

December 13, 2023

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Boston was held in the Christopher A. Iannella Chamber, City Hall on Wednesday, December 13, 2023 at 12:07 P.M.

President Flynn in the Chair. Absent, Councilor Fernandes Anderson.

Father Joseph M. White, St. Joseph's Parrish, delivered the invocation and the meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

President Flynn moved to adopt the minutes from the December 6, 2023 meeting. Motion Prevailed.

Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eight Hundred Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$816,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Electric Blue Bikes Adoption grant, awarded by the United States Department of Transportation, passed through the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization, to be administered by the Policy and Planning Division in the Boston Transportation Department (BTD). The grant will fund the introduction of electric-assist bikes (e-bikes) into the City of Boston's publicly owned and managed Blue Bike share system.

Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation. Later in the session, Councilor Baker moved for reconsideration of Docket #1819.

Reconsideration prevailed.

On the motion of Councilor Baker, the rules were suspended; the order was passed.

- 1820 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) in the form of a grant for the BHCCI Connect, Learn & Explore Grant, awarded by Boston Children's Hospital to be administered by the Office of Early Childhood. The grant will fund the Boston Healthy Child Care Initiative and the Office of Early Childhood's Connect, Learn and Explore Initiative. Referred to the Committee on Strong Women, Families and Communities.
- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Mayor's Civic Summit, awarded by the Donor Group to be administered by the Office of Civic Organizing. The grant will fund the support costs of the Mayor's Inaugural Civic Summit.

The rules were suspended; the order was passed.

Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend an in-kind donation of food and event space, valued at Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00), donated by Boston University. The purpose of this donation is to support the inaugural Mayor's Civic Summit, which will occur on Saturday, January 13, 2024 at Boston University. The Mayor's Civic Summit will train and connect 200 Boston residents across neighborhoods in skill-based workshops, panels, and networking activities focused on leadership, fundraising, and communication, among other topics.

The rules were suspended; the order was passed.

1823 Communication was received from Maureen Joyce, City Auditor; transmitting reports listing transfers made solely for the purpose of closing accounts for Fiscal Year 2023.

Placed on File.

Councilor Arroyo on behalf of the Committee on Government Operations, submitted the following:

Olimate Operation on Government Operations, to which was referred on January 11, 2023, Docket #0137, Ordinance Establishing Protections for the City of Boston Tree Canopy, submits a report recommending that the Ordinance ought to pass in a new draft.

The report was accepted; the ordinance was passed in a new draft. Councilor Flaherty on behalf of the Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice, submitted the following:

1701 On the message and order, referred on November 13, 2023, Docket #1701, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Three Hundred Fifty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$1,358,100.00) in the form of a grant for the FY22 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Operation and Safety, awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund the procurement of Personal Protective Equipment / bailout systems and the training required to use this PPE safely, as well as fund cancer and cardiac screening programs to provide early clinical detection of members, the committee submitted a report recommending the order ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the order was passed; yeas 12, absent 1 (Fernandes Anderson).

On the message and order, referred on November 13, 2023, Docket #1704, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY23 COPS Accreditation Project, awarded by the United States Department of Justice to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund accreditation process though the purchase of PowerDMS to document objective evidence of CALEA and MPAC requirements, the committee submitted a report recommending the order ought to pass. The report was accepted; the order was passed; yeas 12, absent 1 (Fernandes Anderson).

- On the message and order, referred on November 13, 2023, Docket #1705, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Forty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Dollars and Forty-Seven Cents (\$47,890.47) in the form of a grant, for the FY22 Fire Prevention and Safety Grant Program (FP&S), awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund the purchase of an evidence management system and necessary supporting items and provide one-time training to personnel of the Fire Investigation Unit on the use of system, the committee submitted a report recommending the order ought to pass.

 The report was accepted; the order was passed; yeas 12, absent 1 (Fernandes Anderson).
- 1749 On the message and order, referred on November 27, 2023, Docket #1749, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000.00) in the form of grant for the FY23 COPS CD Micro-Grant-Community Policing Development, awarded by the United States Department of Justice to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund Building Trust and Legitimacy with Community Building. With COPS Community Development Micro funding, the Boston Police Department will hire two full time BRIC Data Analysts to work with the Bureau of Field Services, and the 11 District Captains and Community Service Offices; the Bureau of Community Engagement to help connect with an even wider range of community partners; other Bureaus that will add data and information to the Community CompStat meetings; and the Office of Research and Development's civilian HUB Program Coordinator, who operates 6 District HUB Table convening per week throughout the neighborhoods of Boston, the committee submitted a report recommending the order ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the order was passed; yeas 7, nays 5 (Arroyo, Lara, Louijeune, Mejia, Worrell), absent 1 (Fernandes Anderson).

On the message and order, referred on November 27, 2023, Docket #1796, 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, the committee submitted a report recommending the order ought to pass.

The order failed to pass; yeas 6, nays 6 (Arroyo, Breadon, Lara, Louijeuene, Mejia, Worrell), absent 1 (Fernandes Anderson).

<u>0160</u> Order for a hearing regarding the supplemental sidewalk clearance program during snowstorms in Boston.

Remains in the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology. Councilor Worrell on behalf of the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology, submitted the following:

- 1578 On the message and order, referred on October 18, 2023, Docket #1578, for your approval an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by One Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$145,545.00) to provide funding for the Boston Public Schools for FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the Boston Public Schools and the Boston School Department Plant Administrators Association, the committee submitted a report recommending the order ought to pass.

 The report was accepted; the order was passed; yeas 12, absent 1 (Fernandes Anderson).
- 1579 On the message and order, referred on October 18, 2023, Docket #1579, for a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston School Department for FY24 in the amount of One Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$145,545.00) to cover the FY24 cost contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston Public Schools and the Boston School Department Plant Administrators Association. The terms of the contract are September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2026. The major provisions of the contract include base wage increases of 2%, 2.5%, 2.5%, 2.5%, 2% and 2% to be given in September of each fiscal year of the contract terms. The agreement also includes increases to on call pay and comp-time policies, the committee submitted a report recommending the order ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the order was passed; yeas 12, absent 1 (Fernandes Anderson).

- 1812 On the message and order, referred on December 6, 2023, Docket #1812, for your approval, an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Sixteen Million Seven Hundred Ninety Nine Thousand Four Hundred Forty Dollars(\$16,799,440.00) to provide funding for the Boston Police Department for the FY24 increase contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and Boston Police Patrolman's Association, the committee submitted a report recommending the order ought to pass.

 The report was accepted; the order was passed; yeas 12, absent 1 (Fernandes Anderson).
- 1813 On the message and order, referred on December 6, 2023, Docket #1813, for a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston Police Department for FY24 in the amount of Thirty Million Seven Hundred Ninety Nine Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Four Dollars (\$30,799,440.00) to cover the FY24 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Boston Police Patrolman's Association. The terms of the contract 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% and 2%, 1% and 2.5%, to be given in July of each year of the contract term, as well the addition of the Transitional Career Award Program in July 2023. The contract also contains reforms relating to discipline officer return to duty, the paid detail system, and union release, the committee submitted a report recommending the order ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the order was passed; yeas 12, absent 1 (Fernandes Anderson).

Councilor Arroyo on behalf of the Committee on Government Operations, submitted the following:

- Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to Voting For All Legal Residents in the City of Boston.

 The report was accepted; the petition was passed in a new draft; yeas 8, nays 4 (Baker, Flaherty, Flynn, Murphy), absent 1 (Fernandes Anderson).
- 1824 Councilor Murphy and Flynn offered the following: Order requesting certain information under Section 17F re: BPS code of conduct violations data.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

1825 Councilor Flynn for Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Yuqing Sun, Priscilla Tagoes and Ewura Yankah in City Council, effective December 30, 2023. Passed under suspension of the rules.

The Chair stated that in absence of objection, fifteen late file matters would be added to the Agenda. No objection being heard, the following matters were added.

- 1836 Notice was received from Councilor Fernandes Anderson of her absence from the December 13, 2023 City Council Meeting.

 Placed on File.
- Councilor Flaherty and Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Ann Marie "Sugar" Long.On motion of Councilors Flaherty and Flynn, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.
- 1838 Councilor Flynn for Councilor Coletta offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees; Elaine Donovan, Judith E. Evers, Jack Imbergamo, Sebastian Parra, Gabriela Ramirez and Elizabeth Sanchez, in City Council, effective December 9, 2023.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1839 Councilor Flynn for Councilor Coletta offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees; Elaine Donovan, Judith E. Evers, Jack Imbergamo, Sebastian Parra, Gabriela Ramirez and Elizabeth Sanchez in City Council, effective December 16, 2023.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- Councilor Flynn for Councilor Durkan offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Kennedy Avery, Anthony Baez and Jacob Werner in City Council, effective December 16, 2023. Passed under suspension of the rules.
- Councilor Flynn for Councilor Flaherty offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Clare Brooks, Kathleen Curley, Tricia Kalayajian, Mary Karski and Paul Sullivan in City Council, effective December 9, 2023.
 - Passed under suspension of the rules.
- Councilor Flynn for Councilor Flaherty offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Clare Brooks, Kathleen Curley, Tricia Kalayajian, Mary Karski and Paul Sullivan in City Council, effective December 16, 2023.
 - Passed under suspension of the rules.

- 1843 Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Ana E Calderon, Charles Levin, Melissa Lo, Laura Toledano, Sophia Wang and Vanessa Woo in City Council, effective December 9, 2023.
 - Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1844 Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Ana E. Calderon, Charles Levin, Melissa Lo, Laura Toledano, Sophia Wang and Vanessa Woo in City Council, effective December 16, 2023.
 - Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1845 Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Ana E. Calderon, Charles Levin, Melissa Lo, Laura Toledano, Sophia Wang and Vanessa Woo in City Council, effective December 30, 2023.
 - Passed under suspension of the rules.
- Councilor Flynn for Councilor Lara offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Chuckwuemeka Osuagwu in City Council, effective December 9, 2023.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- Councilor Flynn for Councilor Lara offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Chuckwuemeka Osuagwu in City Council, effective December 16, 2023.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1848 Councilor Flynn for Councilor Mejia offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Dulce M. Bernal-Sandoval, Julisa Curet Rodriguez, Luz Johanna Perez Borbon and Millie Rivera in City Council, effective December 9, 2023.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1849 Councilor Flynn for Councilor Mejia offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Dulce M. Bernal-Sandoval, Julisa Curet Rodriguez, Luz Johanna Perez Borbon and Millie Rivera in City Council, effective December 16, 2023.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1850 Councilor Flynn for Councilor Murphy offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Kevin O'Sullivan in City Council, effective December 30, 2023.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.

Order authorizing the City of Boston to appropriate the amount of Seventeen Million One Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$17,165,000.00) for the purpose of paying the costs associated with the boiler, roof, windows and doors replacement projects as the following schools: The Jeremiah E. Burke High School, The English High School, Dennis C. Haley Pilot School and the Dr. William W. Henderson Inclusion Upper School. The City of Boston has applied for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), from the Committee on Ways and Means.

No objection being heard, the matter was before the body.

Committee members polled; yeas 5.

On motion of Councilor Louijeune, the order was read a second time and again passed; yeas 11, not present 1 (Worrell), absent 1 (Fernandes Anderson).

/13/23 Legislative Calendar for December 13, 2023.

The Chair moved adoption of a Consent Agenda containing the following matters:

- **1826 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing the U.S. Army and U.S. Navy.
- **1827** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Eran Shapiro.
- **1828** Councilor Coletta offered the following: Resolution recognizing Barbera VanDuzer Babin.
- **1829 Councilor Coletta offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Edward Grace.
- **1830** Councilor Arroyo offered the following: Resolution in memory of Clarence Dilday.
- **1831** Councilor Mejia offered the following: Resolution recognizing 14 people in partnership with LULAC Evolution Boston.
- 1832 Councilor Mejia offered the following: Resolution recognizing 3 people for their dedication to the Latino community and Boston through their entrepreneurial and community endeavors.
- **1833** Councilor Baker offered the following: Resolution congratulating Steven Tankle.
- **1834** Councilor Flaherty and Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Ann Marie "Sugar" Long.
- **1835** Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Resolution Recognizing Imam Faaruuq.

The matters contained within the Consent Agenda were severally adopted.

Adjourned at 2:58 p.m. on motion of President Flynn, in memory of Clara Polizzi, Leslie Ann Seaman, Paul C. Izzo, Jr., Karen Marie Ulwick, Carole M. Scalli, Maria Australia Vasquez, Carmella D. Constant and Guy Targete the meeting concluded sine die.

Attested:

Alex Geourntas City Clerk