

November 05, 2025

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Boston was held in the Christopher A. Iannella Chamber, City Hall on Wednesday, November 5, 2025 at 12:02 PM.

President Louijeune in the Chair. Present Councilors Breadon, Coletta Zapata, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber, and Worrell.

Father Federico Cinocca, Emmanuel College, delivered the invocation, and the meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance.

The Chair moved to adopt the minutes from the October 29, 2025 City Council Meeting.

Motion prevailed.

- 1951 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 Community Safety Initiative, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund the City of Boston's comprehensive strategy aimed at reducing gun, gang, and youth violence in the City.
 - Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice.
- 1952 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 for the Harvard Public Service Fellow Grant, awarded by the Harvard Center of Public Service and Engagement Scholarship to be administered by the Mayor's Office. The grant will fund the Harvard Public Service Fellow position in the Mayor's Office supporting initiatives owned by the Partnership team.
 - The rules were suspended; the order was passed.
- Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Bethany Moffi as a Member of the Boston School Committee Nominating Panel for a term expiring on November 3, 2027.

 Placed on file.
- 1954 Notice was received from the City Clerk in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979 re: action taken by the Mayor on papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of October 1, 2025.

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- 1955 Notice was received from the City Clerk in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979 re: action taken by the Mayor on papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of October 22, 2025.

 Placed on file.
- 1956 Communication was received from the Commemoration Commission of the report entitled "Commemoration Commission Progress Report" July 2025. Placed on file.

1957 Communication from Councilor Flynn regarding a text amendment to the Boston Zoning Code and community process.

Placed on file.

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

1434 On the message and order, referred on August 6, 2025, Docket #1434, Ordinance codifying the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement, the committee submitted a report recommending that the ordinance ought to pass in a new draft.

The report was accepted; the ordinance was passed in a new draft: yeas 12 (Breadon, Coletta Zapata, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber, Worrell).

Councilor Santana, on behalf of the Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice, submitted the following:

On the message and order, referred on October 22, 2025, Docket #1833, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Ninety-Nine Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Six Dollars (\$99,476.00) in the form of a grant from the Pipeline Emergency Response Grant (PERG), awarded by the United States Department of Transportation to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund training for emergency responders in high-consequence areas to protect people, property, and the environment from accidents involving gas or hazardous liquid pipelines, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the order was passed.

- 1958 Councilor Flynn, Mejia, Murphy and Worrell offered the following:
 Order for a hearing on the establishment of a Committee on Civility in the
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- 1959 Councilor Worrell, Breadon, Coletta Zapata, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana and Weber offered the following: Order for a hearing to allow for monthly property tax payments for residents.
 - Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.
- 1960 Councilor Flynn, Breadon, Coletta Zapata, Durkan, FitzGerald, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following: Resolution urging the City of Boston to certify with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for the National Flood Insurance Program Community Ranking System (CRS). On motion of Councilor Flynn, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.
- /5/25 Legislative Calendar for November 5, 2025.

The Chair stated that in absence of objection, one late filed matter would be added to the Agenda. No objection being heard, the following matter was added:

1966 Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Mejia offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Chrisnel Pena in City Council.Passed under suspension of the rules.

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

1961 Councilor Pepén, Weber and Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing 9 pedestrian safety advocacy organizations.

- 1962 Councilor Santana offered the following: Resolution recognizing Zlata Pavpertova and Aresli Serrano.
- 1963 Councilor Durkan offered the following: Resolution recognizing Mary Colette Garippo Law, PLLC.
- 1964 Councilor Pepén offered the following: Resolution celebrating the 40th anniversary of Health Care for All.
- 1965 Councilor Murphy offered the following: Resolution recognizing three individuals who were recently honored at the South Boston Community Health Center's 2025 Harbor of Hope celebration.

The items contained within the Consent Agenda were severally adopted.

Adjourned at 1:02 p.m. on motion of President Louijeune, and in memory of Thomas M. Lally, Michael Tavilla, Setti Warren, and Jean B. Borgard, Sr., to meet again on Wednesday, November 19, 2025 at 12:00 p.m.

Attest:

Alex Geourntas City Clerk