

February 09, 2022

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Boston was held remotely via Zoom (virtual meeting application) due to the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic on February 9, 2022 at 12:04 P.M.

Monsignor Liam Bergin, Gate of Heaven Church, 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 February 16, 2022 meeting. Motion prevailed; yeas 13.

- <u>0258</u> Communication was received from Maureen Joyce, City Auditor, regarding the City of Boston's Fiscal 2021 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report. Placed on file.
- On the message and order, referred on January 26, 2022, Docket #0158, for your approval an order authorizing the issuance of refunding bonds in a principal amount not to exceed Two Hundred Million Dollars (\$200,000,000.00). The current conditions in the municipal bond market appears to be favorable for the City to potentially realize significant saving in debt service costs by refunding certain of its outstanding general obligation bonds, the Committee submitted a report recommending the order ought to passed.
- Ouncilor Mejia, Bok, Edwards, Arroyo, Fernandes Anderson, Lara, Murphy, Breadon, Louijeune, Worrell and Flaherty offered the following: An Ordinance Amending City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter XV, Section X and Establishing the Boston Fair Chance Act. Referred to the Committee on Government Operations.
 Councilor Arroyo in the Chair.

The report was accepted; the order was passed; yeas 13.

- O260 Councilor Flynn, Murphy, Breadon, Edwards, Baker, Mejia, Bok, Flaherty, Louijeune, Worrell, Lara, Fernandes Anderson and Arroyo offered the following: Resolution in Support of H. 3115 "An Act Ensuring Equitable Representation in the Commonwealth".
 - On motion of President Flynn, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 13.
- Ouncilor Flaherty, Murphy, Breadon, Baker, Arroyo, Bok, Mejia, Worrell, Louijeune, Edwards and Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss declining enrollment at Boston Public Schools.

Referred to the Committee on Education.

President Flynn in the Chair.

O262 Councilor Flaherty, Arroyo, Murphy, Baker, Worrell, Mejia, Edwards, Fernandes Anderson, Bok, Louijeune, Breadon and Flynn offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss offering property tax abatements to property owners in the Newmarket area.

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Ouncilor Baker, Flynn, Murphy, Flaherty and Edwards offered the following: Order for a hearing to address the public health declaration of 2020

Referred to the Committee on Public Health, Homelessness, and Recovery. Councilor Arroyo in the Chair.

Ouncilor Mejia, Flynn, Flaherty, Bok, Worrell, Murphy, Breadon, Baker, Arroyo, Fernandes Anderson, Lara and Louijeune offered the following: Order that the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a working session to review applications for the Commission on Black Men and Boys.

Referred to the Committee on Civil Rights and Immigrant Advancement. President Flynn in the Chair.

- O265 Councilor Baker, Murphy, Flaherty, Breadon and Flynn offered the following: An order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a grant funded through the coronavirus state and local fiscal recovery fund (CLFRF) in the Treasury of the United States established by section 9901 of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) awarded by the United States Department of the Treasury.
- Referred to the Committee on Boston's COVID-19 Recovery.

 2/9/22 Legislative calendar for February 9, 2022.

The Chair moved adoption of a Consent Agenda containing the following matters; yeas 13.

- <u>0266</u> Councilor Mejia offered the following: Resolution recognizing September 28, 2022 as Anna Mae Dancy Day in the City of Boston.
- <u>0267</u> Councilor Mejia offered the following: Resolution in memory of Anna Mae Dancy.
- <u>0268</u> Councilor Mejia and Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing April 18, 2022 as Lauren Sampson Day of Environmental Justice in the City of Boston.
- <u>0269</u> Councilor Mejia offered the following: Resolution recognizing February 7, 2022 as John Martin Day in the City of Boston.
- <u>0270</u> Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution in memory of Henry T. Burton.
- <u>0271</u> Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution congratulating Haitian Artists Assembly of Massachusetts on their 27th Anniversary. The matters contained within the Consent Agenda were severally adopted.

Adjourned at 1:19 p.m. on motion of President Flynn, in memory of John Madigan, Robert Kiley, Delores Richardson, Lauren Sampson, State Representative Ray Jordan and Alberto Miranda Peres, to meet again on Wednesday, February 16, 2022 at 12:00 p.m.

Attested:

Alex Geourntas Interim City Clerk