



**March 22, 2023**

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Boston was held in the Christopher A. Iannella Chamber, City Hall on Wednesday March 22, 2023 at 12:23 P.M.

President Flynn in the Chair. Absent Councilors Baker and Flaherty

Rabbi Chaim Dessler, Bais Yaakov, delivered the invocation and the meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

President Flynn moved to adopt the minutes from the March 15, 2023 meeting.  
Motion prevailed.

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**0606** Message and order for your approval an Ordinance adopting the Department of Energy Resources' Municipal Opt-in Specialized Stretch Energy Code.

Referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

**0607** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seventeen Million Five Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Five Dollars (\$17,535,525.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY23 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), awarded by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund housing, economic development and social services programs. The award amount is estimated from prior years.

Referred to the Committee on Housing and Community Development.

**0608** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Six Million Two Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars (\$6,235,976.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY23 Home Investment Partner grant awarded by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund the production of new affordable rental and homeownership housing, and also provide operating support for community development corporations. The award amount is estimated from prior years.

Referred to the Committee on Housing and Community Development.

**0609** Message and orders authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Million Seven Hundred Thirty-Four Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars (\$3,734,533.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY23 Housing for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), awarded by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund services for income-eligible individuals and families affected by AIDS. The award amount is estimated from prior years.

Referred to the Committee on Housing and Community Development.

- 0610** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Five Hundred Seventeen Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty-Six Dollars (\$1,517,966.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY23 Emergency Solutions Grant, awarded by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund the street outreach, emergency shelter, homelessness prevention, rapid re-housing assistance, and shelter services. The award amount is estimated from prior years. Referred to the Committee on Housing and Community Development.
- 0611** 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 for the Recycling Dividend Program, awarded by the MA Environmental Protection Division to be administered by the Public Works Department. The grant will fund curbside recycling and other programs and policies proven to maximize reuse, recycling and waste reduction. Referred to the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology.
- 0612** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend an in-kind donation of winter accessories and toys, valued at Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00), donated by Recreational Equipment, Inc. (REI), located at 401 Park Drive, Boston, MA 02215. The grant will support "Play Shed", a Mayor's Office of New Urban Mechanics placemaking pilot to bring delight to our public spaces and expand access to recreational toys and equipment. Referred to the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology.
- 0613** Message transmitting certain information under Section 17F Relative to the BTU Member Overpayment, (Docket #0506), passed by the Council on March 1, 2023. Placed on file.
- 0614** Communication was received from Maureen Joyce, City Auditor, regarding the City of Boston's Fiscal 2022 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. Placed on file.
- 0615** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Joseph D. Feaster Jr. as a member and Chairperson of the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately. Placed on file.
- 0616** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Denilson Fanfan, as a member of the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately. Placed on file.
- 0617** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of L'Merchie Frazier, as a member of the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately. Placed on file.
- 0618** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of George Greenidge, Jr., as a member of the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately. Placed on file.

- 0619** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Dr. Kerrie Greenige, as a member of the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately.  
Placed on file.
- 0620** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Dr. David Harris, as a member of the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately.  
Placed on file.
- 0621** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Dorothea Jones, as a member of the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately.  
Placed on file.
- 0622** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Carrie Mays, as a member of the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately.  
Placed on file.
- 0623** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Na'tisha Mills, as a member of the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately.  
Placed on file.
- 0624** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Damani Williams, as a member of the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately.  
Placed on file.

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

- 0133** On the Home Rule Petition, referred on January 11, 2023, Docket #0133, Authorizing Additional Restricted Liquor Licenses, the committee submitted a report recommending the order ought to pass in a new draft. The report was accepted; the order was passed in a new draft; yeas 11, nays 0.
- 0453** On the ordinance, referred on March 1, 2023, Docket #0453, Amending the City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Section 7-3, Bay Village Historic District, the committee submitted a report recommending the ordinance ought to pass.  
The report was accepted; the order was passed.
- 0516** On the Home Rule Petition, referred on March 8, 2023, Docket #0516, for a Special Law re: An Act to Make Certain Changes in the Law Relative to the Historic Beacon Hill District, the Committee submitted a report recommending that the petition ought to pass in a new draft.  
The report was accepted; the petition was passed in a new draft; yeas 11, nays 0.
- 0138** Ordinance regulation and enforcement of keeping honey bees.  
Remains in the Committee on Government Operations.
- 0139** Text amendment to the Boston zoning code with respect to honey bees.  
Remains in the Committee on Government Operations.
- 0334** Order for a hearing regarding winter placemaking and Boston as a 'Winter City'.  
Remains in the Committee on Arts, Culture and Special Events..

- 0244** Order for a hearing on establishing a mental health curriculum in Boston Public Schools.  
Remains in the Committee on Education.
- 0625** **Councilor Breadon, Louijeune, Bok, Arroyo, Coletta, Fernandes Anderson, Lara, Mejia, Murphy, Worrell and Flynn offered the following:** Ordinance establishing a "Scofflaw Property Owner List".  
On motion of Councilors Breadon and Louijeune, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Bok as an original co-sponsor.  
Referred to the Committee on Government Operations.
- 0626** **Councilor Breadon, Arroyo, Coletta, Fernandes Anderson, Lara, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Worrell, Flynn and Bok offered the following:** Ordinance amending City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Section 16-1.9G, to prohibit the sale of guinea pigs in pet shops.  
Referred to the Committee on Government Operations.
- 0627** **Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Mejia, Arroyo, Bok, Coletta, Lara, Louijeune, Worrell and Breadon offered the following:** Ordinance to make the Boston City Council's web-page on the Boston City website more resourceful and accessible.  
Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.
- 0628** **Councilor Worrell, Mejia, Bok, Arroyo, Coletta, Breadon, Fernandes Anderson, Lara, Louijeune, Murphy and Flynn offered the following:** Order for a hearing to explore workforce development via scholarships for BPS students to increase access to all forms of higher education.  
Referred to the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic Development.
- 0629** **Councilor Worrell, Louijeune, Coletta, Arroyo, Bok, Breadon, Fernandes Anderson, Lara, Mejia, Murphy and Flynn offered the following:** Order for a hearing regarding providing technical assistance to civic associations.  
On motion of Councilor Worrell Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilors Louijeune and Coletta as original co-sponsors.  
Referred to the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology.
- 0630** **Councilor Arroyo, Bok, Breadon, Coletta, Lara, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Worrell and Flynn offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss the ban of miniature alcohol bottles (Singles) in the City of Boston.  
Councilor Arroyo moved for substituted language.  
Motion prevailed.  
Referred to the Committee on Small Business and Professional Licensure.
- 0631** **Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Arroyo, Bok, Breadon, Coletta, Lara, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Worrell and Flynn offered the following:** Resolution to extend best wishes to Muslims in Boston, Massachusetts, the United States, and worldwide, for a joyous and meaningful observance of Ramadan, a holy month of prayer, fasting, charity, and reflection.  
On motion of Councilor Fernandes Anderson, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.

**0632** **Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Arroyo, Bok, Breadon, Coletta, Lara, Mejia, Murphy, Worrell and Flynn offered the following:** Resolution to improve quality of life by way of activating space, creating green open spaces, and place making and keeping for youth and families in District 7. On motion of Councilor Fernandes Anderson, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.

**0633** Councilor Flynn for Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Ian Ko in City Council, effective March 25, 2023.  
Passed under suspension of the rules.

**0634** Councilor Flynn for Councilor Bok offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Kennedy Avery, Anthony Baez and Jacob Werner in City Council.  
Passed under suspension of the rules.

**0635** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees in City Council, effective March 18, 2023.  
Passed under suspension of the rules.

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

**0669** Notice was received from Councilor Baker of his absence from the March 22, 2023 City Council Meeting.  
Placed on file.

**0670** Notice was received from Councilor Flaherty of his absence from the March 22, 2023 City Council Meeting.  
Placed on file.

**0671** Councilor Flynn for Councilor Breadon offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Anne Mazzola, Patricia Mullaney and Wayne D. Yeh in City Council, effective March 25, 2023.  
Passed under suspension of the rules.

**0672** Councilor Flynn for Councilor Breadon offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Anne Mazzola, Patricia Mullaney and Wayne D. Yeh in City Council, effective April 1, 2023.  
Passed under suspension of the rules.

**0673** Councilor Flynn for Councilor Worrell offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary Angela Yarde in City Council, effective March 11, 2023.  
Passed under suspension of the rules.

**0674** **Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Lara, Mejia, Bok, Arroyo, Breadon, Coletta, Louijeune, Murphy, Worrell and Flynn offered the following:** Resolution to acknowledge and celebrate March 27 as Kriola's International Day.  
On motion of Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilors Lara and Mejia as original co-sponsors.  
On motion of Councilors Fernandes Anderson, Lara and Mejia, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.

**22/23** Legislative Calendar for March 22, 2023.

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

- 0636** Councilor Murphy offered the following: Resolution recognizing Mary Swanton and the Irish Pastoral Center.
- 0637** Councilor Flaherty and Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Barbara Loftus.
- 0638** Councilor Flaherty and Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Brian Nee.
- 0639** Councilor Flaherty and Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Callum Walsh.
- 0640** Councilor Flaherty and Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Freddie Roach.
- 0641** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Sydney Dietz.
- 0642** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Sarah Eagan.
- 0643** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Meaghan Kelly.
- 0644** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Gerda Audry.
- 0645** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Regine Albin.
- 0646** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Dr. Cassandra Pierre.
- 0647** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Officer Daphne Orion.
- 0648** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Officer Jean-Louis G. Jean.
- 0649** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Officer John Ezekiel.
- 0650** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Officer Sean Murphy.
- 0651** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Officer Benjamin Katz.
- 0652** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Officer Luciano Cirino-Ayuso.
- 0653** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Officer Darryl Owens.
- 0654** Councilor Arroyo offered the following: Resolution recognizing Robert Francis Hannan Sr.
- 0655** Councilor Flaherty and Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Arianna Meli-Omodei.
- 0656** Councilor Flaherty and Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Daniela Hidalgo Perez.

- 0657 Councilor Flaherty and Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Avan O'Brien.
- 0658 Councilor Flaherty and Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Brendan Nee.
- 0659 Councilor Flaherty and Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Alden Mothander.
- 0660 Councilor Flaherty and Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Gigi Connell.
- 0661 Councilor Flaherty and Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Grace Zandi.
- 0662 Councilor Flaherty and Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Mason Finn.
- 0663 Councilor Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Jeremiah Burke Boys Basketball Team.
- 0664 Councilor Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Tech Boston Girls Basketball Team.
- 0665 Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Pastor Soliny Vedrine.
- 0666 Councilor Louijeune, Worrell and Baker offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Michael J. Zayas.
- 0667 Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Dr. Daniel Honore Lora.
- 0668 Councilor Flynn and Flaherty offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Michael J. Donovan.

The matters contained within the Consent Agenda were severally adopted.

Adjourned at 2:32 p.m. on motion of President Flynn, in memory of Cruz Miguel Ortiz Cuadra, Corinne Gilbert, Jamie Lee Lagrassa Boucher, Carol Ann Hairston, Kevin Ostiguy, Monsignor Albert J. Contons, Reverend Peter Nolan, Wladimir (Wlad) Germinal Adonis, Rolyn Maynard Freeman, James Wall, Jimmy Driscoll and Robert Francis Hannon, Sr., to meet again on Wednesday, March 29, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.

Attest:

Alex Geourntas  
City Clerk