



May 01, 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, May 1, 2024 at 12:05 P.M.

President Louijeune in the Chair. All Councilors Present

Reverend Jin Min Lee, Wellesley College, 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 April 10, 2024 meeting.
Motion Prevailed.

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- 0740** Message and order for confirmation of the appointment of new constables authorized to serve civil process upon the filing of their bonds for the period commencing May 1, 2024 and ending April 30, 2027.
The rules were suspended; the appointments were confirmed.
- 0741** Message and order for confirmation of the renewal appointments of constables authorized to serve civil process upon the filing of their bonds for the period commencing May 1, 2024 and ending April 30, 2027.
The rules were suspended; the appointments were confirmed.
- 0742** Message and order for confirmation of the appointment of renewal Inspectional Services constables authorized to serve civil process upon the filing of their bonds for the period commencing May 1, 2024 and ending April 30, 2027.
The rules were suspended; the appointments were confirmed.
- 0743** Message and order for confirmation of the appointment of new Inspectional Services constables authorized to serve civil process upon the filing of their bonds for the period commencing May 1, 2024 and ending April 30, 2027.
The rules were suspended; the appointments were confirmed.
- 0744** Message and order for your approval an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Seven Million Seven Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars (\$7,754,649.00) to provide funding for the Boston Police Department for the FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Boston Police Superior Officers Federation.
Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 29, 2024.
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

- 0745** Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston Police Department for the FY24 in the amount of Seven Million Seven Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars (\$7,754,649.00) to cover the FY24 cost contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Boston Superior Officers Federation. The terms of the contract are July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2025. The major provisions of the contract include base wage increases of 2%, 1.5%, 2%, 1%, and 2.5% to be given in July of each fiscal year of the contract term, as well as the addition of the Transitional Career Award Program in July 2023. The contract also contains reforms relating to discipline, officer return to duty, paid detail system, and union release. Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.
- 0746** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000.00) in the form of a grant, the Multilingual Digital Experience Grant, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Administration & Finance to be administered by the Department of Innovation and Technology. The grant will fund the development of programs and services that improve the experience of digital government services for multilingual communities. Referred to the Committee on City Services and Innovation Technology.
- 0747** Notice was received from City Council President Louijeune of the appointment of Councilor Benjamin J. Weber as the City Council representative on the Residency Compliance Commission, for a term expiring January 1, 2026. Placed on file.
- 0748** Communication was received from the Office of Black Male Advancement of the report entitled "Mayor's Office of Black Male Advancement Quarterly Report" January 1, 2024 - March 31, 2024. Placed on file.
- 0749** Communication was received from Timothy J. Smyth, Executive Officer of the Boston Retirement Board re: the FY25 Retiree Cost of Living Adjustment ("COLA") vote. Placed on file.
- 0750** Communication was received from Timothy J. Smyth, Executive Officer of the Boston Retirement Board re: the FY25 Retiree Cost of Living Adjustment ("COLA") Base Vote. Placed on file.
- 0751** Communication was received from Scott Finn, City Auditor, transmitting a list of FY24 reallocations made by the Mayor prior to April 15, 2024, for the purpose of continuing operations. Placed on file.
- 0752** Notice was received from City Council President Louijeune of the appointment of Councilor Liz Breadon as the City Council representative on the Neighborhood Housing Trust, for a term expiring January 1, 2026. Placed on file.
- 0753** 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 3, 2024. Placed on file.

0754 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 10, 2024.
Placed on file.

0755 Communication was received by the City Clerk from the Boston Landmarks Commission for City Council action on the designation of The Putnam Nail Factory / George Lawley & Son Shipyard, 12-12R Ericsson Street, Boston, MA, as a Landmark (in effect after June 1, 2024 if not acted upon).
Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.

0756 Communication was received from Councilor Brian Worrell, Chair of the Committee on Ways and Means, regarding the Boston Public School's FY25 budget.
Placed on file.

Councilor Pepen on behalf of the Committee on Community Preservation Act submitted the following:

0503 On the message and order, referred on March 13, 2024, Docket #0503, in the amount of Thirty-Eight Million Two Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Forty-Seven Dollars (\$38,277,047.00) from Fiscal Year 2024 Community Preservation Fund revenues for community preservation projects at the recommendation of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee ("CPC"), the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.
The rules were suspended; the order was passed.

Councilor Santana on behalf of the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice submitted the following:

0342 On the message and order, referred on February 12, 2024, Docket #0342, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expand 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 MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be Administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund regional and multi-disciplinary approaches to combat gang violence through coordinated prevention and intervention, law enforcement, prosecution and reintegration programs, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.
The rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.

0504 On the message and order, referred on March 13, 2024, Docket #0504, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount Forty-Four Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$44,100.00) in the form of a grant, for the Boston Violence Intervention & Prevention Initiative (CVIPI), awarded by the United States Department of Justice, passed through the Boston Public Health Commission, to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund BPD's ability to support the project with relevant crime data reporting and, if available, assign a BPD representative to participate with CVIPI Planning/Advisory Committee, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.
The rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.

- 0577** On the message and order, referred on March 27, 2024, Docket #0577, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expand the amount of Eighty-Four Thousand Dollars (\$84,000.00) in the form of a grant, FY24 CISM Grant, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety and Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund access to critical incidents stress management and peer support programs to address mental wellness and suicide prevention for BPD officers, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass. The rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.

Councilor Worrell, on behalf of the Committee on Ways & Means, submitted the following:

- 0280** On the message and order, referred on February 7, 2024, Docket #0280, for your approval an appropriation order in the amount of One Million Two Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$1,260,000.00) for the Cemetery Division of the Parks and Recreation Department and the Trust Office of the Treasury Department to be funded from the Cemetery Trust Fund established under Chapter 13 of the Acts of 1961, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

The rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 13.

Councilor Coletta, on behalf of the Committee on Government Operations, submitted the following:

- 0582** On the Home Rule Petition, referred on March 27, 2024, Docket #0582, for A Special Law Re: An Act to Amend the Training Requirement For the Fire Department Cadet Program in Boston, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

The rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 10, nays 3 (FitzGerald, Flynn, Murphy).

Councilor Breadon on behalf of the Committee on Housing and Community Development submitted the following:

- 0573** On the message and order, referred on March 27, 2024, Docket #0573, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty Million Dollars (\$20,000,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

The rules were suspended; the order was passed.

- 0574** On the message and order, referred on March 27, 2024, Docket #0574, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seven Million Dollars (\$7,000,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Home Investment Partner, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

The rules were suspended; the order was passed.

- 0575** On the message and order, referred on March 27, 2024, Docket #0575, 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 FY24 Housing for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA), the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

The rules were suspended; the order was passed.

- 0576** On the message and order, referred on March 27, 2024, Docket #0576, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Emergency Solution Grant, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

The rules were suspended; the order was passed.

Dockets #0670-0672, Orders for the FY25 Operating Budget, including annual appropriations for departmental operations, for the School Department, and for other post-employment benefits (OPEB). Remain in the Committee on Ways and Means.

Dockets #0673-0675, Orders for Capital Grant Fund credited appropriations. Remain in the Committee on Ways and Means.

Dockets #0676-0678, Orders for the Capital Budget, including loan orders and lease-purchase agreements.

Remain in the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion of Council President Louijeune, Docket #0770 was taken out of order.

- 0770** **Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following:** Resolution calling for immediate ceasefire in Gaza.

Councilor Fernandes Anderson moved to substitute language.

Motion prevailed.

Councilor Fernandes Anderson moved to suspend the rules.

Motion prevailed; yeas 13.

The resolution was adopted; yeas 11, nays 2 (Flynn, Murphy).

- 0757** **Councilor Louijeune, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Flynn, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing April 30, 2024 as International Jazz Day.

On motion of Councilor Louijeune, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.

- 0758** **Councilor Pepén, Breadon, Durkan, Flynn, Louijeune, Murphy, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** A petition for a special law re: An age waiver for the maximum age requirement for Cherell Mellace to join the Boston Police Department.

Referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

- 0759** **Councilor Santana, Coletta, Durkan, Breadon, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Ordinance for Safe and Healthy Hotels in the City of Boston.

On motion of Councilors Santana and Coletta, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Durkan as an original co-sponsor.

Referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

On motion of Council President Louijeune, Docket #0761 was taken out of order.

- 0761** **Councilor Mejia, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's accountability, transparency and accessibility regarding construction sites impacting small businesses.

Referred to the Committee on Small Business and Professional Licensure.

- 0760 Councilor Flynn, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana and Weber offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss plans to address drag racing, dirt bikes, ATVs, and other off-road vehicles on neighborhood streets.
Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice.
- 0762 Councilor Mejia, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Order for a hearing to audit the community engagement efforts of Boston Public School's "Green New Deal" and "Long-Term Facilities Plan."
Referred to the Committee on Education.
- 0763 Councilor Pepén, Durkan, Worrell, Breadon, Coletta, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Louijeune, Murphy, Santana and Weber offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss ways to repair and maintain private ways.
On motion of Councilors Pepén and Durkan, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Worrell as an original co-sponsor.
Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- 0764 Councilor Louijeune, Santana, Weber, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén and Worrell offered the following:** Order for a hearing to utilize former school and municipal buildings as affordable housing.
Councilor Worrell in the Chair.
On motion of Councilor Louijeune, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilors Santana and Weber as original co-sponsors.
Referred to the Committee on Housing and Community Development.
- 0765 Councilor Flynn, Breadon, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Black Women Veterans during Black Maternal Health Week.
Councilor Louijeune in the Chair.
On motion of Councilor Flynn, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.
- 0766 Councilor Flynn, Mejia, Pepén, Breadon, Durkan, FitzGerald, Louijeune, Murphy, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution supporting the extension of the Affordable Connectivity Program and advancing digital equity.
On motion of Councilor Flynn, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilors Mejia and Pepén as original co-sponsors.
On motion of Councilors Flynn, Mejia and Pepén, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 13.
- 0767 Councilor FitzGerald, Durkan, Mejia, Breadon, Coletta, Fernandes Anderson, Flynn, Louijeune, Murphy, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing May as Mental Health Awareness Month.
On motion of Councilor FitzGerald, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilors Durkan and Mejia as original co-sponsors.
On motion of Councilors FitzGerald, Durkan, and Mejia, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.

- 0768 Councilor FitzGerald, Murphy, Breadon, Coletta, Fernandes Anderson, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing National Teacher Appreciation Week.
On motion of Councilors FitzGerald and Murphy, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.
- 0769 Councilor FitzGerald, Murphy, Breadon, Coletta, Fernandes Anderson, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing National Nurses Week.
On motion of Councilors FitzGerald and Murphy, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.
- 0771 Councilor Coletta, Breadon, Fernandes Anderson, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution for a Dedication for Master Sergeant James B. Fitzgerald at the Intersection of Holden Row and Wesley Street in Charlestown.
On motion of Councilor Coletta, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.
- 0772 Councilor Coletta, Louijeune, Breadon, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution in Support of An Act to Increase Access to Disposable Menstrual Products (H.534/S.2491).
On motion of Councilors Coletta and Louijeune, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 12, not present 1 (Durkan).
- 0773 Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following:** Order for the appointment of temporary employee Jose Pina Jr. in City Council.
Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 0774 Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Order for the appointment of temporary employee Alice Scollins in City Council, effective May 4, 2024.
Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 0775 Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Order for the appointment of temporary employee Cyerrah Walker in City Council effective April 27, 2024.
Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 0776 Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Order for the appointment of temporary employee Meghan Kavanagh in City Council, effective April 20, 2024.
Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 0777 Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Murphy offered the following:** Order for the appointment of temporary employees Andrew Galvin, John Herrington and Louisa Siciliano in City Council, effective May 28, 2024.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

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

- 0809 Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Pepen offered the following:** Order for the appointment of temporary employee Jesus Linares in City Council, effective May 4, 2024.
Passed under suspension of the rules.

- 0810** Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Durkan offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Lauren Carmi and Lily Sweeterman in City Council, effective April 27, 2024.
Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 0811** Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Durkan offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Kennedy Avery and Anthony Baez in City Council, effective Friday June 28, 2024.
Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 0812** Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Durkan offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Lauren Carmi and Lily Sweeterman in City Council, effective May 4, 2024.
Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 0385** Councilor Coletta called Docket #0385, message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Recycling Dividends Program 23, awarded by the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs to be administered by the Department of Public Works. The grant will fund investment in local programs including recycling equipment, organics diversion, outreach and education, pilot programs, school recycling, toxic reduction, and more from the Committee on Environmental Justice, Resiliency and Parks.
Hearing no objection, the matter was before the body.
On motion of Councilor Coletta, the order was passed.

1/24 Legislative Calendar for May 1, 2024.

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

- 0778** **Councilor Durkan offered the following:** Resolution recognizing El Pelón Taquería.
- 0779** **Councilor Murphy, Flynn and FitzGerald offered the following:** Resolution recognizing and congratulating Martin Walsh.
- 0780** **Councilor FitzGerald offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Boston Firefighters Local 718 retirements.
- 0781** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Morningstar Baptist Church Nurse's Annual Day.
- 0782** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Baby Cafe.
- 0783** **Councilor Weber offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Miles Batty.
- 0784** **Councilor Weber offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Arianna Maida.
- 0785** **Councilor Breadon offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Charles River Community Health Center.
- 0786** **Councilor Durkan offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Jacqueline Royce.
- 0787** **Councilor Durkan offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Hessann Farooqi.

- 0788** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Sister Maryadele Robinson.
- 0789** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing 8 members of the Boston Police Department Emerald Society.
- 0790** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Sal's Pizza Grand Opening.
- 0791** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Old Town Trolley Tours 40th Anniversary.
- 0792** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Youth Enrichment Services Black Diamond Gala.
- 0793** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Benevolent Asian Jade Society.
- 0794** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Japan Festival Boston.
- 0795** Councilor Breadon offered the following: Resolution congratulating five retiring members of the Harvard Allston Task Force.
- 0796** Councilor Pepén offered the following: Resolution in congratulating Wyatt Jackson.
- 0797** Councilor Pepén offered the following: Resolution in recognizing Dianne "Lady Di" Walker.
- 0798** Councilor Pepén offered the following: Resolution in memory of John Khane.
- 0799** Councilor Pepén offered the following: Resolution in memory of Mike Ndwiga.
- 0800** Councilor Coletta offered the following: Resolution recognizing Francisco Echeverry.
- 0801** Councilor Coletta offered the following: Resolution recognizing Jack Imbergamo.
- 0802** Councilor Coletta offered the following: Resolution recognizing Angelo R. Polcari.
- 0803** Councilor Coletta offered the following: Resolution recognizing Colleen Buckley.
- 0804** Councilor Coletta offered the following: Resolution recognizing Joan "Mommy Charline" Hunter.
- 0805** Councilor Coletta offered the following: Resolution recognizing 27 people from the Charlestown High School Basketball Team.
- 0806** Councilor Coletta offered the following: Resolution recognizing John Fiumara.
- 0807** Councilor Coletta offered the following: Resolution recognizing Uvida Shop.
- 0808** Councilor Coletta offered the following: Resolution in memory of Ceydi Karina Corrales.

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

0813 Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Craig Theros.

0814 Councilor Weber offered the following: Resolution in support of H.2667 a S.1586 "An Act to Provide Public Safety Telecommunicators With The Same Internal Benefits as First Responders."

The matters contained within the Consent Agenda were severally adopted.
Adjourned at 3:55 P.M. on motion of President Louijeune, and in memory of Jerry Wellman, Ceydi Karina Corrales, Louise Baxter, Sgt Ian Taylor, John Collins, Madeleine Méroné (Soeur Madou), Joseph Edwards Jr., Eileen Dolan McDonnell, George Deeble, John Khane, Mike Ndwiga and Franklin Dalembert, to meet again on Wednesday, May 8, 2024 at 12:00 P.M.

Attest:

Alex Geourntas
City Clerk