

ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR MATTERS PRESENTED TO THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO 10:00 A.M. ON MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 2023 FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING IN THE CHRISTOPHER IANNELLA CHAMBER ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2023 AT 12:00 P.M.

## **ROLL CALL**

## **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

## **COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER HONOR, THE MAYOR:**

- **<u>0323</u>** Message and order for your approval a proposed Act to Improve and Modernize Planning and Community Development in the City of Boston.
- **<u>0324</u>** Message and order temporarily extending Urban Renewal Plans in the City of Boston until March 31, 2025 or passage of a proposed relevant Home Rule Petition.
- 0325 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Twenty Two Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty Four Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$1,722,764.20) in the form of a grant for the Local Fire Department Projects and Grants Line Item 83240050 of the FY23 State Budget, awarded by Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund decontamination equipment, vehicle and maintenance expenses for the Hazard Response Team at the Boston Fire Department.

- **0326** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Local Fire Department Project and Grants for the FY23 State Budget Line Item 8240050 awarded by Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to be administered by the Boston Fire Department. The grant will fund renovations at Engine 8/Ladder 1 in the North End, to improve the safety, health and wellness of firefighters.
- 0327 Message transmitting certain information under Section 17F: relative to the Department of Public Works, Docket #1397), passed by the Council on November 9, 2022.
- **0328** Message transmitting certain information under Section 17F: relative to the BPS Transportation, Docket #1421), passed by the Council on November 13, 2022.
- **0329** Message transmitting certain information under Section 17F: relative to the BPS Facilities, Docket #1396), passed by the Council on November 9, 2022.
- **0330** Message transmitting certain information under Section 17F: relative to the Mayor's Office of Housing, Docket #1395), passed by the Council on November 9, 2022.

## PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES

## **REPORTS OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND OTHERS:**

- **0331** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Bernadine Desanges as Director of Diversity of the City of Boston.
- **0332** Communication was received from the City Clerk of the filing by the Boston Planning and Development Agency of the New Boston Food Market Chapter 121A Project, Certificate of Project Termination.

# **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

- **0114** The Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice to which was referred on January 11, 2023, Docket #0114, message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Presidentially Declared Disaster, awarded by Federal Emergency Management Agency, passed through the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency, to be administered by Risk Management, submits a report recommending that the order ought to pass.
- **0115** The Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice to which was referred on January 11, 2023, Docket #0115, message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$2,250,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY23 State Training Grant, awarded by the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to be administered by the Fire Department, submits a report recommending that the order ought to pass.

## MATTERS RECENTLY HEARD-FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:

- 0100 Message and order for your approval an Ordinance establishing the Office of Participatory Budgeting, amending the City of Boston Code, Chapter V, with the insertion of a new Section 5-1.11. Filed in the City Clerk's office on December 12, 2022.
- 0111 Message and order for your approval an order authorizing the City of Boston to appropriate an amount of Twenty One Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollar (\$21,600,000.00) for the purpose of paying the cost of a design and construction associated with boiler, windows and door replacement projects at the following schools: Boston Day and Evening Academy, Henderson Upper School, Rafael Hernandez School and William E. Russell School.

# **MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS:**

- **<u>0333</u>** Councilor Baker offered the following: Petition for a Special Law RE: An act directing the City of Boston Police Department to waive the maximum age requirement for Police Officers for Wendy Pierre-Louis.
- **<u>0334</u>** Councilor Lara offered the following: Order for a hearing regarding winter placemaking and Boston as a 'Winter City'.
- **0335** Councilor Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing to bring the 2026 NBA All-Star Weekend to Boston.

- **<u>0336</u>** Councilor Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing to preemptively plan summer violence mitigation strategies.
- **0337** Councilor Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing regarding efforts to increase housing affordability for long-term residents.
- **<u>0338</u>** Councilor Worrell offered the following: Order for a hearing regarding equity in city contracts.
- **<u>0339</u>** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order for a meeting to review the Boston City Council rules.
- **<u>0340</u>** Councilor Lara offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the rise in public consumer energy costs.
- **<u>0341</u>** Councilor Murphy offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the payroll concerns of many of our Boston Public School teachers who are owed back pay.
- **<u>0342</u>** Councilor Lara and Baker offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the recovery and revitalization of the taxi industry.
- **0343** Councilor Fernandes Anderson and Louijeune offered the following: Order for a hearing regarding calling for a moratorium on all development on all city owned land in district seven prior to the request for proposal process.
- **<u>0344</u>** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution to support the Economic Census and to promote response rates in the City of Boston.
- **<u>0345</u>** Councilor Lara and Flynn offered the following: Resolution designating a Memorial Hero Square at the intersection of Glen Road and Forest Hills Street in Jamaica Plain in memory of Paul Xavier Hogan.
- **<u>0346</u>** Councilor Lara and Mejia offered the following: Resolution recognizing February 27th, 2023 as Dominican Independence Day.

## **PERSONNEL ORDERS:**

**<u>0347</u>** Councilor Flynn for Councilor Arroyo offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Jesus David Linares Marrero in City Council, effective February 4, 2023.

## **GREEN SHEETS:**

## **<u>1/23</u>** Legislative Calendar for February 1, 2023.

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

- **0348** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Tufts Medical Center in the Year of the Rabbit.
- **<u>0349</u>** Councilor Baker offered the following: Resolution declaring Maurice Le'Tour Winston II day in Boston.
- **<u>0350</u>** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution in memory of Cornelia A. Kelley.
- **<u>0351</u>** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Abbot Gilman.
- **0352** Councilor Lara offered the following: Resolution congratulating Bill and Ann Downey.
- **<u>0353</u>** Councilor Worrell offered the following: Resolution recognizing Faithful Church of Christ's 90th Anniversary.
- **<u>0354</u>** Councilor Worrell offered the following: Resolution in memory of Sandra Porter.
- **0355 Councilor Worrell offered the following:** Resolution in memory of Willie Hicks, Sr.
- **0356 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing International Holocaust Remembrance Day.
- **<u>0357</u>** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing 7 school teachers and administrators for their coordination of the Student Exchange Program between Boston Latin School and Lycée André Argouges.
- **0358** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Masai-Maliek King.
- **<u>0359</u>** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Pao Arts Center.
- **0360 Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing January 27th as International Holocaust Remembrance Day.
- **<u>0361</u>** Councilor Baker offered the following: Resolution congratulating Joyce Judge.



Office of the Mayor MICHELLE WU

January 30, 2023

## TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit two pieces of legislation for your consideration and approval: Act to Improve and Modernize Planning and Community Development in the City of Boston; and Order Temporarily Extending Urban Renewal Until March March 31, 2025 or Passage of a Proposed Relevant Home Rule Petition.

As we chart the future of the Boston Planning and Development Agency, we must update our state laws to reflect today's needs. This home rule petition will formally end the decades-old urban renewal mission of eradicating so-called "blight and urban decay," and rededicate our resources toward Boston's urgent needs: resiliency, affordability, and equity. Establishing these tenets as the guiding principles for planning decisions—while jettisoning the outdated notion of improvement through Urban Renewal—will enhance the safety, health, and quality of life of our residents and the opportunities for companies doing business in the city. We are also seeking an interim extension of the current urban renewal zones to allow for passage of the home rule petition at the state house and ensure that current affordable housing, open spaces and other land uses for civic benefit do not lapse.

### AN ACT TO IMPROVE AND MODERNIZE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

Major provisions of the Act include:

*Creation of the Boston Planning and Development Agency.* This Act formally abolishes the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA) and the Economic Development and Industrial Corporation (EDIC) of Boston. This Act transfers the powers and duties of those entities to an agency newly created by this Act, and adopts as its formal name the Boston Planning & Development Agency ("the agency"). This action modernizes the agency while setting up the

further actions below. Consolidating the agency will also assist with current and future efforts to administratively align and integrate the agency with the City of Boston.

*End of Urban Renewal.* This Act terminates and sunsets Urban Renewal powers by, in part, eliminating the legal authority for the agency to adopt any new Urban Renewal plans or to make new findings or takings pertaining to blighted, decadent, or substandard conditions in the city. It also entitles the agency, notwithstanding the termination of any urban renewal plan, to enforce any conditions and restrictions in existing plans that protect important community benefits such as affordable housing, open space, and community uses.

Scope of the New Boston Planning & Development Agency. The Act directs the agency to prepare and implement plans that address three key planning principles: 1) resiliency, including climate change mitigation and adaptation; 2) affordability, including the creation and retention of affordable housing and support for local businesses; and 3) equity, in the form of community development plans that ensure the equitable distribution of benefits derived from development in the city, and redress historical inequitable policies that may have led to inequities in the city's growth. The Act requires that all plans be approved by the mayor, subject to the requirements of the Act. The Act also authorizes the agency to act as a public economic development agency, to fund worthy projects, to make confirmatory eminent domain takings, and to manage related property matters so long as they are in accordance with these new overarching principles.

## AN ORDER TEMPORARILY EXTENDING URBAN RENEWAL PLANS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON UNTIL MARCH 31, 2025 OR PASSAGE OF A PROPOSED RELEVANT HOME RULE PETITION

With this proposed Order, I am requesting a two-year extension of the remaining Urban Renewal plans in alignment with the timeline for legislative consideration of the Home Rule Petition. I am requesting that the extension be granted for the shorter of either (a) two (2) additional years (i.e., to March 31, 2025), or (b) until such time that the Home Rule petition passes.

In April 2016, the City Council granted approval of a six (6) year extension of Boston's fourteen (14) Urban Renewal plans, which was subsequently approved by the Department of Housing and Community Development. In March 2022, the BPDA, Council and DHCD sunset two (2) additional Urban Renewal plans.

An expiration of the twelve active Urban Renewal plans before the home rule petition is adopted with protections for transferring existing land use protections would risk dissolution of the affordable housing, open space, and other community-oriented land use restrictions currently enforced under the plans. In seeking this temporary extension, the BPDA shall focus its Urban Renewal-related efforts solely on (a) enforcing existing land use restrictions that protect community values (e.g., income restrictions, elderly preferences, open space, and other community uses) and (b) advancing the resiliency, affordability, and equity goals of the city.

I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the two proposals, the Act and the Order, to improve and modernize planning and community development in the City of Boston while working to advance resiliency, affordability, and equity.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu Mayor of Boston

# CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

## AN ACT TO IMPROVE AND MODERNIZE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

\_WHEREAS, the City of Boston is committed to seeking and obtaining every means available to improve and modernize comprehensive, city-wide planning and community development in a manner that advances today's challenges of climate resiliency, affordability, and equity;

### NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED

That a petition to the General Court, accompanied by a bill for a special law relating to the City of Boston to be filed with an attested copy of this Order be, and hereby is, approved under Clause One (1) of Section Eight (8) of Article Two (2), as amended, of the Amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, provided that the Legislature may reasonably vary the form and substance of the requested legislation within the scope of the general public objectives of this petition.

### **PETITION FOR A SPECIAL LAW RE:**

# AN ACT TO IMPROVE AND MODERNIZE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same as follows:

Section 1. Statement of Purpose. It is the intent and purpose of this act to provide the city of Boston, in this act called the city, with the tools and powers necessary to guide certain public and private investments, and to otherwise address the issues and achieve the goals expressed further in this act, all of which are designed to make the city a more resilient, affordable and equitable community. It is further the intent of this act to encourage, to the maximum extent practicable, the increased cooperation and coordination between the city and the Boston Planning & Development Agency, in this act called the agency, through additional and comprehensive planning citywide, through increased transparency and public participation in the activities of the agency, and through the sharing, transfer and efficient deployment of personnel, funds, land and other resources. The powers and duties to be carried out in accordance with the provisions of this act shall be carried out in a manner to promote equity amongst all, and that is, to the

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maximum extent practicable, fair, and equitable to all of the city's residents and businesses.

Declaration of Necessity. It is hereby declared that there exists in the city (a) Section 2. areas that suffer disproportionally from historically inequitable treatment and lack of access to opportunities afforded to the city as a whole, creating wide disparities with respect to equality of economic opportunity, health, safety and quality of life; (b) a crisis created by the lack of affordability in the city for the city's businesses and residents measured against continual and high demand; and (c) threats to large areas of the city brought about by the effects of the changes to climate; that each of these issues has been extensively documented in studies and reports contributing to the passage of this act; that resiliency, affordability and equity are issues that require governmental intervention to be properly and comprehensively addressed; that each of these issues presents a threat, and contributes substantially, to the safety, health, and quality of life of the residents of and companies doing business in the city, necessitating excessive and disproportionate expenditure of public funds for the preservation of the public health and safety and quality of life and for the maintenance of adequate public spaces, services and facilities; that the city requires additional tools that are adaptable for today's economy and the economy of the future and the technology that is available today and that will be further advanced in the future; that these tools are necessary to create additional opportunities and guide the types of public and private investments deemed necessary to achieve the objectives of this act; that each of these issues constitute an economic and social liability which substantially impairs the city; that each of these issues decrease the value of private investments and threatens the sources of public revenue and the financial stability of communities within the city; that because of the economic and social interdependence of different communities and of different areas within the city and because of the critical need to address the needs of all of the city's citizens in an equitable manner, the redevelopment of land in accordance with one or more plans to address the issues that are the subject of this act are necessary; that, while some actions may be accomplished through existing means and law and through the operations of private action, through publicly initiated action, or through a combination of both private and public action, in cases where it is found that private actions taken alone are unlikely to remedy the conditions that lead to these issues, the actions authorized by this act, including but not limited to, the construction, financing, restoration, renovation, rehabilitation, preservation, or removal of structures and the acquisition and disposition of property as circumstances may warrant, and the general improvement of sites for these purposes is necessary to accomplish these objectives; the disposition of the

property for the purpose of the foregoing, the exercise of powers consistent with this act and any assistance which may be given by the city and the agency created by this act are public uses and purposes for which public money may be expended and the power of eminent domain exercised; and that the acquisition, planning, clearance, conservation, restoration, renovation, rehabilitation, preservation or rebuilding of such areas for such purposes, including the provision of multi-modal and complete streets, enhancements and improved access to transit facilities, parks, flood control structures, greenways, technological infrastructure, recreational areas and other spaces and improvements in housing and commercial properties, are public uses and benefits for which private property may be acquired by eminent domain or regulated by reasonable orders, laws and directions and for which public funds may be expended for the betterment of the city.

It is hereby further declared that there is a serious issue of affordability in the city, including a shortage of housing in the city that can be afforded by persons and families of low and moderate income and including other issues of affordability in many forms including the ability for Bostonians to incubate, launch and grow businesses; that it is in the best interest of the commonwealth to encourage programs to provide jobs, opportunities, housing and other assistance for such persons without imposing on them undue financial hardship; and that in undertaking such programs and assistance using the tools and the powers set forth in this act, the agency will be able to promote the health and prosperity of all citizens of the city, and thereby serve a public purpose for the benefit of the general public.

It is hereby further found that there is a need in the city to improve energy and water efficiency in both new and existing buildings, to enhance indoor air quality and sustainability, to facilitate the implementation of zero-emission electricity generation, to further the use and proliferation of electric and other vehicles fueled by alternatives to fossil fuels, to further the use of low-emission and/or sustainable building materials and processes, to promote, support, and incentivize energy storage, building electrification, adaptive reuse of existing structures, urban cooling strategies, the conservation, restoration, and protection of coastal and marine habitats, greenhouse gas emission reduction activities, and to advance other projects in the city that address and implement climate resilience strategies, and that in undertaking such programs and assistance using the tools and the authorities set forth in this act the agency will promote the health and prosperity of all citizens of the city and thereby serve a public purpose for the benefit of the general public.

The provisions of this act relating to the issues addressed in this act are hereby declared as a matter of legislative determination.

### Section 3. Definitions.

As used in this act, the following words shall, unless the context clearly requires otherwise, have the following meanings:—

"agency," the Boston Planning & Development Agency.

"authority," the Boston Redevelopment Authority.

"affordable" or "affordability," the ability of persons and families of low and moderate income to procure and retain within the city safe and secure housing that provides reasonable access to transportation, employment, and educational opportunities without the imposition of undue financial hardship, and the ability of persons seeking to incubate, launch and grow businesses within the city to pursue such opportunities without the imposition of undue financial hardship.

"affordable housing" the same meaning as set forth in section 17 of the boston zoning enabling act.

"boston zoning enabling act," chapter 665 of the acts of 1956, as most recently amended by chapter 365 of the acts of 2020, and as may be further amended from time to time.

"city," the city of Boston.

"community development," actions, projects, or activities that develop and improve the city or its neighborhoods in ways consistent with the powers and duties of the agency and the objectives of this act, including but not limited to (i) creating or expanding economic, educational, transportation, or housing opportunities for low and moderate income people; (ii) creating or expanding economic opportunities for new or existing local businesses; (iii) establishing, improving, or enhancing public facilities, public social services, or physical or technological infrastructure; or (iv) improving, revitalizing, preserving, conserving, or rehabilitating the built environment or the natural environment.

"corporation," the Economic Development and Industrial Corporation of Boston.

"department," the Department of Housing and Community Development or its successor.

"effective date," the date set forth in section 4 of this act.

"resilient" or "resiliency," actions, projects, or activities that anticipate, assess, prepare for, respond to, reduce, mitigate, manage, or adapt to either the risks or the adverse impacts of climate change (including but not limited to extreme weather events, drought, coastal and inland flooding, sea level rise and increased storm surge, wildfires, and extreme temperatures), as such risks or adverse impacts may affect the city's natural environment, the city's built environment, the city's economy, the city's populace, or any combination thereof.

"zoning commission," the Boston Zoning Commission.

- <u>Section 4.</u> <u>Effective Date</u>. In order to provide the necessary time to plan for the implementation of this act, the provisions of this act shall be effective on a date that is one hundred eighty days from the date it is approved by the Governor.
- Section 5. Abolition of the Boston Redevelopment Authority. The Boston Redevelopment Authority, doing business as the Boston Planning & Development Agency, referred to in this act as the authority, is hereby abolished.
- Section 6. Abolition of the Economic Development and Industrial Corporation of Boston. The Economic Development and Industrial Corporation of Boston, referred to in this act as the corporation, is hereby abolished.
- Section 7. Creation of the Boston Planning & Development Agency.
  - (a) There shall be a public body politic and corporate to be known as the Boston Planning & Development Agency, in this act called the agency. The agency is hereby constituted as a public instrumentality of the city and the exercise by the agency of the powers conferred by this act shall be considered to be the performance of an essential governmental function.
  - (b) Subject to the limitations set forth in this act, the agency is hereby constituted as a redevelopment authority of the city, and shall have all of the powers and duties conferred on redevelopment authorities pursuant to chapter 121B.

- (c) The agency shall also have all of the powers and duties of the Boston Redevelopment Authority as set forth in chapter 652 of the acts of 1960, as amended.
- (d) The agency shall also have all of the powers and duties of the economic development and industrial corporation of Boston as set forth in chapter 1097 of the acts of 1971, as amended, and all of the powers and duties conferred on economic development and industrial corporations pursuant to chapter 121C.
- (e) The agency shall be managed, controlled and governed by a board of five members who shall be appointed and shall serve in accordance with the requirements of chapter 121B.
- (f) Until such time as the authority and the corporation are abolished pursuant to sections 5 and 6 of this act, the agency shall work with the authority and the corporation toward the completion of an orderly transition of all matters detailed in section 15 of this act.

### Section 8. Planning and Zoning Functions in the City of Boston.

- (a) Section 12 of chapter 652 of the acts of 1960, as most recently amended by section one of chapter 341 of the acts of 1993, is hereby amended by deleting the final paragraph.
- (b) Section 3 of the boston zoning enabling act is hereby further amended by striking the second sentence of that section and replacing it with the following:-

"No zoning regulation originally establishing the boundaries of a district or the regulations and restrictions to be enforced therein, and no such regulation amending the same as aforesaid, shall be adopted until the Boston Planning & Development Agency shall have submitted a report with recommendations concerning such regulation or amendment or allowed twenty days to elapse after receipt from the zoning commission of a request for such a report without making such a report, nor until after the zoning commission shall have given notice and held public hearing with respect to such regulation or amendment."

(c) Section 8 of said enabling act is hereby further amended by striking the words "Boston Redevelopment Authority" where they appear in the seventh and ninth paragraphs of that section and replacing them with the words:- "Boston Planning & Development Agency."

- (d) Section 16 of said enabling act is hereby further amended by striking the words "Boston Redevelopment Authority hereinafter referred to as BRA," as they appear in the second paragraph of that section and replacing them with the words:- Boston Planning & Development Agency hereinafter referred to as the BPDA."
- (e) Sections 16, 17, 18, 21 and 22 of said enabling act is hereby further amended by replacing the letters "BRA" each time they appear in said sections with:-"BPDA."
- (f) Section 21 of said enabling act is hereby further amended by striking the words "Boston Redevelopment Authority" as they appear in said section and replacing them with:- "Boston Planning & Development Agency."

### Section 9. Cooperation Between Agency and City.

(a) To the maximum extent determined to be practicable by the agency and the city:

 the agency shall make use of the services of the agencies, officers and employees of the city and the city shall, if requested, make available such services, all in accordance with the provisions of section 7 of chapter 121B;

(ii) the city shall make use of the services of the agency and the agency shall, if requested, make available such services;

(iii) property owned by the agency determined by the agency to be no longer necessary in undertaking its statutory and other responsibilities may be transferred to the city, provided that the city shall accept such property subject to any existing lease.

Section 10. Additional Powers and Duties of the Agency. The agency shall have all the powers necessary or convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes of relevant provisions of the General Laws, and shall have the following powers in addition to those specifically granted in this act:—

- (a) To prepare and implement plans to address issues pertaining to affordability in the entire city or in such areas of the city as it determines to be necessary, including the creation of new affordable housing and retention of existing affordable housing, and the development of methods to address business incubation and affordability in the city, subject, however, to the requirements of section 11 of this act;
- (b) To prepare and implement plans to provide for resiliency and to combat the impacts of climate change in the entire city or in such areas of the city as it determines to be necessary, subject, however, to the requirements of section 11 of this act;
- (c) To prepare and implement community development plans in the entire city or in such areas of the city as it determines to be necessary, subject, however, to the requirements of section 11 of this act;
- (d) To take necessary action and create policies and programs as needed to ensure the equitable distribution across the city of benefits from development.
- (e) To create and implement programs to address any historically inequitable distribution of agency resources or historically inequitable policies that may have led to inequities in the growth of the city.
- (f) To prepare plans to develop and test methods and techniques and to carry out demonstrations to implement projects and programs in furtherance of the objectives of this act;
- (g) To provide recommendations, advice, technical assistance and staffing to the zoning commission as may be requested by the director from time to time;
- (h) To create such internal offices, divisions, or departments as it may deem necessary to carry out the provisions of this act;
- (i) To act as a public economic development agency for the purposes of chapter 30B and to dispose of by sale or lease or to acquire by purchase, lease, eminent domain or otherwise residential, institutional, industrial or commercial real property for purposes in furtherance of this act in accordance with a plan approved by the members of the agency;
- (j) To enter into, administer, extend, amend and enforce cooperation and other agreements with the city, state and federal agencies and other public and

private organizations and persons to further the objectives of this act, subject, however, to the provisions of applicable law;

- (k) To conduct research, issue reports and engage in similar activities consistent with its powers as detailed in this act; and
- (1) To perform any of the following acts in any location in the city irrespective of whether such location is included within an area covered by a plan adopted in accordance with this act: to make confirmatory eminent domain takings in order to confirm title to real estate; to make and receive loans to or from any party, to receive gifts from any party, and to make investments all for purposes consistent with this act; to acquire and transfer property discontinued by the public improvement commission or other city entity; to grant or receive utility easements; and to acquire or transfer a property interest to or from another public entity.

# Section 11. Additional Requirements for Resiliency, Affordability, and Community Development Plans.

The following requirements shall apply to plans proposed pursuant to sections 10(a), 10(b) and 10(c) of this act.

- (a) Whenever the agency determines that such a plan should be implemented, it shall first submit said plan to the mayor of the city for approval. Such application shall be accompanied by the plan, a statement of the proposed method for financing the activities contemplated in the plan, and any such other information as the agency in its discretion deems advisable.
- (b) Whenever a public hearing on a plan is held, notice thereof shall be sent to the Boston Landmarks Commission together with a map indicating the area included in such plan.
- (c) No such plan shall be implemented until a public hearing on such plan has been held after notice provided in the manner required by section 20 of chapter 30A before the agency and the plan has been approved by the members of the agency and the mayor.
- (d) Every plan submitted to the mayor for approval shall include a description of the goals of the plan, the areas to be impacted by the plan and a statement describing how the plan is consistent with the planning conducted in those

areas, the proposed public and private improvements proposed as a part of the plan, and a financial plan associated with the plan together with findings by the members of the agency that the plan is consistent with this act and will further the agency's public purposes, and shall include a relocation plan prepared in accordance with the requirements of chapter seventy-nine A to the extent required by applicable law.

- (e) The mayor shall not approve any such plan except upon a determination that the plan will further the purposes of this act, giving due consideration to the findings of the members of the agency set forth in Section 11(d) above.
- (f) Every plan approved by the mayor that seeks financial assistance from any agency or authority of the commonwealth shall be subject to the further approval of the department and shall be submitted to the department together with such other material as the department may require.

(i) The department shall not approve any such plan unless the agency has made the findings required by this section, the mayor has approved the plan, and the department concurs in the findings made by the agency.

(ii) Within sixty days after submission of the plan, the department shall give written notice to the agency of its decision with respect to the plan. If the department disapproves any such plan, it shall state in writing in such notice its reasons for disapproval. A plan which has not been approved by the department when submitted may be submitted to the department again with such modifications, supporting data or arguments as are necessary to meet the department's objections. The department may hold a public hearing upon any plan submitted to it and shall do so if requested in writing within ten days after submission of the plan by the agency, the mayor, or twenty-five or more residents of the city.

(iii) Any provision in this subsection to the contrary notwithstanding, when the location of a proposed plan has been determined, the agency may, without awaiting the approval of the department, proceed to acquire or otherwise obtain control of such property within the plan area as is necessary to carry out the objectives of the plan; but it shall not, without the approval of the department if such approval is required by this subsection, unconditionally obligate itself to purchase or otherwise acquire any such property except as provided in section forty-seven of chapter 121B.

(g) When the plan has been approved by the mayor, and to the extent required by this act, the department, and notice of such approvals has been given to the agency, the agency may proceed at once to take any and all actions to implement the plan including, without limitation, to acquire and dispose of real estate within the location of the plan area, either by eminent domain or by sale, grant, purchase, lease, gift, exchange or otherwise.

### Section 12. Termination and Sunsetting of Urban Renewal Powers.

- (a) From and after the effective date, notwithstanding any provisions of chapter 121B to the contrary, the agency shall not be authorized to adopt any new urban renewal plan, nor to make any findings pertaining to blighted open, decadent or substandard conditions in the city, but shall, to the extent determined to be necessary or convenient for the agency as determined by its members, remain obligated to perform such actions, to enforce such conditions or to benefit from any restrictions or other provisions as such actions, conditions, restrictions, or other provisions are set forth in any contract or plan in effect as of the effective date
- (b) To the extent necessary to take an action, to enforce a condition, or to benefit from a restriction or other provision in such plan, the agency is hereby authorized to extend, terminate or amend such urban renewal and other plans that may be in existence as of the effective date subject to the requirements of applicable law and this section, and such additional terms as it may determine to be appropriate.
- (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law, contract or urban renewal plan to the contrary, prior to and upon the termination of any urban renewal plan, the agency shall be entitled to continue to enforce such conditions or to benefit from any restrictions or other provisions, as such actions, conditions, restrictions, or other provisions are set forth in any contract or plan in effect as of the effective date provided that the agency shall be authorized to terminate, extend, modify or amend any such condition, restriction or other provision by agreement.
- (d) In preparing, adopting and implementing any resiliency, affordability, community development or other plans authorized by this act, the agency shall, except as modified by the provisions of this act, be subject to the requirements and shall have all of the powers set forth in chapter 121B.

### Section 13. Cooperation With Local, State and Federal Agencies and Programs.

The agency is authorized, with the approval of the mayor of the city, to enter into loans, grants, contracts and other agreements with the local, state, federal, or other government entity relative to the acceptance or borrowing of funds or other assistance for any project it is authorized to undertake in accordance with this act and to secure such local, state, federal and other funds and assistance as may be available, including, without limitation, funding and other assistance made available through chapters 43D and 40R of the general laws, the Community Renewal Tax Relief Act of 2000, the Tax Reform Act of 1986, the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000, the Bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act of 2021, the CHIPS and Science Act of 2022, the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 and other laws or programs providing funding or other assistance consistent with the provisions of this act, as those laws and programs may be amended and revised from time to time, which loans, grants, contracts and other agreements shall contain such covenants, terms and conditions as the agency and such agency of the government may deem desirable.

### Section 14. Matters Pertaining to Urban Redevelopment Corporations.

- (a) Projects undertaken by any entity approved under chapter 652 of the acts of 1960, as amended, and chapter 121A of the general laws shall, in addition to the types of projects authorized by said laws, also include projects authorized under section 10 of this act; provided, that each such project shall be accompanied by a plan and shall be otherwise subject to the requirements of section 11 of this act.
- (b) The agency shall be authorized to review, improve, approve and monitor any such project or plan in the same manner as provided by chapter 652, as amended, and said chapter 121A.

### Section 15. Transfer of Personnel and Obligations.

(a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, as of the effective date: -

(i) all personnel employed by the authority or the corporation shall become employees of the agency consistent with and subject to the requirements of this act; (ii) all assets, accounts, liabilities, obligations, real and personal property and debt of the authority and the corporation are hereby transferred to the agency, and, without further conveyance or other act, all the assets, accounts liabilities, obligations, real and personal property and debt, as well as all rights, powers and duties of the authority and the corporation shall be transferred to, and assumed by, the agency;

(iii) ownership, possession and control of all personal property, including, but without limitation, all equipment, books, maps, papers, plans, records and documents of whatever description then belonging to the authority and the corporation shall pass to, and be vested in, the agency without consideration or further evidence of transfer and shall thereafter be in the possession and control of the agency;

(iv) ownership, possession and control of all real property, including, without limitation, all land, buildings, easement, restrictions and other interests in land and other property that are owned or held by the authority or the corporation shall pass to, and be vested in, the agency without consideration or further evidence of transfer and shall thereafter be in the possession and control of the agency; and

(v) all duly existing contracts, leases, land disposition agreements, collective bargaining agreements and obligations of the authority and the corporation which are in force immediately before the effective date shall be deemed to be the obligations of the agency but shall otherwise be unaffected by this act, and no existing right or remedy with respect to any such matter shall be lost, impaired or affected by this act.

- (b) The agency shall be authorized to establish such bylaws, systems, procedures, accounts, and processes as it determines to be necessary or desirable in connection with the assumption, management, operation and administration of the personnel, assets, accounts, liabilities, obligations, real and personal property and debt of the authority and the corporation.
- (c) The agency shall have authority to exercise all rights and enjoy all interests conferred upon the authority and the corporation by any such contracts, leases, land disposition agreement or other obligation, including any collective bargaining agreement in existence as of the effective date.

- (d) The transfer provided by this act shall be effective upon the effective date and shall bind the agency and all other persons with or without notice and without any further action or documentation.
- (e) Without derogating from the foregoing, the agency may, from time to time, execute and record and file for registration with any registry of deeds or the land court or with the secretary of the commonwealth, as appropriate, a certificate confirming the agency's ownership of any interest in real or personal property formerly held by the authority or the corporation and transferred pursuant to the provisions of this act and establishing and confirming the rights so transferred.
- (f) This act shall not limit or impair the rights, remedies, or defenses of the agency, the authority or the corporation in or to any such action including, without limitation, chapter 258 of the General Laws; provided, however, that from and after the effective date any action pending related to such rights, remedies or defenses shall continue unabated and may be completed against or by the agency.
- (g) No existing rights of the holders of the bonds issued by the authority or the corporation shall be impaired, and the agency, as successor in interest to the authority and the corporation, shall maintain the covenants of the trust indentures pertaining to such bonds so long as such bonds shall remain outstanding.
- Section 16. Survival of Existing Rules and Matters. Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, any order, rule, or regulation duly promulgated, or any license, permit, certificate, right or approval duly granted or held, by or on behalf of the authority or the corporation shall continue in effect from and after the effective date and shall be enforced by the agency until superseded, revised, rescinded or cancelled. Any proceeding before the authority or the corporation pending as of the effective date shall be assumed by the agency and shall continue unaffected and without need to be re-noticed or recommenced.

### Section 17. Other Personnel Matters Related to Transfer of Employees.

(a) Notwithstanding any other general or special law to the contrary, the agency may enter into contracts to create and permit employee contributions to individual retirement accounts for employees of the agency pursuant to sections 64A to 64C, inclusive, of chapter 29 of the General Laws.

- (b) The provisions of section 52 of chapter 121B shall not apply to employees of the agency; provided, however, that such section shall continue to apply to any employee of the authority subject to the requirements of such section as of the effective date.
- (c) All members, officers and employees of the authority and the corporation transferred to the service of the agency shall be transferred without impairment of seniority, retirement or other statutory rights of employees, without loss of accrued rights to benefits, holidays, sick leave, vacation pension, and all other benefits, except as otherwise provided in this act. All employees of the agency shall be eligible for group insurance benefits provided by the group insurance commission or otherwise. Terms of service of employees of the authority and the corporation shall not be deemed to be interrupted by virtue of transfer to the agency.
- (d) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, retired employees of the authority and the corporation and the surviving spouses of active or retired employees who are eligible for group insurance coverage pursuant to this section and said chapter 32A shall have said eligibility and coverage transferred to the group insurance commission and shall receive the full extent of benefits provided to employees of the agency. Such persons shall cease to be eligible or insured by the authority or corporation, as applicable. The commission shall provide uninterrupted coverage for group life and accidental death and dismemberment insurance and group general or blanket insurance providing hospital, surgical, medical, dental and other health insurance benefits to the extent authorized under said chapter 32A. All questions relating to group insurance rights, obligations, costs and payments shall be determined solely by the group insurance commission, and shall include the manner and method for the payment of all required premiums applicable to all such coverage.
- (e) Nothing in this act shall be construed to affect the eligibility and coverage of retired authority or corporation employees and the surviving spouses of active or retired employees who are eligible for group insurance coverage under a plan offered by the authority or corporation or who are insured under a plan offered by the authority or the corporation.
- (f) Notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary, employees of the agency shall be eligible to become members of the Boston

retirement system, and notwithstanding the provisions of any general or special law to the contrary including, but not limited to, paragraph (c) of subdivision (8) of section 3 of chapter 32 of the General Laws, said system shall be responsible for all liability attributable to the service of such employees. The liabilities attributable to the service of such employees shall be recoverable by the city pursuant to the terms of said section 8.

- (g) Any employee of the corporation on the effective date may elect: (i) to join the Boston retirement system by written notification to the system of his or her intention in a manner according to a process adopted by the system and otherwise consistent with applicable law; and (ii) to increase his or her years of creditable service in the system by purchasing time up to an amount represented by his or her years of creditable service with the corporation according to a payment schedule and process adopted by the system and otherwise consistent with applicable law.
- (h) The agency, in cooperation with the city, shall complete a study of job titles in the authority and the corporation and shall determine the appropriate job titles for employees transferred to the agency and the appropriate job titles for employees to be transferred to the city. Employees transferred to the agency shall be placed in job titles as determined by the agency, in consultation with the city, and shall be paid wages and receive benefits consistent with the collective bargaining agreement governing such job title(s) (if any) or if no collective bargaining agreement exists for such employees, then consistent with the existing pay and benefits governing such job title(s). Employees transferred to the city shall be placed in job titles as determined by the city, in consultation with the agency, and shall be paid wages and receive benefits consistent with the collective bargaining agreement governing such job title(s). (if any) or if no collective bargaining agreement exists for such employees, then consistent with the collective bargaining agreement governing such job title(s).

- Section 18. Requirement for Audit. Not later than one year from the effective date, the city auditor shall complete and file with the agency, city council, mayor, and office of the state auditor a closeout audit of the authority and the corporation. The audit shall include a catalogue of the status of the authority's and corporation's finances, operations, revenues, debt structure, and internal policies and procedures and the transfer of such matters to the agency.
- Section 19. Relationship to Other Laws. This act shall provide additional, alternative and complete methods for accomplishing the purpose of this act and shall be construed to be supplemental and additional to, and not in derogation of any powers conferred upon the agency by law; provided, however, that insofar as the provisions of this act are inconsistent with any general or special law, administrative order or regulation, the provisions of this act shall be controlling.
- Section 20. Evidence of Abolition of Authority and Corporation. Sections 5 and 6 of this act shall be effective as of a date that is not more than ninety days from the effective date, and shall be evidenced by the filing of a certificate with the secretary of the commonwealth executed by authority and the corporation and acknowledged by the agency as the successor to the authority and the corporation.
- Section 21. Severability. The provisions of this act are hereby declared to be severable and if any such provision or the application of such provision to any person or circumstances shall be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not be construed to affect the validity or constitutionality of any of the remaining provisions of said chapter or the application of such provision to persons or circumstances other than those as to which it is held invalid. It is hereby declared to be the legislative intent that said chapter would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provisions not been included therein.

Filed in Council: January 30, 2023



City of Boston, Massachusetts Office of the Mayor **MICHELLE WU** 

January 30, 2023

## TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit two pieces of legislation for your consideration and approval: Act to Improve and Modernize Planning and Community Development in the City of Boston; and Order Temporarily Extending Urban Renewal Until March March 31, 2025 or Passage of a Proposed Relevant Home Rule Petition.

As we chart the future of the Boston Planning and Development Agency, we must update our state laws to reflect today's needs. This home rule petition will formally end the decades-old urban renewal mission of eradicating so-called "blight and urban decay," and rededicate our resources toward Boston's urgent needs: resiliency, affordability, and equity. Establishing these tenets as the guiding principles for planning decisions—while jettisoning the outdated notion of improvement through Urban Renewal—will enhance the safety, health, and quality of life of our residents and the opportunities for companies doing business in the city. We are also seeking an interim extension of the current urban renewal zones to allow for passage of the home rule petition at the state house and ensure that current affordable housing, open spaces and other land uses for civic benefit do not lapse.

## AN ACT TO IMPROVE AND MODERNIZE PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

Major provisions of the Act include:

*Creation of the Boston Planning and Development Agency.* This Act formally abolishes the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA) and the Economic Development and Industrial Corporation (EDIC) of Boston. This Act transfers the powers and duties of those entities to an agency newly created by this Act, and adopts as its formal name the Boston Planning & Development Agency ("the agency"). This action modernizes the agency while setting up the

further actions below. Consolidating the agency will also assist with current and future efforts to administratively align and integrate the agency with the City of Boston.

*End of Urban Renewal.* This Act terminates and sunsets Urban Renewal powers by, in part, eliminating the legal authority for the agency to adopt any new Urban Renewal plans or to make new findings or takings pertaining to blighted, decadent, or substandard conditions in the city. It also entitles the agency, notwithstanding the termination of any urban renewal plan, to enforce any conditions and restrictions in existing plans that protect important community benefits such as affordable housing, open space, and community uses.

Scope of the New Boston Planning & Development Agency. The Act directs the agency to prepare and implement plans that address three key planning principles: 1) resiliency, including climate change mitigation and adaptation; 2) affordability, including the creation and retention of affordable housing and support for local businesses; and 3) equity, in the form of community development plans that ensure the equitable distribution of benefits derived from development in the city, and redress historical inequitable policies that may have led to inequities in the city's growth. The Act requires that all plans be approved by the mayor, subject to the requirements of the Act. The Act also authorizes the agency to act as a public economic development agency, to fund worthy projects, to make confirmatory eminent domain takings, and to manage related property matters so long as they are in accordance with these new overarching principles.

## AN ORDER TEMPORARILY EXTENDING URBAN RENEWAL PLANS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON UNTIL MARCH 31, 2025 OR PASSAGE OF A PROPOSED RELEVANT HOME RULE PETITION

With this proposed Order, I am requesting a two-year extension of the remaining Urban Renewal plans in alignment with the timeline for legislative consideration of the Home Rule Petition. I am requesting that the extension be granted for the shorter of either (a) two (2) additional years (i.e., to March 31, 2025), or (b) until such time that the Home Rule petition passes.

In April 2016, the City Council granted approval of a six (6) year extension of Boston's fourteen (14) Urban Renewal plans, which was subsequently approved by the Department of Housing and Community Development. In March 2022, the BPDA, Council and DHCD sunset two (2) additional Urban Renewal plans.

An expiration of the twelve active Urban Renewal plans before the home rule petition is adopted with protections for transferring existing land use protections would risk dissolution of the affordable housing, open space, and other community-oriented land use restrictions currently enforced under the plans. In seeking this temporary extension, the BPDA shall focus its Urban Renewal-related efforts solely on (a) enforcing existing land use restrictions that protect community values (e.g., income restrictions, elderly preferences, open space, and other community uses) and (b) advancing the resiliency, affordability, and equity goals of the city.

I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the two proposals, the Act and the Order, to improve and modernize planning and community development in the City of Boston while working to advance resiliency, affordability, and equity.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu Mayor of Boston

# CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

AN ORDER TEMPORARILY EXTENDING URBAN RENEWAL PLANS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON UNTIL MARCH 31, 2025 OR PASSAGE OF A PROPOSED RELEVANT HOME RULE PETITION.

- WHEREAS: Urban Renewal was a federally established and state authorized set of planning tools and funding for municipalities to address blighted areas by acquiring property, relocating residents and businesses, and in some cases clearing away old buildings to make room for new development and uses; and
- WHEREAS: In practice, low-income communities were targeted for demolition, often then replaced with development of new residential and commercial uses benefiting wealthier residents; and
- WHEREAS: Early uses of Urban Renewal powers by the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA) caused harmful and unnecessary destruction of homes resulting in unjust social equity outcomes within the City of Boston, most notably in the West End where thousands of immigrant, low-income, and working-class residents were evicted; and
- WHEREAS: The City of Boston is working tirelessly to promote the sound and responsible growth of its neighborhoods and to provide places for Boston's residents to live, work, and recreate; and
- WHEREAS: The result of this activity has been the creation and preservation of homes and businesses, as well as parks, schools, libraries and other public facilities, playing a role in building Boston's reputation as one of the world's most vibrant and livable cities; and

- WHEREAS: The BRA currently maintains twelve (12) active Urban Renewal Plans originally approved by the BRA, the Boston City Council, the Mayor of Boston and the Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD), which were most recently extended for one (1) year in April 2022, and before that were extended in 2016; and
- WHEREAS: The twelve Urban Renewal Plans scheduled to expire on March 31, 2023 utilize specific Urban Renewal tools and protections that maintain Land Disposition Agreements (LDAs) that protect existing affordable housing, open space, institutional and community uses, and senior housing; and
- WHEREAS: The Mayor has submitted to the City Council a Home Rule Petition entitled "An Act to Improve and Modernize Planning and Community Development in the City of Boston," which, when passed by the Commonwealth's legislature, will functionally terminate and sunset the Urban Renewal powers of the BRA and will extend the protections and enforcement rights (but not the BRA's other urban renewal powers) under the existing Urban Renewal Plans;
- WHEREAS: Upon passage of the Home Rule Petition and its subsequent implementation, the extension of the Urban Renewal Plans shall be voided;
- WHEREAS: By their provisions and previous extensions granted, the plans, the protections established and the powers conferred therein will terminate on March 31, 2023 unless so extended; and
- WHEREAS: The BRA seeks a two (2) year extension for the twelve (12) active Urban Renewal Plans that are set to expire on March 31, 2023, or until passage by the state legislature of the proposed home rule petition terminating Urban Renewal Plans and transferring land use protections; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

- ORDERED: That the City Council does hereby approve the extension of the term of the Urban Renewal Plans listed below, to the earlier of March 31, 2025, or until the effective date upon passage by the state legislature of the proposed home rule petition entitled An Act to Improve and Modernize Planning and Community Development in the City of Boston:
  - 1. Central Business District South Station Urban Renewal Plan,
  - 2. Fenway Urban Renewal Plan,
  - 3. Campus High School Urban Renewal Plan,
  - 4. South Cove Urban Renewal Plan,
  - 5. Charlestown Urban Renewal Plan,
  - 6. Downtown Waterfront-Faneuil Hall Urban Renewal Plan,
  - 7. Government Center Urban Renewal Plan,
  - 8. South End Urban Renewal Plan,
  - 9. Washington Park Urban Renewal Plan,
  - 10. Park Plaza Urban Renewal Plan,
  - 11. Brunswick-King Urban Renewal Plan, and
  - 12. Kittredge Square Urban Renewal Plan.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FORGOING, IF PASSED IN THE ABOVE FORM, WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW. BY

ADAM CEDERBAUM CORPORATION COUNSEL



### City Of Boston • Massachusetts Office of the Mayor Michelle Wu

01-30-2023

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of ONE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY-FOUR DOLLARS AND TWENTY CENTS (**\$1,722,764.20**) in the form of a grant, Line Item 83240050 - Local Fire Department Projects and Grants, State FY23 Budget, awarded by Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to be administered by the Fire Department.

The grant would fund decontamination equipment, vehicle and maintenance expenses for the Hazard Response Team at Boston Fire Department.

I urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Order so that the City of Boston may accept the funds expeditiously and expend them upon award for the purposes for which they are granted.

Sincerely, Michelle Wu Michelle Wu

Michelle Wu Mayor of Boston



**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND** Line Item 83240050 - Local Fire Department Projects and Grants, State FY23 Budget FUNDS, AWARDED BY Massachusetts Department of Fire Services.

**WHEREAS**, the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of ONE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY-FOUR DOLLARS AND TWENTY CENTS (\$1,722,764.20) would fund decontamination equipment, vehicle and maintenance expenses for the Hazard Response Team at Boston Fire Department. Therefore be it

**ORDERED**: that the Mayor, acting on behalf of the City of Boston be, and hereby is authorized, pursuant to section 53A of chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to accept and expend the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services, Line Item 83240050 - Local Fire Department Projects and Grants, State FY23 Budget award not to exceed the amount of ONE MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED TWENTY-TWO THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED SIXTY-FOUR DOLLARS AND TWENTY CENTS (\$1,722,764.20).

Docket # In City Council Passed		I hereby certify that the foregoing, if passed in the above form, will be in accordance with law. by <u>Adam Cederbaum</u>
	City Clerk	Adam Cederbaum Corporation Counsel
	Mayor	
Approved		



### City Of Boston • Massachusetts Office of the Mayor Michelle Wu

01-30-2023

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS **(\$300,000.00)** in the form of a grant, Line Item 83240050 - Local Fire Department Projects and Grants, State FY23 Budget, awarded by Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to be administered by the Fire Department.

The grant would fund renovations at Engine 8/Ladder 1 in the North End, to improve the safety, health and wellness of firefighters.

I urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Order so that the City of Boston may accept the funds expeditiously and expend them upon award for the purposes for which they are granted.

Sincerely, Michell 8 (L Michelle Wu

Mayor of Boston



**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND** Line Item 83240050 - Local Fire Department Projects and Grants, State FY23 Budget FUNDS, AWARDED BY Massachusetts Department of Fire Services.

**WHEREAS**, the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$300,000.00) would fund renovations at Engine 8/Ladder 1 in the North End, to improve the safety, health and wellness of firefighters. Therefore be it

**ORDERED**: that the Mayor, acting on behalf of the City of Boston be, and hereby is authorized, pursuant to section 53A of chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to accept and expend the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services, Line Item 83240050 - Local Fire Department Projects and Grants, State FY23 Budget award not to exceed the amount of THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$300,000.00).

Docket #		I hereby certify that
In City Council Passed		the foregoing, if passed in the above form, will be in accordance with law.
		by <u>Adam C</u> ederbaum
		Adam Cederbaum
	City Clerk	Corporation Counsel
	Mayor	

Approved



City of Boston, Massachusetts Office of the Mayor **Michelle Wu** 

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear City Councilors:

In Response to a 17F request filed by your Honorable Body on November 7, 2022.

Re: Relative to the Department of Public Works.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu Mayor of Boston
January 26,2023

Via Electronic Mail

Tania Fernandes Anderson Boston City Councilor, District 7 Boston City Hall, 5th Floor One City Hall Plaza Boston, MA 02201

Re: 17F Request Related to Public Works Procurement

Dear Councilor Fernandes Anderson:

Please see <u>attached</u> for the data you requested per the 17F request filed on November 9, 2022 as well as a narrative explanation below. We would be happy to discuss further should you have additional questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Jascha Franklin-Hodge Chief of Streets

The Public Works Department (PWD) continues to build on the City of Boston's commitment to take bold action to address the past and present effects of discrimination in the procurement process, particularly the impact on minority-owned (MBE) and women-owned enterprises (WBE).

Public Works has worked closely with the Department of Supplier and Workforce Diversity in Economic Opportunity and Inclusion (EOI) in a number of ways, and has begun a regular check-in meeting to ensure we are moving towards our equity goals. Other significant steps we have taken include participating in a series of **"Pathways to City Contracting Opportunity"** fairs, and meeting directly with MBE and WBE owners, helping them identify opportunities to bid on Public Works contracts, and assisting them in navigating the procurement process as a whole.



PWD team at a recent Pathways to City Contracting Opportunity event.

We recognize that we have a long way to go to ensure that our city contracts reflect the diversity of our city. For many of our largest contracts, our department faces constraints under the law. By Massachusetts law, Public Works Construction projects of more than \$10,000 are required to be awarded to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder. Despite these constraints, there is more work that our city can and should do to create the market conditions necessary to grow the amount of money spent by the Public Works Department through M/WBE businesses.

However, the Public Works Department has made significant recent progress in both increasing the amount of spending with M/WBEs and in laying the groundwork for future equitable procurement. Current MBE and WBE contractors delivering a wide array of services to Boston residents include:

**Assembly, Distribution and Maintenance of Recycling Bins:** Part of this contract was awarded to A & M Home Services of Dorchester, MA for \$341,964 over 3 years (\$113,988 per year). This contract requires A & M Services to deliver recycling carts 12 months a year, including to those residents who live in residential buildings with 1 to 6 units. Residents can request carts online or by calling 311.

**Collection and Recycling of Mattresses and Box Springs:** With the implementation of a statewide mattress and box spring ban beginning on January 1, 2023, the City of Boston awarded a contract to NEMA LLC and owner Daniel Appolon for \$3,376,800.00 over 3 years (\$1,125,600 per year). Beginning in January, the City of Boston will no longer collect mattresses and box springs on the curb – they will require an appointment for collection. To schedule an appointment, residents can call 311.

**Clearing, Plowing and Salting of Municipal Staircases Footpaths:** To assist the Public Works Department during snow and ice control operations, bids were issued to clear, plow and treat staircases and footpaths across the City of Boston before, during and after inclement weather events. These 1-year contracts were divided into 5 separate zones and awarded to Casablanca Services Inc. (2 zones), NS Contracting (2 zones), and A & M Home Services (1 zone). Both Casablanca Services and A & M Home Services are minority owned, and NS Contracting is both minority and women owned.

A & M Home Services and NS Contracting, both home grown companies from Dorchester and Roxbury, were awarded these contracts as part of the City of Boston's Sheltered Market Program to advance equity in procurement. Building on the findings of the City's 2021 disparity study, the Sheltered Market Program allows the City to reserve certain contracts for minority- and/or women-owned businesses. This program, among others, will help the City build a pipeline of diverse local vendors who can help us deliver excellent City services to our neighborhoods.

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City of Boston, Massachusetts Office of the Mayor **Michelle Wu** 

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear City Councilors:

In Response to a 17F request filed by your Honorable Body on November 28, 2022.

Re: Relative to the BPS Transportation.

Michelle Wu Mayor of Boston



# Office of the Superintendent

Dr. Samuel DePina, Deputy Superintendent of Operations

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January 24, 2023

Boston City Council One City Hall Square, 5th floor Boston City Hall Boston, MA 02201

Re: 17F

Dear City Councilors,

Attached please find responses to Docket 1421: Order requesting certain information under 17F regarding Boston Public School Busses filed by City Councilor Erin Murphy on November 30, 2022.

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Sam DePina Deputy Superintendent of Operations





# **BPS Department of Transportation**

Daniel Rosengard, Deputy Director

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TO:	Boston City Council
FROM:	Daniel Rosengard, Deputy Director of Transportation
DATE:	December 19, 2022
SUBJECT:	17F Responses and BPS Transportation Follow-up Question

The following responses are from the Boston Public Schools (BPS) to a <u>17F</u> filed by At-Large Boston City Councilor Erin Murphy. The 17F passed the City Council on Wednesday, December 7, 2022.

The last response in this memo is the answer to a question submitted by City Councilor and Committee Chair Julia Mejia following a hearing of the City Council's Government Accountability, Transparency & Accessibility Committee on <u>Docket 0725</u>: Order for a hearing regarding the BPS Transportation System held on Thursday, November 10, 2022.

# **<u>17F Questions and Responses</u>**

- 1. The number of students each day that did not get picked up by their assigned school bus since September 9th, 2022.
- a. The number of students across the system
- b. The number of students by school

BPS currently transports approximately 22,000 BPS and non-BPS students across the City to and from school each day. BPS does not track individual student ridership. The BPS Transportation Operations and Customer Service teams work closely with Transdev and with families to ensure all buses service all assigned stops on-time on a daily basis. Students may not be picked up by their assigned school bus for two primary reasons:

1. The bus is uncovered, meaning a driver is not available at the scheduled time. (Additional information and data on uncovered buses is provided in the response to question 4.)

2. The driver misses the student's stop, either due to not having a monitor (for a monitor-required student) or due to operational error.

Boston School Committee Jeri Robinson, Chair



Any time a stop is identified as missed, either by the BPS or Transdev teams or due to a confirmed report from a parent/guardian or school staff, the BPS Operations team works with Transdev Operations to ensure the issue is flagged and resolved going forward. This includes progressive discipline for drivers with multiple missed stops. Missed stops were highest on September 8 and 9 (the first two days of BPS), September 12 and 13 (the first two days of BPS for K0-K2 students), and November 14 and 15 (the first two days after the drivers' rebid). Missed stops also are often higher on Wednesdays, the day that transportation assignment changes take effect each week. Eliminating missed stops continues to be a key focus of BPS and Transdev Operations teams.

Backup buses are also provided, upon a family's request, if their stop is missed.

The attached <u>spreadsheet</u> lists, by day, the number of confirmed missed stops, so far for SY22-23.

Data for this question, and subsequent questions, is provided from August 11, 2022 through December 9, 2022. BPS Transportation services both BPS and non-BPS schools, and August 11 was the date that the first non-BPS school serviced by BPS Transportation began their 2022-23 school year.

- 2. The number of times a backup bus needed to be sent out
- a. The number of students across the system
- b. The number of students by school

BPS provides backup buses, upon request, for students who are not picked up by their assigned school bus due to the reasons described in the response to question 1.

The attached spreadsheet lists, by day, the number of backup buses sent out.

3. The actual time the students arrived at school if they were on a late bus.

- a. The number of students across the system
- b. The number of students by school

BPS does not have data on bus student arrival times available by student or by school. Bus arrivals are tracked at the route level.

Approximately 22,000 students are currently routed for bus transportation, across all schools that BPS Transportation services (BPS and non-BPS). So far in SY22-23 (as



of 12/9/2022), 88% of AM buses have arrived on time, 98% have arrived within 15 minutes of on-time, and 99% have arrived within 30 minutes of on-time. On average, an estimated 2,640 students (12% of bus students) per day arrive after the bell, an estimated 440 students (2% of bus students) per day arrive more than 15 minutes after the bell, and an estimated 220 students (1% of bus students) per day arrive more than 30 minutes after the bell as a result of yellow bus transportation delays.

The attached spreadsheet also lists, by day, the percentage of AM buses that arrived on time, within 15 minutes of on-time, and within 30 minutes of on-time, so far for SY22-23.

- 4. How many of these students miss an entire day due to unreliable bussing.
- a. The number of students across the system
- b. The number of students by school

BPS Transportation tracks uncovered buses at the route level.

Approximately 22,000 students are currently routed for bus transportation, across all schools that BPS Transportation services (BPS and non-BPS). So far in SY22-23 (as of 12/9/2022), 213 AM bus trips have been uncovered (without a driver available at the scheduled time) out of 90,686 scheduled AM bus trips. This represents 0.23% of all scheduled bus trips. BPS Transportation communicates to families through a robocall / robotext system anytime a bus is uncovered.

An estimated 51.7 students per day (0.23% of bus students) are on an uncovered AM bus, meaning their bus did not have a driver available at the scheduled time. This does not necessarily mean that all of these students missed school. BPS Transportation provides students with backup buses upon request if their bus is uncovered or their stop is missed, and students may have also been transported to school through other means.

The attached spreadsheet also lists, by day, the number of uncovered AM bus trips.

# Docket 0725 Follow-up Question

How does BPS compensate undocumented parents without social security numbers when they have to pay out of pocket for transportation to/from school?



BPS is a government agency and is required to track the expenditure of public funds. A social security number or tax identification number is required for reimbursement by BPS and the City of Boston. This is due to requirements for use of city funds by the Internal Revenue Service (IRS). Additionally, BPS and the City of Boston are not allowed to use city funds for gift cards, as directed by the Division of Local Services in the Massachusetts Department of Revenue.

Notwithstanding, the City of Boston and Boston Public Schools are in the process of creating an alternative method to reimburse individuals who do not have a Tax ID or SSN for the cost of special education transportation when BPS special education transportation fails. Families may contact the Office of Special Education and/or the Office of the Legal Advisor for support in being reimbursed until the finalized process for reimbursement without Tax ID or SSN is established and communicated to families.

BPS is currently in negotiations with a rideshare company to secure a contract for a platform that will allow BPS Transportation employees to dispatch appropriate and handicap accessible ride-share services to families so that families of special education students who have transportation as a related service in their IEPs do not incur out-of-pocket expenses in the event a route is not covered.





City of Boston, Massachusetts Office of the Mayor **Michelle Wu** 

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear City Councilors:

In Response to a 17F request filed by your Honorable Body on November 7, 2022.

Re: Relative to the BPS Facilities.

Michelle Wu

Mayor of Boston



# Office of the Superintendent

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Dr. Samuel DePina, Deputy Superintendent of Operations

Bruce C. Bolling Municipal Building 2300 Washington Street, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor Roxbury, Massachusetts 02119

617-635-9643

sdepina@bostonpublicschools.org www.bostonpublicschools.org

January 24, 2023

Boston City Council One City Hall Square, 5th floor Boston City Hall Boston, MA 02201

Re: 17F

Dear City Councilors,

Attached please find responses to Docket 1396: Order requesting certain information under 17F regarding the Boston Public Schools filed by City Councilor Tania Fernandes Anderson on November 9, 2022.

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Sam DePina Deputy Superintendent of Operations





City of Boston, Massachusetts Office of the Mayor **Michelle Wu** 

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear City Councilors:

In Response to a 17F request filed by your Honorable Body on November 7, 2022.

Re: Relative to the Mayor's Office of Housing.

Michelle Wu

Mayor of Boston



# CITY OF BOSTON - MASSACHUSETIS

# MAYOR'S OFFICE OF HOUSING MICHELLE WU, MAYOR

December 8, 2022

Councilor Tania Fernandes Anderson One City Hall Boston, MA 02201

Councilor Fernandes Anderson,

The Mayor's Office of Housing is pleased to submit the enclosed information related to your November 9, 2022, related to properties currently or formerly managed by the Mayor's Office of Housing.

Attached is the MOH Real Estate Sales Report. The first spreadsheet (Homebuyer sales), outlines the demographic data of those who purchased homeownership opportunities on land disposed of by the City from 2019 to the filing of the 17F request. The first tab is a current inventory of property including the occupancy and disposition status of each property. Please note that few properties are occupied, and these are generally commercial tenants. Notes are provided on these tenancies.

The second tab outlines the disposition of any properties over the requested time period. These properties are grouped by disposition type. Properties sold for affordable housing generally take some time to re-develop, and therefore only a small number have completed construction and are occupied. Available occupancy data are attached for these projects:

- Homebuyer Sales Data: This covers the Call/Carolina and Roseberry Road homeownership projects. MOH collects this data from buyers directly.
- The remaining three documents (PDFs) are from three affordable rental projects, and developers have submitted to us documents, in a form that is also submitted to HUD of these three projects: Indigo Block, 16 Ronald St (Hearth), and 11 Hesston Street.

Sheila Dillòn

**Chief and Director** 



# HUD Performance Measurement/Beneficiaries Form

Project Name: Hearth at Four Corners - 16 Ronald St.

# Low Mod Housing

## **Accomplishment Totals**

#### **Race and Ethnicity**

	Renter Total	Renter Hispanic
White (11)	11	2
Black/African American (12)	37	
Asian (13)		
American Indian/Alaskan Native (14)	1	
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander (15)		
American Indian/Alaskan Native & White (16)		
Asian & White (17		
Black/African American & White (18)		
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Other Multi-racial/Did not disclose (20)	5	

#### Income Level

Income Level	Renter(s)
Extremely Low (less than 30%)	36
Low (>30%, <50%)	14
Moderate (>50%, < or = 80%	3
Non-low/Moderate (>80%, < or = 120%	1

# HUD Performance Measurement/Beneficiaries Form

Project Name: Indigo Block - 67 East Cottage St.

#### Low Mod Housing

# **Accomplishment Totals**

# Race and Ethnicity

	Renter Total	Renter Hispanic
White (11)	11	7
Black/African American (12)	57	6
Asian (13)	0	0
American Indian/Alaskan Native (14)	0	0
Native Hawailan/Pacific Islander (15)	0	0
American Indian/Alaskan Native & White (16)	0	0
Asian & White (17	0	0
Black/African American & White (18)	0	0
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Other Multi-racial (20)	12	7

# Income Level

Income Level	Renter(s)
Extremely Low (less than 30%)	8
Low (>30%, <50%)	8
Moderate (>50%, < or = 80%	41
Non-low/Moderate (>80%, < or = 120%	23

# HUD Performance Measurement/Beneficiaries Form

Project Name: 11 Hesston

#### Low Mod Housing

# **Accomplishment Totals**

# Race and Ethnicity

	Renter Total	Renter Hispanic
White (11)		
Black/African American (12)	1	
Asian (13)		
American Indian/Alaskan Native (14)		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander (15)		
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Other Multi-racial (20)	2	2

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City of Boston, Massachusetts Office of the Mayor **Michelle Wu** 

January 30, 2023

The Honorable Alex Geourntas Office of the City Clerk 1 City Hall Plaza Room 601 Boston, MA 02201

Dear Mr. Clerk,

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Section 5-10.1 of the City of Boston Municipal Code, I hereby appoint Bernadine Desanges of 78 Davison Street, Hyde Park, MA 02136, as the City's Director of Diversity serving ex-officio on the Residency Compliance Commission, effective immediately. I am appointing Bernadine Desanges to the seat formerly held by Mariangely Solis-Cervera for a term expiring on January 5, 2026.

Thank you for your attention on this matter.

Michelle Wu, Mayor of Boston



January 30, 2023

To the City Council

Dear Councilors:

In compliance with the order passed by your Honorable Body December 6, 1976, this is to inform you that the following was filed by the Boston Planning and Development Agency with the City Clerk on January 29, 2023.

"New Boston Food Market Chapter 121A Project, Certificate of Prject Termination.

Respectfully,

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Alex Geourntas City Clerk

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January 25, 2023

Ms. Alex Geourntas City Clerk, City of Boston One City Hall Square, Room 601 Boston, MA 02201

OF PROJECT TERMINATION

NEW BOSTON FOOD MARKET CHAPTER 121A PROJECT, CERTIFIC

Dear Mr. Geourntas:

SUBJECT:

Pursuant to Section 12, Chapter 652 of the Acts of 1960, I hereby file with the Office of the City Clerk the following material attested by the undersigned as Secretary.

A Certificate of Vote of the Authority evidencing votes adopted on January 19, 2023, approving and adopting the "BOARD MEMORANDUM" an executed copy of the Approval by Her Honor, Mayor Wu dated January 24, 2023, of the foregoing votes.

Attached to the above-mentioned Certificate of Vote and Approval thereof by Her Honor, Mayor Wu, is a copy of the aforementioned Board Memorandum, entitled "CERTIFICATE OF PROJECT TERMINATION".

Please acknowledge the filing of the foregoing on the copy of this letter and return the same to the undersigned.

Receipt of the aforementioned is hereby acknowledged:

Date

Very truly yours,

Teresa Polhemus Secretary

Boston Redevelopment Authority | Economic Development Industrial Corporation (D/B/A Boston Planning & Development Agency) One City Hall Square | Boston, MA 02201 | BostonPlans.org | T 617.722.4300 | F 617.248.1937 Michelle Wu, Mayor | James Arthur Jemison, Director | Priscilla Rojas, Chair



#### City Of Boston • Massachusetts Office of the Mayor Michelle Wu

01-09-2023

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of FIVE MILLION DOLLARS **(\$5,000,000.00)** in the form of a grant, Presidentially Declared Disaster, awarded by Federal Emergency Management Agency, passed through the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency, to be administered by the Risk Management.

The grant would fund reimbursement for expenses related to the Blizzard of January 29 - 30, 2022.

I urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Order so that the City of Boston may accept the funds expeditiously and expend them upon award for the purposes for which they are granted.

Sincerely. Ulche Michelle Wu

Mayor of Boston



**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND** Presidentially Declared Disaster FUNDS, AWARDED BY Federal Emergency Management Agency AND Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency.

**WHEREAS**, the Federal Emergency Management Agency and Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency, are being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Risk Management; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of FIVE MILLION DOLLARS (\$5,000,000.00) would fund reimbursement for expenses related to the Blizzard of January 29 - 30, 2022. Therefore be it

**ORDERED**: that the Mayor, acting on behalf of the City of Boston be, and hereby is authorized, pursuant to section 53A of chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to accept and expend the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency' Presidentially Declared Disaster award not to exceed the amount of FIVE MILLION DOLLARS (\$5,000,000.00).

Docket #

In City Council Passed

City Clerk

Mayor

I hereby certify that the foregoing, if passed in the above form, will be in accordance with law. by <u>Adam C</u>ederbaum

Adam Cederbaum Corporation Counsel

Approved



# **BOSTON CITY COUNCIL**

**Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice** 

Michael Flaherty, Chair

# **REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR**

January 26, 2023

Dear Councilors:

The Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice was referred the following dockets for consideration:

Docket #0114, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Presidentially Declared Disaster, awarded by Federal Emergency Management Agency, passed through the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency, to be administered by Risk Management. The grant will fund reimbursement for expenses related to the Blizzard of January 29-30, 2022;

Docket #0115, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$2,250,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY23 State Training Grant, awarded by the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund equipment and miscellaneous supplies for the BFD Training Academy and the Technical Rescue division, both located on Moon Island in Boston Harbor.

These matters were sponsored by Mayor Michelle Wu and were referred to the Committee on January 11, 2023. A public hearing was held on Thursday, January 26, 2023. Paul Burke, Boston Fire Commissioner; Benjamin McNeil, Budget Management; and, Kathleen Schilp-Judge, Deputy Commissioner for Administration & Finance testified on Docket #0114 for the Boston Fire Department. Robert Calobrisi, Chief of Operations and Rodney Marshall, Chief of Operations testified on Docket #0115. They gave the committee a breakdown and overview of how the monies are planned to be used in the departments.

# Summary of Legislation

For Docket #0114, the funds of \$5,000,000.00 will be a reimbursement for expenses related to the Blizzard of January 29-30, 2022. For Docket #0115, the grant in the amount of \$2,250,000.00 will fund equipment and miscellaneous supplies for the Boston Fire Department Training Academy and Technical Rescue division, both located on Moon Island in Boston Harbor. Commissioner Burke informed the committee that some of the training will include: fire training, instructors training, functional skill test, EMT training, emergency rescue and academy activities.

# **Committee Chair Recommended Action**

As Chair of the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice, I recommend moving the listed dockets from the Committee to the full Council for discussion and formal action. At that time, my recommendation to the full Council will be that these matters <u>OUGHT TO PASS</u>.

Hichard P. Flakerty

Michael Flaherty, Chair Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice



### City Of Boston • Massachusetts Office of the Mayor Michelle Wu

01-09-2023

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

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I hereby certify that Docket # In City Council Passed Adam Cederbaum **City Clerk** Mayor

the foregoing, if passed in the above form, will be in accordance with law. <sub>bv</sub> <u>Adam Ce</u>derbaum

**Corporation Counsel** 

Approved



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Hichard P. Flakerty

Michael Flaherty, Chair Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice



City of Boston, Massachusetts Office of the Mayor MICHELLE WU

December 14, 2022

# TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit for your approval an Ordinance establishing the Office of Participatory Budgeting, amending the City of Boston Code, Chapter V, with the insertion of a new Section 5-1.11. The purpose of this Office is to provide the structure necessary to further public engagement and direct democratic involvement, and to align with the City's goals of achieving and embedding equity and inclusion into the City's annual budget.

In the 2021 Municipal Election, Boston's voters overwhelmingly approved a ballot measure to create an Office of Participatory Budgeting charged with furthering public engagement on how the City's budget is created and how our tax dollars are spent. Following the vote, I instructed my administration to work with advocates and residents to draft this ordinance and to work with your Honorable Body to establish this office.

This ordinance establishes the Office of Participatory Budgeting, which will include a director and an external oversight board composed of residents and leaders from across the city. The Office, working in partnership with the external oversight board, will establish and manage a Participatory Budgeting Process for residents to both engage with the City's annual budget process and to make recommendations for projects to include in the budget. The Office shall build partnerships with other City departments and agencies, external organizations, and community representatives to promote year-round public involvement and engagement with the Participatory Budgeting Process.

I urge your Honorable Body to act favorably on the proposed ordinance.

Michelle Wu Mayor of Boston

# CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

# 5-1.11 OFFICE OF PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING

# 5-1.11.1 Establishment.

There shall be within the Finance Cabinet an office, known as the Office of Participatory Budgeting (the "Office"). The Office shall consist of a Director, appointed by the Mayor pursuant to 5-1.11.3, and an external oversight board (the "Board"), appointed by the Mayor pursuant to 5-1.11.5.

(Passed in City Council May 19, 2021, Approved by Mayor June 7, 2021, Ratified by Voters by Ballot Initiative on November 2, 2021)

# 5-1.11.2 Purpose.

The purpose of the Office is to further public engagement and direct democratic involvement, and to align with the City's goals of achieving and embedding equity and inclusion into City practices, and building collective capacity on issues of racial and social justice. Participatory budgeting in city spending will provide an official point of entry for residents to contribute to the city's budget process. To accomplish this purpose, the Office, in partnership with the Board, shall create and oversee an equitable and binding decision-making process open to all Boston residents by Fiscal Year 2024, consistent with M.G.L. c. 44, § 53 ("the Participatory Budgeting Process"). The Office shall build partnerships with other City departments and agencies, external organizations, and community representatives to promote year-round public involvement and engagement with the Participatory Budgeting Process. The Office shall establish an equitable and binding method of Boston resident engagement.

# 5-1.11.3 Appointment, Term of Director.

The Office shall be under the charge of an officer, known as the Director, to be appointed by the Mayor. The Mayor may receive input from the External Oversight Board in the selection of the Director.

# 5-1.11.4 Duties of the Director.

The Director shall have the power to appoint staff members, as appropriate, and shall be responsible for the daily management and operations of the Office and staff members. The Director shall administer the Participatory Budgeting Process consistent with this Chapter.

# 5-1.11.5 Composition, Appointment and Term of the External Oversight Board.

The Board shall consist of nine (9) Boston residents with experience and expertise in various topics relevant to participatory budgeting, including but not limited to community investment and development, public finance, open space, urban planning, community organization and outreach, affordable housing, public education, public health, environmental protection, and historic preservation, and a demonstrated history of civic involvement in their local communities. The Mayor, or designee, shall solicit applications for Board membership, which shall require a statement of interest from the applicant.

The selection of the nine (9) board members will be as follows:

- All potential nominations must include an application of interest addressed to the Mayor or designee for review.
- The Mayor will appoint five (5) individuals to the oversight board
- The Mayor will appoint four (4) individuals to the oversight board from a pool of 8 applicants provided by the City Council

Board members shall reflect the diversity of the City of Boston. All Board members shall be residents of Boston. Board members may not include City of Boston employees or City of Boston elected officials.

The Mayor shall appoint all members of the Board for two (2) year terms, and no Board member shall serve more than three (3) consecutive terms, provided that members may continue to serve until their replacement is appointed. Vacancies in Board membership shall be filled in the same manner in which members are appointed. If a vacancy should arise and a new member is appointed to serve a partial term of less than two years, that partial term shall not count against the three (3) year term limit.

The Board members shall be deemed to be Special Municipal Employees for the purposes of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 268A.

# 5-1.11.6 Rules and Regulations of the External Oversight Board.

- a. The Board, by majority vote, shall elect two of its members as Chair and Co-Chair on an annual basis. In the event both Chairs are unavailable, the most senior member in tenure of the Board shall chair the Board.
- b. Five (5) members shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of convening a meeting and of conducting the business of the oversight board. The Board shall approve its actions by majority vote of the quorum.

- c. All records of the Office and Board shall be public unless an exemption applies under the state's public records law.
- d. The board shall serve without compensation, but each commissioner shall be entitled to his or her reasonable expenses actually and necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties as board members, as defined by the Rule Book. These expenditures shall be paid from the budget of the Office of Participatory Budget.

# 5-1.11.7 Power and Duties of the External Oversight Board

- a. Consult with staff in the Office of Participatory Budgeting to create, formally adopt, and annually review, amend or update Boston's Participatory Budgeting Rule Book (the "Rule Book").
- b. Request and receive relevant information for the oversight of the Participatory Budgeting process from the Director of the Office of Participatory Budgeting as well as other city officials and employees.
- c. At the end of each fiscal year, create an annual review of the Participatory Budgeting process for review by the Mayor and City Council and accessible to the public.
- d. Review candidates and provide recommendations to the Mayor for appointing the Director of Office of Participatory Budgeting.
- e. Based on the outcome of the Participatory Budgeting Process, the Board, in partnership with the Director, shall submit project proposals to the Mayor consistent with the legal authority of the City of Boston for public spending.

# 5-1.11.8 Powers and Duties of the Office.

The Office shall study the best practices for creating an inclusive and equitable participatory budgeting process in Boston and, in collaboration with the Board, work to produce Rule Book. In doing so, the Office shall consult with Boston residents, experts, and other cities that have established participatory budgeting processes to incorporate best practices and policies into the Rule Book. This Rule Book shall outline the policies and procedures of the Participatory Budgeting Process, including measures that align with the city goals of achieving and embedding equity and inclusion into City practices, and building collective capacity on issues of racial and social justice. The Rule Book shall be a standard set of rules and operations that will include but are not limited to: outlining project solicitation; project nomination; project proposals; project submission; and other processes that would be appropriate for the Rule Book.

The Office shall, annually review, amend, and update the Rule Book as needed, in consultation and with the majority approval of the Board. The Office shall annually update the City Council on the participatory budget process through an executive summary submitted at the end of the fiscal year.

Public hearings of the Board shall be planned so as to maximize citizen attendance including a preference to hold hearings in the evenings or off-site from City Hall, as well as ensuring language accessibility for Boston residents. Notice of all public hearings of the Board shall be posted publicly on the City website and published once a week for two (2) weeks preceding a hearing in a newspaper of general circulation in the City.

Participatory budgeting proposals shall be limited to one-time, non-recurring programs, shall not include the creation of new permanent positions, must be feasible to implement, and shall be implemented by the appropriate City department or agency with jurisdiction for the project being proposed. Proposals that would require multi-year funding may make payments to a special revenue fund and can accept and expend additional grant funds as they are awarded. Participatory budget proposals shall include cost estimates for implementation and be provided by the Board and Director in a timeframe that aligns with the City's regular budget process and are subject to appropriation.

Proposals with estimated costs will be reviewed in advance by an appropriate City department or agency and will be certified by the City's Chief Financial Officer. The Office may consult with appropriate City staff to support the development of proposals.

The Office shall regularly report on the uses of the funds, map the geographic distribution of funded projects, and study the economic and demographic breakdown of benefitting areas. It shall make such analysis and the underlying data available on a City website on at least an annual basis in a public hearing held by the Oversight Board.

# 5-1.11.9 Fiscal Accountability.

- (a) The Office's annual operating budget is subject to annual appropriations, and shall include funding for the administration of the Office, the Participatory Budgeting Process, and the funding for projects that are proposed by the Board and Director based on the results of the Participatory Budgeting Process.
- (b) Funded projects shall be limited to one-time, non-recurring programs, and shall not include the creation of new permanent positions.
- (c) The Office can make payments to support multi-year projects in a special revenue fund and can accept and expend additional grant funds as they are awarded.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THE FORGOING, IF PASSED IN THE ABOVE FORM, WILL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH LAW. BY

ADAM CEDERBAUM CORPORATION COUNSEL



January 9, 2023

#### **TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to appropriate the amount of Twenty One Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$21,600,000) for the purpose of paying the costs of a design and construction associated with the boiler, windows and doors replacement projects at the following schools:

Schools	Address	Neighborhood	State	Zip	Scope
Boston Day and Evening Academy	20 Kearsage Street	Roxbury	MA	02119	Window s and Doors
Henderson Upper School	18 Croftland Street	Dorchester	MA	02124	Partial boiler
Rafael Hernandez School	61 School Street	Roxbury	MA	02119	Window s and Doors
William E. Russell	750 Columbia Road	Dorchester	MA	02125	Boiler

This includes the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto, and or which the City of Boston has applied 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.

I urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Order as soon as possible so that the City of Boston may proceed with the design and construction of these timely improvements for Boston school facilities.

Michelle Wu Mayor of Boston

# CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

**ORDERED:** That the City of Boston appropriate the amount of Twenty One Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$21,600,000) for the purpose of paying the costs associated with the window and boiler replacement projects at the following schools:

Project	School	Address	City of Boston Neighborhood	State	Zip Code
Windows and Doors	Boston Day and Evening Academy	20 Kearsage Street	Roxbury	MA	02119
Partial Boiler	Henderson Upper School	18 Croftland Street	Dorchester	MA	02124
Windows and Doors	Rafael Hernandez School	61 School Street	Roxbury	MA	02119
Boiler	William E. Russell	750 Columbia Road	Dorchester	MA	02125

including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto (the "Project"), which proposed repair Project would materially extend the useful life of the schools and preserve assets that otherwise are capable of supporting the required educational program, and for which the City of Boston has applied for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority ("MSBA"), said amount to be expended under the direction of Public Facilities Department on behalf of Boston Public Schools; and that to meet said appropriation the Collector-Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor is hereby authorized to borrow said amount under the provisions of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, as amended or supplemented, or any other enabling authority, and from time to time, issue bonds, notes or certificates of indebtedness of the City up to said amount; that this order shall constitute a declaration of official intent of the City pursuant to Treasury Regulations Section 1.150-2(e) to reimburse expenditures for such projects made from funds established for such purpose as permitted by statute from proceeds of debt incurred by the City pursuant to this order; and that pursuant to Section 12(b) of Chapter 643 of the Acts of 1983 as amended, if any part of the proceeds of sale of any bonds or notes or other obligations issued by the City under this order remains unexpended after the work or purpose for which such bonds, notes or other obligations are issued is completed, such proceeds are hereby appropriated and may be applied by the Collector-Treasurer and City Auditor, at the direction of the Mayor, to pay the principal, premium or interest on such bonds, notes or other obligations or on any debt of the City. The City of Boston acknowledges that the MSBA's grant program is a non-entitlement, discretionary program based on need, as determined by the MSBA, and any project costs the City of Boston incurs in excess of any grant that may be approved by and received from the MSBA on account of the Project shall be the sole responsibility of the City of Boston; provided further that any grant that City may receive from the MSBA for the Project shall not exceed the lesser of (1) 60.42% of eligible, approved project costs, as determined by the MSBA, or (2) the total. maximum grant amount determined by the MSBA; and that the amount of borrowing authorized pursuant to this vote shall be reduced by any grant amount set forth in the Project Funding Agreement relating to the Project that may be executed between the City of Boston and the MSBA.

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ADAM CEDERBAUM	
CORPORATION COUNSEL	

# **Offered by Councilor Frank Baker**



# **CITY OF BOSTON**

# IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-THREE

# **HOME RULE PETITION**

# *BE IT ORDERED,* That a petition to the General Court, accompanied by a bill for a special law relating to the City of Boston to be filed with an attested copy of this order be, and hereby is, approved under Clause 1 of Section 8 of Article II, as amended, of the Articles of Amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to the end that legislation be adopted precisely as follows, except for clerical or editorial changes of form only:

# PETITION FOR A SPECIAL LAW RE: AN ACT DIRECTING THE CITY OF BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT TO WAIVE THE MAXIMUM AGE REQUIREMENT FOR POLICE OFFICERS FOR WENDY PIERRE-LOUIS

# Section 1.

Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, including the provisions of Chapter 43 of the Acts of 2007, the City of Boston Police Department shall waive the maximum age requirement for original appointment of police officers for Wendy Pierre-Louis. If Wendy Pierre-Louis meets all other requirements set forth by the Boston Police Department, he shall be eligible to have his name certified for original appointment to the position of police officer.

# Section 2.

The provisions of this act shall take effect immediately upon passage.

Filed in Council: January 26, 2023
#### OFFERED BY COUNCILOR KENDRA LARA



### CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

#### ORDER FOR A HEARING REGARDING WINTER PLACEMAKING AND BOSTON AS A 'WINTER CITY'

- *WHEREAS*, The City of Boston tends to experience a shift in programming and liveliness during the winter season, when residents bundle up indoors to avoid icy roads or cold temperatures; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Cold weather impacts business so drastically that IBM Global Business Services sells weather data directly to business clients who need to make crucial decisions on whether or not to stay open; *and*
- *WHEREAS,* In 2020, Bench Consulting, in partnership with the Barr Foundation, discussed a City's role in celebrating the season through programming, resources, and economic opportunities; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, While cold weather, snow, and other winter elements transform the City of Boston for about four months of the year, there are new opportunities for outdoor exploration and economic activity that is unique to Boston; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Boston has the potential to become a '*Winter City*,' one that has the tools to embrace the winter season, create infrastructure for economic and recreational activity all year long, bring economic activity back to neighborhood streets and downtowns to support culture-building; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Infrastructure that is built to embrace winter elements has many benefits, including increasing outdoor recreation, improving mental health, using public spaces for community gatherings; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Funding resources and action plans for creating a lively, active, safe, and supportive Winter City can be seen in places such as Eau Claire, WI; Buffalo, NY; Edmonton, Canada; and Burlington, VT; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, These cities and towns implement a variety of infrastructure changes and programming, including creating an accessible coat bank, using snow as a building material, transforming streets, parking lots, and community buildings for winter use, transforming City trails for cross-country skiing and outdoor recreation, highlighting local artists, and celebrating the uniqueness of the season; *NOW*, *THEREFORE BE IT*
- **ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss making Boston a 'Winter City' and that representatives from the Office of Arts and Culture, the Department of New Urban Mechanics, the Office of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion, and the Department of Parks and Recreation, in addition to community advocates and members of the public are invited to testify.

#### **OFFERED BY COUNCILOR BRIAN WORRELL**



# CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

#### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO BRING THE 2026 NBA ALL-STAR WEEKEND TO BOSTON

- WHEREAS, Basketball was invented in Massachusetts in 1891; and
- *WHEREAS*, Boston professional sports teams have won 12 championship titles since 1999–more than any other city; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Boston has not hosted a professional All-Star Game since the Boston Red Sox hosted the 1999 MLB All-Star Game and has not hosted the NBA All-Star Game since 1964; *and*
- *WHEREAS,* The Boston Celtics have won 17 Championships since their founding–10 of which were won after the last Boston-hosted All-Star Game; *and*
- WHEREAS, The NBA and Boston Celtics will celebrate their 80th season in 2026; and
- *WHEREAS*, 2026 will be the 70th anniversary of the drafting of civil rights and Celtics champion Bill Russell; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, The Boston Celtics have consistently pursued racial equity, being the first team to draft a Black player with Chuck Cooper in 1950 and the first team to have an all-Black starting lineup in 1964; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, the Greater Cleveland Sports Commission analysis indicates that the 2022 NBA All-Star Game attracted \$141.4 million in direct spending, generated \$248.9 million in total economic impact, produced \$50 million in earned media value, and received \$11.9 billion in total media reach; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, The 2022 NBA All-Star Game attracted 121,600 people from 45 states and 24 countries; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, This attention would provide the City of Boston an opportunity to highlight its many diverse neighborhoods and local businesses by hosting extended festivities and celebrations throughout the City; *and*

- *WHEREAS*, Hosting the All-Star Game will require equitable contracting and procurement practices to ensure MWBE participation; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, The Boston Celtics are preparing a bid to host the 2026 NBA All-Star Weekend; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, NBA Commissioner Adam Silver stated that he would "encourage" Boston's application; *NOW*, *THEREFORE BE IT*
- *ORDERED:* That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to address improvements needed to bolster the City's application standing and ensure preparations are done in an equitable manner and that representatives from the Boston Celtics; Public Works; Small Business Development; Tourism, Sports, & Entertainment; Transportation; and other interested parties be invited to testify.

#### **OFFERED BY COUNCILOR BRIAN WORRELL**



# CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

#### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO PREEMPTIVELY PLAN SUMMER VIOLENCE MITIGATION STRATEGIES

- *WHEREAS*, Boston experiences predictable surges in violence during the summer months that contribute to on-going community trauma; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Increases are primarily driven by young people who have been released for summer vacation; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Summer employment, internship, enrichment, and athletic opportunities promote healthy development, protect against summer learning loss, and deter community violence ; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Summer opportunities of all types are not equitably distributed throughout the city; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Summer opportunities are least accessible in the neighborhoods that experience the largest surges in violence; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, City investments in violence prevention and equity must be holistic, community-based, and support organizations working to provide services upon which the City relies; *and*
- *WHEREAS,* The City has the opportunity to support community organizations that provide services, invest in its own facilities and citizens in historically underfunded neighborhoods, and participate in community building, outreach, & engagement; *NOW, THEREFORE BE IT*
- **ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss preemptive measures to ensure the City is properly prepared to support community organizations and engage in direct programming and outreach to mitigate surges in violence during the summer months and that representatives from Boston Centers for Youth & Families, Boston Public Health Commission, Economic Opportunity & Inclusions, Library, Workforce Development, Youth Engagement & Advancement, interested community organizations, and community members be invited to testify.

#### **Offered by Councilor Brian Worrell**



### CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

#### ORDER FOR A HEARING REGARDING EFFORTS TO INCREASE HOUSING AFFORDABILITY FOR LONG-TERM RESIDENTS

- *WHEREAS*: The cost of housing in the City of Boston continues to rise, pricing out many long-term and middle-class families; *and*
- *WHEREAS*: Many of these residents do not qualify for current housing assistance programs despite continued need for relief and assistance in order to purchase a home in the city; *and*
- *WHEREAS*: Boston operates several existing partnerships that help to increase the buying power of income-eligible first time homebuyers within the City including the ONE+ Boston Mortgage Program; *and*
- *WHEREAS*: There is a limited number of financial institutions that provide service to our first-time homebuyers mortgage programs; *and*
- *WHEREAS*: Providing direct assistance for first-time, income-eligible residents to purchase homes could help communities to build generational wealth, as well as help the City to close racial gaps in homeownership, wealth, health, and opportunities; *and*
- *WHEREAS*: The Boston Housing Authority already has a Section 8 Homeownership Program that allows voucher holders to subsidize mortgage payments; *and*
- *WHEREAS:* The City and Council have explored mechanisms to allocate ARPA funds to support home-buying opportunities among long-term residents who have been impacted by housing discrimination, allowing many to become homeowners; *and*
- *WHEREAS*: Boston must continue to build on its efforts to open residency and homeownership to all–and particularly its vulnerable long-term residents– by targeting AMI levels often left unsupported; *NOW THEREFORE BE IT*
- **ORDERED**: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council holds a hearing to discuss the efficacy of the Section 8 Homeownership Voucher Program, as well as ways in which the City may expand these opportunities, and that representatives from the Administration, the Mayor's Office of Housing, and other interested parties shall be invited to attend.

#### **Offered by Councilor Brian Worrell**



### CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### ORDER FOR A HEARING REGARDING EQUITY IN CITY CONTRACTS

- *WHEREAS*: The Disparity Study in City Contracting commissioned by Mayor Walsh analyzed over 47,000 contracts awarded by the City from 2014 2019 reported that of those contracts, 11% were awarded to minority- and women-owned businesses and only 0.4% reached Black businesses.; *and*
- WHEREAS: Mayor Walsh's Executive Order Establishing Equitable Procurement Goals in Support of Minority- and Woman-Owned Businesses in 2021 set city goals for MWBE contracts at 25% (MBE 10% and WBE 15%); and
- *WHEREAS*: The Executive Order also required that every department must develop and submit a plan for racial- and gender-conscious goals in procurement; *and*
- *WHEREAS:* The Supplier Diversity program was created with 6 supporting staff positions to oversee the above goals by implementing strategies for fair and equitable access to City contracting opportunities; *and*
- *WHEREAS*: Through the Contracting Opportunity Fund, the City awarded \$820,000 to support certified woman (WBE), minority (MBE), veteran-owned (VSBE), and small and local businesses (SLBE) within the City of Boston that wish to compete for City contracting opportunities in 2022; *and*
- *WHEREAS*: The Supplier Diversity program has implemented other strategies such as publishing the City's first Buying Plan, hosted ongoing Opportunity Fairs, Info Sessions, and Clinics, and streamlined the process to secure MBE certification; *and*
- *WHEREAS:* Many private enterprise businesses have procedures in place to assist MWBEs through application processes and policies to resize and restructure contract opportunities to allow for increased MWBE participation; *and*
- *WHEREAS*: The City of Boston has experienced significant turnover and has started to stabilize within the departments associated with these goals; *NOW THEREFORE BE IT*
- **ORDERED**: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss the status of increasing the procurement of city contracts by MWBE's and

that representatives from the Mayor's Office of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion, Equity Cabinet, and the public be invited to testify.



#### **OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN**

# CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

#### ORDER FOR A MEETING TO REVIEW THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL RULES

WHEREAS:	The Rules of the Boston City Council are a set of rules that set parliamentary procedure during Boston City Council Meetings, as well as expectations for Council, staff, and public conduct during the City Council meeting and other Council committee events; <i>and</i>
WHEREAS:	The City Council votes to adopt these rules at the beginning of each Council Presidency, with the most recent Rules adopted in January of 2022 by unanimous vote; <i>and</i>
WHEREAS:	In order to run meetings most effectively, it is helpful that each member of the Boston City Council is familiar with the Boston City Council Rules, and all regulations regarding procedure and conduct outlined and adopted by this body; <i>NOW, THEREFORE BE IT</i>
ORDERED:	That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a meeting to review the Boston City Council Rules.

#### OFFERED BY COUNCILOR KENDRA LARA



# CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

#### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS THE RISE IN PUBLIC CONSUMER ENERGY COSTS

- *WHEREAS*, Electric and gas prices have significantly increased this winter in the City of Boston, with National Grid estimating costs to power bills rising nearly 60% in the last year; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, as of October 2022, the 29.1 cents per kWh that Boston households paid for electricity in October 2022 was 75.3% higher than the nationwide average cost of 16.6 cents per kWh; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Boston area electricity costs have exceeded the national average by at least 48.9% over the past five Octobers; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Near the end of 2022, Eversource announced that new rates would be in effect for the first six months of 2023, increasing the average customer's bill by 23%; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Eversource recently increased its Basic Service rates to 25.649 cents/kWh for residential customers, a 63 percent increase from their winter 2022 rate; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, The City of Boston has a Boston Community Choice Electricity (BCCE) program that gives residents three cost saving options; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Through the BCCE program, the most expensive option of 100% renewable electricity is only 13.987 cents/kWh with rates locked in through December 2023; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Rising energy costs place additional economic barriers on low-income and middle class residents in Boston, recently determined the second most expensive City to be a renter in the entire United States; *NOW*, *THEREFORE BE IT*
- **ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss the City of Boston's efforts to sign residents up for Boston's BCCE program, MASS Saves and other energy cost-saving programs. Representatives from the Boston Community Choice Electricity Program, Mass Saves, Environment Energy and Open Space Cabinet, and Senior Saves Program, advocates and community members are invited to provide testimony

### **OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ERIN MURPHY**



# **CITY OF BOSTON**

#### IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-THREE

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS THE PAYROLL CONCERNS OF MANY OF OUR BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOL TEACHERS WHO ARE OWED BACK PAY.

- *WHEREAS*, At the Boston City Council meeting on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, the Council unanimously voted to pass Dockets #1244 and #1245 and approve the appropriations for the three-year Boston Teachers Union contract; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Boston Public School Teachers have been working without a contract since September 1, 2021 and the new contract covers the three year period September 1, 2021 through August 31, 2024; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, The contract includes pay increases, at the minimum, of 9.5% over three years that include retroactively paying teachers back to September 2021; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Commissioner of Schools Jeff Riley said last year... "There are just a myriad of problems here, many of them emanating from a bloated central office that is often incapable of the most basic functions.". Paying our workforce is one of, if not the most, important basic functions of the School Department *; and*
- *WHEREAS*, Katherine Craven, Chair of the Board of Elementary and secondary Education, suggested that the mandated improvement plan between the State and the School District may need to be amended to include payroll issues; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, The City of Boston owes close to 9,000 current and former BTU members more than \$16 million dollars in back pay. As of today, these payments have not been made to the teachers; *NOW*, *THEREFORE BE IT*
- **ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss the payroll concerns of thousands of our Boston Public School teachers. Representatives from the Mayor's office, Boston Public Schools, Boston Teachers Union, and other interested parties shall be invited to attend.

#### OFFERED BY COUNCILORS KENDRA LARA AND FRANK BAKER



# **CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL**

#### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS THE RECOVERY AND REVITALIZATION OF THE TAXI INDUSTRY

- *WHEREAS*, The Taxi industry in Boston has struggled to compete with rideshare companies that have developed strategies and best practices for participating in the current market, leaving drivers and medallion owners with little economic success; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, 1,825 taxi medallions are licensed by the City of Boston and owned by Boston residents; *and*
- *WHEREAS,* The Taxi industry is primarily made up of small-business owners and is a majority immigrant-owned industry; *and*
- *WHEREAS,* The Boston Taxi industry is an essential resource for neighbors, including elderly and disabled Boston residents, who may receive discounted taxi coupons; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Information and guidelines regarding the application process for a Hackney License are outdated, lacking necessary steps, and inaccessible for non-native English-speaking residents; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, The Hackney Division of the Boston Police Department is responsible for regulating all taxis, sight-seeing automobiles, horses and carriages, and pedicabs in the City of Boston; *and*
- *WHEREAS,* Taxi drivers are licensed by the Police Commissioner under Chapter 392 of the Acts of 1930 and commanded by the Inspector of Carriages, who regulates the taxi industry; *and*
- *WHEREAS,* Regulation and management of the Taxi industry is a small-business issue, an immigrant community issue, and an issue of economic justice; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, The need for fundamental changes to the Taxi industry is not a new subject, given that the Institute for Justice studied the issue in 1995 and former Mayor Walsh created a Taxi Advisory Committee in 2017; *NOW, THEREFORE BE IT*
- **ORDERED:** The appropriate committee of the Boston City Council holds a hearing to discuss the recovery and revitalization of the Taxi industry. Representatives from the Boston Police Department's Hackney Division, the Office of the Boston Police Commissioner, the Office of New Urban Mechanics, the Department of Tourism, Sports, and Entertainment, the Age Strong Commission, the Department for Small Business Development, and other related departments, government entities, non-profits, associations, and interested individuals be invited to testify.

#### **OFFERED BY COUNCILOR TANIA FERNANDES ANDERSON AND RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE**



# CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING REGARDING CALLING FOR A MORATORIUM ON ALL DEVELOPMENT ON ALL CITY OWNED LAND IN DISTRICT SEVEN PRIOR TO THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL PROCESS

- *WHEREAS*, District Seven is home to densely populated, predominantly Black, brown and working class communities; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Years of unsatisfying development policies have essentially sidelined and marginalized the masses of people in the district in regards to development; and
- *WHEREAS,* The current process functions in the manner of a fait accompli, where a development project is presented to community members after the initial decision has already been made as what the nature of said project will be; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, This status quo is unacceptable, as it severely limits the ability of community members and concerned stakeholders to determine the nature of development and merely enables the BPDA and the ZBA to rubber stamp projects that are already in the works by developers; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, For too long, the people of District Seven have had to accept such an arrangement with the economic and political power elites of our City, and we are calling for said arrangement to be terminated and replaced by one that integrally incorporates our perspective and involvement in every step of the development process; and
- *WHEREAS*, District Seven is a particularly dense district with a high number of apartment buildings; *and*
- WHEREAS, Around 75% of residents of Roxbury are already renters and 48% of all rental apartments in Roxbury are low income rentals, meaning that nearly 1 out of every 2 rentals in Roxbury are affordable rentals; and

- *WHEREAS*, The average median household income for an individual in Roxbury is \$34,000 a year, which is 53% less than the average median income of a Boston resident, which is \$71,000; *and*
- WHEREAS, Hence, the average person in Roxbury makes less than <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> the money of the average person in Boston; and
- WHEREAS, Only 26% of Roxbury residents own their own homes, which is one of the lowest rates of homeownership in the City; and
- *WHEREAS*, The real poverty rate in Roxbury is 33%, which is the second highest official poverty rate in the City; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Roxbury has the highest percentage of income restricted units in the City of Boston, with 54% of all of its housing stock being income restricted, which is twice the total of income restricted units in the City, which stands at 27%; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Of the 20,073 total housing units in Roxbury, 10,850 of said housing units are income restricted; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, These high rental rates and poverty rates are consistent with the statistic that the average white family in Boston possesses \$247,000 while the average Black family has eight dollars of wealth; *and*
- *WHEREAS* Various community leaders, civic associations, and concerned constituents do not wish to see the plethora of parcels in their community used primarily for the purpose of building housing, particularly low income rentals, which Roxbury, for example, already has in disproportion to most sections of the city; and
- *WHEREAS*, Rather, vast sectors of the community speak to the need for the parcels to be activated in a variety of manners, including for arts & culture, purposes of beautification, urban gardens, places of recreation, playgrounds and more; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, There are other communities in Boston, those that are wealthier and less dense, that can better accommodate and support the building of additional low income rental housing; *and*

WHEREAS, A great number of community leaders as well as civic and neighborhood

associations have held meetings with various developers and heads of departments and have expressed their views clearly; *and* 

- *WHEREAS*, While some minimal efforts in regards to inclusion have recently been engaged in within the existing development processes, none of that has fundamentally altered the status quo that continues to favor those already in positions of economic and political power; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Due to this, D7 leaders, activists, advocates and engaged community members are stating as a collective entity that they will no longer take part in any meetings, hearings, or conversations pertaining to development on city owned land with developers and the city departments collaborating with them until this moratorium is instituted; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Said D7 leaders, consisting of, but not limited to, civic and neighborhood associations, groups and other concerned parties, reserve the right to engage in meetings and conversations with developers and city department officials regarding work occurring and/or being proposed on private owned land; *and*
- *WHEREAS*, Therefore, we reiterate our call and demand for a moratorium, which can and will allow time for the revision of the article 80 process and for a community lead master plan, on the development of all city owned land throughout District Seven until a truly equitable community planning process is instituted that centers the community's desires and wishes for how the land will be utilized and developed moving forward; *NOW*, *THEREFORE BE IT*
- **ORDERED:** That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council record a hearing that will give voice to the residents of District Seven calling for a moratorium on all development on city owned land in the district, and that relevant entities, such as community leaders, presidents of civic and neighborhood organizations as well those in positions of leadership in Boston Redevelopment Authority or BPDA, the Boston Housing Agency, and the Mayor's Office of Housing and other interested and engaged parties be invited.

Filed: January 30th, 2023



### **CITY OF BOSTON**

### **IN CITY COUNCIL**

#### RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE ECONOMIC CENSUS AND TO PROMOTE RESPONSE RATES IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

- WHEREAS: Every 5 years, the U.S. Census Bureau conducts the Economic Census; and,
- **WHEREAS:** The Economic Census is authorized by sections 131, 224 and 225 of Title 13 of United States Code and requires businesses and other organizations to respond; *and*,
- **WHEREAS:** The Economic Census is the Nation's official five-year measure of American business and the economy providing industry statistics about the national, state, and local governments, including Boston; *and*,
- **WHEREAS:** Data from the Economic Census provides the foundation for other key measures of economic performance such as the Gross Domestic Product and the Producer Price Index which is used by the City of Boston to make informed budgetary and economic decisions; *and*,
- **WHEREAS:** Data from the Economic Census is used by Boston businesses, policymakers and community organizations for economic development, business forecasting, and strategic planning; *and*,
- **WHEREAS:** Without Economic Census data, vital information would be missed regarding changes in the ownership and organizational structure of businesses and industries in Boston; *and*,
- **WHEREAS:** The City of Boston uses Economic Census data to attract new businesses, assess the economic health of the city, identify emerging job markets and growing industries; *and*,
- **WHEREAS:** Business in Boston use Economic Census data to make decisions about where to locate, how much to produce, and to compare their performance to other businesses across the Nation; *and*,
- **WHEREAS:** Information collected from the Economic Census is confidential and is not publicly releasable in any way that could identify a business, organization, or institution; *and*,
- **WHEREAS:** The main mailing of the 2022 Economic Census will begin on January 31, 2023 with responses due by March 15, 2023; *and*

#### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

That the Boston City Council affirms support for the administration of the Economic Census in Boston; *and* 

#### **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:**

That the Boston City Council encourages active partnership between our city government and the U.S. Census Bureau for the purpose of maximizing the Economic Census response rates in Boston.

#### OFFERED BY COUNCILORS KENDRA LARA AND ED FLYNN



### CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

#### RESOLUTION DESIGNATING A MEMORIAL HERO SQUARE AT THE INTERSECTION OF GLEN ROAD AND FOREST HILLS STREET IN JAMAICA PLAIN IN MEMORY OF PAUL XAVIER HOGAN

- *WHEREAS,* Sergeant Paul X. Hogan was born September, 29th 1918 in Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts; *and*
- WHEREAS, Sergeant Paul X. Hogan is the son of William P. and Marion E. Hogan; and
- WHEREAS, Sergeant Paul X. Hogan was Cousin to Michael Taylor; and
- *WHEREAS*, Sergeant Paul X. Hogan began active duty in the U.S. Army Air Corps on August 12th, 1943, during World War II; *and*
- WHEREAS, Sergeant Paul X. Hogan served 701th Bomb Squadron, 445th Bomb GP; and
- WHEREAS, Sergeant Paul X. Hogan died honorably in action on February 27th, 1945; and
- WHEREAS, Sergeant Paul X. Hogan served our country with honor and courage when we needed him the most; *NOW, THEREFORE BE IT*
- **RESOLVED:** The Boston City Council honors Sergeant Paul X. Hogan for his service and sacrifice by designating a Memorial Hero Square at the intersection of Glen Road and Forest Hills Street in Jamaica Plain in his memory.

#### OFFERED BY COUNCILORS KENDRA LARA AND JULIA MEJIA



# CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

# RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 27TH, 2023, AS DOMINICAN INDEPENDENCE DAY

WHEREAS,	Dominican Republic independence day has been celebrated on February 27th since 1844; <i>and</i>
WHEREAS,	Every year, the City of Boston proudly raises the flag of the Dominican Republic in celebration of our city's Dominican residents, who are the second-largest Latino population in Boston and the largest immigrant population, according to the US Census Bureau; <i>and</i>
WHEREAS,	The flag of the Dominican Republic is an incredibly profound symbol of the country's values, with the blue of the flag stands for liberty, the white for salvation, and the red for the blood of heroes; <i>and</i>
WHEREAS,	In the center of the flag of the Dominican Republic is the country's crest, which proudly displays the motto "DIOS, PATRIA, LIBERTAD," or "God, Fatherland, Liberty." At the center of this crest, there is a bible opened to a page stating the following verse: "Y la verdad nos hara libre," or "And the truth shall set you free,"; <i>and</i>
WHEREAS,	The values stated on the flag represent the hard-working Dominican community who work and live daily in the City of Boston, including members of organizations such as FUNDOARCU, who work to highlight the values of the Dominican heritage. The foundation carries out direct management in the promotion of the art and the culture in the community; <i>and</i>
WHEREAS,	Raising the Dominican flag is also an opportunity for Dominicans of all backgrounds to come together, including Afro-Latino Dominicans, LGBTQ+ Dominicans, and others; <i>and</i>
WHEREAS,	The City of Boston has an exciting opportunity to celebrate and uplift the contributions made to our city by Dominicans and Dominican Americans, and while we should commemorate through the raising of the flag of the Dominican Republic, we should also further commit to the work of advocating on behalf of the Dominican community in Boston every day; <i>AND NOW THEREFORE BE IT</i>

RESOLVED:	That the Boston City Council recognizes February 27th,2023, as Dominican Republic Independence Day in the City of Boston and that we continue to recognize, uplift, and assist in the celebration of the accomplishments of the Dominican community in Boston; <i>AND NOW</i> <i>THEREFORE BE IT</i>
RESOLVED	In recognition of Dominican Republic Independence Day, the Boston City

**RESOLVED:** In recognition of Dominican Republic Independence Day, the Boston City Council orders the property management department to raise the flag of the Dominican Republic on February 27th, 2023.

### BOSTON CITY COUNCIL CITY COUNCIL

January 27, 2023

Councilor Flynn (Councilor Arroyo)

**ORDERED:** That effective Saturday, February 4, 2023 the following named person be, and hereby is, appointed to the position set against their name until Friday, March 17, 2023.

**BiWeekly Payroll** 

Jesus D. Linares Marrero Secretary

\$1,923.08

full time



### **Boston City Council**

Legislative Calendar for the February 1, 2023 Session

### Sixty Day Orders

The following ordinances, appropriations and/or orders recommended by the Mayor for passage by the City Council become effective after the date specified unless previously acted upon<sup>1</sup>

#### <sup>1</sup>Section 17E of Chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948 (as amended):

The mayor from time to time may make to the city council in the form of an ordinance or loan order filed with the city clerk such recommendations as he may deem to be for the welfare of the city. The City Council shall consider each ordinance or loan order so presented and shall either adopt or reject the same within sixty days after the date when it is filed as aforesaid. If such ordinance or loan order is not rejected within sixty days, it shall be in force as if adopted by the city council unless previously withdrawn by the mayor.

#### In effect after February 10, 2023

Message and order for your approval an Ordinance establishing the Office of Participatory Budgeting, amending the City of Boston Code V, with the insertion of a new Section 5-1.11. (Docket #0100)

On the Table

Order requesting certain information under section 17F re: Special Education for Private School from School Year 2019-2023. (Docket #0174) Order requesting certain information under section 17F re: Grant for IDEA grant set aside for Private School Spec Ed. (Docket #0175)

2 - Section 17F of Chapter 452 of the Acts of 1948 (as amended):

The city council may at any time request from the mayor specific information on any municipal matter within its jurisdiction, and may request his presence to answer written questions relating thereto at a meeting to be held not earlier than one week from the date of the receipt of said questions, in which case the mayor shall personally, or through a head of a department or a member of a board, attend such meeting and publicly answer all such questions. The person so attending shall not be obliged to answer questions relating to any other matter.

#### <sup>3</sup>Section 22 of Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1982:

Every order of the city council approving a petition to the general court pursuant to Clause (1) of Section 8 of Article 2 of the amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth shall be presented to the mayor who shall forthwith consider the same, and, within fifteen days of presentation, either approve it, or file with the city council a

statement in detail of his reasons for not approving the same, including any objection based on form, on content, or both; provided, that no such order shall be deemed approved or in force unless the mayor affixes his signature thereto.

#### Matters in Committee

The following matters were previously filed with the City Council and have been referred to a committee. Matters in committee can be brought back before the City Council pursuant to City Council Rule 24. The following *definitions* describe different types of matters in committee:

Ordinances:	Local laws enacted by the Boston City Council and the Mayor that become part of the City Code of Ordinances.
Loan Orders:	Authorization for the City of Boston to incur debt and expend money for projects, purchases, or other obligations.
Orders:	Directives that authorize action. Orders are legally binding but are not part of the City Code of Ordinances.
Home Rule Petitions:	Requests for special acts that concern a particular municipality. Home Rule Petitions require approval of the Boston City Council and Mayor, as well as passage by the state legislature.
Order for a Hearing:	A formal request sponsored by a councilor that a committee of the Boston City Council conduct a hearing about a particular matter, issue, or policy that impacts the City of Boston. An Order for a Hearing is not a law and is not voted on by the City Council. The only action concerning an Order for a Hearing that can be taken at a City Council meeting is the administrative action of placing it on file.
Legislative Resolution	A recommendation concerning policy issues that may urge action on particular matters. Legislative resolutions have no legal effect. Legislative resolutions represent a particular position or statement by a Councilor, Councilors, or the City Council as

a whole.

# 2023 MATTERS IN COMMITTEE

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date Referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Arts, Culture & Special Events	0118	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Ninety-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$297,200.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY23 Local Cultural Council Program, awarded by the Massachusetts Cultural Council to be administered by the Office of Arts and Culture. The grant will find innovative arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences programming that enhance the quality of life in our city.	1 /11/2023		
Arts, Culture, & Special Events	0260	Coletta	Breadon, Fernandes	Order for a hearing to address the loss of rehearsal spaces for musicians in the City of Boston.	1 /25/2023		
Boston's COVID-19 Recovery	0159	Bok	Breadon, Worrell	Order for a hearing regarding a review of COVID-19 recovery funds.	1 /11/2023		
Boston's COVID-19 Recovery	0162	Bok	Worrell, Coletta	Order for a hearing regarding enhancing Boston's COVID recovery via competitive federal grants provided by the B.I.L. and I.R.A.	1 /11/2023		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0144	Flynn	Breadon	Order for a hearing to discuss pest control in the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0145	Flynn	Flaherty	Order for a hearing to discuss the safety of light poles, bridges, and other public infrastructure in the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0146	Coletta	Flynn	Order for a hearing regarding the coordination of construction and utility permits.	1 /11/2023		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0154	Louijeune	Flaherty, Breadon	Order for a hearing on fire and emergency disaster relief services in the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023		

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City Services & Innovation Technology	0160	Bok	Worrell	Order for a hearing regarding the supplemental sidewalk clearance progam during snowstorms in Boston.	1 /11/2023		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0211	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an order appropriating from the Edward Ingersoll Browne Fund the sum of One Million Four Hundred Seventy Five Thousand Dollars (\$1,475,000.00) for projects described in the attached order. The Edward Ingersoll Browne Fund Commissioners met on December 7, 2022, and voted to approve these projects and to establish a dedicated repairs and restoration fund for the Browne Fund Projects.	1 /25/2023		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0258	Fernandes Anderson	Arroyo, Worrell	Order for a hearing to explore a digital marketplace pilot program.	1 /25/2023		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0259	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss renaming the Roxbury branch of the Boston Public Library to the Nubian Library.	1 /25/2023		
Civil Rights & Immigrant Advancement	0120	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$160,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Immigrant Advancement Fund, awarded by the Donor Group to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Immigrant Advancement. The grant will fund programs, initiatives, events and small grants that enable immigrants to play an active role in the economic, civic, social and cultural life of the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023		
Civil Rights & Immigrant Advancement	0155	Louijeune		Order for a hearing to discuss an increase in racist incidents in Boston and the Human Rights Commission's role in tracking, reporting, and addressing discrimination and civil rights violations.	1 /11/2023		
Civil Rights & Immigrant Advancement	0158	Louijeune	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing on the needs and services for migrant populations.	1 /11/2023		
Civil Rights & Immigrant Advancement	0164	Louijeune	Fernandes Anderson, Bok	Order for a hearing on discrimination in lending and appraisals.	1 /11/2023		

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Civil Rights & Immigrant Advancement	0168	Louijeune	Worrell, Fernandes	Order for a hearing on the civil rights and liberties of returning citizens and re-entry into their Boston communities.	1 /11/2023		
Education	0142	Worrell		Order for a hearing regarding a cradle-to-career educational data tracking system.	1 /11/2023		
Education	0147	Coletta	Lara, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to establish a climate change and environmental justice curriculum in Boston Public Schools.	1 /11/2023		
Education	0163	Mejia	Worrell	Order for a hearing adressing sexual harassment in Boston Public Schools.	1 /11/2023		
Education	0167	Mejia		Order for hearing on government transparency and acountability towards COVID safety in Boston Public Schools.	1 /11/2023		
Education	0173	Мејіа	Lara	Order for a hearing on "Green New Deal for BPS" plans, specifically the plan to merge six schools into three and split each of them onto two campuses.	1 /11/2023		
Education	0244	Мејіа		Order for a hearing on establishing a mental health curriculum in Boston Public Schools.	1 /25/2023		
Education	0245	Mejia	Lara, Arroyo	Order for a hearing examining the implementation and outcomes of restorative justice practices in the Boston Public Schools	1 /25/2023		
Education	0247	Lara	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the Academic Performance and Social-Emotional Well-Being of LGBTQ+ Students in Boston Public Schools.	1 /25/2023		
Education	0254	Fernandes Anderson	Mejia, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss how the Boston Public Schools can more effectively support the needs of its Muslim students.	1 /25/2023		

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Education	0255	Fernandes Anderson	Mejia, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss how Boston Public Schools are addressing the needs of the parents of English language learner students.	1 /25/2023		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0116	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Six Hundred Thirty- Three Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,633,500.00) in the form of a grant, for the Resilient Moakley Connectors, awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, passed through the Massachusetts Emergency Mangement Agency, to be admnistered by the Environment Department. The grant will fund pre- construction planning and design activities in the northern and southern areas adjacent to Moakley Park, located along the waterfront of Dorchester and South Boston neighborhoods. The project is separate but complementary to the flood mitigation project within Moakley Park.	1 /11/2023		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0117	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eight Hundred Seventy Thousand Dollars (\$870,000.00) in the form of a grant, for Climate Resilience, awarded by the Barr Foundation to be administered by the Environment Department. The grant will fund the continued implementation of Climate Ready Boston initiatives. This includes advancing coastal resilience and heat resilience strategies, prioritizing equitable electrification and creating a community tree care program.	1 /11/2023		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0149	Coletta	Bok, Breadon	Order for a hearing regarding a tree mitigation fund for the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0250	Lara	Arroyo, Fernandes	Order for a hearing on Installing Adjustable Height Basketball Hoops in the City of Boston Parks.	1 /25/2023		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0251	Lara	Bok, Coletta	Order for a hearing to Discuss Establishing A Walking City Trail Connecting Urban Green Spaces Across Boston Neighborhoods.	1 /25/2023		
Government Accountability, Transparency, &	0165	Mejia	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing on government transparency and accountability towards service provision and spending on ELL students.	1 /11/2023		

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Government Accountability, Transparency, &	0169	Mejia		Order for a hearing on government accountabiliy, transparency, and accessibility of decision-making protocols in city government.	1 /11/2023		
Government Accountability, Transparency, &	0170	Mejia	Coletta, Louijeune	Order for a hearing on government accountability and transparency around the Clougherty Pool closure in Charlestown.	1 /11/2023		
Government Accountability, Transparency, &	0241	Mejia	Lara	Order for a hearing regarding the Boston Public Schools Transportation system.	1 /25/2023		
Government Accountability, Transparency, &	0242	Mejia	Lara, Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing on an audit for Boston Public School's Special Education services and return on investment.	1 /25/2023		
Government Accountability, Transparency, &	0243	Mejia	Arroyo	Order for a hearing on government transparency and accountability towards surveillance equipment.	1 /25/2023		
Government Accountability, Transparency, &	0253	Mejia	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's procurement processes, procedures and progress.	1 /25/2023		
Government Accountabiliy, Transparency, &	0238	Mejia	Flynn, Arroyo	Order for a hearing on accountability and acessibility of language access services in the City of Boston.	1 /25/2023		
Government Operations	0100	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Ordinance establishing the Office of Participatory Budgeting, amending the City of Boston Code V, with the insertion of a new Section 5-1.11.	12/14/2022	1/30/23	2022-1520
Government Operations	0133	Worrell	Louijeune, Arroyo	Home Rule Petition Authorizing Additional Restricted Liquor Licenses.	1 /11/2023		
Government Operations	0135	Arroyo	Мејіа	A Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative to Reorganization of the Boston School Committee.	1 /11/2023		1/24/23 working session/ 1/25/23 Remains in Committee

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Government Operations	0136	Arroyo		An Ordinance Creating a Municipal Identification Card in the City of Boston	1 /11/2023		
Government Operations	0137	Аггоуо	Breadon, Lara	An Ordinance Esablishing Protections for the City of Boston Tree Canopy.	1 /11/2023		
Government Operations	0138	Louijeune	Arroyo, Bok	An Ordinance regulation and enforcement of keeping honey bees.	1 /11/2023		
Government Operations	0139	Louijeune	Bok, Arroyo	Text amendment to the Boston zoning code with respect to honey bees.	1 /11/2023		
Government Operations	0237	Fernandes Anderson		Ordinance and Amendment to the Boston Municipal Code in Regard to Measuring Racial Equity in Affordable Housing.	1 /25/2023		
Government Operations	0319	Mayor		Notice was received from the Mayor of the appontment of Vivian Leonard as a member of the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission.	1 /25/2023		
Government Operations	0320	Mayor		Notice was received from the Mayor of the re-appointment of Sammy Nabulsi as a member of the Municipal Lobying Compliance Commission.	1 /25/2023		
Government Operations	0321	Mayor		Notice was received from the Mayor of the re-appointment of Vivien Li as a member of the Municipal Lobbying Compliance Commission.	1 /25/2023		
Housing & Community Development	0157	Louijeune	Bok, Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing regarding the state of anti-displacement as to Boston's Acquisition Opportunity Program.	1 /11/2023	2/9/23	
Housing & Community Development	0161	Bok		Order for a hearing regarding increasing public housing in the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023		

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Housing & Community Development	0240	Mejia	Lara, Worrell	Order for a hearing on workforce development housing for City of Boston employees.	1 /25/2023		
Housing & Community Development	0249	Lara	Fernandes Anderson	Oder for a hearing to discuss the Impact Of Inequitable Housing Code Enforcement of Boston's Proactive Rental Inspection Program.	1 /25/2023		
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	0153	Louijeune	Worrell, Fernandes	Order or a hearing regarding biannual review of the Boston Employment Commission and Boston Residents Jobs Policy.	1 /11/2023		
PILOT Agreements, Institutional & Intergovernmental	0256	Fernandes Anderson	Louijeune, Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss ways of creating a partnership between colleges and high schools to create jobs and academic support for children.	1 /25/2023		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0101	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a grant from the Planning and Development Agency in the amount not to exceed Two Million Five Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand, Two Hundred Ninety-Seven Dollars (\$2,562,297.00) for the costs related to transportation improvement projects.	8 /10/2022		2022-0930
Planning, Development & Transportation	0102	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seven Million Five Hundred One Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$7,501,200.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal Highway Administration Grant from the Massachusetts Department of Transportation, Highway Division, to be administered by the Boston Transportation Department and the Boston Public Works Department. The grant will fund a portion of the design cost for the Sullivan Square/Rutherford Avenue project.	9 /28/2022		2022-1166
Planning, Development & Transportation	0104	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Alaa Mukahhal as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeal for a term expiring May 1, 2024.	9 /28/2022		2022-1174
Planning, Development & Transportation	0105	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Theodora Massouh as an alternate member of the Zoning Board of Appeal for a term expiring May 1, 2024.	9 /28/2022		2022-1175

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Planning, Development & Transportation	0150	Coletta		Order for a hearing regarding a comprehensive, district- wide planning process for Boston's waterfont.	1 /11/2023		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0213	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Curtis R. Kemeny, as an alternate member of the Beacon Hill Architectural Commission for the term expiring on May 1, 2026.	1 /25/2023		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0214	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Maurice N. Finegold, as a member of the Beacon Hill Architectural Commission for a term expiring on May 1, 2026	1 /25/2023		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0215	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Sandra Steele, as a member of the Beacon Hill Architectural Commission for a term expiring on May 1, 2026	1 /25/2023		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0216	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Edward Bredenberg, as a member of the Aberdeen Architectural Conservation District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2026.	1 /25/2023		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0217	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Andrew Shelburne, as a member of the Highland Park Architectural Conservation District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2026.	1 /25/2023		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0218	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appoinment of Ernest Coston, as a member of the Highland Park Architectural Conservation Dirstrict Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2024.	1 /25/2023		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0219	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Tanvi Nayer, as an alternate member of the Back Bay Architectural Conservation Disrict Commission for a term expiring on December 31, 2028.	1 /25/2023		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0220	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Suleman Gajere, as a member of the Highland Park Architectural Conservation District Commission for a term expirng on June 30, 2024.	1 /25/2023		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0221	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Dr. Angela Paige Cook, as a member of the Highland Park Archiectural Conservation District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2025.	1 /25/2023		

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Planning, Development & Transportation	0222	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Anndie Chan-Patera, as an alternate member of the Back Bay Architectural Conservation District Commissionfor a term expiring on December 31, 2026.	1 /25/2023		
Planning, Development & Transportation	0223	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment Thomas High, as a member of the Back Bay Architectural Conservation District Commission for a term expiring on December 31 2023.	1 /25/2023		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0119	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Thirty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$235,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Food, Fuel and Shelter grant, awarded by the Boston Foundation to be administered b the Office of Human Services. The grant will fund the City's effort to expand its mobile outreach to connect people more equitably and effectively to housing, treatment and other services.	1 /11/2023		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0148	Coletta	Louijeune, Arroyo	Order for a hearing regarding contraception and menstrual product vending machines in the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0156	Louijeune	Mejia, Coletta	Order for a hearing to discuss regulation of limited service pregnancy centers and crisis pregnancy centers in the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0248	Lara	Arroyo	Order for a hearing to discuss the Disproportionate Criminalization of the LGBTQ+ Community and Their Health And Well-Being While Incarcerated.	1 /25/2023		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0257	Fernandes Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss the need for a health center in Nubian Square.	1 /25/2023		
Public Health, Homelessness, and Recovery	0317	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the re- appointment of Rebecca Gutman as a member of the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health, for a term expiring January 24, 2024.	1 /25/2023		
Public Health, Homelessness, and Recovery	0318	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Dr. Elsie Tavares as a member of the Boston Public Health Commissions's Board of Health, for a term expiring January 20, 2026.	1 /25/2023		

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0151	Coletta	Louijeune, Bok	Order for a hearing to address contaminated beverages in clubs and bars.	1 /11/2023		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0114	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Million Dollars (\$5,000,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Presidentially Declared Disaster, awarded by Federal Emergency Management Agency, passed through the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency, to be administered by Risk Management. The grant will fund reimbursement for expenses related to the Blizzard of January 29-30, 2022.	1 /11/2023	1/26/23	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0115	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Million Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$2,250,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY23 State Training Grant, awarded by the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to be administered b the Fire Department. The grant will fund equipment and miscellaneous supplies for the BFD Training Academy and the Technical Rescue division, both located on Moon Island in Boston Harbor.	1 /11/2023	1/26/23	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0140	Murphy		Order for a hearing on efforts to proactively combat summer violence in the City of Boston.	1 /11/2023		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0143	Worrell	Fernandes Anderson,	Order for a hearing to address gun violence	1 /11/2023		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0166	Murphy	Flaherty	Order for a hearing to ensure that the Boston Police and Schools Safety officers work together to ensure a safe environment for all our students and staff in the Boston Public Schools.	1 /11/2023		

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0210	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to except and expend the amount of One Million Six Hundred Forty Two Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty Three Dollars and Ten Cents (\$1,642,723.10) in the form of a grant, for the FY23 Senator Charles E. Shannon Jr. Community Safety Initiative, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund regional and multi- disciplnary approaches to combat gang violence through coordinated prevention and intervention, law enforcement, prosecution and reintegration program.	1 /25/2023		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0252	Flaherty	Murphy	Order for a hearing regarding public safety measure recommendations for Boston Public Schools and Boston Police.	1 /25/2023		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0141	Worrell	Mejia	Order for a hearing regarding barriers to small businesses.	1 /11/2023		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0171	Mejia		Order for a hearing diversifying cannabis business models.	1 /11/2023		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0239	Mejia	Аггоуо	Order for a hearing on expanding access for minority business enterprises into high volume commercial centers.	1 /25/2023		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0263	Fernandes Anderson	Worrell	Resolution to request Walgreens to postpone all closures of Boston locations.	1 /25/2023		
Strong Women, Families & Communities	0122	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Age Strong Universal Fund, awarded by the Donor Group to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund senior center programs and services for older adults in Boston through small contributions from various donors in the amount not to exceed One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00).	1 /11/2023		
Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date Referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
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Strong Women, Families & Communities	0246	Lara	Flaherty, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to assess the need for a Senior Center in the neighborhood of West Roxbury.	1 /25/2023	2/2/23	
Strong Women, Families, & Communities	0261	Murphy		Order for a hearing to discuss the results of last year's youth summer jobs programs and the social emotional benefits of summer employment.	1 /25/2023		
Ways & Means	0111	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an order authorizing the City of Boston to appropriate an amount of Twenty One Million Six Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$21,600,000.00) for the purpose of paying the cost of a design and construction associated with boiler, windows and door replacement projects at the following schools: Boson Day and Evening Academy, Henderson Upper School, Rafael Hernandez School and William E. Russell School.	1 /11/2023	1/31/23	
Ways & Means	0152	Louijeune	Fernandes Anderson, Bok	Order for a hearing to explore municipal bonds and other fiscal options to increase affordable housing and community investments.	1 /11/2023		
Ways & Means	0322	Fernandes Anderson	Louijeune	Order for hearing regarding the City Budget.	1 /25/2023		



## Official Resolution

Presented By

# Council President Ed flynn 波士頓市議會議長 - 愛德華、費連

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council Extends its Congratulations and Recognition to

# Tufts Medical Center

# 塔夫茨醫療中心

In Honor of:

The Year of the Rabbit. We wish this New Year Brings you Resilience, Providence, Protection and Peace. The City of Boston Stands in Solidarity with the Chinese American and AAPI Community. We Thank You for your Tremendous Contributions to Our City. We Look Forward to Many Wonderful Collaborations in this Year of the Rabbit.

and Be it further Resolved that the Boston City Council extends its best wishes for continued success; that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

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Attest: Clerk of the City of Boston Offered by: Date: Javuan

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In Tribute

Presented by

#### Councilor At-Large Ruthzee Louijeune

The Boston City Council Extends Its Deepest Sympathy To You and Your Family in the Passing of Your Loved One

### **Cornelia A. Kelley**

In Whose Memory All Members Stood In Tribute and Reverence as The Council Adjourned its Meeting Of

### January 25, 2023

Sincerely

By: \_\_\_\_\_

President of the City Council

Attest:

Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by:

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Date: \_\_\_\_\_





Official Resolution

Presented by Councilor At-Large Ruthzee Louijeune

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council extends its Congratulations to

### **Abbot Gilman**

In Recognition of: Your 70<sup>th</sup> birthday. Wishing you health, happiness and many years to come.

and Be it further Resolved that the Boston City Council extends its best wishes for continued success; that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: \_\_\_\_\_\_President of the City Council Attest: \_\_\_\_\_\_Clerk of the City of Boston Offered hy: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



# Official Resolution of Councilor Kendra Lara

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council extends its congratulations to:

#### **Bill and Ann Downey**

In Recognition of:

Their commitment to each other and the celebration of 65 Pears of Marriage; and Be it further Resolved that the Boston City Council extends its best wishes for continued success; that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: Edwar President of the City Council Attest: Clerk of the City of Boston Offered hu: ana 131 2023 Date: \_\_\_

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#### OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

#### OFFERED BY CITY COUNCILOR **BRIAN WORRELL**

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council Extends its Commendation and **Recognition to:** 

#### Faithful Church of Christ

for

Their 90th anniversary. As a pillar in our community, this church has served many walks of life reaching Dorchester, Mattapan, and Roxbury neighborhoods. Their mission of faithful outreach has spanned feeding families in need, reading programs, and financial support for students pursuing a college education.

I join many others in celebrating this milestone and look forward to seeing many more years of service this church will provide to our community.

And be it resolved that the Boston City Council hereby expresses its gratitude, congratulations, and best wishes for your continued success, that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and a copy thereof transmitted President of the City Council by the Clerk of City of Boston.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



#### OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY CITY COUNCILOR Brian Worrell

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council Extends its Commendation and Recognition to:

#### Sandra Porter

in

Remembrance of her life after passing on October 14th, 2022. A lifelong resident of Dorchester, Sandra was known for her deep love of music and a talent for cooking, which she passed on to her children and grandchildren. Sandra is survived by her sons Shawn Porter and Lovell Porter, grandsons Lovell R. Porter and Rysiah Blair, sister Theresa Porter, daughter-in-law Rayshawnda Germany-Porter, her nieces and nephews Les Porter, Patrick Porter, Marsha Porter, Christopher Porter, Danielle Porter, Harrison Gomes-Porter, her grandnieces Ashley Sharpe-Porter, Kayla Brissett, Maia Bunch, and many other grandnieces and nephews.

And be it resolved that the Boston City Council hereby expresses its gratitude, congratulations, and best wishes for your continued success, that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of City of Boston.

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President of the City Council

Clerk of the City of Boston

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# OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

#### OFFERED BY CITY COUNCILOR BRIAN WORRELL

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council Extends its Commendation and Recognition to:

## Willie Hicks, Sr.

for

His life and legacy in the City of Boston. Opening a business in Dorchester over 40 years ago, Hick's Auto Body has become a staple of the community.

And be it resolved that the Boston City Council hereby expresses its gratitude, congratulations, and best wishes for your continued success, that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of City of Boston.

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#### **OFFICIAL RESOLUTION** OFFERED BY CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT ED FLYNN

WHEREAS: Today, January 27, 2023, is International Holocaust Remembrance Day; and

- **WHEREAS:** On this anniversary, we honor and remember the six million Jews and millions of others that were killed by the Nazis during the Holocaust, and honor those who survived the Holocaust; *and*
- **WHEREAS:** We reaffirm our commitment and our responsibility as citizens to ensure that these horrific atrocities will never be forgotten, and that the memories of the atrocities will contribute towards the prevention of mass crimes, genocides, and crimes against humanity; *and*
- **WHEREAS:** A survey found that nearly one in three American Jews conceal their Jewish identity by not publicly displaying or wearing items that identify their Jewish heritage due to concerns of antisemitism. The same survey also found that nearly 9 out of 10 respondents believe that antisemitism is an issue in the United States, and 8 out of 10 believe that the issue has worsened in the past five years; *and*
- **WHEREAS:** Everyone should be able to celebrate their heritage without fear of violence, bigotry, and persecution. We must continue to confront and combat the alarming rise of antisemitism and stand up in solidarity with our Jewish neighbors; *Therefore Be It*
- **RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council recognizes January 27, 2023 as International Holocaust Remembrance Day, and that the Council reaffirms its commitment to human rights and condemns any form of antisemitism in the City of Boston.

## Resolution recognizing 7 school teachers and administrators for their coordination of the student exchange program between Boston Latin School and Lycée André Argouges

Ms. Catherine Rubbens Jocelyne Serveau Tom Kennelly Kayla Dorsey-Twumasi Jason Gallagher Carole Lapointe Marjorie Janvier



CITY COUNCIL

### Official Resolution

presented by

Council President Ed Flynn

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council Extends its Recognition to

#### Ms. Catherine Rubbens

In recognition of:

Your efforts in demonstrating the highest level of dedication and commitment to the success of the student exchange program between Boston Latin School and Lycée André Argouges.

On behalf of the City of Boston, congratulations and thank you for your commitment in providing the students with a valuable opportunity to explore a new culture and gain a global perspective.

and Be it further Resolved that the Boston City Council extends its best wishes for continued success; that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

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#### Official Resolution

presented by

#### Council President Ed Flynn

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council Extends its Recognition to

#### Jocelyne Serbeau

In recognition of:

Your efforts in demonstrating the highest level of dedication and commitment to the success of the student exchange program between Boston Latin School and Lycée André Argouges.

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### Official Resolution

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Council President Ed Flynn

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council Extends its Recognition to

#### Tom Kennelly

In recognition of:

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By: Edward M. Al

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Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Edward M. Al



### Official Resolution

presented by

#### Council President Ed Flynn

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council Extends its Recognition to

#### Kayla Dorsey-Twumasi

In recognition of:

Your efforts in demonstrating the highest level of dedication and commitment to the success of the student exchange program between Boston Latin School and Lycée André Argouges.

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### Official Resolution

presented by

### Council President Ed Flynn

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council Extends its Recognition to

## Jason Gallagher

In recognition of:

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By: Edward M. F.

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#### Official Resolution

presented by

#### Council President Ed Flynn

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#### Carole Lapointe

In recognition of:

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### Official Resolution

presented by

Council President Ed Flynn

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council Extends its Recognition to

### Marjorie Janvier

In recognition of:

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Ily: Educard M. Flynn

Attest:

Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Elward M. F.





#### OFFICIAL RESOLUTION OFFERED BY CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT ED FLYNN

WHEREAS: It is the duty of a prosecutor to seek justice within the bounds of the law; and

- **WHEREAS:** Masai-Maliek King has exemplified that core duty of a prosecutor during the course of his 25 year career bringing justice to families and survivors of violence; *and now therefore be it*
- **RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council proclaims February 3, 2023 is heretofore known as "Masai-Maliek King Day" in the City of Boston.

Eduar Bu: President of the City Council

Attest: Clerk of the City of Boston Offered by: Eduard M. F. Januany 27, 2023,Date:



### Official Resolution

presented by

Council President Ed Flynn

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council Extends its Recognition to

### Pao Arts Center

In recognition of:

Your steadfast work in supporting and empowering artists from the Chinatown and AAPI community. We commend your efforts in providing opportunities for artists to thrive and pursue their artistic expression, and we are proud to celebrate the diversity and contributions they bring to our city. Thank you for your leadership and commitment in promoting greater cultural equity in our city.

and Be it further Resolved that the Boston City Council extends its best wishes for continued success; that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council and attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: Educard M. Flynn President of the City Council

Attest:

Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: Edward M. Flynn

Date: January 27, 2023





#### **OFFICIAL RESOLUTION** OFFERED BY CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT ED FLYNN

WHEREAS: Today, January 27, 2023, is International Holocaust Remembrance Day; and

- **WHEREAS:** On this anniversary, we honor and remember the six million Jews and millions of others that were killed by the Nazis during the Holocaust, and honor those who survived the Holocaust; and
- **WHEREAS:** We reaffirm our commitment and our responsibility as citizens to ensure that these horrific atrocities will never be forgotten, and that the memories of the atrocities will contribute towards the prevention of mass crimes, genocides, and crimes against humanity; *and*
- WHEREAS: A survey found that nearly one in three American Jews conceal their Jewish identity by not publicly displaying or wearing items that identify their Jewish heritage due to concerns of antisemitism. The same survey also found that nearly 9 out of 10 respondents believe that antisemitism is an issue in the United States, and 8 out of 10 believe that the issue has worsened in the past five years; and
- **WHEREAS:** Everyone should be able to celebrate their heritage without fear of violence, bigotry, and persecution. We must continue to confront and combat the alarming rise of antisemitism and stand up in solidarity with our Jewish neighbors; *Therefore Be It*
- **RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council recognizes January 27, 2023 as International Holocaust Remembrance Day, and that the Council reaffirms its commitment to human rights and condemns any form of antisemitism in the City of Boston.

President of the City Council

Attest:

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**Offered by Councilor Frank Baker** 

#### **CITY OF BOSTON**

#### IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-THREE

#### **OFFICIAL RESOLUTION**

# BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL EXTENDS ITS CONGRATULATIONS TO:

#### JOYCE JUDGE

#### In Recognition of:

Your Twenty-Eight years of outstanding service to the City of Boston.

and *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED*, that the Boston City Council extends its best wishes for continued success, that this Resolution be duly signed by the President of the City Council, and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk to be made part of the permanent record of the City of Boston.

Filed in Council: January 30, 2023