

June 11, 2025

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Boston was held in the Christopher A. Iannella Chamber, City Hall on Wednesday, June 11, 2025 at 12:06 p.m.

President Louijeune in the Chair. All Councilors Present.

Rabbi Yitzhak Aharon Korff, City of Boston, delivered the invocation and the meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance.

The Chair moved to adopt the minutes from the June 4, 2025 meeting. Motion Prevailed.

Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Two Hundred Seventy-One Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Dollars and Thirty-Eight Cents (\$1,271,380.38) in the form of a grant, for the WIOA Youth Program Grant, awarded by the United States Department of Labor, passed through the MassHire Department of Career Services, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund a comprehensive youth employment programs to serve eligible youth, ages 14-24, who face barriers to education, training, and employment.

Referred to the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic Development.

- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Hundred Twenty-Three Thousand One Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars (\$423,132.00) in the form of a grant, awarded by the United States Department of the Treasury, passed through the MassHire Department of Career Services, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund and support jobs seekers by providing staffing at the MassHire Career Centers to help them enroll in education and training programs funded by ARPA upskilling. Referred to the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic Development.
- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Fifty Thousand One Hundred Fifty-One Dollars and Eighty-Five Cents (\$350,151.85) in the form of a grant for the Carry-In RESEA Program for Field CY24 Grant, awarded by the United States Department of Labor, passed through the MassHire Department of Career Services, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund individual reemployment needs of Unemployment Insurance claimants, as well as prevent and detect improper benefit payments, and application assistance for training and education resources and programs. Referred to the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic Development.

- 1191 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Twenty-Nine Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Nine Dollars and Seventy-Four Cents (\$229,879.74) in the form of a grant, for the Shared Street and Spaces Grant, awarded by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation to be administered by the Transportation Department. The grant will fund safety infrastructure design and construction for a more accessible Goodearl Square.

 The rules were suspended; the order was passed.
- 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 Boston Climate Jobs Alliance Grant, awarded by Citizens Bank Foundation/ Community Relations to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund critical outreach and job coaching for workers in training to ensure placement into jobs that enhance climate resilience as part of the Boston Climate Jobs Alliance.

 Referred to the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic Development.
- 1193 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Liberty Mutual Climate Resiliency Grant, awarded by Liberty Mutual Foundation, Inc., to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund mitigative and adaptive approaches to climate change. By supporting innovative solutions, scaling proven strategies, and promoting nature-based initiatives, this funding empowers grassroots efforts to tackle environmental challenges. Referred to the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic Development.
- 1194 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seventy-Seven Thousand One Hundred Twenty-Two Dollars and Thirty-Five Cents (\$77,122.35) in the form of a grant, the Carry-In WIOA Dislocated Workers Administration Grant, awarded by United States Department of Labor, passed through the MassHire Department of Career Services, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund administrative cost associated with providing programming to help dislocated workers get back to work as quickly as possible and overcome barriers to employment.

 Referred to the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic Development.
- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$70,000.00) in the form of a grant, from the Friends of Youth Opportunity Boston, awarded by State Street Global Advisors to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund young people ages 14-24 an opportunity to work and learn, along with intensive staff support. Referred to the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic Development.

- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Sixty Thousand Five Hundred Seventy-Three Dollars and Thirty-Five Cents (\$60,573.35) in the form of a grant, for the Carry-In WIOA Adult Administration Grant, awarded by the United States Department of Labor, passed through the MassHire Department of Career Services, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant would fund administrative cost associated with Boston's MassHire Career Centers, which help resident adult job seekers access employment, education, job training, apprenticeship, and support services. Referred to the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic Development.
- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Fifty Thousand Twenty-Seven Dollars and Fifty-Five Cents (\$50,027.55) in the form a grant from the Department of Transitional WPP Grant, awarded by MassHire Department of Career Services to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund employment and training assistance, career counseling and job search assistance for individuals in need who receive cash assistance, food assistance, and housing assistance, to help transition from temporary to self-sufficiency.
 - Referred to the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic Development.
- 1198 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Thirty-Four Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars and Thirty-Six Cents (\$34,349.36) in the form of a grant, for the Carry-In Regional Planning Grant, awarded by the United States Department of Labor, passed through the MassHire Department of Career Services, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund regional planning efforts to address the creation of regional pipeline programming for high demand industries and occupations in alignment with regional planning priorities.
 - Referred to the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic Development.
- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Three Dollars and Seventy-Seven Cents (\$8,943.77) in the form of a grant, awarded by MassHire Department of Career Services to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund employment and training assistance, career counseling and job search assistance for disabled individuals who are clients at Boston MassHire Career Centers. Referred to the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic Development.
- 1200 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Thousand Seventy-Four Dollars and Ninety-Four Cents (\$3,074.94) in the form of a grant for the SCSEP Grant, awarded by the MassHire Department of Career Services to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund employment and training assistance, career counseling and job search assistance for older adults and individuals with disabilities who are clients at Boston's MassHire Career Centers.

Referred to the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic Development.

- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-One Dollars and Eight Cents (\$1,861.08) in the form of a grant, for the Trade Adjustment Assistance Grant, awarded by the United States Department of Labor, passed through the MassHire Department of Career Services, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund reemployment services to workers who have lost their jobs or experienced a reduction in hours and wages due to increased imports or shifts in production outside the United States.
 - Referred to the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic Development.
- 1202 Communication was received from the Mayor in regards to the FY2026 Budget that has taken effect.
 Placed on file.
- 1203 Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Andrea Caruth, as Director of the Department of Supplier Diversity, effective June 9, 2025. Placed on file.
- 1204 Communication was received from Dr. Samuel DePina, Deputy Superintendent of Operations, Boston Public Schools, transferring certain information under Section 17F; relative to conduct and safety procedures and policies for Boston Public Schools in District 3, on Docket #1142, passed by the Council on June 4, 2025. Placed on file.
- 1205 The Constable Bonds of Ruth Baez-Velez, Russell C. Castagne, Derrick Hughes and Mark Weisberg having been duly approved by the Collector-Treasurer were received and approved under the usual terms and conditions.

Councilor Santana, on behalf of the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice, submitted the following:

On the message and order, referred on February 5, 2025, Docket #0394, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand One Hundred Seven Dollars and Thirty-Nine Cents (\$1,735,107.39) in the form of a grant, for the FY25 Senator Charles E. Shannon Jr. Community Safety Initiative Grant awarded by MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund regional and multi-disciplinary approaches to combat gang violence through coordinated prevention and intervention, law enforcement, prosecution, and reintegration programs, the committee submitted a report recommending the order ought to pass. The report was accepted; the order was passed.

Councilor Breadon, on behalf of the Committee on Housing & Community Development, submitted the following:

On the message and order, referred on April 16, 2025, Docket #0888, 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 Federal FY25 Housing for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), 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 services for income-eligible individuals and families affected by AIDS. The award amount is estimated from prior years, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the order was passed.

On the message and order, referred on April 16, 2025, Docket #0889, 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 FY25 Emergency Solutions Grant, 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 the street outreach, emergency shelter, homelessness prevention, rapid re-housing assistance, and shelter services. The award amount is estimated from prior years, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the order was passed.

On the message and order, referred on April 16, 2025, Docket #0885, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eighteen Million Dollars (\$18,000,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal FY25 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), awarded by the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund housing, economic development and social services program. The award amount is estimated from prior years, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the order was passed.

On the message and order, referred on April 16, 2025, Docket #0886, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Six Million Dollars (\$6,000,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY25 HOME Investment Partnerships Program Grant, 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 the production of new affordable rental and homeownership housing, and also provide operating support for community development corporations. The award amount is estimated from prior years, the committed submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the order was passed.

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

1187 On the communication referred on June 4, 2025, Docket #1187, communication was received from Eneida Tavares, Chair of the Board of Election, regarding the Citizen Petition to create an Office of Inspector General, the committee submitted a report recommending that this matter ought to pass in a new draft.

Remains in the Committee on Government Operations.

Order for a hearing to discuss pedestrian safety, traffic calming, and expanding the safety surge program in the City of Boston.Remains in the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.

- <u>0423</u> Order for a hearing to review the effectiveness of speed humps in Boston. Remains in the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of J. Andres Bernal as an Alternate Member of the Zoning Board of Appeal, for a term expiring July 1, 2027.
 On motion of Councilor Durkan, the appointment was confirmed.
- Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Lisa Tharp as a Primary Member of the Back Bay Architectural District Commission for a term expiring on December 31, 2028.On motion of Councilor Durkan, the appointment was confirmed.
- Order for a hearing on government accountability, transparency, and accessibility of decision making protocols in city government.
 Remains in the Committee on Government Accountability, Transparency, and Accessibility.
- Councilor Coletta Zapata, Breadon, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson,
 FitzGerald, Louijeune, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the
 following: Ordinance amending the City of Boston Code, Section 6-6.3,
 Schedule of Parking Fines.
 Referred to the Committee on Government Operations.
- 1207 Councilor Murphy, FitzGerald and Flynn offered the following: Order for a hearing to review the traffic and parking management plan for White Stadium game days.

 Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- Councilor Flynn, FitzGerald, Santana, Breadon, Coletta Zapata, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Weber and Worrell offered the following: Resolution denouncing the renaming of US Navy Ship Harvey Milk and other US Navy Ships named after important Civil Rights Advocates.
 On motion of Councilors Flynn and FitzGerald, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Santana as an original co-sponsor.
 On motion of Councilors Flynn, FitzGerald and Santana, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 13.
- Councilor Flynn, Breadon, Mejia and Weber offered the following:
 Resolution in support of establishing a Blue Ribbon Commission to study and address Downtown Office Vacancies and City Revenue.
 On motion of Councilor Flynn, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 12, present 1 (Durkan).
- 1210 Councilor Louijeune, Durkan, Santana, Breadon, Coletta Zapata, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Weber and Worrell offered the following: Resolution in support of home care workers bargaining for a fair contract.

 On motion of Councilors Louijeune and Durkan, Rule 12 was invoked to

include Councilor Santana as an original co-sponsor.

On motion of Councilors Louijeune, Durkan and Santana, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.

- Councilor Pepén, Worrell, Santana, Breadon, Coletta Zapata, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy and Weber offered the following: Resolution recognizing June as Men's Mental Health Awareness Month in the City of Boston.

 On motion of Councilors Pepén and Worrell, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Santana as an original co-sponsor.

 On motion of Councilors Pepén, Worrell and Santana, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted
- 1212 Councilor Murphy, Flynn and FitzGerald offered the following:
 Resolution in support of extended hybrid work accommodations for
 Rosemarie Pessia during cancer treatment.
 Referred to the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic
 Development.

The Chair stated in absence of objection, 16 late file matters would be added to the Agenda. No objection heard, the following items were added:

- Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Coletta Zapata offered the following:
 Order for the appointment of temporary employee Sebastian Parra in City
 Council, effective June 21, 2025.
 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1239 Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Coletta Zapata offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Elaine Donovan, Samantha Peracchi, Gabriela Ramirez and Elizabeth Sanchez in City Council, effective June 21, 2025.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1240 Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Coletta Zapata offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Elaine Donovan, Sebastian Parra, Samantha Peracchi, Gabriela Ramirez and Elizabeth Sanchez in City Council, effective June 14, 2025.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Worrell offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Hairani Armaya Doremi in City Council, effective June 14, 2025.
 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1242 Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Worrell offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Stephan Clarke, Timothy Guimond, Matthew Martinelli, Anastasia Owen, Alexander Scotland, Anushree Sahay and Angela Yarde in City Council, effective June 14, 2025. Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1243 Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Worrell offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Stephan Clarke and Alexander Scotland in City Council, effective June 21, 2025.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Worrell offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Timothy J. Guimond, Matthew Martinelli, Anastasia Owen, Anushree Sahay and Angela Yarde in City Council, effective June 21, 2025.
 Passed under suspension of the rules.

- 1245 Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Murphy offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Andrew Galvin and Anthony Gilardi in City Council, effective June 20, 2025.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1246 Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Order for the appointment of central staff employees in City Council, effective June 7, 2025.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1247 Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees in City Council, effective June 14, 2025.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston Public Schools Department for FY25 in the amount of Three Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand Nine Hundred One Dollars (\$394,901.00) to cover the FY25 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the School Committee of the City of Boston and the Administrative Guild, SEIU Local 888. The terms of the contracts are September I, 2024 through August 31, 2027. The major provisions of the contracts include base wage increases of 2% and flat amounts of \$250, \$900, and \$850 to be given in September of each fiscal year of the contract term. The contract also supports increased opportunities for professional development and mentoring.

Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on June 11, 2025.

On motion of Councilor Worrell, the rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 12, not present 1 (Fernandes Anderson).

- Message and order for your approval an Order to reduce the FY25 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Three Hundred Ninety-Four Thousand Nine Hundred One Dollars (\$394,901.00) to provide funding for the Boston Public Schools for FY25 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the School Committee of the City of Boston and the Administrative Guild, SEIU Local 888.

 On motion of Councilor Worrell, the rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 11, not present 2 (Fernandes Anderson, Flynn).
- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a monetary donation, valued at One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) donated GWK Investment. The purpose of the donation is to support the SPARK Pride Event, which will occur on June 18th, 2025.

 The rules were suspended; the order was passed.
- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend an in-kind donation valued at Four Thousand Dollars (\$4,000.000), representing the cost of a Google Meet BOX, donated by Lenovo. The rules were suspended; the order was passed.
- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept an in-kind donation of food, valued at Two Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$2,325.00), donated by Northeastern University. The purpose of the donation is to support the SPARK Council chats, which will occur May through August 2025.

The rules were suspended; the order was passed.

- Councilor Worrell, Louijeune, Mejia, Breadon, Coletta Zapata,
 Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Murphy, Pepén,
 Santana and Weber offered the following: Resolution recognizing
 Juneteenth in the City of Boston.
 On motion of Councilor Worrell, Rule 12 was invoked to include
 Councilors Louijeune and Mejia as original co-sponsors.
 On motion of Councilor Worrell, Louijeune and Mejia, the rules were suspended; the Resolution was adopted.
- <u>11/25</u> Legislative Calendar for June 11, 2025. The Chair moved adoption of a Consent Agenda containing the following items:
 - 1213 Councilor Santana offered the following: Resolution recognizing 4 people at the 2025 Men's Mind, Body & Spirit Summit.
 - 1214 Councilor Santana offered the following: Resolution recognizing 141 organizations and individuals for their leadership and contribution to Santana's Pride events 2025.
 - **1215** Councilor Santana offered the following: Resolution recognizing Rosabelli Coelho.
 - 1216 Councilor FitzGerald offered the following: Resolution recognizing Savin Hill Yacht Club.
 - **1217 Councilor Breadon offered the following:** Resolution in memory of Louise Bonar.
 - 1218 Councilor Santana offered the following: Resolution recognizing Lu Agosti and Justin Liu.
 - **1219** Councilor Durkan offered the following: Resolution recognizing Fran Gershwin.
 - **1220** Councilor Durkan offered the following: Resolution celebrating Charlesgate Alliance.
 - **1221** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution congratulating Susan Rolfe, RN.
 - 1222 Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Black Seed Cafe & Grill.
 - **1223** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing EMPath Economic Mobility Pathways.
 - **1224** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Rosa Sobradelo.
 - **1225** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Haley House.
 - **1226** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Jovita Fontanez.
 - **1227 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing May's Cake House.
 - **1228** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Drydock Cafe.
 - 1229 Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Blackstone Franklin Square Neighborhood Association.

- **1230** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Worcester Square Area Neighborhood Association.
- **1231** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Cruz Companies, Inc.
- 1232 Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Jacques' Cabaret.
- 1233 Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing American Provisions.
- **1234** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing JJ Foley's Cafe.
- 1235 Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Peach Farm Restaurant.
- 1236 Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing East Berkeley Neighborhood Association.
- **1237 Councilor Murphy offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Mrs. Olivia Cichon.

The Chair stated in absence of objection, two late file matters would be added to the Consent Agenda. No objection heard, the following items were added:

- 1254 Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution congratulating Dr. Noelle Trent & The Museum of African American History.
- 1255 Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution congratulating Amanda Shea.

The matters contained within the Consent Agenda were severally adopted.

Adjourned at 2:52 p.m. on motion of President LOUIJEUNE, and in memory of Louise Bonar, Tiffany Lamar, Carl "Papa J" Johnson, Giancarlo " Gian" Gonzalez, to meet again on Wednesday, June 25, 2025 at 12:00 p.m.