



ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR MATTERS PRESENTED TO THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO 10:00 A.M. ON MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2026 FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING IN THE CHRISTOPHER IANNELLA CHAMBER ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2026 AT 12:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 25, 2026 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER HONOR, THE MAYOR:

[0463](#) Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a grant from the Massachusetts Clean Energy Technology Center (MassCEC) in an amount not to exceed One Million Five Hundred Nineteen Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Three Dollars (\$1,519,383.00) for construction work related to improving HVAC systems at the Otis School in East Boston.

[0464](#) Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) in the form of a grant, The Obama Foundation Grant, awarded by The Obama Foundation to be administered by the Office of Black Male Advancement. The grant would fund educational achievement, workforce readiness, safety, mentorship, and other locally defined priorities that contribute to long-term success for boys and young men of color.

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES

REPORTS OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND OTHERS:

- [0465](#) Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Gayana Daniel as ex-officio member of the Task Force on Literacy Rates, effective immediately.
- [0466](#) Notice was received from the Mayor of her absence from the City from Wednesday, February 25, 2026 at 7:30 P.M., returning Thursday, February 26, 2026 at 4:00 P.M.
- [0467](#) Communication from Councilor Louijeune regarding equity in tourism.
- [0468](#) Communication from Councilor Murphy clarifying Women's History Month resolution.
- [0469](#) Communication from Councilor Murphy, request for immediate briefing on recent school safety incidents.
- [0470](#) Communication from Councilor Flynn regarding the temporary suspension of concurrent phasing traffic signals in the days and weeks following significant snowstorms.

MATTERS RECENTLY HEARD-FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:

- [0200](#) Order for a hearing on BPS staffing program impacts.
- [0202](#) Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools' FY27 operating budget.
- [0270](#) Order for a hearing to explore snow removal relief and options.
- [0285](#) Order for a hearing regarding navigating city services for residents with complex family and caregiving needs.
- [0291](#) Order for a hearing to discuss creation of a snow corps in Boston.
- [0292](#) Order for a hearing to discuss the City of Boston purchasing snow melters.

MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS:

- [0471](#) **Councilor Culpepper offered the following:** Order for hearing to examine options to extend and fund the fare-free bus program for routes 23, 28, and 29.

- 0472** Councilor Santana offered the following: Order for a hearing regarding occupational cancer risks for Boston firefighters, and programs the City of Boston offers or could offer for prevention, diagnosis, and treatment.
- 0473** Councilor Culpepper offered the following: Order for a hearing to examine treatment-centered policy approaches to address substance use disorder, homelessness, and civil rights issues in the Massachusetts Avenue and Melnea Cass Boulevard area.
- 0474** Councilor Durkan and Breadon offered the following: Order for a hearing to examine potential reforms to the Massachusetts State Building Code to allow for mid-rise single stair buildings.
- 0475** Councilor Murphy offered the following: Order for a hearing to review the application and intent of rule 15.
- 0476** Councilor Santana offered the following: Order for a series of hearings regarding all City of Boston grants administered by the Boston Police Department.
- 0477** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Order for a hearing to conduct a comprehensive review of Boston's Anti-Displacement Action Plan.
- 0478** Councilor Murphy and Flynn offered the following: Order for a hearing regarding recent juvenile weapon incidents and school safety coordination.
- 0479** Councilor Culpepper offered the following: Order regarding a text amendment to the Boston Zoning Code to expand the eligible location of off-site affordable housing units under the Inclusionary Development Policy.
- 0480** Councilor FitzGerald and Flynn offered the following: Order regarding a text amendment to the Boston Zoning Code with respect to retail zoning.
- 0481** Councilor Worrell offered the following: Order regarding a text amendment to Article 37 of the Boston Zoning Code "Green Buildings and Net Zero Carbon" to expedite and lower costs for development processes.
- 0482** Councilor Pepén offered the following: Resolution recognizing the work of Public Works employees during recent snow storm emergencies.

- 0483** Councilor Culpepper offered the following: Resolution urging the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority and the City to cancel proposed center running bus lanes as part of the Blue Hill Avenue transportation plan project and reallocate funds dedicated for the center running bus lanes to fund the continuation of the fare-free bus program.
- 0484** Councilor Durkan offered the following: Resolution recognizing March 8, 2026 as International Women's Day.
- 0485** Councilor Durkan offered the following: Resolution declaring March 17, 2026 as "Boston Fleet Olympic Medalist Day" in the City of Boston.
- 0486** Councilor Santana offered the following: Resolution in support of ending health disparities impacting the Black community in Boston.
- 0487** Councilor Murphy and Flynn offered the following: Resolution expressing support for active duty service members and their families.
- 0488** Councilor Worrell offered the following: Resolution in support of the MBTA including sidewalk snow clearance in its upcoming commuter rail operator contract.
- 0489** Councilor Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing March 5th as Crispus Attucks Day in the City of Boston.
- 0490** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution in support of the temporary replacement of concurrent pedestrian phasing traffic signals following snowstorms.
- 0491** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order requesting certain information under section 17F: regarding the use of \$558.7 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds in the City of Boston.

GREEN SHEETS:

- 4/26** Legislative Calendar for March 4, 2026.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- 0492** Councilor Murphy offered the following: Resolution recognizing John Currier.

0493 Councilor Murphy offered the following: Resolution recognizing Adam Dworanski.

0494 Councilor Murphy offered the following: Resolution recognizing Joel Taylor.

0495 Councilor Murphy offered the following: Resolution recognizing Beverly Christins.

0496 Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution in recognition of Frankel Aurelien.

0497 Councilor Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing Joseph Burke.

0498 Councilor Durkan offered the following: Resolution celebrating The Mission Grammar School Groundbreaking.



City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
MICHELLE WU

March 2, 2026

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors,

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a grant from the Massachusetts Clean Energy Technology Center (MassCEC) in an amount not to exceed **\$1,519,383.00** for construction work related to improving HVAC systems at the Otis School in East Boston.

I urge your honorable body to adopt this Order as soon as possible so that the City of Boston, specifically the Environment Department, may accept and expend these funds expeditiously for the HVAC improvement project.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston





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Office of the Mayor
Michelle Wu

02-25-2026

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$25,000.00**) in the form of a grant, The Obama Foundation Grant, awarded by The Obama Foundation to be administered by the Black Male Advancement.

The grant would fund educational achievement, workforce readiness, safety, mentorship, and other locally defined priorities that contribute to long-term success for boys and young men of color.

I urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Order so that the City of Boston may accept the funds expeditiously and expend them upon award for the purposes for which they are granted.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston



City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND The Obama Foundation Grant FUNDS, AWARDED BY The Obama Foundation.

WHEREAS, the The Obama Foundation, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Black Male Advancement; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$25,000.00**) would fund educational achievement, workforce readiness, safety, mentorship, and other locally defined priorities that contribute to long-term success for boys and young men of color. Therefore be it

ORDERED: that the Mayor, acting on behalf of the City of Boston be, and hereby is authorized, pursuant to section 53A of chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to accept and expend the The Obama Foundation, The Obama Foundation Grant award not to exceed the amount of TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$25,000.00**).

Docket #

**In City Council
Passed**

City Clerk

Mayor

Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing, if passed in the above form, will be in accordance with law.

by Adam Cederbaum

Adam Cederbaum
Corporation Counsel



City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
MICHELLE WU

February 25, 2026

The Honorable Alex Geourntas
Office of the City Clerk
1 City Hall Square, Room 601
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Clerk Geourntas,

Please note that I will be out of town on Wednesday February 25, 2026 from 7:30 p.m. returning Thursday February 26, 2026 4:00 p.m.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston



RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE
BOSTON CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

December 1, 2025

Chief Segun Idowu
Economic Opportunity and Inclusion, City of Boston
1 City Hall Square, Suite 500. Boston, MA 0220

RE: Equity in Contracting Hearing/Tourism Follow Up

Dear Chief Idowu,

Thank you again for joining us at the recent City Council hearing on equitable contracting and business opportunities around major events. Your engagement and the Administration's leadership set the tone for what should be a defining decade of inclusive growth.

Since the hearing, the City has released the FY25 Equity in City Contracts report and the Commonwealth has launched the MA250 "Road to 2026" initiative, including over \$6 million in statewide investments and a blockbuster Esplanade celebration. These announcements reinforce how Boston's mega-events, from FIFA to MA250, must serve as engines of shared prosperity.

Building on our discussion from the hearing, I wanted to summarize key takeaways and propose a set of policy ideas rooted in what we heard at the hearing, and best practices we can learn from, like cities preparing for FIFA 2026. *Key Takeaways from the Hearing:*

- The city should act as a connector, not just a regulator. This means leveraging our convening power to bridge FIFA organizers and local businesses early.
- Several business owners echoed the sentiment: "We don't need handouts, we need clear pathways."
- Councilors and advocates underscored that "this can't be a one-time shot; we should build structures that last through 2026 and beyond."

Follow-Up Policy Suggestions

1. Establish a Citywide Inclusive Events Procurement Framework
 - Require all host committees and City-supported events (FIFA, MA250, Boston 400) to submit supplier diversity plans with clear M/WBE goals, timelines, and reporting benchmarks.
 - Appoint an "Event Equity Officer" to coordinate across departments, track contracts, and ensure compliance.
 - Seattle has embedded supplier diversity requirements into its FIFA event contracting, with regular reporting to the City Council.
2. Launch a "FIFA-Ready" Business Support Program That Can Be Reused
 - Host multilingual certification clinics, RFP workshops, and vendor registration drives through trusted community partners.
 - Publish a FIFA 2026 vendor guide and promote a prequalified roster of local diverse suppliers to general contractors.

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BOSTON CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

- Kansas City launched the "KC Game Plan" with bilingual playbooks and self-assessment tools to prepare small businesses for World Cup procurement.
- 3. Unbundle Contracts and Create Tiered Bidding Opportunities
 - Break down large contracts into accessible scopes and create a fast-track pipeline using the Sheltered Market and Inclusive Quote tools.
 - Include mentor-protégé requirements in high-dollar contracts to pair large vendors with emerging local M/WBEs.
 - Atlanta's Olympic strategy used joint ventures and contract unbundling to steer over 30% of purchases to minority- and women-owned firms.
- 4. Support Visibility and Activation of BIPOC- and Immigrant-Owned Businesses
 - Help develop equity-forward cultural tourism campaigns and fund pop-ups or festivals in historically excluded commercial districts.
 - Partner with systemic organizations like Meet Boston and World Cup committees to promote minority-owned retailers and service providers.
 - Philadelphia's World Cup planning includes a vendor interest portal and community festivals showcasing Black and immigrant-owned businesses.
- 5. Institutionalize a Legacy Structure for 2026 and Beyond
 - Create a Boston Inclusive Events Council of city staff, community chambers, and event organizers to coordinate economic inclusion across FIFA, MA250, and Boston 400.
 - Expand the City's procurement dashboard to include event-specific equity data and create a long-term vendor engagement portal.
 - Paris 2024 created a permanent online platform for SME vendor registration that will be maintained after the Olympics to support legacy inclusion.

As Governor Healey said at the launch of MA250, "Every community is going to be a part of these commemorations and celebrate all the benefits that they'll bring." This is Boston's chance to lead on economic justice, not just equity as a value but equity as an outcome.

I look forward to continuing the partnership with your office to ensure our city's moment on the world stage uplifts all of Boston's communities.

With appreciation,

Ruthzee Louijeune
Boston City Council President



Boston City Council

Erin J. Murphy

Councilor At-Large

COMMUNICATION FROM COUNCILOR MURPHY REGARDING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH RESOLUTION

Madam President and Colleagues,

I am writing to clarify the procedural history of my Women's History Month resolution and to outline the next steps.

At the previous Council meeting, another colleague and I both filed Women's History Month resolutions. When the agenda was prepared, it was brought to my attention that my original filing was second in time. In accordance with Rule 15, I voluntarily withdrew that filing in good faith so that the first-filed resolution could proceed.

I then submitted a revised resolution with a different scope and purpose. The earlier resolution focuses on policy matters and the reaffirmation of women's rights. My refiled resolution focuses specifically on the Boston City Council Women's History Month Celebration and honoring women nominated by members of this body. The Clerk reviewed the revised filing and determined that it was not substantively similar under Rule 15 and properly placed it on the agenda.

When an objection was raised on the floor citing Rule 15, the matter was referred to the Committee on Rules, Ethics, and Administration and placed on the Green Sheets. I appreciate that the Chair has agreed to pull the resolution from the Green Sheets, calling it out of Committee so that it may be considered by the full Council.

I share this clarification to ensure the record reflects that I acted in good faith, withdrew my original filing, and submitted a materially different resolution. There should never be concern that there are too many opportunities to celebrate and uplift women during Women's History Month.

I respectfully ask for your support when the resolution is called from the Green Sheets and brought before the body.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin J. Murphy

Boston City Councilor At-Large

Chair of Human Services



Boston City Council

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Councilor At-Large

**COMMUNICATION FROM COUNCILOR MURPHY REQUEST FOR IMMEDIATE
BRIEFING ON RECENT SCHOOL SAFETY INCIDENTS**

Dear Commissioner Cox and Superintendent Skipper,

I am writing to formally request an immediate briefing regarding several serious incidents involving juveniles and weapons that have occurred within a short timeframe in Boston.

These incidents include the arrest of a 15-year-old in Dorchester in possession of a loaded firearm with a defaced serial number in the vicinity of Murphy School at dismissal, a stabbing at Boston International High School, and a firearm recovered at Roxbury Prep.

While each matter may have distinct circumstances, the frequency of these incidents has raised understandable concerns among families, educators, and the broader community. Ensuring the safety of students and school staff requires clear coordination, timely communication, and proactive prevention strategies.

I respectfully request a briefing that addresses current threat assessments for the impacted schools, coordination between the Youth Violence Strike Force, district officers, and Boston Public Schools, protocols for intelligence sharing when potential school-based concerns are identified, communication standards with school leadership and families, and the prevention and intervention strategies currently being deployed.

My goal is to ensure alignment, transparency, and a comprehensive response that protects our young people and strengthens public confidence. I look forward to working collaboratively with the Administration, Boston Police Department, and Boston Public Schools to support safe learning environments across our city.

Please advise on availability for a briefing as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

Erin J. Murphy

Boston City Councilor At-Large

Chair of Human Services



Boston City Council
ED FLYNN
Councilor - District 2

March 2, 2026

Dear Mayor Wu and Chief Gove,

I'm writing today to respectfully request that the City temporarily suspend concurrent phasing traffic signals in the days and weeks following significant snowstorms and snow removal operations in Boston. Additionally, I ask that the City prioritizes snow removal at intersections with concurrent traffic signals during the interim. Please note city residents highlighted this issue becoming exacerbated with Boston having experienced two significant snowstorms in a short period of time.

As you know, I recently met with Cassandra Xavier of Boston, an educator, civil rights leader, and strong advocate for persons with disabilities. We discussed issues related to accessibility for visually impaired neighbors. She reported that it's extremely difficult to cross the street at this time, with significant snowbanks reaching almost a story tall, and intersections with concurrent phasing traffic signals. It is difficult to see past a snowbank for anyone, and even more so for some of our neighbors and persons with disabilities.

Following a significant snowstorm, it becomes even more difficult for residents to look past large piles of snow or snowbanks before crossing the street. However, this is especially concerning at intersections with concurrent phasing traffic signals, as pedestrians crossing the street have their field of vision blocked by a large snowbank while a motor vehicle is allowed to turn.

At a time of increased speeding with cars, distracted driving and walking, rideshares, and mopeds and e-bikes for food delivery - safety concerns on concurrent phasing traffic signals become exacerbated by the presence of large snowbanks on street corners. In light of these issues and in the interest of pedestrian safety, I am respectfully requesting that, in the days and weeks following significant snow removal operations, the City of Boston temporarily replace concurrent pedestrian phasing traffic signals.

Sincerely,

Ed Flynn
Boston City Councilor, District 2



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

Order for a hearing regarding impacts of the Boston Public Schools hiring and spending freeze on students, educators, and school communities

WHEREAS, the Boston Public Schools have publicly identified a projected budget shortfall for Fiscal Year 2026, reported to be approximately \$50 million, which has prompted the implementation of an immediate hiring and spending freeze; and

WHEREAS, communications to school principals and leaders indicate that this freeze applies to hiring for vacant positions, discretionary purchases, stipends, contracts, travel, and other expenditures that directly support school operations and student programming; and

WHEREAS, educators, families, and school communities have expressed serious concern about how these measures may affect staffing stability, student support services, program continuity, enrichment opportunities, and the ability of schools to operate effectively during the current school year and in planning for the upcoming school year; and

WHEREAS, schools have been directed not to fill vacant positions at a time when educators are ordinarily submitting staffing needs and provisional educators are awaiting letters of assurance, creating uncertainty for school communities and employees; and

WHEREAS, the projected shortfall has been attributed to multiple cost pressures, including health insurance, salaries and benefits, transportation, and the expiration of federal relief funds, and clarity is needed regarding the assumptions and timing underlying these projections; and

WHEREAS, additional reporting and stakeholder concerns have raised questions as to whether the actual budget gap may be significantly larger than the approximately \$50 million publicly cited, with some estimates suggesting the shortfall could approach \$150 million, underscoring the need for transparency regarding when the shortfall was identified, how projections were developed, and what range of scenarios is being considered;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED: That the Education Committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to examine the impacts of the Boston Public Schools hiring and spending freeze on students, educators, and school communities, including effects on staffing, programming, and school operations during the current school year and in Fiscal Year 2026, and to provide timely clarity and accountability from the appropriate members of the Administration.

Filed in Council: January 28, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS BENJAMIN J. WEBER, JOHN FITZGERALD, BREADON, COLETTA ZAPATA, CULPEPPER, FLYNN, LOUIJEUNE, MEJIA, MURPHY, PEPÉN, SANTANA, AND WORRELL



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS' FY27 OPERATING BUDGET

- WHEREAS,** Boston Public Schools' Fiscal Year 2026 operating budget totalled more than \$1.5 billion; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Section 6 of Chapter 70 of the Massachusetts General Laws states that each municipality in the Commonwealth shall annually appropriate for the support of public schools in the municipality an amount equal to not less than the sum of the minimum required local contribution; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Section 2 of Chapter 224 of the Acts of 1936 further states that the City Council shall vote on the total amount of the appropriations requested by the Mayor; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Boston Public Schools Superintendent Mary Skipper will present the FY27 budget to the School Committee on the first Wednesday of February; *and*
- WHEREAS,** For Fiscal Years 2025 and 2026, the City Council worked collaboratively with Boston Public Schools starting in January to allow more advocacy from the Council before the School Committee approved the budget in March; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Similar to Fiscal Years 25 and 26, Boston Public Schools is committed to creating a physical budget book for Fiscal Year 2027, which will be similar to BPS budget books from last decade and will allow for more public transparency earlier in the budget process; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Boston Public Schools began actively working on the Fiscal Year 2027 budget starting in the fall of 2026, and the City Council engaged with Boston Public Schools starting in November 2025 to better advocate for priorities of the students in FY27; *and*
- WHEREAS,** In previous iterations of the Council rules, the Committee on Ways and Means has had general oversight with respect to City revenues and expenditures and all other component units that comprise the government entity, as defined by the Governmental Accounting Standards Board, and have referred to it all matters concerning appropriations, the City budget, expenditures and loans; *and*

WHEREAS, Traditionally, the Committee introduces a hearing order similar to this one during the last week of January to officially begin deliberations on the Council about the next fiscal year's operating budget, which is the intent of this order; *and*

WHEREAS, Facing declining enrollment and the potential loss of federal funding, Boston Public Schools are facing harsh realities that require the need for closures, mergers, and reconfigurations and ultimately a long-term facilities plan in order to ensure that our students, teachers and staff at BPS can be well equipped to receive and provide excellent educational services for all enrolled in Boston Public Schools; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a policy briefing in February, a working session in early March, multiple hearings in April, and that representatives of Boston Public Schools and other interested parties be invited to attend.

Filed on: January 28, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS ENRIQUE J. PEPÉN, BREADON, COLETTA ZAPATA, CULPEPPER, DURKAN, FITZGERALD, FLYNN, LOUIJEUNE, MURPHY, SANTANA, WEBER, AND WORRELL



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO EXPLORE SNOW REMOVAL RELIEF AND OPTIONS

WHEREAS, The January 2026 winter storm, named “Winter Storm Fern” by the Weather Channel, expanded across much of the country, impacting the southern and eastern United States most powerfully, with Boston receiving around two feet of snow over the course of 24 hours and several days of freezing temperatures the week after; *and*

WHEREAS, Climate change makes extreme weather events like Winter Storm Fern, summer heat waves, and fall hurricanes more common, requiring dynamic city services to fit the needs of our changing climate; *and*

WHEREAS, Residents work hard to clear their sidewalks and driveways as the City’s Public Works Department works hard to clear miles of city road, leading to public and private efforts colliding at the curb, with covered sidewalks and blocked driveways immediately following and days after the storm; *and*

WHEREAS, City crews continue to work at clearing and removing the remaining snow, even with overnight shifts, to address the blinding heights of snowbanks, covered streets, and inaccessible crosswalks, sidewalks, and ramps; *and*

WHEREAS, In regions where snow fall is more frequent and compounds due to consistently lower temperatures, other cities demonstrate the other efficient practices for snow removal, rather than clearing, as a means to manage the height and expanse of snowbanks, a major concern in our city in the wake of Winter Storm Fern; *and*

WHEREAS, Many residents, particularly those who are elderly or have disabilities may struggle to clear snow from their sidewalks which puts these neighbors at risk of fines and leaves parts of public sidewalks uncleared, with the only options of relief being helpful neighbors or costly private snow clearing companies; *and*

WHEREAS, Exploring programs that can provide relief to community members in need of support after storms with high snowfall can help to expedite the clearing of Boston’s sidewalks and streets, increasing community safety and maintaining access to public sidewalks; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing on snow removal relief and practices. Officials from the Department of Public Works, Emergency Management, and community members will be invited to testify.

Filed on: February 4, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS ERIN J. MURPHY, BREADON, COLETTA ZAPATA, CULPEPPER, DURKAN, FITZGERALD, LOUIJEUNE, MEJIA, PEPÉN, SANTANA, AND WEBER



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-SIX

ORDER FOR A HEARING REGARDING NAVIGATING CITY SERVICES FOR RESIDENTS WITH COMPLEX FAMILY AND CAREGIVING NEEDS

WHEREAS: Many Boston residents rely on multiple City departments and service systems at the same time to meet basic needs related to housing, education, caregiving, health, employment, and family stability; and

WHEREAS: Residents navigating more than one City system often face barriers related to coordination, communication, eligibility requirements, language access, accessibility, and differing departmental processes; and

WHEREAS: Certain family and caregiving situations may require residents to interact with multiple City services simultaneously, including but not limited to grandparents or extended family members raising children, families residing in Boston Housing Authority developments, and households supporting children with disabilities; and

WHEREAS: Caregivers raising children outside of traditional parent-child structures may need to navigate education systems, youth programming, housing supports, benefits access, and City services without clear pathways or coordinated assistance; and

WHEREAS: Families of students with disabilities often must navigate not only the public school system, but also additional City services related to recreation, transportation, housing accommodations, youth employment, and community-based supports; and

WHEREAS: Residents living in Boston Housing Authority communities may experience additional barriers to accessing City services due to housing instability, mobility challenges, or lack of centralized information and coordination; and

WHEREAS: The City of Boston delivers services through a range of departments within the Human Services Cabinet and across other City agencies, and improved coordination can reduce duplication, confusion, and gaps for residents with complex needs; and

WHEREAS: A clearer understanding of how residents experience City services across departments can help identify opportunities to improve access, coordination, and outcomes without creating new systems or burdens;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED:

That the appropriate Committee of the Boston City Council shall hold a hearing to examine how residents with complex family and caregiving needs navigate City services across departments, including but not limited to:

1. How City departments coordinate services for residents interacting with multiple systems at once
2. Barriers faced by grandparents, extended family caregivers, and kinship families raising children
3. Challenges for families of students with disabilities navigating City services beyond the school system
4. Access to City services for residents living in Boston Housing Authority developments
5. Communication, language access, and accessibility across City departments
6. Opportunities to improve coordination, navigation, and resident-centered service delivery without increasing administrative burden

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED: That representatives from relevant departments within the Human Services Cabinet, along with other City departments that interact with families and caregivers, shall be invited to testify.

Filed in City Council: February 4, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS BRIAN WORRELL, JULIA MEJIA, ENRIQUE J. PEPÉN, BREADON, COLETTA ZAPATA, CULPEPPER, DURKAN, FITZGERALD, FLYNN, LOUIJEUNE, MURPHY, SANTANA, AND WEBER



CITY OF BOSTON
IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX
ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS CREATION
OF A SNOW CORPS IN BOSTON

WHEREAS, During snowstorms, the City of Boston is responsible for clearing the roadway while property owners are responsible for clearing their sidewalks, but often sections of sidewalk and crosswalks, along main neighborhood corridors, and in front of government properties, are not cleared fully; *and*

WHEREAS, Property owners who are on a fixed income and are seniors or disabled don't have the means or physical ability to remove snow from their property, and can be stuck in their house for days after a storm; *and*

WHEREAS, Other cities such as Chicago and Baltimore utilize a Snow Corps, which matches volunteers with seniors and disabled persons who need help shoveling; *and*

WHEREAS, After snowfall, navigating near businesses, schools, day cares, libraries, community centers, and other areas can be dangerous or impossible, and snow clearance duties can put an extra strain on everyday city employees, such as when a principal ends up shoveling sidewalks in front of a school; *and*

WHEREAS, The city might be well served by hiring temporary seasonal employees to help shovel and sand key spots in neighborhoods, allowing them to be deployed depending upon the severity of the storm; *and*

WHEREAS, The City Council and the Wu Administration already collaborated to appropriate American Rescue Plan funding to launch a pilot in past winters, that worked to clear ramps and sidewalks in local Main Streets districts across the city; *and*

WHEREAS, The City of Boston should use the information gathered from past winters and the current winter to continue to make progress toward providing a supplemental snow removal service on sidewalks during winter snow storms above a certain level of severity and snow accumulation, which could also provide additional local workforce development opportunities, and the City of Boston should also pilot a Snow Corps program that would connect volunteers to seniors and persons with disabilities to get their sidewalks shoveled; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss progress toward a supplemental sidewalk clearance program and a volunteer Snow Corps in the City of Boston, and that representatives from the

Public Works Department, 311, the Office of Workforce Development, the Office of Budget Management, and the public be invited to testify.

Filed on: February 2, 2026



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS THE CITY OF BOSTON PURCHASING SNOW MELTERS & PERTINENT EQUIPMENT

WHEREAS: Every year, Boston experiences significant snowfall. Most recently, the city got 23.2 inches of snow from a two day snowstorm on January 25-26th, 2026. Residents continue to provide feedback on difficulties navigating streets and sidewalks, limiting accessibility for all - including our seniors, persons with disabilities, and young families with strollers. Residents have also noted the impact of the significant storm and restricted access to fire hydrants and catch basins. Neighbors also noted the difficulties of road accessibility of first responders, the inability of neighbors and families to return to park cars on snow emergency routes following removal of the parking ban, and the difficulties of residents to utilize MBTA bus stops; *and*

WHEREAS: Similarly, in 2015, Boston experienced significant snow fall, with 24.6 inches from January 26-27th, 2015, 16.2 inches on February 2nd, 2015, and 23.8 inches from February 7-9th, 2015. At that time, the City utilized “snow farms” - dedicated, large scale sites where a significant amount of snow is transported after being collected from plowed streets and sidewalks; *and*

WHEREAS: After this most recent storm, New York City deployed eight snow melters to remove snow from streets, sidewalks, and bus stops that would otherwise take weeks to melt. Reports indicated that New York City has used these melting hot tubs for nearly 20 years. Snow is dumped in a basin of hot water, and then dumped into a sewer, with the permission of the Department of Environmental Protection. Reports indicate that these machines melt 60-120 tons of snow per hour; *and*

WHEREAS: With significant snowfall an inevitability in Boston, it’s critical that the City explores purchase this and any necessary equipment to ensure accessible pathways and roads for all, including first responders, our seniors, persons with disabilities, and young families with strollers; *and*

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss the City of Boston purchasing snow melters.

Filed in City Council: February 2, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR MINIARD CULPEPPER



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO EXAMINE OPTIONS TO EXTEND AND FUND THE FARE-FREE BUS PROGRAM FOR ROUTES 23, 28, AND 29

WHEREAS, Since 2022 the City of Boston has partnered with the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) to implement a fare-free pilot program on Routes 23, 28, and 29 in order to improve access to reliable and affordable public transportation for Boston residents; *and*

WHEREAS, Routes 23, 28, and 29 all travel through Boston City Council District 7, serving neighborhoods including Roxbury, Dorchester, and Mattapan; *and*

WHEREAS, Many riders on these routes are low-income residents, essential workers, seniors, students, and families who rely on the fare-free bus program as a critical means of accessing employment, healthcare, education, and other essential services; *and*

WHEREAS, Since the implementation of the fare-free pilot program, nearly 24,000 fare-free trips have been taken each weekday on Routes 23, 28, and 29, demonstrating the program's significant role in meeting daily transportation needs for Boston residents; *and*

WHEREAS, Ridership on these routes increased by approximately 35 percent during the first year of the pilot, which was more than double the MBTA systemwide average, and these routes are now serving roughly 16 percent more riders than prior to the COVID-19 pandemic; *and*

WHEREAS, Surveys indicate that more than one quarter of riders save at least \$20 per month through the fare-free program, allowing households to redirect funds toward essential expenses such as food, housing, healthcare, and education; *and*

WHEREAS, The fare-free pilot program has been extended through City funding supported by COVID-19 relief funds that are set to expire, and Mayor Wu has announced the program will continue through June 30, 2026, however the program's status beyond June remains uncertain, potentially impacting riders who depend on this vital service; *and*

WHEREAS, Identifying sustainable long-term funding mechanisms is necessary to ensure continued equitable access to public transit for residents who depend on these routes; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to examine options to extend and fund the fare-free bus program for Routes 23, 28, and 29, and that the Boston Transportation Department, the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority, the Mayor's Office of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion, the Office of Budget Management, and other interested parties shall be invited to attend.

Filed on: March 4, 2026



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

ORDER FOR A HEARING REGARDING OCCUPATIONAL CANCER RISKS FOR BOSTON FIREFIGHTERS, AND PROGRAMS THE CITY OF BOSTON OFFERS OR COULD OFFER FOR PREVENTION, DIAGNOSIS, AND TREATMENT

WHEREAS, Firefighters have a 9% higher risk of being diagnosed with cancer, and additionally have a 14% higher risk of dying of cancer, according to research by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and National Institute for Occupational Health and Safety (NIOSH); *and*

WHEREAS, Sufficient evidence of these increased cancer risks for firefighters led the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) to conclude in July 2022 that occupational exposure as a Firefighter is carcinogenic to humans (Group 1); *and*

WHEREAS, Cancer caused 66% of the career firefighter line-of-duty deaths from 2002 to 2019, according to data from the International Association of Fire Fighters, as published by the nonprofit Firefighter Cancer Support Network; *and*

WHEREAS, Firefighters have more than double the risk for testicular cancer and double the risk for mesothelioma; over one-and-a-half times the risk for multiple myeloma and non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; and 14-39% increased risk of skin cancer, malignant melanoma, brain cancer, prostate cancer, colon cancer, and leukemia; *and*

WHEREAS, A 2008 study comparing incidence rates of cancer among Massachusetts firefighters to those of Massachusetts police officers based on data from 1987-2003 found that firefighters had a 90% higher risk for brain cancer and an 81% higher risk for Hodgkin's lymphoma. ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council holds a hearing regarding occupational cancer risks for Boston Firefighters, and programs the City of Boston offers or could offer for prevention, diagnosis, and treatment. Representatives from the Boston Fire Department; Boston Firefighters Local 718, International Association of Fire Fighters, AFL-CIO; and public health experts will be invited, and members of the public are encouraged to attend and testify.

Filed in Council: March 4, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR MINIARD CULPEPPER



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO EXAMINE TREATMENT-CENTERED POLICY APPROACHES TO ADDRESS SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER, HOMELESSNESS, AND CIVIL RIGHTS ISSUES IN THE MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE AND MELNEA CASS BOULEVARD AREA

WHEREAS, The ongoing humanitarian crisis in the Massachusetts Avenue and Melnea Cass Boulevard area involves complex intersections between substance use disorder, homelessness, behavioral health needs, and systemic barriers to care that disproportionately affect vulnerable populations; *and*

WHEREAS, Substance use disorder is recognized as a chronic health condition requiring treatment, recovery services, and long-term care, and the availability of voluntary treatment and harm reduction services is critical to promoting public health and social reintegration; *and*

WHEREAS, Individuals with substance use disorders who are involved in the criminal legal system are more likely to return to incarceration when treatment services are unavailable or inaccessible; *and*

WHEREAS, A 2023 systematic review examining criminal justice responses to substance-using individuals found that participation in treatment programs reduced recidivism rates compared to incarceration, and that treatment was the most consistent and significant indicator of longer periods without reoffending; *and*

WHEREAS, Additional findings from the same review found that individuals sentenced to incarceration for substance-related offenses were charged with a new crime at a rate of approximately 65 percent during a four-year follow-up period, compared to approximately 36 percent of individuals supervised under probation-based alternatives; *and*

WHEREAS, Participation in Drug Treatment Alternative to Prison (DTAP) programs has been shown to reduce the likelihood of a new arrest within one year to approximately

23 percent, compared to approximately 45 percent for individuals sentenced to incarceration; *and*

WHEREAS, Evidence-based treatment, diversion, and community-based care models may reduce pressure on emergency services, shelters, courts, and correctional facilities while improving health outcomes and social reintegration; *and*

WHEREAS, Publicly funded programs addressing substance use disorder must be implemented in a manner consistent with federal civil rights obligations, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, to ensure that policies do not produce unjustified disparate impacts on protected classes; *and*

WHEREAS, The concentration of substance use disorder and homelessness services in a single geographic area may raise civil rights considerations related to equitable access to care, environmental justice, and the distribution of public health infrastructure; *and*

WHEREAS, Treatment-centered policy approaches, including diversion programs, voluntary stabilization services, and community-based treatment initiatives, have demonstrated measurable outcomes in improving service engagement and reducing involvement with emergency, judicial, and correctional systems when addressing substance use disorder and related public health challenges; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to examine treatment-first policy approaches to addressing substance use disorder and homelessness in the Massachusetts Avenue and Melnea Cass Boulevard area, including the potential civil rights implications of current service delivery models, the effectiveness of treatment-centered and diversion-based interventions, and lessons learned from other municipalities that have implemented comparable strategies, and that representatives from the Boston Public Health Commission, the Mayor's Office of Housing, the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, community-based service providers, academic researchers, and officials from municipalities that have implemented care-first or treatment-centered policy approaches shall be invited to attend.

Filed on: March 4, 2026



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO EXAMINE POTENTIAL REFORMS TO THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE BUILDING CODE TO ALLOW FOR MID-RISE SINGLE-STAIR BUILDINGS

- WHEREAS,** The City of Boston is experiencing a housing crisis marked by high demand, rising costs, and a lack of affordable, diverse housing options for residents of all income levels and household structures; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The availability of developable land in Boston's urban, transit-proximate areas is limited, necessitating innovative approaches to increase housing supply while maintaining safety and livability; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Massachusetts State Building Code, which incorporates the International Building Code with state-specific amendments, imposes requirements for two separate means of egress (i.e., two staircases) for residential buildings taller than three stories, which limits the flexibility of building designs and increases construction costs; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Single-stair mid-rise buildings provide significant advantages including lower construction costs, increased housing density on smaller parcels, better natural light and ventilation, and the ability to create more diverse unit layouts that support families of all sizes; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Research and real-world data show that single-stair mid-rise buildings offer safer and more efficient housing options and mitigate safety concerns via modern fire prevention techniques such as sprinkler systems, smoke detection, and fire-resistant materials; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Several cities in the United States and numerous countries around the world have successfully implemented regulations permitting single-stair mid-rise buildings, thereby capturing the aforementioned benefits of allowing for such a typology; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Governor Maura Healey signed Executive Order, No. 651: Facilitating Safe and Affordable Single-Stair Multifamily Residential Buildings initiating a statewide study of the issue and establishing a technical advisory group; *and*
- WHEREAS,** While all municipalities must comply with the Massachusetts State Building Code, Boston faces unique considerations as the Commonwealth's most densely populated city and as a municipality with its own fire prevention regulations; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Reforming state building code provisions to allow single-stair mid-rise buildings has the potential to unlock more affordable and efficient housing developments across the city; ***NOW THEREFORE BE IT***

ORDERED: That the appropriate Committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to examine potential reforms to the Massachusetts State Building Code related to single-stair residential construction; to discuss Boston’s role in advocating for and shaping such reforms before the Board of Building Regulations and Standards and the Massachusetts Legislature; and to evaluate the potential impact of these reforms on housing production, affordability, and safety in the City of Boston.

Filed: February 27, 2026



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO REVIEW THE APPLICATION AND INTENT OF RULE 15

WHEREAS, Rule 15 of the Boston City Council governs the filing of matters that are duplicative of or substantively similar to matters already in Committee or previously acted upon during the current municipal year; and

WHEREAS, Rule 15 provides that it shall not preclude filings whose content is on a different subtopic, or filings for which a hearing or debate would not result in the same hearing or the same debate as a previous filing; and

WHEREAS, the Clerk is charged with placing on the agenda only the first-filed matter when filings are determined to be duplicative or substantially similar; and

WHEREAS, clarity and consistency in the interpretation and application of Rule 15 are essential to maintaining transparency, fairness, and effective legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Members of the Council frequently file matters addressing related or overlapping subjects, including recognition resolutions, policy resolutions, and hearing orders, which may differ in scope, intent, or subtopic;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED: That the appropriate Committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to review the intent and application of Rule 15, including the standards for determining substantial similarity, the distinction between subtopics, and the role of the Clerk and Council in applying the rule, and to consider whether additional guidance is warranted to ensure consistent and effective legislative practice.

Filed on: March 4, 2026



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

ORDER FOR A SERIES OF HEARINGS REGARDING ALL CITY OF BOSTON GRANTS ADMINISTERED BY THE BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, In accordance with MGL c.44, §53A, and as incorporated in the City of Boston Charter §51 “Grants and Gifts; Acceptance and Expenditure,” as prepared and distributed by the Boston City Council, July 2007:

“An officer or department of any city or town ... may accept grants or gifts of funds from the federal government and from a charitable foundation, a private corporation, or an individual, or from the commonwealth, a county or municipality or an agency thereof, and ... may expend such funds for the purposes of such grant or gift with the approval of the Mayor and City Council.”;
and

WHEREAS, The Boston Police Department (BPD) routinely applies for and receives a wide variety of grants and gifts from the federal government, Commonwealth of Massachusetts, charitable foundations, private corporations, and individuals, and such funding represents a significant source of revenue for BPD, and provides for critical staff, equipment, and operations; *and*

WHEREAS, Such grants and gifts include both non-competitive grants, which are allocated by federal and state government entities in proportion to available resources and need, as determined by such entities; as well as competitive grants and gifts, which are applied for by the City of Boston, and awarded by both governmental and non-governmental entities on the basis of the merits of the City’s application;
and

WHEREAS, The quality and breadth of the applications for competitive grants and gifts submitted by the City of Boston to grant-making entities substantially affects the the resources available to serve the public safety needs of residents, businesses, workers, and visitors in Boston, and it is therefore critical that sufficient staffing and resources are provided to BPD to pursue competitive grants and gifts, which can only be accomplished with full awareness by the Boston City Council of current and ongoing grant applications; *and*

WHEREAS, Non-competitive grants awarded by federal and state governmental entities can be highly variable in dollar amount and scope in accordance with changes in federal and state budgets and priorities, and it is critical that the Boston City Council remains apprised of these variations from year to year, and that the City of Boston adjusts City funding and services accordingly; *and*

WHEREAS, In compliance with the aforementioned Massachusetts General Law and City of Boston Charter, upon receipt of a grant or gift to the City of Boston to be administered by BPD, the Mayor of Boston files a legislative order with the Boston City Council to accept and expend or make use of such grant or gift; *and*

WHEREAS, Once filed with the City Council, the City Council President refers such orders to a City Council Committee, which reviews the grant or gift and associated mayoral order, and thereafter provides a recommendation for formal action by the whole City Council body to approve or disapprove of the City of Boston accepting such grant or gift, at which time all Councilors are free to vote on the order at their discretion; *and*

WHEREAS, During 2024, the City Council Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice conducted such reviews and recommendations for formal action on grants and gifts administered by BPD totaling over \$9,928,596; in 2025, said grants and gifts totaled over \$11,002,722; *and*

WHEREAS, Due to such orders to accept grants or gifts being filed at the time of receipt by the City of Boston, reviewing these orders solely at the time of filing would provide a haphazard and incomplete picture of grants and funding sources for BPD, as there are a multitude of funding sources even for individual programs, services, teams, equipment purchases, maintenance, and operations, from both various grants and gifts, as well as City funds and other sources; *and*

WHEREAS, By instead conducting its oversight role proactively and with a holistic approach, rather than solely reacting to legislative orders filed by the Mayor upon receipt of grants or gifts, the City Council can better ensure public safety and the effective funding and function of BPD, while providing greater public transparency.
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council holds a series of hearings regarding all grants administered by the Boston Police Department (BPD). Representatives of BPD who manage the application for, receipt of, and disbursement of grants and gifts administered by BPD will be invited, along with on-the-ground members of BPD providing critical public safety services. Interested parties and members of the public are encouraged to attend and testify.

Filed in Council: March 4, 2025

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF BOSTON'S ANTI-DISPLACEMENT ACTION PLAN

WHEREAS, Displacement, whether direct, economic, commercial, or cultural, remains one of the most urgent and complex challenges facing the City of Boston, disproportionately impacting Black and Brown, low-income, and senior residents, small businesses, and cultural institutions; *and*

WHEREAS, Displacement is not only a housing issue, but a broader community stability issue, affecting access to schools, employment, transit, healthcare, cultural spaces, social networks, and is deeply intertwined with historic patterns of segregation, redlining, urban renewal, and inequitable public investment; *and*

WHEREAS, Historically, housing policies and economic systems have not served communities equitably, leaving certain neighborhoods at disproportionate risk of losing their homes and cultural institutions; *and*

WHEREAS, In 2025 the City of Boston released its first comprehensive Anti-Displacement Action Plan, intended to serve as a cross-cabinet roadmap to stabilize residents, neighborhoods, and support equitable growth, utilizing a "4 P's" framework: Protect, Preserve, Produce, and Prosper; *and*

WHEREAS, The Anti-Displacement Action Plan outlines dozens of new and expanded policies, programs, and initiatives, including but not limited to eviction prevention, tenant protections, homeowner stabilization, acquisition and preservation strategies, planning and zoning reforms, data-driven displacement risk analysis, small business and cultural space stabilization, and even including improved access to City services and resources; *and*

WHEREAS, Many elements of the plan rely on effective interdepartmental coordination, sustained funding commitments, robust data collection and reporting, clear implementation timelines, and continued partnerships; *and*

WHEREAS, Several proposed tools and protections identified in the plan require state authorization through Home Rule Petitions or enabling legislation, underscoring the importance of coordinating legislative strategy; *and*

WHEREAS, Transparency and accountability are essential to ensuring that the plan delivers measurable outcomes for residents and neighborhoods most at risk, and that progress is clearly communicated to the public in an accessible and meaningful way; *and*

WHEREAS, A comprehensive review of the Anti-Displacement Action Plan would help to examine early results and challenges, hear directly from City departments and community stakeholders, and identify gaps, barriers, or unmet needs; *and*

WHEREAS, Such a review is particularly timely as Boston continues to experience rising housing costs, climate-related risks, and shifting federal policy landscapes that may impact both displacement and the capacity to respond; *and*

WHEREAS, Effective anti-displacement policy depends not only on the creation of programs and tools, but on sustained funding and staffing capacity, and ongoing monitoring to ensure that initiatives are effective and an efficient use of resources; *and*

WHEREAS, Meaningful evaluation of the plan requires large amounts of data, reporting, and clear performance metrics to assess whether policies are reducing displacement risk, improving housing stability, and preserving neighborhood commercial and cultural assets across different communities and geographies; *and*

WHEREAS, Community trust in the plan depends on the City's ability to demonstrate that anti-displacement commitments are being integrated into decision-making related to zoning, land disposition, development review, capital planning, and major public investments, rather than treated as stand-alone or aspirational efforts; *and*

WHEREAS, The City Council has an essential oversight role in reviewing major policy initiatives, understanding how plans are translated into on-the-ground outcomes, evaluating whether stated goals are being met, and identifying opportunities to strengthen or accelerate implementation through legislative or budgetary action;
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a public hearing to review the City of Boston's Anti-Displacement Action Plan, including but not limited to: implementation across City departments; progress toward stated goals; use and effectiveness of displacement risk data and tools; impacts on renters, homeowners, small businesses, and cultural institutions; coordination with planning, zoning, and development review processes; community access to resources; funding and staffing capacity; reporting and accountability mechanisms; and any legislative, regulatory, or state-level actions necessary to strengthen and sustain the Plan; and that the appropriate individuals and organizations be invited to testify.



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING REGARDING RECENT JUVENILE WEAPON INCIDENTS AND SCHOOL SAFETY COORDINATION

WHEREAS, within a short timeframe, several serious incidents involving juveniles and weapons have occurred in the City of Boston, including the arrest of a 15-year-old in Dorchester in possession of a loaded firearm with a defaced serial number, a stabbing at Boston International High School, a firearm recovered at Roxbury Prep, and a firearm-related incident near Murphy School at dismissal; and

WHEREAS, the safety of students, educators, families, and school communities is a fundamental responsibility shared by the City of Boston, Boston Public Schools, and the Boston Police Department; and

WHEREAS, while each incident may have distinct circumstances, the frequency and proximity of these events have raised concerns regarding coordination, intelligence sharing, communication protocols, dismissal procedures, and prevention strategies; and

WHEREAS, the Boston City Council has a duty to ensure transparency, accountability, and proactive policy responses when public safety concerns impact school communities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to examine trends in juvenile firearm possession and school-based violence; the role of the Youth Violence Strike Force and coordination between district officers and Boston Public Schools; intelligence sharing and threat assessment protocols; communication standards between the Boston Police Department, Boston Public Schools, school leadership, families, and elected officials; school dismissal and perimeter safety procedures; early intervention and youth violence prevention strategies currently being deployed; and trauma-informed support resources available to impacted students and staff.

This hearing is intended to strengthen collaboration and ensure that the City is responding comprehensively, strategically, and transparently to protect our young people and school communities.

Filed on: March 4, 2026



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

**ORDER REGARDING A TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE
BOSTON ZONING CODE TO EXPAND THE ELIGIBLE
LOCATION OF OFF-SITE AFFORDABLE HOUSING
UNITS UNDER THE INCLUSIONARY DEVELOPMENT
POLICY**

- WHEREAS,** The Inclusionary Development Policy, codified in Article 79 of the Boston Zoning Code, requires that certain residential developments include income-restricted affordable housing units or contribute to the Inclusionary Development Fund; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Inclusionary Development Policy permits developers to construct required affordable housing units off-site in lieu of on-site provision, subject to the requirements of Article 79; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Article 79 currently requires that off-site affordable housing units be located within one-half mile of the proposed project generating the obligation; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The current one-half mile geographic limitation may constrain the availability of suitable sites for the development of off-site affordable housing units, particularly in areas with high land costs or limited development capacity; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Expanding the allowable geographic radius for off-site affordable housing units may improve the financial feasibility of affordable housing development and increase the likelihood that developers elect to construct affordable units rather than make cash contributions to the Inclusionary Development Fund; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Expanding the allowable geographic radius for off-site affordable housing units may improve the financial feasibility of affordable housing development and increase the likelihood that developers elect to construct affordable units rather than make cash contributions to the Inclusionary Development Fund; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Increasing flexibility in site selection for off-site affordable housing units may facilitate the production of additional affordable housing units within the City of Boston; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

ORDERED, That the Boston City Council, by and through Councilor Miniard Culpepper, submits a petition to amend the text of the Boston Zoning Code, as established under Chapter 665 of the Acts of 1956, as amended, to expand the allowable geographic radius within which off-site affordable housing units provided pursuant to Article 79 may be located.

TO THE ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BOSTON:

The Boston City Council, through and by Councilor Miniard Culpepper, hereby petitions to amend the text of the Boston Zoning Code, as established under Chapter 665 of the Acts of 1956, as amended, as follows:

Amending Article 79 (Inclusionary Development Policy) as follows:

In Section 79-4, strike the phrase: “within one-half mile” and insert in place thereof the following: “within two miles” so that the amended section shall read as follows:

Affordable Housing Units provided off-site pursuant to this Article shall be located within two miles of the Lot upon which the Proposed Project is located.

Filed on: March 4, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS JOHN FITZGERALD AND EDWARD M. FLYNN



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

AN ORDER REGARDING A TEXT AMENDMENT TO THE BOSTON ZONING CODE WITH RESPECT TO RETAIL ZONING

WHEREAS, Small businesses and locally owned mom and pop shops are the backbone of our communities and continue to be vital in all neighborhoods in the City of Boston. Big businesses and companies with deep pockets continue to put our small businesses at risk of being displaced; *and*

WHEREAS, The South End depends on active retail storefronts to support walkability, public safety, and vibrant streets. For many, these storefronts are a lifeline as a reliable source of fresh food and an essential part of daily life in the neighborhood, including thousands of neighbors living in public housing at Boston Housing Authority (BHA) Ruth Barkley Apartments (Cathedral), affordable housing at IBA's Villa Victoria and Castle Square Apartment Complex, and neighbors without access to a car; *and*

WHEREAS, With areas in close proximity to BHA public housing developments or affordable housing, access to daily necessities and fresh food is especially critical with the high cost of living and inability to afford delivery fees. The loss of a site for a retail grocery store raises serious concerns about hunger and food accessibility, especially for our seniors and working families. Many workers may also be South End residents, women, and neighbors from communities of color; *and*

WHEREAS, Due to ongoing concerns regarding public process, it is important that neighborhood voices are heard and streetscape remains consistent. It is critical that the City of Boston remains committed to main streets engagement on local priorities, services and amenities that our communities rely on in the development process, but also that neighbors continue to invest in the charm of their neighborhoods by shopping local; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

ORDERED, That the Boston City Council, by and through Councilors John FitzGerald and Edward Flynn, submits a petition to amend the text of the Boston Zoning Code.

TO THE ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BOSTON:

Boston City Council through and by Boston City Councilors John FitzGerald and Edward Flynn petition to amend the text of the Boston Zoning Code by inserting the following new section to Article 64 following Section 64-19:

Section 64-20 Restrictions on Change of Use of Local Retail Grocery Businesses

The Commissioner of the Inspectional Services Department shall not issue a change of use permit for any ground floor retail establishment primarily engaged in selling a range of food products, including fresh produce, meats, and dry goods, for off-premises consumption, except in accordance with this section.

1. **Change of Use Standards.** Where a change of use has been requested, the Commissioner of the Inspectional Services Department may issue a change of use permit for such sites, only upon a finding of the Zoning Board of Appeal that:
 - a. Change of Use of such site will not completely deplete the area of Local Retail Grocery Businesses as described above.
 - b. Such change of use is sensitive to the needs of residents living in the adjacent residential area.
 - c. Such change preserves an active, safe streetscape, including clear, lit storefront windows and a use that supports foot traffic, walkability, and public safety.

2. **Community Process.** The Zoning Board of Appeal shall report their findings to the Commissioner of the Inspectional Services Department upon the conclusion of a community process that:
 - a. Provides notice of the potential change of use to the residents living in the Neighborhood Development Area.
 - b. Includes a public hearing to hear from residents, business groups, and institutions in the Neighborhood Development Area.
 - c. Elicits recommendations for consideration from the South End/Lower Roxbury Working Group or its successor organization.

Petitioner: Boston City Council

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OFFERED BY COUNCILOR BRIAN WORRELL



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

AN ORDER REGARDING A TEXT AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 37 OF THE BOSTON ZONING CODE 'GREEN BUILDINGS AND NET ZERO CARBON' TO EXPEDITE AND LOWER COSTS FOR DEVELOPMENT PROCESSES

WHEREAS, Adopted January 29, 2025, and pertaining to development projects undergoing Large Project Review, Planned Development Area Review, Institutional Master Plan Review, or Small Project Review, Article 37 of the Boston Zoning Code is an important tool designed to help promote sustainable development and mitigate adverse environmental impacts caused by projects proposed in the City of Boston, and outlines requirements for projects to obtain Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) certification, report energy and water usage, and comply with greenhouse gas emission standards of the Building Emissions and Reduction Disclosure Ordinance (BERDO) that decline over time toward a net-zero goal by the year 2050; *and*

WHEREAS, The costs of fulfilling Article 37 requirements can include providing the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA; dba Boston Planning and Redevelopment Agency) a LEED scorecard, purchasing MA Class I Renewable Energy Certificates, and otherwise demonstrating that a project will undergo documentation and expert certification related to green building and net-zero carbon requirements; *and*

WHEREAS, Such costs can add up prohibitively in the earlier pre-schematic design phases as projects are still getting off the ground, making it especially harder for developers of smaller-scale projects to direct funds to build the kind of affordable housing stock that our neighborhoods need; *and*

WHEREAS, An opportunity exists to help alleviate some of the financial burdens of the process by resituating the timing of Article 37's certification and reporting requirements to be included later in a project's phase – right before construction begins – providing more time for disbursement of any project subsidies, revenue, and other resources to help finance the costs of such requirements; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

ORDERED: That the Boston City Council, by and through Councilor Brian Worrell, submits a petition to amend the text of the Boston Zoning Code.

TO THE ZONING COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BOSTON:

Boston City Council through and by Boston City Councilor Brian Worrell petition to amend the text of the Boston Zoning Code by amending the following language to Article 37:

1. In Article 37, Section 5-1.- Applicability of Net Zero Carbon
 - a. Insert to the end of the first sentence, before the word “to”: provided that said requirements shall be tolled until after all relevant approvals but prior to issuance of building permit.

2. In Article 37, Section 7 - Procedures of Net Zero Carbon
 - a. Strike: the second sentence in Subsection a
 - b. Replace with: This checklist must be filed with the Boston Redevelopment Authority after all relevant approvals but prior to issuance of building permit.

SECTION 2.

The provisions of this act are severable and if any provision, or portion thereof, should be held to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions, which remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3.

This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Petitioner: Boston City Council

By: Councilor Brian Worrell

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Filed on: February 27, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ENRIQUE J. PEPÉN



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE WORK OF PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYEES DURING RECENT SNOW STORM EMERGENCIES

WHEREAS, The current season of winter has brought about an above average amount of snowfall, with Boston seeing a total of over 60 inches since the beginning of winter, with much of that snowfall coming from two snowstorms in late January and late February; *and*

WHEREAS, The two recent snowstorms greatly tested the City’s ability to manage snowfall and proved to be a stern reminder to all Bostonians of the power of a New England winter; *and*

WHEREAS, Public Works employees worked day and night to clear and remove snow from streets and Code Enforcement officers worked to make sure all land owners were held accountable to their responsibility to clear sidewalks; *and*

WHEREAS, City workers performed their duties during the snowstorms in low visibility and with heavy machinery, bearing safety risks in service of making the city cleaner and more navigable; *and*

WHEREAS, A Public Works employee’s job is one all residents are impacted by and their efforts toward keeping our city safe and maintained deserve more recognition; *and*

WHEREAS, We may receive more storms as the season comes to a close, it is important to thank our Public Works Department for their tireless, vital work; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council extends its thanks to the employees of the Boston Public Works Department for working hard to clear snow in the wake of recent snowstorms.

Filed on: March 4, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR MINIARD CULPEPPER



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

RESOLUTION URGING THE MASSACHUSETTS BAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AND THE CITY TO CANCEL PROPOSED CENTER RUNNING BUS LANES AS PART OF THE BLUE HILL AVENUE TRANSPORTATION PLAN PROJECT AND REALLOCATE FUNDS DEDICATED FOR THE CENTER RUNNING BUS LANES TO FUND THE CONTINUATION OF THE FARE-FREE BUS PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Blue Hill Avenue serves as one of the most significant economic and cultural transportation corridors for Black, Brown, and low-income residents in the City of Boston; *and*

WHEREAS, Decades of public disinvestment in streetscape beautification, tree canopy expansion, pedestrian infrastructure, and sanitation conditions along Blue Hill Avenue have contributed to disparate public realm conditions when compared to other major corridors in the City; *and*

WHEREAS, Public rights-of-way, including streets, sidewalks, and transportation corridors, are components of publicly funded programs, services, and activities that must be implemented in a manner that does not produce unjustified disparate impacts on communities of color; *and*

WHEREAS, The proposed multimodal redesign of Blue Hill Avenue includes dedicated center-running bus lanes supported by approximately \$44 million in combined federal, City, and MBTA investment, including a \$15 million RAISE Grant administered by the Federal Transit Administration; *and*

WHEREAS, Many residents, workers, and small business owners along Blue Hill Avenue have raised concerns regarding the lack of thorough community consultation on the proposed center-running bus lanes, and that without meaningful engagement reflecting the realities of those who rely on the corridor for work, caregiving, and commerce, the design risks deepening inequities and creating new barriers to economic participation and mobility; *and*

- WHEREAS,** The implementation of dedicated bus-only travel lanes will reduce general purpose travel lanes, curbside access, and parking availability for residents, customers, and small businesses, potentially resulting in increased congestion, longer travel times, reduced economic activity, and barriers to mobility for corridor residents who rely on personal vehicles for transportation; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The prioritization of bus-only travel infrastructure along a corridor serving predominantly Black, Brown, and low-income communities risks producing a disparate impact on residents who work in trades, have shift-based employment, and caregivers whose travel patterns are not easily accommodated by fixed-route transit service; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The reduction of general purpose travel lanes and on-street parking associated with dedicated bus lane implementation may disproportionately burden corridor residents with limited access to alternative transportation options by increasing travel times, limiting curbside access for essential services, and creating barriers to economic participation; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Blue Hill Avenue corridor includes numerous small businesses, houses of worship, healthcare facilities, and community-serving institutions that rely on curbside access for deliveries, customer access, and essential services; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Since 2022, the City of Boston has partnered with the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority to implement a fare-free pilot program on Routes 23, 28, and 29 in order to improve access to reliable and affordable public transportation for Boston residents; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Routes 23, 28, and 29 travel through neighborhoods including Roxbury, Dorchester, and Mattapan, and serve many low-income residents, essential workers, seniors, students, and families who rely on the fare-free bus program as a critical means of accessing employment, healthcare, education, and other essential services; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Since implementation of the fare-free pilot program, nearly 24,000 fare-free trips have been taken each weekday on Routes 23, 28, and 29, and ridership on these routes increased by approximately 35 percent during the first year of the pilot, which was more than double the MBTA systemwide average; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Surveys indicate that more than one quarter of riders save at least \$20 per month through the fare-free program, allowing households to redirect funds toward essential expenses such as food, housing, healthcare, and education; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The fare-free pilot program has been extended through City funding supported by COVID-19 relief funds that are set to expire on June 30, 2026, creating uncertainty regarding the program's long-term sustainability for riders who depend on this vital service; *and*

WHEREAS, As the City and MBTA consider long-term funding options for public transportation infrastructure along the Blue Hill Avenue corridor, reallocating available funding from the Blue Hill Avenue Transportation Plan Project toward sustaining the fare-free bus program will improve equitable access to transit for corridor residents who depend on these routes; ***NOW THEREFORE BE IT***

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council urges the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority and the City to cancel the proposed center-running bus lanes associated with the Blue Hill Avenue Transportation Plan Project and to instead reallocate available project funding toward sustaining and expanding the fare-free bus program for Routes 23, 28, and 29.

Filed on: March 4, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR SHARON DURKAN



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MARCH 8, 2026 AS “INTERNATIONAL WOMEN’S DAY” IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

WHEREAS, Since 1975, the United Nations has recognized International Women’s Day as a global observance honoring women’s achievements while calling for sustained action to secure full economic, political, and social equality; *and*

WHEREAS, International Women’s Day 2026 is themed “Rights. Justice. Action. For ALL Women and Girls,” underscoring the need to dismantle discriminatory laws, inequitable systems, and harmful social norms that continue to restrict opportunity for women worldwide; *and*

WHEREAS, International Women’s Day emerged from early twentieth-century movements in the United States and reflects the nation’s enduring role in advancing democratic participation and equal rights across the globe; *and*

WHEREAS, Boston has long been at the forefront of that progress and continues to serve as a center of women’s leadership in government, medicine and biotechnology, education, entrepreneurship, and athletics; *and*

WHEREAS, As a city shaped by immigrant communities and renowned for its academic, medical, and civic institutions, Boston celebrates the women whose leadership strengthens its neighborhoods and elevates its influence nationally and globally—including in public service, exemplified by Mayor Michelle Wu’s historic tenure as Boston’s first woman and first Asian American Mayor as well as the leadership of other former Boston City Councilors including Andrea Campbell, Lydia Edwards, and Ayanna Pressley; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

ORDERED: That the Boston City Council recognizes International Women’s Day, celebrates the contributions of women across the City, and reaffirms Boston’s commitment to ensuring women of every background have the opportunity to lead and thrive.

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR SHARON DURKAN



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION DECLARING MARCH 17, 2026 AS “BOSTON FLEET OLYMPIC MEDALIST DAY” IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

WHEREAS, Women’s ice hockey was first introduced to the winter Olympics in 1998 and since then, the US women’s team has medaled in every single competition, having won 2 golds, 4 silver and 1 bronze before this year’s Olympics in Milan; *and*

WHEREAS, The US women’s hockey team was unstoppable, winning 7 games and losing none, outscoring opponents 33 to 2. They faced Canada in the finals, the only other country to have won a gold medal in Women’s Hockey, and made a thrilling comeback to win in overtime, earning the team its 3rd gold medal; *and*

WHEREAS, The local team in the Professional Women’s Hockey League is the Boston Fleet, who sent 7 competitors, 4 of which won medals, including Megan Keller, Aerin Frankel and Haley Winn for USA and Alina Müller for Switzerland; *and*

WHEREAS, Megan Keller, Aerin Frankel, and Alina Müller began their distinguished collegiate careers at Boston institutions, with Keller attending Boston College and Frankel and Müller competing at Northeastern University; *and*

WHEREAS, The Boston Fleet are, as of February 25, leading the league in wins and well poised for success this season; *and*

WHEREAS, The Fleet’s first home game after their four medalists return from the Olympics is being hosted in Agannis Arena on March 17, 2026; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

ORDERED: The Boston City Council honors the Boston Fleet players in winning multiple Olympic medals, including 3 gold and 1 bronze and recognizes the tremendous impact that their victory represents to female athletes across Boston and the rest of the United States recognizing March 17, 2026 as “Boston Fleet Olympic Medalist Day” in the City of Boston.

OFFERED BY: _____
SHARON DURKAN, BOSTON CITY COUNCILOR, DISTRICT 8

BY: _____
LIZ BREADON, PRESIDENT OF THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

ATTEST: _____
ALEX GEOURNTAS, CLERK OF THE CITY OF BOSTON

DATE: _____

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR SANTANA



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF ENDING HEALTH DISPARITIES IMPACTING THE BLACK COMMUNITY IN BOSTON

WHEREAS, The Boston Public Health Commission (BPHC)'s recent Black Life Expectancy Report has found that Black residents have the lowest life expectancy amongst all races and ethnicities in Boston, with an average lifespan of 77.8 years compared to 80.5 years among other residents; *and*

WHEREAS, Black males, in particular, have the lowest life expectancy compared to all other groups by race and gender, 9.3 years fewer than other males in Boston, and Black females have the lowest life expectancy compared to all other races, living 6.4 fewer years than other females in Boston; *and*

WHEREAS, Boston has one of the highest overall life expectancies in the country at over eighty years of age, yet this varies significantly depending on the neighborhood in which an individual lives; a 33-year age gap was recorded in 2007 between the census tracts in Roxbury and Back Bay— notably, 73.6% of Back Bay residents are white, 28.3% more than the City's average, while Roxbury's population is 55.6% Black and 6.5% white; *and*

WHEREAS, The BPHC's report, "Closing the Gap: An Examination of Life Expectancy Among Black Residents in Boston" has revealed that life expectancy gaps are driven in large part by preventable deaths among Black people before the age of 65, with the three leading causes of premature death among Boston's Black male community being unintentional overdoses, heart diseases, and cancers, together accounting for 42% of the life expectancy gap between Black men and other men in Boston, while the three leading causes of premature death among Black females in Boston are cancer, heart disease, and cerebrovascular disease, accounting for 40% of the life expectancy gap— deaths which the report identifies as preventable; *and*

WHEREAS, Subsections of the Black community experience these disparities differently, with Haitian residents experiencing higher mortality rates than Cabo Verdean and Jamaican residents, while Cabo Verdean residents experience lower overall mortality but face elevated risks from accidental overdose, highlighting the need for community-specific strategies for promoting public health; *and*

WHEREAS, Overdose prevention initiatives have made great strides in reducing these disparities in recent years, with 2024 marking a steep decline in overdose deaths

among Black residents from 100 deaths per 100,000 residents in 2023 to 32.2 per 100,000 residents in 2024; *and*

WHEREAS, Projections show that these life expectancy disparities can continue or worsen absent mitigating efforts, highlighting the need for urgent and continued action, particularly in early screening and preventative care for cancer and other diseases and overdose prevention initiatives; *and*

WHEREAS, Each of these statistics represent human lives– neighbors, friends, family members, and loved ones who deserve to life long, healthy, and fulfilling lives free from preventable suffering inflicted by barriers to access to healthcare; *and*

WHEREAS, The preventable suffering or death of any of our community members due to barriers to medical care is a stain on our collective moral consciousness; *and*

WHEREAS, The findings in the BPHC’s report display the need for continued investments in access to healthcare for Boston’s Black community; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council commends the Boston Public Health Commission’s \$1,000,000 investment in organizations working to improve Black men’s health; their new partnership with the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute investing \$1,000,000 in cancer prevention, treatment, and other community-based initiatives that tackle the key drivers of premature mortality; the February 27 Black Life Expectancy Report Press Conference; and the upcoming Black Men’s Health Activation Summit to discuss challenges facing Black men and make recommendations for BPHC investment priorities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council supports meaningful action ending health disparities disproportionately impacting the Black community, working towards eliminating the gap in life expectancy between Black residents and non-Black residents, and advancing health justice for all communities in Boston.

Filed on: March 4, 2026



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

Expressing Support for Active Duty United States Service Members and Their Families

WHEREAS, members of the United States Armed Forces stand ready to defend our nation at great personal risk; and

WHEREAS, recent military operations involving United States forces have already resulted in American casualties and serious injuries, as well as heightened deployments, placing service members and their families at immediate risk; and

WHEREAS, any military action places active duty service members in harm's way and directly impacts their families and loved ones; and

WHEREAS, the City of Boston is home to veterans, active duty service members, National Guard members, reservists, and military families who serve with distinction; and

WHEREAS, I am the mother of a son currently serving in the 82nd Airborne Division, United States Army, and understand firsthand the weight that deployments place on families; and

WHEREAS, our nation's history reminds us that disagreement over war policy must never translate into a failure to support those who have voluntarily stepped forward to serve, taken an oath to defend the Constitution, and protect our nation; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Boston City Council expresses its steadfast support for all active duty United States service members who may be placed in harm's way; and

RESOLVED, that the Council affirms its commitment to supporting military families in the City of Boston through community resources, services, and public recognition; and

RESOLVED, that the Council calls upon all residents of Boston to stand united in gratitude for the courage, sacrifice, and service of our troops.

Filed in City Council: March 4, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR BRIAN WORRELL



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY SIX

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE MBTA INCLUDING SIDEWALK SNOW CLEARANCE IN ITS UPCOMING COMMUTER RAIL OPERATOR CONTRACT

WHEREAS, Snow clearance of sidewalks at MBTA stations, especially commuter rail-only stations such as those along the Fairmount Line, has been particularly slow after storms this winter, with many residents reporting unshoveled sidewalks for weeks; *and*

WHEREAS, The snow clearance of these stations has been a years-long problem that forces commuters over snowbanks and into streets, while leaving persons with disabilities trapped and unable to navigate any path forward; *and*

WHEREAS, Snow clearance on station sidewalks was not included in Keolis' current contract with the MBTA as a commuter rail operator, meaning clearance would fall to the city or state; *and*

WHEREAS, In the most recent storm, the state utilized the National Guard to clear MBTA bus stops and stations, a move that shows how far out of its scope of operations snow clearance is; *and*

WHEREAS, The City of Boston's Public Works department is already responsible for plowing hundreds of miles of roads in the city, as well as helping to clear other municipal properties, and adding duties that should fall to the MBTA are best left to the state or the commuter rail operator; *and*

WHEREAS, The MBTA is in the process of selecting an operator from a pool of three prospective operators, including Keolis, and finalizing a contract with an operator by the end of 2026; *and*

WHEREAS, It is imperative that the state and MBTA include responsibility of sidewalk snow clearance at commuter rail stations in the scope of the upcoming commuter rail contract, so as to ensure Boston residents and commuters can safely navigate our sidewalks; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council stands in support of the state including sidewalk snow clearance in its upcoming commuter rail operator contract, ensuring Boston residents and commuters can safely navigate sidewalks after snowstorms.

Filed on: February 27, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR BRIAN WORRELL



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MARCH 5TH AS CRISPUS ATTUCKS DAY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

- WHEREAS,** Crispus Attucks was born into slavery in Framingham, Massachusetts, around the year 1723, with his father being an enslaved African man named Prince Yonger and his mother being a Native American woman named Nancy Attucks; *and*
- WHEREAS,** For over 300 years, the legacy of Crispus Attucks has stood as a testament to the resilience, courage, and contributions of Black and Indigenous Americans to the fight for freedom and equality in this nation; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Crispus Attucks embraced his multicultural heritage and rose above the shackles of slavery to become a sailor and a skilled whaler, spending much of his life at sea and working along the docks of the Atlantic seaboard, earning a reputation as a trusted longshoreman and negotiator; *and*
- WHEREAS,** On March 5, 1770—256 years ago—Crispus Attucks made the ultimate sacrifice as the first person killed in the Boston Massacre, an event that ignited the flames of the American Revolution and forever changed the course of history, acknowledging him as the first hero of the Revolution; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Attucks’ sacrifice symbolizes the fight for freedom, justice, and equality, inspiring generations of Americans to stand up against oppression, and his legacy has been celebrated nationwide, including through institutions such as the Crispus Attucks High School in Indianapolis, the U.S. Navy’s USS Attucks, and various statues and memorials across the country; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Boston Latin School held the inaugural Crispus Attucks Commemoration Day essay competition last year, organized by the Friends of Crispus Attucks, as a way to further the education of his life; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The City of Boston is committed to ensuring Crispus Attucks’ legacy is honored through the establishment of a permanent monument, with efforts underway to finalize a location and commit to funding; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The announcement of a permanent statue’s future location would be fitting to come while the country is celebrating its 250th anniversary, with the goal of a statue to be completed in time for Boston’s 400th anniversary in 2030; *and*

WHEREAS, The City of Boston is committed to ensuring Crispus Attucks' legacy is honored through the establishment of a permanent monument, with efforts underway to finalize a location; *and*

WHEREAS, Designating March 5th as Crispus Attucks Day serves as a reminder of the ongoing struggle for civil rights and social justice, providing an opportunity for education, reflection, and community engagement; **NOW THEREFORE BE IT;**

RESOLVED, That the Boston City Council hereby recognizes March 5, 2026, as Crispus Attucks Day in the City of Boston, and urges all residents to honor his memory and legacy through appropriate observances and activities.

Filed on: March 2, 2026



**CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE TEMPORARY
REPLACEMENT OF CONCURRENT PEDESTRIAN PHASING
TRAFFIC SIGNALS FOLLOWING SNOWSTORMS**

- WHEREAS:** Pedestrian safety is one of the biggest issues we face in the City of Boston and a critical component of public safety and overall quality of life. With snow removal operations leaving large snowbanks at the corner of many streets, it becomes all the more difficult for pedestrians to safely navigate crosswalks and intersections; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Residents throughout the city have called attention to the dangerous situations with concurrent phasing traffic signals, where pedestrian has a signal to cross the street at the very same time that vehicles have a signal to go and turn at an intersection, with the expectation that the motor vehicle will yield to the pedestrian in the crosswalks; *and*
- WHEREAS:** In 2019, a young couple was struck by a construction vehicle at an intersection with a concurrent phasing traffic signal at Summer Street & Melcher Street in the Fort Point area of South Boston. While the young man sustained serious injuries, the young woman tragically passed away from her injuries. Following that tragedy, the light was adjusted on the Summer Street side to provide a walk signal when cars have a red light. At that time, there were reports of hundreds of 311 cases on pedestrian safety due to concurrent phasing traffic signals. There were also reports indicating this practice goes back to the 1970s, at approximately 319 intersections in Boston; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Following a significant snowstorm, it becomes even more difficult for residents to look past large piles of snow or snowbanks before crossing the street. However, this is especially concerning at intersections with concurrent phasing traffic signals, as pedestrians crossing the street have their field of vision blocked by a large snowbank while a motor vehicle is allowed to turn; *and*
- WHEREAS:** At a time of increased speeding with cars, distracted driving and walking, rideshares, and mopeds and e-bikes for food delivery -safety concerns on concurrent phasing traffic signals become exacerbated by the presence of large snowbanks on street corners. In the days and weeks following significant snow removal operations, it is critical that the City of Boston temporarily replace concurrent pedestrian phasing traffic signals in the interest of pedestrian safety; *and*

NOWTHEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Boston City Council supports the temporary replacement of concurrent phasing traffic signals citywide following significant snowstorms to improve pedestrian safety.

Filed in City Council: March 4, 2026

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR EDWARD M. FLYNN



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-SIX

**ORDER REQUESTING CERTAIN INFORMATION UNDER SECTION 17F:
REGARDING THE USE OF \$558.7 MILLION IN AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT
(ARPA) FUNDS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON**

ORDERED: That under the provisions of section 1.17F of Chapter 376 of the Acts of 1951 as amended by section 16 of Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1982, and any other applicable provision of law, the Mayor, be, and hereby is, requested to obtain and deliver to the City Council, within one week of the receipt hereof, the following information relative to

1. Confirmation as to the existence of any instances of possible misuse of funds from the \$558.7 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) federal grant funding from the United States Treasury and reported to the City of Boston or the Office of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion, including any nonprofit funding that was either returned or requested to be returned for any reason.
2. Whether the City of Boston communicated with any organization that received these grants to return the funds back to the city.

Filed on: March 4, 2026



Boston City Council

Legislative Calendar for the March 4, 2026 Session

Sixty Day Orders¹

¹**Section 17E of Chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948 (as amended):**

The mayor from time to time may make to the city council in the form of an ordinance or loan order filed with the city clerk such recommendations as he may deem to be for the welfare of the city. The City Council shall consider each ordinance or loan order so presented and shall either adopt or reject the same within sixty days after the date when it is filed as aforesaid. If such ordinance or loan order is not rejected within sixty days, it shall be in force as if adopted by the city council unless previously withdrawn by the mayor.

Section 15 of Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1982 (as amended by Section 2 of Chapter 701 of the Acts of 1986) *The city council shall take definite action on any supplementary appropriation order and any order for a transfer of appropriations by adopting, reducing or rejecting it within sixty days after it is filed with the city clerk; and in the event of their failure to do so, such supplementary appropriation order or transfer as submitted by the mayor shall be in effect as if formally adopted by the city council.*

Assigned for Further Action

On the Table

Order to adopt Rules for the Boston City Council for Municipal Years 2026-2027. (**Docket #0157 - Amendment to Rule 35**)

Unanswered Section 17F Orders²

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F: regarding elevator access, life safety, and disability compliance. **(Docket #0221)**

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F re: Memoranda of Understanding between the Boston Police Department and external entities. **(Docket #0296)**

Order requesting certain information under section 17F regarding increased White Stadium costs and their effect on other Boston Public Schools capital projects. **(Docket #0433)**

Order requesting certain information under section 17F regarding Memoranda of Understanding, cooperation agreements or collaborative partnerships between the City of Boston and external entities. **(Docket #0434)**

²**Section 17F of Chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948 (as amended):**

The city council may at any time request from the mayor specific information on any municipal matter within its jurisdiction, and may request his presence to answer written questions relating thereto at a meeting to be held not earlier than one week from the date of the receipt of said questions, in which case the mayor shall personally, or through ahead of a department or a member of a board, attend such meeting and publicly answer all such questions. The person so attending shall not be obliged to answer questions relating to any other matter.

Home Rule Petitions Not Responded to by the Mayor

Petition for a Special Law Re: An Act Directing the City of Boston Fire Department to Waive the Maximum Age Requirement for Firefighters for Richard Scimeca. **(Docket #0390)**

³Section 22 of Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1982:

Every order of the city council approving a petition to the general court pursuant to Clause (1) of Section 8 of Article 2 of the amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth shall be presented to the mayor who shall forthwith consider the same, and, within fifteen days of presentation, either approve it, or file with the city council a statement in detail of his reasons for not approving the same, including any objection based on form, on content, or both; provided, that no such order shall be deemed approved or in force unless the mayor affixes his signature thereto.

Matters in Committee

The following matters were previously filed with the City Council and have been referred to a committee. Matters in committee can be brought back before the City Council pursuant to City Council Rule 24. The following *definitions* describe different types of matters in committee:

- Ordinances:*** Local laws enacted by the Boston City Council and the Mayor that become part of the City Code of Ordinances.
- Loan Orders:*** Authorization for the City of Boston to incur debt and expend money for projects, purchases, or other obligations.
- Orders:*** Directives that authorize action. Orders are legally binding but are not part of the City Code of Ordinances.
- Home Rule Petitions:*** Requests for special acts that concern a particular municipality. Home Rule Petitions require approval of the Boston City Council and Mayor, as well as passage by the state legislature.
- Order for a Hearing:*** A formal request sponsored by a councilor that a committee of the Boston City Council conduct a hearing about a particular matter, issue, or policy that impacts the City of Boston. An Order for a Hearing is not a law and is not voted on by the City Council. The only action concerning an Order for a Hearing that can be taken at a City Council meeting is the administrative action of placing it on file.
- Legislative Resolution:*** A recommendation concerning policy issues that may urge action on particular matters. Legislative resolutions have no legal effect. Legislative resolutions represent a particular position or statement by a Councilor, Councilors, or the City Council as a whole.

2026 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism & Special Events	0186	Louijeune		Order for a hearing on equitable contracting and business opportunities for major civic sporting events in Boston.	1/28/2026		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism & Special Events	0210	Worrell	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the creation of cultural districts in Boston.	1/28/2026		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism & Special Events	0212	Worrell	Flynn	Order for a hearing on a proposal for a Crispus Attucks Statue.	1/28/2026		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism & Special Events	0220	Worrell		Order for a hearing to bring more signature sports events to Boston.	1/28/2026		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism & Special Events	0339	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the goals and priorities of the Office of Arts and Culture and the Office of Tourism, Sports, and Entertainment in the City of Boston.	2/11/2026		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism & Special Events	0412	Louijeune	Pepén, Worrell	Order for a hearing to bring World Cup activations and economic activity to Boston neighborhoods.	2/25/2026		
Census, Redistricting, and Elections	0183	Louijeune	Pepén	Order for a hearing regarding voter accessibility and election preparedness.	1/28/2026		
Census, Redistricting, and Elections	0355	Louijeune		Resolution affirming Boston's Ranked Choice Voting Home Rule Petition.	2/11/2026		
Census, Redistricting, and Elections	0411	Mejia	Culpepper, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to explore how to amend special law to expand access to the ballot box by removing language barriers and aligning with the language and communications access ordinance.	2/25/2026		
City Services	0112	Murphy		Order for a hearing regarding parking access for traveling Boston Public Schools employees.	1/5/2026	2/12/2026	

2026 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred Hearing(s)	Notes
City Services	0132	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend technology equipment valued at approximately Four Hundred Thirty Thousand Three Hundred Forty Dollars (\$430,340.00), from the Connected & Online Program Grant, awarded by United States Department of the Treasury, passed through the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative, to be administered by the Department of Innovation & Technology. The equipment includes laptops, desktop bundles, and related equipment. The equipment will support public access to education, workforce development, digital literacy, and telehealth services across multiple City departments, with deployments centered at BCYF Centers and sites operated by the Office of Workforce Development and the Office of Returning Citizens. This award reflects strong cross-departmental collaboration and advances the City's broader digital equity goals.	1/28/2026	
City Services	0135	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) in the form of a grant, Massachusetts Technology Collaborative (MassTech), awarded by United States Department of the Treasury, passed through the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative, to be administered by the Department of Innovation & Technology. The grant would fund a multi-session digital skills workshop series at multiple locations and distribute devices to learners.	1/28/2026	
City Services	0137	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) in the form of a grant, Municipal ADA Improvement Grant, awarded by The Massachusetts Office on Disability to be administered by the Department of Innovation & Technology. The grant would fund updating the municipal ADA Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan to address barriers to accessibility in web based services and applications.	1/28/2026	
City Services	0187	Mejia		Order for a hearing to examine income-adjusted parking fines and interest-free payment plans.	1/28/2026	
City Services	0209	Worrell		Order for a hearing on technical assistance and best practices for civic associations.	1/28/2026	

2026 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
City Services	0270	Pepén		Order for a hearing to explore snow removal relief and options.	2/4/2026	3/3/2026	
City Services	0281	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss pest control and the discovery of leptospirosis in the City of Boston.	2/4/2026	3/16/2026	
City Services	0291	Worrell	Mejia, Pepén	Order for a hearing to discuss creation of a snow corps in Boston.	2/4/2026	3/3/2026	
City Services	0292	Flynn	Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss the City of Boston purchasing snow melters.	2/4/2026	3/3/2026	
City Services	0335	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss accessibility in Boston City Hall.	2/11/2026		
City Services	0378	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$20,930.00) in the form of a grant, the El Centro Fellowship Grant, awarded by Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston to be administered by the Department of Innovation & Technology. The grant would fund the fellowship program for El Centro IT training program graduates.	2/25/2026		
City Services	0413	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss water and sewer infrastructure in Chinatown and the Leather District.	2/25/2026		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0169	Culpepper		Order for a hearing to develop a report on the state of civil rights in Boston.	1/28/2026	3/6/2026	
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0191	Mejia		Order for a hearing to address critical issues in jail-based voting and empower incarcerated communities to strengthen democracy.	1/28/2026		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0222	Coletta Zapata	Louijeune	Resolution in support of Bill SD.3607: An Act Protecting Access to Justice.	1/28/2026		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0293	Louijeune		Order for a hearing on the civil rights and liberties of returning citizens and re-entry into their Boston communities.	2/4/2026		

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Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0299	Culpepper	Mejia, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to confront the termination of federal protected status for Haitian immigrants and examine the City of Boston's response to protect affected residents.	2/4/2026		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0328	Louijeune	Breadon, Pepén	Order for a hearing on a scalable funding model for an immigrant Emergency Response Fund.	2/11/2026		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0393	Santana		Order for a hearing to ensure access to lifesaving online resources for LGBTQIA+ and other marginalized communities in response to proposed federal and state digital censorship legislation.	2/25/2026		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0409	Mejia	Culpepper, Santana	Order for a hearing on civil rights, constitutional, and legal implications of the Boston Regional Intelligence Center (BRIC), The Associative Violence Information System (AVIS), Automated License Plate Readers (ALPR), and participation in Federal Joint Task Forces (JTTF).	2/25/2026		
Education	0113	Murphy	Flynn, Mejia	Order for a hearing to examine Boston Public School closure and merger actions related to the 2026-27 and 2027-28 school years and transparency in the Long-Term Facilities Plan.	1/5/2026		3/2/26-Hearing Canceled
Education	0166	Coletta Zapata		Order for a hearing regarding Boston Public Schools student-athlete transfer and eligibility policies.	1/28/2026	3/24/2026	2/23/26-Hearing Canceled, 2/25/26-remains in committee
Education	0176	FitzGerald		Order for a hearing to discuss increasing access to high-quality school options for Boston Public Schools students in all neighborhoods.	1/28/2026		
Education	0188	Mejia		Order for a hearing on Boston Public School facilities, public assets and White Stadium.	1/28/2026		
Education	0200	Murphy	Flynn, FitzGerald	Order for a hearing on BPS staffing program impacts.	1/28/2026	3/2/2026	2/23/26-Hearing Canceled, 2/25/26-remains in committee
Education	0215	Worrell		Order for a hearing to explore scholarships for Boston students to increase access to all forms of higher education.	1/28/2026		

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Education	0216	Worrell	Mejia	Order for a hearing to bring a Historically Black College or University Satellite Campus to Boston.	1/28/2026		
Education	0276	Mejia	Culpepper, Santana	Order for a hearing on transparency and accountability in service provision and spending for English Learners.	2/4/2026	3/10/2026	
Education	0277	Mejia	Murphy	Order for a hearing to audit Boston Public School's special education and return on investments.	2/4/2026	3/10/2026	
Education	0278	Mejia	Murphy, Culpepper	Order for a hearing to audit mental health curriculum and services in Boston Public Schools.	2/4/2026		
Education	0279	Mejia	Culpepper, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to audit the implementation and outcomes of restorative justice practices in Boston Public Schools.	2/4/2026		
Education	0280	Mejia	Soletta Zapata, Culpepper	Order for a hearing addressing the relationship between school lunches and the achievement gap.	2/4/2026		
Education	0294	Louijeune		Order for a hearing on the creation of a Boston School Building Authority.	2/4/2026		
Education	0330	Santana	Murphy	Order for a hearing regarding MassCore graduation requirements and student supports in Boston Public Schools.	2/11/2026		
Education	0334	Louijeune		Order for a hearing on community college access and student success for Boston residents.	2/11/2026		
Education	0340	Murphy		Order for a hearing to examine student academic outcomes and return on investment in Boston Public Schools.	2/11/2026		
Education	0342	Murphy	Santana	Order for a hearing to examine graduation requirement implementation, waivers, and equity in Boston Public Schools.	2/11/2026		
Education	0374	Murphy	Flynn, FitzGerald	Emergency hearing order regarding chronic school bus delays and special education transportation failures.	2/11/2026		
Education	0397	Santana	Culpepper, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss how Boston Public Schools can expand the use of evidence-based best practices for inclusive learning environments for multilingual and special education learners.	2/25/2026		

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Education	0406	Mejia		Order for a hearing on transparency and accountability of private fundraising in Boston Public Schools.	2/25/2026	
Education	0407	Mejia		Order for a hearing to review prevention and response to bullying, sexual harassment, sexual assault, and sexual misconduct in Boston Public Schools.	2/25/2026	
Education	0408	Mejia	Culpepper	Order for a hearing to identify community priorities, needs, and hopes in Boston Public Schools.	2/25/2026	
Education	0417	Flynn	Murphy, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools (BPS) health services leadership requirements.	2/25/2026	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0165	Coletta Zapata		Order for a hearing regarding the establishment and implementation of funding mechanisms for Boston's coastal protection	1/28/2026	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0211	Worrell	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the creation of indoor playgrounds in Boston.	1/28/2026	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0260	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Samira Ahmadi as a Member of the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance (BERDO) Review Board, for a term expiring May 23, 2026.	2/4/2026	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0341	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the status of the City of Boston's application to certify with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) Community Ranking System (CRS).	2/11/2026	
Government Operations	0158	Coletta Zapata		Ordinance Establishing Street Food Carts in the City of Boston.	1/28/2026	
Government Operations	0160	Mejia		Ordinance creating a municipal identification card in the City of Boston.	1/28/2026	
Government Operations	0161	Weber	Mejia, Pepén	Ordinance preventing wage theft in the City of Boston.	1/28/2026	3/19/26-Workinmg Session

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Government Operations	0162	Mejia	Worrell	Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to Reorganization of the Boston School Committee.	1/28/2026	3/26/2026	
Government Operations	0163	Santana	Louijeune, Durkan	Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to Real Estate Transfer Fees and Senior Property Tax Relief.	1/28/2026		
Government Operations	0164	Worrell		Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to Various Tax Classification Definitions, Exemptions, and Credits.	1/28/2026		
Government Operations	0266	Culpepper	Mejia, Worrell	Ordinance Prohibiting the Use of Boston City Property for Civil Immigration Enforcement Activities by United States Immigration and Customs Enforcement.	2/4/2026		
Government Operations	0267	Worrell	Mejia	Ordinance to Codify the Equity & Inclusion Cabinet in the City of Boston.	2/4/2026		
Government Operations	0268	Flynn		Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to Pension Benefits for Firefighter Leo J. Bracken.	2/4/2026		
Government Operations	0324	Flynn		Ordinance establishing the Office of Pest Control in the City of Boston.	2/11/2026		
Government Operations	0325	Flynn		Ordinance amending City of Boston Code, Ordinances, 17-22, Road Safety and Accountability for Delivery Providers.	2/11/2026	4/7/2026	
Government Operations	0326	Flynn		Ordinance regulating all e-bikes in the City of Boston.	2/11/2026		
Government Operations	0387	Coletta Zapata	Louijeune, Worrell	An Ordinance Establishing the Boston Emergency Relief Fund.	2/25/2026		
Government Operations	0388	Coletta Zapata	Santana	An Ordinance Modernizing and Increasing Transparency at the Zoning Board of Appeal.	2/25/2026		
Government Operations	0389	Coletta Zapata	Santana	Petition for a Special Law Re: An Act Relative to the Zoning Board of Appeal.	2/25/2026		
Government Operations	0410	Mejia		Order for a hearing to examine and modernize the Boston City Charter in advance of the City's 400th anniversary.	2/25/2026		
Government Operations	0414	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing on the establishment of a Committee on Civility in the City of Boston.	2/25/2026		

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Housing & Community Development	0172	Durkan	Breadon, Santana	Order for a hearing to investigate the use, impact, and potential ban of algorithmic price setting in the Boston rental market.	1/28/2026	
Housing & Community Development	0184	Louijeune	Weber	Order for a hearing on building a stronger fair housing future for Boston.	1/28/2026	
Housing & Community Development	0208	Worrell		Order for a hearing to address problem properties in Boston.	1/28/2026	
Housing & Community Development	0217	Worrell		Order for a hearing regarding the homeownership voucher program.	1/28/2026	
Housing & Community Development	0271	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the status of the elevators at the BHA Ruth Ruth Barkley apartments.	2/4/2026	
Housing & Community Development	0272	Flynn	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's Report on Boston Housing Authority.	2/4/2026	
Housing & Community Development	0286	Weber		Order for a hearing on housing development costs and barriers to building affordable housing units in the City of Boston.	2/4/2026	
Housing & Community Development	0295	Louijeune		Order for a hearing regarding the state of anti-displacement as to Boston's Acquisition Opportunity Program.	2/4/2026	
Housing & Community Development	0307	Flynn		Resolution in support of a Boston Housing Authority (BHA) Elevator Safety Commission.	2/4/2026	
Housing & Community Development	0343	Santana	Pepén, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to continue exploring strategies for developing mixed-income social housing to increase housing access and affordability for all Bostonians.	2/11/2026	
Housing & Community Development	0347	Santana	Culpepper	Order for a hearing to explore programs the City of Boston offers or could establish to prevent illegal discrimination by landlords and real estate brokers against prospective tenants utilizing housing choice vouchers.	2/11/2026	
Housing & Community Development	0396	Santana		Order for a hearing to facilitate the creation of Single Room Occupancy (SROs) in the City of Boston.	2/25/2026	

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Human Services	0179	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss food insecurity and malnutrition in the City of Boston.	1/28/2026	3/30/2026	
Human Services	0182	Louijeune	Coletta Zapata	Order for a hearing regarding the City of Boston's response to sexual assault, domestic violence, and related resources for survivors.	1/28/2026		
Human Services	0189	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit child care investments and the financial stability of Family Child Care Providers.	1/28/2026		
Human Services	0206	Worrell	Mejia	Order for a hearing to explore ways of using municipal buildings to host childcare centers.	1/28/2026		
Human Services	0275	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the status of the South Boston Branch Library Study.	2/4/2026		
Human Services	0283	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing regarding elder scamming and fraud prevention.	2/4/2026	3/9/2026	2/26/26-hearing canceled
Human Services	0284	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing regarding equitable access to services and programming through the Boston Public Library System.	2/4/2026	2/20/2026	
Human Services	0285	Murphy		Order for a hearing regarding navigating city services for residents with complex family and caregiving needs.	2/4/2026	3/3/2026	
Human Services	0287	Murphy		Order for a hearing regarding senior programming and services across the city of Boston.	2/4/2026	2/26/2026	
Human Services	0289	Murphy	Worrell	Order for a hearing regarding youth summer jobs, access and readiness for the upcoming summer.	2/4/2026	3/13/2026	
Human Services	0290	Worrell	Murphy, Mejia	Order for a hearing to review and strengthen Boston's Summer Safety and Youth Programming Plan.	2/4/2026		
Human Services	0350	Culpepper	Flynn, FitzGerald	Order for a hearing on the status of the South End Branch Library reopening.	2/11/2026		
Human Services	0352	Santana	Breadon, Durkan	Resolution recognizing June 2026 as Pride Month.	2/11/2026		
Human Services	0391	Santana	Louijeune	Order for a hearing regarding Boston LGBTQIA+ youth community spaces and their public health benefits.	2/25/2026		

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Labor and Economic Development	0133	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Nineteen Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars And Three Cents (\$219,178.03) in the form of a grant, Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Funding, awarded by MA Executive Office for Administration & Finance to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant would fund the Center for Working Families' Boston Tax Help Coalition in assisting low-income taxpayers with personal income tax filings for the 2026 tax season.	1/28/2026	
Labor and Economic Development	0134	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$120,000.00) in the form of a grant, Financial Empowerment Program, awarded by United Way, passed through the Boston Local Development Corporation, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant would fund financial education, credit/asset building, and employment services for residents at the Center for Working Families.	1/28/2026	
Labor and Economic Development	0168	Coletta Zapata		Order for a hearing regarding reviving the "Red Shirts" program.	1/28/2026	
Labor and Economic Development	0171	Culpepper		Order for a hearing to explore designating economically disenfranchised areas of District 7 as empowerment zones to spur economic development and improve quality of life for residents.	1/28/2026	
Labor and Economic Development	0190	Mejia	Weber	Order for a hearing on workforce development housing for City of Boston employees.	1/28/2026	
Labor and Economic Development	0193	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's hiring, firing and promotion policies, practices and procedures.	1/28/2026	
Labor and Economic Development	0194	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's procurement processes, procedures and progress	1/28/2026	
Labor and Economic Development	0207	Worrell		Order for a hearing to review and establish a "Business Owner 101" program for grant recipients.	1/28/2026	

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Labor and Economic Development	0214	Worrell		Order for a hearing to review the distribution of Boston's 225 new liquor licenses and provide ongoing support to restaurateurs.	1/28/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	0218	Worrell		Order for a hearing to review the effectiveness of the Boston Residents Jobs Policy in improving equity and employment standards on projects throughout the city.	1/28/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	0219	Worrell	Weber	Order for a hearing to discuss long-term city job vacancies.	1/28/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	0282	Flynn	Murphy, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss retail theft and the impacts on small businesses and residents in the City of Boston.	2/4/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	0336	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the impact of CORI on access to employment and other opportunities.	2/11/2026		
Labor and Economic Development	0344	Santana		Order for a hearing to discuss the educational and workforce development past successes and future opportunities of youth jobs offered by the City of Boston.	2/11/2026		
PILOT Agreements, Institutional & Intergovernmental Relations	0288	Durkan	Breadon, Culpepper	Order for a hearing to evaluate the progress and impact of the City's Payment in Lieu of Tax (PILOT) Program.	2/4/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0173	Durkan	Santana, Breadon	Order for a hearing to explore amending the Boston Zoning Code to remove parking minimum requirements for new residential development.	1/28/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0178	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss dedicating the new open space at Phillips Square to Tunney Lee Plaza	1/28/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0199	Mejia		Order for a hearing on government accountability, transparency, and accessibility of decision making protocols in city government.	1/28/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0204	Weber	Pepén	Order for a hearing to discuss making neighborhood streets safer following the 30-day review of streets projects in Boston.	1/28/2026		

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Planning, Development & Transportation	0257	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) in the form of a grant, Planning / Neighborhood Development Funds, awarded by Boston Redevelopment Authority to be administered by the Office of Economic Opportunity & Inclusion. The grant would fund the launch and early implementation of the Commercial Acquisition Assistance Program (CAAP).	2/4/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	0302	Flynn	Mejia	Resolution in support of the replacement of concurrent traffic signals in the City of Boston.	2/4/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	0327	Pepén	Flynn, FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to explore the creation of safe school zones to improve pedestrian safety around all schools in the City of Boston.	2/11/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	0331	Pepén	Durkan, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss ways to repair and maintain private ways.	2/11/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	0332	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the importance of the cruise industry in the City of Boston.	2/11/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	0333	Flynn	Pepén	Order for a hearing to discuss pedestrian safety, traffic calming, and Vision Zero in the City of Boston.	2/11/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	0345	Durkan	Breadon, Santana	Order for a hearing to explore amending the Boston Zoning Code to shift residential use to allowed where appropriate.	2/11/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	0346	Durkan	Joletta Zapata, Louijeun	Order for a hearing to explore the inclusion of pollinator corridors as part of sustainable development.	2/11/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	0349	Flynn		Order regarding a text amendment to the Boston Zoning Code relative to adult entertainment.	2/11/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	0394	Santana	Durkan, Pepén	Order for a hearing regarding legalizing construction of triple-deckers and other 2- to 4-unit housing in the City of Boston.	2/25/2026	
Planning, Development & Transportation	0395	Santana	Pepén, Durkan	Order for a hearing regarding legalizing accessory dwelling units (ADUs) in every neighborhood in the city of Boston.	2/25/2026	

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Planning, Development & Transportation	0401	Pepén		Order for a hearing to discuss parking benefit districts.	2/25/2026		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0402	Culpepper	Worrell, Mejia	Order for a hearing to examine reallocating funding for the Blue Hill Avenue project toward streetscape improvements and beautification and to provide a status update on project implementation.	2/25/2026		
Post Audit	0195	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the distribution of local, state, and federal grants to small businesses.	1/28/2026		
Post Audit	0196	Mejia		Order for a hearing to review the City of Boston's use of federal and state funds.	1/28/2026		
Post Audit	0197	Mejia		Order for a hearing to review past expenditures through quarterly updates on the FY2026 operating budget.	1/28/2026		
Post Audit	0203	Weber	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss prior operating budget amendments from FY23 to FY25.	1/28/2026		
Post Audit	0205	Weber		Order for a hearing to review construction costs associated with the White Stadium project.	1/28/2026		
Post Audit	0337	Murphy		Order for a hearing to consider a full independent audit of Boston Public Schools' finances, operations and	2/11/2026		
Public Health, Homelessness & Recovery	0175	FitzGerald	Flynn	Order for a hearing to discuss the regulation of Kratom in the City of Boston	1/28/2026	3/9/2026	
Public Health, Homelessness & Recovery	0348	Santana		Order for a hearing regarding LGBTQIA+ youth and young adult homelessness in the City of Boston.	2/11/2026		
Public Health, Homelessness & Recovery	0392	Santana	Durkan	Order for a hearing regarding Boston's LGBTQIA+ mental health data collection processes, existing services, and further community needs.	2/25/2026		
Public Health, Homelessness & Recovery	0403	Culpepper	Flynn, FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to examine the status of the proposed Long Island reconstruction project and the reopening of the Long Island Treatment Center.	2/25/2026		

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Public Health, Homelessness & Recovery	0404	Culpepper	Weber, Durkan	Order for a hearing to examine weather emergency policies for unhoused individuals in the City of Boston and coordination with housing and homelessness assistance providers and the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority.	2/25/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0100	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$850,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY25 Boston Regional Intelligence Center Earmark, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund upgrading, expanding, and integrating technology and protocols related to anti-terrorism, anti-crime, anti-gang and emergency response.	4/9/2025	2025-0847
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0167	Coletta Zapata	Durkan	Order for a hearing to discuss progress and opportunities for addressing drink spiking and Drug-Facilitated Sexual Assault.	1/28/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0174	FitzGerald		Order for a hearing to discuss 2026 large event safety resources and infrastructure.	1/28/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0177	Flynn	FitzGerald, Culpepper	Order for a hearing to discuss public safety and quality of life concerns at Mass & Cass and surrounding neighborhoods.	1/28/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0180	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss resources for the Boston Police Crime Laboratory.	1/28/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0181	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss public safety and quality of life issues in Downtown Boston and the Boston Common.	1/28/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0185	Louijeune	Worrell	Order for a hearing on a cross-sector collaborative citywide strategy for community safety and violence prevention.	1/28/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0192	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit government transparency and accountability towards surveillance equipment.	1/28/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0198	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the implementation and effectiveness of the 2014 Boston Trust Act.	1/28/2026	

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0320	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$577,500.00) in the form of a grant, the FY25 Port Security Grant Program, awarded by United States Department of Homeland Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant would fund the purchase of a new 31' LifeProof boat, the replacement of engines on the 31' Safeboat and 38' Safeboat, and finally, the re-collaring of the Kvichak patrol boat, and ice rescue training.	2/11/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0321	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Forty Thousand Four Hundred Twenty-Six Dollars (\$140,426.00) in the form of a grant, the FY25 Port Security Grant, awarded by Federal Emergency Management Agency to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant would fund strengthened port-wide risk management and protection of critical surface transportation infrastructure from acts of terrorism, major disasters, and other emergencies.	2/11/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0329	Worrell	Flynn, Weber	Order for a hearing to review the mission, goals, objectives, and challenges at the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency (OPAT).	2/11/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0356	Santana		Resolution in support of "An Executive Order to Protect Bostonians from Unconstitutional and Violent Federal Operations."	2/11/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0398	Santana		Order for a hearing regarding the public safety requirements and possible locations for a new emergency operations center in the city of Boston.	2/25/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0399	Santana	Weber, Mejia	Order for a hearing regarding how the Boston Police Department collects, uses, protects, and shares information that may be requested by external entities.	2/25/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0400	Santana		Order for a hearing regarding all City of Boston grants administered by the Boston Fire Department.	2/25/2026	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0405	Culpepper	Mejia, Pepén	Order for a hearing to examine crossing guard staffing shortages in the City of Boston and to explore strategies for improved coordination and volunteer recruitment.	2/25/2026	

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0415	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss appropriate uses of Boston 311 and 9-1-1 emergency.	2/25/2026		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0416	Flynn	Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss the Boston 2025 crime statistics.	2/25/2026		
Rules, Ethics & Administration	0424	Murphy	Mejia	Resolution recognizing Women's History Month and the Boston City Council Women's History Month Celebration.	2/25/2026		
Veterans, Military Families & Military Affairs	0273	Flynn	Santana	Order for a hearing to discuss the Lung Cancer Rates among Black Veterans.	2/4/2026		
Veterans, Military Families & Military Affairs	0274	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss services for women veterans.	2/4/2026		
Ways & Means	0201	Weber	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston's FY27 operating budget.	1/28/2026	2/26, 3/5, 3/10/26	2/12/26-Committee Meeting, 3/24/26-Public Testimony
Ways & Means	0202	Weber	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools' FY27 operating budget.	1/28/2026	3/10/2026	2/19/26-working session, 3/2/26-Working Session, 3/5/26-Policy Briefing, 3/24/26-Public Testimony
Ways & Means	0213	Worrell		Order for a hearing to allow for monthly property tax payments for residents.	1/28/2026		
Ways & Means	0312	Flynn		Resolution in support of proposed state legislation on tax relief.	2/4/2026		
Ways & Means	0338	Flynn	Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss property tax relief for long-term residents and essential municipal employees.	2/11/2026		

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IN
CITY COUNCIL



Official-Resolution Presented by
Councilor Erin J. Murphy

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council extended its
Congratulations to:

John Currier

In Recognition of:

Earning the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest honor in Scouts BSA, reflecting years of leadership, service, and unwavering dedication. This achievement represents a significant commitment to community and character. We commend you on this remarkable accomplishment and wish you continued success in all future endeavors.

By: _____
President of the City Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City Council

Offered by:: _____
At-Large City Councilor

Date: _____

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Official-Resolution Presented by
Councilor Erin J. Murphy

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council extended its
Congratulations to:

Adam Dworanski

In Recognition of:

Earning the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest honor in Scouts BSA, reflecting years of leadership, service, and unwavering dedication. This achievement represents a significant commitment to community and character. We commend you on this remarkable accomplishment and wish you continued success in all future endeavors.

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Official-Resolution Presented by
Councilor Erin J. Murphy

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council extended its
Congratulations to:

Joel Taylor

In Recognition of:

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Official-Resolution Presented by
Councilor Erin J. Murphy

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council extended its
Congratulations to:

Beverly Christins

In Recognition of:

A happy 90th birthday! We proudly honor this remarkable milestone and celebrate a lifetime of contributions, resilience, and love that have strengthened our community. May this special day reflect the deep gratitude and admiration we have for you, and may the year ahead be filled with continued joy, good health, and cherished moments with family and friends.

By: _____

President of the City Council

Attest: _____

Clerk of the City Council

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At-Large City Councilor

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OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

PRESENTED BY

COUNCILOR AT-LARGE RUTHZEE LOULJEUNE

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL
EXTENDS ITS CONGRATULATIONS TO

Frankel Aurelien

IN RECOGNITION OF:

Your 104th birthday and a lifetime of wisdom and grace, marked by an extraordinary and tremendous life that has uplifted family, strengthened community, and inspired generations

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL EXTENDS ITS BEST WISHES FOR CONTINUED SUCCESS; THAT THIS RESOLUTION BE DULY SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND ATTESTED TO AND A COPY THEREOF TRANSMITTED BY THE CLERK OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.

By: _____
President of the City Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: _____

Date: _____

OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY CITY COUNCILOR

BRIAN WORRELL

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council Extends its
Commendation and Recognition of:

Joseph Burke

Upon the milestone of your 85th birthday, and for providing decades of leadership and service for the well-being and economic vitality of Boston's neighborhoods. From your time at the Boston Shipyard to establishing Burke Janitorial Service in the '60s, from co-founding the Christ Tabernacle Church in Dorchester to mentoring youth and providing respite services to those who are terminally ill, your dedication to the city and your communities has left a lasting legacy.

And be it resolved that the Boston City Council hereby expresses its gratitude, congratulations, and best wishes for your continued success, that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of City of Boston.

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY

Councilor Sharon Durkan

Be It Resolved, that the
Boston City Council Celebrates:

The Mission Grammar School Groundbreaking

The City of Boston proudly recognizes Mission Grammar School and Mission Church on the groundbreaking of the first of three projects in their Mission to Lead campaign, an effort to expand their campus and create new opportunities for students and families. This is a transformative investment in Boston's children and the Mission Hill community. For more than 135 years, Mission Grammar has been a steadfast pillar in Roxbury and Mission Hill, providing high-quality, faith-based education for generations of Boston families. This expansion reflects their enduring commitment to equity, academic excellence, and faith-based education. The Boston City Council celebrates Mission Grammar's lasting contributions to our city and its continued leadership in helping young scholars learn and thrive.



By: Elizabeth Brendon
President of the City Council

Attest: Alex Gentes
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Sharon Durkan

Date: March 2, 2026