



October 25, 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, October 25, 2023 at 12:09 P.M.

President Flynn in the Chair.

Father John A. Currie, Blessed Mother Teresa, 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 October 18, 2023 meeting.

Motion Prevailed

On motion of Council President Flynn, Docket #1645 was taken out of order.

1645 Councilor Mejia, Durkan, Louijeune, Arroyo, Baker, Breadon, Coletta, Fernandes Anderson, Flaherty, Flynn, Lara, Murphy and Worrell offered the following: Resolution in support of 32BJ SEIU's Cleaning Contract Campaign.

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

On motion of Councilors Mejia, Durkan and Louijeune; the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 13.

1625 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY23 Mass Trails grant, awarded by the MA Department of Conservation and Recreation to be administered by the Boston Transportation Department. The grant will fund the enhancement of trails and trail access in the Dorchester Community.

Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.

1626 Message and order confirming the appointment of Nakeeda Burns to the Zoning Commission as a residential organization member for a term expiring October 26, 2026.

Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.

1627 Communication was received from the City Clerk of the filing by the Boston Planning and Development Agency regarding "Proposed Minor Modification to the Washington Park Urban Renewal Area, Project No. Mass.R-24, with respect to Newly Created So Called Parcels L-25 and S-10."

Placed on file.

1628 Communication was received from the City Clerk of the filing by the Boston Planning and Development Agency regarding "Proposed Minor Modification to the Washington Park Urban Renewal Area, Project No. Mass.R-24, with respect to Newly Created So Called Parcels L-49 and L-50."

Placed on file.

- 1629** Notice was received from the Mayor of her absence from the City from Monday, October 23, 2023 at 7:00 A.M., returning at 7:00 P.M.
Placed on file.

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

- 1373** On the message and ordinance, referred on August 30, 2023, Docket #1373, to support public safety as the City doubles down on our public health-led approach to the crises of mental health, substance use, and unsheltered homelessness concentrated in the area of Massachusetts Avenue and Melnea Cass Boulevard, the committee submitted a report recommending the ordinance ought to pass in a new draft. The report was accepted; the ordinance was passed in a new draft; yeas 9, nays 3(Arroyo, Baker, Lara), present 1(Mejia).
- 0410** Petition for a Special Law re: An Act increasing the maximum amount of fines which may be imposed for violations of ordinances and authorizing the City of Boston to place municipal charge liens on certain properties in the City of Boston for nonpayment of any local charges, fees or fines.
Remains in the Committee on Government Operations.
- 0153** Order for a hearing regarding biannual review of the Boston Employment Commission and Boston Residents Jobs Policy.
Remains in the Committee on Labor, Workforce, and Economic Development.
- 1449** Order for a hearing to review the mental health and wellness resources available to City of Boston employees during the Covid-19 pandemic and beyond.
Remains in the Committee on Boston's COVID-19 Recovery.
- 1630** **Councilor Louijeune, Coletta, Baker, Arroyo, Breadon, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, Flaherty, Flynn, Lara, Mejia, Murphy and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution celebrating the centennial of the declaration of Republic of Türkiye and 28th Annual Boston Turkish Arts & Culture Festival.
On motion of Councilors Louijeune and Coletta, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Baker as an original co-sponsor.
On motion of Councilors Louijeune, Coletta and Baker, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.
- 1631** **Councilor Louijeune, Lara, Arroyo, Baker, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, Flaherty, Flynn, Mejia, Murphy and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month.
On motion of Councilors Louijeune and Lara, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.
- 1632** **Councilor Durkan, Louijeune, Arroyo, Baker, Breadon, Coletta, Fernandes Anderson, Flaherty, Flynn, Lara, Mejia, Murphy and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution in Support of Dedicating New Edgerly Road in Honor of John Bookston.
On motion of Councilors Durkan and Louijeune, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.

- 1633** Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Arroyo, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Lara, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy and Worrell offered the following: Resolution to change the name of Faneuil Hall, thereby beginning a process of addressing anti-Black racist symbols prevalent in Boston. On motion of Councilor Fernandes Anderson, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 10, nays 3 (Baker, Flaherty, Flynn).
- 1634** Councilor Flynn for Councilor Lara offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees My'Kel McMillen and Chukweumeka Osuagwu in City Council, effective November 18, 2023. Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1635** Councilor Flynn for Councilor Lara offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees My'Kel McMillen and Chukwuemeka Osuagwu in City Council, effective November 25, 2023. Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1636** Councilor Flynn for Councilor Murphy offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary Employee Kasey Barrett, in City Council, effective November 6, 2023. Passed under suspension of the rules.

/25/23 Legislative Calendar for October 25, 2023.

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

- 1646** Councilor Flynn for Councilor Baker offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Amanda Curley, Malaki Hernandez, Patricia McCormack, Joseph M. McEachern and Julie Ryan in City Council, effective November 4, 2023. Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1647** Councilor Flynn for Councilor Baker offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Amanda Curley, Malaki Hernandez, Patricia McCormack, Joseph M. McEachern and Julie Ryan in City Council, effective November 11, 2023. Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1377** Councilor Worrell called Docket #1377, message and order authorizing the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT) to enter into a long term contract for constituent relationship management system for Boston 311 Call Center for a term of up to Ten (10) years, from the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology. No objection being heard, the matter was before the body. Committee members polled; yeas 5. On motion of Councilor Worrell, the rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.

- 1576** Councilor Worrell called Docket #1576, message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eighteen Thousand Eight Hundred Forty Dollars (\$18,480.00) in the form of a grant awarded by Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston to be administered by the Department of Innovation and Technology. The grant will fund the fellowship program for El Centro IT training program graduates, from the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology. No objection being heard, the matter was before the body. Committee members polled; yeas 5. On motion of Councilor Worrell, the rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.
- 1580** Councilor Worrell called Docket #1580, message and order for your approval an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Sixty Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars (\$60,329.00) to provide funding for the Boston Police Department for the FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Boston Police Cadets Association. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on October 16, 2023, from the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology. No objection being heard, the matter was before the body. Committee members polled; yeas 5. On motion of Councilor Worrell, the rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.
- 1581** Councilor Worrell called Docket #1581, message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston Police Department for FY24 in the amount of Sixty Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-Nine Dollars (\$60,329.00) to cover the FY24 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Boston and the Boston Cadets Association. The terms of the contract are October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2023. The major provisions of the contract include base wage increases of 2%,2%,1.5% and 2%, to be given in January of each fiscal year of the contract term, from the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology. No objection being heard, the matter was before the body. Committee members polled; yeas 5. On motion of Councilor Worrell, the rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.

1539 Councilor Lara called Docket #1539, message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Nine Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars (\$1,983,833.00) in the form of a grant, for the Shelter & Services Program 23, awarded by the United States Department of Homeland Security to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund services to non-citizen migrants recently released from DHS custody to provide shelter, food, transportation, acute medical care, personal hygiene supplies, and case management services, and to provide funding to non-federal entities to increase their capacity to shelter non-citizen migrants recently released from DHS custody, including renovations and modifications to existing facilities, from the Committee on Housing and Community Development.

Hearing no objection, the matter was before the body.

Committee members polled; yeas 5.

On motion of Councilor Lara, the order was passed; yeas 13.

1586 Councilor Baker called Docket #1586, Communication was received from the City Clerk transmitting a communication from the Boston Landmarks Commission for City Council action on the designation of The Nazzaro Community Center, 30 - 32 North Bennet Street, Boston, MA, as a Landmark (In effect after November 5, 2023 if not acted upon), from the Committee on Planning, Development and Transportation.

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

Committee members polled; yeas 5.

On motion of Councilor Baker, the rules were suspended; the designation was passed; yeas 13.

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

1637 **Councilor Breadon offered the following:** Resolution recognizing the Kiwanis Club of Allston-Brighton for its 45th anniversary.

1638 **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution in recognition of The IFSI-USA Production.

1639 **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution in recognition of 9 Haitian community leaders.

1640 **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Gee How Oak Tin Association of New England.

1641 **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing 37 Boston Police Detective Benevolent Society Retirees.

1642 **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association of New England.

1643 **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Cheryl Rosenberg.

1644 **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Tamkang University of Taipei and Ministry of Education in Taiwan.

The Chair stated that in absence of objection, two late filed matters would be added to the Consent Agenda.

No objection being heard, the following matters were added:

1648 **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution in memory of George Hantis.

1649 Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Marta Crilly.

The matters contained within the Consent Agenda were severally adopted.

Adjourned at 3:03 p.m. on motion of President Flynn, and in memory of Michael J. Sullivan, Brian Coyne, Joseph Downey, Robert E. Tradd, Christopher Diaz Santos, Lee Berk, George Hantis, Rober Joseph Dedam, John "Johnnie" Oleson, Evie Scoville, Ian "Iceman" Cotterell and Marie DiDomenico to meet again on Wednesday, November 1, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.

Attest:

Alex Geourntas
City Clerk