

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

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER HONOR, THE MAYOR:

- **0393** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Million Five Hundred Sixty-Three Thousand Two Hundred Thirty-Six Dollars and Twenty-Eight Cents (\$2,563,236.28) in the form of a grant, for the FY25 State Elder Lunch Program Grant, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund nutrition services for older adults in the City of Boston, at a rate of \$7.39 per meal for up to 358,679 meals.
- **0394** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand One Hundred Seven Dollars and Thirty-Nine Cents (\$1,735,107.39) in the form of a grant, for the FY25 Senator Charles E. Shannon Jr. Community Safety Initiative Grant awarded by MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund regional and multi-disciplinary approaches to combat gang violence through coordinated prevention and intervention, law enforcement, prosecution, and reintegration programs.

- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$800,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the UCFC-Program, awarded by the United States Department of Agriculture, passed through The Corps Network, to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund the historic workforce investment of boosting the City's tree cover in various neighborhoods.
- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seven Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars (\$775,855.00) in the form of a grant, for the 2025 Community Connections Program Grant, awarded by the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, passed through the Boston Regional Metropolitan Planning Organization, to be administered by the Transportation Department. The grant will fund the replacement and electrification of Blue Bikes Stations and repurpose single space parking meter poles for 1600 with bicycle racks.
- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seven Hundred Two Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Four Dollars and Twenty-Two Cents (\$702,244.22) in the form of a grant, for the REDEA Program for Field CY24 Grant, awarded by 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 individual reemployment needs of unemployment insurance claimants, as well as prevent and detect improper benefit payments, and application assistance for, training and education resources and programs.
- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Six Hundred Twenty-Six Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Six Dollars and Fifty-Seven Cents (\$626,466.57) in the form of a grant, for the Carry-in WIOA Dislocated Workers Program Grant, awarded by 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 a program to help dislocated workers get back to work as quickly as possible and overcome barriers to employment.

- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Hundred Forty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Ten Dollars (\$449,710.00) in the form of a grant, for the Boston MVP Action Grant, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Energy and Environment Affairs to be administered by the Public Works Department. The grant will fund building a database and map of current and projected flooding impacts, focusing primarily on storm water and riverine flooding.
- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Hundred Ten Thousand Dollars (\$410,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Funding, awarded by the MA Executive Office for Administrative & Finance to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund to support the Center for Working Families' Boston Tax Help Coalition in assisting low-income taxpayers with personal income tax filing for the 2024 tax session.
- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-One Dollars (\$254,921.00) in the form of a grant, for the WIOA Youth Activities Admin Grant, awarded by 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 a program that focuses primarily on out-of-school youth, between ages 14-24, who face barriers to education, training, and employment.
- Message and orders authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$115,00.00) in the form of a grant, for the Creative Aging Program, awarded by Goddard House Assisted Living to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund bringing arts programming to older adults in Boston.
- Message and orders authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Nine Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-One Dollars and Seventy Cents (\$109,271.70) in the form of a grant, for the WIOA Dislocated Worker Admin Grant, awarded by 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 individualized career services and training services, for dislocated workers to rejoin the workforce as early as possible and overcome barriers to employment.

- **0404** Message and orders authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Ninety-Four Thousand Eighty-Nine Dollars (\$94,089.00) in the form of a grant, for the Wagner Peyser Admin Grant, awarded by the United States Department of Labor, passed through the MassHire Department of Career Services, to be administered by the Office Workforce Development. The grant will fund individual reemployment needs of unemployment insurance claimants, as well as prevent and detect improper benefit payments and application assistance for training and education resources and programs.
- **0405** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Friends of Youth Opportunity Boston Grant, awarded by The Baupost Group to be administered by the Office of Workforce Development. The grant will fund opportunities for young people ages 12-24 to work and learn along with intensive staff support.
- **0406** Message and order for your approval a home rule petition to the General Court entitled "Petition for a Special Law Re: An Act Relative to Certain Affordable Housing and Cultural Space in the Brighton Section of the City of Boston."
- <u>0407</u> Message and order for your approval an Ordinance for Road Safety and Accountability for Delivery Providers.
- **0408** Message and order for your approval an order confirming that Ringer Playground is permanently dedicated for park and playground purposes, as required by the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EOEEA), for parks receiving aforesaid grant assistance. This confirmation is required to receive a grant awarded to the City of Boston through the Parks and Recreation Department for renovations to Ringer Playground located in the neighborhood of Allston-Brighton.

PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES

REPORTS OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND OTHERS:

- **0409** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of John Lydon as a Trustee of the South Boston Foundation, for a term expiring December 31, 2025.
- <u>0410</u> Communication was received from Councilor Erin Murphy and Councilor Ed Flynn on Council Exclusion.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

- **0109** The Committee on Strong Women, Families, and Communities, to which was referred on December 4, 2024, Docket #0109, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Nazzaro Community Center Renovation grant, awarded by the United States Department of Treasury, passed through the MA Executive Office of Economic Development, to be administered by Property Management. The grant will fund repairs and capital improvements to maintain current functionality and programming at the Nazzaro Community Center, submits a report recommending that the grant ought to pass.
- **0111** The Committee on Strong Women, Families, and Communities, to which was referred on December 4, 2024, Docket #0111, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Age Strong Universal Fund, awarded by the Donor Group to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund senior center programs and services for older adults in Boston, submits a report recommending that the grant ought to pass.
- **0190** The Committee on Rules and Administration, to which was referred on January 8, 2025, Docket #0190, Order to implement a nondisclosure agreement prohibition policy for Boston City Council, submits a report recommending that the docket ought to pass in a new draft.

MATTERS RECENTLY HEARD-FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:

<u>0148</u> Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools' FY26 Budget.

MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS:

- **<u>0411</u>** Councilor Pepén and FitzGerald offered the following: Ordinance to establish a school bus violation detection monitoring system.
- **0412** Councilor Santana offered the following: Order for a hearing regarding the public safety requirements and possible locations for a new Emergency Operations Center in the City of Boston.

- **0413 Councilor Santana offered the following:** 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.
- **<u>0414</u>** Councilor Mejia offered the following: Order for a hearing to audit the implementation and effectiveness of the 2014 Boston Trust Act.
- **<u>0415</u>** Councilor Mejia offered the following: Order for a hearing to audit the 2024 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.
- **<u>0416</u>** Councilor Mejia and Weber offered the following: Order for a hearing on workforce development housing for City of Boston employees.
- **0417 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss Holocaust and Genocide Education in Boston Public Schools.
- **<u>0418</u>** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the status of the South Boston Branch Library Study.
- **0419 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss tax exemptions for long-term residents age 55 & above and essential municipal employees.
- **0420 Councilor Santana offered the following:** Order for a hearing to explore ways to increase community engagement and better facilitate public participation for Boston City Council Hearings.
- **0421** Councilor Murphy and Flynn offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss public safety and police staffing in Boston.
- **0422** Councilor Murphy offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the immediate reinstatement of and sustainable funding for the Community Syringe Redemption Program.
- **0423** Councilor Murphy offered the following: Order for a hearing to review the effectiveness of speed humps in Boston.
- **<u>0424</u>** Councilor Murphy offered the following: Order for a hearing to assess the environmental impacts of the proposed White Stadium redevelopment on Franklin Park.
- **<u>0425</u>** Councilor Murphy offered the following: Order for a hearing on the environmental preservation of Boston's historical parks and green spaces.

<u>0426</u> Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing January as National Human Trafficking Prevention Month.

PERSONNEL ORDERS:

0427 Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Reginald Stewart in City Council, effective February 10, 2025.

GREEN SHEETS:

5/25 Legislative Calendar for February 5, 2025.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- **0428** Councilor Weber offered the following: Resolution in memory of Jeff Flagg.
- **0429 Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Jeremiah Program.
- **<u>0430</u>** Councilor Weber offered the following: Resolution recognizing Sugeily Santos
- **0431** Councilor Santana and Pepén offered the following: Resolution recognizing El Grupo de Baile Juvenil Calife and 6 other community members.
- **0432** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Yankee Dental Congress.
- **0433** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing St. James the Greater Church.
- **<u>0434</u>** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Newton Chinese Language School.
- **0435** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association of New England.
- **<u>0436</u>** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Senior Pastor Reverend Daniel Chan.
- **<u>0437</u>** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution in memory of Walter Preble.

- **<u>0438</u>** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing International Holocaust Remembrance Day.
- **0439 Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Drawdown Brewery.
- **0440 Councilor Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Jessica Azurdia.
- **0441 Councilor Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Propa City Community Outreach.
- **0442 Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Jane E. Kennedy.
- **<u>0443</u>** Councilor Breadon offered the following: Resolution in memory of Mary Theresa (Doyle) Honan.