

## **November 17, 2021**

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Boston was held in the Christopher A. Iannella Chamber, City Hall on November 17, 2021 at 12:21 P.M.

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

Assistant City Clerk Alex Geourntas, 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 November 3, 2021 meeting. Motion prevailed.

1166 Message and order for your approval an order authorizing the City of Boston to appropriate the amount of One Million Two Hundred Twelve Thousand Dollars (\$1,212,000.00) for the purpose of paying the cost of a feasibility study and schematic design associated with the boiler and window and door replacement projects at certain Boston Public Schools. This includes the payments of all costs incidental or related thereto, and for which the City of Boston may be eligible for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended under the direction of the Public Facilities Department on behalf of the Boston Public Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

- 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 the Federal FY21 Urban Areas Security Initiative, awarded by the United States Department of Homeland Security, passed through the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security, to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Emergency Management. The fund will continue to support planning, exercises, trainings and operations that build regional capacities to help prevent, respond to and recover from threats or acts of terrorism, including Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive incidents. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice.
- 1168 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Million Seventy Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Four Dollars (\$2,070,874.00) in the form of a grant for the FY22 Title III-C, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund nutrition services for older adults in the City of Boston. These services are enhanced by Federal Nutrition Services Incentive Program and state Elder Lunch Program grants.

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

- 1169 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Six Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Five Dollars (\$1,006,875.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal FY22 Title III-B for Supportive Services, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund Supportive Services for older adults in the City of Boston.

  Referred to the Committee on Strong Women, Families, and Communities.
- 1170 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Twenty Six Thousand One Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$526,120.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY22 Title III-E, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund Caregiver Services for older adults in the City of Boston.

  Referred to the Committee on Strong Women, Families, and Communities.
- 1171 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Hundred Seventeen Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy Dollars (\$417,870.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY22 Title III-A, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund cost for administration of Title III programs.

  Referred to the Committee on Strong Women, Families, and Communities.
- 1172 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Seventy-One Thousand Two Hundred Forty -Two Dollars (\$171,242.00) in the form of a grant for the FFY20 Title III-Ombudsman, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant would fund services and advocacy for seniors in nursing home.

  The rules were suspended; the order was passed.
- 1173 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Ninety Two Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty Five Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$92,735.50) in the form of a grant, for the FY21 Emergency Management Performance Grant, awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, passed through the Massachusetts Emergency Agency, to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Emergency Management.
  - The rules were suspended; the order was passed.
- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eighty One Thousand Two Hundred Seventy Five Dollars (\$81,275.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY22 Title III-D, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund Health Promotion and Evidence-Based Services for older adults in Boston.

  The rules were suspended; the order was passed.

- 1175 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY22 First Responder Naloxone Administration Grant, awarded by the Massachusetts Department Public Health to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund the purchase of Naloxone and related supplies for use by the Boston Police Department. The rules were suspended; the order was passed.
- 1176 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) in the form of a grant for the National Arts Program, awarded by the National Arts Program Foundation to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Arts and Culture.

  The rules were suspended; the order was passed.
- 1177 Communication was received from Maureen Joyce, City Auditor; transmitting reports listing transfers made solely for the purpose of closing accounts for Fiscal Year 2021.

  Placed on file.
- Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Daniel R. Green as Secretary of the City of Boston Licensing Board, for a term expiring June 7, 2026.Placed on file.
- 1179 Notice was received from Councilor Wu of her resignation from the Boston City Council effective November 16, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. Placed on file.
- Communication was received by the City Clerk from the Board of Election Commissioners certifying the results of the election held for Mayor and City Council.Placed on file.

Councilor Flynn, on behalf of the Committee on City and Neighborhood Services, submitted the following:

- 10352 The Petition, referred on February 24, 2021, Docket #0352, of A Yankee Line, for a license to operate motor vehicles for the carriage of passengers for hire over certain streets in Boston, the committee submitted a report recommending that the petition ought to be denied.

  The report was accepted; the petition was denied.
- 0828 The Petition, referred on June 30, 2021, Docket #0828, of WeDriveU, Inc. for a license to operate motor vehicles for the carriage of passengers for hire over certain streets in Boston, the committee submitted a report recommending that the petition ought to placed on file.
  The report was accepted; the petition was placed on file.
- 10829 The Petition, referred on June 30, 2021, Docket #0829, Petition of WeDriveU, Inc. for a license to operate motor vehicles for the carriage of passengers for hire over certain streets in Boston, the committee submitted a report recommending that the petition ought to placed on file. The report was accepted; the petition was placed on file.
- 0830 The Petition, referred on June 30, 2021, Docket #0830, of WeDriveU, Inc. for a license to operate motor vehicles for the carriage of passengers for hire over certain streets in Boston, the committee submitted a report recommending that the petition ought to placed on file.
  The report was accepted; the petition was placed on file.

<u>0296</u> The Petition, referred on February 3, 2021, Docket #0296, for a special law re: An Act Relative to The Boston Landmarks Commission, the committee submitted a report recommending that the home rule petition ought to pass in a new draft.

The report was accepted; the petition was passed in a new draft.

Councilor Baker in the Chair

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

O441 An Ordinance, referred on March 17, 2021, Docket #0441, relative to the investments of the City Treasury, the committee submitted a report recommending that the ordinance ought to pass in a new draft.
The report was accepted; the petition was passed in a new draft.

President Pro Tempore O'Malley in the Chair

- 1023 Communication, referred on September 29, 2021, Docket #1023 received from Susan L. Sullivan Executive Director, Newmarket Business Association regarding the proposed petition for a Newmarket Business Improvement District, the committee submitted a report recommending the communication ought to pass.

  The report was accepted; the communication and approval of the BID was passed; yes 11 nays 0.
- 0900 An Ordinance, referred on August 18, 2021, to provide for legal representation of the Boston Groundwater Trust by the City of Boston Law Department, the committee submitted a report recommending the ordinance ought to pass.
  The report was accepted; the order was passed.
- 1181 Councilor Breadon, Arroyo, Baker, Bok, Campbell, Edwards, Essaibi George, Flaherty, Flynn, Mejia and O'Malley offered the following:
  Order for a hearing regarding Access to Low-Cost Veterinary Care.
  Referred to the Committee on Public Health.
- 1182 Councilor Bok, Arroyo, Baker, Breadon, Campbell, Edwards, Essaibi George, Flaherty, Flynn, Mejia and O'Malley offered the following:

  Order relative to the adoption of classification in the City of Boston in Fiscal Year 2022.

  Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.
- 1183 Councilor Mejia offered the following: Order requesting certain information under section 17F: regarding the Boston Water and Sewer Commission Diversity Cultural Assessment Report.On motion of Councilor Mejia, the order was passed.
- 1184 Councilor Baker offered the following: Order requesting certain information under section 17F re: Boston Public School incident reports. On motion of Councilor Baker, the order was passed.
- 1185 Councilor Breadon, Arroyo, Baker, Bok, Campbell, Edwards, Essaibi George, Flaherty, Flynn, Mejia and O'Malley offered the following: Resolution Opposing the Proposed Relocation of the Herter Community Garden.

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

- 1186 Councilor Breadon, Mejia, Arroyo, Baker, Bok, Campbell, Edwards, Essaibi George, Flaherty, Flynn and O'Malley offered the following:
  Resolution recognizing November 20th as Transgender Day of Remembrance.
  - On motion of Councilors Breadon and Mejia, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.
- 1187 Councilor O'Malley offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Michelle Goldberg, Kerry Jordan, Juan Lopez, Candace Morales, Christine O'Donnell, Shane Pac, Lorraine Schettino, Yuleidy Valdez and Ashley Vassal in City Council effective November 13, 2021.
  - Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1188 Councilor O'Malley offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Michelle Goldberg, Kerry Jordan, Juan Lopez, Candace Morales, Christine O'Donnell, Shane Pac, Lorraine Schettino, Yuleidy Valdez and Ashley Vassal in City Council effective November 20, 2021.
  - Passed under suspension of the rules.
- Councilor O'Malley for Councilor Mejia offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Gina Endres in City Council effective November 13, 2021.Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1190 Councilor O'Malley for Councilor Baker offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employees Amanda Curley, Malaki Hernandez, Patricia McCormack, Joseph McEachern and Julie Ryan in City Council effective November 20, 2021.
  Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1191 Councilor O'Malley for Councilor Essaibi-George offered the following:
  Order for the appointment of temporary employee Alana Olsen in the City
  Council effective November 20, 2021.
  Passed under suspension of the rules.
- Councilor O'Malley for 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.
   Passed under suspension of the rules.
- 1204 Notice was received from Councilor Janey of her absence from the Boston City Council Meeting on Wednesday, November 17, 2021.

  Placed on file.
- Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eight Million Dollars (\$8,000,000.00) in the form a grant, awarded by the United States Department of the Treasury, to be administered by the City of Boston's Chief Financial Officer/Collector Treasurer. The grant will fund the communities and families most affected by the public health and economic impact of COVID-19 pandemic, the expansion of the fare free transit program.
  - Referred to the Committee on Boston's COVID-19 Recovery.

1206 Communication was received from Eneida Tavares, Chair, of the Board of Election, request and recommend that the city hold in person early voting for the December 14, 2021 Special State Primary for the 1st Suffolk and Middlesex Senate District.

Passed under suspension of the rules.

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

- 1193 Councilor O'Malley offered the following: Resolution in memory of James L. Hickey.
- **1194** Councilor O'Malley offered the following: Resolution recognizing Lindy Williamson.
- 1195 Councilor O'Malley offered the following: Resolution recognizing Joanie Golden.
- 1196 Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Roza Lyons.
- 1197 Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing American Warrior Initiative.
- 1198 Councilor Campbell offered the following: Resolution congratulating eight community members for receiving the 2021 Hidden Heroes and Sheroes Award.
- 1199 Councilor Mejia offered the following: Resolution recognizing Sociedad para el Desarollo Communitario (SODECO).
- 1200 Councilor Mejia offered the following: Resolution recognizing General Octavio Ariza Núñez.
- **1201** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Women Veterans Network.
- **1202** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Brighton Marine.
- **1203** Councilor Edwards offered the following: Resolution recognizing Florence D'Abella.

The matters contained within the Consent Agenda were severally adopted.

Adjourned at 1:55 p.m. on motion of President Pro Tempore O'Malley, in memory of Muriel Beasley Victoria Albano, Louis Chianca, Jesse Stokes, Rita Hester to meet again on Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at 12:00 p.m.

## Attested:

Alex Geourntas Assistant City Clerk