



**May 17, 2023**

.A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Boston was held in the Christopher A. Iannella Chamber, City Hall on Wednesday, May 17, 2023 at 12:20 P.M.

President Flynn in the Chair. All Councilors Present

Pastor Dieufort Fleurissant, Total Health Christian Ministries, delivered the invocation and the meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

President Flynn moved to adopt the minutes from the May 10, 2023 meeting.

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**0930** Message and ordinance amending City Council electoral districts.

Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on May 15, 2023.

Referred to the Committee on Civil Rights and Immigrant Advancement.

On motion of Councilor Louijeune, Dockets, #0941 and #0942 were taken out of order.

**0941** Ordinance Amending City Council Electoral Districts.

Referred to the Committee on Civil Rights and Immigrant Advancement.

**0942** Ordinance amending City Council Electoral Districts.

Referred to the Committee on Civil Rights and Immigrant Advancement.

On motion of Councilor Flaherty, the first late filed item was taken out of order.

**0959** Ordinance Amending City Council Electoral Districts.

Referred to the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology.

**0931** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend an in-kind donation of bike helmets valued at Two Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$2,300.00), donated by Breakstone, White & Gluck, located at 2 Center Plaza, #530, Boston, MA 02108. The purpose of the donation is to increase children's participation in outdoor activities in the City of Boston. The rules were suspended; the order was passed.

**0932** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend an in-kind donation of helmets, valued at Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00), donated by Boston Children's Hospital, located at 300 Longwood Avenue, Boston, MA 02115. The donation provides helmets for the children of Boston to keep them safe as they learn to ride a bike at one of the ten locations around the City of Boston this summer. The rules were suspended; the order was passed.

**0933** 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 April 26, 2023. Placed on file.

**0934** 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 May 3, 2023. Placed on file.

- 0935** Communication was received from Councilor Liz Breadon submitting documents regarding redistricting litigation.  
Referred to the Committee on Civil Rights and Immigrant Advancement.
- 0936** Communication was received from Councilor Liz Breadon submitting documents regarding minutes of the Committee on Redistricting and messages of disapproval.  
Referred to the Committee on Civil Rights and Immigrant Advancement.
- 0937** Communication was received from Councilor Liz Breadon submitting documents regarding redistricting archival records.  
Referred to the Committee on Civil Rights and Immigrant Advancement.
- 0938** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Donald Wright to the Public Facilities Commission.  
Placed on file.
- 0939** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Maya Getter as a member of the Boston-AFSCME Council 93, AFL-CIO Housing Trust Fund.  
Placed on file.
- 0940** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of John Romano as a member of the Boston-AFSCME Council 93, AFL-CIO Housing Trust Fund.  
Placed on file.
- 0928** Notice was received from Adam Cederbaum, Corporation Counsel, providing an update on the lawsuit that was filed against the Boston City Council in U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts - Case Number 1:22-cv-12048: Rasheed Walters, et al vs. Boston City Council, et al.  
Remains in the Committee on Civil Rights and Immigrant Advancement.

Dockets #0760 thru 0762, Orders for the FY24 Operating Budget, including annual appropriations for departmental operations, for the School Department, and for other post employment benefits.  
Remain in the Committee on Ways and Means.

Dockets #0763, 0765, 0766, Orders for Capital Fund transfer appropriations.  
Remain in the Committee on Ways and Means.

Dockets #0764, 0767, 0768, Orders for the Capital Budget, including loan orders and lease purchase agreements.  
Remain in the Committee on Ways and Means.

Dockets #0769 thru 0782, Orders authorizing limits for departmental revolving funds for FY24, including Law, Tourism, Arts and Culture, Environment, Boston Centers for Youth and Families, Schools and Parks, Parkman Fund, and PEG Access Fund.  
Remain in the Committee on Ways and Means.

- 0943** **Councilor Mejia, Worrell, Arroyo, Baker, Breadon, Coletta, Fernandes Anderson, Flaherty, Flynn, Louijeune, Murphy and Lara offered the following:** Order for a hearing to explore the specific needs of Latino and Caribbean residents in the City of Boston.  
On motion of Councilor Mejia, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilors Worrell and Arroyo as original co-sponsors.  
Referred to the Committee on Civil Rights and Immigrant Advancement.

**0944 Councilor Flynn, Arroyo, Baker, Breadon, Coletta, Fernandes Anderson, Flaherty, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy and Worrell offered the following:** Order implementing an anti-bullying policy for the Boston City Council.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Administration.

**0945 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Arroyo, Baker, Breadon, Coletta, Flaherty, Flynn, Lara, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution Recognizing Malcolm X's Birthday, May 19th, as a Boston municipal holiday and honoring Malcolm X's legacy by establishing and including Malcolm X in Boston's Black Heritage Trail. On motion of Councilor Fernandes Anderson, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.

**0946 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Order for the appointment of temporary employee Cierra Thompson in City Council, effective June 3, 2023.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

**0947 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Order for the appointment of temporary employee Cora Funke in City Council, effective June 10, 2023. Passed under suspension of the rules.

**0948 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Order for the appointment of temporary employees Ana Calderon, Charles Levin, Melissa Lo, Sophia Wang and Vanessa Woo in City Council, effective May 27, 2023.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

**0949 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Order for the appointment of temporary employees Ana Calderon, Charles Levin, Melissa Lo, Sophia Wang and Melissa Lo in City Council, effective June 3, 2023.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

The Chair stated that in absence of objection, four late filed matters would be added to the Agenda. No objection being heard, the following matters were added:

**0960 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Order for the appointment of temporary employees in City Council, effective June 3, 2023.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

**0961 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Order for the appointment of temporary employees in City Council, effective June 3, 2023.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

**0962 Councilor Flaherty offered the following:** Order that Rule 34 of the Boston City Council Rules be in part suspended so that the Committee on Community Preservation Act may conduct interviews for the open Community Preservation Committee seats.

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

**0929 Councilor Arroyo called Docket #0929, message and order for your approval, a home rule petition for A Special Law RE: "An Act Relative to District City Council Elections in the City of Boston", from the Committee of Government Operations.**

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

On motion of Councilor Arroyo, the rules were suspended; the petition was passed in a new draft.

**17/23** Legislative Calendar for May 17, 2023.

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

**0950** Councilor Breadon offered the following: Resolution in memory of Francis Kilgallen.

**0951** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing May 18th as Haitian Flag Day.

**0952** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing ViHealthy Nutrition.

**0953** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Will Lyman.

**0954** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Joel Piton.

**0955** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution in memory of Rupert Saunders.

**0956** Councilor Lara offered the following: Recognizing V! Healthy Cafe.

**0957** Councilor Mejia offered the following: Resolution recognizing 12 people for their commitment to their family and community.

**0958** Councilor Arroyo offered the following: Resolution in memory of David Lopes

The matters contained within the Consent Agenda were severally adopted.

Adjourned at 1:50 p.m. on motion of President Flynn, in memory of David Lopes and Mohamed Fofana, to meet again on Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.

Attest:

Alex Geourntas  
City Clerk