



BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks
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REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

April 23, 2026

Dear Councilors,

The Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks was referred the following docket for consideration:

Docket #0761, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$375,000.00) in the form of a grant, Red Sox Arts and Parks Program Grant, awarded by the Boston Red Sox to be administered by the Mayor's Office.

This matter was sponsored by Mayor Michelle Wu, and was referred to the Committee on April 8, 2026.

Summary of Legislation

Docket #0761 is an Order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the Red Sox Arts and Parks Program Grant in the amount of \$375,000 by the Mayor's Office.

Information Received at Hearing

The Committee held a hearing on Tuesday, April 21, 2026 to discuss Docket #0761. The Committee heard from Beata Coloyan, Deputy Chief of Staff of Strategic Planning for Mayor Michelle Wu who provided information on the grant.

Deputy Chief Coloyan stated that this grant is received annually from the Boston Red Sox under an eight-year agreement which provided incremental increases of \$25,000 per year. The grant is in the amount of \$375,000 and in the fourth year of the agreement. These funds are designated for the Fenway area of Boston with aims to mitigate neighborhood impacts from large events held at Fenway Park and support community initiatives. The Deputy Chief stated that the Administration will collaborate with community leaders and the City Council to implement a finalized spending plan.

Committee Chair Recommended Action

As Chair of the Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency, and Parks, I recommend moving the listed docket from the Committee to the full Council for discussion and formal action. At this time, my recommendation to the full Council will be that this matter **OUGHT TO PASS**.

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