

March 13, 2024

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Boston was held in the Christopher A. Iannella Chamber, City Hall on Wednesday, March 13, 2024 at 12:03 P.M.

President Louijeune in the Chair. All Councilors Present.

Pastor Stephen Donahue, Christ Community Church, delivered the invocation and the meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

President Louijeune moved to adopt the minutes from the March 6, 2024 meeting. Motion Prevailed.

- **0503** Message and order for an appropriation order in the amount of Thirty-Eighty Million Two Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Forty-Seven Dollars (\$38,277,047.00) from Fiscal Year 2024 Community Preservation Fund revenues for community preservation projects at the recommendation of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee ("CPC"). Referred to the Committee on Community Preservation Act.
- **0504** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Forty-Four Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$44,100.00) in the form of a grant, for the Boston Violence Intervention & Prevention Initiative (CVIPI), awarded by the United States Department of Justice, passed through the Boston Public Health Commission, to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund BPD's ability to support the project with relevant crime data reporting and, if available, assign a BPD representative to participate with the CVIPI Planning / Advisory Committee.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice.

- 0505 Message and order for your approval an Order approving the receipt of a Preservation Restriction on the Fowler-Clark Farm, 487 Norfolk Street, Boston, Massachusetts, 02126. The Fowler-Clark Farm has historic significance to the City, and the owner, Fowler-Clark LLC, has conveyed a historic preservation restriction on the exterior features of the buildings and site to Historic Boston, Inc., a local charitable corporation. Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- **0506** 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 February 28, 2024. Placed on file.

Councilor Murphy, on behalf of the Committee on Strong Women, Families and Communities, submitted the following:

- 0376 On the message and order, referred on February 28, 2024, Docket #0376, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount Two Million Two Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars (\$2,232,152.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-C Nutrition Service Program, awarded by the U.S. Department Health and Human Services, passed through 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, the committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass. The report was accepted; the order was passed.
- 0379 On the message and order, referred on February 28, 2024, Docket #0379, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Thirty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Three Dollars (\$1,038,243.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-B Supportive Services, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund home-based support services for older adults in the City of Boston, the committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass. The report was accepted; the order was passed.
- 0380 On the message and order, referred on February 28, 2024, Docket #0380, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$530,999.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-E Family Caregiver Support Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund Caregiver Services for older adults in the City of Boston, the committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass. The report was accepted; the order was passed.
- 0382 On the message and order, referred on February 28, 2024, Docket #0382, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Hundred Sixty-One Thousand One Hundred Forty-Three Dollars (\$461,143.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-A Administration, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund the cost for administration of Title III programs, the committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass. The report was accepted; the order was passed.
- 0383 On the message and order, referred on February 28, 2024, Docket #0383, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-One Dollars (\$177,271.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-Ombudsman Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund consumer protection programs to improve long-term services for older adults in the City of Boston, the committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass. The report was accepted; the order was passed.

- 0384 On the message and order, referred on February 28, 2024, Docket #0384, 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, the committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass. The report was accepted; the order was passed.
- **0386** On the message and order, referred on February 28, 2024, Docket #0386, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount Eighty-Four Thousand Fifty-Eighty Dollars (\$84,058.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-D Disease Prevention & Health Promotion, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund services that assist older adults in Boston to prevent illness and manage chronic conditions, the committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the order was passed.

- 0177 Order for a hearing reclaiming the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center for our Boston Public School athletes. Remains in the Committee on Education.
- 0413 Order for a hearing to discuss the results of last year's youth summer jobs programs and prepare for this summer.Remains in the Committee on Strong Women, Families, and Communities.
- 0170 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. Remains in the Committee on Government Operations.
- 0507 Councilor Flynn, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss resources for the Boston Police Crime Laboratory. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice.
- 0508 Councilor FitzGerald, Pepén, Worrell, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Santana and Weber offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the option to expand access of handicap parking placards to those who are pregnant. On the motion of Councilor FitzGerald, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilors Pepén and Worrell as original co-sponsors. Referred to the Committee on Strong Women, Families, and Communities.

 0509 Councilor Weber, Pepén, Louijeune, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Murphy, Santana and Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing to review programming available for seniors in the City of Boston.
On the motion of Councilors Weber and Pepén, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Louijeune as an original co-sponsor.
Referred to the Committee on Strong Women, Families, and Communities.

- 0510 Councilor Mejia, Weber, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Murphy, Pepén, Santana and Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing on workforce development housing for City of Boston employees. Referred to the Committee on Housing and Community Development.
- **0511** Councilor Louijeune, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber, Fernandes Anderson and Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing on a cross-sector collaborative citywide strategy for community safety and violence prevention.

Councilor Breadon in the Chair.

On the motion of Councilor Louijeune, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilors Worrell and Fernandes Anderson as original co-sponsors. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice.

 0512 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the Shattuck housing proposal to prioritize racial equity. Councilor Louijeune in the Chair. Referred to the Committee on Public Health, Homelessness, and Recovery.

- 0513 Councilor Murphy, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the services the Boston Public Library offers our communities. Referred to the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology.
- 0514 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following: Resolution to explore a need for a senior recreational center in Roxbury. Referred to the Committee on Strong Women, Families, and Communities.
- **0515** Councilor Weber, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana and Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing the Sun Poem as a powerful tool to ignite change.

On the motion of Councilor Weber, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.

- 0516 Councilor Flynn, Worrell, FitzGerald, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana and Weber offered the following: Resolution in support of H.1250/S.799 "An Act To Advance Health Equity." On the motion of Councilors Flynn and Worrell, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor FitzGerald as an original co-sponsor. On the motion of Councilors Flynn, Worrell and FitzGerald, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 13.
- 0517 Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Alyssa Reaves and Iris Zhao in City Council, effective March 18, 2024. Passed under suspension of the rules.

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- 0518 Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Murphy offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Mary Karski in City Council, effective March 18, 2024. Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 0519 Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Mejia offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Skarlett Abreu Martinez in City Council, effective March 4, 2024.
  Passed under suspension of the rules.
- **0520** Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Pepén offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Wesley Ward in City Council, effective March 23, 2024.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

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

- **0528** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees in City Council, effective March 16, 2024. Passed under suspension of the rules.
- **0463** Councilor Murphy called Docket #0463, message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Five Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Dollars and Seventy-Seven Cents (\$1,525,380.77) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Nutrition Services Incentive Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund the Age Strong Commission's nutrition program that delivers meals to homes of older adults and at congregate sites in the City of Boston, from the Committee on Strong Women, Families and Communities.

No objection being heard, the matter was before the body. On the motion of Councilor Murphy, the rules were suspended; the order was passed.

**0464** Councilor Murphy called Docket #0464, message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Eighty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$187,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the East Boston Foundation Fund II, awarded by the Massachusetts Port Authority to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund Age Strong Commission's operations and management of the East Boston Senior Center, from the Committee on Strong Women, Families and Communities.

No objection being heard, the matter was before the body. On the motion of Councilor Murphy, the rules were suspended; the order was passed. **0465** Councilor Murphy called Docket #0465, message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$180,000.00) 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, from the Committee on Strong Women, Families and Communities.

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

On the motion of Councilor Murphy, the rules were suspended; the order was passed.

13/24 Legislative Calendar for March 13, 2024.

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

- **0521 Councilor Weber offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Dorothy Burnham.
- **0522** Councilor Weber offered the following: Resolution recognizing El Oriental de Cuba.
- **0523** Councilor Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing Barbara Chrichlow.
- **0524** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Jerry Wheeler Day.
- **0525 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Randy Greeley and the South Boston Allied War Veterans Council.
- **0526 Councilor Weber offered the following:** Resolution in memory of Judy Kolligian.
- **0527** Councilor Pepén offered the following: Resolution in memory of Steve Rando.

The matters contained within the Consent Agenda were severally adopted.

Adjourned at 2:37 p.m. on motion of President Louijeune, and in memory of Filomena LoPriore, Claire M. Cronin, Constance L. Ferruzzi, Michael O'Connor, Gail M. Conroy, Gerry Burke, and Judy Kolligian, to meet again on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

Attest:

Alex Geourntas City Clerk