



**March 06, 2024**

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Boston was held in the Christopher A. Iannella Chamber, City Hall on Wednesday, March 6, 2024 at 12:05 P.M.

President Louijeune in the Chair. All Councilors Present.

Rabbi Y.A. Korff, Pastor Mariama White Hammond, and Imam Vincent Ware delivered the invocation and the meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

President Louijeune moved to adopt the minutes from the February 28, 2024 meeting.  
Motion Prevailed.

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- 0459** Message and order for your approval, an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Two Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$2,945.00) 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 New York Typographical Union CWA Local 14156.  
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.
- 0460** Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for the FY24 in the amount of Two Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$2,945.00) to cover the FY24 cost items contained with the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the New York Typographical Union CWA Local 14156. The terms of the contract are July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027. The major provisions of the contract include base wage increases of 2% to be given in January of each fiscal year of the contract term and a flat amount of \$500, \$250, \$900 and \$800 to be added to annual salaries in January of each fiscal year, after the 2% increase.  
Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on March 4, 2024.  
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.
- 0461** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Million Six Hundred Fifty Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$2,650,633.20) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 State Elder Lunch Program, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund nutrition services for older adults in the City of Boston, at a rate of \$7.39 per meal for up to 358,679 meals.  
The rules were suspended; the order was passed.
- 0462** Message and order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston (the “City”) to modify the expenditure in the amount of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00), previously accepted by City Council on July 13, 2022 to support municipal infrastructure for food waste disposal. Such Grant Payment was made from the Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund in the Treasury of the United States established by Section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.  
The rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.

- 0463** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Five Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Dollars and Seventy-Seven Cents (1,525,380.77) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Nutrition Services Incentive Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund the Age Strong Commission's nutrition program that delivers meals to homes of older adults and at congregate sites in the City of Boston.  
Referred to the Committee on Strong Women, Families, and Communities.
- 0464** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Eighty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$187,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the East Boston Foundation Fund II, awarded by the Massachusetts Port Authority to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund Age Strong Commission's operations and management of the East Boston Senior Center.  
Referred to the Committee on Strong Women, Families, and Communities.
- 0465** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$180,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Creative Aging Program, awarded by Goddard House Assisted Living to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund bringing arts programming to older adults in Boston.  
Referred to the Committee on Strong Women, Families, and Communities.
- 0466** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Thirty-Six Thousand Six Hundred Fifteen Dollars (\$36,615.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY23 Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement State formula allocation, awarded by the United States Department of Justice, passed through the Massachusetts State Police / Crime Laboratory, to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund training and continuing education for forensic examiners, criminalists and laboratory personnel.  
The rules were suspended; the order was passed.
- 0467** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to submit a Statement of Interest to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) Core Program for The Boston Community Leadership Academy 7-12 School (BCLA) pursuant to M.G.L. c. 70B, § 5. The Statement of Interest describes and explains the deficiencies within the school facility that prevents Boston Public Schools (BPS) from delivering their desired educational program.  
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.
- 0468** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Richard Claytor, as a member of the Commission on Black Men and Boys, expiring on December 31, 2024.  
Placed on file.
- 0469** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Corey Thompson, as a member of the Commission on Black Men and Boys, expiring on December 31, 2024.  
Placed on file.

- 0470** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Tevez Schail, as a member of the Commission on Black Men and Boys, expiring on December 31, 2024.  
Placed on file.

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

- 0168** On the message and ordinance, referred on January 24, 2024, Docket #0168, with respect to Honey Bees, the Committee submitted a report recommending that the Ordinance ought to pass in a new draft.  
Councilor Worrell in the Chair.  
The report was accepted; the ordinance was passed in a new draft; yeas 13.
- 0169** On the message and ordinance, referred on January 24, 2024, Docket #0169, Text Amendment to the Boston Zoning Code with respect to Honey Bees, the Committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass.  
The report was accepted; the ordinance was passed; yeas 13.

On the motion of Council President Louijeune, Dockets 0476 and 0477 were taken out of order.

- 0476 Councilor Pepén, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Order for a hearing on technological improvements in Boston School Bus transportation.  
Councilor Louijeune in the Chair.  
Referred to the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology.
- 0477 Councilor Pepén, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Order for a hearing to explore the creation of Safe School Zones to improve pedestrian safety around all schools in the City of Boston.  
Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- 0471 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Worrell, Louijeune, Breadon, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Pepén, Santana and Weber offered the following:** Ordinance and amendment to the Boston Municipal Code in regard to measuring racial equity in affordable housing.  
On the motion of Councilors Fernandes Anderson and Worrell, Rule 12 was invoked to add Councilor Louijeune as an original co-sponsor.  
Referred to the Committee on Government Operations.
- 0472 Councilor Louijeune, Worrell, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Pepén and Weber offered the following:** Order for a flag raising to celebrate Montserrat.  
Councilor Breadon in the Chair.  
The rules were suspended; the order was passed.
- 0473 Councilor Durkan, Worrell, Fernandes Anderson, Breadon, Coletta, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Pepén, Santana and Weber offered the following:** Order for a hearing regarding a review of COVID-19 Recovery Funds.  
Councilor Louijeune in the Chair.  
On the motion of Councilors Durkan and Worrell, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Fernandes Anderson as an original co-sponsor.  
Referred to the Committee on Boston's COVID-19 Recovery.

**0474 Councilor Worrell, Flynn, Louijeune, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Mejia, Pepén, Santana and Weber offered the following:** Order for a hearing on a proposal for a Crispus Attucks statue.

On the motion of Councilor Worrell, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilors Flynn and Louijeune as original co-sponsors.

Referred to the Committee on Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism & Special Events.

On the motion of Council President Louijeune, Docket 0480 was taken out of order.

**0480 Councilor Worrell, Flynn, Louijeune, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Mejia, Pepén, Santana and Weber offered the following:** Resolution recognizing March 5th as Crispus Attucks Day in the City of Boston.

On the motion of Councilor Worrell, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilors Flynn and Louijeune as original co-sponsors.

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

**0475 Councilor Weber, Louijeune, Worrell, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Pepén and Santana offered the following:** Order for a hearing regarding biannual review of the Boston Employment Commission and Boston Residents Jobs Policy.

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

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

**0478 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Pepén, Santana and Weber offered the following:** Order for a hearing on provisions of temporary mental health treatment or interventions and preventions for children and youth before formal diagnosis.

Referred to the Committee on Public Health, Homelessness, and Recovery.

On the motion of Council President Louijeune, Docket 0481 was taken out of order.

**0481 Councilor Louijeune, Durkan, Coletta, Breadon, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing March as Women's History Month. Councilor Breadon in the Chair.

On the motion of Councilors Louijeune and Durkan, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Coletta as an original co-sponsor.

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

**0479 Councilor Worrell, Weber, Fernandes Anderson, Breadon, Coletta, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Pepén and Santana offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss projected commercial property tax values in Boston.

Councilor Louijeune in the Chair.

On the motion of Councilor Worrell, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilors Fernandes Anderson and Weber as original co-sponsors.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.



- 0482 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Louijeune, Mejia, Breadon, Coletta, FitzGerald, Flynn, Pepén, Santana, Weber, Worrell and Durkan offered the following:** Resolution to ensure that Boston Public Schools effectively address the needs of its Muslim students.  
On the motion of Councilors Fernandes Anderson and Louijeune, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Mejia as an original co-sponsor.  
On the motion of Councilors Fernandes Anderson, Louijeune, and Mejia, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.
- 0483 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Worrell, Breadon, Coletta, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Durkan offered the following:** Resolution to establish a digital marketplace pilot program.  
On the motion of Councilors Fernandes Anderson and Worrell, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 12, not present 1 (Murphy).
- 0484 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Louijeune, Breadon, Coletta, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Pepén, Santana, Weber, Worrell and Durkan offered the following:** Resolution recognizing the Independence of the West African nation of Ghana and their liberation from British Colonialism on March 6th, 1957.  
On the motion of Councilors Fernandes Anderson and Louijeune, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 12, not present 1 (Murphy).
- 0485 Councilor Flynn, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Louijeune, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution in support of establishing a Blue Ribbon Commission to study strategies in filling Downtown office vacancies.  
On the motion of Councilor Flynn, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 12, not present 1 (Murphy).
- 0486 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Louijeune, Breadon, Coletta, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Pepén, Santana, Weber, Worrell and Durkan offered the following:** Resolution to extend heartfelt wishes to the Muslim community during Ramadan.  
On the motion of Councilors Fernandes Anderson and Louijeune, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 12, not present 1 (Murphy).
- 0487 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Mejia, Pepén, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution to improve bus monitor pay rates and working conditions in the City of Boston.  
On the motion of Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilors Mejia and Pepén as original co-sponsors.  
Referred to the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic Development.
- 0488 Councilor Breadon, Louijeune, Mejia, Coletta, Durkan, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution calling for further measures to supplement inclusionary zoning and advance affordable housing in the City of Boston.  
On the motion of Councilors Breadon and Louijeune, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Mejia as an original co-sponsor.  
Referred to the Committee on Housing and Community Development.

**0489** **Councilor Murphy and Flynn offered the following:** Order requesting certain information under section 17F relative to the "Sundays for All" Hearing Order.

The rules were suspended; the order was passed.

**0490** **Councilor Coletta offered the following:** Order requesting certain information under section 17F relative to the operations of and assets held by the BRA(d/b/a BPDA/EDIC).

The rules were suspended; the order was passed.

**0491** Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Mejia offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Manuela Carvajal Suarez in City Council, effective March 11, 2024.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

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

**0500** Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Mejia offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Kiara D. Montes De Oca and Bolivar Sthael Hiciano in City Council, effective March 18, 2024.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

**0501** Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Breadon offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Deborah Glennon, Moira McCrave-Carragee and Wayne D. Yeh in City Council, effective March 16, 2024.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

**0502** Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Breadon offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Matthew D. Costas in City Council, effective March 25, 2024.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

**6/2024** Legislative Calendar for March 6, 2024.

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

**0492** **Councilor Santana offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Amy Camil Mariano Bello.

**0493** **Councilor Santana offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Wandel Tropman Tejada.

**0494** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolutions recognizing five people as recipients of the Henry Knox Award.

**0495** **Councilor Durkan offered the following:** Resolution in memory of Arthur D'Angelo.

**0496** **Councilor Coletta offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Mayra Correa.

**0497** **Councilor Pepén, Murphy and Flynn offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Richie Paris.

**0498** **Councilor Pepén and Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution congratulating April Ricci.

**0499** **Councilor Pepén offered the following:** Resolution in memory of Richard Patrick Lawlor.

The matters contained within the Consent Agenda were severally adopted.

Adjourned at 4:29 p.m. on motion of President Louijeune, and in memory of Walda Moschella, Phyllis Pizzi, Edward “Eddie” White, Altès Homicil, Hydeia Broadbent, Don McGillicuddy, Lucy Crawford, Evelyn Miles, Marie Pontavez, Richard Patrick Lawlor, Steve Rando, Andrew O’Connor and Arthur D’Angelo, to meet again on Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

Attest:

Alex Geourntas  
City Clerk