

**OFFERED BY COUNCILORS ENRIQUE J. PEPÉN, RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE, BREADON, FERNANDES ANDERSON, FITZGERALD, FLYNN, MEJIA, MURPHY AND SANTANA**



## **CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL**

### **ORDER FOR A HEARING TO ESTABLISH THE FAIRMOUNT AVENUE ARTS AND CULTURAL DISTRICT IN HYDE PARK**

**WHEREAS,** The commercial section of Fairmount Avenue has been a critical thread in the history, economy, and culture in the tapestry of Hyde Park; *and*

**WHEREAS,** The commercial section of Fairmount Avenue is located within the Squares + Streets Plan Area for Cleary Square, which will turn the avenue into a prime location for development and investment; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Planned increased frequency of the 32 bus on Hyde Park Avenue and the Fairmount Line Commuter Rail will expand access to the area, bringing new residents and patrons; *and*

**WHEREAS,** Several arts-based businesses and organizations already call Fairmount Avenue home such as Riverside Theater Works and Canvas Studio Boston making Fairmount Avenue an ideal candidate for an arts and cultural district; *and*

**WHEREAS,** A formal arts and cultural district would increase connectivity between arts-based businesses and organizations on Fairmount Avenue with other arts-based organizations in the neighborhood by creating a central location from which visitors can branch off; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

**ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing on the establishment of an arts and cultural district on Fairmount Avenue between River Street and Truman Parkway. Experts on arts and cultural districts, administration officials, and community members will be invited to testify.

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