



**CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL**

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

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF BOSTON FULFILLING
ITS PROMISE TO MEET THE MADISON PARK TECHNICAL
VOCATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE**

- WHEREAS,** Madison Park Technical Vocational High School, the only vocational-technical school in the Boston Public Schools (BPS) system, serves as a citywide institution providing critical Career and Technical Education (CTE) programs that prepare students and adult learners for the modern workforce; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The facilities at Madison Park Technical Vocational High School are outdated and inadequate, hindering the school's ability to fully support its students and meet the growing demands of technical education, despite its critical importance to Boston's economic future; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The City of Boston had previously committed to a timeline for the Madison Park Technical Vocational High School construction project, which was supposed to be shovel-ready by Summer 2025; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The City recently determined that the Madison Park renovation costs exceed the initial budget and has chosen to delay the project to seek funding from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA), a process with no guaranteed outcome, potentially escalating costs, delaying critical improvements, or risking permanently pausing the project; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Delaying the project to pursue MSBA funding, which is not guaranteed, undermines the City's prior commitments and creates uncertainty for current and future members of the Madison Park community. It also postpones critical investments in Boston's students, families, and workforce; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Timely and decisive action by the City of Boston to prioritize the Madison Park renovation, even amid financial challenges, would demonstrate fiscal responsibility in utilizing taxpayer funds, transparency through community

engagement, and a steadfast commitment to providing high-quality facilities for the City's only comprehensive vocational-technical high school; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council urges the City to move forward with the Madison Park Technical Vocational High School project as originally planned, with the site shovel-ready in Spring/Summer 2025 to demonstrate Boston's commitment to its students and future.

Filed on: January 29, 2025