

Boston City Council

Legislative Calendar for the January 11, 2023 Session

Sixty Day Orders

The following ordinances, appropriations and/or orders recommended by the Mayor for passage by the City Council become effective after the date specified unless previously acted upon¹

¹Section 17E of Chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948 (as amended):

The mayor from time to time may make to the city council in the form of an ordinance or loan order filed with the city clerk such recommendations as he may deem to be for the welfare of the city. The City Council shall consider each ordinance or loan order so presented and shall either adopt or reject the same within sixty days after the date when it is filed as aforesaid. If such ordinance or loan order is not rejected within sixty days, it shall be in force as if adopted by the city council unless previously withdrawn by the mayor.

In effect after February 10, 2023

Message and order for your approval an Ordinance establishing the Office of Participatory Budgeting, amending the City of Boston Code V, with the insertion of a new Section 5-1.11. (Docket #0100)

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2 - Section 17F of Chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948 (as amended):

The city council may at any time request from the mayor specific information on any municipal matter within its jurisdiction, and may request his presence to answer written questions relating thereto at a meeting to be held not earlier than one week from the date of the receipt of said questions, in which case the mayor shall personally, or through a head of a department or a member of a board, attend such meeting and publicly answer all such questions. The person so attending shall not be obliged to answer questions relating to any other matter.

³Section 22 of Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1982:

Every order of the city council approving a petition to the general court pursuant to Clause (1) of Section 8 of Article 2 of the amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth shall be presented to the mayor who shall forthwith consider the same, and, within fifteen days of presentation, either approve it, or file with the city council a statement in detail of his reasons for not approving the same, including any objection based on form, on content, or both; provided, that no such order shall be deemed approved or in force unless the mayor affixes his signature thereto.

The following matters were previously filed with the City Council and have been referred to a committee. Matters in committee can be brought back before the City Council pursuant to City Council Rule 24. The following *definitions* describe different types of matters in committee:

Ordinances:	Local laws enacted by the Boston City Council and the Mayor that become part of the City Code of Ordinances.					
Loan Orders:	Authorization for the City of Boston to incur debt and expend money for projects, purchases, or other obligations.					
Orders:	Directives that authorize action. Orders are legally binding but are not part of the City Code of Ordinances.					
Home Rule Petitions:	Requests for special acts that concern a particular municipality. Home Rule Petitions require approval of the Boston City Council and Mayor, as well as passage by the state legislature.					
Order for a Hearing:	A formal request sponsored by a councilor that a committee of the Boston City Council conduct a hearing about a particular matter, issue, or policy that impacts the City of Boston. An Order for a Hearing is not a law and is not voted on by the City Council. The only action concerning an Order for a Hearing that can be taken at a City Council meeting is the administrative action of placing it on file.					

Legislative Resolution: A recommendation concerning policy issues that may urge action on particular matters. Legislative resolutions have no legal effect. Legislative resolutions represent a particular position or statement by a Councilor, Councilors, or the City Council as a whole.

2023 MATTERS IN COMMITTEE

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date Referred	Hearing(s) Notes
Government Operations	0100	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Ordinance establishing the Office of Participatory Budgeting, amending the City of Boston Code V, with the insertion of a new Section 5-1.11.	12/14/2022	2022-1520
Planning, Development & Transportation	0101	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a grant from the Planning and Development Agency in the amount not to exceed Two Million Five Hundred Sixty-Two, Two Hundred Ninety-Seven Dollars (\$2,562,297.00) for the costs related to transportation improvement projects.	8 /10/2022	2022-0930
Planning, Development & Transportation	0102	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seven Million Five Hundred One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$7,501,200.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal Highway Administration Grant from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Highway Division, to be administered by the Boston Transportation Department and the Boston Public Works Department. The grant will fund a portion of the design cost for the Sullivan Square/Rutherford Avenue project.	9 /28/2022	2022-1166
Planning, Development & Transportation	0103	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the 2022 Transportation Planning Grant, awarded by the Massachusetts Gaming Commission to be administered by the Boston Transportation Department. The grant will fund a portion of the design costs for the Sullivan/Rutherford Avenue project.	9 /28/2022	2022-1168
Planning, Development & Transportation	0104	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Alaa Mukahhal as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeal for a term expiring May 1, 2024.	9 /28/2022	2022-1174
Planning, Development & Transportation	0105	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Theodora Massouh as an alternate member of the Zoning Board of Appeal for a term expiring May 1, 2024.	9 /28/2022	2022-1175

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Planning, Development & Transportation	0106	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the re- appointment of Jeanne Pinado as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeal for a term expiring May 1, 2024.	10/5 /2022	2022-1213
Planning, Development & Transportation	0107	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand One Hundred Four Dollars (\$167,104.00) in the form of a Massachusetts Electric Vehicle Incentive Program grant, from the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, to be administered by the Transportation Department. The grant will fund the procurement and deployment of Level III DC Fast Charge Electric Vehicle charging stations in Allston, Dorchester, Hyde Park and Roslindale, be available to the general public for 24 hours a day.	10/19/2022	2022-1249
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0108	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Thirteen Million Five Hundred Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$13,520,000.00) in the form of a grant for continued support of planning, exercises, trainings and operational needs that will assist in building enhanced and sustainable security capacities to help prevent, respond to and recover from threats to acts of terrorism, including Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive incidents, awarded by the United States Department of Homeland Security, passed though the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security, to be administered by the Department of Emergency Management. The grant will fund the Federal FY2022 Urban Areas Security Initiative.	11/30/2022	2022-1409
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0109	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million One Hundred Sixty Nine Thousand Six Hundred Twenty Three Dollars (\$1,169,623.00) in the form of a grant for the Boston- Providence Regional Catastrophic Preparedness project, through which we work to close known capability gaps, encourage innovative regional solutions to issues related to catastrophic incidents and build in existing regional preparedness efforts, awarded by the United States Department of Homeland Security, passed through the Federal Emergency Management Agency, to be administered by the Department of Homeland Security. The grant will fund the Federal FY22 Regional Catastrophic Preparedness.	11/30/2022	2022-1410

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0110	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Sixty Seven Thousand Dollars (\$567,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY23 State Information System Improvements, awarded by the United States Department of Transportation, passd through the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security, to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund specialized equipment for 564 marked and unmarked cruisers to implement the Motor Vehicle Automated Citation and Crash System in Boston. The eCitation technology issues electronic traffic citations which can be printed out in the police cruisers.	12/14/2022		2022-1522