



ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR MATTERS PRESENTED TO THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO 10:00 A.M. ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2025 FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING IN THE CHRISTOPHER IANNELLA CHAMBER ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2025 AT 12:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 29, 2025 CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER HONOR, THE MAYOR:

- [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.
- [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.

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES

REPORTS OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND OTHERS:

- [1953](#) 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.
- [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.
- [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.
- [1956](#) Communication was received from the Commemoration Commission of the report entitled "Commemoration Commission Progress Report" July 2025.
- [1957](#) Communication from Councilor Flynn regarding a text amendment to the Boston Zoning Code and community process.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

- [1434](#) The Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred on August 6, 2025, Docket #1434, Ordinance codifying the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement, submits a report recommending that this matter ought to pass in a new draft.
- [1833](#) The Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice, to which was referred on October 22, 2025, Docket #1833, Message and order 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, submits a report recommending that the Order ought to pass.

MATTERS RECENTLY HEARD-FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:

MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS:

1958 Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order for a hearing on the establishment of a Committee on Civility in the City of Boston.

1959 Councilor Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing to allow for monthly property tax payments for residents.

1960 Councilor Flynn 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).

GREEN SHEETS:

/5/25 Legislative Calendar for November 5, 2025.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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.



**City Of Boston • Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
Michelle Wu**

11-03-2025

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 ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$100,000.00**) in the form of a grant, Community Safety Initiative, awarded by MA Executive Office Of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Office Workforce Development.

The grant would fund the City of Boston's comprehensive strategy aimed at reducing gun, gang, and youth violence in the City.

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 Community Safety Initiative FUNDS, AWARDED BY MA Executive Office Of Public Safety & Security.

WHEREAS, the MA Executive Office Of Public Safety & Security, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Office Workforce Development; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$100,000.00**) would fund the City of Boston's comprehensive strategy aimed at reducing gun, gang, and youth violence in the City. 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 MA Executive Office Of Public Safety & Security, Community Safety Initiative award not to exceed the amount of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$100,000.00**).

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**

10-31-2025

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 Harvard Public Service Fellow grant, awarded by Harvard Center for Public Service and Engaged Scholarship to be administered by the Mayor's Office.

The grant would fund the Harvard Public Service Fellow position in the Mayor's Office, supporting initiatives owned by the Partnerships team.

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 Harvard Public Service Fellow grant FUNDS, AWARDED BY Harvard Center for Public Service and Engaged Scholarship.

WHEREAS, the Harvard Center for Public Service and Engaged Scholarship, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Mayor's Office; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS **(\$25,000.00)** would fund the Harvard Public Service Fellow position in the Mayor's Office, supporting initiatives owned by the Partnerships team. 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 Harvard Center for Public Service and Engaged Scholarship, the Harvard Public Service Fellow 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
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by Adam Cederbaum

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Corporation Counsel



City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
Michelle Wu

November 3, 2025

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

Dear Mr. Clerk:

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 6 of Chapter 108 of the Acts of 1991, I hereby appoint the following Member to the Boston School Committee Nominating Panel, effective immediately:

Bethany Moffi of 131A Msgr Lydon Way, Boston, MA 02124.

This Member was nominated by the Special Education Parent Advisory Council and will serve a term expiring on November 3, 2027.

Thank you for your attention on this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michelle Wu", is written over a light gray rectangular background.

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston



Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS
City Clerk

November 5, 2025

To The City Council

Councilors:

In accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979, I hereby notify you of the following actions taken by the Mayor with regard to the papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of October 1, 2025, viz.

- 1664 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) in the form of a grant, the AI Research Grant, awarded by Schmidt Sciences, a philanthropic organization run by the Schmidt Family, to be administered by the Department of Innovation & Technology. The grant will fund a project that will deliver the first randomized evidence on how Generative AI tools affect day-to-day work in a large U.S. city government.

Approved by the Mayor October 6, 2025

- 1738 Message and order for your approval an order to reduce the FY26 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Three Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars (\$347,178.00) to provide funding for the Boston Public Health Commission for the FY26 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston Public Health Commission and the SEIU, Local 1199.

Approved by the Mayor October 6, 2025

1739 Message and order for a supplemental appropriation order for the Public Health Commission for FY26 in the amount of Three Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand One Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars (\$347,178.00) to cover the FY26 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the Public Health Commission and SEIU, Local 1199. The term of the contracts span October 1, 2020 through September 30, 2027. The major provisions of the contracts include base wage increases of 2% to be given in October of each year of the contract term, excluding FY22 where there is an increase of 1.5%. The agreement also includes adjustments to steps and other changes to pay structure.

Approved by the Mayor October 6, 2025

1746 The Constable Bonds of Dominique Chester, Inez Chester, Tyrone Grant, Michael A. Lopes, and Grismaldy O. Nova having been duly approved by the Collector-Treasurer were received and approved under the usual terms and conditions.

Approved by the Mayor October 6, 2025

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Alex Geourntas", written in dark ink.

Alex Geourntas
City Clerk



Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS
City Clerk

November 5, 2025

To The City Council

Councilors:

In accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979, I hereby notify you of the following actions taken by the Mayor with regard to the papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of October 22, 2025, viz.

- 1277 Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to City of Boston Certified Emergency Telecommunicators.

Approved by the Mayor October 27, 2025

- 1690 Message and order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to appropriate the amount of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) for the purpose of paying the cost of a feasibility study and schematic design associated with a project for the Ruth Batson Academy, formerly known as the John W. McCormick School, located at 315 Mount Vernon Street, Dorchester, MA 02125. This includes the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, and for which the City of Boston may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended under the direction of the Public Facilities Department on behalf of the Boston Public Schools.

Approved by the Mayor October 27, 2025

1831 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a grant of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000.00) from the United States Department of the Interior under the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) Act of 1965 (Pub. L. 88-578, 78 Stat 897), to be administered by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department, for purposes of making capital improvements to Ceylon Park in Dorchester. The Order also confirms that Ceylon Park is permanently dedicated for park and playground purposes, as required by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EOEEA), the grantor's agent.

Approved by the Mayor October 27, 2025

1834 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Forty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$48,900.00) in the form of a grant for the 2025 Mayors Challenge Project Grant, awarded by the United Nations Development Program to be administered by Operations. The grant will fund a study to address chronic school bus delays through AI-enabled traffic signal priority at key intersections and piloting innovative pick-up and drop-off scenarios to address congestion on neighborhood streets close to a school.

Approved by the Mayor October 27, 2025

1835 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Forty-Four Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty Dollars (\$44,780.00) in the form of a grant, for the Water Quality Assessment of Chandler Pond Grant, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs to be administered by the Parks and Recreation Department. The grant will fund water quality monitoring in Chandler Pond for 12 months, develop a watershed-based plan to identify sources of pollution, engage the community to build continued support for the restoration of Chandler Pond and to educate abutters about what they can do to minimize urban impacts to the pond.

Approved by the Mayor October 27, 2025

1836 Message and order authorizing the Procurement Department to extend the term of an existing three (3) year contract for the purchase of ladder trucks for the Boston Fire Department ("BFD"). Two trucks contemplated under the contract were delivered in December 2024, but the remaining four trucks are currently scheduled to be delivered, two trucks at a time, in October 2026 and March 2027.

Approved by the Mayor October 27, 2025

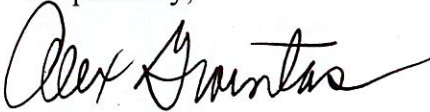
1847 Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Directing the City of Boston Police Department to Waive the Maximum Age Requirement for Ryan Cazeau.

Approved by the Mayor October 27, 2025

1848 Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Directing the City of Boston Police Department to Waive the Maximum Age Requirement for Police Officers for Jose Reyes.

Approved by the Mayor October 27, 2025

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alex Geourntas", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Alex Geourntas
City Clerk



Commemoration Commission



City of Boston
Mayor Michelle Wu

Alex Geourntas
Office of the City Clerk
1 City Hall Plaza
Room 601
Boston, MA 02201

July 31, 2025

Dear Mr. Geourntas,

Pursuant to the Boston, Massachusetts Municipal Code 7-15 Ordinance 2021 c. 19 § 1 that created the Commemoration Commission, which states that the Commission will file a bi-annual progress report with the City Clerk, the Commemoration Commission and City staff present this iteration of the report.

Best,



Genesis Pimentel
Commemoration Commission Manager
Office of Historic Preservation

This report was updated ahead of and approved at the October 2025 Commemoration Commission meeting.



COMMEMORATION COMMISSION PROGRESS REPORT

July 2025

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VISION

I. MISSION STATEMENT

“The Commission exists to affirm that our diverse and intertwined community histories are of great value to the City of Boston, that historical tourism should be a driver of true shared prosperity, that inclusive and honest historical memory is a crucial public good worthy of attention and resources, and that communities all over the City should have the tools and resources to research, preserve, acknowledge, and celebrate their history.”¹

The Commemoration Commission was created with the express purpose of uncovering blind spots, dealing with both noble and oppressive legacies, and connecting current Bostonians with the histories, ideologies, and realities that impacted residents enough to shape the City. The Commemoration Commission’s work will highlight the importance of historic and cultural preservation of Boston, amplify the connection between the City of Boston and its diverse communities through an inclusive commemoration effort, and use the act of commemoration to interpret the present and plan for a better future.

The creation of the Office of Historic Preservation and the Commemoration Commission affirms that the purpose for its existence matters, and that the execution of the plans created by the Commission will not only matter but will have the opportunity to shape the future of our City.

¹ Boston, Massachusetts, Municipal Code 7-15, Ord. 2021 c. 19 § 1.

SUMMARY

COMMEMORATION COMMISSION UPDATES

On March 19, 2025, the Boston City Council voted to amend the ordinance establishing the Commemoration Commission as first discussed in July 2024 and as proposed by commissioner vote in October 2024. This revision reduced the number of voting members from 44 to 37, in an effort to alleviate how often the Commission ran into the inability to have a quorum. In addition, advisory committees/stakeholder groups replace the original subcommittee structure. These groups will take no official votes but may share ideas and recommendations in a non-binding fashion. In an effort to strengthen and support the amendments to the ordinance, Commemoration Commission staff is working on bylaws to develop frameworks for the Commission to be successful in the endeavors they have been tasked with. These bylaws will exist inside of a handbook commissioners can reference routinely.

In January of 2024, there were 42 commissioners due to two appointed roles being empty. Despite the changes in the ordinance reducing the number of members to 37, we did have one seat introduced for Embrace Boston. During this time, we had the seat for a Member from a Neighborhood with a Historic District filled. Currently, the seat for a member from the Boston Preservation Alliance remains empty as candidates are being reviewed by Boards & Commissions. Between the last report and the ordinance change, the seat for the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce was vacated. As of this report, the three appointed roles mentioned above must be filled.

STAKEHOLDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE UPDATES

The amended ordinance removed the subcommittees of the Commemoration Commission and created stakeholder groups as mentioned above. The stakeholder groups are referred to as Stakeholder Advisory Committees.

The three stakeholder advisory committees are Timelines, Archives, and Curricula, Legislation and Preservation Tools, and Events, Exhibits, and Trails. During this transition period, **all** stakeholder advisory committees have remained open to the public in order to ensure transparency. The Commemoration Commission staff member is working internally to ensure that the stakeholder advisory committees will still be Open Meeting Law compliant if and when they hold meetings that are not open to the public.

PROCESS

I. GOALS

The Commission and City staff are aiming to have a completed set of bylaws and Commissioner handbook for 2026. The bylaws and handbook will shape the Commission and provide necessary guidance for how to conduct business and accomplish the aims set out by the ordinance.

The Commission and its staff are committed to rethinking and developing its community engagement process, as it sets out to achieve its goals without a significant loss of a community engagement forum.

The Commission will begin to conceptualize, discuss, and plan for Boston 400 in order to ensure that the City is well-prepared for what's to come.

II. SUCCESSES

The Commission and City staff worked to update the ordinance founding the Commemoration Commission such that the quorum for the Commission meetings will be reduced from 23 to 19. The amendments to the original ordinance were passed by the City Council.

The commissioners, having worked on previous reports and having had their goals and needs fleshed out in multiple iterations, worked on an interim report that recommends commemorative activities that can be undertaken and explored for Boston 250 titled **Interim Recommendations of the Boston Commemoration Commission: Commemorative Activities for Boston 250**, which is now being edited based on feedback provided on the first draft.

III. CHALLENGES

The Commission and City staff continue to have challenges with quorum at quarterly meetings. Though the stakeholder advisory committees no longer face issues with quorum, they are working through defining what their role is within the landscape of the Commission and Boston 250 to ensure that their output solves an existing problem or creates a new and necessary tool of commemoration or preservation.

II. NEXT STEPS

Looking ahead, the Commission will fill any empty seats as soon as possible. The Commission will establish a framework for the working that they will be doing that will be highlighted in the next 6-month report.

APPENDIX

MEMBERS OF THE COMMEMORATION COMMISSION

Events, Exhibits, and Trails

Jay Ash, Massachusetts Competitive Partnership

Karin Goodfellow, Mayor's Office of Arts and Culture

Juan Eusebio, Local 26 Union Member

Faries Gray, Massachusett Tribe

Embrace Boston*

Juan Lopez, Latinx History Expert

Dave O'Donnell, Meet Boston

Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce*

Nat Sheidley, Revolutionary Spaces

Kyera Singleton, The Royall House

Suzanne Taylor, The Freedom Trail Foundation

Sam Chambers, The Boston Foundation

Noelle Trent, Museum of African-American Boston

Segun Idowu, Office of Economic Opportunity

Eric Hanson-Plass, NPS

Legislation and Preservation Tools

Kenzie Bok, Boston Housing Authority

Kathy Kottaridis, Office of Historic Preservation

Senator Mike Rush, Boston Legislative Delegation

Council President Ruthzee Louijeune, Boston City Council

Jean-Luc Pierite, North American Indian Center of Boston

Lydia Lowe, Chinatown Community Land Trust

Boston Preservation Alliance*

Amanda Zettel, Charlestown Preservation Society

Margaret Dyson, Treasury Department

Representative Dan Ryan, Boston Legislative Delegation

Timelines, Archives, and Curricula

Bob Allison, Suffolk University & Revolution & 250

Joe Bagley, City Archaeologist

Kimberly Barzola, Society of American Archivists & Archivists and Archives of Color

Tatiana M.F. Cruz, Simmons University

Carolyn Goldstein, UMass Boston

Joan Ilacqua, Queer History Boston

Dory Klein, Boston Public Library & The Boston Research Center (BRC) - Northeastern University

Collin Knight, Live Like a Local Tours Boston

Kristen Lafferty, City Archivist

Giordana Mecagni, Northeastern University Special Collections, BRC, East Boston Museum and Historical Society

Kanisorn Wongsrichanalai, Massachusetts Historical Society

Cedric Woods, Institute for New England Native American Studies - UMass Boston

*Seat currently empty due to transitions in their organizations.



Boston City Council

ED FLYNN

Councilor - District 2

November 3, 2025

Kairos Shen, Chief of Planning
Boston Planning Department
One City Hall Square, Room 900
Boston, MA 02201

Michelle Wu, Mayor of Boston
One City Hall Square, Suite 500
Boston, MA 02201

RE: Text Amendment to Boston Zoning Code

Dear Mayor Wu and Chief Shen,

Please note I am writing in regards to my proposed text amendment to the Boston Zoning Code relative to adult entertainment in the area of Chinatown, Downtown Boston, and the Bay Village - to essentially change adult entertainment from an “allowed use” to a “conditional use”. It’s critical that the people of Chinatown and communities of color be treated with respect, that they receive a thorough community process and a voice in what takes place in their community. I am respectfully requesting the Planning Department’s help in this endeavor.

In recent months, I have spoken with concerned residents in Chinatown that have expressed serious concerns regarding a lack of community process for locating adult entertainment establishments in their neighborhood. Ruth Moy, a dedicated community activist, has consistently expressed her deep opposition, citing that the vast majority of longtime residents in Chinatown continue to highlight public safety and quality of life issues. Moreover, according to a recent media report in the Boston Globe, prominent leaders from the Chinese Progressive Association (CPA) expressed their concerns on respect for the community and dismay in stating, “This is going to be another reminder of, ‘Oh my God, how much can you put on Chinatown?’”

In the 1960s, the term “Combat Zone” was given to an area for Downtown and Chinatown, which primarily included Washington Street, Boylston Street, and Kneeland Street. At present, only a few adult entertainment venues remain. However, under current zoning, it is my understanding that proponents are not required to undergo a full community process seeking variances in the neighborhood, and at a subsequent hearing at the Zoning Board of Appeal (ZBA), other than for the Groundwater Conservation Overlay District (GCOD). This was the case in June, when a change of use at 27-29 Stuart Street appeared before the ZBA and the application was only required to have a hearing regarding GCOD. At that time, I requested a deferral of this case to allow for a public process and provide an opportunity for neighbors in Downtown Boston, Chinatown, and Bay Village to offer feedback on this nearby project.

In my opinion, this text amendment should have been addressed decades ago. With ongoing concerns regarding public process, public safety, and quality of life from neighbors, it’s critical that all establishments go through a full community process for zoning moving forward. I firmly believe that my constituents in Chinatown, Downtown Boston, and the Bay Village deserve a voice in what takes place in their community.

Sincerely,

Ed Flynn
Boston City Councilor, District 2

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS HENRY SANTANA, JOHN FITZGERALD, BEN WEBER, BREADON, COLETTA ZAPATA, DURKAN, FLYNN, MEJIA, MURPHY, WORRELL AND LOUIJEUNE



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FIVE

ORDINANCE CODIFYING THE OFFICE OF YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AND ADVANCEMENT

WHEREAS, The City of Boston is committed to encouraging and upholding a diverse and welcoming community for all its residents, especially youth; *and*

WHEREAS, The City of Boston recognizes that empowering the city's youth with opportunities for self-advocacy not only ensures the needs of youth are met, but also encourages youth to see themselves as part of Boston's community; *and*

WHEREAS, The City has faced issues with difficulty allowing more youth to get involved or access materials to benefit themselves and allow themselves to grow; *and*

WHEREAS, Recognizing the necessity of these resources, Mayor Wu established The Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement in January 2023 to effectively provide and support young residents with opportunities to shape City policy, and to provide services for residents ages 14-25 throughout Boston to gain access to opportunities and resources needed to thrive; *and*

WHEREAS, The Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement additionally provides a platform for youth-serving professionals and organizations to receive support and resources to better serve their youth communities across the city; *and*

WHEREAS, Enhancing and expanding the reach of the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement will improve the safety and civic empowerment of Boston's youth; *and*

WHEREAS, The Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement is dedicated to combating the social and institutional discrimination that youth residents and visitors face, guaranteeing the voices of the Boston youth and experiences within youth communities are heard, supported, and prioritized; *and*

WHEREAS, The experiences of the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement are shaped by: prioritizing the active engagement of young people in decision-making processes, providing resource programs and opportunities that implement

personal and professional growth, and acting as a link between youth and available services and opportunities across different City departments and community organizations; *and*

WHEREAS, Given the large impact of the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement, and the growing request for services and community partnerships, it is imperative to institutionalize its purpose, powers, and duties; *and*

WHEREAS, Codifying the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement will ensure long-term access to resources for all Boston youth and the adults that serve them, and will allow more youth residents to participate in civic programs and amplify their voices in City matters. **NOW, THEREFORE**

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:

That the City of Boston Code, Chapter XV Divisions of the Mayor's office is amended by adding the following new section and subsections:

SECTION 1

15-15 CREATION OF THE OFFICE OF YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AND ADVANCEMENT

15-15.1 *Established*

There shall be established in the City of Boston an office known as the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement (hereafter the "Office"), which shall be under the charge of an Executive Director, appointed by the Mayor and who shall have the powers and duties of a department head with respect to execution of contracts and matters of personnel management within said Office.

15-15.2 *Purpose*

This Ordinance is to establish the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement in the City of Boston to promote and guarantee a consistent and institutionalized role for young people to shape City policy, programs, and resource allocation that directly impacts the youth. By codifying the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement, it ensures clear responsibilities, and oversight mechanisms allowing the office to stay accountable for youth in the Boston community. As Boston is an extremely diverse community, the Office shall ensure youth from all backgrounds have a seat at the table when making decisions regarding City policy. When youth see their City government commit to their futures with long-term policy, it creates trust in local government, and encourages leadership, civic engagement, and innovation.

15-15.3 *Powers and Duties*

The Office shall serve as the principal entity responsible for supporting, engaging, and empowering youth ages 14 to 25 throughout the City of Boston. The Office shall advance youth

development by amplifying youth voices in municipal policy-making processes and facilitating equitable access to opportunities across City departments and partner organizations.

In fulfillment of its duties, the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement shall:

- a. administer and oversee youth leadership and civic engagement initiatives, including but not limited to, the Mayor's Youth Council and Youth Lead Change, a participatory budgeting program through which youth allocate municipal funds to citywide priorities
- b. operate YouthLine, a centralized resource hub connecting young people to local services and opportunities
- c. coordinate professional development and capacity-building programming for youth workers and service providers
- d. convene citywide events such as the Mayor's Youth Summit
- e. manage the Youth Partner Network, a collaborative of professionals representing youth-serving organizations
- f. conduct and maintain Youth Speaks Boston, a citywide youth survey used to assess and respond to the needs and experiences of Boston's youth
- g. manage Boston After Dark, a seasonal initiative that provides evening programming to promote youth safety and prevent violence during the summer months.

Through these initiatives and other activities, the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement shall promote leadership development, community engagement, safety, and opportunity for Boston's young people, and serve as a liaison between youth, City government, and community stakeholders.

The Office, under the charge of the Executive Director, shall have the powers necessary to carry out the above duties. The Office shall have the necessary staff to accomplish these aims. City departments, agencies, commissions, and offices are encouraged to make their services reasonably available to the Office to support its duties.

SECTION 2

The provisions of this Ordinance 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 will not affect the remaining provisions, which will remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3

The provisions of this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage.

Filed in Council: August 6, 2025

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:

That the City of Boston Code, Chapter XV Divisions of the Mayor's Office is amended by adding the following new section and subsections at the end thereof:

SECTION 1

15-14 OFFICE OF YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AND ADVANCEMENT

15-14.1 Office Established; Appointment of Executive Director

There shall be established in the Mayor's Office division known as the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement (hereafter the "Office"), which shall be under the charge of an Executive Director, appointed by the Mayor and who shall have the powers and duties of a department head with respect to execution of contracts and matters of personnel management within said Office.

15-14.2 Purpose

The purpose of the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement is to advocate on behalf of Boston youth and to offer young people an opportunity to shape City policies, programs, and resource allocations that directly impact youth. The Office's commitment to the future of Boston youth, will create trust in local government; and encourages leadership, civic engagement, and innovation.

The Office shall serve as the principal entity responsible for supporting, engaging, and empowering youth ages 14 to 25 throughout the City of Boston. The Office shall advance youth development by amplifying youth voices in municipal policy-making processes and facilitating equitable access to opportunities across City departments and partner organizations.

Through its many activities and initiatives, the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement shall promote leadership development, community engagement, safety, and opportunity for Boston's young people, and serve as a liaison between youth and City government.

15-14.3 Powers and Duties

The Office, under the charge of the Executive Director, shall have the powers necessary to carry out the above duties. The Office shall have the necessary staff to accomplish these aims. City departments, agencies, commissions, and offices are encouraged to make their services reasonably available to the Office to support its duties.

SECTION 2

The provisions of this Ordinance 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 will not affect the remaining provisions, which will remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3

The provisions of this Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon passage.



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REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

November 5, 2025

Dear Councilors,

The Committee on Government Operations was referred the following docket for consideration:

Docket #1434, Ordinance codifying the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement.

This matter was sponsored by Councilors Henry Santana, John FitzGerald and Benjamin J. Weber, and was referred to the Committee on August 6, 2025.

Summary of Legislation

Docket #1434 is an Ordinance that would codify the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement (OYEA) in the City of Boston, to take effect immediately upon passage and approval by the Mayor. As filed, Section 1 of the Ordinance includes the following subsections, 15.1 Established, 15.2 Purpose, and 15.3 Powers and Duties.

15.1 Established, permanently establishes the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement as a City department, led by an Executive Director, who shall be appointed by the Mayor and have the powers and duties of a department head with respect to the execution of contracts and matters of personnel management.

15.2 Purpose, declares that the purpose of codifying the Office is to promote and guarantee a consistent and institutionalized role for young people in City decision-making with respect to policies, programs and resource allocations that directly impact the City's youth. This subsection makes clear that codification will enshrine clear responsibilities and oversight mechanisms to ensure accountability to Boston's youth.

15.3 Powers and Duties, designates the Office as the City's principal entity for supporting, engaging, and empowering youth aged 14–25. This subsection charges the Office with advancing youth development by amplifying youth voices in policymaking processes and ensuring equitable access to opportunities across City departments and partner organizations. To fulfill these duties, this subsection declares that the Office shall administer the Mayor's Youth Council and Youth Lead Change; operate the YouthLine; coordinate professional development and capacity building programs for youth workers and service providers; convene city-wide events like the Mayor's Youth Summit; manage the Youth Partner Network; conduct and maintain Youth Speaks Boston; and manage Boston After Dark. This subsection further empowers the Executive Director, with the powers necessary to carry out its duty to promote leadership development, community engagement, safety and opportunity while serving as the City's liaison between youth, government and community stakeholders. Under this subsection, the Office is required to hire the necessary staff to accomplish its mission.

Information Received at Hearing

The Committee held a hearing on Monday, October 27, 2025 to discuss Docket #1434. The Committee heard testimony from panelists which included Administration representatives, José Massó, Chief of



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Human Services and Pedro Cruz, Executive Director of OYEA, as well as Community leaders, Michael Downing, Career Pathways Coach at Youth Guidance Boston; Camila Rojas Pinero, providing testimony on behalf of Beat the Odds; and Caroline Foscatto, providing testimony on behalf of Soccer Unity Project.

The Administration testified that OYEA was created in 2022 as an effort to unify and expand the City's engagement of youth residents aged 14 to 25 through programs such as the Mayor's Youth Council, Youth Lead the Change, Youth Summit, Youth Line, Boston After Dark, and Youth Speaks Boston. It was explained that the Office employs eleven staff, coordinates a network of more than 1,900 youth-serving professionals, and provides professional development and partnership support across agencies. The Administration's testimony emphasized that codifying the Office would ensure continuity beyond any single administration and reaffirming Boston's long-term commitment to youth leadership, safety, and opportunity.

During the hearing, questions centered on how the Office would ensure equitable service delivery across neighborhoods and age groups, and how the Office operates under its current budget. The Administration stated that while programming effectively reaches younger participants, a priority moving forward is to expand offerings for residents aged 19 to 25, who often need continued mentorship, career development, and civic engagement opportunities beyond high school. In response to concerns raised about limited access to programming in neighborhoods like Allston-Brighton; the Administration described on-going partnerships with BCYF, YMCA, and the West End House to expand services, particularly through the Boston After Dark initiative. With respect to questions about the Office's budget, the Administration explained that the Office's operating budget has been adequate to sustain staffing and program operations, and is supplemented through external partnerships and grant funding that allow the Office to expand its reach.

Summary of Amendments

The Ordinance, as amended, strikes and replaces the numbering of the title and each subsection to align with the current sections of the City Code. Further, the Ordinance, as amended, strikes "Creation of the" from the Ordinance title and inserts language to the title of the subsection **15-14.1** *Established*. As amended, the title of the Ordinance and each subsection that follows thereafter reads as:

"15-14 Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement"

"15-14.1 Office Established; Appointment of Executive Director"

"15-14.2 Purpose"

"15-14.3 Powers and Duties"

The Ordinance, as amended, further strikes and replaces language under **15-14.1**, **15-14.2**, and **15-14.3** reorganizing and simplifying their provisions.

Under **15-14.1**, "in the City of Boston an office" was struck and replaced with "in the Mayor's Office a division." As amended, **15-14.1** reads as:

"15-14.1 Office Established; Appointment of Executive Director"



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There shall be established in the Mayor's Office division known as the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement (hereafter the "Office"), which shall be under the charge of an Executive Director, appointed by the Mayor and who shall have the powers and duties of a department head with respect to execution of contracts and matters of personnel management within said Office."

Under **15-14.2**, language was struck to present the Office's purpose in a simplified, concise manner. Further, certain provisions were removed from **15-14.3** and re-inserted to be included under **15-14.2**. As amended, **15-14.2** reads as:

"15-14.2 Purpose

The purpose of the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement is to advocate on behalf of Boston youth and to offer young people an opportunity to shape City policies, programs, and resource allocations that directly impact youth. The Office's commitment to the future of Boston youth, will create trust in local government; and encourages leadership, civic engagement, and innovation.

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Under **15-14.3**, language was struck to ensure adaptability and flexibility in the description of the Office's duties. As stated above, certain provisions were removed and re-inserted into **15-14.2**. As amended, **15-14.3** reads as:

"15-14.3 Powers and Duties

The Office, under the charge of the Executive Director, shall have the powers necessary to carry out the above duties. The Office shall have the necessary staff to accomplish these aims. City departments, agencies, commissions, and offices are encouraged to make their services reasonably available to the Office to support its duties."

Committee Chair Recommended Action

As Chair of the Committee on Government Operations, I recommend moving the listed docket from the Committee to the full Council for discussion and formal action. At this time, my recommendation to the full Council will be that this matter **OUGHT TO PASS IN A NEW DRAFT**.

Gabriela Coletta Zapata, Chair
Committee on Government Operations



City Of Boston • Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
Michelle Wu

10-20-2025

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 NINETY-NINE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIX DOLLARS **(\$99,476.00)** in the form of a grant, the Pipeline Emergency Response Grant (PERG), awarded by United States Department of Transportation to be administered by the Fire Department.

The grant would fund training for emergency responders in high-consequence areas to protect people, property, and the environment from accidents involving gas or hazardous liquid pipelines.

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 Pipeline Emergency Response Grant (PERG) FUNDS, AWARDED BY United States Department of Transportation.

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Transportation, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of NINETY-NINE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIX DOLLARS (**\$99,476.00**) would fund training for emergency responders in high-consequence areas to protect people, property, and the environment from accidents involving gas or hazardous liquid pipelines. 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 United States Department of Transportation, the Pipeline Emergency Response Grant (PERG) award not to exceed the amount of NINETY-NINE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIX DOLLARS (**\$99,476.00**).

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



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REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

October 31, 2025

Dear Councilors,

The Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice was referred the following docket for consideration:

Docket #1833, Message and order 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.

This matter was sponsored by Mayor Michelle Wu, and was referred to the Committee on October 22, 2025.

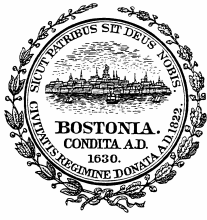
Summary of Legislation

Docket #1833 authorizes the City of Boston to accept and expend the Pipeline Emergency Response Grant in the amount of \$99,476. This grant was awarded by the United States Department of Transportation to be administered by the Boston Fire Department. The grant would fund training for emergency responders in high-consequence areas to protect people, property, and the environment from accidents involving gas or hazardous liquid pipelines.

Information Received

The Committee received information from the Administration regarding Docket #1833 stating that this docket authorizes the City of Boston to accept and expend the Pipeline Emergency Response Grant in the amount of \$99,476. The Pipeline Emergency Response Grant (PERG) focuses on training emergency responders in high-consequence areas to protect people, property, and the environment from accidents involving gas or hazardous liquid Pipelines. The United States Department of Transportation Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration has awarded the City of Boston Fire Department \$99,476.00 in funding. This funding will allow the City of Boston to enhance its emergency response capabilities for a high-pressure natural gas transmission pipeline in the West Roxbury neighborhood.

Project goals include training 203 firefighters, strengthening inter-agency collaboration, identifying response requirements, purchasing specialized equipment, and ensuring sustainable integration with existing capabilities. Three activities are proposed for the performance period: an 8-hour command-level training for 78 chief officers and HazMat specialists; a multi-agency tabletop exercise simulation involving BFD, police, emergency management, and pipeline operators to practice coordinated response; and equipment needed to support early detection and response, along with the training required to implement it. The affected area includes vulnerable populations and critical infrastructure such as a Veterans Administration (V.A.) hospital, schools, and densely populated elderly and residential housing.



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Committee Chair Recommended Action

As Chair of the Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice, I recommend moving the listed docket from the Committee to the full Council for discussion and formal action. At this time, my recommendation to the full Council will be that this matter **OUGHT TO PASS**.

Henry A. Santana

Henry Santana, Chair
Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice



OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMITTEE ON CIVILITY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

WHEREAS:

In recent years, intense partisan identity has been on the rise with people shifting to further ends of the political spectrum. We have been left in a place where there is a larger volume of issues for people to disagree with. According to polling in 2024, a record 80% of U.S. adults said that Americans were greatly divided on the most important values. Many correlate their personal identity with their political ideology, which can make disagreements across party lines feel like a personal attack; *and*

WHEREAS:

With escalating polarization and tensions, it is important that our government leaders and elected officials practice civility. National, state, and local government bodies, including the Boston City Council, should serve as role models for civil discourse, refraining from disrespect, personal offenses and remain professional, all while leaving room for disagreements in the spirit of democracy; *and*

WHEREAS:

Municipalities across the country have taken action to foster a welcoming environment for government and residents alike to engage in healthy dialogue. The Montana League of Cities and Towns, a nonpartisan association of municipalities in Montana, painted a blueprint for how local leaders can encourage civility. In short, leaders should provide leadership, welcome disagreements, overcome dogmatism, and connect, respect, and listen; *and*

WHEREAS:

In terms of past examples of official committees and commissions focusing on civility, the City of Nashville has an Ad Hoc Civility Committee, which held a hearing to discuss a proposed Council Civility Code. Additionally, The Illinois Supreme Court has a dedicated Commission on Professionalism, which maintains its focus on promoting civility. The Commission, governed by Illinois Supreme Court Rule 799, may help outline a potential body for the City of Boston; *and*

WHEREAS:

The National League of Cities (NLC), an organization comprised of city and town leaders focusing on quality of life issues, stated in a 2024 article that city governments should, “be mediators in the community by working strategically with community groups to facilitate difficult conversations.” This week, elected and municipal officials participated in a NLC forum to discuss how city leaders can improve civility in city government; *and*

WHEREAS:

This hearing will be an opportunity to learn from legal experts, nonprofits, and residents on how this committee will serve as an example of strong leadership and fellowship; *and*

WHEREAS:

It is indisputable that contention at the national level has trickled down to state and

local governments. To combat this, it would be beneficial to look into how the City of Boston can resist its own issues of incivility so we can serve as better role models for public discourse and lessen the effects of political tensions both locally and nationally; *and*

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED:

That the appropriate Committee of the Boston City Council holds a hearing to discuss the establishment of a Committee on Civility in the City of Boston. Representatives from the City of Boston, Department of Intergovernmental Relations, and any other relevant party are invited to attend.

Filed on: November 5, 2025

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR WORRELL



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FIVE

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO ALLOW FOR MONTHLY PROPERTY TAX PAYMENTS FOR RESIDENTS

WHEREAS, The City of Boston processed 150,072 parcels for residential taxes in FY25, according to the Division of Local Services; *and*

WHEREAS, While many homeowners pay their property taxes automatically through monthly mortgage payments, those who have paid off their mortgages face quarterly payments that can total several thousands of dollars at a time; *and*

WHEREAS, Residential taxes have risen more than 7 percent every year since FY19, which when combined with increased housing values have caused large increases from the second quarter to the third quarter each year; *and*

WHEREAS, That property tax bill would be more manageable if residents could pay it automatically in a monthly payment; *and*

WHEREAS, Several cities and towns across the country, including New York and Milwaukee, allow for monthly payments, and the process has been recommended by several tax experts for decades; *and*

WHEREAS, The City of Boston should explore changing its processing system to collect residential property taxes through automatic monthly payments in order to ease the burden on the city's residents; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing on the process to allow for automatic monthly payments of residential property taxes, and that the city's Chief Financial Officer and representatives from the Department of Innovation and Technology, Assessing, and other relevant departments attend alongside members of the public.

Filed on: November 3, 2025



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION URGING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO CERTIFY WITH THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) FOR THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM COMMUNITY RATING SYSTEM (CRS)

- WHEREAS:** Boston has a long, rich history with its ports dating back to its founding in 1630. Today, our local economy still relies on ports, including in Charlestown and the South Boston Waterfront, for trade and tourism; *and*
- WHEREAS:** For many, waterfront neighborhoods are an attractive place to live for recreational activities, higher property values, and a sense of community. However, due to sea level rise and heavy precipitation as a result of climate change, the risk of flooding in these neighborhoods becomes a higher risk every year. It is critical that residents have affordable and dependable access to flood insurance in the event that they get damage to their homes; *and*
- WHEREAS:** The Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) provides flood insurance to property owners, renters, and businesses. Homeowners with flood insurance policies cover both buildings and belongings. Building policies cover flood damage up to \$250,000 and content policies up to \$100,000. Renters' flood insurance policies protect belongings within a home covering up to \$100,000 of damage. Commercial flood insurance protects the building and equipment used for business covering up to \$500,000; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Residents and businesses in Massachusetts with policies through NFIP have received discounts up to 20%. In order to qualify and get a discount on flood insurance, cities must receive a certification known as Community Rating System (CRS) from FEMA. The City of Boston has not applied to receive this certification, leaving residents to pay thousands of dollars every year; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Though the application process to be approved by FEMA is lengthy and requires considerable administrative review, it is wholly worthwhile for the City of Boston to receive its certification in a time of rising cost of living for residents across the city, especially for those living in a flood risk zone; *and*
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:**
- That the Boston City Council supports the City of Boston to certify with FEMA's Community Rating System (CRS) so that residents may receive a discount on flood insurance through the National Flood Insurance Program.

Filed in City Council: November 5, 2025



Boston City Council

Legislative Calendar for the November 5, 2025 Session

Sixty Day Orders¹

¹Section 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

Unanswered Section 17F Orders²

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F re: Memoranda of Understanding between the Boston Police Department and external entities. **(Docket #1454)**

Order requesting certain information under Section 17F regarding Boston Housing Authority (BHA) operations and standard practices. **(Docket #1854)**

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 a head 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.

³***Section 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.

2025 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0154	Worrell	Durkan, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to bring NBA All-Star Weekend and the MLB All-Star Game to Boston.	1/8/2025		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0156	Worrell	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss the creation of cultural districts in Boston.	1/8/2025		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0160	Worrell	Flynn, Mejia	Order for a hearing on a proposal for a Crispus Attucks statue.	1/8/2025		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0479	Louijeune	Santana	Order for a hearing to update and replace Black Heritage Trail signage.	2/12/2025		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0614	Pepén	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to establish the Fairmount Avenue Arts and Cultural District in Hyde Park.	3/5/2025		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	1370	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the goals and priorities of the Office of Arts & Culture and the Office of Tourism, Sports & Entertainment in the City of Boston.	7/9/2025		
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	1443	Louijeune		Order for a hearing on equitable contracting and business opportunities for major civic and sporting events in Boston.	8/6/2025	10/10/2025	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	1444	Louijeune	Worrell, Mejia	Order for a hearing for equitable investment strategies in tourism funds in Boston.	8/6/2025	10/10/2025	
Boston's COVID-19 Recovery	0476	Durkan	Worrell, Louijeune	Order for a hearing on Boston's distribution and implementation of COVID-19 relief funding and programs.	2/12/2025	9/25/2025	
Boston's COVID-19 Recovery	0482	Murphy		Order for a hearing to examine the impact of expiring COVID-related grant funding and other expenditures on City programs and staffing.	2/12/2025	9/25/2025	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0157	Worrell	Louijeune, Coletta	Order for a hearing regarding providing technical assistance to civic associations and outlining best practices for civic associations.	1/8/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0170	Coletta Zapata	Mejia, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss food access, sustainability, and the need for a food hub in East Boston.	1/8/2025		

2025 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
City Services & Innovation Technology	0257	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss accessibility in Boston City Hall.	1/15/2025	9/11/2025	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0308	Pepén	Santana, Weber	Order for a hearing to improve recruitment of civilian crossing guards to serve Boston families.	1/29/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0310	Pepén	Louijeune, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss the establishment of a Mattapan Square Task Force for economic and cultural growth.	1/29/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0314	Coletta Zapata	Louijeune, Worrell	Order for a hearing regarding fire emergencies and the creation of a Fire Victim Fund.	1/29/2025	7/10/2025	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0316	Durkan	Pepén, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss a pilot program for waste containerization.	1/29/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0324	Flynn	Anderson, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the notification process for abutters meeting in the City of Boston.	1/29/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0333	Santana	Durkan, Louijeune	Order for a hearing regarding gender-neutral bathrooms in City-owned buildings.	1/29/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0418	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the status of the South Boston Branch Library Study.	2/5/2025	3/24/2025	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0552	Breadon		Order for a hearing to discuss current population projections and preparation for the 2030 decennial census.	2/26/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0554	Breadon		Order for a hearing to discuss public authority-ordered towing practices in the City of Boston.	2/26/2025	8/26/2025	8/19/25-hearing canceled, 8/27/25-remains in committee
City Services & Innovation Technology	0692	Durkan		Order for a hearing to explore the role of artificial intelligence in improving city services and governance in the City of Boston	3/19/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0768	Flynn	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss water and sewer infrastructure in Chinatown and the Leather District.	4/2/2025	9/16/2025	9/17/25-remains in committee

2025 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
City Services & Innovation Technology	0772	Murphy	Flynn, Pepén	Order for a hearing to assess and enhance the accessibility and safety of Boston's sidewalks for all residents.	4/2/2025	8/13/2025	7/22/25- hearing canceled
City Services & Innovation Technology	1369	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss pest control and the discovery of leptospirosis in the City of Boston.	7/9/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	1371	Murphy	Flynn, FitzGerald	Order for an expedited hearing on the City's July 4th payroll delay and its impacts on affected employees.	7/9/2025	8/14/2025	7/21/25-hearing canceled
City Services & Innovation Technology	1436	Murphy	Mejia, Flynn	Order for a hearing to assess the implementation of the City of Boston's Municipal Digital Equity Plan and explore next steps to close the digital divide.	8/6/2025		10/20/25-hearing canceled
City Services & Innovation Technology	1437	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing to review building safety protocols, 311 complaint response, and scaffold oversight in the City of Boston.	8/6/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	1447	Coletta Zapata		Order for a hearing to discuss electrical equipment maintenance and utility safety.	8/6/2025		
City Services & Innovation Technology	1448	Durkan	Coletta Zapata, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to explore same-day put-out and pickup for non-containerized residential waste and containerization for commercial trash.	8/6/2025	10/2/2025	
City Services & Innovation Technology	1748	Durkan	Pepén, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss city services in regard to composting and the need for increased composting services.	10/1/2025	11/20/2025	
City Services & Innovation Technology	1791	Breadon	Louijeune, Coletta	Order for a hearing to discuss the role of publicly-owned grocery stores in addressing food insecurity.	10/8/2025		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0168	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss a holistic vision for District Seven in order to redress historic racial harm and to uphold District Seven Constituents' Civil Rights.	1/8/2025		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0172	Mejia	Louijeune, Anderson	Order for a hearing to address critical issues in jail-based voting and empower incarcerated communities to strengthen democracy.	1/8/2025		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0184	Louijeune	Coletta Zapata, Mejia	Order for a hearing on the needs and services for recent migrant populations.	1/8/2025		

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Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0187	Louijeune	Worrell, Anderson	Order for a hearing on the civil rights and liberties of returning citizens and re-entry into their Boston communities.	1/8/2025		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0188	Louijeune	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing on discrimination in lending and appraisals.	1/8/2025		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	1670	Santana		Order for a hearing to ensure access to lifesaving online resources for LGBTQIA+ and other marginalized communities in response to proposed state and federal digital censorship legislation.	9/17/2025	11/12/2025	
Education	0147	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing to address growing concerns over the White Stadium Project's costs, community input, and transparency.	1/8/2025		
Education	0149	Worrell	Weber, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss BPS' plans to protect students during heat emergencies.	1/8/2025	8/13/2025	
Education	0151	Worrell		Order for a hearing to explore scholarships for Boston students to increase access to all forms of higher education.	1/8/2025		
Education	0171	Coletta Zapata	Louijeune, Santana	Order for a hearing to establish a climate change and environmental justice curriculum pilot program in Boston Public Schools.	1/8/2025		
Education	0182	Louijeune	Weber	Order for a hearing to explore the effectiveness of high-dosage tutoring and other academic recovery strategies.	1/8/2025		
Education	0235	Worrell	Murphy	Order for a hearing to examine Boston Public Schools' closures for 2026-27 and its long-term facilities plan.	1/8/2025		
Education	0265	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing to discuss the preservation of historical artifacts in Boston Public Schools slated for closure or merger.	1/15/2025	3/4/2025	3/5/25-remains in committee
Education	0267	Murphy	Flynn, FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools transportation for student athletes.	1/15/2025	2/27/2025	
Education	0313	FitzGerald	Pepén, Santana	Order for a hearing to discuss increasing access to high-quality school options for Boston Public School students in all neighborhoods.	1/29/2025		

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Education	0318	Flynn	Murphy, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss financial literacy programs in Boston Public Schools.	1/29/2025	9/25/2025	
Education	0334	Santana	Mejia, Weber	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.	1/29/2025		
Education	0339	Santana		Order for the Boston City Council to hold a series of Policy Briefings with Boston Public Schools leadership.	1/29/2025		4/10, 7/17/25-policy briefing
Education	0417	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss Holocaust and Genocide Education in Boston Public Schools.	2/5/2025		9/25/25-hearing canceled
Education	0551	Murphy		Order for a hearing regarding expanding internship opportunities for students with disabilities in Boston Public Schools.	2/26/2025	9/11/2025	
Education	0694	Louijeune	Worrell, Mejia	Order for a hearing on the creation of a Boston School Building Authority.	3/19/2025		
Education	0771	Murphy		Order for a hearing regarding the expansion of Boston Pre-K seats and the equitable distribution of City-funded seats across all neighborhoods.	4/2/2025		
Education	0905	Weber	Pepén, Durkan	Order for a hearing to discuss the impacts of social media on Boston Public School students.	4/16/2025	8/12/2025	
Education	0971	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools' New Bus Ridership Policy.	4/30/2025	8/28/2025	8/21/25-hearing canceled
Education	1101	Flynn		Order for a hearing to review the hiring, training and compliance certification of BPS Bus Drivers.	5/21/2025	8/28/2025	8/21/25-hearing canceled
Education	1282	Pepén	Louijeune, Weber	Order for a hearing regarding the Boston Public Schools Exam Schools admissions policy and proposed changes.	6/25/2025	9/29/2025	10/1/25-remains in committee
Education	1283	Worrell	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to bring a Historically Black College or University Satellite Campus to Boston.	6/25/2025	8/26/2025	8/27/25-remains in committee

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Education	1442	Mejia		Order for a hearing to review expenditures associated with the nominating panel and the school committee appointment process.	8/6/2025	8/25/2025	8/27/25-remains in committee
Education	1449	Worrell	Mejia, Breadon	Order for a hearing to explore ways of expanding and enhancing Boston's municipal early learning education center infrastructure.	8/6/2025		
Education	1635	Pepén	Santana	Order for a hearing to evaluate the performance of BPS Transportation during the first few weeks of school.	9/10/2025		
Education	1933	Murphy	Flynn, FitzGerald	Order for a hearing regarding parking access for traveling Boston Public Schools employees.	10/29/2025		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0155	Worrell		Order for a hearing to create indoor playgrounds in the City of Boston.	1/8/2025		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0169	Coletta Zapata	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing regarding the implementation and funding of coastal resilience strategies and the establishment of a climate bank.	1/8/2025	3/31/2025	4/2/25-remains in committee
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0252	Flynn	Durkan	Order for a hearing to discuss expanding the urban tree canopy in District 2.	1/15/2025	5/9/2025	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0260	Worrell	Breadon	Order for a hearing to discuss the use of battery energy storage systems (BESS) in the City of Boston.	1/15/2025	3/25/2025	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0262	Durkan	Louijeune, Coletta	Order for a hearing to discuss the creation of a Parks Administrator for Downtown Parks including the Boston Common, Public Garden, Commonwealth Avenue Mall, Copley Square and Christopher Columbus Park.	1/15/2025		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0315	Coletta Zapata	Weber	Order for a hearing to assess a ban on polystyrene products in the City of Boston.	1/29/2025	7/16/2025	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0424	Murphy		Order for a hearing to assess the environmental impacts of the proposed White Stadium redevelopment on Franklin Park.	2/5/2025	6/6/2025	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0425	Murphy		Order for a hearing on the environmental preservation of Boston's historical parks and green spaces.	2/5/2025	6/6/2025	

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Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	1850	Coletta Zapata		Order for a hearing to discuss the City of Boston's 2030 Climate Action Plan.	10/22/2025	11/14/2025	
Government Operations	0134	Worrell	Mejia	Ordinance to enhance driveway accessibility.	1/8/2025		
Government Operations	0136	Coletta Zapata	Mejia, Worrell	Ordinance establishing street food enterprises in the City of Boston Municipal Code by inserting Chapter 17, Section 22, Permitting and Regulation of non-motorized street food carts.	1/8/2025		
Government Operations	0137	Coletta Zapata		Ordinance regarding employee safety within Boston's oil terminals.	1/8/2025		3/6/25-working session, 3/12/25-remanded back to committee
Government Operations	0138	Louijeune		Ordinance codifying the Office of Returning Ciutizens.	1/8/2025		
Government Operations	0139	Weber	Mejia, Pepén	Ordinance preventing wage theft in the City of Boston.	1/8/2025	3/14/2025	
Government Operations	0140	Mejia	Worrell, Anderson	Ordinance establishing the Office of Inspector General within the City of Boston.	1/8/2025		
Government Operations	0141	Mejia		Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to the Reorganization of the Boston School Committee.	1/8/2025		
Government Operations	0142	Murphy	Worrell, Flynn	Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Authorizing the City of Boston to Increase its Residential Exemption.	1/8/2025	1/27/2025	1/29/25-remains in committee
Government Operations	0249	Worrell	Coletta, Louijeune	Ordinance amending City of Boston Code 18-1.2B to make certificates of birth and death free.	1/15/2025		2/24, 10/21/25-hearing canceled
Government Operations	0305	Fernandes Anderson		Ordinance and amendment to the Boston Municipal Code in regard to measuring racial equity in affordable housing.	1/29/2025		3/18/25-working session canceled, 3/19/25-remains in committee
Government Operations	0337	Murphy	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing regarding the transition and operations of the new City Planning Department.	1/29/2025	3/25/2025	
Government Operations	0411	Pepén	FitzGerald	Ordinance to establish a school bus violation detection monitoring system.	2/5/2025		

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Government Operations	0468	Worrell		Ordinance to Establish RISE: Reshaping Inequities through Systematic Empowerment.	2/12/2025		
Government Operations	0469	Murphy	Flynn	Petition for a Special Law Re: The Use of Nondisclosure, Confidentiality, and Other Employment Agreements in the City of Boston	2/12/2025		7/8/25- hearing canceled
Government Operations	0470	Breadon	Louijeune, Pepén	Petition for a Special Law re: An Act requiring that broker fees in the City of Boston be paid by the party who solicits a licensed broker.	2/12/2025		
Government Operations	0549	Flynn		Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to Pension Benefits for Firefighter Leo J. Bracken.	2/26/2025	6/18/2025	
Government Operations	0550	Flynn		Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to the Pension of Michael Sullivan.	2/26/2025	6/18/2025	
Government Operations	0613	Coletta Zapata		Petition for a Special Law RE: An Act Relative to the Zoning Board of Appeal.	3/5/2025	6/27/2025	
Government Operations	0765	Breadon	Louijeune, Mejia	Ordinance establishing a "Scofflaw Property Owner List."	4/2/2025		
Government Operations	0766	Breadon		Ordinance extending and enhancing protections for tenants facing displacement due to condominium or cooperative conversion in the city of Boston.	4/2/2025	9/23/2025	9/24/25-remains in committee, 10/24/25-working session canceled184
Government Operations	0900	Mejia		Ordinance creating a municipal identification card in the City of Boston.	4/16/2025	9/12/2025	
Government Operations	0969	Mejia	Breadon, Santana	Ordinance establishing a Transgender, Gender-diverse, Intersex, and LGBTQIA2S+ Oversight Commission.	4/30/2025	6/26/2025	6/5/25- hearing canceled
Government Operations	1059	Flynn		Ordinance Establishing A Road Safety and Community Engagement Commission to Regulate the Use of Bicycles, E-bicycles, Motorized Bicycles, and Motorized Scooters in the City of Boston.	5/14/2025		

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Government Operations	1061	Louijeune	Breadon	Petition For A Special Law Re: An Act Relative To The Office of District Councilor In The City of Boston.	5/14/2025		
Government Operations	1187			Communication was received from the Elections Department pursuant to GL Chapter 53 Section 18A for your approval a citizen petition entitled "In the interest of government accountability, transparency, and accessibility, should the city of Boston establish a municipal independent Office of Inspector General" for the placement of a local nonbinding public opinion advisory question on the ballot of the next regular municipal election, which will occur on November 4, 2025.	6/4/2025		6/11/25-remains in committee
Government Operations	1206	Coletta Zapata		Ordinance amending the City of Boston code, Section 6-6.3, Schedule of Parking Fines.	6/11/2025	9/26/2025	
Government Operations	1431	Flynn	Murphy	Ordinance to establish an Office of Pest Control in the City of Boston.	8/6/2025		
Government Operations	1432	Santana	Murphy, Flynn	Ordinance Regarding the Safety and Efficacy of Commercial Autonomous Vehicle Operations Relative to Workers, Emergency First Responders, and Residents in the City of Boston.	8/6/2025	10/28/2025	10/29/25-remains in committee
Government Operations	1433	Murphy	Flynn	Ordinance Amending the City of Boston Code of Ordinances by Adding a New Provision to Chapter 23, Trash and Refusal Disposal to Require Rat-Resistant Trash Containers in Neighborhoods with High Rodent Activity.	8/6/2025		
Government Operations	1434	Santana	FitzGerald, Weber	Ordinance Codifying the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement.	8/6/2025	10/27/2025	10/29/25-remains in committee
Government Operations	1453	Louijeune		Order to submit a petition to the Massachusetts Board of Registration in Pharmacy.	8/6/2025		
Government Operations	1667	Flynn		Ordinance amending City of Boston Code, Ordinances, 17-22, Road Safety and Accountability for Delivery Providers.	9/17/2025		
Government Operations	1931	Louijeune	Pepén, Worrell	An Ordinance regarding Living Wage For City Employees.	10/29/2025		

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Government Operations	1932	Worrell		Petition for a Special Law Re: An Act Relative to Redefining Commercial and Residential Definitions, and Creating Further Exemptions.	10/29/2025		
Housing & Community Development	0158	Worrell	Louijeune, Pepén	Order for a hearing to address problem properties in Boston.	1/8/2025		
Housing & Community Development	0178	Worrell		Order for a hearing regarding the Homeownership Voucher program.	1/8/2025		
Housing & Community Development	0185	Louijeune	Fernades Anderson	Order for a hearing regarding the state of anti-displacement as to Boston's Acquisition Opportunity Program.	1/8/2025		
Housing & Community Development	0251	Durkan	Santana, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to investigate the use, impact, and potential ban of algorithmic price setting in the Boston rental housing market.	1/15/2025		
Housing & Community Development	0259	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the status of the elevators at the BHA Ruth Barkley apartments.	1/15/2025	10/16/2025	
Housing & Community Development	0264	Louijeune	Worrell	Order for a hearing regarding strategies to expand homeownership programs in Boston.	1/15/2025		
Housing & Community Development	0327	Santana	Breadon, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to continue exploring strategies for developing Mixed-Income Social Housing to increase housing access and affordability for all Bostonians.	1/29/2025		
Housing & Community Development	0329	Santana	Weber, Louijeune	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.	1/29/2025		
Housing & Community Development	0474	Durkan	Santana, Breadon	Order for a hearing to assess the efficacy of the City of Boston Municipal Code's University Accountability Ordinance.	2/12/2025	6/12/2025	8/5/25-working session, 8/6/25-remains in committee
Housing & Community Development	0488	Fernandes Anderson		Resolution in support of establishing a community preference policy for affordable housing development to mitigate displacement in Boston neighborhoods.	2/12/2025		

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Housing & Community Development	0769	Flynn	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the US Department of Housing and Urban Development's report on Boston Housing Authority.	4/2/2025	10/16/2025	
Housing & Community Development	0773	Breadon	Durkan, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss legalizing mid-rise single-stair housing in the Massachusetts State Building Code.	4/2/2025		
Housing & Community Development	1427	Mayor		Communication was received from the Mayor's Office of Housing regarding the Short-Term Rentals 2025 Report to the Boston City Council.	8/6/2025		
Housing & Community Development	1440	Mejia	Worrell, Murphy	Order for a hearing to review public expenditures and fiscal oversight related to homeownership investments in Boston.	8/6/2025	10/9/2025	
Housing & Community Development	1634	Coletta Zapata	Durkan, Louijeune	Order for a hearing regarding ongoing challenges with the City of Boston's oversight of short-term rentals.	9/10/2025	10/30/2025	
Housing & Community Development	1639	Santana	Weber, Pepén	Resolution urging support for the 2026 Ballot Question on Rent Stabilization to Protect Tenants in Massachusetts.	9/10/2025		
Housing & Community Development	1851	Santana		Order for a hearing to facilitate the creation of Single Room Occupancy Units (SROs) in the City of Boston.	10/22/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0195	Flynn	Murphy	Resolution supporting Project Labor Agreements at White Stadium and all City of Boston construction projects valued at or more than \$35 million.	1/8/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0254	Worrell	FitzGerald, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss long-term city job vacancies.	1/15/2025	3/4/2025	3/5/25-remains in committee
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0323	Flynn	Pepén, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the impact of CORI on access to employment and other opportunities.	1/29/2025	9/22/2025	8/18/25-hearing canceled, 9/24/25-remains in committee
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0328	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.	1/29/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0416	Mejia	Weber	Order for a hearing on workforce development housing for City of Boston employees.	2/5/2025		

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Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0473	Weber	Mejia, Louijeune	Order for a hearing regarding biannual review of the Boston Employment Commission and the Boston Residents Jobs Policy.	2/12/2025	4/18/25, 10/21/25	10/22/25-remains in committee
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0693	Weber		Order for a hearing to explore how the City of Boston can hire laid-off federal workers.	3/19/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1212	Murphy	Flynn, FitzGerald	Resolution in support of extended hybrid work accommodations for Rosemarie Pessia during cancer treatment	6/11/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1285	Coletta Zapata	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing regarding reviving the "Red Shirts" program.	6/25/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1296	Murphy	Flynn	Resolution to call for an independent investigation into City Hall terminations, retaliation claims, and supervisory conduct.	6/25/2025		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1618	Murphy	Flynn, FitzGerald	Hearing Order regarding Immediate Reforms to Background Checks, Sex-Offender Screening, and Ongoing Stability Reviews for City of Boston Hiring and Employment.	8/27/2025	9/22/2025	9/24/25-remains in committee
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	1792	Breadon	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss the minimum wage in Massachusetts.	10/8/2025		
PILOT Agreements, Institutional & Intergovernmental Relations	0472	Flynn	Mejia	Order for a hearing to review the PILOT program in the City of Boston.	2/12/2025		
PILOT Agreements, Institutional & Intergovernmental Relations	0974	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing on fiscal transparency, equitable access, and Council oversight in the expansion of the Museum Access program.	4/30/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0161	Durkan	Santana	Order for a hearing to explore amending the Boston Zoning Code to remove parking minimum requirements for new development.	1/8/2025		1/28/25-hearing canceled
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0266	Flynn	Santana, FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss pedestrian safety, traffic calming, and expanding the safety surge program in the City of Boston.	1/15/2025	6/9/2025	6/11/25-remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0307	Pepén	Durkan, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss ways to repair and maintain private ways.	1/29/2025		

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Planning, Development, & Transportation	0309	Pepén	FitzGerald, Flynn	Order for a hearing to explore the creation of Safe School Zones to improve pedestrian safety around all schools in the City of Boston.	1/29/2025	4/3/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0311	Pepén	Mejia, Worrell	Order for a hearing to address the displacement of Bostonians as a result of new and future development.	1/29/2025	3/31/2025	4/2/25-remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0319	Flynn	Mejia, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss the proposed zoning amendment to remove the half mile buffer zone between cannabis establishments.	1/29/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0321	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the importance of the cruise industry in the City of Boston.	1/29/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0326	Mejia		Order for a hearing to examine accountability, transparency, and accessibility in administrative procedures for complying with Boston Landmarks Commission recommendations.	1/29/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0423	Murphy	Flynn, Pepén	Order for a hearing to review the effectiveness of speed humps in Boston.	2/5/2025	6/9/2025	6/11/25-remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0471	Flynn	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss requiring all micro-mobility devices to be licensed, registered and insured.	2/12/2025	2/20/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0477	Durkan	FitzGerald, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss contractor parking regulations, permitting, and enforcement in Boston.	2/12/2025	9/18/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0478	Fernandes Anderson	Mejia	Order for a hearing to evaluate alterative options for the center running bus lane on Blue Hill Avenue and Columbus Avenue.	2/12/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0615	Flynn		Order for a hearing on regulation of Transportation Network Companies (TNCs) by the City of Boston and Boston Police Department.	3/5/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0695	Flynn		Order for a hearing to review the functionality of the Tremont Street Design Project in the South End.	3/19/2025		

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Planning, Development, & Transportation	0728	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Ellen Moore as an alternate member of the Mission Hill Triangle Architectural Conservation District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2026.	4/2/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0729	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Katie Genovese as a member of the Mission Hill Triangle Architectural Conservation District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2026.	4/2/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0730	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Garry Walling as a member of the Mission Hill Triangle Architectural Conservation District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2025.	4/2/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0731	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Patricia Tongue Edraos as an alternate member of the Mission Hill Triangle Architectural Conservation District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2025.	4/2/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0767	Flynn	Murphy, FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss transportation planning within the Article 80 Development Review Process.	4/2/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0972	Weber	Pepén, Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss making neighborhood streets safer following the 30-day review of streets projects in Boston.	4/30/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0973	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss implementation of the seven nights per week Residential Parking Only Policy in South Boston.	4/30/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1018	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss repainting Summer Street Bus Lane.	5/7/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1058	Coletta Zapata		Ordinance expediting the review of coastal resilient projects by amending Article 25A, Resilience Review, in the zoning code of the City of Boston.	5/14/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1103	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the community engagement process for installing EV Charging Stations in the City of Boston.	5/21/2025	

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Planning, Development, & Transportation	1131	Murphy	FitzGerald, Flynn	Emergency hearing order regarding traffic safety at the intersection of Dorchester Avenue, Roseclair Street & Mt. Vernon Street.	5/21/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1141	Durkan	Flynn, Coletta Zapata	Order for a hearing to Evaluate Autonomous Vehicle Operations in Boston.	6/4/2025	7/24/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1207	Murphy		Order for a hearing to review the traffic and parking management plan for White Stadium game days.	6/11/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1281	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the community process to designate the Boston Fish Pier as a landmark.	6/25/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1297	Durkan		Resolution declaring the Boston City Council's support of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts' Shadow Regulations as affirmed by session law.	6/25/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1373	Durkan	Pepén, Coletta Zapata	Order for a hearing to explore the inclusion of pollinator corridors as part of sustainable development.	7/9/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1413	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of J. Anabela Gomes as a Member of the Zoning Board of Appeal, for a term expiring May 1, 2028.	8/6/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1450	Weber	Pepén, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss next steps to improve street safety on the northern stretch of Hyde Park Avenue from Walk Hill Street to the Arborway.	8/6/2025	10/6/2025	10/8/25-remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1459	Murphy	Flynn	Resolution in support of Massachusetts House Bill 3731 (H.3731), "An Act to Enhance Pedestrian Safety".	8/6/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1568	Breadon	Durkan	Order for a hearing to discuss improvements to Cleveland Circle.	8/27/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1632	Santana	Durkan, Pepén	Order for a hearing regarding legalizing Triple-Deckers and other 2- to 4-unit housing in the City of Boston.	9/10/2025	11/18/2025	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1718	Santana	Pepén, Durkan	Order for a hearing regarding legalizing Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) in every neighborhood in the City of Boston.	9/24/2025	11/18/2025	

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Planning, Development, & Transportation	1849	Pepén	Weber, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss H.3754 and automated road safety enforcement in the City of Boston.	10/22/2025		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	1853	Flynn		Order regarding a text amendment to the Boston Zoning Code relative to Chinatown adult entertainment.	10/22/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0105	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of William Harry Shipps, as a member of the Audit Committee, for a term expiring November 9, 2029.	11/20/2024		(2024-1687), 3/13/25- hearing revised
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0173	Mejia	Pepén	Order for a hearing to audit the distribution of local, state, and federal grants to small businesses.	1/8/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0174	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit government transparency and accountability towards surveillance equipment.	1/8/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0175	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's procurement processes, procedures and progress.	1/8/2025	7/24/2025	
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0176	Mejia	Worrell, Anderson	Order for a hearing on government accountability, transparency, and accessibility of decision making protocols in city government.	1/8/2025	1/21,1/22,6/10,10/28/25	10/29/25-remains in committee
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0177	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's hiring, firing and promotion policies, practices and procedures.	1/8/2025	1/24/2025	
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0180	Worrell	Mejia	Order for a hearing regarding equity in City contracts.	1/8/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0415	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the 2024 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.	2/5/2025	3/20/25, 3/27/25	2/20, 3/10/25-hearing canceled

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Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0475	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to review and evaluate the Boston City Council's legislative impact on District 7 residents and its collaboration with the administration on projects in District 7 to identify areas for improvement.	2/12/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0480	Mejia	Worrell	Order for a hearing to evaluate the year-to-date financial performance of the FY2025 operating budget.	2/12/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0481	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the financial impact of the Boston Police Department's compliance with City of Boston code section 11-1.1.	2/12/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	1102	Murphy		Order for a hearing to review the management and oversight of the Boston Main Streets programs and the preliminary findings of the Wolf & Company audit.	5/21/2025	8/7/2025	7/16/25-hearing canceled
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	1284	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the Boston Fire Department hiring process and practices.	6/25/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	1439	Mejia	Worrell	Order for a hearing to audit child care investments and the financial stability of Family Child Care providers.	8/6/2025	9/18/2025	
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	1446	Mejia		Order for a hearing to review past expenditures through quarterly updates on the FY2026 operating budget.	8/6/2025	11/17/2025	
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	1567	Mejia		Order for a hearing to review the City of Boston's use of federal and state grant funds.	8/27/2025		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	1719	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit and review capital budget allocations and expenditures.	9/24/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0100	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Sandro Galea, as a member of the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health for a term expiring on January 26, 2026.	2/7/2024		2024-0286

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Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0306	Pepén	Louijeune	Order for a hearing on health access in Hyde Park.	1/29/2025	6/12/2025	3/20/25-hearing canceled
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0330	Santana	Breadon, Coletta	Order for a hearing regarding LGBTQIA+ youth and young adult homelessness in the city of Boston.	1/29/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0331	Santana	Anderson, Weber	Order for a hearing regarding Boston LGBTQIA+ youth community spaces and their public health benefits.	1/29/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0332	Santana	FitzGerald, Coletta	Order for a hearing regarding Boston's LGBTQIA+ mental health data collection processes, existing services, and further community needs.	1/29/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0422	Murphy	FitzGerald, Flynn	Order for a hearing to discuss the immediate reinstatement of and sustainable funding for the Community Syringe Redemption Program.	2/5/2025	4/1/2025	3/13/25-hearing canceled, 4/2/25-remains in committee
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0858	Worrell	Flynn, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss opioid-related overdose deaths in the older Black population in the City of Boston.	4/9/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0860	Flynn		Resolution in support of S.1042, "An Act relative to Life Saving Treatment."	4/9/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0975	Breadon		Order for a hearing to discuss the availability of cooling centers in the city of Boston during extreme heat emergencies.	4/30/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1063	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Health Commission's "Health of Asian Residents in Boston" Report.	5/14/2025		7/31/25-hearing canceled
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1346	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand Eight Hundred Nine Dollars and Eighty-Six Cents (\$262,908.86) in the form of a grant, for the FY26 DMH CIT TTAC Grant, awarded by the MA Department of Mental Health to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund the implementation of 4-hour Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training for officers under the umbrella of BPD Street Outreach Unit.	7/9/2025	11/18/2025	

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Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1368	FitzGerald	Flynn, Murphy	Order for a hearing regarding the creation of a regional substance use disorder and mental health fund to address the Mass & Cass crisis.	7/9/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1372	Murphy	FitzGerald, Flynn	Order for a hearing regarding the modernization of the Boston EMS dispatch phone system.	7/9/2025	7/31/2025	
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1445	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss security at high-rise garages in the City of Boston.	8/6/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1451	Durkan	Weber, Santana	Order for a hearing to examine the impact of federal cuts to SNAP and Medicaid on Boston residents.	8/6/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1452	Durkan	Worrell, Santana	Order for a hearing to explore melanoma detection training for beauty and wellness professionals.	8/6/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1457	Flynn		Resolution to declare Mass & Cass and Impacted Neighborhoods a Public Safety and Public Health Emergency and a Humanitarian Crisis.	8/6/2025	9/4/2025	
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1566	Louijeune	Durkan	Order for a hearing regarding nitrous oxide abuse and its impact on community health and safety.	8/27/2025		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	1950	Murphy	Flynn, FitzGerald	Emergency Order for a Hearing Regarding the Increase and Spread of Needle-Related Public Health and Safety Hazards in Boston.	10/29/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0128	Mayor		Communication was received from the Police Commissioner Michael A. Cox in accordance with Section 3 of the Boston Trust Act regarding civil immigration detainer results for calendar year 2024.	1/8/2025	3/10/2025	3/6/25 hearing canceled, 3/12/25-remains in committee
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0153	Worrell	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to explore the summer community plan.	1/8/2025	.	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0163	Murphy	Flynn, Pepén	Order for a hearing to discuss enhanced public safety measures during large events in Boston.	1/8/2025	1/28/25, 2/13/25	1/29/25-remains in committee
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0164	Flynn	Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss 2024 crime statistics.	1/8/2025		

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0167	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss resources for the Boston Police Crime Laboratory.	1/8/2025	9/15/2025	9/17/25-remains in committee
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0186	Louijeune	Worrell	Order for a hearing on a cross-sector collaborative citywide strategy for community safety and violence prevention.	1/8/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0256	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss discrepancies in Boston's 2024 detainer requests.	1/15/2025		3/6/25 hearing canceled
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0322	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss ways to ensure operations of the 911 system and contingency plans in case of a 911 system outage.	1/29/2025	9/23/2025	9/24/25-remains in committee
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0335	Santana	Worrell, Flynn	Order for a hearing regarding all City of Boston grants administered by the Boston Fire Department.	1/29/2025	4/25/2025	3/17/25-hearing canceled
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0336	Santana	Worrell, Flynn	Order for a series of hearings regarding all City of Boston grants administered by the Boston Police Department.	1/29/2025	12/4/2025	5/23/25-hearing canceled
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0412	Santana		Order for a hearing regarding the public safety requirements and possible locations for a new Emergency Operations Center in the City of Boston.	2/5/2025		3/18/25-hearing canceled
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0413	Santana		Order for a hearing regarding all City of Boston grants administered by the Office of Emergency Management, including the Urban Area Security Initiative Grant and Emergency Management Performance Grant.	2/5/2025	3/27/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0414	Mejia	Louijeune, Pepén	Order for a hearing to audit the implementation and effectiveness of the 2014 Boston Trust Act.	2/5/2025	3/10/2025	3/12/25-remains in committee
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0421	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing to discuss public safety and police staffing in Boston.	2/5/2025	3/13/2025	

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0847	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		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0857	Santana	FitzGerald, Flynn	Order for a hearing to discuss public safety and public health updates related to the crises of mental health, substance use, and homelessness and housing instability concentrated in the area of Massachusetts Avenue and Melnea Cass Boulevard.	4/9/2025		6/9/25-hearing canceled
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0903	Santana	Worrell	Order for the Boston City Council to hold a policy briefing on the public safety and criminal justice implementation and impacts in the City of Boston of the "Shield Law," known formally as "A Massachusetts Act Expanding Protections for Reproductive and Gender-Affirming Care".	4/16/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0978	Pepén		Order to adopt Chapter 270 of the Acts of 2024 regarding local law enforcement continuity between the City of Boston and the Town of Dedham.	4/30/2025	11/6/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1017	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss establishing a drone policy in the City of Boston.	5/7/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1062	Santana	Flynn, Louijeune	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.	5/14/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1355	Mayor		Message and order for your review the City of Boston's 2024 Annual Surveillance Report pursuant to the Ordinance on Surveillance Oversight and Information sharing, Boston City Code Section 16-63.3 (b)(3) (the "Ordinance").	7/9/2025	8/11/2025	

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1400	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Million Nine Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand Nine Hundred Dollars (\$3,966,900.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY26 Safe and Successful Youth Initiative Grant, awarded by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Health and Human Services to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund a comprehensive, interagency strategy that connects law enforcement, employment, education, public health and youth development agencies to reduce youth violence in the Commonwealth.	8/6/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1409	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Ten Thousand Dollars and One Cent (\$10,000.01) in the form of a grant, for the FY23 National Violent Death Reporting System, awarded by the MA Department of Public Health to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund data collection by the Bureau of Investigative Services and the Drug Control Unit.	8/6/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1548	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Million One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$4,125,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY26 Public Safety Answering Point Support and Incentive Grant, awarded by MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund costs associated with providing Enhanced 911 services.	8/27/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1549	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Six Dollars and Thirty-Two Cents (\$528,156.32) in the form of a grant, for the FY26 State 911 Training Grant, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund the training and certification of Enhanced 911 telecommunications staff.	8/27/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1564	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss appropriate uses of Boston 311 and 9-1-1 emergency.	8/27/2025	

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1565	Santana		Order for a hearing regarding how the Boston Police Department collects, uses, protects, and shares information that may be requested by external entities.	8/27/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1569	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss an investigation into the breakdown of the Boston Police Department's main radio channel.	8/27/2025		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1661	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00) in the form of a grant for the DMH FY26 Co-Response Grant, awarded by the MA Department of Mental Health to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund one full-time recovery coach through BEST.	9/17/2025	11/18/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1662	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY26 DMH Training Grant, awarded by the MA Department of Mental Health to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund overtime costs to backfill the Crisis Intervention Team training and other mental health training for officers.	9/17/2025	11/18/2025	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	1833	Mayor		Message and order 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 for accidents involving gas or hazardous liquid pipelines.	10/22/2025		
Rules & Administration	0162	Murphy		Order for a hearing regarding the use of nondisclosure, confidentiality, and any and all other types of employment agreements	1/8/2025	1/31/2025	
Rules & Administration	0420	Santana		Order for a hearing to explore ways to increase community engagement and better facilitate public participation for Boston City Council Hearings.	2/5/2025		

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Rules & Administration	0616	Murphy		Order for a hearing to discuss and establish guidelines for the filing and adoption of Council Resolutions.	3/5/2025		7/14/25-committee meeting
Rules & Administration	0904	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss creating an Oversight Committee on Accountability and Compliance on the Boston City Council.	4/16/2025		
Rules & Administration	0976	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss adding State Oversight on Statement of Financial Interests (SFIs).	4/30/2025		
Rules & Administration	0977	Murphy		Order for a hearing regarding procedures following a vacancy in the office of District City Councilor.	4/30/2025		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0150	Worrell	Louijeune, Mejia	Order for a hearing to review the distribution of Boston's 225 new liquor licenses and provide ongoing support to restaurateurs.	1/8/2025		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0152	Worrell		Order for a hearing regarding barriers to business.	1/8/2025		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0159	Worrell		Order for a hearing to review and establish a "Business Owner 101" program for grant recipients.	1/8/2025		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0263	Durkan		Order for a hearing to explore the creation of a City Wide Merchandise Licensing Program.	1/15/2025	11/13/2025	
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0770	Louijeune	Weber, Pepén	Order for a hearing regarding support for Boston's Main Streets organizations.	4/2/2025		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	1633	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss retail theft and the impact on small businesses and residents in the City of Boston.	9/10/2025	10/17/2025	
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0183	Louijeune	Coletta Zapata, Durkan	Order for a hearing regarding the City of Boston's response to sexual assault, domestic violence, and related resources for survivors.	1/8/2025	4/24/2025	
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0261	Weber	FitzGerald, Worrell	Order for a hearing to address programming needs for older adults in the City of Boston.	1/15/2025	3/28/2025	

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Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0268	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing to address the plans underway to do facilities work this summer at several of our buildings that may impact the services we provide.	1/15/2025	2/25/2025	2/26/25-remains in committee
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0317	Flynn	Mejia, Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss elderly scamming.	1/29/2025	2/13/2025	2/11/25-hearuing canceled
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0821	Murphy		Order for an emergency hearing to address incidents at The Future BOS Youth Jobs & Resource Fair and to reschedule the event promptly.	4/2/2025		
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	1438	Murphy	Flynn, Mejia	Order for a hearing regarding the status and future of the Blackstone Community Center Pool.	8/6/2025		
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	1852	Weber	FitzGerald, Murphy	Order for a hearing to learn how the City Council can support the Mayor's Youth Sports Initiative to increase youth sports participation across Boston.	10/22/2025		
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0165	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the process of establishing Hero Squares in the City of Boston.	1/8/2025	2/28/2025	
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0166	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss services for women veterans.	1/8/2025	3/21/2025	
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0253	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss the goals and priorities of the City of Boston's Office of Veteran Services.	1/15/2025	11/21/2025	3/21/25-hearing revised
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0255	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss new cancer presumptions announced by the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs.	1/15/2025	3/21/2025	
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0312	FitzGerald	Flynn, Murphy	Order for a hearing to establish a hometown military hero banner program.	1/29/2025	2/28/2025	
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0320	Flynn	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to discuss the lung cancer rates among Black Veterans.	1/29/2025	3/21/2025	

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Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0722	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twelve Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty-One Dollars (\$12,881.00) in the form of a grant, for the Jobs for Veterans' State Grant, awarded by the United States Department of Labor, passed through the United States Department of Labor, passed through the MassHire Department of Career Services, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund enhanced employment services for eligible veterans, prioritizing disabled veterans, and those facing significant barriers to employment, with the goal of improving their job search outcomes and economic self-sufficiency.	4/2/2025	11/21/2025	
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	1775	Flynn	Murphy, Mejia	Emergency order for a hearing to discuss the impact of the ongoing government shutdown on Boston's veterans, military members, and military families.	10/1/2025	10/9/2025	
Ways & Means	0148	Worrell	Weber, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools' FY26 Budget.	1/8/2025	2/18/25, 3/24/25	2/3, 2/24, 3/3/25-working session, 2/5, 2/26, 3/5/25-remains in committee, 2/13/25-hearing rescheduled
Ways & Means	0179	Louijeune		Order for a hearing to discuss efforts to cancel medical debt.	1/8/2025		
Ways & Means	0250	Durkan	Coletta Zapata	Order for a hearing regarding the feasibility and impact of a Sugar-Sweetened Beverage Tax in Boston.	1/15/2025		
Ways & Means	0269	Murphy	FitzGerald, Weber	Order for a hearing to discuss residential property values and the assessing process.	1/15/2025	1/27/2025	1/29/25-remains in committee
Ways & Means	0325	Worrell	Weber	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston's FY26 budget.	1/29/2025	2/18, 2/27, 3/24/25	2/10, 3/17, 3/26/25-working session, 2/13/25-hearing rescheduled, 2/12, 3/19/25-remains in committee

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Ways & Means	0419	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss tax exemptions for long-term residents age 55 & above and essential municipal employees.	2/5/2025		
Ways & Means	0553	Breadon	Worrell, Mejia	Order for a hearing to review capital planning, budgeting, and project management practices in the capital program of the City of Boston.	2/26/2025		
Ways & Means	1054	Mayor		Communication was received from Scott Finn, City Auditor, transmitting a list of FY25 reallocations made by the Mayor prior to April 15, 2025, for the purpose of continuing operations.	5/14/2025		
Ways & Means	1563	Pepén	Weber, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to review federal funds received by the City of Boston and discuss the establishment of a task force to prevent or mitigate funding cuts.	8/27/2025		
Ways & Means	1669	Worrell	Santana, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools' FY27 Budget.	9/17/2025	11/17/2025	
Ways & Means	1926	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to appropriate the amount of Eleven Million One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$11,100,000.00) for the purpose of paying costs for the window and door replacement projects at the following schools: the Gardner Pilot Academy School and the Lyndon Elementary School. This includes the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, and for which the City of Boston may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended under the direction of the Public Facilities Department on behalf of the Boston Public Schools.	10/29/2025		
Ways & Means	1927	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Million Six Hundred Seven Thousand Dollars (\$2,607,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Community Mitigation Grant, awarded by the Massachusetts Gaming Commission to be administered by the Office of Budget Management. The grant will fund offset costs related to the construction and operation of a gaming establishment.	10/29/2025		
Whole	0181	Louijeune	Pepén, Murphy	Order for a hearing regarding voter accessibility and election preparedness.	1/8/2025		

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Whole	0585	Murphy	Flynn	Order for an emergency hearing to discuss the state receivership of Boston Elections Commission.	2/26/2025	5/2/2025	
Whole	0911	Murphy		Resolution calling for the prompt scheduling of a special election to fill the vacancy in District 7.	4/16/2025		
Whole	1068	Murphy	Flynn	Resolution in support of ethical leadership and a Council vote on the status of Councilor Tania Fernandes Anderson.	5/14/2025		

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution of City Councilors Enrique J. Pepén, Benjamin J. Weber, & Brian J. Worrell

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council
extends its Gratitude to:

Pedestrian Safety Advocacy Organizations

In Recognition of:

**Your dedication for better, safer streets for pedestrians and all modes of
transportation! Thank you for your advocacy!**

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: Ruthzee Loujaume
President of the City Council

Attest: Alex Sountas
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: [Signature]
Date: October 29, 2025

List of Recognized Organizations for Pedestrian Safety Month

1. WalkUp Mass
2. WalkUp Rozzie
3. Boston Cyclists Union
4. Transportation for MA
5. Safe Routes to School
6. Boston better streets coalition
7. West Roxbury Bikes
8. CargoB
9. Bikes Not Bombs

Official Resolution
presented by
Boston City Councilor At-Large
Henry Santana

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council
Extends its Congratulations and Recognition to

Zlata Pavpertova

In recognition of:

Your dedication, perseverance, and commitment to growth as a student, we proudly honor your graduation from Bioversity. Your achievements reflect the institution's core values of access, inclusion, and opportunity. As you take the next step in your journey, your leadership and passion will continue to inspire meaningful change in our communities.

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.

Resolution recognizing Zlata Pavpertova and Aresli Serrano for graduating from Bioversity.

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY

Councilor Sharon Durkan

Be It Resolved, that the Boston City Council
Congratulates Mary Garippo on the Opening of:

Mary Colette Garippo Law PLLC

IN RECOGNITION OF HER LEGAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND
CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE CITY OF BOSTON:

The Boston City Council honors Mary Garippo for her outstanding achievements in the legal profession and her commitment to advocacy. Mary demonstrated excellence in civil litigation during her time at Suffolk University Law School and furthered her commitment to public service through the Program for Women in Politics and Public Policy at UMass Boston. She has served the Commonwealth at the Commission Against Discrimination, as a staff in the House of Representatives and has been recognized as a Super Lawyers Rising Star for her work in administrative law. Her leadership in the Women's Bar Association and volunteer work reflect her commitment to her community. We proudly congratulate Mary on the opening of Mary Colette Garippo Law, PLLC, and celebrate her continued success.



By: *Ruthyee Loujaume*
President of the City Council

Attest: *Alex Grant*
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *Sharon Durkan*

Date: October 30, 2025

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution of City Councilor Enrique J. Pepén

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council
extends its Gratitude to:

Health Care For All

In Recognition of:

**Over 40 years advocating for health justice in Massachusetts!
Your work addressing health equity, increasing affordable coverage, and
passing legislation on comprehensive care has saved countless lives
across the state. Your service has been vital in making our city and state
one of the healthiest in the country today and tomorrow.**

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: Ruthyee Founjane
President of the City Council

Attest: Alex Sauter
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: [Signature]

Date: November 5, 2025

City of Boston
IN
CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution

Presented by Councilor At-Large Erin J. Murphy

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

DR. RAVIN DAVIDOFF

In Recognition of:

His remarkable contributions to health care and his recognition by the South Boston Community Health Center for a lifetime of service advancing compassionate, high-quality medical care for all.

As Executive Medical Director at Boston Medical Center, Dr. Davidoff has worked tirelessly to promote health equity, strengthen community health partnerships, and improve outcomes for underserved populations. His visionary leadership and commitment to patients have made a lasting difference in Boston and beyond. The Boston City Council proudly joins SBCHC in recognizing Dr. Davidoff's outstanding dedication to public health and his enduring impact on the people of our city.

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 Council

Offered by: _____

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



Date: _____

**3 individuals who were recently recognized at the South Boston
Community Health Center's 2025 Harbor of Hope celebration**

Yianni and Bety Tsoausidis
Dr. Ravin Davidoff
Aisha Miller