

September 29, 2021

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Boston was held in the Christopher A. Iannella Chamber, City Hall on Wednesday, September 29, 2021 at 12:06 P.M.

President Pro Tempore O'Malley in the Chair. Absent Councilor Janey.

City Clerk Maureen Feeney delivered the invocation and the meeting was opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

President Pro Tempore O'Malley moved to adopt the minutes from the September 22, 2021 meeting. Motion prevailed.

1010 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to apply for, and to accept and expend, the Federal Fiscal Year 2021 Continuum of Care grant funds from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development in the amount not to exceed Forty Five Million Dollars (\$45,000,000.00) These funds will be used to support programs that provide services and housing to persons experiencing homelessness.

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- 1011 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Sixty Eight Thousand Three Hundred Seventy Eight Dollars and Fifty Six Cents (\$1,768,378.56) in the form of a grant for the FY22 State Elder Lunch Program, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund nutrition services for up to 284,394 older adults in the City of Boston at \$6.24 per meal. Referred to the Committee on Strong Women, Families, and Communities.
- 1012 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY21 Securing the Cities, awarded by the United States Department of Homeland Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund Year 2 of the Securing the Cities grant project, which enhances the ability of the United States to detect and prevent terrorist attacks and other high-consequence events utilizing nuclear or other radiological materials that pose a threat to homeland security in high-risk urban areas.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice.

1013 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 Land Water Conservation Fund grant awarded by the National Park Service, passed through the Massachusetts Division of Conservation Services, to be administered by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department. The grant will be used for improvements at Malcolm X Park that will make paths, entrances, and play areas compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act.

Referred to the Committee on Environment, Resiliency, and Parks.

1014 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY21 Gus Schumacher Nutrition Incentive Program, awarded by the National Institute of Food and Agriculture-USDA to be administered by the Office of Food Access. The grant will fund projects to increase the purchase of fresh fruits and vegetables by low-income SNAP consumers.

Referred to the Committee on Strong Women, Families, and Communities.

- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept equipment valued at Forty-Six Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Five Dollars (\$46,725.00) from the Thermo Environmental Instruments, LLC for the purpose of detecting COVID-19 in the air.

 The rules were suspended; the order was passed.
- 1016 Notice was received from the Acting Mayor of the appointment of Leslie Harris as a member to the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency (OPAT) Commission.

Placed on file.

- 1017 Notice was received from the Acting Mayor of the appointment of E. Peter Alvarez as a member of the Civilian Review Board of the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency.

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- 1018 Notice was received from the Acting Mayor of the appointment of Danny Y. Rivera, Jr., as a member of the Civilian Review Board of the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency.

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- 1019 Notice was received from the Acting Mayor of the appointment of Joshua Dankhoff as a member of the Civilian Review Board of the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency.

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- 1020 Notice was received from the Acting Mayor of the appointment of Dexter G. Miller as a member of the Civilian Review Board of the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency.

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- 1021 Notice was received from the Acting Mayor of the appointment of Leslie Harris as a Chair of the Internal Affairs Oversight Panel.

 Placed on file.

- 1022 Notice was received from the Acting Mayor of the appointment of Stephanie Everett as a Chair to the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency (OPAT) Commission.

 Placed on file.
- 1023 Communication was received from Susan L. Sullivan executive Director Newmarket Business Association regarding the proposed petition for Newmarket Business Improvement District.
 Referred to the Committee on Planning, Development & Transportation.
- Councilor Arroyo offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the redistricting process in the City of Boston.Remains in the Committee on Census and Redistricting.
- Councilor Breadon, Edwards, Bok, Flynn, Arroyo, Baker, Campbell, Essaibi George, Flaherty, Mejia, O'Malley and Wu offered the following: Order for a hearing to review Rental Unit Conditions, Standards, and Inspections in the City of Boston.
 On motion of Councilors Breadon and Edwards, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Bok as a co-sponsor.

Referred to the Committee on Housing and Community Development.

Councilor Campbell in the Chair

1025 Councilor O'Malley, Baker, Arroyo, Bok, Breadon, Edwards, Essaibi George, Flaherty, Flynn, Mejia, Wu and Campbell offered the following: Resolution in recognition of the achievements of former Mayor Thomas M. Menino in the City of Boston.

On motion of Councilor O'Malley, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted yeas 12.

President Pro Tempore O'Malley in the chair.

- 1026 Councilor Edwards, Breadon, Campbell, Essaibi George, Flaherty, Flynn, Mejia, O'Malley and Wu offered the following: Resolution in Support of Amending the Downtown Municipal Harbor Plan.

 On motion of Councilor Edwards, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted yeas 12.
- Councilor O'Malley for Councilor Flaherty offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Mary Karski in City Council effective October 2, 2021.
 Passed under suspension of the rules
- 1028 Councilor O'Malley for Councilor Bok offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Jonathan Spillane in City Council.

 Passed under suspension of the rules
- 1029 Councilor O'Malley offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Peter Favorito, Ana Fonseca, Michael Giordano and Jessica Morris in City Council

Passed under suspension of the rules.

0998 Councilor Edwards called Docket #0998, message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Forty Five Thousand Six Hundred Seventy Eight Dollars (\$345,678.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY22 Fair Housing Assistance Program, awarded by the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development to be administered by the Department of Fair Housing and Equity. The grant will fund processing and training cost related to housing discrimination complaints received by the Boston Fair Housing & Equity Commission, from the Committee of the Housing & Community Development.

No objection being heard, the matter was before the body. On motion of Councilor Edwards; the order was passed.

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The Chair moved adoption of a Consent Agenda containing the following matters; yeas 11.

- **1030** Councilor O'Malley offered the following: Resolution recognizing Heidi Weston.
- **1031** Councilor O'Malley offered the following: Resolution in memory of Ronald Paul "Ronnie" O'Keefe.
- **1032** Councilor Bok offered the following: Resolution recognizing James "Jimmy" Jackson.
- **1033** Councilor O'Malley offered the following: Resolution recognizing Chris Lovett.
- 1034 Councilor Flaherty offered the following: Resolution recognizing William Paul Golden.
- **1035** Councilor Campbell offered the following: Resolution recognizing Walter Joe Bass.

The matters contained within the Consent Agenda were severally adopted.

Adjourned at 1:04 p.m. on motion of President Pro Tempore O'Malley in memory of Dorothy C. "Dot" Morrison, Charles Mills, Tom Donahue and Anne Milliken Brown, to meet again on Wednesday, October 6, 2021 at 12:00 p.m.

Attest:

Maureen Feeney City Clerk