



ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR MATTERS PRESENTED TO THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO 10:00 A.M. ON MONDAY, APRIL 1, 2024 FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING IN THE CHRISTOPHER IANNELLA CHAMBER ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3, 2024 AT 12:00 P.M.

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## **ROLL CALL**

## **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

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

**0631** Message and order for your approval, an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Four Million Nine Hundred Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars (\$4,909,838.00) to provide funding for the Boston Police Department for the FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Boston Police Detectives Benevolent Society-Superior Officers Unit.

**0632** Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston Police Department for FY24 in the amount of Four Million Nine Hundred Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Eight Dollars (\$4,909,838.00) to cover the FY24 cost contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Boston Police Detectives Benevolent Society- Superior Officers Unit. The terms of the contracts are July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023 and July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025. The major provisions of the contract include base wage increases of 2%, 1.5%, 2%, 1% and 2.5%, to be given in July of each fiscal year of the contract term, as well as the addition of the Transitional Career Award Program in July 2023. The contract also contains reforms relating to discipline, officer return to duty, paid detail system, and union release.  
Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 1, 2024.

- 0633** Message and order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston, acting through its Mayor's Office of Housing, to accept and expend payments in the amount of Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000.00) given to the City of Boston's Inclusionary Development Policy Fund. The City of Boston's Inclusionary Development Fund (IDP) was established by Executive Order in February 2000 to support the production and preservation of affordable housing in new market rate housing developments.
- 0634** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Forty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars (\$346,835.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Senior Companion Program, awarded by AmeriCorps to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund administration of the Senior Companion Program, including reimbursement for travel and meals plus stipend for volunteers who provide companionship to homebound and frail seniors.
- 0635** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Forty Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars (\$140,253.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 Retired Senior Volunteer Program, awarded by the Corporation for National and Community Service to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund administration for senior community service volunteers, including reimbursement for meals and travel expenses.
- 0636** Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Paul Raber Umphenour II as an Alternate Member of the Fort Point Channel Landmark District Commission, for a term expiring March 19, 2027.
- 0637** Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Hessann Farooqi, as a Member of the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure (BERDO) Review Board for a term expiring March 19, 2027.
- 0638** Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Anne Kilguss as a member of the Bay Village Historic District Commission, for a term expiring April 1, 2026.
- 0639** Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Senam Kumahia as a member of the Boston Landmarks Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2025.

[0640](#) Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Angela Ward Hyatt as a member of the Highland Park Architectural Conservation District Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2025.

[0641](#) Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Shamiah Turner as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeal, for a term expiring May 1, 2026.

[0642](#) 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 Property Tax Classification in the City of Boston."  
Filed in Office of the City Clerk on April 1, 2024.

## **PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES**

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

[0643](#) Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Michael Woodall, as Chair of the Boston Water and Sewer Commission, for a term expiring January 3, 2028.

[0644](#) Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Scott Finn as Comptroller-City Auditor, effective April 1, 2024.

### **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

[0381](#) The Committee on Education, to which was referred on February 28, 2024, Docket #0381, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Open Data Curriculum, awarded by the MA Department of Education to be administered by the Department of Innovation and Technology, submits a report recommending that the Order ought to pass.

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

[0509](#) Order for a hearing to review programming available for seniors in the City of Boston.

**0136** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$700,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Commercial Acquisition Assistance Program (CAAP), awarded by the Barr Foundation, to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion. The grant will fund core support to its Office of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion to grow its impact.

**0179** Order for a hearing to discuss trash collection in Boston.

**0198** Order for a hearing regarding technological infrastructure improvements across city departments.

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

**0645** **Councilor Mejia offered the following:** An ordinance establishing the office of Inspector General within the City of Boston.

**0646** **Councilor Pepén offered the following:** A petition for a special law re: An age waiver for the maximum age requirement for Max Handerson to join the Boston Police Department.

**0647** **Councilor Mejia offered the following:** Order for a hearing on diversifying cannabis business models.

**0648** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss pedestrian safety, traffic calming, and expanding the Safety Surge program in the City of Boston.

**0649** **Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss and establish City Council roles and responsibilities and ways to implement metrics to hold members accountable.

**0650** **Councilor Pepén and Coletta offered the following:** Order for a hearing to raise the age requirement for entrance to the Boston Police Academy.

**0651** **Councilor Murphy offered the following:** 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.

**0652** **Councilor Louijeune and Santana offered the following:** Resolution recognizing April as Fair Housing Month.

**0653** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution in support of S. 3452, "Fred Hamilton Veterans' Lost Records Act."

**0654 Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Ernestina "Titina" Sila and her role as a pioneering leader in the struggle for independence in Guinea-Bissau.

**PERSONNEL ORDERS:**

**0655** Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Murphy offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Kasey Barrett in City Council, effective April 1, 2024.

**GREEN SHEETS:**

**3/24** Legislative Calendar for April 3, 2024.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

**0656 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Medal of Honor Day.

**0657 Councilor Worrell offered the following:** Resolution in memory of Wilena Julien.

**0658 Councilor Worrell offered the following:** Resolution in memory of Rosa Baptista DaLomba.

**0659 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Mei Yao Chin Wong.

**0660 Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Colette Phillips.

**0661 Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Phil Celeste.

**0662 Councilor Pepén offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Mimi Turchinetz.

**0663 Councilor Pepén offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Bryce's Journey.



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

April 1, 2024

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by four million, nine hundred nine thousand, eight hundred thirty-eight dollars (\$4,909,838) to provide funding for the Boston Police Department for the FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Boston Police Detectives Benevolent Society – Superior Officers Unit.

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 FY24 APPROPRIATION FOR THE RESERVE FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING BY FOUR MILLION, NINE HUNDRED NINE THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$4,909,838).**

**ORDERED:** That the appropriation heretofore made, to meet the current operating expenses in the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024, be reduced by the following amount:

100-999000-51000 Reserve for Collective Bargaining \$4,909,838

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

BY

  
**ADAM CEDERBAUM  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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

April 1, 2024

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston Police Department for FY24 in the amount of four million, nine hundred nine thousand, eight hundred thirty-eight dollars (\$4,909,838) to cover the FY24 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Boston Police Detectives Benevolent Society – Superior Officers Unit. The terms of the contracts are July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023 and July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025. The major provisions of the contract include base wage increases of 2%, 1.5%, 2%, 1%, and 2.5% to be given in July of each fiscal year of the contract term, as well as the addition of the Transitional Career Award Program in July 2023. The contract also contains reforms relating to discipline, officer return to duty, paid detail system, and union release.

As originally presented to you, the FY24 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 by four million, nine hundred nine thousand, eight hundred thirty-eight dollars (\$4,909,838).

I respectfully request your support of this supplemental appropriation.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



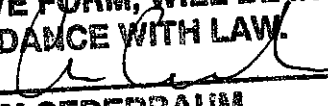


**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER APPROPRIATING FOUR MILLION, NINE HUNDRED NINE THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$4,909,838) TO COVER THE FY24 COST ITEMS CONTAINED WITHIN THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF BOSTON AND THE POLICE DETECTIVES BENEVOLENT SOCIETY – SUPERIOR OFFICERS UNIT.**

**ORDERED:** That in addition to the appropriations heretofore made, to meet the current operating expenses of the fiscal period commencing July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024, the sum of FOUR MILLION, NINE HUNDRED NINE THOUSAND, EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$4,909,838) be, and the same hereby is appropriated as follows, said sum to be met from available funds and taxation pursuant to Section 23 of Chapter 59 of the General Laws: -

211000	Boston Police Department	Personnel Services	\$4,909,838
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City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**MICHELLE WU**

April 1, 2024

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston, acting through its Mayor's Office of Housing, to accept and expend payments in the amount of Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000) given to the City of Boston's Inclusionary Development Policy Fund.

The City of Boston's Inclusionary Development Policy Fund (IDP) was established by Executive Order in February 2000 to support the production and preservation of affordable housing in new market rate housing developments. The IDP requires all developers of residential development projects with ten or more units to include affordable units in their projects as a condition of receiving relief from the Boston Zoning Code. Further, the Executive Order provides the option for developers to make contributions to the IDP Fund in lieu of providing on-site affordable units, subject to the approval of the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA).

At the inception of the Policy, the Fund had been maintained and administered by the BPDA. In September 2013, the administration of the IDP was transferred from the BPDA to the Mayor's Office of Housing.

I urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Order expeditiously so that the City may accept the funds and expend them for the purposes for which these funds were given.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

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

**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON MAYOR'S OFFICE OF HOUSING TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND FUNDS FROM THE INCLUSIONARY DEVELOPMENT POLICY FUND.**

**WHEREAS:** The City of Boston's Inclusionary Development Fund (IDP) was established by Executive Order in February 2000 to support the production and preservation of affordable housing in new market rate housing developments; and

**WHEREAS:** The IDP also established a process whereby developers can provide a payment to the affordable housing fund (IDP) in lieu of providing on-site affordable units, subject to the approval of the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA); and

**WHEREAS:** The BPDA transferred the administration of the IDP to the Mayor's Office of Housing in September 2013.

**ORDERED:** That the City of Boston, acting by and through its Mayor's Office of Housing, be, and hereby is, authorized in accordance with Section 53A of Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to accept and expend funds in the amount of Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000.00) from the City of Boston's Inclusionary Development Policy Fund for the purpose of producing and preserving affordable housing in the City of Boston.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY  
THE FORGOING, IF PASSED IN  
THE ABOVE FORM, WILL BE IN  
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BY \_\_\_\_\_

**ADAM CEDERBAUM  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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

04-01-2024

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 THREE HUNDRED FORTY-SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE DOLLARS (**\$346,835.00**) in the form of a grant, Federal FY24 Senior Companion Program, awarded by AmeriCorps to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

The grant would fund administration of the Senior Companion Program, including reimbursement for travel and meals plus stipends for volunteers who provide companionship to homebound and frail seniors.

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** Federal FY24 Senior Companion Program FUNDS, AWARDED BY AmeriCorps.

**WHEREAS**, the AmeriCorps, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Age Strong Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds in the amount of THREE HUNDRED FORTY-SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE DOLLARS (**\$346,835.00**) would fund administration of the Senior Companion Program, including reimbursement for travel and meals plus stipends for volunteers who provide companionship to homebound and frail seniors. 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 AmeriCorps, Federal FY24 Senior Companion Program award not to exceed the amount of THREE HUNDRED FORTY-SIX THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY-FIVE DOLLARS (**\$346,835.00**).

**Docket #** \_\_\_\_\_

**In City Council  
Passed** \_\_\_\_\_

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**City Clerk**

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**Mayor**

**Approved** \_\_\_\_\_

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

by Adam Cederbaum

Adam Cederbaum  
Corporation Counsel



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Office of the Mayor  
Michelle Wu**

04-01-2024

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 ONE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE DOLLARS (**\$140,253.00**) in the form of a grant, FY24 Retired Senior Volunteer Program, awarded by Corporation for National and Community Service to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

The grant would fund administration for senior community service volunteers, including reimbursement for meals and travel.

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** FY24 Retired Senior Volunteer Program FUNDS, AWARDED BY Corporation for National and Community Service.

**WHEREAS**, the Corporation for National and Community Service, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Age Strong Commission; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds in the amount of ONE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE DOLLARS (**\$140,253.00**) would fund administration for senior community service volunteers, including reimbursement for meals and travel. 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 Corporation for National and Community Service, FY24 Retired Senior Volunteer Program award not to exceed the amount of ONE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY-THREE DOLLARS (**\$140,253.00**).

**Docket #** \_\_\_\_\_

**In City Council  
Passed** \_\_\_\_\_

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**City Clerk**

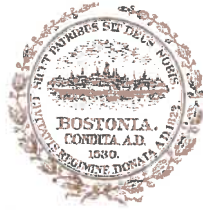
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**Mayor**

**Approved** \_\_\_\_\_

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Corporation Counsel



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

April 1, 2024

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

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Paul Raber Umphenour II of 15 Channel Center Street, Apartment 313, Boston, MA 02210, as a Alternate Member of the Fort Point Channel Landmark District Commission, for a term expiring March 19, 2027. I am appointing Paul Raber Umphenour II pursuant to the authority vested in me by Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, and subject to your confirmation. Paul Raber Umphenour II shall serve as an Alternate Member.

I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Paul Raber Umphenour II as an Alternate Member of the Fort Point Channel Landmark District Commission. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF PAUL RABER UMPHENOUR II AS A BOARD MEMBER OF THE FORT POINT CHANNEL LANDMARK DISTRICT COMMISSION.**

**ORDERED:** That pursuant to Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, the appointment of Paul Raber Umphenour II of 15 Channel Center Street, Apartment 313, Boston, MA 022120, as a Member of the Fort Point Channel Landmark District Commission for a term expiring March 19, 2027, be, and hereby is, approved.

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

BY

  
**ADAM CEDERBAUM  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**



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

April 1, 2024

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

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Hessann Farooqi of 45 Hancock Street, Unit 4, Boston, MA 02114 as a Member of the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance Review Board, for a term expiring on March 19, 2027. I am appointing Hessann Farooqi pursuant to the authority vested in me by City of Boston Municipal Code Chapter 7.2.2, and subject to your confirmation. Several Community Based Organizations nominated Hessann Farooqi to serve as a Member.

I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Hessann Farooqi as a Member of the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance Review Board. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

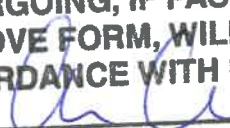
**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE APPOINTMENT OF HESSAN FAROOQI AS A BOARD MEMBER OF THE BUILDING EMISSIONS REDUCTION AND DISCLOSURE ORDINANCE REVIEW BOARD.**

**ORDERED:** That pursuant to the City of Boston Municipal Code Chapter 7.2.2, the appointment of Hessian Farooqi of 45 Hancock Street, Unit 4, Boston, MA 02114, as a Member of the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance Review Board for a term expiring March 19, 2027, be, and hereby is, approved.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY  
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BY



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CORPORATION COUNSEL**



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

April 1, 2024

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

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Anne Kilguss of 33 Fayette Street, Boston, MA 02116 as a member of the Bay Village Historic District Commission, for a term expiring April 1, 2026. I am appointing Anne Kilguss pursuant to the authority vested in me by Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, and subject to your confirmation. Anne Kilguss shall serve as the District Historic New England Member.

I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Anne Kilguss as a member of the Bay Village Historic District Commission. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ANNE KILGUSS AS A MEMBER OF THE BAY VILLAGE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION.**

**ORDERED:** That, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, the appointment of Anne Kilguss of 33 Fayette Street, Boston, MA 02116 to the Bay Village Historic District Commission, for a term ending April 1, 2026, be, and hereby is, confirmed.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY  
THE FORGOING, IF PASSED IN  
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ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.**

BY 

**ADAM CEDERBAUM  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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

March 26, 2024

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

Dear Mr. Clerk:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Chapter 772, M.G.L. 1975, as amended, I hereby appoint the following Member to the Boston Landmarks Commission, effective immediately:

**Senam Kumahia of 14 Van Winkle St #1, Boston, MA 02124**

This member will serve a term expiring on June 30, 2025.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF SENAM KUMAHIA AS A  
COMMISSIONER OF THE BOSTON LANDMARKS COMMISSION.**

**ORDERED:** That, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, as amended by Chapter 137 of the Acts of 1989, as amended by Chapter 373 of the Acts of 2018, the appointment of Senam Kumahia of 14 Van Winkle Street, Unit 2, Boston, MA 02124 to the Boston Landmarks Commission, in the seat designated for the Boston Chamber of Commerce Member, for a term ending June 30, 2025, be, and hereby is, confirmed.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY  
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BY



**ADAM CEDERBAUM  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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

April 1, 2024

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


Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Angela Ward Hyatt of 75 Kneeland Street, Boston, MA 02111, as a Member of the Highland Park Architectural Conservation District Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2025. I am appointing Angela Ward Hyatt pursuant to the authority vested in me by Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, as amended by Chapter 137 of the Acts of 1989, as amended by Chapter 373 of the Acts of 2018, and subject to your confirmation. Angela Ward Hyatt shall serve as the Boston Landmarks Commission Member.

I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Angela Ward Hyatt as a Member of the Highland Park Architectural Conservation District Commission.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF ANGELA WARD HYATT AS A MEMBER OF THE HIGHLAND PARK ARCHITECTURAL CONSERVATION DISTRICT COMMISSION.**

**ORDERED:** That, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 772 of the Acts of 1975, as amended by Chapter 137 of the Acts of 1989, as amended by Chapter 373 of the Acts of 2018, the appointment of Angela Ward Hyatt of 75 Kneeland Street, Boston, MA 02111 to the Highland Park Architectural Conservation District Commission, for a term ending June 30, 2025, be, and hereby is, confirmed.

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

BY

  
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**ADAM CEDERBAUM  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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

April 1, 2024

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

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order regarding the appointment of Shamiah Turner of 10 Forestvale Road, Boston, MA 02136, as a Member of the Zoning Board of Appeal for a term expiring May 1, 2026, provided that members may continue to serve until a replacement member is appointed. I am appointing Shamiah Turner pursuant to the authority vested in me by Chapter 665 of the Acts of 1956, as amended by Chapter 461 of the Acts of 1993, as amended by Chapter 373 of the Acts of 2018, as amended by Chapter 365 of the Acts of 2020, and subject to your confirmation. The Building Trades Employers Association nominated Shamiah Turner to serve as a Member.

I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the appointment of Shamiah Turner as a Member of the Zoning Board of Appeal. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

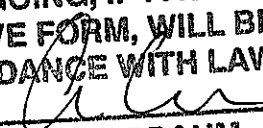
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**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF SHAMIAH TURNER AS A  
MEMBER OF THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEAL.**

**ORDERED:** That, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 665 of the Acts of 1956, as amended by Chapter 461 of the Acts of 1993, as amended by Chapter 373 of the Acts of 2018, as amended by Chapter 365 of the Acts of 2020, the appointment of Shamiah Turner of 10 Forestvale Road, Boston, MA 02136 to the Zoning Board of Appeal, for a term ending May 1, 2026, be, and hereby is, confirmed.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY  
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ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.**  
BY   
**ADAM CEDERBAUM  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**  
Kmw



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

April 1, 2024

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval a home rule petition to the General Court entitled "Petition for a Special Law Re: An Act Relative to Property Tax Classification in the City of Boston."

As cities around the country experience shifting work patterns that are remaking commercial areas with concerns about less foot traffic impacting small businesses, public safety, and economic vitality—Boston has been taking action to revitalize our Downtown and neighborhood commercial areas as well as boosting housing production throughout the City. Our administration's office-to-residential conversion program so far includes more than 200 new units of Downtown housing in the pipeline from formerly vacant office buildings. Boston continues to lead the nation in commuter rail ridership, which is at 96 percent of pre-pandemic levels, the number of vacant Downtown storefronts has dropped by nearly 17 percent over the last year, and we measure steadily increasing foot traffic. Even as the City makes progress on the underlying transportation, housing, and childcare challenges that are the key to long-term vitality and sustainability, we must be ready for any potential impacts in the short-term.

Boston's City services are largely funded through property taxes, and state tax laws set specific parameters for municipalities that apply to commercial and residential tax rates. Municipal governments do not have the ability to shift these key parameters without additional state approval and cannot customize or target tax rates within these groups. Therefore, without legislative action, the result of a trend of declining commercial property values is an automatic jump in residential tax rates in order to fully fund City services. Boston's housing crisis means that residents are already struggling to afford to stay in our neighborhoods, and we cannot increase the burden on homeowners and renters due to an automatic shift caused by the short-term challenges in certain parts of the commercial office sector.

This home rule petition would provide a temporary legislative tool to protect residential taxpayers from any potentially drastic increase in property tax bills caused by a decline in commercial values. An increase in residential property taxes would impact all residential property: single family homes, multi family homes, apartment buildings, and residential condominium units. Left alone, the dramatic tax increase would lead to higher costs for residents through higher tax bills for homeowners or a rent increase for renters should their landlords pass the increased costs onto them. The proposal is optional, revenue-neutral, time-limited, and gradually steps down over four years before returning back to the current classification system. With this temporary authority, our objective is that future bills for all property taxpayers — residential and commercial — are as comparable as possible to those from recent years. In other words, owners of commercial properties with significant value loss will still see their tax bills decrease, while we cushion any shock for residential taxpayers. This home rule petition mirrors the language from a precedent set under Mayor Thomas M. Menino’s administration in 2004, which successfully averted a similar shock for residential taxpayers through this same mechanism.

The proposal proactively addresses the possibility of declining commercial values by allowing for a modest modification to the current tax rate system with clear guardrails that prevent too great of a burden from being placed upon our commercial taxpayers. As part of our advanced planning, the Act also includes an option to implement the shift over the next three years so that we have the flexibility to deploy the tool only if and when necessary in this dynamic economic environment.

Importantly, this legislative proposal does not alter the important roles of both the City and the Council in the tax rate setting process, and if implemented the annual shift determination would still be made in concert with approval from your Honorable body as occurs each tax cycle.

I urge your Honorable Body to support this special act so that we can make this modest change to classification a reality to preserve affordability for our residents.

Sincerely,



Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

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

**WHEREAS,** The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is forthwith to regulate the property tax classification limits in the City of Boston beginning in fiscal year 2025, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience;

**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 PROPERTY TAX CLASSIFICATION IN THE CITY OF BOSTON**

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

**SECTION 1:** Notwithstanding section 1A of chapter 58 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, the commissioner of revenue shall further adjust the minimum residential factor of the city of Boston determined under said section 1A of said chapter 58 for fiscal years 2025, 2026, 2027 and 2028, if adoption of such factor for any such year would result in the residential property class bearing a higher percentage of the total property tax levy than the percentage of the total property tax levy imposed on the residential property class than in the prior fiscal year. The new minimum residential factor for such year shall be (a) for fiscal year 2025, 45 per cent subject to such adjustment upward as may be required to provide that the percentage of the total tax levy imposed on any class of real or personal property shall not exceed 200 per cent of the full and fair cash valuation of the taxable property of the class divided by the full and fair cash valuation of all taxable real and personal property in the city of Boston, (b) in fiscal year 2026, 47 per cent subject to such adjustment upward as may be

fiscal year 2026, 47 per cent subject to such adjustment upward as may be required to provide that the percentage of the total tax levy imposed on any class of real or personal property shall not exceed 197 per cent of the full and fair cash valuation of the taxable property of the class divided by the full and fair cash valuation of all taxable real and personal property in the city of Boston, (c) in fiscal year 2027, 49 per cent subject to such adjustment upward as may be required to provide that the percentage of the total tax levy imposed on any class of real or personal property shall not exceed 190 per cent of the full and fair cash valuation of the taxable property of the class divided by the full and fair cash valuation of all taxable real and personal property in the city of Boston, (d) in fiscal year 2028, 50 per cent subject to such adjustment upward as may be required to provide that the percentage of the total tax levy imposed on any class of real or personal property shall not exceed 183 per cent of the full and fair cash valuation of the taxable property of that class divided by the full and fair cash valuation of all taxable real and personal property in the city of Boston, (e) in fiscal year 2029 and thereafter, the determination of the minimum residential factor shall be conducted in accordance with the provisions detailed in section 1A of chapter 58. Payments made under section 38H of chapter 59 of the General Laws, and similar provisions of special acts, that are included in the tax levy for purposes of determining the minimum residential factor under said section 1A of said chapter 58 shall be so included in the determination of any factor under this section.

**SECTION 2:** (a) The city of Boston may elect to apply the original identified schedule or an alternative implementation schedule where the original years of 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029 would be substituted with (i) 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030 respectively, or (ii) 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030, 2031 respectively.

(b) The schedule election in Section 2(a) would be made upon notification to the Department of Revenue during the rate setting process of the first year of the schedule that the City of Boston is electing to implement. Once a schedule selection is made it may not be changed.

**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**

Mar 25, 2024

Michael Woodall  
16 Henchman Street,  
Apartment 5M,  
Boston, MA 02113

Dear Michael,

Pursuant to my authority under Chapter 436, Section 3 of the Acts of 1977, I am pleased to appoint you as Chair of the Boston Water and Sewer Commission. Consistent with the statute under which you were appointed, your term will expire on January 3, 2028.

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

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

cc:

Henry Vitale, Executive Director of the Boston Water and Sewer Commission  
Alex Geourntas, City of Boston Clerk





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

April 1, 2024

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

Dear Mr. Clerk:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 5, 5.10, I hereby appoint Scott Finn of 21 Tolman Street, Unit 1, Dorchester, MA 02122, as Comptroller-City Auditor, effective April 1, 2024.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston





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

02-20-2024

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 FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$500,000.00**) in the form of a grant, Open Data Curriculum, awarded by MA Department of Education to be administered by the Dpt of Innovation & Technology.

The grant would fund the development of a curriculum that can be used by teachers in Boston Public Schools, as well as other educational providers that leverage existing open data from the city, state, and federal government.

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** Open Data Curriculum FUNDS, AWARDED BY MA Department of Education.

**WHEREAS**, the MA Department of Education, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Dpt of Innovation & Technology; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds in the amount of FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$500,000.00**) would fund the development of a curriculum that can be used by teachers in Boston Public Schools, as well as other educational providers that leverage existing open data from the city, state, and federal government. 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 MA Department of Education, Open Data Curriculum award not to exceed the amount of FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$500,000.00**).

**Docket #** \_\_\_\_\_

**In City Council  
Passed** \_\_\_\_\_

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**City Clerk**

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**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



# BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

## Committee on Education

Henry Santana *Chair*

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### REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

March 29, 2024

Dear Councilors:

The Committee on Education was referred the following docket for consideration:

**Docket #0381, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Open Data Curriculum, awarded by the MA Department of Education to be administered by the Department of Innovation and Technology.**

This matter was sponsored by Mayor Michelle Wu, and referred to the Committee on February 28, 2024.

#### *Summary*

**Docket #0381** authorizes the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of \$500,000 in the form of a grant. This Open Data Curriculum grant is awarded by the Massachusetts Department of Education and will be administered by the Department of Innovation and Technology. The grant would fund the development of a curriculum that can be used by teachers in Boston Public Schools, as well as other educational providers that leverage existing open data from the city, state, and federal government.

#### *Information Received at Hearing*

The Committee held a public hearing on Docket #0381 on Friday, March 29, 2024. The Committee heard from representatives from the Administration including Santiago Garces, Chief Information Officer for the City of Boston, and Kerry Jordan, Chief of Staff for the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT).

Chief Garces discussed the City's current open data portal, Analyze Boston, which provides the public with numerous data sets that are collected from various City departments. DoIT and Boston Public Schools (BPS) are exploring the possibility of incorporating the open data curriculum with current required civic and mathematics courses by utilizing this readily available data. These classes would be targeted toward high school students with the potential to expand this program to younger students in the future.

These funds will be used to assist BPS teachers in designing a curriculum using Analyze Boston. DoIT is also working with an organization, Data Science for Everyone, which introduces data science in elementary to high school classrooms to help shape the open data curriculum. This grant will also assist in funding a Project Manager to implement this program.

Chief Garces discussed the importance of youth learning data science as a way to enter the field of data analytics and computer science. He highlighted the underrepresentation of people of color and women in these fields which typically lead to high-income jobs.

The Committee also discussed tracking student career trajectories and creating more pathways to data science and computer science higher education, other partnerships between DoIT and BPS, and the possibility of providing professional development opportunities for BPS teachers.

***Committee Chair Recommended Action***

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

*Henry A. Santana*

Henry Santana, Chair  
Committee on Education

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS BENJAMIN J. WEBER, ENRIQUE PEPÉN, RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE, BREADON, COLETTA, DURKAN, FERNANDES ANDERSON, FITZGERALD, FLYNN, MEJIA, MURPHY, SANTANA, AND WORRELL



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO REVIEW PROGRAMMING AVAILABLE FOR SENIORS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

**WHEREAS,** According to Census Data, persons 65 years and older make up approximately 12.3% of Boston’s population; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Boston’s Age Strong Commission, formerly known as the Commission on Affairs of the Elderly, works with Bostonians who are 55 and older to enhance their quality of life through planning, coordinating, and monitoring the delivery of services to this population in an efficient and effective manner; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The Age Strong Commission operates two senior centers for the entire City, one in Brighton and the other in East Boston; *and*

**WHEREAS,** In 2023, the Committee on Strong Women, Families, and Communities held a hearing at the Elks Lodge in West Roxbury to assess the need for a senior center in the neighborhood. Approximately 400 people attended the hearing which lasted for about 2.5 hours to express their desire for a facility for senior programming in the neighborhood of West Roxbury; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Southwest Boston neighborhoods have some of the City’s highest populations of seniors. West Roxbury is home to over 8,500 residents aged 60 or older, having the highest percentage of people 60 or older when compared to other Boston neighborhoods at 26.5%; *and*

**WHEREAS,** A pop-up senior center in West Roxbury operated by Ethos, which serves 75 residents from all across Boston every Tuesday and Thursday, is facing potential cuts to their available days due to a decrease in state funding; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Senior centers and day programming promotes the physical and mental health of seniors and helps seniors to stay in Boston and stay connected to their families and the community they helped build; *and*

**WHEREAS,** A 2019 study published in the *The Journals of Gerontology* found that older adults who interacted with people beyond their usual social circle of family and close friends were more likely to have higher levels of physical activity, greater positive moods, and fewer negative feelings; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The City of Boston should be providing more day services to seniors to connect them with other seniors from around the city, not less; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The Expanding Engagement Grant Opportunity RFP was released by the City to provide up to \$500,000 in grants to expand senior programming citywide. The deadline for applications passed and closed on February 29th. The Council should work to ensure these funds are used equitably and to factor in recent state funding changes in its decisions around which communities are in need; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Seniors in West Roxbury, and elsewhere in the City would benefit greatly from more City-sponsored programming that is free, accessible, and in close proximity to their homes and their neighborhoods; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to review City programming available to residents 55 or older to ensure there is equitable distribution of City-sponsored activities for seniors in all neighborhoods across the City.

Filed on: March 13, 2024



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

01-17-2024

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 SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$700,000.00**) in the form of a grant, Commercial Acquisition Assistance Program (CAAP), awarded by the Barr Foundation to be administered by the Office of Eco Opp & Inclusion.

The grant would fund core support to its Office of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion to grow its impact.

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** Commercial Acquisition Assistance Program (CAAP) FUNDS, AWARDED BY the Barr Foundation.

**WHEREAS**, the the Barr Foundation, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Office of Eco Opp & Inclusion; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds in the amount of SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$700,000.00**) would fund core support to its Office of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion to grow its impact. 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 the Barr Foundation, Commercial Acquisition Assistance Program (CAAP) award not to exceed the amount of SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$700,000.00**).

**Docket #** \_\_\_\_\_

**In City Council Passed** \_\_\_\_\_

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**City Clerk**

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**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

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS SHARON DURKAN, GABRIELA COLETTA, RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE, BREADON, FERNANDES ANDERSON, FITZGERALD, MEJIA, MURPHY, PEPÉN, SANTANA, WEBER, AND WORRELL



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS TRASH COLLECTION IN BOSTON

- WHEREAS,** The City of Boston is responsible for the collection of residential solid waste, including trash and recycling; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The management of all types of waste is foundational to public health, pest control, and the quality of life for Boston residents; *and*
- WHEREAS,** A holistic discussion of Boston’s current residential collection process is necessary to improve the current agreement with Capitol Waste Service expiring in June of 2024; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Zero Waste Boston plan published June 2019 recommends the City to reach a 80% recycling rate by 2035 and 90% by 2050 to achieve its 2050 carbon neutrality goal; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Boston introduced curbside food waste collection through partnerships with local compost services that has been expanded due to popularity with residents; *and*
- WHEREAS,** This lack of dedicated space for staging and storing waste bins for collection is causing many neighborhoods to be routinely inundated with loose or poorly contained trash, and is providing sustenance to rodents; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Research and evaluation of solutions reducing rodent incidents from comparable and neighboring municipalities like San Francisco and Somerville that stabilize the environment and promote clean, organized waste collection will benefit residents; *and*
- WHEREAS,** An innovative and community-tested solution is crucial to improve the state of residential waste collection, and associated pest problems of poor waste management, in every Boston neighborhood; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**
- ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to review the current state of trash collection and discuss how to position the City of Boston’s neighborhoods for greater success, and that representatives from the Public Works Department, the Mayor’s Office of New Urban Mechanics, Inspectional Services Department, and the public be invited to testify.

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS GABRIELA COLETTA, ED FLYNN, LIZ BREADON, DURKAN, FERNANDES ANDERSON, FITZGERALD, MEJIA, MURPHY, PEPÉN, SANTANA, WEBER, WORRELL, AND LOUIJEUNE



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### ORDER FOR A HEARING REGARDING TECHNOLOGICAL INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS ACROSS CITY DEPARTMENTS

**WHEREAS,** In 2023, hearings were introduced in front of the City Council to discuss technological improvements to the Boston Transportation Department (BTD) and the Public Works Department (PWD) regarding parking enforcement and utility/construction work coordination. Since then, the City of Boston has endeavored in an audit process with the goals of improving all city departments through technological enhancements led by the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT); *and*

**WHEREAS,** Departments like BTD and PWD plan, build, maintain, and operate city services in a manner that increases access to opportunities, promotes safety, and fosters the highest quality of life for everyone living, working, and visiting the City of Boston; *and*

**WHEREAS,** BTD currently relies on institutional knowledge of parking enforcement officers to recognize parking regulations in respective neighborhoods. There is no tracking system or geographic information system (GIS) mapping tool that defines what regulations are where which negatively impacts both residents and BTD employees; *and*

**WHEREAS,** While BTD is currently experiencing understaffing, establishing a tracking system that allows the department to see gaps in service can ensure that residents who live in high density areas can safely and reliably find parking near their homes; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Similarly, both residential construction work and public utility work can have a significant impact on residents' quality of life. These quality of life impacts are multiplied if there are numerous projects happening in a small geographic area; *and*

**WHEREAS,** This leads to negative impacts to the overall quality of life for residents. Both residents and departments alike want to have high quality city services that function efficiently and adequately address constituent needs; *and*

**OFFERED BY COUNCILOR GABRIELA COLETTA AND COUNCILOR ED FLYNN**

**WHEREAS,** Investment in digital tools that are easy to navigate can make it more efficient for residents and city workers to access information, request services, sign up for alerts, and enforce regulations. It is time we bring our city services into the 21st century; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Throughout the budget season, effective and accessible city services are top issues constituents consistently raise, and the digital systemization of work across city departments could truly foster the highest quality of life for everyone living, working, and visiting Boston; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**ORDERED:** That the appropriate Committee of the Boston City Council holds a hearing to discuss technological infrastructure improvements to city departments and that the Mayoral administration, the Department of Innovation and Technology, and other relevant departments be invited to testify.

Filed on: January 24, 2024

Offered by City Councilor Julia Mejia



**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

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**IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FOUR**

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**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL  
WITHIN THE CITY OF BOSTON**

*WHEREAS,* Bostonians deserve a City government that is grounded in transparency, and accountable to the people; *and*

*WHEREAS,* Rather than bringing in costly outside counsel to address concerns as they arise, a City Inspector General will bring permanent, proactive, independent oversight of all Boston’s City departments; *and*

*WHEREAS,* Inspectors General have been appointed at some level or public agency in 34 different states, including the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and in cities, including Chicago, Detroit, Washington, D.C., New Orleans, Baltimore, New York City, Philadelphia, and Richmond; *and*

*WHEREAS,* An independent Inspector General will be able to identify mismanagement and waste, and address and oversee complaints made against Boston City departments;

*WHEREAS,* The office of the independent Inspector General will enhance accountability and transparency between City departments and the Boston City Council;

*NOW THEREFORE,*

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

**SECTION 1.** The City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter II, is hereby amended by inserting the following new Section after existing Section 2-15:

**2-16 OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL**

**2-16.1 Establishment**

An independent Office of Inspector General is hereby established, together with an

Accountability Advisory and Oversight Board (“AAOB”). An Inspector General shall head the office, and the AAOB shall have the membership set forth in Section 2-16.2. The purpose of the Office of Inspector General is to ensure honesty, integrity, transparency, and efficiency in City government by rooting out waste, abuse, fraud, corruption, and mismanagement. The AAOB shall advise the Mayor, the City Council and the Inspector General

## **2-16.2 Appointment; Term of Office; Removal**

1. *Appointment.* The Inspector General shall be appointed by the Mayor based on the qualifications prescribed in Section 2-16.3. Before making an appointment, the mayor shall consult with the AAOB. The Mayor must submit to the City Clerk the name of the person appointed Inspector General within sixty (60) days of the confirmation of the initial membership of the AAOB, or within sixty (60) days of any subsequent vacancy in the office of Inspector General.
2. The AAOB shall be constituted and operate as follows:
  - a. The board shall consist of nine members, to be confirmed by a majority vote of the City Council following a public hearing, and nominated as follows:
    - i. One member shall be nominated by the Mayor;
    - ii. One member shall be nominated by the President of the City Council;
    - iii. One member shall be the City Auditor, ex officio;
    - iv. One member shall be Corporation Counsel, ex officio;
    - v. One member shall be nominated by the Chair of the City Council’s Committee on Ways and Means; and
    - vi. Four members shall be selected from a public application process and jointly nominated by the Mayor and City Council President;
      - A. The qualifications for selection include experience with investigations, financial analysis, auditing, criminal law, public administration, management consulting, or other relevant experience.
      - B. These members must not be employed by the City or any quasi-governmental agency, or serve as an elected official, during their service.
  - b. The board shall elect one of its members as Chair.
  - c. Members of the AAOB must be residents of the City of Boston at the time of their appointment and for the duration of their term.
  - d. AAOB members shall serve without compensation.
  - e. AAOB members who are not otherwise employed by the City shall be classified as special municipal employees for the purpose of Chapter 268A of the Massachusetts General Laws.
  - f. Appointment authorities under this section shall appoint such representatives within sixty (60) days of the effective date of this ordinance. Should there be a vacancy or resignation on the Board, the relevant appointment authority under this section shall appoint a new representative within ninety (90) days.
  - g. AAOB members shall be appointed to terms of four (4) years, with the option of

reappointment for one (1) additional term. If a vacancy should arise and a new member is appointed to serve a partial term of less than two (2) years, that partial term shall not count against the term limit. The initial appointments of the members appointed by the City Council President, and the Chair of the City Council's Committee on Ways and Means shall be for (2) years; and the initial appointment of the member appointed by the Mayor shall be for three (3) years. After the initial appointments, all subsequent terms shall be for four (4) years.

- h. Should a vacancy occur in the Office of Inspector General, the Mayor shall immediately begin a search for new Inspector General candidates upon notification of the unexpected vacancy, resignation, or removal of the Inspector General, with the goal of filling the position within sixty (60) days of the vacancy.
3. *Term of Office.* The Inspector General shall serve for a term of four (4) years. The term limit for Inspector General shall be two (2) four (4)-year terms.
4. *Removal.* The Inspector General may be removed by the Mayor. The AAOB or City Council President may recommend to the Mayor to consider termination of the Inspector General for cause.

### **2-16.3 Inspector General Qualifications**

The Inspector General shall be selected without regard to political affiliation, on the basis of integrity, basis for strong leadership, and demonstrated ability in accounting, auditing, financial analysis, law, management analysis, public administration, investigation, criminal justice administration, or other appropriate fields. The Inspector General shall hold at appointment, or be required to obtain within one hundred eighty (180) days after appointment, certification as a Certified Inspector General.

### **2-16.4 Limitations; Prohibited Activities**

During his or her term, the Inspector General may not engage in an occupation for profit, except for teaching, subject to the approval of the AAOB, or hold any other government office outside the duties of the Inspector General. The Inspector General shall not solicit votes or raise monetary or in-kind contributions for any candidate for an elective office. The Inspector General may not hold any elective city office until two (2) years after leaving the position and may not have worked for the City as an employee or elected official within two (2) years of appointment.

### **2-16.5 Jurisdiction**

The powers and duties of the Inspector General shall extend to the conduct of any *covered entity*, subject to applicable law, which shall mean (1) any City employee; (2) elected official or appointed officer of the City, including heads of City or quasi-governmental departments, agencies, bureaus, and all persons exercising comparable authority; (3) member of a City or quasi-governmental board or commission; (4) individual, organization, or business receiving City-granted funds or other benefits, including, but not limited to, loans, grants, tax credits,

below market rate property transfers, tax increment financing, payment in lieu of taxes, or other City subsidies of any kind; (5) individual, organization, or business providing goods or services to the City pursuant to a City contract; (6) individual, organization, or business seeking certification of eligibility to provide goods or services to the City pursuant to a contract; (7) individual, organization, or business seeking a City approval, permit, or license; or (8) City or quasi-governmental department, agency, board, commission, program, or process. The City shall include in the terms of any permit, approval, license, or contract a provision stating that the holder of or party to such permit, approval, license, or contract acknowledges and accepts the jurisdiction of the Inspector General as provided in this ordinance.

## **2-16.6 Powers and Duties**

1. The Inspector General shall be authorized to conduct the following activities, subject to applicable law:
  - a. Audit, inspect, evaluate and investigate the activities, records, and individuals affiliated with contracts, subcontracts, procurements, grants, agreements, and other programmatic and financial arrangements undertaken by a covered entity and any other official act or function of the entity.
  - b. Investigate, either in response to a complaint or on the Inspector General's own initiative, in order to detect and prevent inefficiency, waste, abuse, fraud, corruption, mismanagement, or other misconduct, (1) any City employee; (2) elected official or appointed officer of the City, including heads of City or quasi-governmental departments, agencies, bureaus, and all persons exercising comparable authority; (3) member of a City or quasi-governmental board or commission; (4) individual, organization, or business receiving City-granted funds or other benefits, including, but not limited to, loans, grants, tax credits, below market rate property transfers, tax increment financing, payment in lieu of taxes, or other City subsidies of any kind; (5) individual, organization, or business providing goods or services to the City pursuant to a City contract; (6) individual, organization, or business seeking certification of eligibility to provide goods or services to the City pursuant to a contract; or (7) individual, organization, or business seeking a City approval, permit, or license.
  - c. Conduct, either in response to a complaint or on the Inspector General's own initiative, in order to promote economy, efficiency, effectiveness, transparency, and integrity, a review of government operations within a City or quasi-governmental department, agency, board, commission, program, or process, identifying any inefficiencies, waste and potential for misconduct therein, and making recommendations regarding policies and methods for the elimination of inefficiencies and waste, and the prevention of misconduct.
  - d. Review the reliability and validity of information provided by covered entities.
  - e. Monitor implementation of recommendations made to covered entities by the Office of Inspector General, and other audit, investigative, and law enforcement agencies.



- f. Monitor and assist any covered entity with implementation of legislation of legislative policy. The Inspector General may assign personnel to conduct, supervise, or coordinate such activity.
  - g. Take appropriate steps to build public awareness of the Office of Inspector General and of all procedures established by the Inspector General for receiving complaints. The Inspector General shall provide information, training, and education to City employees about the identification and prevention of fraud, waste, and abuse of office in City government.
  - h. Review pending legislation, rules, regulations, policies, and procedures of the Commonwealth, City, and quasi-governmental departments, agencies, boards, commissions, programs, or processes that may impact the work of the Office of Inspector General, and review pending legislation pertaining to procurement, to ensure language does not inadvertently create fraud vulnerabilities.
2. The Inspector General shall have the following powers with regards to covered entities, in furtherance of the duties of the Office, subject to applicable law:
- a. Direct and prompt access to all employees, records, financial information, data, reports, plans, projections, matters, contracts, memoranda, correspondence, audits, reviews, papers, books, documents, computer files, emails, instant messages, recommendations, and other materials of covered entities that the Inspector General deems necessary to facilitate an investigation, audit, inspection, or performance review.
  - b. Direct and prompt access to the head of a covered entity, when necessary for purposes related to the work of the Office.
  - c. To require reports from any covered entity regarding any matter within the jurisdiction of the Office of Inspector General.
  - d. To attend any and all public meetings held by covered entities, unless discussing matters privileged or confidential by law, at any place and time without notice, subject to the discretion of the Inspector General.
3. The Inspector General shall be required to issue reports, including:
- a. Report to the relevant government entity concerning results of investigations, audits, or reviews undertaken by the Office of Inspector General, and resulting referrals and recommendations of remedial actions, including the AAOB on the distribution of reports.
  - b. Issue quarterly reports concerning results and status of investigations, audits, and reviews undertaken by the Office of Inspector General to the City Council, Mayor, Boston Finance Commission, State Inspector General, and other relevant bodies as determined by the Office of Inspector General. Reports shall include findings,

recommendations, and remedial actions regarding program weaknesses, operational deficiencies and inefficiencies, contracting irregularities, and other institutional problems that are discovered as a result of an investigation, audit, or review conducted by the Office of Inspector General. Reports shall also include Office performance metrics that indicate cost avoidance, cost savings, recoveries, referrals to law enforcement, and resulting criminal indictments and convictions. All reports shall be a public record and additionally published and accessible electronically to provide remote or on-line access to the reports. Reports publicly posted should redact or remove confidential information.

### **2-16.7 Power to Issue and Enforce Subpoenas**

1. To the extent such power is granted to the City pursuant to any provision of the General Laws, the Inspector General may subpoena witnesses, administer oaths, take testimony, require the production of evidence relevant to a matter under investigation, and enter and inspect premises within the control of any covered entity during regular business hours.
1. The Inspector General may enforce a subpoena or order for production of evidence under this section in any court of competent jurisdiction to the same extent the City may pursuant to any provision of the General Laws.

### **2-16.8 Duty to Report Illegal Acts**

The Inspector General may conduct investigations into criminal, civil, and administrative matters.

If the Inspector General has probable cause to believe that a covered entity has committed or is committing an illegal act, then he or she shall promptly refer the matter to the appropriate administrative and prosecutorial authorities. The Inspector General shall continue to participate in referred investigations in concert with the appropriate authority.

### **2-16.9 Conflict of Interest; Special Counsel**

Where there exists a conflict of interest between the Inspector General and another branch of City government, the Inspector General has the authority to retain an attorney licensed to practice law in Massachusetts who shall represent the Inspector General in legal proceedings. Such attorney shall not represent the City as a municipal corporation in any legal proceeding.

### **2-16.10 Referrals**

1. When the Inspector General has reason to believe they must recuse themselves from a matter, the Inspector General shall refer such matter to the appropriate investigatory or law enforcement agency.
1. The Inspector General may work in coordination with, refer matters to, and receive referrals from the Boston Finance Commission of the State Inspector General.

### **2.16.11 Office Policies and Procedures; Employees**

1. *Policies and Procedures.* The Inspector General shall establish policies and procedures for receiving complaints, conducting investigations, and other internal processes. These policies and procedures shall be publicly and electronically accessible.
2. *Employees.* The Office of Inspector General shall include an Inspector General and such deputies, assistants and other employees as deemed necessary by the Inspector General to carry out the duties of the Office. The Office of Inspector General staff shall collectively possess the variety of knowledge, skills, and experience needed to accomplish the Office of Inspector General's mission, including, attorneys, investigators, inspectors, analysts, and auditors who are certified public accountants. The Inspector General may hire, promote, discipline, and remove employees of the Office, assign duties to employees, and supervise the performance of those duties.

### **2.16.12 Professional Standards**

The Inspector General's investigations, inspections, and audits shall conform to the Association of Inspectors General professional standards, as prescribed in the Association's "Green Book," as well as The Institute of Internal Audit's professional standards, prescribed in the Institute's "Red Book," or the Government Accountability Office's "Yellow Book."

The Office of Inspector General's investigations and inspections shall be subject to a quality assurance review ("peer review") by the Association of Inspectors General every three years. The audits shall be subject to quality assurance review by a professional non-partisan objective group every three years, such as the Association of Local Government Auditors or The Institute of Internal Auditors.

The results of Quality Assurance Reviews should be publicly posted and incorporated into the quarterly report following the receipt of the review.

### **2-16.13 Entity Duty to Report; Cooperation in Investigations; Obstruction**

Any covered entity who has knowledge of, or receives a complaint regarding, an incident of misconduct, malfeasance, misfeasance, conflicts of interest, acceptance of bribes or gratuities, fraud, waste, or abuse of office shall immediately report all relevant information or refer such complaint to the Office of Inspector General.

It shall be the duty of every covered entity to cooperate with the Inspector General in any investigation pursuant to this Chapter, including the prompt provision to the Inspector General any information, document, report, record, account, or other material requested by the Inspector General in connection with an investigation, audit, or review.

Any covered entity that willfully and without justification or excuse obstructs an investigation of the Inspector General by withholding documents or testimony is subject to forfeiture of office,

discipline, debarment, or any other applicable penalty.

This requirement and associated penalty shall be incorporated into all contracts and subcontracts to the extent necessary to make them effective against such entities.

#### **2-16.14 Consultation Required**

1. No report or recommendation that criticizes an official act shall be announced until every covered entity affected is allowed a reasonable opportunity to be heard at a hearing with the aid of counsel. The Inspector General will promulgate procedural rules for hearings.
2. After the hearing, if the Inspector General believes it necessary to make a formal report, a copy of any statement made by a covered entity affected shall accompany the report.

#### **2-16.15 Confidentiality**

Subject to any applicable law, audit and investigative files of the Office of Inspector General containing privileged or legally protected information shall be confidential and shall not be divulged to any person or agency, except to the United States Attorney, the Massachusetts Attorney General, or Suffolk County District Attorney's Office, State Inspector General, Boston Finance Commission, or as otherwise required by law.

#### **2-16.16 Immunity**

The Inspector General and Office shall be, to the full extent permitted by law, immune from any suit based on any report or communication within the scope of official duties.

#### **2-16.17 Retaliation Prohibited; Penalty**

No person shall retaliate against, punish or penalize any other person for complaining to, cooperating with or assisting the Inspector General in the performance of the duties of the Office. Examples of retaliation against City employees may include position transfer, demotion, and termination of employment. Any person who violates this provision shall be subject to a fine of \$300 for each violation and any other penalties under applicable law.

#### **2-16.18 Funding**

The City shall set the salary of the Inspector General at 70% of the Mayor's annual salary. The Mayor shall annually appropriate funds sufficient to enable the Office of Inspector General to perform its duties with a minimum target of appropriating at least .01% of the total departmental appropriations, excluding state and county assessments, debt service, pensions, unemployment compensation or other non-departmental or reserve funds.

#### **2-16.19 Severability**

If any provision, clause, part or application of this chapter is held to be invalid by a court of

competent jurisdiction, then such provision, clause, part or application shall be considered separately and apart from the remainder, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 2. The provisions of this section 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 take effect within 60 days of passage.

Filed: April 3, 2024

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ENRIQUE PEPÉN



## CITY OF BOSTON

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IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FOUR

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### HOME RULE PETITION

**WHEREAS,** Max Handerson is 44 years old, was born in Haiti and moved to the United States in 2010. He has lived in Hyde Park since 2016 and became a US citizen in 2019. Max took the civil service exam in March 2024 and is confident he passed; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Max Handerson had wanted to become a police officer earlier in his career but was unable to apply due to citizenship status. Max aspires to work in public safety for his community; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

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

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

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

#### SECTION 2.

The provisions of this act 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.

This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Filed on: April 1, 2024

Offered by City Councilor Julia Mejia



**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

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**IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FOUR**

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**ORDER FOR A HEARING ON DIVERSIFYING CANNABIS BUSINESS  
MODELS**

- WHEREAS,** On Nov. 8 2016, Question 4, a ballot initiative legalizing marijuana and setting up a system of regulated cannabis sales passed with support from 54 percent of voters; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The ballot initiative not only allowed for the legal sale of recreational cannabis, but also allowed up to a certain amount of cannabis to be grown in-home; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Four years later, on March 9, 2020 Pure Oasis in Grove Hall became the first marijuana store to open in Boston, also becoming the first licensed marijuana business opened by one of the Cannabis Control Commission's economic empowerment applicants, a program originally intended to offset the head-start in the recreational market granted to existing medical dispensaries, which were nearly all white-owned; *and*
- WHEREAS,** On Friday, April 30, 2021, An Ordinance to Establish Guidelines for Permitting Retail Residential Kitchens, which allowed residents of Boston to prepare and sell certain types of food inside their homes, went into effect; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The goal of the ordinance was to create alternative means to entrepreneurship in a time when the cost of opening a brick-and-mortar storefront was unobtainable to many aspiring small business owners; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Barriers to opening a brick-and-mortar storefront still exist, especially for individuals interested in opening up a cannabis dispensary in the City of Boston; *and*
- WHEREAS,** States across the country, including Colorado, have individuals to produce and sell edibles made in leased commercial kitchens; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Boston City Council has in the past played a role in ensuring that there is equity in cannabis applications in the City of Boston and true equity in the cannabis market means ensuring that there is not just one single pathway to entrepreneurship; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT**

**ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council holds a hearing on diversifying cannabis business models in the City of Boston. Representatives from the City of Boston, the Cannabis Control Commission Massachusetts, cannabis entrepreneurs, members of the public, and any other interested parties shall be invited and are encouraged to attend.

Filed in Council: April 3, 2024





OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS PEDESTRIAN SAFETY, TRAFFIC CALMING, AND EXPANDING THE SAFETY SURGE PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

- WHEREAS:** Pedestrian safety is a critical component of public safety and overall quality of life for our residents, and the City of Boston is committed to pedestrian safety as part of Vision Zero - the goal of having zero serious and fatal traffic crashes; *and*
- WHEREAS:** The city lowered its default speed limit on neighborhood streets from 30 mph to 25 mph in 2017, with calls from City Councilors to lower it further to 20 mph. The City Council has also held multiple hearings on pedestrian safety, concurrent phasing traffic signals, and advocacy on using federal infrastructure funding to install infrastructure such as speed humps, raised crosswalks, and rapid flash beacons in our neighborhoods; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Last week, a 4 year old child was fatally struck by a truck at Sleeper Street and Congress Street in the Fort Point Neighborhood, and there have been three pedestrian deaths in Boston so far this year, with seven pedestrian fatalities last year; *and*
- WHEREAS:** These tragedies remind us of the work that must be done to realize Vision Zero in terms of the infrastructure improvements, slower speeds and enhanced traffic enforcement by the Boston Police Department to address pedestrian and traffic safety where congestion has gradually increased over the years; *and*
- WHEREAS:** In 2023, the City of Boston announced the Safety Surge program, which they have begun to install zones of speed humps on eligible neighborhood streets, redesign intersections, and make changes to traffic signals in order to make our streets safer for our pedestrians, drivers, and cyclists; *and*
- WHEREAS:** The installation of speed humps is welcomed by many residents as a way to slow down cars, but currently speed humps are only being installed on smaller side streets, but not on wider and busier streets where cars are consistently speeding and serious crashes also occur with residents having to cross commercial streets and high traffic roads; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Main roads, commercial roads, high traffic corridors, bus routes are often dangerous for pedestrians, and should also have traffic calming infrastructure in place to force vehicles to slow down and allow pedestrians to cross the street more safely; *and*
- WHEREAS:** It is critical for the City of Boston to continue its focus on pedestrian safety and traffic calming improvements to realize Vision Zero - including whether the Safety Surge program should be updated with infrastructure to be installed on high traffic roads to ensure road safety for all; *and*

#### **THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED:**

That the appropriate Committee of the Boston City Council holds a hearing to discuss ways to improve pedestrian safety and the possibility of updating and expanding the Safety Surge program. Representatives from the Boston Transportation Department and other relevant and interested parties shall be invited to testify.

**Filed in Council:** April 3, 2024

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR TANIA FERNANDES ANDERSON



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS AND ESTABLISH CITY COUNCIL ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES AND WAYS TO IMPLEMENT METRICS TO HOLD MEMBERS ACCOUNTABLE

**WHEREAS,** The roles and responsibilities of Boston City Councilors are fundamental to the effective governance of our city, impacting the lives of residents and shaping the future of our communities, transparency and accountability emerge as essential principles in ensuring the trust and confidence of the public in their elected representatives; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Boston City Councilors hold vital responsibilities as community representatives, advocating for policies that benefit residents, addressing constituent concerns, and collaborating to advance the city's interests, thereby serving as democratic stewards entrusted with the well-being of Boston's communities; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Boston City Councilors are pivotal in governance, representing constituents, shaping policies, and ensuring transparency, crucial for public trust; adherence to Massachusetts' Open Meeting Law, as outlined in General Laws Chapter 66 A, underscores the necessity for transparent operations, reflecting community interests; *and*

**WHEREAS,** It is imperative to establish clear metrics to assess the performance of Boston City Councilors in fulfilling their duties to their constituents, necessitating the implementation of measurable criteria such as responsiveness to constituent inquiries, attendance at meetings and hearings, and effectiveness in advancing key policy objectives; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Ensuring the efficacy of policies and legislative documents crafted by Boston City Councilors necessitates the establishment of clear metrics to assess their performance in meeting constituent needs, including responsiveness, meeting attendance, and policy effectiveness, thereby enhancing accountable and effective governance for the benefit of the community; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Exploring these metrics as they relate to policies would offer insights into how effectively Boston City Councilors address constituent needs, engage in meetings, and enact initiatives to address community concerns, facilitating a more informed assessment of their performance and legislative impact on resident well-being; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Analyzing metrics and accountability as they relate to accountability and transparency could provide valuable insights into the effectiveness of governance mechanisms, highlight areas for improvement, and foster a culture of openness and responsiveness within institutions; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Reviewing metrics and accountability as they relate to voting records could offer a comprehensive understanding of elected officials' performance, enhance public trust in the democratic process, and facilitate informed decision-making by constituents; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**ORDERED:** That a hearing with the relevant stakeholders, including City Council members, representatives from the Mayor's office, civic organizations, and members of the public, be invited to provide testimony and input during the hearing be convened to thoroughly examine:

1. The roles and responsibilities of Boston City Councilors in representing their constituents, advocating for policies that serve the public interest, and contributing to the effective functioning of municipal government.
2. The establishment of measurable metrics to evaluate the performance of Boston City Councilors, including but not limited to:
  - Responsiveness to constituent inquiries and concerns
  - Attendance and participation in City Council meetings and committees
  - Introduction and sponsorship of legislation addressing community needs
  - Collaboration with other stakeholders to address local issues
  - Transparency in decision-making processes and communication with constituents
3. The mechanisms for ensuring transparency in disclosing how Boston City Councilors vote on legislative matters and their engagement in holding themselves and the Mayor's office accountable for their actions and decisions.
4. Opportunities for enhancing public access to information regarding the voting records and roles of Boston City Councilors in matters pertaining to accountability with the Mayor's office.
5. Strategies for fostering greater public engagement and participation in the oversight of City Council activities and promoting accountability among elected officials.

Filed on: April 3, 2024

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS ENRIQUE PEPÉN AND GABRIELA COLETTA



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO RAISE THE AGE REQUIREMENT FOR ENTRANCE TO THE BOSTON POLICE ACADEMY

**WHEREAS,** Applicants for the Boston Police Department (BPD) deal with multiple obstacles to be eligible for the Boston Police Academy; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Currently, to enter the Boston Police Academy an individual must be between 21-39 years of age, even though there are many Boston residents over the 39 year old maximum that are capable and willing to enter the force; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Many Boston neighborhoods are facing a shortage of police officers, creating concerns over inefficient community safety responses. Raising the age requirement for entrance into the Boston Police Academy could help alleviate some of the strain labor shortages have put on precincts; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The Boston City Council has filed multiple Home Rule Petitions to waive the maximum age requirement for Boston residents who aspire to serve our communities causing a delay in qualified candidates to start training to join the force; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Raising the maximum age requirement would allow more residents with different life experiences and backgrounds to become Boston police officers and better serve the City; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss raising the age limit to apply to the Boston Police Academy in order to become a Boston police officer. Representatives from appropriate departments of the administration, and experts on school transportation programs will be invited, and members of the public are encouraged to attend and testify.

Filed on: April 1, 2024

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ERIN MURPHY



# CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FOUR

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

**WHEREAS,** In Boston, we have Universal Pre-Kindergarten (UPK), a program that is funded by the City of Boston and promises to deliver on high-quality choices that are free of cost to Boston's three and four year old children. UPK is a 6.5-hour school day for 180 days per year; **and**

**WHEREAS,** Boston UPK increases the number of seats available to both 3- and 4-year-olds at community-based providers, by offering up to 992 seats at community providers, with up to 627 seats for 4-year-olds and up to 365 seats for 3-year-olds; **and**

**WHEREAS,** UPK also encompasses an additional 2,556 K1 seats in BPS for 4-year-olds without disabilities and 880 K0/K1 seats for 3 and 4-year-olds with disabilities; **and**

**WHEREAS,** Many three and four year olds are identified as having a special need and are already connected with Early Intervention services before entering the UPK program. Some children are not identified and may be placed in a setting that is not able to meet their special need; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss the importance of making sure all our youngest children are identified early on, and are receiving the appropriate special education services. Representatives from the Mayor's office, and other interested parties, shall be invited to attend.

Filed on: April 3, 2024

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE AND HENRY SANTANA



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING APRIL AS FAIR HOUSING MONTH

- WHEREAS,** The City of Boston shall commemorate the 56th anniversary of the passage of the Fair Housing Act, a landmark civil rights law that made discrimination in housing unlawful. Its passage came only after a long and arduous journey fought for by advocates around the country. When Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was assassinated on April 4, 1968, President Lyndon Johnson urged for the bill's speedy Congressional approval and it was signed into law on April 11, 1968; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 ("Fair Housing Act"), as amended, 42 U.S. Code 3601 et seq., prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental, and financing of residential dwellings, and in other residential real estate related transactions, based on race, color, national origin, religion, sex, familial status, and disability; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Today, federal, state, and municipal laws prohibit discrimination in the sale and rental of housing by property owners and managers, landlords, mortgage lenders, and real estate agents, including the Federal Equal Credit Opportunity Act, Community Reinvestment Act, and Home Mortgage Disclosure Act, MA anti-discrimination law M.G.L. c. 151B, and City of Boston ordinance C.B.C 10-3.1; *and*
- WHEREAS,** It is the policy of the City of Boston to see that each individual, regardless of their race, color, religious creed, marital status, military status, handicap, children, national origin, sex, gender identity or expression, age, ancestry, sexual preference or source of income shall have equal access to housing and to encourage and bring about mutual understanding and respect among all individuals in the City by the elimination of prejudice, intolerance, bigotry and discrimination in the area of housing; *and*
- WHEREAS,** We celebrate April as Fair Housing Month in part because of the anniversary of the passage of the Fair Housing Act in April of 1968, but also to recommit ourselves to creating housing equal opportunities in every neighborhood across the city by eradicating discrimination; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Discrimination in the rental and real estate industry is real and ongoing, and the City of Boston must continue to hold hearings and fund the Boston Fair Housing Commission for the benefit of its residents and businesses to be a part of an equitable and inclusive solution dismantling discrimination; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***
- RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council declare April Fair Housing Month and commit to educating, advocating, and advancing fair housing to all City of Boston residents.



**OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN**

**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF S. 3452, *The Fred Hamilton  
Veterans' Lost Records Act***

**WHEREAS:** In 1973, a fire at the National Personnel Records Center (NPRC) in St. Louis, Missouri, destroyed the records of 16 million Army and Air Force veterans; *and*

**WHEREAS:** After the fire, the Department of Veteran Affairs (VA) established a regulatory process for those affected, which allowed veterans whose records were lost to use the next closest medical record or a buddy statement to meet the burden of proof; *and*

**WHEREAS:** S. 3452, *The Fred Hamilton Veterans' Lost Records Act*, was introduced in the Senate in December 2023 by U.S. Senator Jon Tester, Chairman of the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee. The bill ensures all veterans, whose records were lost by the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) or Department of Defense (DoD) through no fault of their own, can still receive their earned VA benefits; *and*

**WHEREAS:** This bill would also authorize the VA to grant disability compensation claims using other documentation in place of military treatment records for veterans whose records were lost when being transferred from the DoD to the VA; *and*

**WHEREAS:** The bill's name refers to Fred Hamilton, an Air Force veteran who was exposed to toxic substances during his service in the Vietnam War. His military treatment records, along with many others, were lost through no fault of his own after being transmitted from DoD to VA when he retired from military service. Unfortunately, without these records, he cannot prove his health conditions are service-connected, and as a result, he has been denied benefits which he is entitled to; *and*

**WHEREAS:** In 2022, the passage of the Promise to Address Comprehensive Toxics (PACT) Act - a bill that expanded VA health care and benefits for veterans exposed to toxic substances - enabled the VA to grant part of Fred's claim that was previously denied. However, to this day, he is still waiting on benefits for other health conditions he cannot prove are service-connected without the records that the VA lost; *and*

**WHEREAS:** Our veterans, who have served our country honorably and earned their benefits, should not be denied services or have to fight to prove their disabilities are service-connected due to the mistakes by the DoD and the VA through no fault of their own; *and*

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED:**

That the Boston City Council supports the passage of S. 3452, *The Fred Hamilton Veterans' Lost Records Act* in Congress, and urges prompt action so that our veterans can receive the VA benefits that they earned and are entitled to.

**Filed on:** April 3, 2024



OFFERED BY COUNCILOR TANIA FERNANDES ANDERSON



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING ERNESTINA "TITINA" SILÁ AND HER ROLE AS A PIONEERING LEADER IN THE STRUGGLE FOR INDEPENDENCE IN GUINEA-BISSAU

**WHEREAS,** Ernestina "Titina" Silá, an esteemed revolutionary figure born on April 1, 1943, in the village of Cadique Betna, nestled within the scenic landscape of the Tombali region in Portuguese colonized Guinea, *and*

**WHEREAS,** She dedicated her entire life to the noble cause of liberation and gender equality in the cherished homeland of Guinea-Bissau; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Titina's courageous contributions to the African Party for the Independence of Guinea and Cape Verde (PAIGC) during the Guinea-Bissau War of Independence against the Portuguese Empire made her one of the most iconic female soldiers and leaders of the revolution, earning her praise and recognition from PAIGC's leader, Amílcar Cabral; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Titina's leadership on the Northern Front of the war and exemplified her commitment to social reconstruction and political education, demonstrating her invaluable role in shaping the course of the conflict; *and*

**WHEREAS,** On January 30, 1973, while en route to attend Cabral's funeral, Silá's life was tragically cut short when her detachment was ambushed by Portuguese forces near the Farim River, marking her as a revolutionary martyr whose memory continues to inspire generations and serves as a reminder of the sacrifices made for Guinea-Bissau's independence; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Her legacy extends beyond her military contributions, as her example has been used to educate young men and women on gender equality and leadership, and her memory is commemorated annually on January 30th, celebrated as National Women's Day in Guinea-Bissau; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Titina's significant contributions to the PAIGC included her design of uniforms for the newly-recruited militiawomen, reflecting her commitment to empowering women within the revolutionary movement and ensuring their visibility and recognition in the struggle for independence; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Her leadership as the assistant to the front's commander and later as political commissar demonstrated her strategic acumen and organizational prowess, contributing to the effectiveness and success of the PAIGC's military operations and political initiatives during the war of independence; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Titina Silá's unwavering dedication to the ideals of the PAIGC and her selfless sacrifice for the liberation of Guinea-Bissau serve as a beacon of hope and inspiration for future generations, embodying the spirit of resilience, courage, and determination in the face of adversity; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council, with utmost reverence and profound admiration, hereby officially extends its heartfelt recognition to the extraordinary legacy of Ernestina “Titina” Silá, commemorating her unparalleled leadership, unwavering resolve, and selfless sacrifices in the relentless struggle for independence and the relentless pursuit of gender equality within the cherished nation of Guinea-Bissau, an enduring testament to her enduring impact and profound significance in shaping the course of history for generations to come.

Filed on: April 3, 2024

**BOSTON CITY COUNCIL**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

April 1, 2024

Councilor Louijuene  
(Councilor Murphy)

**ORDERED:** That effective Saturday, March 30, 2024 the following named person be, and hereby is, appointed to the position set against their name until Friday, June 28, 2024.

BiWeekly Payroll

Kasey Barrett	Secretary	\$2,884.62	full time
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# Boston City Council

## Legislative Calendar for the April 3, 2024 Session

### Sixty Day Orders

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

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<sup>1</sup>**Section 17E of Chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948 (as amended):**

*The mayor from time to time may make to the city council in the form of an ordinance or loan order filed with the city clerk such recommendations as he may deem to be for the welfare of the city. The City Council shall consider each ordinance or loan order so presented and shall either adopt or reject the same within sixty days after the date when it is filed as aforesaid. If such ordinance or loan order is not rejected within sixty days, it shall be in force as if adopted by the city council unless previously withdrawn by the mayor.*

**Assigned for Further Action**

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**On the Table**

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

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Order requesting certain information under section 17F relative to the operations of and assets held by th BRA(d/b/a BPDA/EDIC). (Docket #0490)

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**2 - Section 17F of Chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948 (as amended):**

*The city council may at any time request from the mayor specific information on any municipal matter within its jurisdiction, and may request his presence to answer written questions relating thereto at a meeting to be held not earlier than one week from the date of the receipt of said questions, in which case the mayor shall personally, or through a head of a department or a member of a board, attend such meeting and publicly answer all such questions. The person so attending shall not be obliged to answer questions relating to any other matter.*

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<sup>3</sup>*Section 22 of Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1982:*

*Every order of the city council approving a petition to the general court pursuant to Clause (1) of Section 8 of Article 2 of the amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth shall be presented to the mayor who shall forthwith consider the same, and, within fifteen days of presentation, either approve it, or file with the city council a statement in detail of his reasons for not approving the same, including any objection based on form, on content, or both; provided, that no such order shall be deemed approved or in force unless the mayor affixes his signature thereto.*



## *Matters in Committee*

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The following matters were previously filed with the City Council and have been referred to a committee. Matters in committee can be brought back before the City Council pursuant to City Council Rule 24. The following *definitions* describe different types of matters in committee:

- Ordinances:*** Local laws enacted by the Boston City Council and the Mayor that become part of the City Code of Ordinances.
- Loan Orders:*** Authorization for the City of Boston to incur debt and expend money for projects, purchases, or other obligations.
- Orders:*** Directives that authorize action. Orders are legally binding but are not part of the City Code of Ordinances.
- Home Rule Petitions:*** Requests for special acts that concern a particular municipality. Home Rule Petitions require approval of the Boston City Council and Mayor, as well as passage by the state legislature.
- Order for a Hearing:*** A formal request sponsored by a councilor that a committee of the Boston City Council conduct a hearing about a particular matter, issue, or policy that impacts the City of Boston. An Order for a Hearing is not a law and is not voted on by the City Council. The only action concerning an Order for a Hearing that can be taken at a City Council meeting is the administrative action of placing it on file.
- Legislative Resolution:*** A recommendation concerning policy issues that may urge action on particular matters. Legislative resolutions have no legal effect. Legislative resolutions represent a particular position or statement by a Councilor, Councilors, or the City Council as a whole.

## 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	0289	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Nigel Jacobs to the Boston Art Commission for a term expiring on December 20, 2028.		2/7/2024	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0290	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of James Mason to the Boston Art Commission for a term expiring on December 20, 2028.		2/7/2024	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0291	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Abigail Norman to the Boston Art Commission for a term expiring on December 20, 2028.		2/7/2024	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0343	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$325,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Red Sox Arts and Parks Program, awarded by the Boston Red Sox to be administered by the Mayor's Office. The grant will support arts programming, community events and parks operations across Boston.		2/14/2024	
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	
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	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0179	Durkan	Coletta, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss trash collection in Boston.		1/24/2024	4/2/2024
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	

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City Services & Innovation Technology	<b>0189</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Louijeune, Coletta	Order for a hearing regarding providing technical assistance to civic associations and outlining best practices for civic associations.	1/24/2024		
City Services & Innovation Technology	<b>0198</b>	<b>Coletta</b>	Flynn, Breadon	Order for a hearing regarding technological infrastructure improvements across city departments.	1/2/2024	4/2/2024	
City Services & Innovation Technology	<b>0266</b>	<b>Fernandes-Anderson</b>		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		
City Services & Innovation Technology	<b>0332</b>	<b>Murphy</b>	Flynn	Order for hearing to discuss the safety of city workers.	2/7/2024	2/22/2024	
City Services & Innovation Technology	<b>0356</b>	<b>Fernandes-Anderson</b>		Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss prioritizing equitable development by exploring financial solutions to clean parcels prior to acquisition in Boston.	2/14/2024		
City Services & Innovation Technology	<b>0476</b>	<b>Pepén</b>		Order for a hearing on technological improvements in Boston School Bus transportation.	3/6/2024		
City Services & Innovation Technology	<b>0513</b>	<b>Murphy</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss the services the Boston Public Library offers our communities.	3/13/2024		
City Services & Innovation Technology	<b>0587</b>	<b>Fernandes-Anderson</b>		Order for a hearing to examine and address issues surrounding residential parking in District 7.	3/27/2024		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	<b>0193</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	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	<b>0195</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	Anderson, Breadon	Order for a hearing on discrimination in lending and appraisals.	1/24/2024		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	<b>0200</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	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	<b>0204</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	Coletta	Order for a hearing on the needs and services for recent migrant populations.	1/24/2024		

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
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		
Community Preservation Act	0503	Mayor		Message and order for an appropriation order in the amount of Thirty-Eighty Million Two Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Forty-Seven Dollars (\$38,277,047.00) from Fiscal Year 2024 Community Preservation Fund revenues for community preservation projects at the recommendation of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee ("CPC").	3/13/2024		
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	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		
Education	0353	Fernandes-Anderson		Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the feasibility of BPS providing ESOL classes for parents.	2/14/2024		
Education	0381	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Open Data Curriculum, awarded by the MA Department of Education to be administered by the Department of Innovation and Technology. The grant will fund the development of a curriculum that can be used by teachers in the Boston Public Schools, as well as other educational providers that leverage existing open data from the City, State, and Federal government.	2/28/2024	3/29/2024	
Education	0401	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a resolution calling for "Sundays for All."	2/28/2024		3/18/24 (hearing canceled)

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred Hearing(s)	Notes
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	
Education	0555	Mejia	Louijeune, Anderrson	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	
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	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing regarding implementing coastal resilience strategies for Boston's waterfront.	1/24/2024	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0355	Fernandes-Anderson		Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss ways to equitably fight climate displacement in District Seven.	2/14/2024	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0385	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Recycling Dividends Program 23, awarded by the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs to be administered by the Department of Public Works. The grant will fund investment in local programs including recycling equipment, organics diversion, outreach and education, pilot programs, school recycling, toxic reduction, and more.	2/28/2024	
Government Operations	0166	Coletta		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	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

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Government Operations	0257	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Ordinance creating the Planning Department in the City of Boston.	1/31/2024	2/29/2024	3/8/24 (WS), 3/18/24 (WS), 3/22/24 (WS), 3/20/24-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	
Government Operations	0263	Flynn		Petition for a special law re: an act regarding the disability pension for Brian McPherson.	1/31/2024	4/19/2024	
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		
Government Operations	0529	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 the Creation of a Branch of the Boston Public Library within an Affordable Housing Development in the Downtown Section of the City of Boston." Filed in Office of the City Clerk on March 18, 2024.	3/20/2024		
Government Operations	0582	Worrell	Louijeune, Anderson	Home Rule Petition For A Special Law Re: An Act to Amend the Training Requirement For the Fire Department Cadet Program in Boston.	3/27/2024		
Housing & Community Development	0176	Worrell	Breadon	Order for a hearing regarding the Homeownership Voucher Program.	1/24/2024		
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	
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	
Housing & Community Development	0398	Santana	Louijeune, Breadon	Order for a hearing to explore strategies for deelopng Mixed-Income Social Housing to increase housing access and affordability for all Bostonians.	2/28/2024	3/28/2024	

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Housing & Community Development	<b>0414</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Weber, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to explore programs the City of Boston offers or could establish to prevent illegal discrimination by landlords and real estate brokers against prospective tenants utilizing housing choice vouchers.	2/28/2024	4/8/2024	
Housing & Community Development	<b>0488</b>	<b>Breadon</b>	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	<b>0510</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	Weber	Order for a hearing on workforce development housing for City of Boston employees.	3/13/2024		
Housing & Community Development	<b>0572</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty-Five Million Dollars (25,000,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Harvard Allston Brighton Fund grant, awarded by the Harvard Business School to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund the creation of affordable homeownership, affordable rental housing in the Allston-Brighton neighborhoods.	3/27/2024		
Housing & Community Development	<b>0573</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), awarded by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund housing, economic development and social service programs. The award amount is estimated from prior years.	3/27/2024		
Housing & Community Development	<b>0574</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seven Million Dollars (\$7,000,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Home Investment Partner, awarded by the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund the production of new and affordable housing, and also provide operating support for community development corporations. The award amount is estimated from prior years.	3/27/2024		

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Housing & Community Development	<b>0575</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY24 Housing for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), awarded by the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund services for income-eligible individuals and families affected by AIDS. The award amount is estimated from prior years.	3/27/2024		
Housing & Community Development	<b>0576</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		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 Federal FY24 Emergency Solution Grant, awarded by the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund street outreach, emergency shelter, homelessness prevention, rapid re-housing assistance and shelter services. The award amount is estimated from prior years.	3/27/2024		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	<b>0418</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss long-term city job vacancies.	2/28/2024	4/9/2024	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	<b>0475</b>	<b>Weber</b>	Louijeune, Worrell	Order for a hearing regarding biannual review of the Boston Employment Commission and Boston Residents Jobs Policy.	3/6/2024		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	<b>0487</b>	<b>Fernandes-Anderson</b>	Mejia, Pepen	Resolution to improve bus monitor pay rates and working conditions in the City of Boston.	3/6/2024		
PILOT Agreements, Institutional & Intergovernmental Relations	<b>0589</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to review the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) program in the City of Boston.	3/27/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0100</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a grant award in the amount not to exceed Two Million Five-Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand Two Hundred and Ninety-Seven Dollars (\$2,562,297) from the Boston Planning & Development Agency, for the construction and management of transportation improvements projects.	8/10/2022		2023 - 0930



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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred Hearing(s)	Notes
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0101</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a grant from the Federal Highway Administration, through the Massachusetts Departments of Transportation, Highway Division of Seven Million Five Hundred One Thousand Two Hundred dollars (\$7,501,200) to be administered by the Boston Transportation Department and the Boston Public Works Department. This grant is a portion of the design costs for the Sullivan Square/Rutherford Avenue Project.	9/28/2022	2023 - 1166
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0104</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order confirming the appointment of Nakeeda Burns to the Zoning Commission as a residential organization member for a term expiring October 26, 2026.	10/25/2023	2023 - 1626
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0107</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		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
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0108</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of John Freeman, a member of the South End Landmark District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2025.	11/15/2023	2023 - 1707
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0109</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Christopher DeBord, as a member of the South End Landmark District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2025.	11/15/2023	2023 - 1708
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0110</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Nancy Russell, as a member of the St. Botolph Architectural Commission for a term expiring on November 10, 2026.	11/15/2023	2023 - 1709
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0111</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Jim Kutchin, as a member of the St. Botolph Architectural Commission for a term expiring on November 10, 2026.	11/15/2023	2023 - 1710
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0112</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Douglas Miller, as a member of the St. Botolph Architectural Commission for a term expiring on November 10, 2026.	11/15/2023	2023 - 1711
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0113</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Kevin Ready, as a Member of the Boston Landmarks Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2025.	11/29/2023	2023 - 1750

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0114	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Fadi Samaha, as a Commissioner of the Boston Landmarks Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2025.	11/29/2023		2023 - 1751
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0154	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Jeffrey Heyne, as a member of the Fort Point Channel Landmark District Commission for a term expiring on January 20, 2027.	1/24/2024	3/25/2024	3/27/24- remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0184	Durkan	Louijeune	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	FitzGerald, Anderson	Order for a hearing to discuss the ongoing modernization of Article 80 in Boston's Zoning Code.	1/24/2024		
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		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0288	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Senam Kumahia, as a member of the Boston Landmarks Commission for a term expiring on December 30, 2027.	2/7/2024		
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	0294	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Katherine Sikora Nelson as a Member of the Bay Village Historic District Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2026.	2/7/2024	3/25/2024	3/27/24- remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0303	Durkan	Breadon, Coletta	Order for a hearing To Review The Rules and Regulation of Vehicles in Relation to Expansion of Micromobility Access.	2/7/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0350	Flynn		Councilor Flynn offered the following: 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		Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the possibility of congestion pricing in Boston.	2/14/2024		

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
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		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0505	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Order approving the receipt of a Preservation Restriction on the Fowler-Clark Farm, 487 Norfolk Street, Boston, Massachusetts, 02126. The Fowler-Clark Farm has historic significance to the City, and the owner, Fowler-Clark LLC, has conveyed a historic preservation restriction on the exterior features of the buildings and site to Historic Boston, Inc., a local charitable corporation.	3/13/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0534	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Senam Kumahia as a member of the Bay Village Historic District Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2025.	3/20/2024	3/25/2024	3/27/24- remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0537	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Celina Barrios-Millner as a member of the Highland Park Architectural Conservation District Commission, for a term expiring February 5, 2027.	3/20/2024	3/25/2024	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0538	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Lindsey Marie Mac-Jones as a Commissioner of the Boston Landmarks Commission, for a term expiring March 18, 2027.	3/20/2024	3/25/2024	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0539	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of John Amodeo as a Commissioner of the Boston Landmarks Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2024.	3/20/2024	3/25/2024	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0540	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Fadi Samaha as a Commissioner of the Boston Landmarks Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2025.	3/20/2024	3/25/2024	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0541	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Celina Barrios-Millner as a Commissioner of the Boston Landmarks Commission, for a term expiring February 5, 2027.	3/20/2024	3/25/2024	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0542	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the re-appointment of Michael Woodall as a member of the Boston Water and Sewer Commission, for a term expiring January 3, 2028.	3/20/2024	3/25/2024	

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0546	Mayor		Communication was received from the City Clerk transmitting a communication from the Boston Landmarks Commission for City Council action on the designation of, The Blue Cross Blue Shield Building, 133 Federal Street, Boston, MA, as a Landmark (In effect after April 20, 2024 if not acted upon).	3/20/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0547	Mayor		Communication was received from the City Clerk transmitting a communication from the Boston Landmarks Commission for City Council action on the designation of, The Hutchinson Building, 29 Bromfield Street, Boston, MA, as a Landmark (In effect after April 20, 2024 if not acted upon).	3/20/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0567	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Susan Goganian as a Commissioner of the Boston Landmarks Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2024.	3/20/2024	3/25/2024	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0568	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Susan Goganian as a Member of the Fort Point Channel District, for a term expiring June 30, 2024.	3/20/2024	3/25/2024	
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0103	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Jaclyn Youngblood as a member of the Audit Committee for a term expiring September 11, 2028.	9/20/2023		2023 - 1488
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		
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		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0187	Worrell		Order for a hearing to access expanded Hospital & Community-Centric Violence Prevention & Intervention.	1/24/2024		

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	<b>0191</b>	<b>Breadon</b>	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	<b>0196</b>	<b>Coletta</b>	Louijeune, Durkan	Order for a hearing regarding menstrual product accessibility in the City of Boston.	1/24/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	<b>0264</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		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	<b>0281</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) in the form of a grant for the EEC Mental Health Earmark, awarded by the MA Early Education and Child Care Department to be administered by the Office of Early Childhood. The grant will fund and support mental health training for early childhood educators.	2/7/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	<b>0286</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Sandro Galea, as a member of the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health for a term expiring on January 26, 2026.	2/7/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	<b>0287</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Elsie Tavares, as a member of the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health for a term expiring on January 26, 2026.	2/7/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	<b>0348</b>	<b>Breadon</b>	Coletta, Murphy	Councilor Breadon offered the following: 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	<b>0415</b>	<b>Fitzgerald</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss the current trauma response resources in the City of Boston and the potential for expansion.	2/28/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	<b>0478</b>	<b>Fernandes-Anderson</b>		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		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	<b>0512</b>	<b>Fernandes-Anderson</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss the Shattuck housing proposal to prioritize racial equity.	3/13/2024	4/4/2024	

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0134</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Thirteen Million Three Hundred Seventeen Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$13,317,200.00) in the form of a grant from the FY2023 Urban Area Security Initiative, awarded by the United States Department of Homeland Security, passed through the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security, to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Emergency Management. The grant will fund planning, exercise, trainings, and operational needs, that will help prevent, respond to, and recover from threats of acts of terrorism, including chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear and explosive incidents.	1/24/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0174</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to address gun violence.	1/24/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0185</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to explore the Summer Community Plan.	1/24/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0342</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Five Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars and Twelve Cents (\$1,705,475.12) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 Senator Charles E. Shannon Jr. Community Safety Initiative, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund regional and multidisciplinary approaches to combat gang violence through coordinated prevention and intervention, law enforcement, prosecution and reintegration programs.	2/14/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0354</b>	<b>Fernandes-Anderson</b>		Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for a hearing regarding current bail policies in local jails.	2/14/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0377</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Six Hundred Four Thousand Fourteen Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$1,604,014.20) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 Hazmat Grant, awarded by the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund the needs of the hazardous materials response teams, as specified in line item 8324-0000 and 8324-0050 of the FY24 General Appropriation Act.	2/28/2024	

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0378</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$1,125,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 State Training Grant, awarded by Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund the purchase of equipment and supplies, and to fund training initiatives for the Boston Fire Training Academy to ensure the department remains current in the firefighting services.	2/28/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0504</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Forty-Four Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$44,100.00) in the form of a grant, for the Boston Violence Intervention & Prevention Initiative (CVIPI), awarded by the United States Department of Justice, passed through the Boston Public Health Commission, to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund BPD's ability to support the project with relevant crime data reporting and, if available, assign a BPD representative to participate with the CVIPI Planning / Advisory Committee.	3/13/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0507</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss resources for the Boston Police Crime Laboratory.	3/13/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0511</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	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	<b>0577</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eighty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$84,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY24 CISM Grant, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety and Security to be administered by the Police Department. amount of Eighty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$84,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY24 CISM Grant, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety and Security to be administered by the Police Department.	3/27/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0590</b>	<b>Santana</b>	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	
Rules & Administration	<b>0351</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order for a meeting to review the Boston City Council rules.	2/14/2024	

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Small Business & Professional Licensure	0136	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$700,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Commercial Acquisition Assistance Program (CAAP), awarded by the Barr Foundation, to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion. The grant will fund core support to its Office of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion to grow its impact.	1/24/2024	4/1/2024	
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		
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		Councilor Durkan offered the following: Order for a hearing to explore the creation of a citywide merchandise licensing program.	2/14/2024		
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		
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0115	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) 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.	12/13/2023		2023 - 1820
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	



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Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	<b>0413</b>	<b>Murphy</b>		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	<b>0508</b>	<b>Fitzgerald</b>	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	<b>0509</b>	<b>Weber</b>	Pepen, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to review programming available for seniors in the City of Boston.	3/13/2024	4/1/2024	
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	<b>0514</b>	<b>Fernandes-Anderson</b>		Resolution to explore a need for a senior recreational center in Roxbury.	3/13/2024		
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	<b>0349</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the goals and priorities of the City of Boston's Office of Veterans Services.	2/14/2024		
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	<b>0588</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss services for women veterans.	3/27/2024		
Ways & Means	<b>0199</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	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	<b>0268</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	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	<b>0280</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order for your approval an appropriation order in the amount of One Million Two Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$1,260,000.00) for the Cemetery Division of the Parks and Recreation Department and the Trust Office of the Treasury Department to be funded from the Cemetery Trust Fund established under Chapter 13 of the Acts of 1961.	2/7/2024		
Ways & Means	<b>0479</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss projected commercial property tax values in Boston.	3/6/2024		

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Ways & Means	0530	Mayor		Message and order for your approval, an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Seven Million Seven Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand One Hundred and Ninety-Three Dollars (\$7,767,193.00) to provide funding for The Boston Police Department for the FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Boston Police Detectives Benevolent Society.	3/20/2024	
Ways & Means	0531	Mayor		Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for various departments for the FY24 in the amount of Seven Million Seven Hundred Sixty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars (\$7,767,193.00) to cover the FY24 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Boston Police Detectives Benevolent Society. The terms of the contract are July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023 and July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025. The major provisions for the contract include base wage increases of 2%, 2%, 1%, and 2.5% to be given in July of each fiscal year of the contract term as well as the addition of the Transitional Career in July 2023. The contract also contains reforms relating to discipline, officer return to duty, paid detail system, and union release. Filed in Office of the City Clerk on March 18, 2024.	3/20/2024	
Ways & Means	0532	Mayor		Message and order for your approval, an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Thirty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Four Dollars (\$34,294.00) to provide funding for a City Department for the FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Office and professional Employees International Union, Local 6.	3/20/2024	

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	0533	Mayor		Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for various departments for the FY24 in the amount of Thirty-Four Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Four Dollars (\$34,294.00) to cover the FY24 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Office and Professional Employees International Union, Local 6. The terms of the contract are July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027. The major provisions for the contract include base wage increases of 2% to be given in October of each fiscal year of the contract term and flat amounts of \$500, \$250, \$900, and \$800 to be added to annual salaries in January of each fiscal year. Filed in Office of the City Clerk on March 18, 2024.	3/20/2024	
Whole	0118	Mayor		Notice was received from the Mayor of the reappointment of Rafaela Polanco Garca as a Member to the Boston School Committee.	1/1/2024	1/1/2024-Placed on file for committee assignment.
Whole	0119	Mayor		Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Chantal Lima Barbosa as a Member to the Boston School Committee.	1/1/2024	1/1/2024-Placed on file for committee assignment.
Whole	0120	Mayor		Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Priscilla MacKenzie "Kenzie" Bok as a Member of the Commemoration Commission.	1/1/2024	1/1/2024-Placed on file for committee assignment.
Whole	0121	Mayor		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 December 6, 2023.	1/1/2024	1/1/2024- Placed on file for committee assignment.
Whole	0122	Mayor		Communication was received from the Professional Firefighters of Massachusetts requesting the Boston City Council reconsider their position and approve the grant from the FY2023 Urban Area Security Initiative.	1/1/2024	1/1/2024-Placed on file for committee assignment.
Whole	0124	Mayor		Communication was received from the Boston Air Pollution Control Commission regarding the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance Regulations Statements of Fiscal Effect and Small Business Impact report.	1/1/2024	1/1/2024- Placed on file for committee assignment.



OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NATIONAL MEDAL OF HONOR DAY

**WHEREAS:** The Medal of Honor is the U.S. Armed Forces highest military decoration. According to the Congressional Medal of Honor Society, it is awarded by the President of the United States to recognize U.S. military personnel who have demonstrated “gallantry and intrepidity, at the risk of their lives, above and beyond the call of duty”; *and*

**WHEREAS:** Each year, March 25 marks National Medal of Honor Day. This date was selected as the first Medals of Honor of the country were given out on March 25, 1863 to recognize six members of Andrews’ Raiders during the American Civil War for their military valor. In 1991, Congress formally established National Medal of Honor Day to foster public appreciation and recognition of Medal of Honor Recipients; *and*

**WHEREAS:** Since 1863, there have been 3,517 recipients of the Medal of Honor in the United States. Today, there are 63 living Medal of Honor Recipients, who have served in conflicts including World War II, the Korean War, Vietnam War and the Global War on Terrorism; *and*

**WHEREAS:** In Boston, Thomas Gunning Kelley, Captain, U.S. Navy (Retired), is a Medal of Honor recipient for his military valor during the Vietnam War. Captain Kelley also served as Secretary of the Massachusetts Department of Veterans’ Service from 2003 to 2011. Now retired, he volunteers regularly at the monthly Veterans Lunch held at St. Anthony’s Shrine in partnership with the New England Center for Homeless Veterans. We recognize the longtime advocacy and service of Captain Kelley and his lifelong commitment to veterans and military families throughout the country; *and*

**WHEREAS:** On each and every National Medal of Honor Day, we recognize and celebrate our recipients who have shown remarkable bravery and valor during military combat. We also remember and honor all those who have made the supreme sacrifice, as well as our veterans, and military families for their important contributions and sacrifices to our country; *and*

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED:**

That the Boston City Council proclaims March 25, 2024 as National Medal of Honor Day, honors our past and present Medal of Honor recipients and recognizes the contributions and sacrifices of our U.S. Armed Forces, veterans and military families.

**Filed on:** March 25, 2024

*By:* \_\_\_\_\_  
President of the City Council

*Attest:* \_\_\_\_\_  
Clerk of the City Council

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

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

City of Boston  
IN  
CITY COUNCIL



IN TRIBUTE

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

Wilena Julien

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

Wednesday, April 3, 2024

Sincerely: \_\_\_\_\_  
President of the City Council

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

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

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Rosa Baptista DaLomba

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President of the City Council

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

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



# OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY

**CITY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN**

波士頓市議會議員 - 愛德華、費連

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

**MEI YAO CHIN WONG**

黃陳美瑤

IN RECOGNITION OF:

**YOUR SERVICE AND DEDICATION OVER THE YEARS, YOUR HEART AND COMMITMENT TO SERVE IS  
ADMIRABLE; WE ARE SINCERELY GRATEFUL FOR YOUR HARD WORK AND SPIRIT! AND BE IT RESOLVED  
THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL SENDS ITS BEST WISHES TO YOU, AND 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

Presented by

**Council President Ruthzee Louijeune**

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

**Colette Phillips**

In Recognition of:

**An iconic cultural change catalyst who is indefatigable in creating space for people often overlooked and for never taking no for an answer. You continue to break glass ceilings as a trailblazing woman in our city and we honor you during Women's History 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.





## Official Resolution

Presented by

**Council President Ruthzee Louijeune**

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

**Phil Celeste**

In Recognition of:

**Your contributions to the Jamaica Plain Community for over 15 years.**

**“On Centre” is a true treasure and we wish you a retirement filled with health,  
happiness and adventure**

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.

# City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



## Official Resolution of City Councilor Enrique J. Pepén

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


**Mimi Turchinetz**

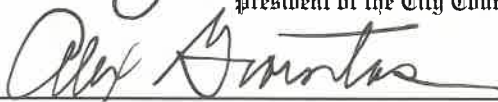
In Recognition of:

**Your selfless dedication and care for the Hyde Park Neighborhood  
Association, Friends of Hyde Park Branch Library, Hyde Park Historical  
Society, and the larger community!**

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: March 27, 2024