

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR MINIARD CULPEPPER



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-SIX

ORDERED: That under the provisions of section 1.17F of Chapter 376 of the Acts of 1951 as amended by section 16 of Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1982, and any other applicable provision of law, the Mayor, be, and hereby is, requested to obtain and deliver to the City Council, within one week of the receipt hereof, the following information relative to all documents, reports, certifications, agreements, applications, correspondence, and other materials submitted by, or on behalf of, the City of Boston and Boston Public Schools to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) as part of the Madison Park Technical Vocational High School MSBA Eligibility Period.

This request follows testimony provided by Boston Public Schools during the Boston City Council hearing on the Madison Park Technical Vocational High School project on Wednesday July 15, 2026, indicating that the City has submitted multiple Eligibility Period requirements to the Massachusetts School Building Authority but that these materials have not been made publicly available. The Council further notes that many Massachusetts communities, including the City of Revere, maintain publicly accessible document libraries containing MSBA submissions throughout the school building process, promoting transparency, community engagement, and public understanding of major capital projects.

Boston is currently participating in Module 1 of the Massachusetts School Building Authority's Eligibility Period process, during which school districts are required to submit a series of certifications, reports, enrollment projections, governance documents, and funding authorizations before advancing into the feasibility study phase. According to testimony before the Council, Boston Public Schools has completed several of these submissions, while additional required submissions remain outstanding. Public access to these materials is essential to understanding the City's long-term vision for Madison Park, projected enrollment, Chapter 74 vocational programming, governance structure, maintenance planning, and future capital investment strategy.

Specifically, the Council requests copies of all documents submitted to the Massachusetts School Building Authority, including but not limited to:

- Initial Compliance Certification.
- School Building Committee Certification and all supporting documentation identifying committee membership, qualifications, appointments, bylaws, meeting materials, and governance structure.

- Chapter 74 Vocational Technical Education Viability Documentation, including all attachments, supporting analyses, labor market analyses, workforce development consultations, enrollment analyses, stakeholder consultation materials, and any correspondence with the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education or the Massachusetts School Building Authority regarding vocational programming.
- Educational Profile Questionnaire.
- Online Enrollment Projection submission.
- Enrollment Certification and all supporting enrollment analyses, projections, assumptions, methodologies, and correspondence.
- Maintenance and Capital Planning submission.
- Local Vote Authorization materials submitted to the MSBA.
- Feasibility Study Agreement, if executed, together with all related correspondence.

The Council additionally requests an explanation as to why these materials have not been made publicly available through a dedicated project website or online document library, despite similar transparency practices being employed by numerous other Massachusetts municipalities participating in the Massachusetts School Building Authority program.

Requesting that the Mayor, Boston Public Schools, and the Public Facilities Department provide any and all information available regarding these matters, including electronically searchable copies of all submitted documents and supporting materials.

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