



**February 14, 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, February 14, 2024 at 12:05 P.M.

President Louijeune in the Chair. All Councilors Present.

Pastor Franklin Hobbs, Healing Our Land Ministries, 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 February 7, 2024 meeting.  
Motion Prevailed.

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**0338** Message and order for your approval, an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by One Million Two Hundred and Three Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-One Dollars (\$1,203,751.00) to provide funding for various City Departments for the FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees, Council 93.  
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

**0339** Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for various departments for the FY24 in the amount of One Million Two Hundred and Three Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-One Dollars (\$1,203,751.00) to cover the FY24 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees, Council 93. The terms of the contract are July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027. The major provisions for the contract include base wage increases of 2% to be given in July of each fiscal year of the contract term and flat amount of \$500, \$250, \$900, \$800 to be added to annual salaries in January of each fiscal year. The agreement also includes changes to personal days, an increase in the clothing allowance and training funds, and increases to certain differentials.  
Filed in Office of the City Clerk on February 12, 2024.  
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

**0340** Message and order for your approval, an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Six Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars (\$647,254.00) to provide funding for various City Departments for the FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Service Employees International Union, Local 888.  
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

- 0341** Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for various departments for the FY24 in the amount of Six Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars (\$647,254.00) to cover the FY24 cost items contained with the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Service Employees International Union. The terms of the contract are July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027. The major provisions for the contract include base wage increases of 2% to be given in January of each fiscal year of the contract term and flat amount of \$500, \$250, \$900, \$750 to be added to annual salaries in January of each fiscal year after the percentage increase. The agreement also includes an expansion of the clothing allowance, an increase to the weekend differential, and compensation reviews of certain position groups. Filed in Office of the City Clerk on February 12, 2024. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.
- 0342** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Five Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars and Twelve Cents (\$1,705,475.12) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 Senator Charles E. Shannon Jr. Community Safety Initiative, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund regional and multidisciplinary approaches to combat gang violence through coordinated prevention and intervention, law enforcement, prosecution and reintegration programs. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice.
- 0343** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$325,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Red Sox Arts and Parks Program, awarded by the Boston Red Sox to be administered by the Mayor's Office. The grant will support arts programming, community events and parks operations across Boston. Referred to the Committee on Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism & Special Events.
- 0344** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$23,400.00) in the form of a grant for the FY24 Municipal Road Safety, awarded by the United States Department of Transportation, passed through the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security, to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund high-visibility enforcement of motor vehicle laws, including but not limited to, speeding and aggressive driving, distracted driving, impaired driving and occupant protection. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice.
- 0345** Message transmitting certain information under section 17F relative to the Boston Emergency Medical Services response times pertaining to Docket #0205, passed by the Council on January 22, 2024. Placed on file.
- 0346** 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 January 31, 2024. Placed on file.

**0347** Communication was received from the Office of Black Male Advancement of the report entitled "Black Male Advancement Quarterly Report" October 1, 2023 - December 31, 2023.  
Placed on file.

**0302** A petition for a special law re: An age waiver for the maximum age requirement for Paul O'Brien to join the Boston Police Department.  
The rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.

**Docket #0284 was read into the record:**

Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) in the form of a grant, for Youth Engagement and Advancement, awarded by Boston Children's Hospital, to be administered by the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement. The grant will fund a development series with ongoing workshops for youth workers to learn skills and strategies to become more effective in their positions. The funds will be used towards the Mayor's Youth Summit.

Remains in the Committee on Strong Women, Families and Communities.

Later in session, Councilor Murphy called Docket #0284 from the Green Sheets.

**0258** Message and order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) Statements of Interest for their Accelerated Repair Program for the following schools: Kenny Elementary School, O'Donnell Elementary School, Adams Elementary School, Chittick Elementary School, Everett Elementary School, Gardner Pilot Academy, Lyndon Elementary School and Murphy K-8 School.  
The rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.

**0348** **Councilor Breadon, Coletta, Murphy, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss a comprehensive review and update of the Boston EMS Service Zone Plan. On motion of Councilor Breadon, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilors Coletta and Murphy as original co-sponsors.  
Referred to the Committee on Public Health, Homelessness, and Recovery.

**0349** **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 the goals and priorities of the City of Boston's Office of Veterans Services.  
Referred to the Committee on Veterans, Military Families, and Military Affairs.

**0350** **Councilor Flynn, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss the community process for transportation planning in the City of Boston.  
Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.

**0351** **Councilor Flynn, Breadon, Coletta, FitzGerald, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Order for a meeting to review the Boston City Council Rules.  
Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

**0352** **Councilor Durkan, Breadon, Coletta, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Order for a hearing to explore the creation of a citywide merchandise licensing program.  
Referred to the Committee on Small Business and Professional Licensure.

- 0353 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 feasibility of BPS providing ESOL classes for parents.  
Referred to the Committee on Education.
- 0354 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Breadon, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Order for a hearing regarding current bail policies in local jails.  
Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice.
- 0355 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 ways to equitably fight climate displacement in District Seven.  
Referred to the Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks.
- 0356 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana and Weber offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss prioritizing equitable development by exploring financial solutions to clean parcels prior to acquisition in Boston.  
Referred to the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology.
- 0357 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Louijeune, Mejia, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss the possibility of congestion pricing in Boston.  
Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- 0358 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution in support of the name change of the Roxbury Library to the Nubian Library.  
On motion of Councilor Fernandes Anderson, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 13.
- 0359 Councilor Louijeune, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution to Combat and Prevent Human Trafficking.  
Councilor Worrell in the Chair.  
On motion of Councilor Louijeune, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 13.
- 0360 Councilor Murphy, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Children of Addiction Week.  
Councilor Louijeune in the Chair.  
On motion of Councilor Murphy, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 13.
- 0361 WITHDRAWN**

- 0362** Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Joshua Champagne in City Council, effective February 19, 2024.  
Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 0285** Councilor Worrell called Docket #0285, message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a donation of three Certified Comfort Dogs valued at Eight Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$8,400.00) donated by the Dame Dogs Labradors, LLC to be administered by the Boston Police Department. The purpose of the donation is to support the Bureau of Field Services of the Boston Police Department by adding three comfort dogs to their department, from the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice. No objection being heard, the matter was before the body.  
Committee members polled; yeas 5.  
On motion of Councilor Worrell, the rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.
- 0284** Councilor Murphy called Docket #0284, message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) in the form of a grant, for Youth Engagement and Advancement, awarded by Boston Children's Hospital, to be administered by the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement. The grant will fund a development series with ongoing workshops for youth workers to learn skills and strategies to become more effective in their positions. The funds will be used towards the Mayor's Youth Summit, from the Committee on Strong Women, Families, and Communities.  
No objection being heard, the matter was before the body.  
Committee members polled; yeas 5.  
On motion of Councilor Murphy, the rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.
- 0105** Councilor Durkan called Docket #0105, message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000.00) in the form of a grant for the MGH Clinical Building Project Grant, awarded by the Boston Planning & Development Agency to be administered by the Public Works Department. The grant will fund studies to examine design changes and implement the reconstruction of Blossom Street from Cambridge Street to Charles Street, from the Committee on Planning, Development and Transportation.  
No objection being heard, the matter was before the body.  
Committee members polled; yeas 5.  
On motion of Councilor Durkan, the rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.



**0106** Councilor Durkan called Docket #0106, message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00) in the form of a grant for the MGH-BTD Clinical Building Project Grant, awarded by the Boston Planning & Development Agency to be administered by the Policy and Planning in the Transportation Department. The grant will fund transportation studies to examine the design changes and improvements that can be made to Cambridge Street, Blossom, and North Grove/Cambridge Street intersection, from the Committee on Planning, Development and Transportation.

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

Committee members polled; yeas 5.

On motion of Councilor Durkan, the rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.

**14/24** Legislative Calendar for February 14, 2024.

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

**0363** Councilor Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing Samuel "Metro" Mullin.

**0364** Councilor Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing Col. Christopher B. Shaw.

**0365** Councilor Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing Hon. Justin A. Petty.

**0366** Councilor Weber offered the following: Resolution recognizing Shary Browne.

**0367** Councilor Weber offered the following: Resolution recognizing Michael Matthews.

**0368** Councilor Pepén offered the following: Resolution congratulating Parker-Vincent Alva.

**0369** Councilor Pepén offered the following: Resolution congratulating Little Crafters Child Care Center.

**0370** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Rev. Kevin Peterson.

**0371** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing CCBA.

**0372** Councilor Coletta offered the following: Resolution recognizing Filippo Frattaroli.

**0373** Councilor Coletta offered the following: Resolution in memory of John "Sonny" Mirabella.

**0374** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution in memory of Roberta Frances Madden.

The matters contained within the Consent Agenda were severally adopted.

Adjourned at 2:45 p.m. on motion of President Louijeune, and in memory of Vincenzo Perrone, Robert Edward Curran, Seiji Ozawa, Marie Therese Polvnice, Mike Halley, Lawrence Cedrone and Fred Driscoll, to meet again on Wednesday, February 28, 2024 at 12:00 p.m.

Attest:

Alex Geourntas  
City Clerk