6/2024	4/11/2024	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0648	Flynn	FitzGerald, Santana	Order for a hearing to discuss pedestrian safety, traffic calming, and expanding the Safety Surge program in the City of Boston.	4/3/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0763	Pepén	Durkan, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss ways to repair and maintain private ways.	5/1/2024	8/8/2024	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0866	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Hansy Better Barraza, as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeal for a term expiring on May 1, 2027.	5/22/2024		8/28/24- remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0871	Flynn	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the proposed zoning amendment to remove the half mile buffer zone between cannabis establishments.	5/22/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1054	Pepén	FitzGerald, Breadon	Order for a hearing to create more affordable homes and invest in our local communities with district improvement financing (DIF) in Districts 3, 5, and 9.	6/26/2024		

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Planning, Development, & Transportation	1287	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Order to declare surplus City-owned easement currently under the management of the Boston Transportation Department and transfer the care, custody, management and control of said property to the Public Facilities Commission. The land easement is located at 847, 849, and 851 Albany Street in Roxbury (Ward 08 Parcels 0802014000, 0802016000, 802017000, and 080218000). This will transfer interest back to the Boston Water and Sewer Commission in accordance with a settlement agreement resolving an ongoing lawsuit against the City of Boston.	8/28/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1474	Mayor		Message and orders authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a RAISE Grant from the Federal Transit Administration. The City of Boston's award will not exceed Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000.00) in funding from the RAISE Grant for the Roxbury Resilient Transportation Corridors Project, led by the Boston Transportation Department. The City will partner with local residents, community organizations and consultants to apply the funds towards planning, designing and construction improvements on Warren Street, Malcolm X Boulevard, and Melnea Cass Boulevard in Roxbury.	10/2/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1561	Santana	Pepén, Durkan	Order for a hearing to explore how changes to planning, development, zoning, and land use policies in Austin, TX have increased housing production and affordability, and the potential to apply similar policies in Boston.	10/23/2024	12/3/2024	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1624	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Jessica Boatright, as a Member of the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure (BERDO) Review Board for a term expiring April 24, 2026.	10/30/2024		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0553	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's procurement processes, procedures, and progress.	3/20/2024		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0556	Mejia		Order for a hearing on government accountability, transparency, and accessibility of decision making protocols in city government.	3/20/2024		5/29/24 hearing canceled

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Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0584	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit government transparency and accountability towards surveillance equipment.	3/27/2024		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0585	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's hiring, firing and promotion policies, practices and procedures.	3/27/2024	5/29/2024	
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	1213	Mejia	Anderson, Weber	Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's accountability, transparency and accessibility regarding the enforcement of City of Boston Code 8-10.	8/7/2024		8/29/24 hearing canceled
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	1214	Mejia	Anderson, Worrell	Order for a hearing to audit the distribution of local, state, and federal grants to small businesses.	8/7/2024	8/29/2024	
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0187	Worrell		Order for a hearing to access expanded Hospital & Community-Centric Violence Prevention & Intervention.	1/24/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0191	Breadon	FitzGerald, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss the continuity of health care services in relation to the financial challenges faced by the Steward Health Care System.	1/24/2024	2/22/2024	
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0196	Coletta Zapata	Louijeune, Durkan	Order for a hearing regarding menstrual product accessibility in the City of Boston.	1/24/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0264	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the impact of for profit urgent care centers on nonprofit community health centers in the City of Boston.	1/31/2024	3/7/2024	
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0286	Mayor		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		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0287	Mayor		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		

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Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0348	Breadon	Coletta, Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss a comprehensive review and update of the Boston EMS Service Zone Plan.	2/14/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0415	Fitzgerald		Order for a hearing to discuss the current trauma response resources in the City of Boston and the potential for expansion.	2/28/2024	5/10/2024	
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0478	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing on provisions of temporary mental health treatment or interventions and preventions for children and youth before formal diagnosis.	3/6/2024	7/11/2024	
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0512	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss the Shattuck housing proposal to prioritize racial equity.	3/13/2024	4/4/2024	
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0718	Flynn	Pepen, Murphy	Resolution declaring speeding cars and reckless driving as a public health emergency.	4/10/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0927	Santana	FitzGerald, Coletta	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston's LGBTQIA+ mental health data collection processes, existing services, and further community needs.	6/5/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0998	Santana	Anderson, Weber	Order for a hearing regarding Boston LGBTQ+ youth community spaces and their public health benefits.	6/12/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1001	Santana	Breadon, Coletta	Order for a hearing regarding LGBTQ+ youth and young adult homelessness in the city of Boston.	6/12/2024	10/10/2024	
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1629	Pepén	Louijeune	Order for a hearing on health access in Hyde Park.	10/30/2024		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0174	Worrell	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to address gun violence.	1/24/2024		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0185	Worrell	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to explore the Summer Community Plan.	1/24/2024		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0354	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing regarding current bail policies in local jails.	2/14/2024	8/14/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0507	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss resources for the Boston Police Crime Laboratory.	3/13/2024	4/26/2024	

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0511	Louijeune	Worrell, Anderson	Order for a hearing on a cross-sector collaborative citywide strategy for community safety and violence prevention.	3/13/2024		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0590	Santana	Weber	Order for a hearing to discuss the City of Boston's current investments in and policies for using Gunshot Detection Technology.	3/27/2024	7/31/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0650	Pepén	Coletta, Santana	Order for a hearing to raise the age requirement for entrance to the Boston Police Academy.	4/3/2024		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0760	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss plans to address drag racing, dirt bikes, ATVs, and other off-road vehicles on neighborhood streets.	5/1/2024		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1052	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss ways to ensure the operations of the 911 system and contingency plans in case of a 911 system outage.	6/26/2024		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1114	Mayor		I hereby transmit for your review the City of Boston's 2023 Annual Surveillance Report, pursuant to the Ordinance on Surveillance Oversight and Information Sharing, Boston City Code Section 16-63 (the "Ordinance").	7/10/2024	7/31/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1205	Flynn	Anderson, Santana	Order for a hearing to discuss ways to provide critical public safety support and address quality of life issues relating to the crisis at Mass and Cass.	8/7/2024	10/22/2024	10/23/24-remains in committee
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1207	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Police Department staffing levels.	8/7/2024	9/12/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1208	Santana	Weber	Order for a hearing to review the usage of security cameras in Boston Public Schools.	8/7/2024	12/5/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1307	Flynn		Resolution calling for the reinstatement of Eddy Chrispin to BPD Command Staff.	8/28/2024		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1564	Santana		Order regarding nominations for the Civilian Review Board and Internal Affairs Oversight Panel within the Office of Police Accountability & Transparency.	10/23/2024		12/6/24- working session

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1545	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Seven Thousand Three Hundred Four Dollars (\$307,304.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY25 DMH CIT TTAC Grant awarded by the MA Department of Mental Health to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund the implementation of 40-hour Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training for officers under the umbrella of the BPD Street Outreach Unit.	10/23/2024	12/10/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1546	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Eighty Thousand Sixty-Five Dollars (\$280,065.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program, awarded by the United States Department of Justice to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund two Criminalist positions, overtime, lab supplies, equipment, and continuing education expenses.	10/23/2024	12/10/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1548	Mayor		Message and order authorization the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Six Dollars (\$29,496.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 Port Security Grant Program, awarded by the United States Department of Homeland Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund the purchase of a new collar for the 38' Safeboat duty vessel.	10/23/2024	12/10/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1562	Flynn	Mejia	Order for a hearing regarding public safety and quality of life issues in Downtown & Boston Common.	10/23/2024		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1622	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Fifty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Hundred Dollars and Four Cents (\$56,890.04) in the form of a grant, for the FY25 Municipal Road Safety grant, awarded by the United States Department of Transportation, passed through the MA Executive Office of Safety and Security, to be administered by the Police Department. The grant would fund high-visibility traffic enforcement of motor vehicles laws, including but limiting to, speeding and aggressive driving, distracted driving, impaired driving, and occupant protection, as well as traffic safety equipment.	10/30/2024	12/10/2024	
Rules & Administration	0351	Flynn		Order for a meeting to review the Boston City Council rules.	2/14/2024		

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Rules & Administration	1521	Flynn		Resolution in support of a domestic violence and sexual assault committee at the Boston City Council.	10/9/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0173	Worrell		Order for a hearing regarding equity in city contracts.	1/24/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0183	Fernandes Anderson	Worrell, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to facilitate a community process to support consumers in District 7 impacted by the impending closure of Walgreens at 416 Warren Street.	1/24/2024	11/8/2024	6/21/24 (hearing canceled)
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0186	Worrell	Mejia, Anderson	Order for a hearing regarding barriers to business.	1/24/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0352	Durkan		Order for a hearing to explore the creation of a citywide merchandise licensing program.	2/14/2024		7/22/24 -(hearing canceled)
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0586	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss a statewide right to repair to protect consumers and foster a culture of repair in Boston and beyond.	3/27/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0647	Mejia		Order for a hearing on diversifying cannabis business models.	4/3/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0702	Worrell		Order for a hearing to establish a “Business Owner 101” program for grant recipients.	4/10/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0761	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's accountability, transparency and accessibility regarding construction sites impacting small businesses.	5/1/2024	7/11/2024	
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0840	Pepén	Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss the creation of a small business vandalism relief fund.	5/15/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	1128	Pepén	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss a fundamental overhaul of the Massachusetts Cannabis System.	7/10/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	1392	Worrell	Louijeune, Mejia	Order for a hearing to provide additional support and informational sessions on the distribution of Boston’s new 225 liquor licenses.	9/18/2024	10/1/2024	10/2/24- remains in committee

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Small Business & Professional Licensure	1397	Weber	Mejia, Pepén	Order for a hearing to discuss long-term vacant commercial spaces in the City of Boston.	9/18/2024	11/15/2024	
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0267	Murphy	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 for our children, families, and seniors.	1/31/2024	2/15/24, 2/29/24	
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0413	Murphy		Order for a hearing to discuss the results of last year's youth summer jobs programs and prepare for this summer.	2/28/2024	3/12/2024	3/7/24 (hearing rescheduled) 3/13/24 -remains in committee
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0508	Fitzgerald	Pepen, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss the option to expand access of handicap parking placards to those who are pregnant.	3/13/2024		
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0509	Weber	Pepen, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to review programming available for seniors in the City of Boston.	3/13/2024	4/1/2024	4/3/24- remains in committee
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0514	Fernandes Anderson		Resolution to explore a need for a senior recreational center in Roxbury.	3/13/2024		6/27/24-hearing canceled
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	1301	Breadon		Order for a hearing to discuss BCYF services in the Allston-Brighton neighborhood of the City of Boston	8/28/2024	10/29/2024	10/30/24-remains in committee
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	1480	Louijeune	Coletta Zapata, Durkan	Order for a hearing regarding the City of Boston's response to sexual assault, domestic violence, and related resources for survivors.			
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	1547	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand Dollars (\$166,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the VBS Senior Center grant, awarded by the Donor Group to be administered the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund the support of the Senior Service Center expenditures.	10/23/2024		
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	1628	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing to address the final repairs needed for the pool at the Condon Community Center and School to reopen.			
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0349	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the goals and priorities of the City of Boston's Office of Veterans Services.	2/14/2024	7/25/2024	6/7/24-hearing postponed

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0588	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss services for women veterans.	3/27/2024	7/25/2024	6/7/24-hearing postponed
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	1396	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the process of establishing hero squares in the City of Boston.	9/18/2024		
Ways & Means	0199	Louijeune	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to explore municipal bonds and other fiscal options to increase affordable housing, school buildings, and community investments.	1/24/2024		
Ways & Means	0268	Worrell	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public School's Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.	1/31/2024		3/14/24 (WS)
Ways & Means	0479	Worrell		Order for a hearing to discuss projected commercial property tax values in Boston.	3/6/2024		
Ways & Means	0999	FitzGerald	Anderson, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss ways to diversify the City of Boston's revenue.	6/12/2024		
Ways & Means	1002	Worrell	Mejia, Anderson	Order for a hearing to create a Boston Development Fund in the Planning Department.	6/12/2024	10/1/2024	10/2/24- remains in committee
Ways & Means	1035	Weber	Worrell, Louijeune	A hearing to discuss causes of increases in Boston Police overtime spending.	6/12/2024	9/12/2024	10/21/24-working session, 10/23/24-remains in committee
Ways & Means	1131	Breadon	Worrell, Mejia	Order for a hearing to review capital planning, budgeting, and project management practices in the capital program of the City of Boston.	7/10/2024		
Ways & Means	1190	Mayor		Communication was received from the Auditing Department providing the Fiscal Year 2025 Payroll Allotment Schedules for all City Departments.	8/7/2024		
Ways & Means	1211	Murphy	Mejia	Order for a hearing for the Boston City Council to address next steps after the Failed Property Tax Reclassification Home Rule Petition Though Audit.	8/7/2024		

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	1393	Worrell	Mejia, Weber	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools' FY26 Budget.	9/18/2024	11/14/2024	
Ways & Means	1443	Mayor		Notice was received from the Auditing Department providing the Fiscal Year 2025 Payroll Allotment Schedules for all City Departments.	9/25/2024		
Ways & Means	1445	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss providing \$15 million towards residential taxpayers in need of relief.	9/25/2024	10/17/2024	
Ways & Means	1512	Flynn	Mejia	Order for a hearing to explore utilizing surcharges to provide residential tax relief.	10/9/2024	10/17/2024	
Ways & Means	1613	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Order to reduce the FY25 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Eight Hundred Eighty-One Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Nine Dollars (\$881,479.00) to provide funding for the Boston Public Schools (BPS) for the FY25 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston Public School Committee and AFSCME, Council 93 and Affiliate Local 230 (Cafeteria Workers).	10/30/2024		
Ways & Means	1614	Mayor		Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston Public Schools for FY25 in the amount of Eight Hundred Eighty-One Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Nine Dollars (\$881,479.00) to cover the FY25 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston School Committee and the AFSCME, Council 93 and Affiliate Local 230 (Cafeteria Workers). The term of the contract is September 1, 2023, through August 31, 2027. The major provisions of the contract include base wage increases of 2% in September of 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026; with additional annual wage increases of \$500, \$250, \$900, and 800 per employee in September of 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on October 28, 2024.	10/30/2024		

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	1615	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Order to reduce the FY25 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Four Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Hundred Eighty-Six Dollars (\$457,886.00) to provide funding for the Boston Public Schools (BPS) for the FY25 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston School Committee and the Lunch Monitors, AFSCME, Council 93.	10/30/2024	
Ways & Means	1616	Mayor		Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston Public Schools for FY25 in the amount of Four Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Hundred Eighty-Six Dollars (\$457,886.00) to cover the FY25 cost item contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston School Committee and the Lunch Monitors, AFSCME, Council 93. The term of the contract is September 1, 2024, through August 31, 2027. The major provisions of the contract include Step changes in September 2023; base wage increases of 2% in September of 2024, 2025, and 2026; and increases of \$0.15, \$0.60, and \$0.56 to be added to hourly wages in September 2024, 2025, and 2026. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on October 28, 2024.	10/30/2024	
Ways & Means	1617	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Order to reduce the FY25 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Forty Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars (\$40,838.00) to provide funding for the Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC) for the FY25 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between Boston Public Health Commission and SEIU Local 888, Coordinators Unit.	10/30/2024	

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Ways & Means	1618	Mayor		Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston Public Health Commission for FY25 in the amount of Forty Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars (\$40,838.00) to cover the FY25 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston Public Health Commission and the SEIU Local 888, Coordinators Unit. The terms of the contracts are July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024 and July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027. The major provisions of the contracts including base wage increases of 2% in October 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026; and flat amount additions of \$500.00, \$250.00, \$900.00, and \$800.00 to be added in January of 2024, 2025, 2026, and 2027. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on October 28, 2024.	10/30/2024	
Ways & Means	1619	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to appropriate the amount of One Million Five Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$1,515,000.00) for the purpose of paying the costs of a feasibility study through schematic design for the roof, window, and door replacement projects for the following schools: Kenny Elementary School, O'Donnell Elementary School, Adams Elementary School, Chittick Elementary School, Everett Elementary School, Gardner Pilot Academy, Lyndon Elementary School, and Murphy K-8 School.	10/30/2024	
Whole	1419	Flynn		Resolution honoring the lives lost and those held hostage following the October 7th terrorist attack on Israel.	9/18/2024	
Whole	1507	Mayor		Message and order requesting and recommending that the city hold in-person early voting for both the September 9, 2025, Preliminary Municipal Election (presuming this body acts favorably on my separate submission related to the date of the Preliminary) and the November 4, 2025, Municipal Election. I make this request in accordance with the provisions of G.L. c.54, § 25B (c)(1) upon the request of the registrars of the City of Boston. That statute provides a local option to allow for in-person early voting for any Preliminary or Municipal Election.	10/9/2024	

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred Hearing(s)	Notes
Whole	1508	Mayor		Message and order at the recommendation of the Chair of the Board of Election Commissioners, I hereby transmit for the approval of your Honorable Body an Order fixing the date of the 2025 Preliminary Municipal Election as September 9, 2025.	10/9/2024	

Official Resolution
of Councilor John Fitzgerald

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

Comfort Kitchen

In Recognition of:

**Being Awarded by Boston Magazine as One of the Top
Fifty Restaurants in Boston for 2024**

***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.***

Official Resolution
of Councilor John Fitzgerald

***Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council
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No Relation

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Official Resolution
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***Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council
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Via Cannuccia

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Date: November 6, 2024

Approved by: [Signature]
Mayor of the City of Boston

Attest: [Signature]
Mayor of the City of Boston

By: [Signature]
Mayor of the City of Boston



He it further Resolved that the Boston City Council extend 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.

Embracing on a community process that involved multiple stakeholder input on remaining Bussey Street as Flora Way, in order to uplift Flora, a Black enslaved woman who worked near the land that later became the Arboretum.

In Recognition of:

Members of the Flora Way Working Group

He it Resolved, that the Boston City Council extend its Congratulations to:

**Enrique Pepen
of Councilors Benjamin J. Weber &
Official Resolution**



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Official Resolution of Councilor Benjamin J. Weber

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

MSPCA Animal Care & Adoption Center

In Recognition of:

Being a valued resource in the community and working to protect animals, relieve their suffering, advance their health and welfare, prevent cruelty, and work for a just and compassionate society.

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 Goulet
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: _____

Date: November 6, 2024

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Official Resolution of Councilor Benjamin J. Weber

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

John Miller

In Recognition of:

His outstanding service to the community coaching Parkway In Motion Youth Soccer players for 40 years from 1984 to 2024.

Be it further Resolved that the Boston City Council recognizes John Miller for his commitment; 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: Ruthyee Loujeune
President of the City Council

Attest: Alex Sventos
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Ben Weber

Date: November 6, 2024

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Official Resolution of City Councilor Enrique J. Pepén

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council
extends its gratitude to:

Antonio's Bacari

In Recognition of:

**Being the Hyde Park Main Streets 2024 Business of the Year.
Congratulations!**

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: Ruthyee Loujeune
President of the City Council

Attest: Ally Fuentes
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: [Signature]

Date: _____

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Official Resolution of City Councilor Enrique J. Pepén

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council
extends its gratitude to:

Baron Langston

In Recognition of:

**Being the Hyde Park Main Streets 2024 Volunteer of the Year.
Congratulations!**

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: Ruthyee Loujeune
President of the City Council

Attest: Alex Quintas
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: [Signature]

Date: _____

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution of City Councilor Enrique J. Pepén

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council
extends its gratitude to:

Geovani Cheverre

In Recognition of:

**Your dedication to the residents of Boston and your tireless
efforts to strengthen community-police relations.**

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 Suintas*
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *[Signature]*

Date: _____

Official Resolution
of Councilors John FitzGerald & Brian J. Worrell

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

Ron Bell

In Recognition of:

**Receiving the 2024 Millennium Award from the
Codman Square Neighborhood Council and the
Greater Four Corners Action Coalition**

***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
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Recipient	Award
Ron Bell	Millennium Award
Catherine Charles	Civic Leadership Award
Louise "Weezy" Waldstein	Civic Leadership Award
Flora Bannis	Neighborhood Leadership Award
Elizabeth Mitchell	Neighborhood Leadership Award
Amara Gerome	Youth Leadership Award
Jakhary Cox-Miles	Youth Leadership Award
Daviana Velasquez	Youth Leadership Award

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OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY
COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council
Extends its Recognition to:

SOUTH BOSTON COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER & LABOURE CENTER

IN RECOGNITION OF:

The October 28th, 2024, Community Conversation on breast health, breast screening, and breast cancer. Thank you, Dr. Sarah Sloan, for providing expert care to the women of South Boston, and Kelley Tuthill, for sharing your story of survival, and advocating for women's health. It is critical that we continue to advocate for women, especially women of color, who have a 38 percent higher death rate from breast cancer. We must close this devastating gap, and continue to promote breast cancer screenings to help detect cancer early, when it is easier to treat and has a better prognosis. Thank you for your advocacy during Breast Cancer Awareness Month!

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: _____
President of the City Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: _____

Date: _____

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Official Resolution Presented by
Councilor At-Large Erin J. Murphy

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council extended its Congratulations to:

Lisa Duarte

In Recognition of:

Being selected from your classmates as Treasurer of Police Academy Class 64-24. Your leadership is commendable and it is also proudly noted that this is the first Boston Police Academy class to have all their elected leadership be women.

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 a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: _____
President of the City Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City Council

Offered by: _____

Date: _____