

November 29, 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, November 29, 2023 at 12:16 P.M.

President Flynn in the Chair. All Councilors Present.

Pastor Michael Payne, Boston, 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 November 15, 2023 meeting. Motion Prevailed.

1747 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Fifty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$352,270.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY23 Fair Housing Assistance Program, awarded by the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development to be administered by the Boston Fair Housing & Equity Commission. The grant will fund processing and training cost related to housing discrimination complaints received by the Boston Housing & Equity Commission.

Referred to the Committee on Housing and Community Development.

1748 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Four Thousand Four Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$304,430.00) in the form of a grant for the FY24 Fair Housing Assistance Program, awarded the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to be administered by the Office of Fair Housing & Equity. The grant will fund processing and training cost related to housing discrimination complaints received by the Boston Fair Housing & Equity Commission.

Referred to the Committee on Housing and Community Development.

Message and order 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. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice.

- 1750 Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Kevin Ready, as a Member of the South End Landmarks Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2025.
 - Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- 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.

 Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- Communication was received by the City Clerk from the Board of Election Commissioner certifying the results of the election held for the Offices of City Councillor at Large and District City Councillor, on November 7, 2023, at the Municipal Election in Boston.

 Placed on file.
- 1753 Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Jim Kennedy, as a member of the Participatory Budget External Oversight Board, for a term expiring November 15, 2025.

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- Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Betsy Cowan Neptune, as a member of the Participatory Budget External Oversight Board, for a term expiring November 15, 2025.

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- Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Jarret Wright, as a member of the Participatory Budget External Oversight Board, for a term expiring November 15, 2025.

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- 1756 Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Khalid Mustafa, as a member of the Participatory Budget External Oversight Board, for a term expiring November 15, 2025.

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- Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Carolline de Paula, as a member of the Participatory Budget External Oversight Board, for a term expiring November 15, 2025.

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- 1758 Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Marilyn Forman, as a member of the Participatory Budget External Oversight Board, for a term expiring November 15, 2025.

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- Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Esther Chong Weathers, as a member of the Participatory Budget External Oversight Board, for a term expiring November 15, 2025.

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- 1760 Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Lisa Hy, as a member of the Participatory Budget External Oversight Board, for a term expiring November 15, 2025.

 Placed on file.
- 1761 Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Carla Stovell, as a member of the Participatory Budget External Oversight Board, for a term expiring November 15, 2025.

 Placed on file.

- 1762 Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Martha M. Walz, as a Member of the Boston School Committee Nominating Panel. Placed on file.
- 1763 Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Kay Schlozman as a Member of the Archives and Records Advisory Committee.

 Placed on file.
- 1764 Communication was received from the City Clerk of the filing by the Boston Planning and Development Agency regarding the "The Report and Decision Application on the 150 Centre Street Chapter 121A Project". Placed on file.
- 1765 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 November 1, 2023. Placed on file.
- 1766 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 November 15, 2023.

 Placed on file.
- 1767 Notice was received from the Mayor of her absence from the City from Thursday, November 16, 2023 at 7:30 A.M. returning Friday, November 17, 2023 at 5:30 P.M. Placed on file.
- 1768 Notice was received from the Council President Flynn of his absence from the City due to his attendance at the National League of Cities Conference. Placed on file.
- 1769 Communication was received from Councilor Ed Flynn regarding his vote on Docket #1368.Placed on file.
- 1722 Order for a hearing to discuss a guaranteed basic income program for families living below the poverty line in the City of Boston.

 Remains in the Committee on Ways and Means.
- An 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.

 Remains in the Committee on Government Operations.
- 1770 Councilor Worrell, Arroyo, Baker, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, Flaherty, Flynn, Lara, Louijeune, Mejia and Murphy offered the following: 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 Nuias Daveiga.

 On motion of Councilor Worrell, the rules were suspended; the petition was passed; yeas 13.
- 1771 WITHDRAWN

- 1772 Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order to amend the Boston City Council Rules to include the Committee on the Prevention of Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault.
 - Councilor Breadon in the Chair.
 - On motion of Councilor Flynn, the rules were suspended; the order failed on passage; yeas 5, nays 2 (Durkan, Louijeune), present 3 (Coletta, Fernandes Anderson, Worrell), not present 3 (Arroyo, Lara, Mejia).
- 1773 Councilor Coletta offered the following: 17F Order Regarding Funding Related to Constitution Inn in the Charlestown Navy Yard.President Flynn in the Chair.Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1774 Councilor Worrell, Baker, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, Flaherty, Flynn, Louijeune and Murphy offered the following: Resolution honoring Barbados' 57th Independence Day and Flag raising.
 On motion of Councilor Worrell, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.
- 1775 Councilor Mejia, Worrell, Baker, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, Flaherty, Flynn, Louijeune and Murphy offered the following: Resolution recognizing November 20 December 20, 2023 as National Survivors of Homicide Awareness Month.

 On motion of Councilors Mejia and Worrell, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.
- 1776 Councilor Flynn for Councilor Worrell offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Abdullah Beckett in City Council, effective January 2, 2024.Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1777 Councilor Flynn for Councilor Durkan offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Maccon Bonner in City Council, effective November 27, 2023.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.

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

- 1792 Councilor Flynn for Councilor Baker offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Amanda Curley and Julie Ryan in City Council, effective November 25, 2023.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1793 Councilor Flynn for Councilor Baker offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Amanda Curley and Julie Ryan in City Council, effective December 2, 2023.

 Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1794 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Louijeune, Mejia and Worrell offered the following: An order relative to the Adoption of Classification in the City of Boston in FY 2024. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

- Councilor Breadon called Docket #1435, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Six Hundred Twenty
 Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars (\$1,620,752.00) in the form of a grant for the State FY24 Council on Aging formula allocation, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund social and health care services for 115,768 older adults in the City of Boston at \$14 per person, according to 2020 Census data from UMass Boston Donahue Institute, from the Committee of Strong Women, Families and Communities.

 No objection being heard, the matter was before the body.
 Committee members polled; yeas 5.
 On motion of Councilor Breadon, the order was passed.
- Councilor Breadon called Docket #1512, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) in the form of a grant, Administration for Children and Families, awarded by U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to be administered by the Office of Early Childhood. The grant would fund childcare for homeless children and to provide training to providers offering these services, from the Committee of Strong Women, Families and Communities.

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

 Committee members polled; yeas 5.

 On motion of Councilor Breadon, the order was passed.
- 1625 Councilor Baker called Docket #1625, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY23 Mass Trails grant, awarded by the MA Department of Conservation and Recreation to be administered by the Boston Transportation Department. The grant will fund the enhancement of trails and trail access in the Dorchester Community, from the Committee of Planning Development and Transportation. No objection being heard, the matter was before the body. Committee members polled; yeas 5.

 On motion of Councilor Baker, the order was passed.
- 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 of Strong Women, Families and Communities.

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

Committee members polled; yeas 5.

On motion of Councilor Fernandes Anderson, the order was read once and passed; yeas 9.

Assigned for further action.

- 1795 Councilor Worrell, Durkan, Baker, Breadon, Coletta, Fernandes Anderson, Flynn, Louijeune and Murphy offered the following: Resolution recognizing November as Men's Mental Health Awareness Month.
 - On motion of Councilors Worrell and Durkan, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.
- /29/23 Legislative Calendar for November 29, 2023.

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

- **1778 Councilor Coletta offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Jamie McLaughlin.
- **1779** Councilor Coletta offered the following: Resolution recognizing Mike Stuchins.
- **1780** Councilor Breadon offered the following: Resolution in memory of Michael P. Walsh.
- **1781** Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Resolution congratulating Rev. George C. Woodruff, Pastor.
- 1782 Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution declaring November 18, 2023 Oscar Baez & Joseph Deitch Day.
- **1783** Councilor Durkan offered the following: Resolution recognizing the 50th anniversary of Kaji Aso Art Studio.
- <u>1784</u> Councilor Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing Bishop Hurshel Langham.
- **1785** Councilor Arroyo offered the following: Resolution in memory of Antonios Elias.
- **1786 Councilor Baker offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Michael Christopher.
- **1787 Councilor Mejia offered the following:** Resolution recognizing 11 people for the Hidden Heroes and Sheroes Award Celebration.
- 1788 Councilor Mejia offered the following: Resolution in memory of Nathan L. Sealy.
- **1789** Councilor Coletta offered the following: Resolution recognizing Rose International Tapas.
- 1790 Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Bernard Patrick Lynch.
- 1791 Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing the 2023 Asian Music Industry Festival.

The matters contained within the Consent Agenda were severally adopted.

Adjourned at 2:28 p.m. on motion of President Flynn, in memory of Antonio Elias, Frank Jankowski, LaTanya Jones-Henderson, Michael "Jimmy" Hollis, Ronie Von Batista Bicalho, Marshal Zakarin, Daniel Gaskin KR David, Former First Lady Rosalynn Carter and John Walsh, to meet again on Wednesday, December 6, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.

Attest:

Alex Geourntas City Clerk