



ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR MATTERS PRESENTED TO THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO 10:00 A.M. ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2024 FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING IN THE CHRISTOPHER IANNELLA CHAMBER ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2024 AT 12:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HER HONOR, THE MAYOR:

- 0376** On the message and order, referred on February 28, 2024, Docket #0376, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount Two Million Two Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars (\$2,232,152.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-C Nutrition Service Program, awarded by the U.S. Department Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund nutrition services for older adults in the City of Boston, the committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass. The report was accepted; the order was passed.
- 0377** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Six Hundred Four Thousand Fourteen Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$1,604,014.20) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 Hazmat Grant, awarded by the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund the needs of the hazardous materials response teams, as specified in line item 8324-0000 and 8324-0050 of the FY24 General Appropriation Act.
- 0378** Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million One Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars. (\$1,125,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 State Training Grant,

awarded by Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund the purchase of equipment and supplies, and to fund training initiatives for the Boston Fire Training Academy to ensure the department remains current in the firefighting services.

0379 On the message and order, referred on February 28, 2024, Docket #0379, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Thirty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Three Dollars (\$1,038,243.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-B Supportive Services, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund home-based support services for older adults in the City of Boston, the committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass. The report was accepted; the order was passed.

0380 On the message and order, referred on February 28, 2024, Docket #0380, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$530,999.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-E Family Caregiver Support Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund Caregiver Services for older adults in the City of Boston, the committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass. The report was accepted; the order was passed.

0381 The Committee on Education, to which was referred on February 28, 2024, Docket #0381, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Open Data Curriculum, awarded by the MA Department of Education to be administered by the Department of Innovation and Technology, submits a report recommending that the Order ought to pass.

0382 On the message and order, referred on February 28, 2024, Docket #0382, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Hundred Sixty-One Thousand One Hundred Forty-Three Dollars (\$461,143.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-A Administration, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund the cost

for administration of Title III programs, the committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the order was passed.

0383 On the message and order, referred on February 28, 2024, Docket #0383, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-One Dollars (\$177,271.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-Ombudsman Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund consumer protection programs to improve long-term services for older adults in the City of Boston, the committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass.
The report was accepted; the order was passed.

0384 On the message and order, referred on February 28, 2024, Docket #0384, 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, the committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass.
The report was accepted; the order was passed.

0385 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Recycling Dividends Program 23, awarded by the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs to be administered by the Department of Public Works. The grant will fund investment in local programs including recycling equipment, organics diversion, outreach and education, pilot programs, school recycling, toxic reduction, and more.

0386 On the message and order, referred on February 28, 2024, Docket #0386, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount Eighty-Four Thousand Fifty-Eighty Dollars (\$84,058.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-D Disease Prevention & Health Promotion, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund services that assist older adults in Boston to prevent illness and manage chronic conditions, the committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass.

The report was accepted; the order was passed.

0387 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Thirty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Ninety-Three Dollars and Ninety-Nine Cents (\$37,293.99) in the form of a grant for the FY24 Firefighter Safety Equipment Grant, awarded by the Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund the procurement of firefighter safety equipment. Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice. Later in the session, Councilor Santana moved for reconsideration of Docket #0387.

Reconsideration prevailed.

On the motion of Councilor Santana, the rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 11, not present 2 (Breadon, Mejia).

0388 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Simoni Foundation grant, awarded by the Frank R. and Elizabeth Simoni Foundation, to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund and support the work of the Homicide Unit.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice.

Later in the session, Councilor Santana moved for reconsideration of Docket #0388.

Reconsideration prevailed.

On the motion of Councilor Santana, the rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 11, not present 2 (Breadon, Mejia).

0389 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eleven Thousand Three Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$11,330.00) in the form of a grant for the MA State Police passed through FY23 Coverdell Formula Grant, awarded by the United States Department of Justice, passed through the Massachusetts State Police / Crime Laboratory, to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund preparation and application process for laboratory accreditation.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice.

Later in the session, Councilor Santana moved for reconsideration of Docket #0389.

Reconsideration prevailed.

On the motion of Councilor Santana, the rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 11, not present 2 (Breadon, Mejia).

0390 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8,000.00), in the form of a grant, for

the FY23 National Violent Death Reporting System, awarded by the MA Department of Public Health to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund data collection by the Bureau of Investigation Services and the Drug Control Unit.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Criminal Justice.

Later in the session, Councilor Santana moved for reconsideration of Docket #0390.

Reconsideration prevailed.

On the motion of Councilor Santana, the rules were suspended; the order was passed; yeas 11, not present 2 (Breadon, Mejia).

REPORTS OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND OTHERS:

- 0391** The Constable Bond of Ron Cobb having been duly approved by the Collector-Treasurer was received and approved under the usual terms and conditions.
- 0392** Notice was received from the City Clerk in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979 re: action taken by the Mayor on papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of February 14, 2024.
- 0393** Communication was received from the City Clerk of the filing by the Boston Planning and Development Agency regarding "Proposed Minor Modification to the Charlestown Urban Renewal Plan, Project No. Mass.R-55, with respect to Parcel X-28B."
- 0394** Notice was received from the City Clerk in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979 re: action taken by the Mayor on papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of December 13, 2023.
- 0395** Notice was received from the City Clerk in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979 re: action taken by the Mayor on papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of August 9, 2023.
- 0396** Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Byron Rushing, as a member of the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately.
- 0397** Communication was received from the City Clerk of the filing by the Boston Planning and Development Agency regarding "90 Cushing Ave - Chapter 121A Project."

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:

- 0283** On the message and order, referred on February 7, 2024, Docket #0283, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of

Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$65,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY23 Community Mitigation, awarded by the Massachusetts Gaming Commission to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund investigations that are coordinated between the Boston Police Department Human Trafficking Unit and other law enforcement entities, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass. The report was accepted; the order was passed; yeas 11, not present 2 (Breadon, Mejia).

0282 On the message and order, referred on February 7, 2024, Docket #0282, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Ninety-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$92,735.50) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY23 Emergency Management Performance Grant, awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, passed through the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency, to be administered by the Office of Emergency Management (OEM). The grant will fund the enhancement of operational capacity at the Boston Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and promote the professional development of OEM staff, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass. The report was accepted; the order was passed; yeas 11, not present 2 (Breadon, Mejia).

0344 On the message and order, referred on February 14, 2024, Docket #0344, authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty-Three Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$23,400.00) in the form of a grant for the FY24 Municipal Road Safety, awarded by the United States Department of Transportation, passed through the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security, to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund high-visibility enforcement of motor vehicle laws, including but not limited to, speeding and aggressive driving, distracted driving, impaired driving and occupant protection, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order ought to pass. The report was accepted; the order was passed; yeas 11, not present 2 (Breadon, Mejia).

MATTERS RECENTLY HEARD-FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:

0143 On the message and order, referred on January 24, 2024, Docket #0143, that will authorize the Boston Transportation Department ("BTD") to enter into two contracts, with terms of up to 10 years, to deploy curbside electric vehicle ("EV") charging stations through a public/private partnership and at no cost to the City with a potential for revenue share. BTD has identified

two vendors through the public procurement process that offer different models that address the distinct challenges to locate curbside EV charging, the committee submitted a report recommending that the order should pass. The report was accepted; the order was passed; yeas 12, nays 1 (Flynn).

MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS:

- 0398 Councilor Santana, Breadon, Louijeune, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Order for a hearing to explore strategies for developing Mixed-Income Social Housing to increase housing access and affordability for all Bostonians.
- 0399** On the Home Rule Petition, referred on February 28th, Docket #0399, for a Special Law re: An Age Waiver for Alex Guzman to join the Boston Police Department, the committee submitted a report recommending that the docket ought to pass.
- 0400** WITHDRAWN
- 0401 Councilor Murphy and Flynn offered the following:** Order for a resolution calling for "Sundays for All."
- 0402 Councilor Murphy, Flynn, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Louijeune, Mejia, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Order for a resolution recognizing and celebrating Irish-American Heritage Month.
- 0403 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution to honor John D. O'Bryant Students. On the motion of Councilor Fernandes Anderson, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted; yeas 13.
- 0404 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Pepén, Santana and Weber offered the following:** Resolution to formally support the Roxbury District Increment Financing (DIF) to be utilized in District 7.
- 0405 Councilor Fernandes Anderson, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution in recognition and celebration of the great abolitionist Harriet Tubman.
- 0406** WITHDRAWN

[0407](#) WITHDRAWN

[0408](#) **Councilor Flynn, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing the achievements of Black Veterans.

[0409](#) **Councilor Weber, Santana, Durkan, Coletta, FitzGerald, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution in support of residents, families and staff at the Edgar P. Benjamin Healthcare Center being impacted by the July 1st, 2024 planned closure.

[0410](#) **Councilor Louijeune, Mejia, Flynn, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber, Worrell and Breadon offered the following:** Resolution recognizing February 29, 2024 as Juan Aurelio Lopez Day in the City of Boston.
On the motion of Councilors Louijeune and Mejia, Rule 12 was invoked to include Councilor Flynn as an original co-sponsor.
On the motion of Councilors Louijeune, Mejia, and Flynn, the rules were suspended; the resolution was adopted.

[0411](#) **Councilor Louijeune, Pepén, Weber, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Mejia, Santana and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing February as Transit Equity Month.

[0412](#) **Councilor Louijeune, Coletta, Durkan, FitzGerald, Flynn, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Resolution declaring March 2, 2024 as Burna Boy Day in the City of Boston.

[0413](#) Order for a hearing to discuss the results of last year's youth summer jobs programs and prepare for this summer.

[0414](#) **Councilor Santana, Louijeune, Weber, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, FitzGerald, Flynn, Murphy, Pepén and Worrell offered the following:** Order for a hearing to explore programs the City of Boston offers or could establish to prevent illegal discrimination by landlords and real estate brokers against prospective tenants utilizing housing choice vouchers.

[0415](#) **Councilor FitzGerald, Breadon, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana, Weber and Worrell offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss the current trauma response resources in the City of Boston and the potential for expansion.

[0416](#) WITHDRAWN

[0417](#) WITHDRAWN

[0418](#) **Councilor Worrell, FitzGerald, Coletta, Durkan, Fernandes Anderson, Flynn, Louijeune, Mejia, Murphy, Pepén, Santana and Weber offered the following:** Order for a hearing to discuss long-term city job vacancies.

PERSONNEL ORDERS:

[0419](#) Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Santana offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Edosa Osemwegie in City Council, effective March 4, 2024.

[0420](#) Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Murphy offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Caroline O'Neill in City Council, effective March 4, 2024.

[0421](#) Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Weber offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Mark A. Cohen in City Council, effective March 4, 2024.

GREEN SHEETS:

[28/24](#) Legislative Calendar for February 28, 2024.

CONSENT AGENDA:

[0422](#) **Councilor Murphy offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Aoife Griffin.

[0423](#) **Councilor Murphy offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Pat Kelly.

[0424](#) **Councilor Weber and Fernandes Anderson offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Seiji Ozawa.

[0425](#) **Councilor FitzGerald offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Complex Consulting for Black History Month.

[0426](#) **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Gee How Oak Tin.

[0427](#) **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Chinese Merchants Association.

[0428](#) **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Ni Lun Welfare Association.

- 0429** **Councilor Murphy offered the following:** Resolution recognizing and congratulating Hannibal Auto Repair.
- 0430** **Councilor FitzGerald and Murphy offered the following:** Resolution in memory of Marilyn Maloney.
- 0431** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Boston Praise Radio & TV.
- 0432** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Nia Grace.
- 0433** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Day of Remembrance for Japanese Americans and their families who were incarcerated during World War II.
- 0434** **Councilor Santana offered the following:** Resolution Recognizing Cassandra Campbell.
- 0435** **Councilor Durkan offered the following:** Resolution in memory of Robert Curran.
- 0436** **Councilor Pepén offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Tony DeBenedictus.
- 0437** **Councilor Pepén offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Tony's Market.
- 0438** **Councilor Pepén offered the following:** Resolution congratulating The Square Root.
- 0439** **Councilor Pepén offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Pub Quiz.
- 0440** **Councilor Pepén offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Torrie Armstrong.
- 0441** **Councilor Pepén offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Aaron Onyango.
- 0442** **Councilor Pepén offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Cafe Juice Up.
- 0443** **Councilor Pepén offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Alex Miselis.
- 0444** **Councilor Pepén offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Juan Chavez.

- 0445** **Councilor Pepén offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Wellbi Perez.
- 0446** **Councilor Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing nine residents for their continued dedication to Caribbean-American people in the State of Massachusetts.
- 0447** **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Ashton Lites.
- 0448** **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution congratulating 8 people for their services and commitment to Temple Salem SDA Church and the Haitian Community.
- 0449** **Councilor Coletta offered the following:** Resolution in memory of Vincenzo Perrone.
- 0450** **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Father Daniel Mahoney.
- 0451** **Councilor Mejia offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Euan Davis.
- 0452** **Councilor Durkan offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Chef Douglass Williams.
- 0453** **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution in memory of Marie Gentile.
- 0454** **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution congratulating Larry James Jemison.
- 0455** **Councilor Louijeune offered the following:** Resolution congratulating 10 people for their commitment in fostering excellence in youth through percussion education, and teamwork.
- 0456** **Councilor Worrell offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Justin A. Petty.



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

02-26-2024

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 TWO MILLION TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO DOLLARS **(\$2,232,152.00)** in the form of a grant, Federal FY24 Title III-C Nutrition Services Program, awarded by U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

The grant would fund nutrition services for older adults in the City of Boston.

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
Mayor of Boston



City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND Federal FY24 Title III-C Nutrition Services Program FUNDS, AWARDED BY U.S. Department of Health and Human Services AND MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, are being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Age Strong Commission; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of TWO MILLION TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO DOLLARS (**\$2,232,152.00**) would fund nutrition services for older adults in the City of Boston. 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 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs' Federal FY24 Title III-C Nutrition Services Program award not to exceed the amount of TWO MILLION TWO HUNDRED THIRTY-TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-TWO DOLLARS (**\$2,232,152.00**).

Docket #

**In City Council
Passed**

City Clerk

Mayor

Approved

I hereby certify that
the foregoing, if passed in
the above form, will be in
accordance with law.

by *Adam Cederbaum*

Adam Cederbaum
Corporation Counsel



BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

March 11, 2024

Dear Councilors,

The following dockets were sponsored by the Administration and referred to the Committee on February 28, 2024:

Docket #0376, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount Two Million Two Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars (\$2,232,152.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-C Nutrition Service Program, awarded by the U.S. Department Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund nutrition services for older adults in the City of Boston;

Docket #0379 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Thirty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Three Dollars (\$1,038,243.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-B Supportive Services, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund home-based support services for older adults in the City of Boston;

Docket #0380 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$530,999.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-E Family Caregiver Support Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund Caregiver Services for older adults in the City of Boston;

Docket #0382 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Hundred Sixty-One Thousand One Hundred Forty-Three Dollars (\$461,143.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-A Administration, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund the cost for administration of Title III programs;

Docket #0383 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-One Dollars (\$177,271.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III- Ombudsman Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund consumer protection programs to improve long-term services for older adults in the City of Boston;

Docket #0384 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; and

Docket #0386 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount Eighty-Four Thousand Fifty-Eighty Dollars (\$84,058.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-D Disease Prevention & Health Promotion, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund services that assist older adults in Boston to prevent illness and manage chronic conditions.

Summary of Legislation:

Docket #0376, authorizes the City to accept and expend \$2,232,152.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-C Nutrition Service Program, awarded by the U.S. Department Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

Docket #0379 authorizes the City to accept and expend \$1,038,243.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-B Supportive Services, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

Docket #0380 authorizes the City to accept and expend \$530,999.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-E Family Caregiver Support Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

Docket #0382 authorizes the City to accept and expend \$461,143.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-A Administration, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

Docket #0383 authorizes the City to accept and expend \$177,271.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III- Ombudsman Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health

and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the *Age Strong Commission*.

Docket #0384 authorizes the City to accept and expend **\$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*.

Docket #0386 authorizes the City to accept and expend **\$84,058.00** in the form of a grant, for the *Federal FY24 Title III-D Disease Prevention & Health Promotion*, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs to be administered by the *Age Strong Commission*.

The grants total over **\$4.5 million** from federal and state sources and will cover the period from October 2023 through September 2024 (Federal Fiscal Year 2024). The proposed grants fund a variety of services for seniors including nutrition programs, caregiver support, and health promotion.

Information Gathered at the Hearing:

The Committee held a hearing on Thursday, March 7, 2024. The Chair was joined by Vice Chair, Councilor Liz Breadon; Council President Louijeune; Councilor Flynn; Councilor FitzGerald and received an absence letter from Councilor Weber.

Emily Shea, Age Strong Commissioner; Myles Gerraty, Senior Director of Finance and Administration, Age Strong Commission; and Melissa Carlson, Deputy Commissioner and Senior Director of Programs and Partnerships, Age Strong Commission, testified on behalf of the Administration.

The Administration explained that the City of Boston receives grants of this kind as a federally designated “area agency on aging,” under the Older Americans Act.

The Administration testified as to the City’s specific responsibilities tied to the grant funding, including working closely with the State Executive Office of Elder Affairs to conduct needs assessments for individuals over 60 years old in Boston every four years. It was explained that the information gathered is used to create the area plan, which contributes to a statewide plan for older people in Massachusetts. The Administration highlighted the importance of community partners funded through Title III funding and emphasized the careful monitoring of grant spending to ensure that community partners receive the necessary support to fulfill their commitments for the well-being of older adults in the community.

The Administration elaborated on the grant funding sources explaining that Title III is a section of the Older Americans Act that encompasses various funding categories that are distributed to “area agencies on aging” across the country to provide specific services. The funding categories include: Title III A, which covers administrative expenses related to aging services; Title III B,

which allows for flexibility in funding local needs within specified categories, emphasizing support services; Title III C, which supports congregate meal sites for older adults, known as community cafes in Boston; Title III D which funds evidence-based healthy aging programs; Title III E which supports the Family Caregiver Program, including the Caregiver Solutions Program at Boston Senior Home Care and the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Program through MSPCC. Further, the Administration explained the Ombudsman Program, under Title III, which focuses on Long-Term Care Ombudsman services.

Councilors asked questions to understand how the funds will be used and how programming reaches diverse groups of seniors across all neighborhoods in the City. The Committee and the Administration expressed future and continued opportunities to provide essential services for aging residents like educational programs to prevent and avoid scams, social opportunities, affordable food and living options, and the possibility of expanding shuttle service to grocery stores. Councilors expressed support for the grants and appreciation for the work of the Age Strong Commission.

Recommended Action:

The Chair of the Committee on Strong Women, Families, & Communities, to which the following was referred:

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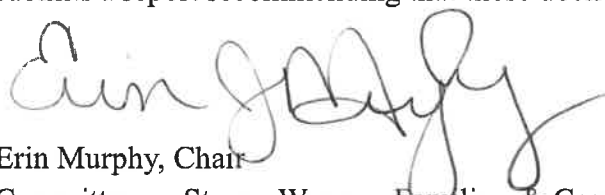
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Erin Murphy, Chair
Committee on Strong Women, Families, & Communities



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

02-26-2024

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 SIX HUNDRED FOUR THOUSAND FOURTEEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY CENTS (**\$1,604,014.20**) in the form of a grant, FY24 Hazmat Grant, awarded by Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to be administered by the Fire Department.

The grant would fund the needs of the hazardous materials response teams, as specified in line item 8324-0000 and 8324-0050 of the FY24 General Appropriations Act.

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
Mayor of Boston



City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND FY24 Hazmat Grant 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 SIX HUNDRED FOUR THOUSAND FOURTEEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY CENTS (**\$1,604,014.20**) would fund the needs of the hazardous materials response teams, as specified in line item 8324-0000 and 8324-0050 of the FY24 General Appropriations Act. 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, FY24 Hazmat Grant award not to exceed the amount of ONE MILLION SIX HUNDRED FOUR THOUSAND FOURTEEN DOLLARS AND TWENTY CENTS (**\$1,604,014.20**).

Docket #

**In City Council
Passed**

City Clerk

Mayor

Approved

I hereby certify that the foregoing, if passed in the above form, will be in accordance with law.

by *Adam Cederbaum*

Adam Cederbaum
Corporation Counsel



**City Of Boston • Massachusetts
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Michelle Wu**

02-26-2024

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 ONE HUNDRED TWENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS **(\$1,125,000.00)** in the form of a grant, FY24 State Training Grant, awarded by Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to be administered by the Fire Department.

The grant would fund the purchase of equipment and supplies, and to fund training initiatives for the Boston Fire Training Academy to ensure the department remains current in the firefighting services.

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
Mayor of Boston



City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND FY24 State Training Grant 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

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City Clerk

Mayor

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02-26-2024

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

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The grant would fund home-based support services for older adults in the City of Boston.

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City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND Federal FY24 Title III-B Supportive Services FUNDS, AWARDED BY U.S. Department of Health and Human Services AND MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, are being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Age Strong Commission; and

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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 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs' Federal FY24 Title III-B Supportive Services award not to exceed the amount of ONE MILLION THIRTY-EIGHT THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FORTY-THREE DOLLARS (**\$1,038,243.00**).

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BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

March 11, 2024

Dear Councilors,

The following dockets were sponsored by the Administration and referred to the Committee on February 28, 2024:

Docket #0376, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount Two Million Two Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars (\$2,232,152.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-C Nutrition Service Program, awarded by the U.S. Department Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund nutrition services for older adults in the City of Boston;

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Docket #0383 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-One Dollars (\$177,271.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III- Ombudsman Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund consumer protection programs to improve long-term services for older adults in the City of Boston;

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Docket #0386 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount Eighty-Four Thousand Fifty-Eighty Dollars (\$84,058.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-D Disease Prevention & Health Promotion, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund services that assist older adults in Boston to prevent illness and manage chronic conditions.

Summary of Legislation:

Docket #0376, authorizes the City to accept and expend \$2,232,152.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-C Nutrition Service Program, awarded by the U.S. Department Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

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Docket #0380 authorizes the City to accept and expend \$530,999.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-E Family Caregiver Support Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

Docket #0382 authorizes the City to accept and expend \$461,143.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-A Administration, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

Docket #0383 authorizes the City to accept and expend \$177,271.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III- Ombudsman Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health

and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the *Age Strong Commission*.

Docket #0384 authorizes the City to accept and expend **\$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*.

Docket #0386 authorizes the City to accept and expend **\$84,058.00** in the form of a grant, for the *Federal FY24 Title III-D Disease Prevention & Health Promotion*, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs to be administered by the *Age Strong Commission*.

The grants total over **\$4.5 million** from federal and state sources and will cover the period from October 2023 through September 2024 (Federal Fiscal Year 2024). The proposed grants fund a variety of services for seniors including nutrition programs, caregiver support, and health promotion.

Information Gathered at the Hearing:

The Committee held a hearing on Thursday, March 7, 2024. The Chair was joined by Vice Chair, Councilor Liz Breadon; Council President Louijeune; Councilor Flynn; Councilor FitzGerald and received an absence letter from Councilor Weber.

Emily Shea, Age Strong Commissioner; Myles Gerraty, Senior Director of Finance and Administration, Age Strong Commission; and Melissa Carlson, Deputy Commissioner and Senior Director of Programs and Partnerships, Age Strong Commission, testified on behalf of the Administration.

The Administration explained that the City of Boston receives grants of this kind as a federally designated “area agency on aging,” under the Older Americans Act.

The Administration testified as to the City’s specific responsibilities tied to the grant funding, including working closely with the State Executive Office of Elder Affairs to conduct needs assessments for individuals over 60 years old in Boston every four years. It was explained that the information gathered is used to create the area plan, which contributes to a statewide plan for older people in Massachusetts. The Administration highlighted the importance of community partners funded through Title III funding and emphasized the careful monitoring of grant spending to ensure that community partners receive the necessary support to fulfill their commitments for the well-being of older adults in the community.

The Administration elaborated on the grant funding sources explaining that Title III is a section of the Older Americans Act that encompasses various funding categories that are distributed to “area agencies on aging” across the country to provide specific services. The funding categories include: Title III A, which covers administrative expenses related to aging services; Title III B,

which allows for flexibility in funding local needs within specified categories, emphasizing support services; Title III C, which supports congregate meal sites for older adults, known as community cafes in Boston; Title III D which funds evidence-based healthy aging programs; Title III E which supports the Family Caregiver Program, including the Caregiver Solutions Program at Boston Senior Home Care and the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Program through MSPCC. Further, the Administration explained the Ombudsman Program, under Title III, which focuses on Long-Term Care Ombudsman services.

Councilors asked questions to understand how the funds will be used and how programming reaches diverse groups of seniors across all neighborhoods in the City. The Committee and the Administration expressed future and continued opportunities to provide essential services for aging residents like educational programs to prevent and avoid scams, social opportunities, affordable food and living options, and the possibility of expanding shuttle service to grocery stores. Councilors expressed support for the grants and appreciation for the work of the Age Strong Commission.

Recommended Action:

The Chair of the Committee on Strong Women, Families, & Communities, to which the following was referred:

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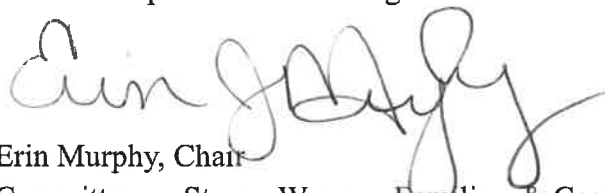
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Erin Murphy, Chair
Committee on Strong Women, Families, & Communities



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Michelle Wu**

02-26-2024

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

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Sincerely,

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Mayor of Boston



City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND Federal FY24 Title III-E Family Caregiver Support Program FUNDS, AWARDED BY U.S. Department of Health and Human Services AND MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, are being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Age Strong Commission; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of FIVE HUNDRED THIRTY THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED NINETY-NINE DOLLARS (**\$530,999.00**) would fund Caregiver Services for older adults in the City of Boston. Therefore be it

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Docket # _____

**In City Council
Passed** _____

City Clerk

Mayor

Approved _____

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Recommended Action:

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Docket #0376, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount Two Million Two Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars (\$2,232,152.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-C Nutrition Service Program, awarded by the U.S. Department Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund nutrition services for older adults in the City of Boston;

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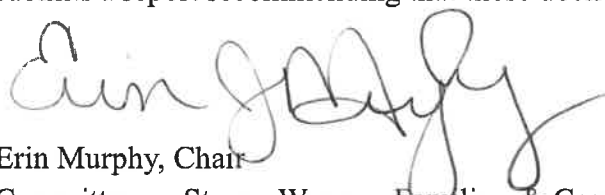
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submits a report recommending that these dockets ought to pass.



Erin Murphy, Chair
Committee on Strong Women, Families, & Communities



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Michelle Wu**

02-20-2024

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 HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$500,000.00**) in the form of a grant, Open Data Curriculum, awarded by MA Department of Education to be administered by the Dpt of Innovation & Technology.

The grant would fund the development of a curriculum that can be used by teachers in Boston Public Schools, as well as other educational providers that leverage existing open data from the city, state, and federal government.

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
Mayor of Boston



City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND Open Data Curriculum FUNDS, AWARDED BY MA Department of Education.

WHEREAS, the MA Department of Education, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Dpt of Innovation & Technology; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$500,000.00**) would fund the development of a curriculum that can be used by teachers in Boston Public Schools, as well as other educational providers that leverage existing open data from the city, state, and federal government. 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 MA Department of Education, Open Data Curriculum award not to exceed the amount of FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$500,000.00**).

Docket # _____

In City Council Passed _____

_____ **City Clerk**

_____ **Mayor**

Approved _____

I hereby certify that the foregoing, if passed in the above form, will be in accordance with law.

by Adam Cederbaum

Adam Cederbaum
Corporation Counsel



BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

Committee on Education

Henry Santana *Chair*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

March 29, 2024

Dear Councilors:

The Committee on Education was referred the following docket for consideration:

Docket #0381, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Open Data Curriculum, awarded by the MA Department of Education to be administered by the Department of Innovation and Technology.

This matter was sponsored by Mayor Michelle Wu, and referred to the Committee on February 28, 2024.

Summary

Docket #0381 authorizes the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of \$500,000 in the form of a grant. This Open Data Curriculum grant is awarded by the Massachusetts Department of Education and will be administered by the Department of Innovation and Technology. The grant would fund the development of a curriculum that can be used by teachers in Boston Public Schools, as well as other educational providers that leverage existing open data from the city, state, and federal government.

Information Received at Hearing

The Committee held a public hearing on Docket #0381 on Friday, March 29, 2024. The Committee heard from representatives from the Administration including Santiago Garces, Chief Information Officer for the City of Boston, and Kerry Jordan, Chief of Staff for the Department of Innovation and Technology (DoIT).

Chief Garces discussed the City's current open data portal, Analyze Boston, which provides the public with numerous data sets that are collected from various City departments. DoIT and Boston Public Schools (BPS) are exploring the possibility of incorporating the open data curriculum with current required civic and mathematics courses by utilizing this readily available data. These classes would be targeted toward high school students with the potential to expand this program to younger students in the future.

These funds will be used to assist BPS teachers in designing a curriculum using Analyze Boston. DoIT is also working with an organization, Data Science for Everyone, which introduces data science in elementary to high school classrooms to help shape the open data curriculum. This grant will also assist in funding a Project Manager to implement this program.

Chief Garces discussed the importance of youth learning data science as a way to enter the field of data analytics and computer science. He highlighted the underrepresentation of people of color and women in these fields which typically lead to high-income jobs.

The Committee also discussed tracking student career trajectories and creating more pathways to data science and computer science higher education, other partnerships between DoIT and BPS, and the possibility of providing professional development opportunities for BPS teachers.

Committee Chair Recommended Action

As Chair of the Committee on Education, I recommend moving the listed docket from the Committee to the full Council for discussion and formal action. At that time, my recommendation to the full Council will be that this matter **OUGHT TO PASS**.

Henry A. Santana

Henry Santana, Chair
Committee on Education



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02-26-2024

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 FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FORTY-THREE DOLLARS (**\$461,143.00**) in the form of a grant, Federal FY24 Title III-A Administration, awarded by U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

The grant would fund costs for administration of Title III programs.

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
Mayor of Boston



City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND Federal FY24 Title III-A Administration FUNDS, AWARDED BY U.S. Department of Health and Human Services AND MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, are being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Age Strong Commission; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FORTY-THREE DOLLARS (**\$461,143.00**) would fund costs for administration of Title III programs. 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 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs' Federal FY24 Title III-A Administration award not to exceed the amount of FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY-ONE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FORTY-THREE DOLLARS (**\$461,143.00**).

Docket # _____

**In City Council
Passed** _____

City Clerk

Mayor

Approved _____

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BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

March 11, 2024

Dear Councilors,

The following dockets were sponsored by the Administration and referred to the Committee on February 28, 2024:

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Docket #0380 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$530,999.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-E Family Caregiver Support Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund Caregiver Services for older adults in the City of Boston;

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Docket #0383 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-One Dollars (\$177,271.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III- Ombudsman Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund consumer protection programs to improve long-term services for older adults in the City of Boston;

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Summary of Legislation:

Docket #0376, authorizes the City to accept and expend \$2,232,152.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-C Nutrition Service Program, awarded by the U.S. Department Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

Docket #0379 authorizes the City to accept and expend \$1,038,243.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-B Supportive Services, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

Docket #0380 authorizes the City to accept and expend \$530,999.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-E Family Caregiver Support Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

Docket #0382 authorizes the City to accept and expend \$461,143.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-A Administration, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

Docket #0383 authorizes the City to accept and expend \$177,271.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III- Ombudsman Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health

and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the *Age Strong Commission*.

Docket #0384 authorizes the City to accept and expend **\$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*.

Docket #0386 authorizes the City to accept and expend **\$84,058.00** in the form of a grant, for the *Federal FY24 Title III-D Disease Prevention & Health Promotion*, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs to be administered by the *Age Strong Commission*.

The grants total over **\$4.5 million** from federal and state sources and will cover the period from October 2023 through September 2024 (Federal Fiscal Year 2024). The proposed grants fund a variety of services for seniors including nutrition programs, caregiver support, and health promotion.

Information Gathered at the Hearing:

The Committee held a hearing on Thursday, March 7, 2024. The Chair was joined by Vice Chair, Councilor Liz Breadon; Council President Louijeune; Councilor Flynn; Councilor FitzGerald and received an absence letter from Councilor Weber.

Emily Shea, Age Strong Commissioner; Myles Gerraty, Senior Director of Finance and Administration, Age Strong Commission; and Melissa Carlson, Deputy Commissioner and Senior Director of Programs and Partnerships, Age Strong Commission, testified on behalf of the Administration.

The Administration explained that the City of Boston receives grants of this kind as a federally designated “area agency on aging,” under the Older Americans Act.

The Administration testified as to the City’s specific responsibilities tied to the grant funding, including working closely with the State Executive Office of Elder Affairs to conduct needs assessments for individuals over 60 years old in Boston every four years. It was explained that the information gathered is used to create the area plan, which contributes to a statewide plan for older people in Massachusetts. The Administration highlighted the importance of community partners funded through Title III funding and emphasized the careful monitoring of grant spending to ensure that community partners receive the necessary support to fulfill their commitments for the well-being of older adults in the community.

The Administration elaborated on the grant funding sources explaining that Title III is a section of the Older Americans Act that encompasses various funding categories that are distributed to “area agencies on aging” across the country to provide specific services. The funding categories include: Title III A, which covers administrative expenses related to aging services; Title III B,

which allows for flexibility in funding local needs within specified categories, emphasizing support services; Title III C, which supports congregate meal sites for older adults, known as community cafes in Boston; Title III D which funds evidence-based healthy aging programs; Title III E which supports the Family Caregiver Program, including the Caregiver Solutions Program at Boston Senior Home Care and the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Program through MSPCC. Further, the Administration explained the Ombudsman Program, under Title III, which focuses on Long-Term Care Ombudsman services.

Councilors asked questions to understand how the funds will be used and how programming reaches diverse groups of seniors across all neighborhoods in the City. The Committee and the Administration expressed future and continued opportunities to provide essential services for aging residents like educational programs to prevent and avoid scams, social opportunities, affordable food and living options, and the possibility of expanding shuttle service to grocery stores. Councilors expressed support for the grants and appreciation for the work of the Age Strong Commission.

Recommended Action:

The Chair of the Committee on Strong Women, Families, & Communities, to which the following was referred:

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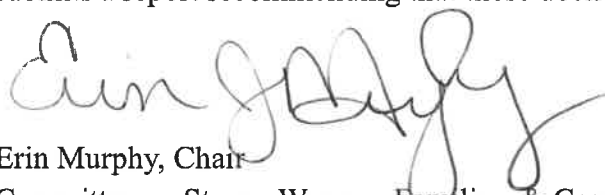
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Erin Murphy, Chair
Committee on Strong Women, Families, & Communities



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Michelle Wu**

02-26-2024

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 HUNDRED SEVENTY-SEVEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED SEVENTY-ONE DOLLARS (**\$177,271.00**) in the form of a grant, Federal FY24 Title III - Ombudsman Program, awarded by U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

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City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND Federal FY24 Title III - Ombudsman Program FUNDS, AWARDED BY U.S. Department of Health and Human Services AND MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, are being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Age Strong Commission; and

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Docket # _____

**In City Council
Passed** _____

City Clerk

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Approved _____

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

March 11, 2024

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Councilors asked questions to understand how the funds will be used and how programming reaches diverse groups of seniors across all neighborhoods in the City. The Committee and the Administration expressed future and continued opportunities to provide essential services for aging residents like educational programs to prevent and avoid scams, social opportunities, affordable food and living options, and the possibility of expanding shuttle service to grocery stores. Councilors expressed support for the grants and appreciation for the work of the Age Strong Commission.

Recommended Action:

The Chair of the Committee on Strong Women, Families, & Communities, to which the following was referred:

Docket #0376, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount Two Million Two Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars (\$2,232,152.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-C Nutrition Service Program, awarded by the U.S. Department Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund nutrition services for older adults in the City of Boston;

Docket #0379 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Thirty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Three Dollars (\$1,038,243.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-B Supportive Services, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund home-based support services for older adults in the City of Boston;

Docket #0380 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$530,999.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-E Family Caregiver Support Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund Caregiver Services for older adults in the City of Boston;

Docket #0382 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Hundred Sixty-One Thousand One Hundred Forty-Three Dollars

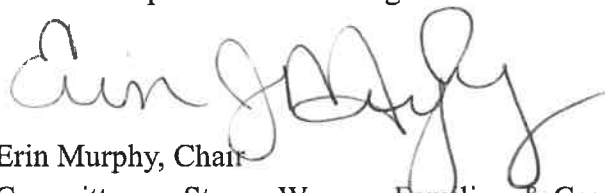
(\$461,143.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-A Administration, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund the cost for administration of Title III programs;

Docket #0383 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-One Dollars (\$177,271.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III- Ombudsman Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund consumer protection programs to improve long-term services for older adults in the City of Boston;

Docket #0384 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; and

Docket #0386 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount Eighty-Four Thousand Fifty-Eighty Dollars (\$84,058.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-D Disease Prevention & Health Promotion, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund services that assist older adults in Boston to prevent illness and manage chronic conditions,

submits a report recommending that these dockets ought to pass.



Erin Murphy, Chair
Committee on Strong Women, Families, & Communities



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

02-26-2024

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 HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$150,000.00**) in the form of a grant, Age Strong Universal Fund, awarded by Donor Group to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

The grant would fund senior center programs and services for older adults in Boston.

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
Mayor of Boston



City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND Age Strong Universal Fund FUNDS, AWARDED BY Donor Group.

WHEREAS, the Donor Group, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Age Strong Commission; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$150,000.00**) would fund senior center programs and services for older adults in Boston. 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 Donor Group, Age Strong Universal Fund award not to exceed the amount of ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$150,000.00**).

Docket # _____

In City Council Passed _____

_____ **City Clerk**

_____ **Mayor**

Approved _____

I hereby certify that the foregoing, if passed in the above form, will be in accordance with law.

by Adam Cederbaum

Adam Cederbaum
Corporation Counsel



BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

Committee on Strong Women, Families, & Communities
Erin Murphy, Chair

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

March 11, 2024

Dear Councilors,

The following dockets were sponsored by the Administration and referred to the Committee on February 28, 2024:

Docket #0376, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount Two Million Two Hundred Thirty-Two Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Two Dollars (\$2,232,152.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-C Nutrition Service Program, awarded by the U.S. Department Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund nutrition services for older adults in the City of Boston;

Docket #0379 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Thirty-Eight Thousand Two Hundred Forty-Three Dollars (\$1,038,243.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-B Supportive Services, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund home-based support services for older adults in the City of Boston;

Docket #0380 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$530,999.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-E Family Caregiver Support Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund Caregiver Services for older adults in the City of Boston;

Docket #0382 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Hundred Sixty-One Thousand One Hundred Forty-Three Dollars (\$461,143.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-A Administration, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund the cost for administration of Title III programs;

Docket #0383 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Seventy-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Seventy-One Dollars (\$177,271.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III- Ombudsman Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund consumer protection programs to improve long-term services for older adults in the City of Boston;

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Docket #0386 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount Eighty-Four Thousand Fifty-Eighty Dollars (\$84,058.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Title III-D Disease Prevention & Health Promotion, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund services that assist older adults in Boston to prevent illness and manage chronic conditions.

Summary of Legislation:

Docket #0376, authorizes the City to accept and expend \$2,232,152.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-C Nutrition Service Program, awarded by the U.S. Department Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

Docket #0379 authorizes the City to accept and expend \$1,038,243.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-B Supportive Services, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

Docket #0380 authorizes the City to accept and expend \$530,999.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-E Family Caregiver Support Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

Docket #0382 authorizes the City to accept and expend \$461,143.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III-A Administration, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

Docket #0383 authorizes the City to accept and expend \$177,271.00 in the form of a grant for the Federal FY24 Title III- Ombudsman Program, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health

and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the *Age Strong Commission*.

Docket #0384 authorizes the City to accept and expend **\$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*.

Docket #0386 authorizes the City to accept and expend **\$84,058.00** in the form of a grant, for the *Federal FY24 Title III-D Disease Prevention & Health Promotion*, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs to be administered by the *Age Strong Commission*.

The grants total over **\$4.5 million** from federal and state sources and will cover the period from October 2023 through September 2024 (Federal Fiscal Year 2024). The proposed grants fund a variety of services for seniors including nutrition programs, caregiver support, and health promotion.

Information Gathered at the Hearing:

The Committee held a hearing on Thursday, March 7, 2024. The Chair was joined by Vice Chair, Councilor Liz Breadon; Council President Louijeune; Councilor Flynn; Councilor FitzGerald and received an absence letter from Councilor Weber.

Emily Shea, Age Strong Commissioner; Myles Gerraty, Senior Director of Finance and Administration, Age Strong Commission; and Melissa Carlson, Deputy Commissioner and Senior Director of Programs and Partnerships, Age Strong Commission, testified on behalf of the Administration.

The Administration explained that the City of Boston receives grants of this kind as a federally designated “area agency on aging,” under the Older Americans Act.

The Administration testified as to the City’s specific responsibilities tied to the grant funding, including working closely with the State Executive Office of Elder Affairs to conduct needs assessments for individuals over 60 years old in Boston every four years. It was explained that the information gathered is used to create the area plan, which contributes to a statewide plan for older people in Massachusetts. The Administration highlighted the importance of community partners funded through Title III funding and emphasized the careful monitoring of grant spending to ensure that community partners receive the necessary support to fulfill their commitments for the well-being of older adults in the community.

The Administration elaborated on the grant funding sources explaining that Title III is a section of the Older Americans Act that encompasses various funding categories that are distributed to “area agencies on aging” across the country to provide specific services. The funding categories include: Title III A, which covers administrative expenses related to aging services; Title III B,

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Recommended Action:

The Chair of the Committee on Strong Women, Families, & Communities, to which the following was referred:

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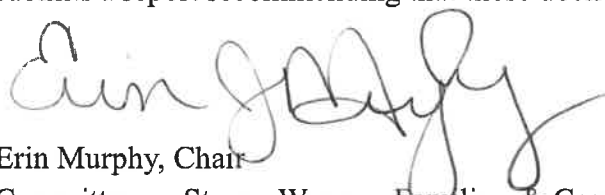
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submits a report recommending that these dockets ought to pass.



Erin Murphy, Chair
Committee on Strong Women, Families, & Communities



**City Of Boston • Massachusetts
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Michelle Wu**

02-26-2024

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 HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$100,000.00**) in the form of a grant, Recycling Dividends Program 23, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs to be administered by the Public Works Department.

The grant would fund investments in local programs including recycling equipment, organics diversion, outreach and education, pilot programs, school recycling, toxics reduction, and more.

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
Mayor of Boston



City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND Recycling Dividends Program 23 FUNDS, AWARDED BY the MA Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs.

WHEREAS, the the MA Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Public Works Department; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$100,000.00**) would fund investments in local programs including recycling equipment, organics diversion, outreach and education, pilot programs, school recycling, toxics reduction, and more. 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 the MA Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs, Recycling Dividends Program 23 award not to exceed the amount of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$100,000.00**).

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**In City Council
Passed** _____

City Clerk

Mayor

Approved _____

I hereby certify that the foregoing, if passed in the above form, will be in accordance with law.

by Adam Cederbaum

Adam Cederbaum
Corporation Counsel



**City Of Boston • Massachusetts
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02-26-2024

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 EIGHTY-FOUR THOUSAND FIFTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (**\$84,058.00**) in the form of a grant, Federal FY24 Title III-D Disease Prevention & Health Promotion, awarded by U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, passed through the MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, to be administered by the Age Strong Commission.

The grant would fund services that assist older adults in Boston to prevent illness and manage chronic conditions

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
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City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND Federal FY24 Title III-D Disease Prevention & Health Promotion FUNDS, AWARDED BY U.S. Department of Health and Human Services AND MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs.

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs, are being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Age Strong Commission; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of EIGHTY-FOUR THOUSAND FIFTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (**\$84,058.00**) would fund services that assist older adults in Boston to prevent illness and manage chronic conditions 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 U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and MA Executive Office of Elder Affairs' Federal FY24 Title III-D Disease Prevention & Health Promotion award not to exceed the amount of EIGHTY-FOUR THOUSAND FIFTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (**\$84,058.00**).

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**In City Council
Passed** _____

City Clerk

Mayor

Approved _____

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by *Adam Cederbaum*

Adam Cederbaum
Corporation Counsel



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02-26-2024

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 THIRTY-SEVEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY-THREE DOLLARS AND NINETY-NINE CENTS (**\$37,293.99**) in the form of a grant, FY24 Firefighter Safety Equipment Grant, awarded by Massachusetts Department of Fire Services to be administered by the Fire Department.

The grant would fund the procurement of firefighter safety equipment.

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
Mayor of Boston



City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND FY24 Firefighter Safety Equipment Grant 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 THIRTY-SEVEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY-THREE DOLLARS AND NINETY-NINE CENTS (**\$37,293.99**) would fund the procurement of firefighter safety equipment. 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, FY24 Firefighter Safety Equipment Grant award not to exceed the amount of THIRTY-SEVEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED NINETY-THREE DOLLARS AND NINETY-NINE CENTS (**\$37,293.99**).

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Passed** _____

City Clerk

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by Adam Cederbaum

Adam Cederbaum
Corporation Counsel



**City Of Boston • Massachusetts
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02-20-2024

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 TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS **(\$20,000.00)** in the form of a grant, The Simoni Foundation charitable donation grant, awarded by Frank R and Elizabeth Simoni Foundation Inc to be administered by the Police Department.

The grant would fund and support the work of the Homicide Unit.

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
Mayor of Boston



City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND The Simoni Foundation charitable donation grant FUNDS, AWARDED BY Frank R and Elizabeth Simoni Foundation Inc.

WHEREAS, the Frank R and Elizabeth Simoni Foundation Inc, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$20,000.00**) would fund and support the work of the Homicide Unit. 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 Frank R and Elizabeth Simoni Foundation Inc, The Simoni Foundation charitable donation grant award not to exceed the amount of TWENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$20,000.00**).

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**In City Council
Passed** _____

City Clerk

Mayor

Approved _____

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Adam Cederbaum
Corporation Counsel



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02-20-2024

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 ELEVEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTY DOLLARS **(\$11,330.00)** in the form of a grant, MA State Police pass through FY23 Coverdell Formula Grant, awarded by United States Department Of Justice, passed through the Massachusetts State Police / Crime Laboratory, to be administered by the Fire Department.

The grant would fund the preparation and application process for laboratory accreditation.

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
Mayor of Boston



City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND MA State Police pass through FY23 Coverdell Formula Grant FUNDS, AWARDED BY United States Department Of Justice AND Massachusetts State Police / Crime Laboratory.

WHEREAS, the United States Department Of Justice and Massachusetts State Police / Crime Laboratory, are being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of ELEVEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTY DOLLARS (**\$11,330.00**) would fund the preparation and application process for laboratory accreditation. 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 United States Department Of Justice, and Massachusetts State Police / Crime Laboratory' MA State Police pass through FY23 Coverdell Formula Grant award not to exceed the amount of ELEVEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED THIRTY DOLLARS (**\$11,330.00**).

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City Clerk

Mayor

Approved _____

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by Adam Cederbaum

Adam Cederbaum
Corporation Counsel



**City Of Boston • Massachusetts
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02-20-2024

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 EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$8,000.00**) in the form of a grant, FY23 National Violent Death Reporting System, awarded by MA Department of Public Health to be administered by the Police Department.

The grant would fund data collection by the Bureau of Investigative Services and the Drug Control Unit.

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
Mayor of Boston



City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND FY23 National Violent Death Reporting System FUNDS, AWARDED BY MA Department of Public Health.

WHEREAS, the MA Department of Public Health, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$8,000.00**) would fund data collection by the Bureau of Investigative Services and the Drug Control Unit. 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 MA Department of Public Health, FY23 National Violent Death Reporting System award not to exceed the amount of EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$8,000.00**).

Docket #

**In City Council
Passed**

City Clerk

Mayor

Approved

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by Adam Cederbaum

Adam Cederbaum
Corporation Counsel



Office of the City Clerk

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City Clerk

February 26, 2024

To The City Council

Councilors:

In accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979, I hereby notify you of the following actions taken by the Mayor with regard to the papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of, February 14, 2024, viz.

- 0105 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000.00) in the form of a grant for the MGH Clinical Building Project Grant, awarded by the Boston Planning & Development Agency to be administered by the Public Works Department. The grant will fund studies to examine design changes and implement the reconstruction of Blossom Street from Cambridge Street to Charles Street.

Approved by the Mayor February 20, 2024

- 0106 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$750,000.00) in the form of a grant for the MGH-BTD Clinical Building Project Grant, awarded by the Boston Planning & Development Agency to be administered by the Policy and Planning in the Transportation Department. The grant will fund transportation studies to examine the design changes and improvements that can be made to Cambridge Street, Blossom, and North Grove/Cambridge Street intersection.

Approved by the Mayor February 20, 2024

- 0258 The message and order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to submit to the Massachusetts School Building Authority (MSBA) Statements of Interest for their Accelerated Repair Program for the following schools: Kenny Elementary School, O'Donnell Elementary School, Adams Elementary School, Chittick Elementary School, Everett Elementary School, Gardner Pilot Academy, Lyndon Elementary School and Murphy K-8 School.

Approved by the Mayor February 20, 2024

0284 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$60,000.00) in the form of a grant, for Youth Engagement and Advancement, awarded by Boston Children's Hospital, to be administered by the Office of Youth Engagement and Advancement. The grant will fund a development series with ongoing workshops for youth workers to learn skills and strategies to become more effective in their positions. The funds will be used towards the Mayor's Youth Summit.

Approved by the Mayor February 20, 2024

0285 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a donation of three Certified Comfort Dogs valued at Eight Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$8,400.00) donated by the Dame Dogs Labradors, LLC to be administered by the Boston Police Department. The purpose of the donation is to support the Bureau of Field Services of the Boston Police Department by adding three comfort dogs to their department.

Approved by the Mayor February 20, 2024

0302 A petition for a special law re: An age waiver for the maximum age requirement for Paul O'Brien to join the Boston Police Department.

Approved by the Mayor February 20, 2024

Respectfully,



Alex Geourntas
City Clerk



February 12, 2024

Alex Geourntas
Boston City Clerk
1 City Hall Square
Boston, MA 02201

Re: Proposed Minor Modification to the Charlestown Urban Renewal Area,
Project No. Mass. R-55, with respect to Parcel X-28B

Dear Clerk Geourntas,

In accordance with the policies adopted by the Boston Redevelopment Authority d/b/a the Boston Planning & Development Agency ("BPDA") Board on December 12, 2004 and April 14, 2016, with respect to proposed urban renewal actions of the BPDA, I am hereby notifying the Boston City Clerk that the BRA proposes to adopt a minor modification to the Charlestown Urban Renewal Area, Project No. Mass. R-55, with respect to the creation of Parcel X-28B, a sliver parcel located between 67 and 71 School Street in Boston's Charlestown neighborhood.

The purpose of the proposed BPDA action is to facilitate the disposition of said Parcel, which is to be used as ancillary open space. The BPDA proposes to take action on the minor modification on March 14, 2024.

I enclose a copy of the proposed minor modification resolution. If you have any questions about this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Zachary Gagné, Urban Renewal Associate, at (617) 918-4445. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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Teresa Polhemus
Acting Director

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
RE: MINOR MODIFICATION TO THE CHARLESTOWN URBAN RENEWAL PLAN,
PROJECT NO. MASS. R-56, WITH RESPECT TO PARCEL X-28B**

WHEREAS, the Urban Renewal Plan for the Charlestown Urban Renewal Area, Project No. Mass. R-55, was adopted by the Boston Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority") on March 25, 1965, and approved by the City Council of the City of Boston on June (said plan, as previously modified, being herein referred to as the "Plan"); and

WHEREAS, Section 1201 of Chapter XII of the Plan, entitled: "Amendment," provides that the Plan may be modified at any time by the Authority without further approval provided that the proposed modifications do not substantially or materially alter or change the Plan; and

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Authority that the modifications hereinafter provided with respect to Parcel X-28B in the Charlestown Urban Renewal Area are consistent with the objectives of the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Authority is cognizant of the requirements of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30, Sections 61 through 62H, as amended, and its implementing regulations (collectively "MEPA") with respect to minimizing and preventing damage to the environment; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment to the Plan is a minor change and may be adopted within the discretion of the Authority pursuant to said Section 1201; and

WHEREAS, the proposed amendment to the Plan is necessary to effectuate the redevelopment of Parcel X-28B; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY:

1. That, pursuant to Section 1201 thereof, the Plan be, and hereby is, amended as follows:

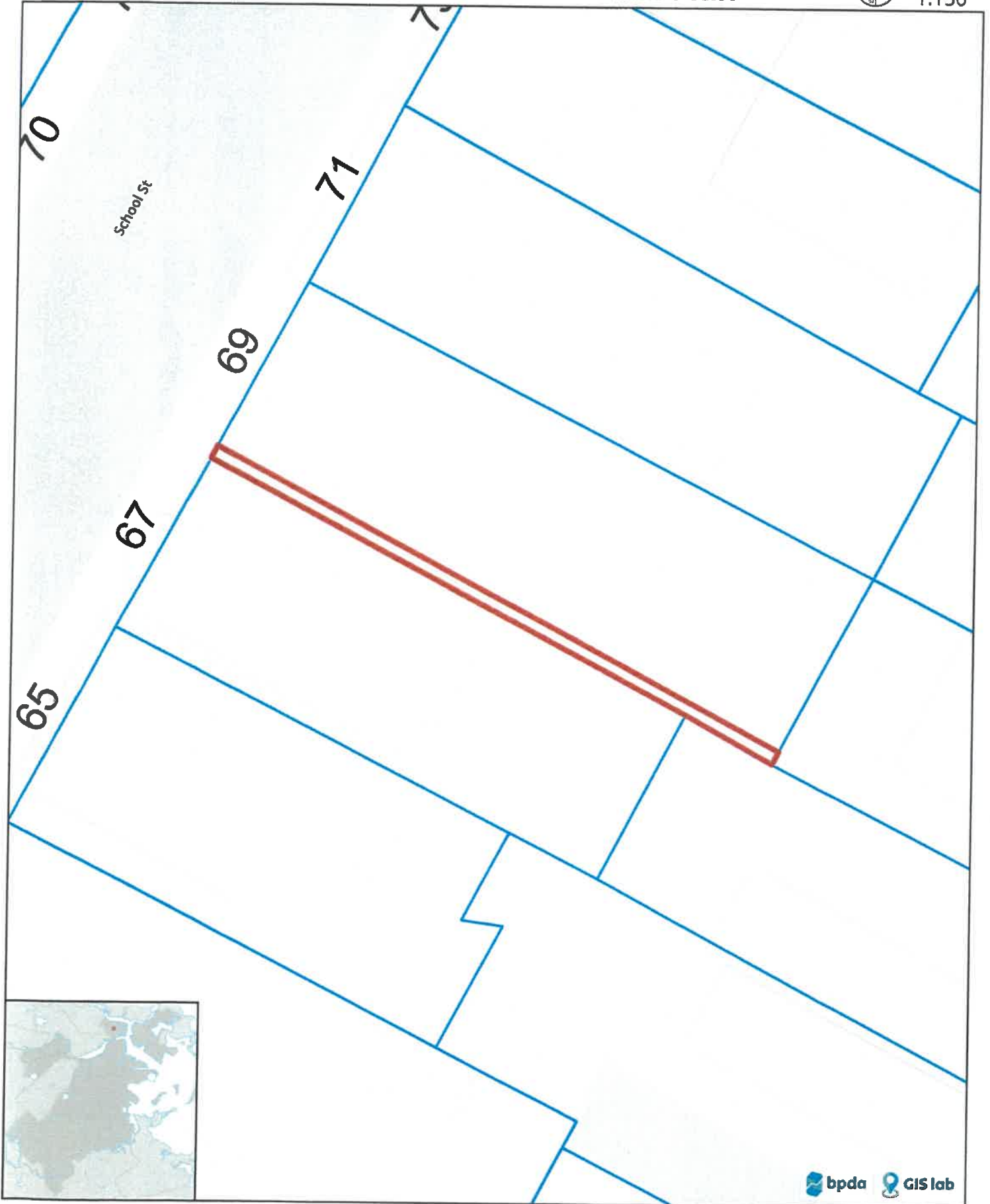
- a. That Map 7, entitled "Disposition Parcel," is hereby modified by creating so-called Parcel X-28B as shown on the map attached hereto; and
- b. That Map 2, entitled "Proposed Land Use," is hereby modified by setting the use of newly created Parcel X-28B as Open Space; and
- c. Section 602, entitled "Land Use and Building Requirements", is hereby modified by inserting the following with respect to so-called Parcel X-28B:

Site Designation	Permitted Uses	Minimum Setback	Max. Bldg. Height	Max. Floor Area Ratio	Max. Net Density	Min. Parking Ratio
X-28B	Open Space	AA	AA	AA	AA	AA

2. That the proposed modification is found to be a minor modification which does not substantially or materially alter or change the Plan.
3. That it is hereby found and determined pursuant to MEPA that the foregoing modification of the Plan, and any proposed development undertaken pursuant thereto, will not result in significant damage to or impairment of the environment and further, that all practicable and feasible means and measures have been taken and are being utilized to avoid and minimize damage to the environment.
4. That all other provisions of the Plan not inconsistent herewith be, and hereby are, continued in full force and effect.
5. That the Director be, and hereby is, authorized to proclaim by certificate this minor modification of the Plan, all in accordance with the provisions of the Urban Renewal Handbook, RHM7207.1, Circular dated August, 1974, if applicable.

Parcel X-28B, Charlestown Urban Renewal Plan

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Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS
City Clerk

February 26, 2024

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 February 14, 2024.

“Proposed Minor Modification to the Charlestown Urban Renewal Area, Project No. Mass. R-55, with the respect to Parcel X-28B.”

Respectfully,

Alex Geourntas
City Clerk

MF/pmf



Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS
City Clerk

February 26, 2024

To The City Council

Councilors:

In accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979, I hereby notify you of the following actions taken by the Mayor with regard to the papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of, December 13, 2023, viz.

- 0137 Ordinance Establishing Protections for the City of Boston Tree Canopy.
Approved by the Mayor December 29, 2023
- 1574 Message and Order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston to appropriate the amount of Seventeen Million One Hundred Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$17,165,000.00) for the purpose of paying the costs associated with the boiler, roof, windows and doors replacement projects as the following schools: The Jeremiah E. Burke High School, The English High School, Dennis C. Haley Pilot School and the Dr. William W. Henderson Inclusion Upper School. The City of Boston has applied for a grant from the Massachusetts School Building Authority (“MSBA”).
Approved by the Mayor December 20, 2023
- 1578 Message and order for your approval an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by One Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$145,545.00) to provide funding for the Boston Public Schools for FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the Boston Public Schools and the Boston School Department Plant Administrators Association.

Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on October 16, 2023

Approved by the Mayor December 20, 2023

1579 Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston School Department for FY24 in the amount of One Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$145,545.00) to cover the FY24 cost contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston Public Schools and the Boston School Department Plant Administrators Association. The terms of the contract are September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2026. The major provisions of the contract include base wage increases of 2%, 2.5%, 2.5%, 2.5%, 2% and 2% to be given in September of each fiscal year of the contract terms. The agreement also includes increases to on call pay and comp-time policies

Approved by the Mayor December 20, 2023

1701 . Message and order authorization the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Three Hundred Fifty-Eight Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$1,358,100.00) in the form of a grant for the FY22 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Operation and Safety, awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund the procurement of Personal Protective Equipment / bailout systems and the training required to use this PPE safely, as well as fund cancer and cardiac screening programs to provide early clinical detection of members

Approved by the Mayor December 20, 2023

1704 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY23 COPS Accreditation Project, awarded by the United States Department of Justice to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund accreditation process through the purchase of PowerDMS to document objective evidence of CALEA and MPAC requirements.

Approved by the Mayor December 20, 2023

1705 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Forty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Ninety Dollars and Forty-Seven Cents (\$47,890.47) in the form of a grant, for the FY22 Fire Prevention and Safety Grant Program (FP&S), awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund the purchase of an evidence management system and necessary supporting items and provide one-time training to personnel of the Fire Investigation Unit on the use of system.

Approved by the Mayor December 20, 2023

1721 Petition for a Special Law re: An Act Relative To Voting For All Legal Residents in the City of Boston.

Unsigned by the Mayor.

1749 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000.00) in the form of grant for the FY23 COPS CD Micro-Grant-Community Policing Development, awarded by the United States Department of Justice to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund Building Trust and Legitimacy with Community Building. With COPS Community Development Micro funding, the Boston Police Department will hire two full time BRIC Data Analysts to work with the Bureau of Field Services, and the 11 District Captains and Community Service Offices; the Bureau of Community Engagement to help connect with an even wider range of community partners; other Bureaus that will add data and information to the Community CompStat meetings; and the Office of Research and Development's civilian HUB Program Coordinator, who operates 6 District HUB Table convening per week throughout the neighborhoods of Boston.

Approved by the Mayor December 20, 2023

1812 Message and order for your approval, an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Sixteen Million Seven Hundred Ninety Nine Thousand Four Hundred Forty Dollars(\$16,799,440.00) to provide funding for the Boston Police Department for the FY24 increase contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and Boston Police Patrolman's Association.

Approved by the Mayor December 20, 2023

1813 Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston Police Department for FY24 in the amount of Thirty Million Seven Hundred Ninety Nine Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Four Dollars (\$30,799,440.00) to cover the FY24 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Boston Police Patrolman's Association. The terms of the contract are July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2023 and July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025. The major provisions of the contract include base wage increases of 2%, 1.5% and 2%, 1% and 2.5%, to be given in July of each year of the contract term, as well the addition of the Transitional Career Award Program in July 2023. The contract also contains reforms relating to discipline officer return to duty, the paid detail system, and union release.

Approved by the Mayor December 20, 2023

1819 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Eight Hundred Sixteen Thousand Dollars (\$816,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Electric Blue Bikes Adoption grant, awarded by the United States Department of Transportation, passed through the Boston Region Metropolitan Planning Organization, to be administered by the Policy and Planning Division in the Boston Transportation Department (BTD). The grant will fund the introduction of electric-assist bikes (e-bikes) into the City of Boston's publicly owned and managed Blue Bike share system.

Approved by the Mayor December 20, 2023

1821 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Mayor's Civic Summit, awarded by the Donor Group to be administered by the Office of Civic Organizing. The grant will fund the support costs of the Mayor's Inaugural Civic Summit.

Approved by the Mayor December 20, 2023

1822 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend an in-kind donation of food and event space, valued at Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00), donated by Boston University. The purpose of this donation is to support the inaugural Mayor's Civic Summit, which will occur on Saturday, January 13, 2024 at Boston University. The Mayor's Civic Summit will train and connect 200 Boston residents across neighborhoods in skill-based workshops, panels, and networking activities focused on leadership, fundraising, and communication, among other topics.

Approved by the Mayor December 20, 2023

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alex Geourntas". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Alex Geourntas
City Clerk



Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS
City Clerk

February 26, 2024

To The City Council

Councilors:

In accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979, I hereby notify you of the following actions taken by the Mayor with regard to the papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of, August 9, 2023, viz.

- 1133** Message and order for your approval, an order to reduce the FY23 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by One Million Seven Hundred Five Thousand One Hundred Forty-Two Dollars (\$1,705,142.00) to provide funding for the Boston Public Schools for the FY23 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston Public Schools and the Boston Association of School Administration and Supervisors (BASAS).
Approved by the Mayor August 16, 2023
- 1134** Message and order for your approval a supplemental Order for the Boston Public Schools Department for FY23 in the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Five Thousand One Hundred Forty-Two Dollars (\$1,705,142.00) to cover the FY23 cost contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston Public Schools and the Boston Association of Schools and Supervisors (BASAS). The terms of the contracts are September 1, 2020 through August 31, 2022 and September 1, 2022 to August 31, 2024. The major provisions of the contracts include base wage increases of 2%, 2.5%, 2.5% and 2.5%, to be given in September of each fiscal year of the contract term, as well as other cost items including inclusion reform implementation.
Approved by the Mayor August 16, 2023

- 1277 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Seventy-Nine Thousand Three Hundred Three Dollars (\$279,303.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 DMH CIT TTAC Grant, awarded by the MA Department of Mental Health to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund the implementation of a 40-hour Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) training for officers under the umbrella of the BPD Street Outreach Unit.
Approved by the Mayor August 16, 2023
- 1278 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Eighty-Three Thousand Dollars (\$183,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 DMH Training Grant, awarded by the MA Department of Mental Health to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund overtime cost to backfill Crisis Intervention Team training and other mental health training for officers.
Approved by the Mayor August 16, 2023
- 1279 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Seven Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$107,220.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 DMH Co-Response Grant, awarded by the MA Department of Mental Health to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund a full-time forensic peer specialist/recovery coach through BEST and provide training to officers.
Approved by the Mayor August 16, 2023
- 1280 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Recycling Dividends Program 22, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs to be administered by the Public Works Department. The grant will fund payments to municipalities that have implemented specific programs and policies proven to maximize reuse, recycling and waste reduction
Approved by the Mayor August 16, 2023

- 1281 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Ninety Thousand Dollars (\$90,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY24 Local Consumer Aid Fund, awarded by the MA Attorney General's Office to be administered by the Consumer Affairs & Licensing Department. The grant will fund staff cost and operational expenses.
Approved by the Mayor August 16, 2023
- 1282 Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a donation in the amount of Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$80,000.00) awarded by the Boys and Girls Club of Dorchester, to be administered by the Boston Park and Recreation Department. The donation will support the purchase of playground equipment for the park on Deer Street in Dorchester.
Approved by the Mayor August 16, 2023
- 1299 The Constable Bond of Yolanda Thomas has been duly approved and received by the Collector-Treasurer were received.
Approved by the Mayor August 16, 2023
- 1302 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 Terrance Joseph Williams.
Approved by the Mayor August 16, 2023
- 1366 An Order authorizing early voting for the September 12, 2023 Preliminary Election.
Approved by the Mayor August 16, 2023
- 1368 Petition for a Special Law RE; An Act Authorizing the Retirement Board of the City of Boston to Grant Certain Retirement Benefits
Unsigned by the Mayor.

Respectfully,



Alex Geourntas
City Clerk



City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
Michelle Wu

February 26, 2024

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 15-13.2 of Chapter XII of the City of Boston Municipal Code, I hereby appoint the following Member to the Task Force on the Study on City of Boston Reparations, effective immediately:

Byron Rushing of 16 Harcourt Street, Boston, MA 02116.

This member will serve a term expiring on December 31, 2024.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston



Office of the City Clerk

ALEX GEOURNTAS
City Clerk

February 26, 2024

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 February 23, 2024.

*“Report and Decision Appicatuon on 90 Cushing Ave -
Chapter 121A Project.*

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Alex Geourntas".

Alex Geourntas
City Clerk

MF/pmf

February 20, 2024

Honorable Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston
One City Hall Square
Boston, Massachusetts 02201

SUBJECT: 90 Cushing Ave - CHAPTER 121A PROJECT

Dear Mayor Wu:

At the regular meeting of February 15, 2024, the Authority approved and adopted a document entitled "PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL PURSUANT TO GENERAL LAWS CHAPTER 121A, SECTION 18C FOR 90 CUSHING AVENUE CHAPTER 121A PROJECT FOR CONSENT TO FORM TWO URBAN REDEVELOPMENT LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE PURPOSE OF REDEVELOPING THE ST. MARY'S CENTER FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN". The adoption of this document constitutes approval by the Authority.

Enclosed herewith for your review are four copies of the "PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL PURSUANT TO GENERAL LAWS CHAPTER 121A, SECTION 18C FOR 90 CUSHING AVENUE CHAPTER 121A PROJECT FOR CONSENT TO FORM TWO URBAN REDEVELOPMENT LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE PURPOSE OF REDEVELOPING THE ST. MARY'S CENTER FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN" together with the Application therefor. Attached to each copy of the Applications is a Certificate of Vote executed by the undersigned as Secretary.

Section 12 of Chapter 652 of the Acts of 1960 provides as follows:
"...provided, however, that no vote of the Authority approving a project or any change therein, or making or amending any rule, regulation or standard therefor, shall be in force until approved by the Mayor of said City." Your approval pursuant to Section 12 is respectfully requested.

The Approval Form which is attached to each set of the aforementioned documents is in the form previously approved by the City of Boston Law Department.

If the vote of the Authority approving the "AUTHORIZATION" on the Application meets with your approval, please sign all four copies of the Approval Certificate, one copy of which I am required as Secretary to file with the City Clerk pursuant to Chapter 652 of the Acts of 1960.

Very truly yours,

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Teresa Polhemus, Secretary

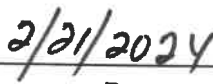
Attachments

APPROVED:

Including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the "PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER THE APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL PURSUANT TO GENERAL LAWS CHAPTER 121A, SECTION 18C FOR 90 CUSHING AVENUE CHAPTER 121A PROJECT FOR CONSENT TO FORM TWO URBAN REDEVELOPMENT LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE PURPOSE OF REDEVELOPING THE ST. MARY'S CENTER FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN" and the February 15, 2024, vote of the Authority approving said Report and Decision Application.




Mayor of the City of Boston



Date

Attest:



City Clerk
City of Boston



Secretary
Boston Redevelopment Authority

February 22, 2024

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

RE: REPORT AND DECISION APPLICATION ON 90 Cushing Ave - CHAPTER 121A
PROJECT

Dear Mr. Geourntas:

Pursuant to Section 13, 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 adopted on February 20, 2024, approving and adopting the "APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL PURSUANT TO GENERAL LAWS CHAPTER 121A, SECTION 18C FOR 90 CUSHING AVENUE CHAPTER 121A PROJECT FOR CONSENT TO FORM TWO URBAN REDEVELOPMENT LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE PURPOSE OF REDEVELOPING THE ST. MARY'S CENTER FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN" vote of the Authority approving said Application and an executed copy of the Approval by Her Honor, Mayor Wu dated February 21, 2024, of the foregoing vote.

Attached to the above-mentioned Certificate of Vote and Approval thereof by Her Honor, Mayor Wu, is a copy of the aforementioned "APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL PURSUANT TO GENERAL LAWS CHAPTER 121A, SECTION 18C FOR 90 CUSHING AVENUE CHAPTER 121A PROJECT FOR CONSENT TO FORM TWO URBAN


REDEVELOPMENT LIMITED PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE PURPOSE OF REDEVELOPING THE ST. MARY'S CENTER FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN".

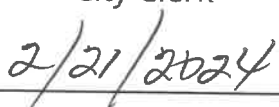
Please acknowledge the filing of the foregoing on the copy of this letter and return the same to the undersigned.

Very truly yours,


Teresa Polhemus
Secretary

Receipt of the aforementioned is hereby acknowledged:



City Clerk


Date



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

02-02-2024

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 SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$65,000.00**) in the form of a grant, FY23 Community Mitigation, awarded by Massachusetts Gaming Commission to be administered by the Police Department.

The grant would fund investigations that are coordinated between the BPD Human Trafficking Unit and other law enforcement entities.

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
Mayor of Boston



City Council Order

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND FY23 Community Mitigation FUNDS, AWARDED BY Massachusetts Gaming Commission.

WHEREAS, the Massachusetts Gaming Commission, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Police Department; and

WHEREAS, the funds in the amount of SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$65,000.00**) would fund investigations that are coordinated between the BPD Human Trafficking Unit and other law enforcement entities. 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 Gaming Commission, FY23 Community Mitigation award not to exceed the amount of SIXTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (**\$65,000.00**).

Docket #

**In City Council
Passed**

City Clerk

Mayor

Approved

I hereby certify that
the foregoing, if passed in
the above form, will be in
accordance with law.

by Adam Cederbaum

Adam Cederbaum
Corporation Counsel



BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice

Henry Santana, *Chair*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

February 26, 2024

Dear Councilors:

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

Docket #0282, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Ninety-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$92,735.50) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY23 Emergency Management Performance Grant, awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, passed through the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency, to be administered by the Office of Emergency Management (OEM). The grant will fund the enhancement of operational capacity at the Boston Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and promote the professional development of OEM staff.

Docket #0283, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$65,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY23 Community Mitigation, awarded by the Massachusetts Gaming Commission to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund investigations that are coordinated between the Boston Police Department Human Trafficking Unit and other law enforcement entities.

Docket #0344, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty Three Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$23,400.00) in the form of a grant for the FY24 Municipal Road Safety, awarded by the United States Department of Transportation, passed through the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security, to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund high-visibility enforcement of motor vehicle laws, including but not limited to, speeding and aggressive driving, distracted driving, impaired driving and occupant protection.

These matters were sponsored by Mayor Michelle Wu. Dockets #0282-0283 were referred to the Committee on February 7, 2024, and Docket #0344 was referred to the Committee on February 24, 2024.

Summary

Docket #0282 authorizes the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of \$92,735.50 in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY23 Emergency Management Performance Grant awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, passed through the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency, to be administered by the Office of Emergency Management.

The grant would fund the enhancement of operational capacity at the Boston Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and promote the professional development of Office of Emergency Management staff.

Docket #0283 authorizes the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of \$65,000 in the form of a grant, FY23 Community Mitigation, awarded by the Massachusetts Gaming Commission to be administered by the Boston Police Department.

The grant would fund investigations that are coordinated between the Boston Police Human Trafficking Unit and other law enforcement entities.

Docket #0344 authorizes the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of \$23,400 in the form of a grant, FY24 Municipal Road Safety, awarded by the United States Department of Transportation, passed through the Massachusetts Executive Office of Public Safety and Security, to be administered by the Boston Police Department.

The grant would fund high-visibility traffic enforcement of motor vehicle laws, including but not limited to, speeding and aggressive driving, distracted driving, impaired driving, and occupant protection.

Information Received at Hearing

The Committee held a public hearing on Dockets #0282-0283 and #0344 on Wednesday, February 21, 2024. The panelists in attendance were Shumeane Benford, Chief of Emergency Management at the Office of Emergency Management; Andrew Bloniarz, Assistant Deputy Chief of Administration at the Office of Emergency Management; Maria Cheevers, Director of Research and Development at the Boston Police Department; Sean McCarthy, Lieutenant at Boston Police Department at Area A; and Stephanie Gaines, Detective at the Boston Police Department's Human Trafficking Unit.

Chief Benford discussed **Docket #0282** stating that the Emergency Management Performance Grant is an annual noncompetitive grant awarded to all municipalities in the Commonwealth to provide financial support for emergency management activities. Boston receives the largest share of this funding each year. The grant is administered by the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) and is awarded to and managed by the Office of Emergency Management (OEM). The City has consistently received this grant and requires a dollar-for-dollar cost share using operating funds for acceptance of this grant. This funding is critical for expanding service delivery and building additional capacity, and enables OEM to offer programming while freeing up vital operating funds for other key City initiatives. OEM has used this funding to procure several goods and services in recent years including technological upgrades to the City's Emergency Operations Center (EOC), professional development opportunities for OEM staff, facility upgrades at the EOC to ensure security enhancement responses, to acquire critical box trucks and other resources to help deliver resources during the pandemic, staff uniforms, efforts for equitable and inclusive community engagement, and strengthening preparedness for the ongoing conversations around climate change and resilience.

Chief Benford highlighted equity goals adopted by OEM to ensure preparedness to engage and support diverse communities, climate change preparedness and resiliency, and promote and sustain a ready partnership with FEMA and MEMA.

He also discussed recent major incidents including large fires in Brighton, East Boston, and Dorchester; flooding in the Back Bay and Allston; preparing for large civic events; the Edison Plant collapse; supporting migrants in Boston; the closing of dorms at the Massachusetts College of Art; carbon monoxide leaks at a hotel in Chinatown; and a motor vehicle accident in Roslindale.

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Henry A. Santana

Henry Santana, Chair
Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice



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

02-02-2024

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

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City Council Order

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Docket #

**In City Council
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City Clerk

Mayor

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I hereby certify that the foregoing, if passed in the above form, will be in accordance with law.

by Adam Cederbaum

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Corporation Counsel



BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

February 26, 2024

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02-07-2024

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

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Henry A. Santana

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Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice



City of Boston, Massachusetts
Office of the Mayor
MICHELLE WU

January 18, 2024

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an Order that will authorize the Department of Transportation (“BTD”) to enter into two contracts, with terms of up to 10 years, to deploy curbside electric vehicle (“EV”) charging stations through a public/private partnership and at no cost to the City with the potential for revenue share. BTD has identified two vendors through the public procurement process that offer different models that address the distinct challenges to locating curbside EV charging.

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The City is working to address this inequity. The City has installed 70 Level 2 charging ports in municipal parking lots and anticipates installing an additional 160 Level 2 and 8 Level 3 charging ports by year’s end. To meet these goals the City must work with private operators of EV charging stations.

For this purpose, the City released an RFP for a public/private partnership. The selected partners will incur the costs to install and operate EV charging stations, at no cost to the City.

I urge this Honorable body to adopt this Order so the City can deploy curbside electric vehicle (“EV”) charging stations through a public/private partnership and at no cost to the City.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu
Mayor of Boston



**CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL**

AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT TO ENTER INTO TWO CONTRACTS FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS FOR TERMS OF UP TO TEN YEARS

ORDERED: That the Transportation Department, acting on behalf of the City of Boston be, and hereby is, authorized to enter into two contracts for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations and services for a period of up to ten years pursuant to the requirements of M.G.L. c. 30B, § 12(b).

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

BY _____

**ADAM CEDERBAUM
CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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OFFERED BY COUNCILORS HENRY SANTANA, BREADON, COLETTA, DURKAN,
FERNANDES ANDERSON, FITZGERALD, FLYNN, MEJIA, MURPHY, PEPÉN, WEBER,
WORRELL, AND LOUIJEUNE



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO EXPLORE STRATEGIES FOR DEVELOPING MIXED-INCOME SOCIAL HOUSING TO INCREASE HOUSING ACCESS AND AFFORDABILITY FOR ALL BOSTONIANS

WHEREAS, Social Housing is publicly financed, mixed-income housing that recoups public investment for the public good, and has been proven to be a sustainable method to produce and maintain high-quality and affordable housing for a wide range of income levels; *and,*

WHEREAS, The majority of Boston households are renters, and the majority of Boston renters are housing cost-burdened: Households are commonly defined as housing cost-burdened if they spend over 30 percent of household income on housing costs. The American Community Survey (ACS) conducted by the United States Census Bureau found that as of 2022 (the latest data available), renters live in 65.1 percent of occupied Boston housing units. The ACS further found that 53.5 percent of Boston renter households were cost-burdened, including 12.2 percent of renter households with income over \$100,000, 54.1 percent of renter households with income between \$75,000-100,000, 71.5 percent of renter households with income between \$50,000-75,000, and 82.6 percent of renter households with income under \$50,000; *and,*

WHEREAS, The vast majority of Boston households have household income below \$194,188 required to afford to purchase an average home in the Boston metro, and 27.5 percent of existing homeowners are already cost-burdened: Per data reported by Redfin, the median Boston metro home price was \$712,000 as of August 2023, requiring \$194,188 in annual household income to afford. ACS reports the median Boston household income was only \$86,331, with 80.6 percent of Boston households having income below \$200,000, the approximate income necessary to afford an average Boston metro home, including 74.3 percent of family households who cannot afford a median-priced Boston home. ACS also reports that 27.5 percent of existing homeowners are cost-burdened; *and,*

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WHEREAS, Public housing owned and/or operated by the Boston Housing Authority (BHA) is one tool to address housing needs for low-income households; and,

WHEREAS, There is insufficient BHA housing to meet demand, as evidenced by waiting times for BHA housing that application guidance notes “can be over ten years from your date of application,” and “a community's waiting list may range from 1,200 to 13,000 applicants;” and,

WHEREAS, Alternative financing strategies for housing creation are necessary because federal restrictions limit how much additional traditionally-financed BHA public housing Boston can add: The “Faircloth Amendment” of Section 9(g)(3) of the United States Housing Act of 1937 limits the number of public housing units for which the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) can provide Capital Fund or Operating Fund allocations for each municipality. This effectively caps how many additional BHA public housing units can be created or acquired and have their ongoing maintenance funded by the federal government, noted in January 2024 by the Boston Planning and Development Agency as a limit of 2,891 new units, approximately a 23 percent increase from the approximately 12,623 units BHA currently owns or operates per its website; *and,*

WHEREAS, Income limits on BHA, Inclusionary Development Policy (IDP), and Housing Choice Voucher program restrict eligibility and create financial cliffs: While these programs are hugely beneficial for the people they serve, many Bostonians who are housing cost-burdened are ineligible for these programs, even if there were sufficient supply of public housing, IDP units, or housing vouchers to eliminate long waitlists. Additionally, residents currently utilizing any of these programs can face challenging or insurmountable financial decisions in cases where their income increases enough to cease qualifying for a housing program, but insufficiently to afford market-rate housing; *and,*

WHEREAS, Middle-income housing is needed for our police officers, firefighters, emergency medical responders, nurses, teachers, City workers, young professionals, and many others to afford to live in the city of Boston: many Boston residents have enough income to not qualify for subsidized housing programs yet are far from being able to sustainably afford market-rate housing. Boston needs more housing affordable across all income levels, in addition to the extremes of market-rate and low-income. Housing affordable to a variety of income levels also provides stability against displacement and changing life circumstances; *and,*

WHEREAS, Mixed-income communities are needed to break down historical socioeconomic and racial segregation, and knit the city of Boston back together: Boston’s history of redlining by deeming areas “hazardous” for lending by the federal Home Owners’ Loan Corporation based on racist, anti-immigrant, and classist assumptions beginning in the 1930s; race-based restrictive covenants limiting where people could live based on race from the 1840s through 1940s; and urban renewal programs from the 1950s through 1960s which demolished diverse working-class communities and communities of color, created a city segregated by race and socioeconomic status. Though the policies that created that segregation have been stopped, a 2022 Harvard Chan School of Public Health report found that geographic segregation nonetheless persists even decades later, with roughly twice the poverty level, roughly twice the Black population, and roughly twice the level of household crowding in neighborhoods redlined in the 1930s as compared to those not. A 2023 Boston Public Health Commission report noted the stark difference in life expectancy of 92 years for a census tract in Back Bay, versus 69 years for a census tract in the historically redlined Roxbury less than 2 miles away; *and,*

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WHEREAS, Montgomery County, Maryland has successfully demonstrated Social Housing can be built in the United States without federal Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) nor long-term Housing Initiative Fund (HIF) funding, creating a 268-unit mixed-income, mixed-use development rich with amenities that opened in 2023 and has already replenished the County’s revolving fund used to finance it: unlike other public financing strategies, the funds can now be used again, and the Housing Opportunities Commission is continuing progress on a master development plan which includes 1,014 multifamily units, 100 for-sale condominiums, 406 townhomes, up to 82,000 sq. ft. of retail, and a public library; *and,*

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WHEREAS, Traditional federal public housing strategies create units prone to falling into disrepair and being stigmatized because their reliance solely on external financial subsidization is challenging to maintain; Social Housing addresses this by integrating mixed-income housing that generates income, enabling higher-quality development and funding ongoing maintenance; *and,*

WHEREAS, Mixed-Income Social Housing programs can create housing accessible across a wide range of incomes, without disrupting private and nonprofit housing production: Boston's housing affordability crisis necessitates more housing supply across all levels, and private developers, community development corporations and other mission-driven nonprofits creating affordable housing, and public value capture programs like IDP, can all be part of that. Social Housing simply expands our toolbox, adding a tool that can overcome the tendency of striated housing split across market-rate and low-income that tends to arise from underlying objectives and financing options available to other housing development strategies, and which can continue to produce housing during countercyclical markets; *and,*

WHEREAS, Rhode Island is moving forward with a Mixed-Income Social Housing pilot program, and the Healey-Driscoll Administration has proposed including a Social Housing pilot fund in the Massachusetts Affordable Homes Act; *and,*

WHEREAS, Boston must also explore all options to address our housing affordability;
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council holds a hearing to explore strategies for developing Mixed-Income Social Housing in the city of Boston to create socioeconomically integrated communities, contribute to the access and affordability of housing for residents across all income levels, and invest in community ownership of housing. Representatives from the appropriate departments of the administration and experts on Social Housing programs will be invited, and members of the public are encouraged to attend and testify.

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS ENRIQUE PEPÉN, ERIN MURPHY, BREADON, COLETTA,
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CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FOUR

HOME RULE PETITION

WHEREAS, Alex Guzman is 43 years old, was born in the Dominican Republic and raised in the United States, has lived in Hyde Park since 2007 and is a US citizen, and has spent 13 years working with Boston Housing Authority. Alex is scheduled to take the civil service exam in March 2024; *and*

WHEREAS, Mr. Alex Guzman has served the community with Boston Housing Authority as a Family Self-Sufficiency Coordinator. Through this work, Mr. Guzman has developed stellar interpersonal skills, the ability to connect with people, and the capability to work in tense environments which would make him an excellent candidate for the position of a Boston Police Officer; *and*

WHEREAS, Mr. Alex Guzman has always had an ambition for law enforcement studying Criminal Justice in his undergraduate career; ***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, 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 ALEX GUZMAN

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 Alex Guzman. If Alex Guzman 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 are severable and if any provision, or portion thereof, should be held to be unconstitutional or otherwise invalid by any court of competent

jurisdiction, such unconstitutionality or invalidity shall not affect the remaining provisions, which remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3.

This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Filed on: February 26, 2024



BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

Committee on Government Operations
Gabriela Coletta, Chair

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REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

March 27, 2024

Dear Councilors,

Docket #0399, A petition for a Special Law re: An Age Waiver for Alex Guzman to join the Boston Police Department, was sponsored by Councilors Enrique Pepén and Erin Murphy and was referred to the Committee on February 28, 2024.

Summary of Legislation:

Docket #0399 is a Home Rule Petition that would authorize the City of Boston Police Department to waive the age requirement for original appointment of police officers, for Alex Guzman. Pursuant to Chapter 43 of the Acts of 2007 of the Massachusetts General Laws, the City of Boston Police Department only accepts police officer candidates who have not reached their fortieth birthday as of the date of the exam. Docket #0399 seeks permission from the State Legislature to exempt Alex Guzman from that requirement.

Information Gathered at the Hearing:

The Committee held a hearing on Tuesday, March 26, 2024. The Chair was joined by the sponsors, Councilors Enrique Pepén and Erin Murphy, and received an absence letter from Councilor Tania Fernandes Anderson.

The Committee heard testimony from Alex Guzman, a 43-year-old Hyde Park resident looking to apply for the Boston Police Department. Guzman testified about his personal and professional history as well as his desire to become a police officer. Guzman was born in the Dominican Republic and moved to the United States in 1995 when he was 15 years old. Guzman testified that he always dreamt of becoming a police officer; however, challenging life circumstances intervened and delayed his pursuit of higher education. Despite these obstacles, he eventually attended Bunker Hill Community College and later transferred to UMASS, where he excelled academically, graduating with honors and becoming the first in his family to earn a college degree. Guzman testified that in his professional life, despite being unable to pursue a career in law enforcement he gained 15 years of valuable and rewarding experience serving the public. Guzman testified that following college, he worked for a non-profit in Cambridge for two (2) years before transitioning to the Boston Housing Authority, where he has been employed for the past thirteen (13) years.

Guzman testified that upon learning that a Home Rule Petition could allow him the ability to pursue a career in law enforcement, he jumped at the opportunity to reach out to the City Council for support.

Guzman thanked the Council for their support in petitioning the State Legislature on his behalf and stated that he will be taking the Civil Service exam this March with high hopes for the successful passage of the Home Rule Petition.

Recommended Action:

The Chair of the Committee on Government Operations, to which the following was referred:

Docket #0399, A petition for a Special Law re: An Age Waiver for Alex Guzman to join the Boston Police Department,

submits a report recommending that this docket **ought to pass**.



Gabriela Coletta, Chair
Committee on Government Operations



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR “SUNDAYS FOR ALL”

WHEREAS, Mayor Michelle Wu announced BPS Sundays on January 9, 2024 at the State of the City. This is an unprecedented partnership between the City of Boston, Boston Public Schools, and six of our City's leading cultural institutions; *and*

WHEREAS, On the first and second Sunday of each month, the Museum of Fine Arts, the Boston Children’s Museum, the Museum of Science, the Institute of Contemporary Art, the Franklin Park Zoo, and the Aquarium are free of charge for all Boston Public School students and up to three family members; *and*

WHEREAS, There are 45,742 students enrolled in the Boston Public Schools. There are 13,000 Boston children who attend charter schools, nearly 7,000 Boston children who attend parochial or private schools, more than 3,000 Boston children who attend METCO, and 273 Boston children are homeschooled; *and*

WHEREAS, Our parochial, METCO, and charter schools educate many first generation immigrants, and a high percentage are English Language Learners. Over 80% of charter school students are children and young adults of color, and over 70% of students come from low-income households; *and*

WHEREAS, This is a wonderful opportunity for families who have children enrolled in Boston Public Schools, but we are concerned that deserving students and families are being left out of this free program if it is not expanded to include ALL Boston families, regardless of what school their children attend.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED:

That the Boston City Council supports expanding the BPS Sundays initiative, that is using tax dollars to fund a large portion of the million-dollar expense, to include all City of Boston children. It could be called ***Sundays For All*** to be more inclusive and ensure that we are **Leaving No Child Behind**.

Filed on: February 28, 2024



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING IRISH-AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, Over the last two centuries, Irish immigrants have enriched all aspects of Boston's and the Nation's history, and generations of Irish Americans have made great contributions to the City and Country; *and*

WHEREAS, When Irish immigrants first arrived in Boston during the Great Famine (*An Gorta Mór*) in the 1840s, they were not welcomed and faced many struggles, including poverty, prejudice, and discrimination in jobs and housing. In spite of the hardships and challenges they faced, they worked hard at often unsafe, dangerous, and low-paying jobs; *and*

WHEREAS, As the Irish population expanded and new generations were born, Irish Americans entered into the workforce and helped build the social, economic, and industrial engine of America. Many became teachers, firefighters, lawyers, police officers, politicians, construction workers, and business owners, and they contributed significantly to the American Labor movement, advocating for safe working conditions and fighting against racial discrimination and income inequality; *and*

WHEREAS, Today, Irish Americans continue to contribute to our City and Country in business, government, politics, religion, the U.S. military, building trades, and organized labor. They also contribute immensely to our arts and culture, as well as sports. Many of America's Nobel and Pulitzer Prize-winning poets and authors, award-winning musicians, actors, artists and athletes are Irish Americans; *and*

WHEREAS, During this month, we celebrate and honor the remarkable achievements and contributions of Irish Americans. Their resiliency and perseverance, commitment to social and economic justice, strong sense of community, and proud immigrant heritage have helped shape our City and our Nation's identity and made us a stronger people.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED:

That the Boston City Council recognizes March as Irish-American Heritage Month in the City of Boston and pays tribute to the wonderful contributions of the Irish-American community. In recognition of Irish-American Heritage Month, the Boston City Council orders the City of Boston's Property Management Department to raise the Irish flag on March 15th, 2024.

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution Offered by Boston City Councilor **Tania Fernandes Anderson**

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

In Recognition of:

In profound acknowledgment of the extraordinary accomplishments and steadfast dedication to education exhibited by the students of the John D. O'Bryant School of Mathematics and Science, we extend a heartfelt welcome to Boston City Hall. It is with profound honor that we commemorate your inspirational contributions, acknowledging your pivotal role in sculpting the fabric of our esteemed 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 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 by: _____
(Handwritten signature)

Date: _____

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS TANIA FERNANDES ANDERSON, BREADON, COLETTA,
DURKAN, FITZGERALD, FLYNN, MEJIA, MURPHY, PEPÉN, SANTANA, WEBER,
WORRELL, AND LOUIJEUNE



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION TO FORMALLY SUPPORT THE ROXBURY DISTRICT INCREMENT FINANCING (DIF) TO BE UTILIZED IN DISTRICT SEVEN

- WHEREAS,** District Increment Financing (DIF) is an impactful economic tool, provided by the Massachusetts state legislature in M.G.L. Chapter 40Q, through investment in arts & culture, economic development, small businesses, the acquisition of available land and workforce training; *and*
- WHEREAS,** DIF allows cities to incorporate a portion of property tax revenues within a specified area (IE, a DIF district) to support various projects in that area; *and*
- WHEREAS,** District Seven is a dense district with a disproportionate percentage of affordable rentals compared to most neighborhoods in Boston, making the prospect of land acquisition a DIF could help institute quite compelling; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The average resident of Roxbury makes \$34,000 a year, which is 53 percent less than the \$71,000 made by the average Boston resident, meaning that Roxbury is a prime location for the resources that could accrue to the neighborhood via the utilization of DIF; *and*
- WHEREAS,** DIF does not represent a new tax on constituents, as the money is raised from existing taxes that people already pay, DIF utilizes existing tax dollars in ways that better assist residents that are dealing with problematic socio-economic indicators; *and*
- WHEREAS,** DIF captures a portion of tax revenues from new real estate development, which can help to combat the rampant gentrification currently at work in the community and redirects some of those resources back to the citizens in the communities being impacted; *and*
- WHEREAS,** While DIF districts do not currently exist within Boston, they have been instituted in a number of surrounding communities, including Assembly Square in Somerville and in Downtown Brockton; *and*

WHEREAS, In Assembly Square in Somerville, the DIF was put in place in December of 2010 for an area of 66.5 acres, and has generated an estimated \$25 million in revenue, whereas in Brockton, the DIF was adopted in July of 2015, for an area of 190 acres and is estimated to generate \$31 million in revenue; *and*

WHEREAS, Only 26 percent of Roxbury residents own their own homes, which is one of the lowest rates of homeownership in the City, and the poverty rate of Roxbury is 33.9 percent, which represents more than one-third of the residents of the community, meaning that a well thought out and executed DIF could make significant strides for the neighborhood in both workforce training and the acquisition of land for purposes of the creation of homeownership opportunities for residents; *and*

WHEREAS, A DIF is put in place for a 30 year term, which allows for a portion of the property taxes raised thereby to be put toward new development and for the increased assessed values of existing properties to be set aside for projects ensconced within DIF boundaries; *and*

WHEREAS, To properly utilize and implement a DIF, it should be ensured that longtime residents, business owners, and community and civic leaders are represented and inform how revenue is earmarked and distributed for projects, and this is done through a DIF being owned by a group that is entrenched and embedded in the community and has a proven track record of serving the needs of the people ; *and*

WHEREAS, An equity based scorecard, or some kind of streamlined form of communication which documents who is benefiting, should be created and used to guide how projects are funded, that accounts for who benefits, and notes whatever displacement may possibly accrue from said projects, so that community members can reconvene and alter a project that may be counterproductive to community interests; *and*

WHEREAS, The community must proactively work to increase economic opportunities for Black, Brown, and working class Boston on a variety of fronts, keeping in mind the oft-quoted statistic that the average white family in Boston possesses \$247,000 while the average Black family has 8 dollars of wealth, utilizing industries and sources of knowledge often ignored; *and*

WHEREAS A truly impactful DIF must enforce requirements that all projects hire locally and support local businesses, ensuring economic and social benefits to the Black, Brown, and working class communities, particularly by actualizing scenarios that manifest profound artistic and cultural contributions from those deeply ensconced within the communal confines of the neighborhood benefiting from the DIF; *and*

WHEREAS, A DIF can function as an impactful economic change agent in the realm of arts & culture, creating employment opportunities for cultural creators, muralists & performers of various stripes, as well as creating the conditions of development, land acquisition, and the funding of infrastructure projects, leading to communities within the confines of District Seven benefiting

appreciably from their implementation; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council on record support the Roxbury District Increment Financing (DIF) can assist District Seven communities in Boston via its abilities to positively contribute to land acquisition, workforce development, and the funding of infrastructure projects.

Filed on February 28, 2024

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS TANIA FERNANDES ANDERSON, COLETTA, DURKAN, FERNANDES ANDERSON, FITZGERALD, FLYNN, MEJIA, MURPHY, PEPÉN, SANTANA, WEBER, WORRELL, AND LOUIJEUNE



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION IN RECOGNITION AND CELEBRATION OF THE GREAT ABOLITIONIST HARRIET TUBMAN

- WHEREAS,** The monumental abolitionist and freedom fighter Harriet Tubman was born Araminta Ross in March of 1822 and died on March 10th, 1913; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Tubman was born enslaved, but escaped from her horrific bondage, and would go on to make 13 missions to rescue anywhere from 70 to nearly 200 people, depending on various estimates; *and*
- WHEREAS,** She accomplished this by working with a network of anti-slavery activists and utilizing what became known as the Underground Railroad, which was a series of safe houses and destinations used by those escaping enslavement; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Tubman achieved this astounding record despite being brutalized as an enslaved youth, including having a heavy metal thrown at her head that caused ongoing dizziness and headaches for the remainder of her life; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Furthermore, Tubman began experiencing visions and dreams that she attributed as communications from God, which made her very religious and strengthened her as she routinely faced death in order to free her fellow people; *and*
- WHEREAS,** She made her escape from Maryland to Philadelphia in 1849, only to return to Maryland shortly thereafter to free several members of her family, eventually returning a dozen additional times to free at least over 70 people, and possibly as many as 200; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Known as Moses for her daring forays from enslavement into freedom, she always traveled at night, under the cover of darkness, and apparently never lost a passenger on any of the excursions she led; *and*
- WHEREAS,** In 1858, she met the great white abolitionist John Brown, and helped him plan and recruit supporters for his daring 1859 raid on Harpers Ferry in Virginia

WHEREAS, When the Civil War commenced, Tubman worked for the Union army, initially as a nurse and cook, and eventually as an armed scout and spy; *and*

WHEREAS, She would go on to lead a raid at the Combahee Ferry, liberating 700 enslaved people and became credited as the first woman to lead an armed expedition in the Civil War; *and*

WHEREAS, Despite this stellar record of service, she received little pay for her efforts, obtaining a total of only 200 dollars for three years of service, an amount equal to roughly \$4,000 in 2024 dollars; *and*

WHEREAS, In her later years, she became involved in the women's suffrage movement, advocating for a woman's right to vote alongside Susan B. Anthony; *and*

WHEREAS, Harriet Tubman was a towering figure who bravely and brilliantly combated the unmitigated evil that was the system of enslavement practiced in the United States, freeing hundreds of people via her endeavors, and demonstrating, via her actions, the incredibly changes that a courageous and compassionate person can make: ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

RESOLVED: The Boston City Council hereby acknowledges and commemorates the indispensable contributions, courage, and sacrifices, rendered by Harriet Tubman towards the advancement of enslaved individuals, with particular emphasis on her role in the liberation of all oppressed communities at large.

Filed on February, 28 2024



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF BLACK VETERANS

- WHEREAS:** Since the founding of our country, African Americans have played a significant role in our military history, despite racial discrimination and facing limited opportunities; *and*
- WHEREAS:** During the Civil War, the 54th Massachusetts Volunteer Infantry Regiment was the first military unit consisting of free Black soldiers fighting for the Union Army who displayed exceptional bravery and honor; *and*
- WHEREAS:** In World War II, the Tuskegee Airmen, an all Black Army Air Corps aviation unit based in Tuskegee, Alabama, trained Black pilots, navigators, bombardiers and personnel, overcoming segregation and discrimination to become one of the most respected fighter groups in the war that later paved the way for desegregation in the U.S. military; *and*
- WHEREAS:** A well-known Tuskegee Airmen from Boston was the former Boston Police Deputy Superintendent Willis Saunders, who received a Congressional Gold Medal for his service. Saunders, a respected role model in the city, always treated people with dignity and respect. His father, an Army veteran, served in World War I; *and*
- WHEREAS:** We are proud of the historic Twelfth Baptist Church in Roxbury for their outreach and support to the African American veterans throughout the Greater Boston area, especially through their 60+ veterans group. The Church has had many notable pastors over the years, including Reverend George Washington Williams, who was a Civil War veteran; *and*
- WHEREAS:** We are also honored to have the William E. Carter American Legion Post 16, the oldest African-American post in the American Legion, in Mattapan. Established over a century ago, it recognizes the important work of black veterans and their bravery, self-sacrifice, and commitment.
- WHEREAS:** Every year, Boston's Office of Veterans Services host a Black Veterans Appreciation Brunch, where we celebrate the courageous service and sacrifices of Black veterans, while recognizing the racism and discrimination faced by these same veterans in America; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Everyone should be treated with dignity and respect without fear of discrimination, and we should continue our support to the Black veterans by standing with them and celebrating their remarkable achievements and sacrifices for our country.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED:

That the Boston City Council affirms its support for the Black veteran community and recognizes the contributions and sacrifices they have made towards the City of Boston.

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS BENJAMIN J. WEBER, HENRY SANTANA, SHARON DURKAN, COLETTA, FERNANDES ANDERSON, FITZGERALD, FLYNN, MEJIA, MURPHY, PEPÉN, WORRELL, AND LOUIJEUNE



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF RESIDENTS, FAMILIES
AND STAFF AT THE EDGAR P. BENJAMIN HEALTHCARE
CENTER BEING IMPACTED BY THE JULY 1ST, 2024
PLANNED CLOSURE

WHEREAS, For approximately 96 years the Edgar P. Benjamin Healthcare Center has been committed to providing quality care to residents in the Mission Hill and Roxbury neighborhoods; *and*

WHEREAS, The center was founded in 1927 by the late attorney Edgar P. Benjamin as Resthaven, which he donated to the community as a charitable entity dedicated to “providing a home or shelter for and to otherwise assist all people without regard to race, creed or color.”; *and*

WHEREAS, The facility, when founded, was the only Black-owned and operated nursing care facility in New England, and primarily caters to elderly and disabled residents who call the facility home. Today, it continues to primarily serve Bostonians of color, and the facility is highly valued by residents of Mission Hill and Roxbury; *and*

WHEREAS, On around February 12, 2024, Edgar P. Benjamin CEO Tony Francis filed papers with the State announcing that the facility would close by July 1, 2024, due to “insurmountable” fiscal challenges; *and*

WHEREAS, The Edgar P. Benjamin’s closure will impact staff and approximately 76 residents, primarily residents of color, who have felt left out in the decision-making process since the closure was announced; *and*

WHEREAS, While CEO Francis has stated that the facility would work to find placements for all 76 residents as well as jobs for its staff, the community’s trust is low. A meeting was held at the Edgar P. Benjamin on Thursday, February 22, 2024, which did not include staff. Residents left the meeting feeling there was a lack of clarity about where they will be placed once the facility closes; *and*

WHEREAS, Staff members have also reported issues around payment, including having to wait weeks to be paid and being paid with checks that bounced; *and*

WHEREAS, The Boston City Council stands with the residents, their family members and the workers at the Edgar P. Benjamin Healthcare Center who are requesting more

transparency and engagement prior to the facility's planned closure on July 1, 2024; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

RESOLVED: The Boston City Council strongly urges management at the Edgar P. Benjamin Healthcare Center to improve communication with residents, their families and staff regarding the closure and supports their efforts to be consulted and involved in alternative plans prior to the July 1, 2024 planned closure.

Filed on: February 28, 2024

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE, JULIA MEJIA, ED FLYNN, BREADON, COLETTA, DURKAN, FERNANDES ANDERSON, FITZGERALD, MURPHY, PEPÉN, SANTANA, WEBER, AND WORRELL



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY 29, 2024 AS
JUAN AURELIO LOPEZ DAY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

WHEREAS, Juan Aurelio Lopez retires this week following four decades of employment with the City of Boston; *and*

WHEREAS, Juan began his career with the City as the City’s first Hispanic Liaison to the Mayor; *and*

WHEREAS, Juan served under Mayors White, Flynn, and Menino in various roles, including Field Representative and Service Coordinator for the Jamaica Plain and Mission Hill Little City Hall, and Senior Hearing Officer at the Rent Equity Board; *and*

WHEREAS, Juan served the City Council for over twenty-five years in various positions, culminating as the Central Staff Director of Research and Policy, working with over four dozen City Councilors, and mentoring, teaching, and sharing his knowledge with hundreds of staff and visitors; *and*

WHEREAS, Juan is also active in community, serving on advisory boards and in leadership roles of civic groups, including for Boston Children’s Hospital, ETHOS Boston Elder Services, Latinos Contra Lupus, Tu Hispanidad/Latino, the League of United Latin American Citizens, and the Boston Commemoration Commission, as well as producing and hosting the television show “Política Entre Amigos” on WCEATV; *and*

WHEREAS, Juan has spent a lifetime dedicated to public service, with an immeasurable impact on this city and on fellow public servants who have had the opportunity to work with him and learn from him over the decades; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

RESOLVED: That the Boston City Council congratulates Juan Aurelio Lopez on his retirement and declares February 29, 2024 Juan Aurelio Lopez day in the City of Boston.

Filed in Council: February 28, 2024

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE, ENRIQUE J. PEPÉN,
BENJAMIN WEBER, COLETTA, DURKAN, FITZGERALD, FLYNN, MEJIA,
SANTANA, AND WORRELL



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FEBRUARY AS TRANSIT EQUITY MONTH

- WHEREAS,** Transit equity seeks to address disparities in transit access and quality that disproportionately affect low-income communities, communities of color, and individuals with disabilities, such that public transportation is affordable, reliable, and connects individuals to their communities, families, jobs, and schools; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Recognizing February as Transit Equity Month can serve as an opportunity to reflect on the legacy of those who have fought to advance equity in public transportation, including commemorating the birthday of civil rights icon Rosa Parks and her contributions to equal rights, including in public transportation; *and*
- WHEREAS,** According to a statewide poll by Mass Inc., a substantial majority of Massachusetts residents support the implementation of a low-income fare program and fare-free bus service in targeted neighborhoods, demonstrating broad public consensus on making public transportation more accessible for all; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (“MBTA”) must create a reduced fare for all low-income riders of all ages, and recognize the significant positive impact such a program would have on enhancing mobility and access to essential services for underserved communities as displayed by the success and extension of Boston’s Fare-Free pilot program for the 23, 28, 29 bus lines; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Blue Hills Reservation, a 7,000-acre state park offering diverse activities, remains inaccessible to residents of nearby transit-dependent neighborhoods due to limited public transportation options, underscoring the critical need for improved transit access to natural and recreational resources; ; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Transit Equity requires significant reforms to address fare inequities within the MBTA system, including standardize fares across all neighborhoods within Boston, including within Zone 1A, thus promoting fairness and ease of access for all Bostonians, regardless of their location ; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**
- RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council hereby proclaim February as Transit Equity Month and commit to supporting and promoting initiatives that enhance equitable access to public transportation for all individuals, recognizing the essential role that transit equity plays in achieving social justice and environmental sustainability.



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION DECLARING MARCH 2, 2024 AS BURNA BOY DAY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

- WHEREAS**, Singer and songwriter Damini Ebunoluwa Ogulu, known professionally as “Burna Boy”, was born and raised in Port Harcourt, Rivers State, Nigeria and is now a global cultural icon who has helped introduce and popularize afrobeats to the entire world; *and*
- WHEREAS**, For too long, mainstream narratives have marginalized African voices and overlooked the richness of the continent's cultural heritage, with Burna Boy's rise to prominence highlighting a shift in this paradigm; *and*
- WHEREAS**, Burna Boy proudly embraces his Nigerian and African identity, infusing it with contemporary sounds to create music that resonates with audiences worldwide, thereby challenging stereotypes about African artistry and opening doors for aspiring artists from similar backgrounds; *and*
- WHEREAS**, Through his performances and advocacy work, Burna Boy amplifies the voices of marginalized communities and advocates for their recognition and rights, using his platform not only to entertain but also to educate and inspire, starting conversations about social justice, equity, and representation;*and*
- WHEREAS**, Nigeria is the largest source of African immigration in the United States and Massachusetts is one of the top 10 states with the highest Nigerian-born population, according to the American Community Survey; *and*
- WHEREAS**, Boston’s commitment to recognizing and celebrating culture and diversity is evident in the range of cultural events, festivals, and community initiatives that showcase the city's multicultural landscape; *and*
- WHEREAS**, Burna Boy’s legacy serves as a reminder of possibility, reminding us to continue amplifying voices that have long been silenced or overlooked; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**
- RESOLVED**: : That March 2, 2024 is designated Burna Boy Day in the City of Boston.

OFFERED BY COUNCILORS ERIN MURPHY, COLETTA,
DURKAN, FITZGERALD, FLYNN, PEPÉN, SANTANA, WEBER,
WORRELL, AND LOUIJEUNE



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY-FOUR

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS THE RESULTS OF
LAST YEAR'S YOUTH SUMMER JOBS PROGRAMS AND
PREPARE FOR THIS SUMMER

WHEREAS, The City, through the Department of Youth Engagement and Employment (DYEE) SuccessLink Employment Program, offered approximately 7,000 job opportunities for Boston youth last summer; *and*

WHEREAS, The commitment to providing employment during the summer months to our youth is crucial for strong families and communities. Summer jobs promote confidence, skill building, networking, self-management, relationship skills, responsible decision making and income; *and*

WHEREAS, A grant funding component was added that expanded the job opportunities by partnering with organizations to increase the diversity and quality of workforce development opportunities for the young people of Boston; *and*

WHEREAS, Too many of the City's Youth Summer Jobs go unfilled, despite the fact that there are many youth, and families looking for employment for their teen children, and the data shows that when we offer our disadvantaged youth, vulnerable youth, and youth with identified risk barriers access to employment opportunities it may help them to develop a wide range of beneficial attributes, such as the capacity to take responsibility, develop time-management skills, overcome shyness with adults, relationship skills, and handle money; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing to discuss the community and family benefits, and the successes and challenges of last summer. Representatives from the Mayor's office of Youth Employment and Oppoportunites, Office for Youth Engagement and Advancement, Advisor for Youth and Schools under the Boston's Children's Cabinet, and other interested parties shall be invited to attend.

Filed on: February 28, 2024



CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FOUR

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO EXPLORE PROGRAMS
THE CITY OF BOSTON OFFERS OR COULD ESTABLISH
TO PREVENT ILLEGAL DISCRIMINATION BY LANDLORDS AND
REAL ESTATE BROKERS AGAINST PROSPECTIVE TENANTS
UTILIZING HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHERS

WHEREAS, As of November 2023, more than 90,000 households in Massachusetts benefit from the federal Housing Choice Voucher Program, a successor to the Section 8 Rental Voucher or Rental Certificate Program, the majority being seniors, children, or people with disabilities. This program allows residents to rent an apartment or house in the private market anywhere in Boston or other communities in the United States and its territories. Residents pay 30 percent to 40 percent of their income toward rent, and the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) pays the remainder directly to the landlord, **and**

WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts offers the largest state-funded rental-assistance program in the country, called the Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program, which as of December 2022 assists approximately 10,000 households across the Commonwealth, working in conjunction with the federal Housing Choice Voucher Program, **and**

WHEREAS, The Commonwealth of Massachusetts also offers the Alternative Housing Voucher Program, which assists people with disabilities under the age of 60 in conjunction with the federal Housing Choice Voucher Program and Massachusetts Rental Voucher Program, including 475 people across the Commonwealth as of January 2019, **and**

WHEREAS, Rental assistance has been proven to be one of the most effective ways to serve vulnerable households to prevent homelessness. In a twelve-city “Family Options Study” conducted by HUD over the course of 37 months comparing outcomes for different interventions for families experiencing homelessness, Housing Choice Vouchers were found to be the most effective assistance program for families living in shelters. Only 22 percent of voucher recipients in the study experienced another episode of homelessness or of living doubled up with others over the next 18 months, by comparison to 50 percent of families who only received continued shelter (the control group), 47 percent of families who received rapid rehousing, and 42 percent of families who received transitional housing, **and**

WHEREAS, Evidence-based studies additionally demonstrate that rental assistance programs provide positive impacts on overcrowding and food insecurity, homelessness, health, transportation, and education. A 2018 report by the Urban Institute based on data from the Joint Centers for Housing Studies of Harvard University and US Bureau of Labor Statistics noted severely cost-burdened households paying more than 50 percent of their income on rent spend approximately 40 percent less on food, 65 percent less on transportation, and 70 percent less on healthcare than their peers who are not severely housing cost-burdened. Rental vouchers

reduce these cost burdens, allowing families to invest more in their children by buying books and educational materials, and households to spend more money on essential goods and services for their health and wellbeing, **and**

WHEREAS, It is illegal in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for housing providers to discriminate against anyone utilizing a Housing Choice Voucher, as per MA G. L. c. 151B, § 4(10):

[f]or any person furnishing . . . rental accommodations to discriminate against any individual who is a recipient of federal, state, or local public assistance . . . or who is a tenant receiving federal, state, or local housing subsidies, including rental assistance or rental supplements, because the individual is such a recipient, or because of any requirement of such public assistance, rental assistance, or housing subsidy program, **and**

WHEREAS, Boston municipal code c. X, § 10-3.1 further prohibits this discrimination:

It is the policy of the City of Boston to see that each individual, regardless of his/her . . . source of income shall have equal access to housing and to encourage and bring about mutual understanding and respect among all individuals in the City by the elimination of prejudice, intolerance, bigotry and discrimination in the area of housing, **and**

WHEREAS, Despite discrimination against Housing Choice Vouchers holders being illegal in Massachusetts, and additionally prohibited explicitly by the city of Boston, current and long standing concerns have been raised by voucher holders, the Boston Housing Authority, Housing Rights Initiative, and other organizations that discrimination against voucher holders is occurring in the city of Boston, and that voucher holders are struggling to find homes to rent with a voucher, **and**

WHEREAS, Suffolk University Law School conducted a housing discrimination testing study in 2020, which found evidence of voucher-based discrimination in 86 percent of tests with housing providers in Greater Boston, **and**

WHEREAS, Housing Choice Voucher programs are intended to provide renters with the opportunity to choose the neighborhood they live in, including affluent or mixed-income neighborhoods that many low-income people would otherwise be unable to afford, yet discrimination against voucher holders limits the options available. A 2016 study of Boston Housing Authority data found that 76 percent of Boston-area voucher recipients lived in lower-opportunity neighborhoods. **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council holds a hearing to explore programs the City of Boston offers or could establish to prevent illegal discrimination by landlords and real estate brokers against prospective tenants utilizing Housing Choice Vouchers in the city of Boston. Representatives from the appropriate departments of the administration will be invited, and members of the public are encouraged to attend.

Filed in Council: February 22, 2024

**COUNCILORS JOHN FITZGERALD, BREADON, COLETTA, DURKAN,
FERNANDES ANDERSON, FLYNN, MEJIA, MURPHY, PEPÉN,
SANTANA, WEBER, WORRELL, AND LOUIJEUNE**



**CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS THE
CURRENT TRAUMA RESPONSE RESOURCES IN
THE CITY OF BOSTON AND THE POTENTIAL FOR
EXPANSION**

WHEREAS: In 2023, there was a total of 144 shootings and 37 homicides across the City of Boston, with the first murder of 2024 occurring in Dorchester on the first of this year; and

WHEREAS: The presence of violence can generate long term neighborhood trauma across the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the City of Boston among individuals and communities of all demographic groups; and

WHEREAS: Unresolved trauma can leave both victims and witnesses with long-term negative impacts, including substance abuse, mental health issues, employment or educational difficulties, and the committing of further crime and violence; and

WHEREAS: A method of reducing such impacts is through trauma-informed care which uses counseling and other reflection centered healing in order to help an individual or community reconcile past traumatic events; and

WHEREAS: The Boston Public Health Commission and community partners have historically ran the Neighborhood Trauma Team Network, a 24/7 support hotline for residents dealing with trauma; and

WHEREAS: This network, in addition to trauma care, also provides victims with safe housing assistance, temporary relocation, and housing for survivors who felt unsafe in their neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS: According to the Boston Public Health Commission's 2022 Annual Report, in FY22, the program provided victim support to 126 incidents of gun/stabbing-related incidents city-wide, from the Neighborhood Trauma Team Network; and

WHEREAS: A total of 683 residents impacted by trauma received support from the network, including stabilization, short-term, or long-term support services; and

WHEREAS: Other Municipalities such as Lynn have already began developing unarmed response teams in order to identify victims and direct them towards trauma informed care; and

WHEREAS: Finding effective trauma coping resources can be difficult and many individuals coping with these issues do not know where to turn and what resources are available to them; and

WHEREAS: The expansion of an outreach team with licensed professionals can provide victims and those affected by trauma related issues with the immediate resources needed in order to resolve the trauma of both individuals and the neighborhood as a whole: and

ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council conduct a hearing to review the existing neighborhood trauma resources in the City of Boston with the potential for expansion to improve outreach and support for violent crime, domestic violence and other traumatic instances and that the appropriate city officials and members of the public be invited to attend.

Filed in City Council: February 23, 2024

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR BRIAN WORRELL



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS LONG-TERM CITY JOB VACANCIES

WHEREAS, The City of Boston's Fiscal Year 2024 operating budget was \$4.28 billion, covering 18,000 employees; *and*

WHEREAS, The City of Boston had nearly 1,000 vacancies as of the middle of January 2024, including about 600 in Boston Public Schools, more than 100 at the Boston Public Health Commission, more than 200 at the City of Boston, and more than 50 combined at the Boston Water and Sewer Commission, Boston Planning and Development Agency, and Boston Housing Authority; *and*

WHEREAS, These vacancies include roles that need to be filled for the city's government to reach its full potential; *and*

WHEREAS, Work for unfilled jobs can either be outsourced to contractors without a residency requirement, reallocated elsewhere in the department's budget, or partially reassigned to the city's general fund;

WHEREAS, Cities such as Los Angeles give specific numbers on long-term job vacancies in their budgets; *and*

WHEREAS, A better understanding of job vacancies and unused money would give a more accurate picture of the city's budget for the upcoming fiscal year, allow the city to strategize how to fill vacant positions, and empower city employees and unions to advocate for higher compensation; *and*

WHEREAS, The City of Boston is actively creating the Fiscal Year 2025 budget, which will include projections for full-time employees; ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

ORDERED: That the Ways & Means Committee of the Boston City Council hold a hearing on the current status of unfilled jobs in city departments and that representatives of the City's Position Review Committee, Boston Public Schools, Boston Police Department, Boston Public Health Commission, Public Works, Boston Center for Youth and Families and other interested parties be invited to attend.

Filed on: Feb. 28, 2024

BOSTON CITY COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL

February 21, 2024

Councilor Louijuene
(Councilor Santana)

ORDERED: That effective Monday, March 4, 2024 the following named person be, and hereby is, appointed to the position set against their name until Friday, March 15, 2024.

BiWeekly Payroll

Edosa Osemwegie	Administrative Asst.	\$769.23	part time
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BOSTON CITY COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL

February 21, 2024

Councilor Louijuene
(Councilor Murphy)

ORDERED: That effective Monday, March 4, 2024 the following named person be, and hereby is, appointed to the position set against their name until Friday, March 15, 2024.

BiWeekly Payroll

Caroline O'Neill	Secretary	\$4,705.90	full time
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BOSTON CITY COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL

February 22, 2024

Councilor Louijuene
(Councilor Weber)

ORDERED: That effective Monday, March 4, 2024 the following named person be, and hereby is, appointed to the position set against their name until Friday, March 15, 2024.

BiWeekly Payroll

Mark A. Cohen	Secretary	\$1,000.00	part time
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Boston City Council

Legislative Calendar for the Feb. 28, 2024 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 upon¹

¹Section 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 April 1, 2024

Message and order for your approval an Ordinance amending City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 12, Section 12-3.5, Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-Off Abatement.(Docket #0256)

Message and order for your approval an Ordinance creating the Planning Department in the City of Boston. (Docket #0257)

Assigned for Further Action

Unanswered Section 17F Orders²

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.

*Home Rule Petitions Not Responded to by the Mayor*³

³*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.

2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0175	Worrell	Durkan, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to bring the NBA All-Star Weekend to Boston.		1/24/2024	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0289	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Nigel Jacobs to the Boston Art Commission for a term expiring on December 20, 2028.		2/7/2024	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0290	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of James Mason to the Boston Art Commission for a term expiring on December 20, 2028.		2/7/2024	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0291	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Abigail Norman to the Boston Art Commission for a term expiring on December 20, 2028.		2/7/2024	
Arts, Culture, Entertainment, Tourism, & Special Events	0343	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$325,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Red Sox Arts and Parks Program, awarded by the Boston Red Sox to be administered by the Mayor's Office. The grant will support arts programming, community events and parks operations across Boston.		2/14/2024	
Boston's COVID-19 Recovery	0181	Durkan		Order for a hearing to discuss the mental health and wellness resources available to City of Boston employees and new resources implemented after the COVID-19 pandemic.		1/24/2024	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0179	Durkan	Coletta, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss trash collection in Boston.		1/24/2024	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0180	Durkan	Pepin, Breadon	Order for a hearing to discuss city services in regard to composting and the need for increased composting services.		1/24/2024	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0189	Worrell	Louijeune, Coletta	Order for a hearing regarding providing technical assistance to civic associations and outlining best practices for civic associations.		1/24/2024	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0266	Fernandes-Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss creating a fund for translation and interpretive services to be utilized at community meetings held by City Councilors.		1/31/2024	

2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
City Services & Innovation Technology	0332	Murphy	Flynn	Order for hearing to discuss the safety of city workers.	2/7/2024	2/22/2024	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0356	Fernandes-Anderson		Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss prioritizing equitable development by exploring financial solutions to clean parcels prior to acquisition in Boston.	2/14/2024		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0193	Louijeune	Fernandes Anderson	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.	1/24/2024		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0195	Louijeune	Fernandes, Breadon	Order for a hearing on discrimination in lending and appraisals.	1/24/2024		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0198	Coletta	Flynn, Breadon	Order for a hearing regarding technological infrastructure improvements across city departments.	1/2/2024		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0200	Louijeune	Worrell	Order for a hearing on the civil rights and liberties of returning citizens and re-entry into their Boston communities.	1/24/2024		
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	0204	Louijeune	Coletta	Order for a hearing on the needs and services for recent migrant populations.	1/24/2024		
Education	0177	Murphy	Weber, Fernandes	Order for a hearing reclaiming the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center for our Boston Public School athletes.	1/24/2024		
Education	0188	Worrell	Mejia, Fernandes	Order for a hearing to explore scholarships for Boston students to increase access to all forms of higher education.	1/24/2024		
Education	0194	Coletta	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to establish a Climate Change and Environmental Justice Curriculum Pilot Program in Boston Public Schools.	1/24/2024		
Education	0197	Louijeune	Colletta, Fernandes	Order for a hearing to address the mental health needs of our students with a focus on guidance counselors.	1/24/2024		
Education	0353	Fernandes-Anderson		Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the feasibility of BPS providing ESOL classes for parents.	2/14/2024		

2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0135	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 Aquatics Facilities Grant, awarded by the United States Department of the Treasury, passed through the MA Department of Conservation and Recreation, to be administered by Property Management. The grant will fund the repairs and maintenance of aquatic facilities.	1/24/2024		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0137	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Six Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$659,990.00) in the form of a grant, for the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant, awarded by the United States Department of Energy to be administered by the Environment Department. The grant will fund State and Local Governments and Tribes, in implementing strategies to reduce energy use, to reduce fossil fuel emissions and to improve energy efficiency.	1/24/2024		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0172	Worrell	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to create indoor playgrounds in the City of Boston.	1/24/2024		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0190	Coletta	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing regarding implementing coastal resilience strategies for Boston's waterfront.	1/24/2024		
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0355	Fernandes-Anderson		Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss ways to equitably fight climate displacement in District Seven.	2/14/2024		
Government Operations	0166	Coletta		Ordinance Formally Creating the Office of Food Justice and Establishing a Food Recovery Program in the City of Boston.	1/24/2024		
Government Operations	0168	Louijeune		Ordinance with respect to Honey Bees.	1/24/2024		2/23/24 (WS)
Government Operations	0169	Louijeune		Text Amendment to the Boston Zoning Code with respect to Honey Bees.	1/24/2024		2/23/24 (WS)
Government Operations	0170	Coletta	Mejia, Worrell	Ordinance Establishing Street Food Enterprises in the City of Boston Municipal Code by Inserting Chapter 17, Section 22, Permitting and Regulation of Non-Motorized Street Food Carts.	1/24/2024		3/12/24 (WS)
Government Operations	0171	Worrell		Home Rule Petition to Ensure Future Inauguration Dates Do Not Fall on a Federal Holiday.	1/24/2024	3/15/2024	

2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Government Operations	0256	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Ordinance amending City of Boston Code, Ordinances, Chapter 12, Section 12-3.5, Senior Citizen Property Tax Work-Off Abatement.	1/31/2024		
Government Operations	0257	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Ordinance creating the Planning Department in the City of Boston.	1/31/2024	2/29/2024	3/8/24 (WS)
Government Operations	0262	Flynn		Ordinance Establishing the Office of Pest Control in the City of Boston.	1/31/2024		
Government Operations	0263	Flynn		Petition for a special law re: an act regarding the disability pension for Brian McPherson.	1/31/2024		
Housing & Community Development	0176	Worrell	Breadon	Order for a hearing regarding the Homeownership Voucher Program.	1/24/2024		
Housing & Community Development	0202	Louijeune	Breadon	Order for a hearing on addressing and improving fair housing practices in the city of Boston.	1/24/2024		
Housing & Community Development	0203	Louijeune	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing regarding the state of anti-displacement as to Boston's Acquisition Opportunity Program.	1/24/2024		
Housing & Community Development	0265	Weber	Louijeune, Breadon	Order for a hearing to explore a right to counsel pilot program for tenants facing eviction in the City of Boston.	1/31/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0100	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a grant award in the amount not to exceed Two Million Five-Hundred Sixty-Two Thousand Two Hundred and Ninety-Seven Dollars (\$2,562,297) from the Boston Planning & Development Agency, for the construction and management of transportation improvements projects.	8/10/2022		2023 - 0930
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0101	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a grant from the Federal Highway Administration, through the Massachusetts Departments of Transportation, Highway Division of Seven Million Five Hundred One Thousand Two Hundred dollars (\$7,501,200) to be administered by the Boston Transportation Department and the Boston Public Works Department. This grant is a portion of the design costs for the Sullivan Square/Rutherford Avenue Project.	9/28/2022		2023 - 1166

2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0104	Mayor		Message and order confirming the appointment of Nakeeda Burns to the Zoning Commission as a residential organization member for a term expiring October 26, 2026.	10/25/2023		2023 - 1626
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0107	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Peter Sanborn, as a member of the South End Landmark District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2025.	11/15/2023		2023 - 1706
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0108	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of John Freeman, a member of the South End Landmark District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2025.	11/15/2023		2023 - 1707
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0109	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Christopher DeBord, as a member of the South End Landmark District Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2025.	11/15/2023		2023 - 1708
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0110	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Nancy Russell, as a member of the St. Botolph Architectural Commission for a term expiring on November 10, 2026.	11/15/2023		2023 - 1709
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0111	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Jim Kutchin, as a member of the St. Botolph Architectural Commission for a term expiring on November 10, 2026.	11/15/2023		2023 - 1710
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0112	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Douglas Miller, as a member of the St. Botolph Architectural Commission for a term expiring on November 10, 2026.	11/15/2023		2023 - 1711
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0113	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Kevin Ready, as a Member of the Boston Landmarks Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2025.	11/29/2023		2023 - 1750
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0114	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Fadi Samaha, as a Commissioner of the Boston Landmarks Commission for a term expiring on June 30, 2025.	11/29/2023		2023 - 1751
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0144	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Felicia Jacques, as a member of the South End Landmark District Commission for a term expiring on January 20, 2027.	1/24/2024		

2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0145	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Thomas Rodde, as a member of the Fort Point Channel Landmark District Commission for a term expiring on January 20, 2027.	1/24/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0146	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Catherine Hunt, as a member of the South End Landmark District Commission for a term expiring on January 20, 2027.	1/24/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0147	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of John Freeman, as a member of the South End Landmark District Commission for a term expiring on January 20, 2027.	1/24/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0148	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of John Amodeo, as a member of the South End Landmark District Commission.	1/24/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0149	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Terri North, as a member of the Back Bay West/Bay State Road Architectural Conservation District Commission for a term expiring on January 15, 2027.	1/24/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0150	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Christopher DeBord, as a member of the South End Landmark District Commission for a term expiring on January 20, 2027.	1/24/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0151	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Pamela Beale, as a member of the Back Bay West/Bay State Road Architectural Conservation District Commission for a term expiring on January 15, 2027.	1/24/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0152	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Ruel Longfellow, as a member of the Bay State Road/Back Bay West Area Architectural Conservation District Commission for a term expiring on January 15, 2027.	1/24/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0153	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the reappointment of Lynn Smiledge, as a member of the Fort Point Channel Landmark District Commission for a term expiring on January 20, 2027.	1/24/2024		

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0154	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Jeffrey Heyne, as a member of the Fort Point Channel Landmark District Commission for a term expiring on January 20, 2027.	1/24/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0184	Durkan	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to review the creation of a municipal bus service to provide last-mile service and late night shuttle service for third-shift workers.	1/24/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0192	Coletta	FitzGerald, Fernandes	Order for a hearing to discuss the ongoing modernization of Article 80 in Boston's Zoning Code.	1/24/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0259	Mayor		Petition of Uptown Transport Inc., for a license to operate motor vehicles for the carriage of passengers for hire over certain streets in Boston.	1/31/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0288	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Senam Kumahia, as a member of the Boston Landmarks Commission for a term expiring on December 30, 2027.	2/7/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0292	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Craig Douglas as a Member of the Bay Village Historic District Commission, for a term expiring April 1, 2026.	2/7/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0293	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Lora Shea as a Member of the Bay Village Historic District Commission, for a term expiring April 1, 2026.	2/7/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0294	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Katherine Sikora Nelson as a Member of the Bay Village Historic District Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2026.	2/7/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0295	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Steven Dunwell Nelson as a Member of the Bay Village Historic District Commission, for a term expiring April 1, 2026.	2/7/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0350	Flynn		Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the community process for transportation planning in the City of Boston.	2/14/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0357	Fernandes-Anderson		Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the possibility of congestion pricing in Boston.	2/14/2024		

2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0103	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Jaelyn Youngblood as a member of the Audit Committee for a term expiring September 11, 2028.	9/20/2023		2023 - 1488
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0187	Worrell		Order for a hearing to access expanded Hospital & Community-Centric Violence Prevention & Intervention.	1/24/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0191	Breadon	FitzGerald, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss the continuity of health care services in relation to the financial challenges faced by the Steward Health Care System.	1/24/2024	2/22/2024	
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0196	Coletta	Louijeune, Durkan	Order for a hearing regarding menstrual product accessibility in the City of Boston.	1/24/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0264	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss the impact of for profit urgent care centers on nonprofit community health centers in the City of Boston.	1/31/2024	3/7/2024	
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0281	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$100,000.00) in the form of a grant for the EEC Mental Health Earmark, awarded by the MA Early Education and Child Care Department to be administered by the Office of Early Childhood. The grant will fund and support mental health training for early childhood educators.	2/7/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0286	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Sandro Galea, as a member of the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health for a term expiring on January 26, 2026.	2/7/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0287	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Elsie Tavares, as a member of the Boston Public Health Commission's Board of Health for a term expiring on January 26, 2026.	2/7/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0348	Breadon	Coletta, Murphy	Councilor Breadon offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss a comprehensive review and update of the Boston EMS Service Zone Plan.	2/14/2024		

2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0134	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Thirteen Million Three Hundred Seventeen Thousand Two Hundred Dollars (\$13,317,200.00) in the form of a grant from the FY2023 Urban Area Security Initiative, awarded by the United States Department of Homeland Security, passed through the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security, to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Emergency Management. The grant will fund planning, exercise, trainings, and operational needs, that will help prevent, respond to, and recover from threats of acts of terrorism, including chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear and explosive incidents.	1/24/2024		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0174	Worrell	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to address gun violence.	1/24/2024		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0185	Worrell	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to explore the Summer Community Plan.	1/24/2024		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0282	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Ninety-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$92,735.50) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY23 Emergency Management Performance Grant, awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, passed through the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency, to be administered by the Office of Emergency Management (OEM). The grant will fund the enhancement of operational capacity at the Boston Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and promote the professional development of OEM staff.	2/7/2024	2/21/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0283	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Sixty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$65,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY23 Community Mitigation, awarded by the Massachusetts Gaming Commission to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund investigations that are coordinated between the Boston Police Department Human Trafficking Unit and other law enforcement entities.	2/7/2024	2/21/2024	

2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0342	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Million Seven Hundred Five Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Five Dollars and Twelve Cents (\$1,705,475.12) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 Senator Charles E. Shannon Jr. Community Safety Initiative, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund regional and multidisciplinary approaches to combat gang violence through coordinated prevention and intervention, law enforcement, prosecution and reintegration programs.	2/14/2024		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0344	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty Three Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$23,400.00) in the form of a grant for the FY24 Municipal Road Safety, awarded by the United States Department of Transportation, passed through the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security, to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund high-visibility enforcement of motor vehicle laws, including but not limited to, speeding and aggressive driving, distracted driving, impaired driving and occupant protection.	2/14/2024	2/21/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	0354	Fernandes-Anderson		Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for a hearing regarding current bail policies in local jails.	2/14/2024		
Rules & Administration	0351	Flynn		Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order for a meeting to review the Boston City Council rules.	2/14/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0136	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$700,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Commercial Acquisition Assistance Program (CAAP), awarded by the Barr Foundation, to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion. The grant will fund core support to its Office of Economic Opportunity and Inclusion to grow its impact.	1/24/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0173	Worrell		Order for a hearing regarding equity in city contracts.	1/24/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0183	Fernandes-Anderson	Worrell, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to facilitate a community process to support consumers in District 7 impacted by the impending closure of Walgreens at 416 Warren Street.	1/24/2024		

2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0186	Worrell	Mejia, Fernandes	Order for a hearing regarding barriers to business.	1/24/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0352	Durkan		Councilor Durkan offered the following: Order for a hearing to explore the creation of a citywide merchandise licensing program.	2/14/2024		
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0115	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) in the form of a grant for the BHCCI Connect, Learn & Explore Grant, awarded by Boston Children's Hospital to be administered by the Office of Early Childhood. The grant will fund the Boston Healthy Child Care Initiative and the Office of Early Childhood's Connect, Learn and Explore Initiative.	12/13/2023		2023 - 1820
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0267	Murphy	Flynn	Order for a hearing to address the plans underway to do facilities work this summer at several of our buildings that may impact the services we provide for our children, families, and seniors.	1/31/2024	2/15/24, 2/29/24	
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0349	Flynn		Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the goals and priorities of the City of Boston's Office of Veterans Services.	2/14/2024		
Ways & Means	0143	Mayor		Message and order that will authorize the Boston Transportation Department ("BTD") to enter into two contracts, with terms of up to 10 years, to deploy curbside electric vehicle ("EV") charging stations through a public/private partnership and at no cost to the City with a potential for revenue share. BTD has identified two vendors through the public procurement process that offer different models that address the distinct challenges to locate curbside EV charging.	1/24/2024	2/27/2024	
Ways & Means	0199	Louijeune	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to explore municipal bonds and other fiscal options to increase affordable housing, school buildings, and community investments.	1/24/2024		
Ways & Means	0268	Worrell	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public School's Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.	1/31/2024	3/14/2024	

2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	0280	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an appropriation order in the amount of One Million Two Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars (\$1,260,000.00) for the Cemetery Division of the Parks and Recreation Department and the Trust Office of the Treasury Department to be funded from the Cemetery Trust Fund established under Chapter 13 of the Acts of 1961.	2/7/2024		
Ways & Means	0338	Mayor		Message and order for your approval, an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by One Million Two Hundred and Three Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-One Dollars (\$1,203,751.00) to provide funding for various City Departments for the FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees, Council 93.	2/14/2024		
Ways & Means	0339	Mayor		Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for various departments for the FY24 in the amount of One Million Two Hundred and Three Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-One Dollars (\$1,203,751.00) to cover the FY24 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the American Federation of State, County & Municipal Employees, Council 93. The terms of the contract are July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027. The major provisions for the contract include base wage increases of 2% to be given in July of each fiscal year of the contract term and flat amount of \$500, \$250, \$900, \$800 to be added to annual salaries in January of each fiscal year. The agreement also includes changes to personal days, an increase in the clothing allowance and training funds, and increases to certain differentials. Filed in Office of the City Clerk on February 12, 2024.	2/14/2024		
Ways & Means	0340	Mayor		Message and order for your approval, an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Six Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars (\$647,254.00) to provide funding for various City Departments for the FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Service Employees International Union, Local 888.	2/14/2024		

2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	0341	Mayor		Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for various departments for the FY24 in the amount of Six Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Four Dollars (\$647,254.00) to cover the FY24 cost items contained with the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Service Employees International Union. The terms of the contract are July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2027. The major provisions for the contract include base wage increases of 2% to be given in January of each fiscal year of the contract term and flat amount of \$500, \$250, \$900, \$750 to be added to annual salaries in January of each fiscal year after the percentage increase. The agreement also includes an expansion of the clothing allowance, an increase to the weekend differential, and compensation reviews of certain position groups. Filed in Office of the City Clerk on February 12, 2024.	2/14/2024		
Whole	0118	Mayor		Notice was received from the Mayor of the reappointment of Rafaela Polanco Garca as a Member to the Boston School Committee.	1/1/2024		1/1/2024- Placed on file for committee assignment.
Whole	0119	Mayor		Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Chantal Lima Barbosa as a Member to the Boston School Committee.	1/1/2024		1/1/2024- Placed on file for committee assignment.
Whole	0120	Mayor		Notice was received from the Mayor of the appointment of Priscilla MacKenzie "Kenzie" Bok as a Member of the Commemoration Commission.	1/1/2024		1/1/2024- Placed on file for committee assignment.
Whole	0121	Mayor		Notice was received from the City Clerk in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Ordinances of 1979 re: action taken by the Mayor on papers acted upon by the City Council at its meeting of December 6, 2023.	1/1/2024		1/1/2024- Placed on file for committee assignment.

2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Whole	0122	Mayor		Communication was received from the Professional Firefighters of Massachusetts requesting the Boston City Council reconsider their position and approve the grant from the FY2023 Urban Area Security Initiative.	1/1/2024		1/1/2024- Placed on file for committee assignment.
Whole	0124	Mayor		Communication was received from the Boston Air Pollution Control Commission regarding the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure Ordinance Regulations Statements of Fiscal Effect and Small Business Impact report.	1/1/2024		1/1/2024- Placed on file for committee assignment.

City of Boston
IN
CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution
Presented by
Councilor-at-Large Erin J. Murphy

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

Aoife Griffin

In Recognition of:

The Woman of the Year Award presented by Co. Roscommon
Association 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 attested to a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: _____
President of the City Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City Council

Offered by: _____

Date: _____

City of Boston
IN
CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution
Presented by
Councilor-at-Large Erin J. Murphy

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

Pat Kelly

In Recognition of:

The Man of the Year Award presented by Co. Roscommon
Association 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 attested to a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: _____
President of the City Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City Council

Offered by: _____

Date: _____



Official Resolution of Councilors Benjamin Weber and Tania Fernandes Anderson

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

Seiji Ozawa

In Recognition of:

**His work as the longest-serving conductor in the history of
the Boston Symphony Orchestra (from 1973 to 2002)**

Be it further resolved that the Boston City Council recognizes Seiji Ozawa for his contributions to the BSO, to the City, and to music, as the Music Director for the BSO for 29 years. Mr. Ozawa gained international recognition for his energy, grace, and musical insight, winning three Pulitzer Prizes in Music and two Emmys. Mr. Ozawa championed many of the most important composers and performers of his time, including Yo-Yo Ma, Itzhak Perlman, Jessye Norman, Peter Serkin, and Toru Takemitsu. Mr. Ozawa brought the BSO to new heights as a global force in classical music, including a groundbreaking tour of China in 1979, and Mayor Martin J. Walsh proclaimed September 1, 2020, Mr. Ozawa's birthday, to be Seiji Ozawa Day in the City of Boston. Mr. Ozawa was also an avid Boston sports fan, and Boston is better off for having gained him as a member of our community.

**Official Resolution
of Councilor John Fitzgerald**

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

Complex Consulting

In Recognition of:

**Your outstanding service to your community and the City of
Boston. Congratulations on being recognized as a small
business owner during Black History Month!**

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.

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY
CITY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN
波士頓市議會議員 - 愛德華、費連

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL
EXTENDS ITS BEST WISHES TO:

GEE HOW OAK TIN ASSOCIATION OF NEW ENGLAND
至孝篤親

IN RECOGNITION OF:

YOUR TREMENDOUS WORK GOING INTO THE YEAR OF THE DRAGON. WE WISH YOU AND YOUR MEMBERS HEALTH, PROSPERITY, AND PEACE DURING THIS LUNAR YEAR AND BEYOND, AND LOOK FORWARD TO OUR CONTINUED COLLABORATION IN ADVOCATING FOR OUR COMMUNITY; AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL EXTENDS ITS BEST WISHES TO YOU DURING THIS LUNAR NEW YEAR OF THE DRAGON AND YEARS TO COME; 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: *Ruthanne*
President of the City Council

Attest: *Alex Soutas*
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *Edward M. Flynn*

Date: *February 17, 2024*

City of Boston
IN
CITY COUNCIL



OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY
CITY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN
波士頓市議會議員 - 愛德華、費連

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL
EXTENDS ITS BEST WISHES TO:

CHINESE MERCHANTS ASSOCIATION
安良工商會

IN RECOGNITION OF:

YOUR TREMENDOUS WORK GOING INTO THE YEAR OF THE DRAGON. WE WISH YOU AND YOUR MEMBERS HEALTH, PROSPERITY, AND PEACE DURING THIS LUNAR YEAR AND BEYOND, AND LOOK FORWARD TO OUR CONTINUED COLLABORATION IN ADVOCATING FOR OUR COMMUNITY; AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL EXTENDS ITS BEST WISHES TO YOU DURING THIS LUNAR NEW YEAR OF THE DRAGON AND YEARS TO COME; 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: *Ruthy Funnell*
President of the City Council

Attest: *Alex Guantas*
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *Edward M. Flynn*

Date: *February 18, 2024*

City of Boston
IN
CITY COUNCIL



OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY
CITY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN
波士頓市議會議員 - 愛德華、費連

BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL
EXTENDS ITS BEST WISHES TO:

NI LUN WELFARE ASSOCIATION
藝聯慈善社

IN RECOGNITION OF:

YOUR TREMENDOUS WORK GOING INTO THE YEAR OF THE DRAGON. WE WISH YOU AND YOUR MEMBERS HEALTH, PROSPERITY, AND PEACE DURING THIS LUNAR YEAR AND BEYOND, AND LOOK FORWARD TO OUR CONTINUED COLLABORATION IN ADVOCATING FOR OUR COMMUNITY; AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL EXTENDS ITS BEST WISHES TO YOU DURING THIS LUNAR NEW YEAR OF THE DRAGON AND YEARS TO COME; 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: *Ruthanne*
President of the City Council

Attest: *Alex Santos*
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *Edward M. Flynn*

Date: *February 19, 2024*

City of Boston
IN
CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution
Presented by
Councilor-at-Large Erin J. Murphy

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

Hannibal Auto Repair

In Recognition of:

**Black History Month Celebration
of Small Business Owners**

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 a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.

By: _____
President of the City Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City Council

Offered by: _____

Date: _____

City of Boston
IN
CITY COUNCIL



In Tribute
Presented by

Councilor John FitzGerald
Councilor At-Large Erin J. Murphy

Be it Resolved, that the Boston City Council extended its deepest sympathy to you and your family in the passing of your loved one:

Marilyn Maloney

In whose memory all members stood in tribute and reverence as the Council adjourned its meeting on

February 28, 2024

By: _____

President of the City Council

Attest: _____

Clerk of the City Council

Offered by: _____

Date: _____

City of Boston

IN

CITY COUNCIL



OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY

CITY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

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

BOSTON PRAISE RADIO & TV

IN RECOGNITION OF:

YOUR TREMENDOUS WORK IN PROVIDING NEWS, GOSPEL MUSIC, LIVE TALK, AND INFORMATION TO OUR BLACK COMMUNITY IN BOSTON, AS WELL AS BEING A LONGTIME BLACK OWNED BUSINESS THAT SUPPORT OUR BOSTON RESIDENTS; AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL EXTENDS ITS BEST WISHES TO YOU DURING THIS BLACK HISTORY MONTH AND BEYOND; 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 by: Edward M. Flynn

Date: February 21, 2024.

City of Boston
IN
CITY COUNCIL



OFFICIAL RESOLUTION
OFFERED BY
CITY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

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

NIA GRACE

IN RECOGNITION OF:

YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE HOSPITALITY INDUSTRY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON; AS A ROXBURY
NATIVE AND OWNER OF GRACE BY NIA IN THE SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT, YOU HAVE BROUGHT
WONDERFUL FOOD AND MUSIC TO THIS GROWING NEIGHBORHOOD; WE ALSO COMMEND YOUR
TREMENDOUS CONTRIBUTIONS TO OUR CITY'S RESTAURANT SCENE AS THE OWNER OF DARRYL'S
CORNER BAR & KITCHEN AND UNDERGROUND CAFÉ & LOUNGE; AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE
BOSTON CITY COUNCIL EXTENDS ITS BEST WISHES TO YOU DURING THIS BLACK HISTORY MONTH
AND BEYOND; 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 by: _____

Date: _____



OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING DAY OF REMEMBRANCE FOR JAPANESE AMERICANS AND THEIR FAMILIES WHO WERE INCARCERATED DURING WORLD WAR II

- WHEREAS:** Two months after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor in December 1941, President Franklin D. Roosevelt issued an Executive Order on February 19, 1942, that resulted in the incarceration of over 120,000 Japanese Americans at internment camps across the United States during World War II; *and*
- WHEREAS:** During this period, widespread anti-Japanese sentiment spread throughout the country, and many Japanese American families were evacuated from their homes and forcibly put and confined in internment camps. At the same time, over 33,000 Japanese Americans served in the U.S. military, putting their lives on the line for our nation; *and*
- WHEREAS:** The internment had a major impact on many Japanese American families, where they lost a combined \$400 million in property, businesses and belongings, and where they removed themselves from any cultural and historic connection to the Japanese American way of life; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Families were not allowed to speak Japanese or practice their tradition, sports, and culture during internment, and this fearfulness to practice one's own culture continued after the war, where many Japanese American families - afraid that this could happen again - taught their children to adopt the American way of life; *and*
- WHEREAS:** After World War II, Congress passed the *Japanese-American Claims Act* in 1948, which paid \$38 million in compensation to those who had lost their property, businesses and belongings. In 1988, President Ronald Reagan issued a formal apology towards Japanese Americans for their incarceration during World War II, and signed into law the *Civil Liberties Act*, which gave surviving Japanese Americans \$20,000 in reparations; *and*
- WHEREAS:** As we recognize this Day of Remembrance and reckon with our flawed history, we must also note the rising anti-AAPI (Asian American Pacific Islander) sentiment in our community since COVID-19. We must learn from our past to not be quick to discriminate and fan xenophobic sentiments and remain committed in standing up against anti-Asian racism and hate. We must also reflect and acknowledge this horrific injustice, and educate future generations of these past lessons; *and*

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED:

That the Boston City Council recognizes this Day of Remembrance for Japanese Americans and to remain steadfast and committed to our AAPI communities and standing up against discrimination and hate.

Filed on: February 21, 2024

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL

Official Resolution

presented by

Councilor At-Large Henry Santana


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

Cassandra Campbell

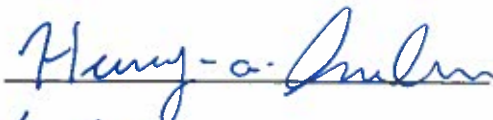
In recognition of:

Your steadfast commitment to providing access to healthy food options throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, particularly in neighborhoods of Dorchester and Roxbury. We commend your team's unwavering dedication. Your efforts have ensured that residents in these communities have continued access to nutritious food choices during challenging times. We deeply appreciate your proactive approach in addressing food insecurity and promoting healthy eating habits in areas where such resources are vital. Wishing you continued success in your endeavors.

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 by: 

Date: 02/21/2024

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR SHARON DURKAN



CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

RESOLUTION REMEMBERING THE LIFE OF ROBERT CURRAN

WHEREAS, Robert Curran was born on September 6, 1948, as the fourth son to Margaret and John Curran from Ireland; *and*

WHEREAS, Robert was raised on St. Alphonsus Street in Mission Hill with his four brothers John, Richard, Chuck, and George playing baseball with the Mission Hill Little League and graduated from the Mission Grammar and Mission High Schools; *and*

WHEREAS, Robert worked as a cement mason apprentice with Boston Plasterers and Cement Masons Local 534 until he volunteered to serve his country in Vietnam from 1968 to 1969, during which time he received the Purple Heart and the Bronze Star for Valor; *and*

WHEREAS, After his service, Robert returned to Local 534 working on several iconic buildings in Boston including 60 State Street, The Boston Marriott at Copley Place, the Federal Reserve, Deer Island, Brigham and Women's, and the Ted Williams Tunnel, totaling over 50 years as a member of Local 534; *and*

WHEREAS, In 1976, Robert met Mary Casey of Jamaica Plain, they eventually purchased a home together on Pontiac Street in Mission Hill and raised five sons and a daughter; *and*

WHEREAS, Robert was an active member in his community his entire life, coaching the Mission Hill Little League, checking on neighbors during blizzards, and being a good friend to so many in his community; *and*

WHEREAS, Robert's passing on November 1, 2023, at the Jamaica Plain VA Hospital was a loss felt by family, friends, and many in the community; **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

ORDERED: That the Boston City Council honors Robert Curran's legacy for his years of service and dedication to his community.

City of Boston
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**Official Resolution
of City Councilor Enrique J. Pepén**

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

Tony DeBenedictis

In Recognition of:

Your 85th Birthday and the joy you bring to Roslindale!

Councilor Enrique J. Pepén would like to wish you a very Happy Birthday!

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 by: 

Date: _____

City of Boston
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CITY COUNCIL



**Official Resolution
of City Councilor Enrique J. Pepén**

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

Tony's Market

In Recognition of:


**Your 60th Anniversary of bringing the finest Italian specialties and fresh
meats to the neighborhood!**

We thank you for your commitment and passion for the community!

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

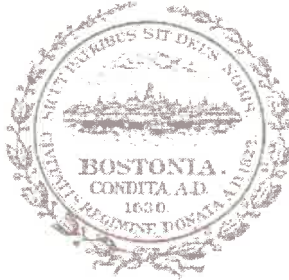
Attest: 
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: 

Date: _____



City of Boston
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**Official Resolution
of City Councilor Enrique J. Pepén**

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

The Square Root

In Recognition of:

**Your 5th Anniversary and for being a great neighborhood staple that
provides a warm community space for local artists, live music, and more!**

Thank you for your passion and commitment to the community!

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: *Robby Fennell*
President of the City Council

Attest: *Ally Acosta*
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *[Signature]*

Date: _____

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution of City Councilor Enrique J. Pepén

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

Pub Quiz

In Recognition of:

**Your 2nd Anniversary and for bringing out the friendly competition
amongst the community!**

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: *Robby Fennell*

President of the City Council

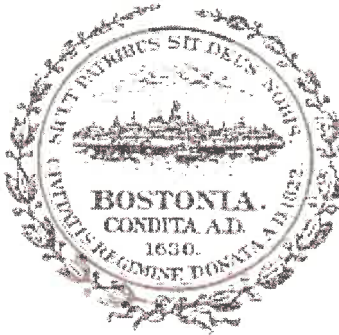
Attest: *Alex Quintos*

Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *[Signature]*

Date: _____

City of Boston
IN
CITY COUNCIL



**Official Resolution
of City Councilor Enrique J. Pepén**

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

Torrie Armstrong


In Recognition of:

**The outstanding achievement of graduating from Bioversity.
Councilor Enrique J. Pepén wishes you good luck and success in your
future endeavors!**

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 by: 

Date: _____



City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution of City Councilor Enrique J. Pepén

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


Aaron Onyango

In Recognition of:

**The outstanding achievement of graduating from Bioversity!
Councilor Enrique J. Pepén wishes you good luck and success in your
future endeavors!**

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 by: 

Date: _____



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**Official Resolution
of City Councilor Enrique J. Pepén**

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

Cafe Juice Up

In Recognition of:

Providing delicious, healthy, and nutritious goods to the neighborhood.

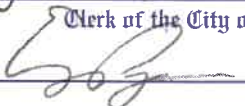
Thank you for your passion and commitment to the community!

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 by: 

Date: _____

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**Official Resolution
of City Councilor Enrique J. Pepén**

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

Alexander "Alex" Miselis

In Recognition of:

Your outstanding achievement of earning the rank of Eagle Scout.

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: *Ruthy Ferrer*
President of the City Council

Attest: *Alex Gonsky*
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *[Signature]*

Date: _____

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**Official Resolution
of City Councilor Enrique J. Pepén**

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

Juan Chavez

In Recognition of:

**Your immense passion, support and commitment to the Dominican
community in Boston and beyond!**

¡Felicidades!

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: *Robby Fenech*
President of the City Council

Attest: *Alex Gumbas*
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *[Signature]*

Date: February 24, 2024

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**Official Resolution
of City Councilor Enrique J. Pepén**

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

Wellbi Perez

In Recognition of:

**Your monumental varsity basketball career at Boston Trinity Academy
scoring over 1000 points and being a stellar teammate!**

May you continue to reach new heights and goals in and out of the court!

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: *Ruthy...*
President of the City Council

Attest: *Oliver...*
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *[Signature]*

Date: February 23, 2024

Resolutions recognizing the following for their continued dedication to Caribbean-American people in the State of Massachusetts and contributions to the development of the Caribbean diaspora community:

Allaphia Richards
Althea Blackford
Brianna Millor
Barry Jackman
Chef Ollie Roberts
Lorna Ellis
Yvonne John
Dr. Wesley Roberts
Rachel Francis

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution

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

ASHTON LITES

In Recognition of:

His contribution to the arts as the driving force behind the historically-rooted freestyle dance organization Stiggity Stackz Worldwide ; 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: _____

Robby Fennell

President of the City Council

Attest: _____

Offered by: _____

Lauren Coletta

Clerk of the City of Boston

Date: _____

City of Boston IN CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution

Presented by

Council President Ruthzee Louijeune

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

Marc Harold Estime

In Recognition of:

**Your tireless services and commitment to Temple Salem SDA Church and the
Haitian Community**

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 by: _____

Date: _____

In Recognition of:
Your tireless services and commitment to Temple Salem
SDA Church and the Haitian Community

Names:

1. Marc Harold Estime
2. Ellifranc Jean Noël
3. Charlemagne Berrette
4. Gregory Telusma
5. Jean Renard Sainvill
6. Pierre Delma
7. Pierre Berette
8. Pierre Maxime Desobrit.

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IN TRIBUTE

THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL EXTENDS ITS
DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO YOU AND YOUR
FAMILY IN THE PASSING OF YOUR LOVED ONE

VICENZO PERRONE

IN WHOSE MEMORY ALL MEMBERS STOOD
IN TRIBUTE AND REVERENCE AS
THE COUNCIL ADJOURNED ITS MEETING OF

Wednesday, February 21ST

SINCERELY,

CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Attest

Presented By

Lauren Colletta

City of Boston
IN
CITY COUNCIL



Official Resolution

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

Father Daniel Mahoney

In Recognition of:

His 94th Birthday and Devotion to the Charlestown Community; 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: *Ruthy Ferrel*
President of the City Council

Attest: _____

Offered by: *Gabriele Coletta*
Clerk of the City of Boston

Date: _____

City of Boston

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CITY COUNCIL

Official Resolution

OFFERED BY BOSTON CITY COUNCILOR

JULIA MEJIA

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

Euan Davis

In Recognition of:

We commend your resilience, strength, and unwavering dedication to empowering those who struggle with mental health. Your additional commitment to uplifting barber and stylists through digital advertising and streaming media content exemplifies excellence and leadership in the industry.

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 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 by: _____

Date: _____

City of Boston
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Official Resolution

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

Chef Douglass Williams

In Recognition of:

His years of service to Boston and leadership in the restaurant industry _____; 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: *Ruthy Fennell*
President of the City Council

Attest: *Alex Avontas*
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: _____

Date: _____

City of Boston
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In Tribute

Presented by

City Council President Ruthzee Louiseune

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

Marie Gentile

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

February 28, 2024

Sincerely

By: _____
President of the City Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: _____

Date: _____



Official Resolution

Presented by

Council President Ruthzee Louiseune

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

Larry James Jemison

In Recognition of:

**Being a pioneer for Black businesses in the Seaport. We applaud your
commitment to building community, sharing Black culture through Larry J's
BBQ Café, and contributing to Black Legacy in 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 attested
to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of the City of Boston.



Official Resolution

Presented by

Council President Ruthzee Louijeune

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

John D. O'Bryant Drumline

In Recognition of:

**Your commitment in fostering excellence in youth through percussion education,
and teamwork**

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.

**In Recognition of:
Your commitment in fostering excellence in youth through
percussion education, and teamwork**

John D. O'Bryant Drumline

Patreka Wood

Carrie King-Woodson

Brian Eisert

Tanisha Belizaire

Jovie Alvarez

Duong Tran

Edouard Edouard

Timothy Pritchard

Elisha Pritchard

City of Boston
IN

CITY COUNCIL
OFFICIAL RESOLUTION

OFFERED BY CITY COUNCILOR

BRIAN WORRELL

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

Justin A. Petty

for his outstanding contributions as Professor and Department Chair of Broadcast Media Technology at Roxbury Community College, where he has demonstrated unwavering dedication to nurturing the next generation of media professionals. Additionally, Justin's leadership as the owner of Justin Time Productions and Pan Loco Steelband exemplifies his commitment to excellence in the field of music production and engineering, further enriching the cultural landscape of 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 attested to and a copy thereof transmitted by the Clerk of City of Boston.

By: *Robby Fernald*
President of the City Council

Attest: _____
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *B. Worrell*

Date: *2/21/2024*