



ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR MATTERS PRESENTED TO THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO 10:00 A.M. ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2022 FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A VIRTUAL MEETING HELD REMOTELY VIA ZOOM (DUE TO COVID-19) ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2022 AT 12:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

REPORTS OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND OTHERS:

[0258](#) Communication was received from Maureen Joyce, City Auditor, regarding the City of Boston's Fiscal 2021 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

MATTERS RECENTLY HEARD-FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:

[0158](#) Message and order for your approval an order authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds in a principal amount not to exceed Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000.00). The current conditions in the municipal bond market appears to be favorable for the City to potentially realize significant saving in debt service costs by refunding certain of its outstanding general obligation bonds.

MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS:

[0259](#) Councilor Mejia and Arroyo offered the following: An Ordinance Amending City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter XV, Section X and Establishing the Boston Fair Chance Act.

[0260](#) Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution in Support of H. 3115 “An Act Ensuring Equitable Representation in the Commonwealth”.

[0261](#) Councilor Flaherty offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss declining enrollment at Boston Public Schools.

- 0262** Councilor Flaherty offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss offering property tax abatements to property owners in the Newmarket area.
- 0263** Councilor Baker and Murphy offered the following: Order for a hearing to address the public health declaration of 2020
- 0264** Councilor Mejia and Flynn offered the following: Order that the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a working session to review applications for the Commission on Black Men and Boys.
- 0265** Councilor Baker offered the following: An order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a grant funded through the coronavirus state and local fiscal recovery fund (CLFRF) in the Treasury of the United States established by section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) awarded by the United States Department of the Treasury.

GREEN SHEETS:

- 2/9/22** Legislative calendar for February 9, 2022.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 0266** Councilor Mejia offered the following: Resolution recognizing September 28, 2022 as Anna Mae Dancy Day in the City of Boston.
- 0267** Councilor Mejia offered the following: Resolution in memory of Anna Mae Dancy.
- 0268** Councilor Mejia and Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing April 18, 2022 as Lauren Sampson Day of Environmental Justice in the City of Boston.
- 0269** Councilor Mejia offered the following: Resolution recognizing February 7, 2022 as John Martin Day in the City of Boston.
- 0270** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution in memory of Henry T. Burton.
- 0271** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution congratulating Haitian Artists Assembly of Massachusetts on their 27th Anniversary.



City of Boston
Mayor Michelle Wu
Auditing

February 02, 2022

Mr. Alex Geourntas
Interim City Clerk
Boston City Hall
Room 601
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Mr. Geourntas:

Pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Section 40 of Chapter 44, please find attached to this email the City of Boston's Fiscal 2021 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for your records.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Maureen A. Joyce".

Maureen A. Joyce
City Auditor

CC: Justin Sterritt
Veronica Hodges



City of Boston
Mayor Michelle Wu

January 24, 2022

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds in a principal amount not to exceed Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000). The current conditions in the municipal bond market appear to be favorable for the City to potentially realize significant savings in debt service costs by refunding certain of its outstanding general obligation bonds.

The practicality of and debt service savings associated with refunding bond issues are extremely sensitive to bond market conditions, particularly interest rates.

I urge your Honorable Body to pass this Order as expeditiously as possible so that the City will be positioned to issue refunding bonds on short notice and thereby garner savings in its debt service payments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "Michelle Wu", written over a horizontal line.

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston

**CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL**

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING REFUNDING BONDS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED TWO HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS (\$200,000,000).

ORDERED: That, in order to reduce interest costs, the Collector-Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to issue refunding bonds pursuant to Section 13 of Chapter 643 of the Acts of 1983 as amended (the "Act") to refund such portion of the outstanding bonds or other obligations of the City as the Collector-Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, may select; that the refunding bonds shall be issued in an amount not to exceed Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000) in order to pay the principal, redemption premium, if any, and interest on the bonds or other obligations to be refunded and other costs provided in Section 13 of the Act; that, if determined by the Collector/Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, the refunding bonds may be issued as special obligations of the City as provided in Section 8 of the Act or as provided in Section 11 of the Act; and that the Collector-Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to execute such documents as may be necessary or desirable to issue and sell the refunding bonds, including, without limitation, one or more trust or security agreements pursuant to Section 9 of the Act.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY
THE FORGOING, IF SET FORTH IN
THE ABOVE FORM, WAS DONE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.**

BY


**ADAM CEDERBAUM
CORPORATION COUNSEL**



**CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**An Ordinance Amending City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter XV,
Section X and Establishing the Boston Fair Chance Act**

- WHEREAS,** In 2020, the Center for American Progress found that, in the public sector, Black household wealth is 37% that of white households; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Since 2016, the City of Boston has released a demographics dashboard detailing the racial and gender makeup of city employees, as well as their average pay; *and*
- WHEREAS,** According to the demographics dashboard, as of January 2022, while white employees made up 48.9% of the total workforce, they disproportionately represented 61.6% of employees making over \$80,000/year; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Even in departments with large percentages of employees of color, the top earners are predominantly white, such as in the Department of Public Works, where Black and Brown employees make up nearly half of the total workforce, but only 10% of the top 10 earners; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The promotion gap between male and female employees, as well as between white employees and employees of color, is a major reason for this income inequality; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Many employees who have worked for the City of Boston for decades find themselves training new hires for positions above them, sending a message that they are somehow competent enough to train management but not competent enough to be management; *and*
- WHEREAS,** In 2012, a group of Black police officers sued the city for what they felt was racism in the promotional process within the Boston Police Department because, according to department personnel numbers, of the department's 51 lieutenants, there were only two Black men and one Asian man, according to department personnel numbers; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The City of Boston has also come under scrutiny for instances of nepotism, such as when former City Councilor Chuck Turner called for an official survey of the number of family members working throughout Boston Public Schools; *and*

WHEREAS, There are countless talented employees of color in the City of Boston who are willing and able to step up and do the work if encouraged; *and*

WHEREAS, The City of Boston is filled with motivated, intelligent, competent, caring, and experienced employees and the Boston City Council has an obligation to ensure that hirings and promotions are merit-based and equitable; ***NOW THEREFORE***

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

SECTION 1.

a) Section 15-10 *Creating the Position of Municipal Affirmative Action Officer* shall be retitled “The Boston Fair Chance Act”

b) Section 15-10.1 *Declaration of Policy* shall be amended by adding the following paragraph at the end thereof:

The purpose of this ordinance is to also eliminate conflicts of interest and implicit biases in the hiring and promotional practices of covered employees and to establish rules and regulations for the hiring, employment, classification, upgrade, compensation, or promotion of covered employees to ensure that they prioritize merit, experience, and job performance.

c) Section 15-10.2 *Definitions*, shall be stricken in its entirety and replaced with the following:

“*Agency*” shall mean the unit of government within the structure of the City of Boston that is responsible for the application, administration and execution of the policy defined in Subsection 15-10.1.

“*City*” shall mean the City of Boston.

“*Minority*” shall mean a person who is Black, Hispanic, Asian American, Pacific Islander, Native American or Cape Verdean.

“*Nepotism*” shall refer to the practice of someone in a position of authority showing favor to an individual or individuals with whom they are in a family relationship.

“*Family Relationship*” shall refer to a relationship by blood, adoption, marriage, and domestic partnership, and includes parents, grandparents, great-grandparents, grandchildren, great grandchildren, children, uncles, aunts, nephews, nieces, first cousins, siblings and the spouses of domestic partners of each of these relatives. This definition includes any relationship that exists by virtue of marriage or domestic partnership, such as in-law and step relationships.

“*Covered Employee*” shall refer to any employee employed directly by the City of Boston or by any employer awarded a service contract or service subcontract.

“*Anonymous Application*” shall refer to a resume or CV with redacted names, addresses, education background, or any other information that may reveal one’s protected class.

d) Section 15-10.3 *Creation of Position of Municipal Affirmative Action Officer; Duties* shall be stricken in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Section 15-10.3 *Creation of Position of a Chief Diversity Officer*

- A. There is hereby established within the Mayor's office a position to be known as Chief Diversity Officer; said position to be filled by appointment by the Mayor for a term expiring on the first Monday of January following the next biennial election who shall have the powers and perform the duties imposed by law. The Mayor shall appoint the CDO within sixty (60) days of passage of this section.
- B. The Chief Diversity Officer shall have oversight of the City's policy of nondiscrimination, equal opportunity, and affirmative action.

e) Section 15-10.4 *Duties of the Municipal Affirmative Action Officer* shall be stricken in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Section 15-10.4 *Duties of the Chief Diversity Officer*

The Chief Diversity Officer shall:

- A. Work with all city agencies to designate an internal Affirmative Action Officer, who shall be tasked with the creation of an Affirmative Action Plan.
- B. Work with all city agencies' Affirmative Action Officer in the creation of their Affirmative Action Plans, including but not limited to: a detailed plan for the hiring of minority employees, women employees, LGBTQ+ employees, and employees with disabilities; a detailed plan for the promotion of said employees; a detailed plan for improving workplace culture, preventing harassment, intimidation, and bullying; a detailed plan for disseminating this information to covered employees. Such a plan will be made available to the public via an online dashboard.
- C. Give final approval or disapproval of all Affirmative Action Plans prepared by such agency's Affirmative Action Officer.
- D. Conduct a yearly audit or review of Affirmative Action Plans and their implementation to ensure that they comply with such plans and the intent of this section.
- E. Establish a uniform grievance procedure which shall be available to any covered employee subject to this section to determine any and all issues arising from this section and related to Affirmative Action Plans, including protections against retaliation. This shall also apply to prospective employees and employees who have received a conditional offer of employment but have yet to begin their work.
- F. Take appropriate steps to build public awareness of the Chief Diversity Officer, in addition to awareness amongst covered employees, and of all procedures established by the office for receiving complaints. The CDO shall provide information to covered employees about the identification of nepotism, workplace discrimination, hiring and promotional discrimination, harassment, intimidation, and bullying.
- G. Ensure that all covered employees are provided with a fact sheet about this ordinance and any other relevant workplace discrimination/anti-nepotism policies and ordinances, including contact

information for the Human Rights Commission, the Office of Human Resources, the Mayor's Office of Women's Advancement, the Mayor's Office of Immigrant Advancement, the Disability Commission, the Massachusetts Commission Against Discrimination, and other departments as needed. This fact sheet shall be posted in a conspicuous location visible to all employees.

- H. Report from time to time, but at least every three (3) months, to the Mayor and the City Council on the progress being made by the Agencies in administering their Affirmative Action Plans. The Chief Diversity Officer shall submit an annual report to the Mayor and City Council with details and figures documenting agency progress made towards realizing this section's goals. The report shall include an identification of problems and specific recommendations for increasing the City's performance.
- I. Ensure that the City's personnel system is operated in ways which provide assistance to agencies in meeting the goals set in the Affirmative Action Plans.

f) Section 15-10.5 *Additional Duties for the MAAO; Requirements of the WMBE Procurement Plan* shall be stricken in its entirety and replaced with the following new sections 15-10.5 and 15-10.6:

Section 15-10.5 *Employment and Recruitment Practices for Prospective Covered Employees*

In regards to recruitment and employment practices for prospective covered employees, the Chief Diversity Officer shall:

- A. Ensure that any individual who applies for employment with the City of Boston discloses all family relationships to or with other covered employees or officials.
- B. Ensure that any employee engaged in the hiring process for their agency receiving an application from a family member, discloses that relationship to their immediate supervisor and recuses themselves from the hiring process.
- C. Ensure that no public officials or covered employee supervises any other covered employees with whom they have a family relationship.
- D. Create alternate arrangements for instances where a family relationship arises so that no official or employee performs supervision and/or influences in any manner the terms and conditions of employment of a relative.
- E. *Anonymous Application Process.* The Chief Diversity Officer will work with departments to create an anonymous application process for initial applications—that is, applications received before a selection process creates a shortlist of applicants.

Section 15-10.6 *Promotional Practices for Covered Employees:*

In regards to promotional practices for covered employees, the Chief Diversity Officer shall:

- A. Establish criteria for a fair procedure regarding promotions, upgrading, and reclassification of any covered employee.
- B. Establish a process to consult with individual employees to assess and review their opportunities for advancement in areas where there is underrepresentation, in conjunction with the appropriate personnel overseeing the hiring process.

- C. Ensure that a reasonable amount of time is given to all covered employees looking to receive a promotion, upgrade, or reclassification.
- D. Ensure that, should a covered employee be denied for a promotion, the employer shall provide written feedback explaining the reasons for their denial.

SECTION 2.

Severability

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 will not affect the remaining provisions, which will remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3.

Effective Date.

This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon passage.

Filed in City Council:



OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF H. 3115 “AN ACT ENSURING EQUITABLE REPRESENTATION IN THE COMMONWEALTH”

- WHEREAS:** Having accurate data is critical for policy makers and service providers to craft policies and advocate for resources that can address disparities and challenges faced by different communities; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Currently, state agencies are not required to collect disaggregated data on race and ethnicity, and demographic data often do not reflect the diversity and nuance within a racial group such as the Asian American and Pacific Islander community, which includes numerous ethnic groups that each have its own needs; *and*
- WHEREAS:** H. 3115, sponsored by Representative Tackey Chan, would require state agencies to collect and publicize data for major ethnic groups within the Asian, Pacific Islanders, Black or African American, Latino, White or Caucasian groups; *and*
- WHEREAS:** The bill clarifies that individuals are not required to fill out this information, and mandates that people cannot be denied services for not choosing to participate. Any personal information is kept confidential and protected by state and federal privacy laws; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Disaggregated data that specifies ethnic subgroups would allow us to better understand the different needs between ethnic groups, as the needs of our most underserved groups often vary greatly and are rendered invisible without disaggregated data; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Policy and decision makers will be able to identify specific needs and challenges faced by each ethnic subgroup and come up with appropriate solutions with disaggregated data, such as providing the right interpreters to address language access needs at our schools and hospitals, as well as advocating for funding for certain diseases and mental health-related issues that disproportionately affect certain populations; *and*
- WHEREAS:** With the rise of hate crimes against the AAPI community due to the pandemic, it is critical that we change policies that continue to render our minority communities invisible. This bill would be a meaningful step in creating better visibility, insight and understanding into the lived experiences of our diverse communities, which will allow government agencies and health and social service providers to better serve their populations; *and*
- WHEREAS:** With the City of Boston’s majority-minority status, it is critical to ensure equitable representation on all aspects of services received by our residents; *and*

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED:

That the Boston City Council supports the passage of H.3115, “An Act Ensuring Equitable Representation in the Commonwealth” in the Massachusetts State Legislature, and urges the State Legislature to promptly pass this legislation.

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR MICHAEL F. FLAHERTY



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS DECLINING ENROLLMENT AT BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

- WHEREAS,** In 2016 BuildBPS projected a K-12 enrollment increase of 1.8% by 2021-2022 and instead enrollment has decreased by 14% since 2016; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Declines in student enrollment in BPS accelerated during the pandemic, in line with what has occurred in school districts for other large cities across the country, but did not stabilize this year and declined another 4% for school year '21-22; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Enrollment is down across all races/ethnicities, with Black student enrollment experiencing the most severe decline; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The trends in declining enrollment as well as the large gaps between the 2021-2022 BuildBPS projections and actual enrollment are troubling; *and*
- WHEREAS,** BPS has taken steps to support schools with declining enrollment by providing \$18.5M to schools on top of their existing “soft landings” and “Foundation for Quality” in FY22; *and*
- WHEREAS,** However, there has not been a clearly communicated long term plan around the impact on declining enrollment on BuildBPS plans; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***
- ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss and analyze this downward trend in enrollment and its impact on BuildBPS plans, learn about any proactive measures being implemented by BPS to retain and grow student enrollment, and that representatives from the Boston Public Schools and other interested parties and members of the public shall be invited to attend.

Filed on: February 9, 2022

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR MICHAEL F. FLAHERTY



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS OFFERING PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENTS TO PROPERTY OWNERS IN THE NEWMARKET AREA

WHEREAS, All of Boston’s neighborhoods saw an substantial increase in property values over the last decade; *and*

WHEREAS, In FY21 alone, Boston’s assessed property value increased by \$14.5 billion or 8.2%, totaling \$190.7 billion; and

WHEREAS, Residents, business owners and property owners in the Newmarket area have been adversely impacted by the deteriorating conditions of the neighborhood that aren’t accurately reflected in property tax valuation, including declining public safety, cleanliness and quality of life over a number of years; *and*

WHEREAS, In an effort to address deteriorating conditions, 65 of the 200+ member Newmarket Business Association spent \$3.9 million in security costs and incurred \$1.9 million in damages in 2021; *and*

WHEREAS, This past November the City Council approved a Newmarket Business Improvement District (BID) that allows area businesses to finance supplemental services and enhancements above and beyond the basic services provided by the City through annual fees collected from BID property owners; *and*

WHEREAS, In recognition of the City’s inability, despite increased investments and coordinated efforts across departments, to adequately address conditions in the area, the City could offer a property tax abatement for the first few years of the BID to compensate for increased fees, costs of doing business and negatively impacted quality of life; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss offering property tax abatements to property owners in the Newmarket Area. Representatives from the City of Boston’s Administration and Finance Cabinet, the Mayor’s Office of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion, the Newmarket BID and members of the public and other interested parties shall be invited to testify.

Filed on: February 9, 2022



Offered by Councilor Frank Baker

CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO ADDRESS THE PUBLIC HEALTH DECLARATION OF 2020

WHEREAS, The Governor of the Commonwealth declared a state of emergency across Massachusetts in March 2020; and,

WHEREAS, The Governor of the Commonwealth lifted the state of emergency in June 2021; and,

WHEREAS, The Boston Public Health Commission declared a public health emergency on March 15, 2020 and extended this declaration on April 24, 2020. The City of Boston still remains in a state of emergency under this order from 2020; and,

WHEREAS, The state of emergency limits the power of the Boston City Council; limits the rights of municipal bargaining units; and, limits the rights of businesses; and,

WHEREAS, State of emergency declarations must be driven by objective public health data; and,

WHEREAS, All other cities and towns in the Commonwealth that have contemplated mandates have done so with discussion or support from their local health or select boards; and,

WHEREAS, The Boston Public Health Commission Board has not met monthly to discuss the public health mandates; and,

WHEREAS, It is important that the state of emergency is driven by public health data and that City officials are informed in order to allocate resources and assist constituents.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council holds a hearing to discuss the ongoing state of emergency and the rationale for its continuation. Representatives from the Administration, the Boston Public Health Commission, and other interested parties shall be invited to attend.

Filed in Council: February 9, 2022



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY TWO

ORDER OF COUNCILOR JULIA MEJIA AND COUNCIL PRESIDENT ED FLYNN

WHEREAS, On September 15, 2021 the Boston City Council passed An Ordinance to Establish a Commission on Black Men and Boys; *and*

WHEREAS, The Commission on Black Men and Boys consists of twenty-one (21) members, seven serving for two-year terms, seven serving for three-year terms, and seven appointed for four-year terms, with at least one two-year member and one three-year member being youth members; *and*

WHEREAS, The Council will be responsible for making fourteen (14) recommendations to submit to the Mayor, of which seven (7) will be appointed to serve on the Commission; ***NOW THEREFORE BE IT***

ORDERED,

That the Boston City Council shall receive applications from interested persons which shall include a brief statement of the reasons for their interest and suitability as a member of the Commission on Black Men and Boys; ***AND BE IT FURTHER***

ORDERED,

That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a working session to review applications for the Commission on Black Men and Boys. Members of the Boston City Council shall come to a consensus on the fourteen nominees which will be submitted to the Mayor for consideration.

Filed in Council: 2/9/2022



Offered by Councilor Frank Baker

CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND A GRANT FUNDED THROUGH THE CORONAVIRUS STATE AND LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUND (CLFRF) IN THE TREASURY OF THE UNITED STATES ESTABLISHED BY SECTION 9901 OF THE AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT OF 2021 (ARPA), AWARDED BY THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

WHEREAS, Boys and Girls Clubs of Dorchester was established in 1974 in order to create a positive impact on the youth and their families in our community; and,

WHEREAS, Boys and Girls Clubs of Dorchester currently operates three clubhouses, servicing a culturally and ethnically diverse range of children from the age of newborn to eighteen; and,

WHEREAS, Boys and Girls Clubs of Dorchester, in partnership with the Martin Richard Foundation, is proposing a once-in-a-generation opportunity to intentionally transform a parcel of land on Columbia Point into a vibrant youth development facility designed to holistically meet the ever-evolving needs of Boston's 50,000 children and teens living in a three-mile radius, including the 1,000 Boston Public School students who attend the abutting Dever and McCormack Schools; and,

WHEREAS, the United States Department of the Treasury is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the City of Boston under Section 602 of the Social Security Act, as added by ARPA, Section 9901; and,

WHEREAS, pursuant to said Section 9901, Title VI of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 801 et. seq.) was amended by adding at the end the following: SEC. 602. CORONAVIRUS STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND," and funds in the amount of TEN MILLION (\$10,000,000.00) are available as a direct payment to the City.

NOW, 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 United States Department of the Treasury, payments to State, Local, and Tribal governments not to exceed the amount of TEN MILLION (\$10,000,000.00) for Boys and Girls Clubs of Dorchester's Dorchester Fieldhouse.

Pursuant to the requirements of the ARPA, the grant payment would fund urgent COVID-19 reopening and recovery efforts to address systemic public health and economic challenges that have contributed to the unequal impact of the pandemic and provide direct benefits to Boston's communities who have been hardest hit.

Filed in Council: February 9, 2022



Boston City Council

Legislative Calendar for the February 9, 2022 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.

Assigned for Further Action

On the Table

Unanswered Section 17F Orders²

Order requesting certain information under section 17F: relative to the COVID-19 vaccination mandate for City of Boston employees. (Docket #0156)

Order requesting certain information under section 17F: relative to to the Best Western Roundhouse Hotel. (Docket #0157)

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 Mayor³

³Section 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.

2022 MATTERS IN COMMITTEE

Committee	Docket#	Sponsor	Docket Description	Date Referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Boston's COVID-19 Recovery	0194	Bok	Order for a hearing regarding a review of COVID-19 recovery funds.	1 /26/2022		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0196	Bok	Order for a hearing regarding municipal broadband for the City of Boston.	1 /26/2022		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0202	Breadon	Order for a hearing regarding the BCYF Jackson Mann Community Center and services in Allston-Brighton.	1 /26/2022		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0223	Mayor	Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY22 Municipal ADA Improvement Grant Program, awarded by the Massachusetts Office on Disability to be administered by the Commission for Person with Disabilities. The grant will fund the installation of a vertical lift to the third floor mezzanine.	2 /2 /2022		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0241	Bok	Order for a hearing regarding a supplemental sidewalk clearance program during snowstorms in Boston.	2 /2 /2022		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0242	Bok	Order for a hearing regarding recycling, compost, and waste services in the City of Boston.	2 /2 /2022		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0246	Murphy	Order for a hearing to address the changes to the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) that the Vaccine Mandate Created.	2 /2 /2022		
Civil Rights & Immigrant Advancement	0197	Mejia	Order for a hearing addressing civil rights in the creation of sanctuary safe spaces in Boston.	1 /26/2022		

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Education	0198	Mejia	Order for a hearing addressing sexual assault and harassment in Boston Public Schools.	1 /26/2022		
Education	0199	Mejia	Order for a hearing on state receivership for Boston Public Schools.	1 /26/2022		
Education	0201	Breadon	Order for a hearing regarding the Jackson/Mann and Horace Mann BPS school communities.	1 /26/2022		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency, & Parks	0195	Bok	Order for a hearing regarding a city-level Conservation Corps for Boston.	1 /26/2022		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency, & Parks	0243	Bok	Order for a hearing regarding gasoline-powered lawn and garden equipment.	2 /2 /2022		
Government Accountability, Transparency, &	0200	Mejia	Order for a hearing on government transparency and accountability towards surveillance equipment	1 /26/2022		
Government Operations	0185	Mejia	Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Granting the City of Boston the Authority to Provide Legal Voting Rights in Municipal Elections for City of Boston Residents Aged 16 and 17 Years Old.	1 /26/2022		
Government Operations	0186	Arroyo	Petition for a Special Act re: An Act Providing Certain Retirement Benefits for the Widow of a Former Firefighter of the City of Boston.	1 /26/2022		
Government Operations	0187	Arroyo	Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to Reorganization of the Boston School Committee.	1 /26/2022		
Government Operations	0188	Arroyo	Ordinance preventing wage theft in the City of Boston.	1 /26/2022		

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Government Operations	0189	Arroyo	Ordinance establishing protections for the City of Boston Tree Canopy.	1 /26/2022		
Government Operations	0222	Mayor	Message and order for your approval a Home Rule petition to the General Court entitled “ Petition for a Special Law Re: An Act Relative to Real Estate Transfer Fees and Senior Property Tax Relief”.	2 /2 /2022	2/10/2022	
Government Operations	0239	Mejia	An Ordinance Creating a Commission to Study and Develop Reparation Proposals for African Americans.	2 /2 /2022		
Government Operations	0240	Mejia	An Ordinance Amending City of Boston Code, Chapter XV Section XI Creating a Commission on Black Men and Boys.	2 /2 /2022		
Government Operations	0247	Mejia	Order Regarding a text amendment to the Boston Zoning Code to establish formula retail uses.	2 /2 /2022		
Housing & Community Development	0190	Bok	Order for a hearing regarding increasing public housing in the City of Boston.	1 /26/2022		
Housing & Community Development	0193	Bok	Order for a hearing regarding reducing barriers to securing rental housing in Boston.	1 /26/2022		
Housing & Community Development	0204	Bok	Order for a hearing regarding homeownership assistance including for first-generation homebuyers.	1 /26/2022		
Housing & Community Development	0244	Breadon	Order for a hearing to review affirmative marketing practices for re-leasing existing affordable rental units generated by the Inclusionary Development Policy.	2 /2 /2022		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0191	Bok	Order for a hearing regarding zoning relief for affordable projects.	1 /26/2022		

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Planning, Development & Transportation	0192	Bok	Order for a hearing regarding using planning and land-use tools for public good.	1 /26/2022		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0245	Murphy	Order for a hearing to address the youth mental health crisis in our city.	2 /2 /2022		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0159	Mayor	Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty-Four Million One Hundred Fifty Four Thousand Five Hundred Eighteen Dollars and Eighty Five Cents (\$24,154,518.85) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY2020 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant, awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund training for a class of 85 recruits at the BFD Training Academy and reimbursement for their salaries for 36 months.	1 /26/2022		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0161	Mayor	Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY 2021 National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative, awarded by the United States Department of Justice to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund three positions (Coordinator, Criminologist, and Victim Advocate) overtime, travel and sub-awards and training.	1 /26/2022	2/1/2022	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0162	Mayor	Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Twenty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Six Dollars (\$527,586.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY21 Connected and Protect, awarded by the United States Department of Justice to be administered by the Boston Police Department. The grant will fund clinician-directed project coordinator, community partnerships for translation and outreach and staff cost for Section 12 activities carried out by the Boston Emergency Services Team in partnership with the BPD Street Outreach Unit.	1 /26/2022		

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0163	Mayor	Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Hundred Ninety One Thousand Three Hundred Sixteen Dollars (\$491,316.00) in the form of a grant, for First Responders-Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act Cooperative Agreement, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund a collaborative effort between the Boston Fire Department First Responders, The Mayor's Office of Recovery Services, the Boston Public Health Commission and community-based organizations to improve the City's response to opioid overdoses. Year 4 of a 4 year grant.	1 /26/2022		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0164	Mayor	Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Seventy Two Thousand Thirteen Dollars (\$272,013.00) in the form of a grant for FY2021 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 and continuing education expenses.	1 /26/2022		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0166	Mayor	Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal FY21 Violence Against Women Act Stop grant, awarded by the United State Department of Justice, passed through the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security, to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund a Civilian Violence Advocate who provides services for victims in Jamaica Plain, East Boston, Charlestown and overtime for all Domestic Violence Advocates.	1 /26/2022		

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Strong Women, Families & Communities	0165	Mayor	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 No Kid Hungry grant, awarded by Share Our Strength to be administered by the New Urban Mechanics. The grant will fund a Fellowship to pilot solutions for increased access to healthy food for children and families that experience economic insecurity and food insecurity.	1 /26/2022	2/14/2022	
Ways & Means	0158	Mayor	Message and order for your approval an order authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds in a principal amount not to exceed Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000.00). The current conditions in the municipal bond market appears to be favorable for the City to potentially realize significant saving in debt service costs by refunding certain of its outstanding general obligation bonds.	1 /26/2022	2/7/2022	

Offered by City Councilor Julia Mejia



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 28, 2022 AS ANNA MAE DANCY DAY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

- WHEREAS,** Mrs. Dancy was known to her community as Mother Dancy, where her home was an educational center open to all. Mother Dancy's events would bring children of all backgrounds together. Her large library contains World Books, Britannica Encyclopedias, and Electronics, Health Science and Entertainment books; *and*
- WHEREAS,** To maintain peace in her village, she would host large events at her home during long weekends. Over the last four decades, families and friends from Mattapan, Dorchester, Roxbury, and other Boston neighborhoods have celebrated a woman who is passionate about education in the classroom and at home; *and*
- WHEREAS,** As a teenager/adult, Mother Dancy became an activist in Mississippi with the American Civil Rights Movement, Freedom Summer Project, Freedom Ride, Black Power Movement, and the National Council of Negro Woman; *and*
- WHEREAS,** In Massachusetts her activism continued at the Marcus Garvey Center, the Freedom House, and the Harriet Tubman House, National Advancement Association for Colored People, and the Forced Busing Committee. Everyone could see how she walked in life because she was not afraid to stand front and center. Her life was dedicated to the advancement of people of color; *and*
- WHEREAS,** A warrior with strong character, compassionate and wise, she possessed strong convictions. She had a no-nonsense approach to everything she did; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Mother's home was a safe haven during the compulsory busing in Massachusetts, children would come from miles around to stay until it was safe to go home. Mother Dancy's talk was strong and forceful when it came to children, you would not disrespect her village community, if she had anything to say about it; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Mother Dancy's impact on the community will be felt for decades, and the Boston City Council mourns her passing; ***NOW THEREFORE BE IT***

RESOLVED,

That the Boston City Council sends its condolences to the Dancy family and recognizes September 28, 2022 as Anna Mae Dancy Day in the City of Boston.

Filed in Council: February 9, 2022

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IN TRIBUTE

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

ANNA MAE DANCY

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

FEBRUARY 9, 2022

SINCERELY,

CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Attest

Presented By

Julia [Signature]

Offered by City Councilors Julia Mejia and Ruthzee Louijeune



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL 18, 2022 AS LAUREN SAMPSON DAY OF ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

- WHEREAS,** Lauren Sampson was known for being a fierce advocate and community leader fighting for climate justice and racial equity as a civil rights attorney with Lawyers for Civil Rights. Using her tremendous capabilities, she pioneered creative strategies to fight injustices throughout our legal system. At such a young age, Lauren’s tremendous legacy has left a long-lasting impact on racial justice movements everywhere. Her courage has touched and inspired many to continue the fight towards environmental racial justice; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Lauren’s activism has touched communities throughout the Commonwealth advocating for fair housing, equitable access to quality education, and the fight for climate justice and environmental resilience in communities of color. She enacted change through trailblazing litigation, community education, and political advocacy on behalf of immigrants and people of color. She dedicated herself professionally to fighting for a more equitable society and helping bend the arc of history towards justice; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Prior to her professional successes, Lauren had a distinguished academic career. She received her BA in English and History from Queen’s University, where she received the Gold Medal in English and was on the Dean’s List with Distinction. In 2015, she received both a MA in English from Duke University and a JD from Duke University School of Law, where she graduated Order of the Coif and magna cum laude. In law school, she served as the Editor-in-Chief of the Duke Journal of Gender Law and Policy. After law school, she served as a law clerk to the Honorable John Dooley (Ret.) of the Vermont Supreme Court; *and*
- WHEREAS,** A brilliant legal mind, she possessed an awe-inspiring gift of storytelling. At every chance, she used this gift to enrich the lives of those around her, in the courtroom and beyond; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Lauren was more than just a fearless advocate for climate justice and racial equity. She was a lover of literature, always seeking for the next book to get lost in. She was an educator, quick to share her wisdom and passion with anyone who would listen. She was a big sister to her colleagues who look up to her for her tenacity, humor, compassion, and ability to create a welcoming space. Lauren was a beautiful, courageous woman who left every place and person better than she found it; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Lauren Sampson’s impact on our community will be felt for decades, and the Boston City Council mourns her passing; ***NOW THEREFORE BE IT***

RESOLVED,

That the Boston City Council sends its condolences to Lauren’s family and friends and recognizes April 18, 2022 as Lauren Sampson Day of Environmental Justice in the City of Boston.

Filed in Council: February 9, 2022

Offered by City Councilor Julia Mejia



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 7, 2022 AS JOHN MARTIN DAY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

WHEREAS, John Martin was a mainstay of NESNs telecasts and a constant presence at Fenway Park and TD Garden. He was part of the fabric of Boston sports for two decades and covered the Celtics and Patriots and numerous other events that defined our region; *and*

WHEREAS, Having passed away in 2018 at age 51 after a lengthy battle with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), John is remembered for his friendship, his love for his job, his commitment to his community, and advocacy in searching for the cure to the illness which took his life; *and*

WHEREAS, During his career, his peers recognized his craft by awarding him five Emmy Awards in addition to the 2018 Silver Circle Award for his significant contributions to television. He has written two books—one that evoked the love of his job, “Waiting for Greatness: Memories and Musings of a Sports Television Cameraman” and “Every Ten Minutes” that chronicled the cruel realities of his fight with ALS; *and*

WHEREAS, In addition to his extensive tv and print media career, John was also a little league coach to the South End Little League for nearly 30 years, having been known as “Coach John” in his community; *and*

WHEREAS, John’s legacy is still felt to this day, with Cafe Martin, which first started as a backyard gathering for friends and family to visit John, blossoming into a real place of business with huge community support; *and*

WHEREAS, In June of 2018, John wrote in the Globe “Regardless of how my day may have been going, there was always a [Boston sports media] brother or sister to bring a smile or change the mood. It was as an honor to be on both sides of that exchange”; *and*

WHEREAS, John’s impact on the community will be felt for decades, and the Boston City Council is honored to celebrate his life and work; ***NOW THEREFORE BE IT***

RESOLVED,

That the Boston City Council recognizes February 7, 2022 as John Martin Day in the City of Boston.

Filed in Council: February 9, 2022

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In Tribute

Presented by

Councilor At-Large Ruthzee Louijeune

The Boston City Council Extends Its Deepest Sympathy To You and Your Family in the
Passing of Your Loved One

Henry T. Burton

In Whose Memory All Members Stood In Tribute and Reverence as The Council
Adjourned its Meeting Of

February 2, 2022

Sincerely

By: _____
President of the City Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: _____

Date: _____

City of Boston
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Official Resolution

Presented by

Councilor At-Large Ruthzee Louijeune

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

Haitian Artists Assembly of Massachusetts

In Recognition of:

27th Anniversary

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: _____