



ORDER OF BUSINESS FOR MATTERS PRESENTED TO THE CITY CLERK PRIOR TO 10:00 A.M. ON MONDAY, MAY 6, 2024 FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE CITY COUNCIL AT A REGULAR MEETING IN THE CHRISTOPHER IANNELLA CHAMBER ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 8, 2024 AT 12:00 P.M.

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## **ROLL CALL**

## **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

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

- 0815** 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 Chinatown Childcare Services, awarded by the Boston Planning and Development Agency to be administered by the Office of Early Childhood. The grant will fund to support the creation and sustainability of Family Child Care and Center Based programs.

## **PETITIONS, MEMORIALS AND REMONSTRANCES**

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

- 0816** Communication was received from Councilor Flynn regarding the Boston Police Crime Laboratory.
- 0817** Notice was received from the Mayor of her absence from the City on Thursday May 2, 2024 at 11:45 a.m., returning the same day at 12:15 a.m.
- 0818** Communication was received from GEI Consultants, Inc., regarding a Release Notification Form (RNF) and Immediate Response Action Plan.

## **REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

- 0263** The Committee on Government Operations, to which was referred on January 31, 2024, Docket #0263, Petition For A Special Law Re: An Act Regarding The Disability Pension For Brian McPherson, submits a report recommending that the docket ought to pass in an amended draft.

## **MATTERS RECENTLY HEARD-FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:**

Dockets #0670-0672, Orders for the FY25 Operating Budget, including annual appropriations for departmental operations, for the School Department, and for other post-employment benefits (OPEB).

Dockets #0673-0675, Orders for Capital Grant Fund credited appropriations.

Dockets #0676-0678, Orders for the Capital Budget, including loan orders and lease-purchase agreements.

## **MOTIONS, ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS:**

**0819** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss expanding the urban tree canopy in District 2.

**0820** Councilor Weber offered the following: Resolution in support of S.1165 "An Act to protect injured workers."

**0821** Councilor Weber and Louijeune offered the following: Resolution recognizing Jewish American Heritage Month.

**0822** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution denouncing acts of antisemitism.

**0823** Councilor Fernandes Anderson and Mejia offered the following: Resolution recognizing May 12th as Mother's Day in the City of Boston.

**0824** Councilor Flynn offered the following: Resolution recognizing Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month.

**0825** Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Resolution recognizing Gay for Good.

## **PERSONNEL ORDERS:**

**0826** Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Mejia offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Miroslav Alvarez in City Council, effective May 25, 2024.

**0827** Councilor Louijeune for Councilor Mejia offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Beatrix Knight in City Council, effective May 4, 2024.

**0828** Councilor Louijeune offered the following: Order for the appointment of temporary employee Karishma Chouhan in City Council, effective May 18, 2024.

## **GREEN SHEETS:**

**8/24** Legislative Calendar for May 8, 2024.

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

**0829** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Women2Women International Program.

**0830** **Councilor Weber offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Protectors of the Big Oak Tree.

**0831** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Boston Dragon Boat Festival.

**0832** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Daniel McLean.

**0833** **Councilor Flynn offered the following:** Resolution recognizing Holocaust Remembrance Day (Yom HaShoah).



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

05-06-2024

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, Chinatown Childcare Services, awarded by Boston Planning & Development Agency to be administered by the Office of Early Childhood.

The grant would fund to support the creation and sustainability of Family Child Care and Center Based 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

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**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND** Chinatown  
Childcare Services FUNDS, AWARDED BY Boston Planning & Development Agency.

**WHEREAS**, the Boston Planning & Development Agency, is being petitioned for the issuance of funds to the Office of Early Childhood; and

**WHEREAS**, the funds in the amount of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS **(\$100,000.00)** would fund to support the creation and sustainability of Family Child Care and Center Based 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 Boston Planning & Development Agency, Chinatown Childcare Services award not to exceed the amount of ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS **(\$100,000.00)**.

**Docket #** \_\_\_\_\_

**In City Council  
Passed** \_\_\_\_\_

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**City Clerk**

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**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**  
**ED FLYNN**  
Councilor - District 2

April 30, 2024

Michael Cox, Commissioner  
Boston Police Department  
1 Schroeder Plaza  
Boston, MA 02120

**Re: Boston Police Crime Laboratory**

Dear Commissioner Cox:

I'm writing to express my concerns over the staffing shortage at the Boston Police Crime Laboratory, and to advocate for more resources for this important office. As you know, the Crime Lab is currently not meeting the state mandated deadline of testing sexual assault kits within 30 days, is not using the most advanced DNA testing technology, and is facing a void in leadership that negatively impacts the operations of the lab. The Crime Lab's work in processing, examining, and analyzing evidence, such as sexual assault kits, is indispensable to the investigation and solving crimes, but it is now facing urgent challenges. I urge the Boston Police Department to expeditiously address these issues, and to ensure that the Boston Police Crime Laboratory has the appropriate resources to function smoothly.

In 2018, the state legislature mandated that sexual assault kits be tested within 30 days, in order to ensure swift processing of evidence that will bring justice for sexual assault survivors. At the City Council hearing that I sponsored last week to discuss resources for the Boston Crime Lab, we learn that testing sexual assault kits within 30 days is very difficult for the Crime Lab due to staffing shortage. We also learned that the Crime Lab is currently without a director, as the current director is out on leave since August of 2022, and various people had to step in as interim director in the meantime. The staffing shortage and absentee director not only hinder the operations of the Crime Lab, but it also hurts the morale of the staff. As I have stressed in the hearing, it is critical that we have a director for the Crime Lab who is responsible and accountable to this office, and addressing this should be a top priority for the Boston Police Department.

Moreover, we learn that the Boston Crime Lab is not using "Y screening", a DNA testing technique that is utilized by the Massachusetts State Police Crime Lab, and is understood to be a

quicker and more efficient method of DNA testing. Panelists from the Crime Lab indicated that they would be open to using this method, but it would require significant budget increase. I urge also that the Crime Lab consider using Y screening that will help them improve processing turnaround time, and that BPD provide the Crime Lab the necessary resources to allow them to use new and advanced technology.

I hope that BPD addresses the staffing shortage, absentee leadership, outdated technology, and other challenges that the Boston Crime Lab faces, so that sexual assault kits will be tested within 30 days, and that survivors of sexual assault can see justice swiftly. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 617-635-3203, or at [Ed.Flynn@Boston.gov](mailto:Ed.Flynn@Boston.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ed Flynn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping horizontal line at the end.

Ed Flynn

Boston City Councilor, District 2



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

May 1, 2024

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

Dear Clerk Geourntas,

Please note that I will be out of town on Thursday May 2, 2024 from 11:45 a.m. returning same day May 2nd at 12.15 a.m.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston



April 8, 2024  
Project 2403038

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Consulting  
Engineers and  
Scientists

Mayor Michele Wu  
Boston City Hall  
One City Hall Plaza  
Boston, MA 02201

Dear Mayor Wu:

**Re: Release Notification and Immediate Response Action Plan  
250-256 Dudley Street  
Boston (Roxbury) Massachusetts  
MassDEP RTN 3-38579**

On behalf of Boston Housing Authority (BHA), we are hereby notifying your office that a Release Notification Form (RNF) and Immediate Response Action Plan to evaluate a potential Critical Exposure Pathway (CEP) is being submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) for the above-referenced site. This notification is being made in fulfillment of the notification requirements of the Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP; 310 CMR 40.1403[3][b,h]). A copy of the RNF is enclosed.

The RNF was prepared for the detection of chlorinated volatile organic compounds (VOCs) in indoor air of an eight-unit condominium building in Boston (Roxbury), Massachusetts. The IRA consists of assessment-only; mitigation will be performed if necessary.

The RNF was submitted to MassDEP Northeast Regional Office in Wilmington, Massachusetts. The report was submitted via eDEP and is available for review online. Public officials may request additional public involvement activities under 310 CMR 40.1403(9) and upon tier classification under 310 CMR 40.1404.

Please contact Mr. Ryan Hoffman at 781-721-4091 or [rhoffman@geiconsultants.com](mailto:rhoffman@geiconsultants.com), if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

GEI CONSULTANTS, INC.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ryan Hoffman".

Ryan S. Hoffman, P.G., LSP  
Vice President

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Helen S. Gladstone".

Helen S. Gladstone, P.E., LSP, LEED AP  
Senior Vice President

Enclosure  
MEF/RSB

c: Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup, MassDEP Northeast Regional Office  
Raul Leon, BHA

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RELEASE NOTIFICATION & NOTIFICATION  
RETRACTION FORM

Pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0335 and 310 CMR 40.0371 (Subpart C)

Release Tracking Number

3 - 38579

A. RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE LOCATION:

1. Release Name/Location Aid: APARTMENT BUILDING

2. Street Address: 250-256 DUDLEY STREET

3. City/Town: ROXBURY 4. ZIP Code: 021190000

5. Coordinates: a. Latitude: N 42.32868 b. Longitude: W 71.07946

B. THIS FORM IS BEING USED TO: (check one)

- ☒ 1. Submit a **Release Notification**
- ☐ 2. Submit a **Revised Release Notification**
- ☐ 3. Submit a **Retraction of a Previously Reported Notification** of a release or threat of release including supporting documentation required pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0335 (Section C is not required)

(All sections of this transmittal form must be filled out unless otherwise noted above)

C. INFORMATION DESCRIBING THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE (TOR):

1. Date and time of Oral Notification, if applicable: 2/8/2024 Time: 12:00 ☐ AM ☒ PM  
mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm

2. Date and time you obtained knowledge of the Release or TOR: 2/8/2024 Time: 12:00 ☐ AM ☒ PM  
mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm

3. Date and time release or TOR occurred, if known: \_\_\_\_\_ Time: \_\_\_\_\_ ☐ AM ☐ PM  
mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm

Check all Notification Thresholds that apply to the Release or Threat of Release:  
(for more information see 310 CMR 40.0310 - 40.0315)

4. 2 HOUR REPORTING CONDITIONS 5. 72 HOUR REPORTING CONDITIONS 6. 120 DAY REPORTING CONDITIONS

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|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> a. Sudden Release                                | <input type="checkbox"/> a. Subsurface Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid (NAPL) Equal to or Greater than 1/2 Inch (.04 feet) | <input type="checkbox"/> a. Release of Hazardous Material(s) to Soil or Groundwater Exceeding Reportable Concentration(s)                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> b. Threat of Sudden Release                      | <input type="checkbox"/> b. Underground Storage Tank (UST) Release  | <input type="checkbox"/> b. Release of Oil to Soil Exceeding Reportable Concentration(s) and Affecting More than 2 Cubic Yards                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> c. Oil Sheen on Surface Water                    | <input type="checkbox"/> c. Threat of UST Release   | <input type="checkbox"/> c. Release of Oil to Groundwater Exceeding Reportable Concentration(s)   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> d. Poses Imminent Hazard                         | <input type="checkbox"/> d. Release to Groundwater near Water Supply  | <input type="checkbox"/> d. Subsurface Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid (NAPL) Equal to or Greater than 1/8 Inch (.01 feet) and Less than 1/2 Inch (.04 feet) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> e. Could Pose Imminent Hazard                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> e. Substantial Release Migration  |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> f. Release Detected in Private Well              |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> g. Release to Storm Drain                        |   |   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> h. Sanitary Sewer Release (Imminent Hazard Only) |   |   |



Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection  
Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup

RELEASE NOTIFICATION & NOTIFICATION  
RETRACTION FORM

Pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0335 and 310 CMR 40.0371 (Subpart C)

BWSC 103

Release Tracking Number

3 - 38579

C. INFORMATION DESCRIBING THE RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE (TOR): (cont.)

7. List below the Oils (O) or Hazardous Materials (HM) that exceed their Reportable Concentration (RC) or Reportable Quantity (RQ) by the greatest amount.

☐ Check here if an amount or concentration is unknown or less than detectable.

O or HM Released	CAS Number, if known	O or HM	Amount or Concentration	Units	RCs Exceeded, if Applicable (RCS-1, RCS-2, RCGW-1, RCGW-2)
1,1,2,2-TETRACHLOROETHANE	00079-34-5	HM	0.061	UG/M3	N/A
TETRACHLOROETHYLENE	00127-18-4	HM	0.6	UG/M3	N/A

☐ Check here if a list of additional Oil and Hazardous Materials subject to reporting, or any other documentation relating to this notification is attached.

D. PERSON REQUIRED TO NOTIFY:

1. Check all that apply: ☐ a. change in contact name ☐ b. change of address ☒ c. change in the person notifying

2. Name of Organization: BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY

3. Contact First Name: KENZIE

4. Last Name: BOK

5. Street: 52 CHAUNCY STREET

6. Title: ADMINISTRATOR

7. City/Town: BOSTON

8. State: MA

9. ZIP Code: 021110000

10. Telephone: 617-988-4000

11. Ext.: \_\_\_\_\_

12. Email: kenzie.bok@bostonhousing.org

☐ 13. Check here if attaching names and addresses of owners of properties affected by the Release or Threat of Release, other than an owner who is submitting this Release Notification (required).

E. RELATIONSHIP OF PERSON TO RELEASE OR THREAT OF RELEASE: ☐ Check here to change relationship

☒ 1. RP or PRP ☐ a. Owner ☐ b. Operator ☐ c. Generator ☐ d. Transporter

☒ e. Other RP or PRP Specify: NON-SPECIFIED PRP

☐ 2. Fiduciary, Secured Lender or Municipality with Exempt Status (as defined by M.G.L. c. 21E, s. 2)

☐ 3. Agency or Public Utility on a Right of Way (as defined by M.G.L. c. 21E, s. 5(j))

☐ 4. Any Other Person Otherwise Required to Notify Specify Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_



Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection  
*Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup*

**RELEASE NOTIFICATION & NOTIFICATION  
RETRACTION FORM**

Pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0335 and 310 CMR 40.0371 (Subpart C)

**BWSC 103**

Release Tracking Number

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- 38579

**F. CERTIFICATION OF PERSON REQUIRED TO NOTIFY:**

1. I, PRISCILLA MACKENZIE BOK, attest under the pains and penalties of perjury (i) that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information contained in this submittal, including any and all documents accompanying this transmittal form, (ii) that, based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, the material information contained in this submittal is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate and complete, and (iii) that I am fully authorized to make this attestation on behalf of the entity legally responsible for this submittal. I/the person or entity on whose behalf this submittal is made am/is aware that there are significant penalties, including, but not limited to, possible fines and imprisonment, for willfully submitting false, inaccurate, or incomplete information.

2. By : PRISCILLA MACKENZIE BOK 3. Title: ADMINISTRATOR  
Signature  
4. For: BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY 5. Date : 4/8/2024  
(Name of person or entity recorded in Section D) mm/dd/yyyy

☐ 6. Check here if the address of the person providing certification is different from address recorded in Section D.

7. Street: \_\_\_\_\_  
8. City/Town: \_\_\_\_\_ 9. State: \_\_\_\_\_ 10. ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
11. Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ 12. Ext.: \_\_\_\_\_ 13. Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**YOU ARE SUBJECT TO ANNUAL COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE FEES FOR EACH BILLABLE YEAR FOR TIER  
CLASSIFIED DISPOSAL SITES. YOU MUST LEGIBLY COMPLETE ALL RELEVANT SECTIONS OF THIS  
FORM OR DEP MAY RETURN THE DOCUMENT AS INCOMPLETE. IF YOU SUBMIT AN INCOMPLETE FORM,  
YOU MAY BE PENALIZED FOR MISSING A REQUIRED DEADLINE.**

Date Stamp (DEP USE ONLY:)

Received by DEP on 4/8/2024 8:55:19 AM



Offered by Councilors Ed Flynn, Liz Breadon, Durkan,  
Fitzgerald, Murphy, Santana, Weber, Worrell and Louijeune

## CITY OF BOSTON

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IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FOUR

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### HOME RULE PETITION

- WHEREAS:** Sergeant Deputy Sheriff Brian C. McPherson sustained serious injuries while in the performance of his duties, and as a result is incapacitated from further service as a Sergeant Deputy Sheriff in the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department; *and*,
- WHEREAS:** While employed in the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department, Sergeant Deputy Sheriff Brian C. McPherson's pay and retirement are under the jurisdiction of the Boston Retirement Board; ***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 1 of Section 8 of Article II, as amended, of the Articles of Amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to the end that legislation be adopted precisely as follows, except for clerical or editorial changes of form only:

### PETITION FOR A SPECIAL LAW RE: AN ACT REGARDING THE DISABILITY PENSION FOR BRIAN MCPHERSON

#### **Section 1.**

(a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Boston Retirement Board shall increase the accidental disability retirement allowance payable to Brian McPherson, a retired Sergeant Deputy Sheriff of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department who, as a result of injuries sustained while in the performance of his duties on May 13, 2008, is totally and permanently incapacitated from performing the essential duties of a Sergeant Deputy Sheriff.

(b) The annual amount of pension payable to Brian McPherson shall be equal to the regular rate of compensation which would have been paid had he continued in service as a Sergeant Deputy Sheriff of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department at the grade held by him at the time of his retirement until his death or reaching mandatory retirement age, whichever comes first. All amounts paid under this act shall be non-taxable to the extent allowable under state and federal law.

(c) Notwithstanding Sections 8 and 91A of Chapter 32 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, Brian McPherson's annual earnings, when added to his retirement allowance, may annually earn up to one-half the amount of his retirement allowance without refund penalty.

(d) Upon attaining the mandatory retirement age for a Sergeant Deputy Sheriff of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department, Brian McPherson shall receive a pension pursuant to Section 7 of said Chapter 32, a yearly amount of pension equal to 100 percent of the annual rate of the compensation he was receiving on the day before he reaches the mandatory retirement age for a Sergeant Deputy Sheriff of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department.

(e) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the benefits granted herein shall be funded and administered by the Boston Retirement Board, consistent with and subject to chapter 32 of the General Laws.

## **Section 2.**

Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, Brian McPherson shall be entitled to receive indemnification for all hospital, medical and related expenses that have been or may be incurred after the date of his retirement as a result of the injuries sustained by him while in the performance of his duties on May 13, 2008, in accordance with Sections 100 and 100B of Chapter 41 of the General Laws.

## **Section 3.**

Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Boston Retirement Board shall forthwith pay to said Brian McPherson the amount credited to him as accumulated total deductions in the annuity savings fund of the Boston Retirement Board as of the effective date of this act.

## **Section 4.**

Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, if Brian McPherson was married upon retirement, upon his death, if he is still married to the spouse he was married to upon retirement then, should his spouse to whom he was married on the date upon retirement survive him, the Retirement Board of the City of Boston shall pay to the spouse an annuity in the amount of 75 percent of the amount of the pension which otherwise would have been payable to Brian McPherson until the spouse's death. The pension benefits provided for in this section and section 1 shall be subject to Section 103 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws.

## **Section 5.**

In the event that both Brian McPherson and his spouse to whom he was married on the date upon retirement die before their children reach the age of eighteen, the payments that would otherwise have been made to his spouse shall be payable, in

equal shares, to each surviving children under the age of 18; provided, however, that payments shall continue for the benefit of a surviving child 18 years or older who, on or before the date of death of Brian McPherson or his spouse to whom he was married on the date upon retirement, whichever is later, had been medically determined to be permanently physically or mentally incapacitated from earning or for the benefit of a child under the age of 22 who is enrolled as a full-time student as determined by the criteria of the educational institution.

**Section 6.** This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Filed in Boston City Council: January 31, 2024



# BOSTON CITY COUNCIL

## Committee on Government Operations

Gabriela Coletta, Chair

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One City Hall Square ♦ 5<sup>th</sup> Floor ♦ Boston, MA 02201 ♦ Phone: (617) 635-3040 ♦ Fax: (617) 635-4203

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### REPORT OF COMMITTEE CHAIR

May 8, 2024

Dear Councilors,

***Docket #0263, Petition For A Special Law Re: An Act Regarding The Disability Pension For Brian McPherson***, was sponsored by Councilor Flynn and referred to the Committee on January 31, 2024.

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#### **Summary of Legislation:**

***Docket #0263*** is a Home Rule Petition (HRP) seeking to increase Brian McPherson's accidental disability retirement benefits. McPherson is a retired Lieutenant Deputy Sheriff of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department.

The petition seeks to revise McPherson's disability benefits by increasing the annual amount of pension payable, the annual amount that may be earned in addition to McPherson's annual pension allowance, reimbursement compensation, and benefits allowance and disbursement for his beneficiaries.

#### **Section 1. (b)**

This section of the proposed HRP seeks to increase the annual amount of pension payable to McPherson from the regular rate of compensation he was paid in 2008, to the regular rate of compensation he would have been paid had he not been injured. Currently, the annual amount of pension payable to McPherson is based on the rate of compensation he earned in 2008 when he was injured.

#### **Section 1. (c)**

This section of the proposed HRP seeks to increase the annual amount that McPherson may earn in addition to his annual pension payments. Currently, Chapter 32, section 91A of the General Laws states, "If such earnings exceed an amount which when added to the member's retirement allowance is greater than the amount of regular compensation which would have been payable to such member if such member had continued in service in the grade held by him at the time he was retired plus \$15,000, said member shall refund the portion of his retirement allowance for such preceding year equal to such excess and until such refund is made, his pension or retirement allowance shall be held as security therefor." The proposed HRP would revise this provision for McPherson to allow him to earn up to one-half the amount of his retirement allowance without refund penalty.

#### **Section 1. (d)**

This section of the proposed HRP increases the yearly amount of pension payable to McPherson upon attaining the mandatory retirement age to 100%, as opposed to 72% as stipulated in Chapter 32, section 7 of the General Laws.



## **Section 2.**

This section of the proposed HRP provides for reimbursement compensation, in accordance with sections 100 and 100B of Chapter 41 of the General Laws, which would authorize indemnification for McPherson, or, in the event of his death, his widow, or if he leaves no widow, his next of kin for all reasonable hospital, medical, surgical, chiropractic, nursing, pharmaceutical, prosthetic and related expenses and reasonable charges for chiropody (podiatry) incurred as the natural and proximate result of an accident occurring or of undergoing a hazard peculiar to his employment, while acting in the performance and within the scope of his duty without fault of his own.

## **Section 3.**

This section of the proposed HRP requires the Boston Retirement Board to pay McPherson the amount credited to him as accumulated total deductions in the annuity savings fund of the Boston Retirement Board as of the effective date of the Special Act if passed by the Legislature.

## **Section 4. and Section 5.**

Under section 12 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws, retirement allowance shall be payable during the lifetime of the member and shall cease upon his death except as otherwise provided for in the option elected. The General Laws describe multiple options to choose from. Sections 3 and 4 of the proposed HRP request to elect the following plan instead: that the Retirement Board of the City of Boston pay to the spouse an annuity in the amount of 75 % of the amount of the pension which otherwise would have been payable to McPherson until the spouse's death subject to section 103 which allows for cost of living increases for any county employee or their widow/next of kin. Further, In the event that both Brian McPherson and his spouse, to whom he was married on the date upon retirement, die before their children reach the age of eighteen, under this proposed HRP, the payments that would otherwise have been made to his spouse shall be payable, in equal shares, to each surviving children under the age of 18; provided, however, that payments shall continue for the benefit of a surviving child 18 years or older who, on or before the date of death of Brian McPherson or his spouse to whom he was married on the date upon retirement, whichever is later, had been medically determined to be permanently physically or mentally incapacitated from earning or for the benefit of a child under the age of 22 who is enrolled as a full-time student as determined by the criteria of the educational institution. This language falls in line with other "allowance" provisions under section 7 of Chapter 32, Conditions for Accidental Disability Allowance.

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## **Information Gathered at the Hearing:**

The Committee held a hearing on April 18, 2024. The Chair was joined by Councilors Louijeune, Flynn, and Murphy.

The Committee heard testimony from the petitioner Brian McPherson, who testified as to the incident that led to his injury, his efforts to recover and return to work, his eventual application for disability retirement benefits in 2009, which was approved retroactively in 2011, and the resulting financial impact which has motivated him to seek the requested increase described in Docket #0263. While in the performance of his duties on May 13, 2008, McPherson sustained serious injuries and testified that he was forced to retire at age 37. McPherson explained that he had a successful career in the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department, holding various positions. However, in 2008, while responding to a fight between inmates, he stated he was violently attacked and suffered permanent injuries. As a result, he was medically discharged and stated that medically, he was forced to retire as physicians advised him that the injuries he sustained were permanent. McPherson emphasized the financial impact this has had on his family, as his capped salary has led to the loss of overtime pay and the inability to work part-time jobs. He also mentioned the strain

on his children, who have witnessed his medical struggles and the financial challenges the family continues to face.

With regard to the request for an increase to 100% of his yearly annual pension allowance, the Committee discussed potentially including language that allowed for flexibility in the percentage increase. The Committee expressed support for landing on language that would ensure the HRP aligns with the goals of providing McPherson with a fair and adequate disability pension.

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### **Summary of Amendments**

Pursuant to M.G.L c. 32 § 5 (2) (c), which limits the maximum pension payable to 80% of the member's final average salary (the average of three consecutive years of the members highest annual salary), I recommend the following amendments:

#### **SECTION 1.**

(d) Upon attaining the mandatory retirement age for a Lieutenant Deputy Sheriff of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department, Brian McPherson shall receive a pension pursuant to Section 7 of said Chapter 32, a yearly amount of pension equal to ~~100 percent~~ **80%** of the annual rate of the compensation he was receiving on the day before he reaches the mandatory retirement age for a Lieutenant Deputy Sheriff of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department.

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### **Recommended Action:**

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

***Docket #0263, Petition For A Special Law Re: An Act Regarding The Disability Pension For Brian Mcpherson,***

submits a report recommending that this docket **ought to pass in an amended draft.**



Gabriela Coletta, Chair  
Committee on Government Operations



## CITY OF BOSTON

IN THE YEAR TWO THOUSAND TWENTY FOUR

### HOME RULE PETITION

- WHEREAS:** Lieutenant Deputy Sheriff Brian C. McPherson sustained serious injuries while in the performance of his duties, and as a result is incapacitated from further service as a Lieutenant Deputy Sheriff in the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department; *and,*
- WHEREAS:** While employed in the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department, Lieutenant Deputy Sheriff Brian C. McPherson's pay and retirement are under the jurisdiction of the Boston Retirement Board; ***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 1 of Section 8 of Article II, as amended, of the Articles of Amendment to the Constitution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to the end that legislation be adopted precisely as follows, except for clerical or editorial changes of form only:

### PETITION FOR A SPECIAL LAW RE: AN ACT REGARDING THE DISABILITY PENSION FOR BRIAN MCPHERSON

#### **Section 1.**

- (a) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Boston Retirement Board shall increase the accidental disability retirement allowance payable to Brian McPherson, a retired Lieutenant Deputy Sheriff of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department who, as a result of injuries sustained while in the performance of his duties on May 13, 2008, is totally and permanently incapacitated from performing the essential duties of a Lieutenant Deputy Sheriff.
- (b) The annual amount of pension payable to Brian McPherson shall be equal to the regular rate of compensation which would have been paid had he continued in service as a Lieutenant Deputy Sheriff of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department at the grade held by him at the time of his retirement until his death or reaching mandatory retirement age, whichever comes first. All amounts paid under this act shall be non-taxable to the extent allowable under state and federal law.

(c) Notwithstanding Sections 8 and 91A of Chapter 32 of the General Laws or any other general or special law to the contrary, Brian McPherson's annual earnings, when added to his retirement allowance, may annually earn up to one-half the amount of his retirement allowance without refund penalty.

(d) Upon attaining the mandatory retirement age for a Lieutenant Deputy Sheriff of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department, Brian McPherson shall receive a pension pursuant to Section 7 of said Chapter 32, a yearly amount of pension equal to 80 percent of the annual rate of the compensation he was receiving on the day before he reaches the mandatory retirement age for a Lieutenant Deputy Sheriff of the Suffolk County Sheriff's Department.

(e) Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the benefits granted herein shall be funded and administered by the Boston Retirement Board, consistent with and subject to chapter 32 of the General Laws.

## **Section 2.**

Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, Brian McPherson shall be entitled to receive indemnification for all hospital, medical and related expenses that have been or may be incurred after the date of his retirement as a result of the injuries sustained by him while in the performance of his duties on May 13, 2008, in accordance with Sections 100 and 100B of Chapter 41 of the General Laws.

## **Section 3.**

Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, the Boston Retirement Board shall forthwith pay to said Brian McPherson the amount credited to him as accumulated total deductions in the annuity savings fund of the Boston Retirement Board as of the effective date of this act.

## **Section 4.**

Notwithstanding any general or special law to the contrary, if Brian McPherson was married upon retirement, upon his death, if he is still married to the spouse he was married to upon retirement then, should his spouse to whom he was married on the date upon retirement survive him, the Retirement Board of the City of Boston shall pay to the spouse an annuity in the amount of 75 percent of the amount of the pension which otherwise would have been payable to Brian McPherson until the spouse's death. The pension benefits provided for in this section and section 1 shall be subject to Section 103 of Chapter 32 of the General Laws.

## **Section 5.**

In the event that both Brian McPherson and his spouse to whom he was married on the date upon retirement die before their children reach the age of eighteen, the payments that would otherwise have been made to his spouse shall be payable, in

equal shares, to each surviving children under the age of 18; provided, however, that payments shall continue for the benefit of a surviving child 18 years or older who, on or before the date of death of Brian McPherson or his spouse to whom he was married on the date upon retirement, whichever is later, had been medically determined to be permanently physically or mentally incapacitated from earning or for the benefit of a child under the age of 22 who is enrolled as a full-time student as determined by the criteria of the educational institution.

**Section 6.** This act shall take effect upon its passage.

Filed in Boston City Council: May 8, 2024



OFFERED BY COUNCILORS ED FLYNN

## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### ORDER FOR A HEARING TO DISCUSS EXPANDING THE URBAN TREE CANOPY IN DISTRICT 2

- WHEREAS:** Having a healthy urban tree canopy is important to our environment and quality of life, as trees not only beautify our landscapes, but they also provide filters for pollutants, absorb excess stormwater runoff, provide shades during hot summers, and other environmental and public health benefits; *and*,
- WHEREAS:** Residents across the city treasure the trees in their neighborhoods, and view the trees as an integral part of their community, and residents of District 2 have often advocate for more tree plantings in their neighborhoods, especially as it encompasses neighborhoods with low tree coverage, such as Chinatown, Downtown, and South Boston; *and*,
- WHEREAS:** The City released its Urban Forest Plan in September of 2022, which lays out strategies for the preservation, cultivation, and expansion of our urban canopy, and the City Council passed the tree protection ordinance late 2023, which regulates the process of tree removals, trimming, and maintenance; *and*,
- WHEREAS:** Aside from preservation of trees, we also need to expand our tree coverage to ensure that every neighborhood has a healthy tree canopy. The Urban Forest Plan finds that neighborhoods in the south and west parts of the city have more trees, while neighborhoods in the north and east parts of the City, such as South Boston, have the least tree coverage. As of 2019, South Boston only had 8% tree coverage, and a census tract in Chinatown only had 7%, while the city average was 27%; *and*,
- WHEREAS:** In thinking of expanding tree canopies in our neighborhoods, we need to identify areas that would be suitable for new tree plants, select appropriate tree species that would survive in our environment, and ensure that the City has sufficient staffing levels to plant and maintain our trees; *and*,
- WHEREAS:** The expansion of our tree canopies, especially in neighborhoods that have low tree coverage, should be a priority for our continued efforts to combat climate change, and community input about the removal of trees is also an issue of climate justice; *and*,

#### **NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED:**

That the appropriate Committee of the Boston City Council holds a hearing to discuss ways to expand our urban tree canopies in District 2 and City of Boston. Representatives from the Parks Department, environmental justice organizations, as well as other relevant and interested parties shall be invited to attend.

Filed in City Council: May 3, 2024

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR BENJAMIN J. WEBER



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF S.1165 "AN ACT TO PROTECT INJURED WORKERS"

- WHEREAS,** Workers being injured on the job and not being properly compensated is all too common in Boston and in the Commonwealth; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Nationally, less than 40% of workers who are eligible for workers' compensation benefits apply for them, according to data from the National Employment Law Project; *and*
- WHEREAS,** It is illegal for employers to prevent injured employees from apply for workers' compensation but there are no public enforcement mechanisms for those who do; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Employers often have the upperhand and discourage their employees from filing workers' compensation claims in fear that the claim could drive up their rates, reveal that they don't have workers' compensation insurance, a proper amount of insurance or open them up to scrutiny which could reveal other unrelated violations; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Employees that want to take employers to court over worker compensation claims are often pressured not to and fear retaliation; this is especially true for immigrants and those who are undocumented; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Employees seeking workers' compensation claims are discouraged by the process which requires them to file a claim and hire a private attorney to recover benefits, which could take months, delaying crucial medical care; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Oftentimes lawyers won't take workers' compensation cases unless their client has been fired the claim which is close to impossible to prove; *and*
- WHEREAS,** S.1165, sponsored by Sen. Jamie B. Eldridge, would empower the Attorney General's Office to investigate and resolve retaliation complaints, specifically for those employees who are retaliated against after making a workers' compensation claim; *and*

***WHEREAS***, This bill would empower more employees to seek workers’ compensation claims and strengthen anti-retaliation law for workers so they can assert their rights, protect themselves from employer misconduct, retaliation or any other efforts to deprive them of their compensation rights; and ***NOW, THEREFORE BE IT***

***RESOLVED***: The Boston City Council supports S.1165 “An Act to Protect Injured Workers” and urges members of the Massachusetts Senate to support the measure.

Filed on: May 1, 2024



OFFERED BY COUNCILORS BENJAMIN J. WEBER AND RUTHZEE LOUIJEUNE



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING JEWISH AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

- WHEREAS,** Jewish American Heritage Month was established in 2006 to recognize the Jewish community's contributions across many different fields, including academics, arts, and sciences; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Jewish American Heritage Month celebrates the long-standing traditions and values that have been passed down generation after generation; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Jewish American leaders have led on many of the most important issues in our nation's history, including advocating for civil rights, workers rights, women's rights, racial equality, LGBTQ+ rights, and anti-war protests; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Jewish Americans are an integral part of our Commonwealth and our city. They make up an indispensable part of our city's workforce, are business owners, teachers, policy makers, coaches and medical workers; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The United States has discriminated against Jewish people in years past, including the refusal to allow Jewish refugees to come to the United States during the Holocaust and restrictive quotas at our universities; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Jewish Americans have long been the target of white supremacists, including the Klu Klux Klan and NSC-131. In 2021, a Rabbi was stabbed by an antisemitic individual in Brighton. Nationally, there has been an increase in anti-semitic hate crimes and Jewish Bostonians are increasingly not comfortable in the neighborhoods they have called home due to anti-semitic graffiti; *and*
- WHEREAS,** As we celebrate Jewish American Heritage Month in 2024 we must acknowledge the disturbing rise in antisemitism across the United States and the globe, which has seen an increase in violence and dangerous rhetoric directed against the Jewish community and especially the orthodox community; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The Boston City Council stands against all forms of hate including antisemitism and islamophobia and is committed to standing with Jewish American residents of Boston and the Commonwealth *and; NOW, THEREFORE BE IT*

***RESOLVED:*** That the Boston City Council recognizes May as Jewish American Heritage Month, honors the contributions of Jewish Americans, and is committed to standing up with our Jewish residents to denounce all forms of antisemitism and hate.

Filed on: May 8, 2024



OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION DENOUNCING ACTS OF ANTISEMITISM

- WHEREAS:** May is Jewish American Heritage Month. During the course of this month, we recognize and celebrate the many contributions that Jewish Americans bring to our city and country, and we also need to stand up and denounce any acts of antisemitism; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Jewish Americans are an integral part of our city. From teachers, small businesses owners, healthcare and medical professionals, policy makers, youth sports coaches, among others, they make up an indispensable part of our city's workforce, and have helped our city grow and prosper; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Antisemitism, often referred to as the world "oldest form of hate" has existed for centuries and continues to this day as a system of marginalization and oppression of people who are Jewish or perceived to be Jewish based on the belief in stereotypes, myths, conspiracy theories and disinformation about the Jewish people; *and*
- WHEREAS:** As we celebrate Jewish American Heritage Month, we must acknowledge that we have seen a disturbing rise in antisemitism, neo-nazism, white nationalism and hate crimes in our city and across the country for several years, but especially after the terrorist attacks by Hamas on October 7th; *and*
- WHEREAS:** According to the most recent report from the Anti-Defamation League, New England saw a dramatic increase in antisemitic incidents after the October 7th attack, with 623 reported incidents of assault, harassment, and vandalism, which represents a 205% increase from 2022, and this is the highest number of antisemitic incidents since ADL started its tracking four decades ago; *and*
- WHEREAS:** The report also notes that Massachusetts had the fifth highest number of antisemitic incidents nationally, and incidents of harassment increased from 66 in 2022 to 293 in 2023, and vandalism increased from 82 instances to 139; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Even before the October 7th attack, there was already a steady increase in antisemitism and neo-Nazi activities in our state and country. Neo-Nazi groups like NSC-131 and the Patriot Front have become emboldened and their activities have increased in New England with them engaging in hateful propaganda, aggressive demonstrations, and even physical intimidation; *and*
- WHEREAS:** It is critical that we continue to stand with our Jewish neighbors now, and always, in order to stop the rise of antisemitism we continue to witness in our country. We must continue to recognize the contributions of our Jewish community, support and show up for them; *and*

### NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED:

That the Boston City Council commits to denouncing any acts of antisemitism, and supports our Jewish community during Jewish Heritage Month and beyond.

Filed on: May 8, 2024

OFFERED BY COUNCILOR TANIA FERNANDES ANDERSON AND JULIA MEJIA



## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING MAY 12<sup>TH</sup> AS MOTHER'S DAY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

- WHEREAS,** Mother's Day, observed on May 12th, serves as a heartfelt tribute to the immeasurable love, sacrifices, and guidance provided by mothers and maternal figures worldwide, standing as a reminder of the profound impact these figures have on shaping our lives and communities; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Mothers stand as the cornerstone of families, providing unwavering love, support, and guidance that serve as the bedrock for their children's growth and development, with their nurturing presence fostering a sense of security and belonging, laying the groundwork for strong familial bonds and a supportive home environment; *and*
- WHEREAS,** The sacrifices made by mothers, from countless sleepless nights to boundless acts of love and care, are a testament to their enduring dedication to their families; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Mother's Day holds deep sentimental significance as a time for families and communities to express gratitude, appreciation, and affection for the nurturing role of mothers, providing a sacred opportunity for loved ones to come together and reflect on cherished memories; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Mother's Day offers an opportunity to honor the diverse contributions and experiences of mothers from all backgrounds, recognizing their resilience, strength, and unwavering dedication to their families; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Celebrating Mother's Day acknowledges the invaluable role of mothers in building strong, resilient communities, and fostering a culture of care and compassion for all; *and*
- WHEREAS,** Recognizing Mother's Day aligns with Boston's commitment to inclusivity and appreciation for the countless contributions of mothers to the well-being and prosperity of our city; ***NOW THEREFORE BE IT***
- RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council hereby officially recognizes May 12th as Mother's Day and extends heartfelt appreciation to all mothers and maternal figures in Boston and beyond, expressing profound gratitude for their love, guidance, and unwavering support.

Filed on: May 8, 2024



OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

## CITY OF BOSTON IN CITY COUNCIL

### RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER (AAPI) HERITAGE MONTH

- WHEREAS:** The Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) community has made great contributions to our city and country, and generations of our AAPI residents have enriched all aspects of our city and nation's history; *and*
- WHEREAS:** According to the latest population estimates from the Census Bureau in 2022, 9.8% of Boston's population and 7.2 % of the Massachusetts population identify as Asian American, and Asian Americans are the fastest growing racial or ethnic group in the country; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Boston has the largest number of AAPI residents in the state, the third largest Chinatown in the United States, a vibrant Vietnamese community in Dorchester, as well as many other AAPI communities throughout the city; *and*
- WHEREAS:** The AAPI community is incredibly diverse, as it comprises more than 50 distinct ethnicities, and over 100 language dialects. The stories of the AAPI community are part of the story of the United States, and their experiences reflect the ups and downs in our nation's history; *and*
- WHEREAS:** AAPIs contributed to the building of this nation, with the examples of Chinese immigrants being essential in the building of the transcontinental railroad, and Japanese, Korean, and Filipino immigrants being an important workforce in areas such as Hawaii and California; *and*
- WHEREAS:** Despite their achievements and contributions, AAPIs have faced strong institutional discrimination and racism, with the Chinese Exclusion Act prohibiting immigration from China, and Japanese internment during World War II being two of the most prominent examples; *and*
- WHEREAS:** During the COVID-19 pandemic, we witnessed a significant rise in racist incidents and hate crimes against AAPI residents nationally, and increased reports of physical and verbal assaults against AAPI residents illustrate just how malicious anti-Asian hate can be, and how we need to continue to support our AAPI residents; *and*
- WHEREAS:** AAPIs are an integral part of our society, as they are our neighbors, frontline healthcare workers, teachers, business owners, policymakers, military members,

youth sports coaches, among many others, including Mayor Michelle Wu, the first Asian American Mayor of Boston. Many AAPIs are leaders in our community in Boston, helping to move our city forward; *and*

**WHEREAS:** There are also many AAPIs who have served and continue to serve our U.S. Armed Forces with honor and distinction. In 1911, Filipino American Army Private Jose Nisperos was the first AAPI to be awarded the Medal of Honor, and since then, the Medal of Honor has been awarded to AAPI service members for 31 times in ensuing wars and conflicts; *and*

**WHEREAS:** Here in Boston's Chinatown, we have the American Legion Boston Chinatown Post 328, which will be marking over 75 years of service to the Chinatown and veteran community this year. The Post is made up of veterans who served as far back as World War II. Last October, Veterans Commissioner Santiago and I took part in Private Wing O. Hom's Hero Square dedication in Chinatown. Private Hom was among 20,000 Chinese Americans who served during World War II, who was killed in action when he was 20 years old, and whose body was recently identified and recovered in Italy. His square now sits in front of his home on Beach Street where he lived more than 80 years ago; *and*

**WHEREAS:** It is important that we recognize the significant contributions of our AAPI community; we must celebrate and support our AAPI and immigrant communities as their experience and cultural heritage enrich our city and nation; *and*

**WHEREAS:** May is officially designated as Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month in the United States Code under section 102 of title 36, and it requests that there is an annual proclamation from the President calling on the people in the U.S. to celebrate the AAPI community during May; *and*

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDERED:**

That the Boston City Council honors and recognizes the contributions and achievements of our AAPI residents during Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month in May, and continues to support our AAPI community in standing up against discrimination and racism.

**Filed on:** May 8, 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:

**Gay for Good**

In Recognition of:

Their tireless efforts and unwavering dedication towards promoting diversity, inclusion, and community engagement, for their collaboration with local organizations and nonprofits in Boston to address pressing social and environmental issues, and for their significant positive impact on the LGBTQ+ community and the entire City of Boston, inspiring individuals to come together in service of a more inclusive and equitable society \_\_\_\_\_; 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: *Ruthyeforjane*  
President of the City Council

Attest: *D. S. Sheehan*  
Clerk of the City of Boston

Offered by: *[Signature]*

Date: May 8, 2024

**BOSTON CITY COUNCIL**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

April 30, 2024

Councilor Louijuene  
(Councilor Mejia)

**ORDERED:** That effective Saturday, May 25, 2024 the following named person be, and hereby is, appointed to the position set against their name until Friday, June 28, 2024.

BiWeekly Payroll

Miroslav Alvarez	Secretary	\$1,500.00	full time
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**BOSTON CITY COUNCIL**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

April 30, 2024

Councilor Louijuene  
(Councilor Mejia)

**ORDERED:** That effective Saturday, May 4, 2024 the following named person be, and hereby is, appointed to the position set against their name until Friday, August 2, 2024.

BiWeekly Payroll

Beatrix Knight	Secretary	\$1,360.00	full time
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**BOSTON CITY COUNCIL**  
**CITY COUNCIL**

May 6, 2024

Councilor Louijeune

**ORDERED:** That effective Saturday, May 18, 2024 the following named person be, and hereby is, appointed to the position set against their name until Friday, June 14, 2024.

BiWeekly Payroll

Karishma Chouhan	Budget Analyst	\$3,390.40	full time
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# **Boston City Council**

## ***Legislative Calendar for the May 8, 2024 Session***

### **Sixty Day Orders**

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

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

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

**In effect after June 12, 2024, in accordance with Section 15 of Chapter 190 of the Acts of 1982 (as amended)**

Orders for the FY25 Operating Budget, including annual appropriations for departmental operations, annual appropriation for the School Department, and appropriation for other post-employment benefits (OPEB). (Dockets #0670 - 0672)

**In effect after June 7, 2024**

Orders for the Capital Budget, including loan orders and lease-purchase agreements. (Dockets #0676 - 0678)





## Unanswered Section 17F Orders<sup>2</sup>

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Order requesting certain information under section 17F relative to the operations of and assets held by the BRA(d/b/a BPDA/EDIC). (**Docket #0490**)

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### 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.*

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

*Every order of the city council approving a petition to the general court pursuant to Clause (1) of Section 8 of Article 2 of the amendments to the Constitution of the Commonwealth shall be presented to the mayor who shall forthwith consider the same, and, within fifteen days of presentation, either approve it, or file with the city council a statement in detail of his reasons for not approving the same, including any objection based on form, on content, or both; provided, that no such order shall be deemed approved or in force unless the mayor affixes his signature thereto.*

## *Matters in Committee*

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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	0474	Worrell	Louijeune, Flynn	Order for a hearing on a proposal for a Crispus Attucks statue.	3/6/2024		
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		
Boston's COVID-19 Recovery	0473	Durkan	Worrell, Anderson	Order for a hearing regarding a review of COVID-19 Recovery Funds.	3/6/2024		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0179	Durkan	Coletta, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to discuss trash collection in Boston.	1/24/2024	4/2/2024	4/3/24- remains in committee
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	4/18/2024	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0198	Coletta	Flynn, Breadon	Order for a hearing regarding technological infrastructure improvements across city departments.	1/2/2024	4/2/2024	4/3/24-remains in committee
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		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0476	Pepén		Order for a hearing on technological improvements in Boston School Bus transportation.	3/6/2024		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0513	Murphy		Order for a hearing to discuss the services the Boston Public Library offers our communities.	3/13/2024	4/24/2024	
City Services & Innovation Technology	0587	Fernandes-Anderson		Order for a hearing to examine and address issues surrounding residential parking in District 7.	3/27/2024		
City Services & Innovation Technology	0746	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Million Dollars (\$3,000,000.00) in the form of a grant, the Multilingual Digital Experience Grant, awarded by the MA Executive Office of Administration & Finance to be administered by the Department of Innovation and Technology. The grant will fund the development of programs and services that improve the experience of digital government services for multilingual communities.	5/1/2024		
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	Anderson, Breadon	Order for a hearing on discrimination in lending and appraisals.	1/24/2024		
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		

## 2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Civil Rights, Racial Equity, & Immigrant Advancement	<b>0591</b>	<b>Fernandes-Anderson</b>	Mejia	Order for a hearing to discuss the alignment of the Reparations Task Force process, its request for proposals, and community inclusion efforts with civil rights.	3/27/2024		
Community Preservation Act	<b>0681</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		Message and order approving an appropriation of One Million FiveHundred Sixty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Forty-Eight Dollars (\$1,568,348.00) for the administrative and operating expenses of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee ("CPC") for the Fiscal Year 2024 and a further appropriation order in the amount of Thirty Three Million Seven Hundred Seventy-Three Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-Three Dollars (\$33,773,783.00) from the Community Preservation ("the Fund") estimated annual revenues for Fiscal Year 2025, to be appropriated and reserved for future appropriation.	4/10/2024		
Education	<b>0177</b>	<b>Murphy</b>	Weber, Anderson	Order for a hearing reclaiming the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center for our Boston Public School athletes.	1/24/2024	3/11/2024	3/13/24 -remains in committee
Education	<b>0188</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Mejia, Anderson	Order for a hearing to explore scholarships for Boston students to increase access to all forms of higher education.	1/24/2024		
Education	<b>0194</b>	<b>Coletta</b>	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to establish a Climate Change and Environmental Justice Curriculum Pilot Program in Boston Public Schools.	1/24/2024		
Education	<b>0197</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	Coletta, Anderson	Order for a hearing to address the mental health needs of our students with a focus on guidance counselors.	1/24/2024		
Education	<b>0353</b>	<b>Fernandes-Anderson</b>		Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for a hearing to discuss the feasibility of BPS providing ESOL classes for parents.	2/14/2024		
Education	<b>0401</b>	<b>Murphy</b>	Flynn	Order for a resolution calling for "Sundays for All."	2/28/2024		3/18/24 (hearing canceled)
Education	<b>0551</b>	<b>Weber</b>	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to review resources and organization of youth sports across Boston.	3/20/2024		
Education	<b>0552</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to audit the mplementation and outcomes of restorative justice practices in Boston Public Schools.	3/20/2024		

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Education	0554	Mejia	Anderson, Murphy	Order for a hearing to audit Boston Public Schools' special education services and return on investments.	3/20/2024		
Education	0555	Mejia	Louijeune, Andersson	Order for a hearing on government transparency and accountability towards service provision spending for English language learners.	3/20/2024		
Education	0583	Mejia	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to audit mental health curriculum and services in Boston Public Schools.	3/27/2024		
Education	0651	Murphy	Breadon, Weber	Order for a hearing to discuss the need that all our youngest children in the Universal Pre-Kindergarten Program are receiving their special education services.	4/3/2024		
Education	0705	Flynn	Murphy	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public Schools transportation for student athletes.	4/10/2024		
Education	0762	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the community engagement efforts of Boston Public School's "Green New Deal" and "Long-Term Facilities Plan."	5/1/2024		
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		Order for a hearing to discuss ways to equitably fight climate displacement in District Seven.	2/14/2024	6/28/2024	
Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0385	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 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.	2/28/2024		

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Environmental Justice, Resiliency & Parks	0682	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend a grant from Eversource valued in the amount not to exceed Ten Million Dollars (\$10,000,000.00) (grant includes the value of rebates and equipment) for the purpose of promoting energy efficiency and energy savings to various public buildings and infrastructure projects.	4/10/2024		
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	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)-canceled, 3/13/24-remains in committee
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), 3/18/24 (WS), 3/22/24 (WS), 3/20/24-remains in committee
Government Operations	0262	Flynn		Ordinance Establishing the Office of Pest Control in the City of Boston.	1/31/2024	4/9/2024	4/10/24- remains in committee
Government Operations	0263	Flynn		Petition for a special law re: an act regarding the disability pension for Brian McPherson.	1/31/2024	4/19/2024	
Government Operations	0471	Fernandes-Anderson	Worrell, Louijeune	Ordinance and amendment to the Boston Municipal Code in regard to measuring racial equity in affordable housing.	3/6/2024	6/14/2024	
Government Operations	0529	Mayor		Message and order for your approval a home rule petition to the General Court entitled "Petition for a Special Law Re: An Act Relative to the Creation of a Branch of the Boston Public Library within an Affordable Housing Development in the Downtown Section of the City of Boston." Filed in Office of the City Clerk on March 18, 2024.	3/20/2024		
Government Operations	0642	Mayor		Message and order for your approval a home rule petition to the General Court entitled "Petition for a Special Law Re: An Act Relative to Property Tax Classification in the City of Boston." Filed in Office of the City Clerk on April 1, 2024.	4/3/2024	4/16/2024	

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Government Operations	<b>0645</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	Worrell, Anderson	An ordinance establishing the office of Inspector General within the City of Boston.	4/3/2024	5/29/2024	
Government Operations	<b>0646</b>	<b>Pepén</b>	Louijeune	A petition for a special law re: An age waiver for the maximum age requirement for Max Handerson to join the Boston Police Department.	4/3/2024		
Government Operations	<b>0758</b>	<b>Pepén</b>		A petition for a special law re: An age waiver for the maximum age requirement for Cherell Mellace to join the Boston Police Department.	5/1/2024		
Government Operations	<b>0759</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Coletta, Durkan	Ordinance for Safe and Healthy Hotels in the City of Boston.	5/1/2024		
Housing & Community Development	<b>0176</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Breadon	Order for a hearing regarding the Homeownership Voucher Program.	1/24/2024	4/16/2024	
Housing & Community Development	<b>0202</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	Breadon	Order for a hearing on addressing and improving fair housing practices in the city of Boston.	1/24/2024	4/8/2024	4/10/24- remains in committee
Housing & Community Development	<b>0203</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	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	<b>0265</b>	<b>Weber</b>	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	3/21/2024	
Housing & Community Development	<b>0398</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Louijeune, Breadon	Order for a hearing to explore strategies for developing Mixed-Income Social Housing to increase housing access and affordability for all Bostonians.	2/28/2024	3/28/2024	
Housing & Community Development	<b>0414</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Weber, Louijeune	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.	2/28/2024	4/8/2024	4/10/24-remains in committee
Housing & Community Development	<b>0488</b>	<b>Breadon</b>	Louijeune, Mejia	Resolution calling for further measures to supplement inclusionary zoning and advance affordable housing in the City of Boston.	3/6/2024		
Housing & Community Development	<b>0510</b>	<b>Mejia</b>	Weber	Order for a hearing on workforce development housing for City of Boston employees.	3/13/2024		

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Housing & Community Development	0572	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty-Five Million Dollars (25,000,000.00) in the form of a grant, for the Harvard Allston Brighton Fund grant, awarded by the Harvard Business School to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund the creation of affordable homeownership, affordable rental housing in the Allston-Brighton neighborhoods.	3/27/2024	
Housing & Community Development	0633	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston, acting through its Mayor's Office of Housing, to accept and expend payments in the amount of Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000.00) given to the City of Boston's Inclusionary Development Policy Fund. The City of Boston's Inclusionary Development Fund (IDP) was established by Executive Order in February 2000 to support the production and preservation of affordable housing in new market rate housing developments.	4/3/2024	
Housing & Community Development	0695	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 to provide rapid rehousing services together with wraparound support and recovery services to individuals, with a history of homelessness, awarded by the MA Department of Public Health to be administered by the Mayor's Office of Housing. The grant will fund State ARPA Earmark Mayor's Office of Housing.	4/10/2024	
Housing & Community Development	0703	Worrell	Louijeune, Durkan	Order for a hearing to address problem properties in Boston.	4/10/2024	
Housing & Community Development	0704	Fernandes-Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss the impact of restricted deeds on property ownership and transfer, including both negative and positive effects, and strategies to promote generational wealth creation.	4/10/2024	
Housing & Community Development	0706	Weber	Louijeune	Order for a hearing to review the City of Boston Voucher Program.	4/10/2024	
Housing & Community Development	0764	Louijeune	Santana, Weber	Order for a hearing to utilize former school and municipal buildings as affordable housing.	5/1/2024	

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Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	<b>0418</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	FitzGerald	Order for a hearing to discuss long-term city job vacancies.	2/28/2024	4/9/2024	4/10/24- remains in committee
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	<b>0475</b>	<b>Weber</b>	Louijeune, Worrell	Order for a hearing regarding biannual review of the Boston Employment Commission and Boston Residents Jobs Policy.	3/6/2024	4/24/2024	
Labor, Workforce, & Economic Development	<b>0487</b>	<b>Fernandes-Anderson</b>	Mejia, Pepen	Resolution to improve bus monitor pay rates and working conditions in the City of Boston.	3/6/2024		
PILOT Agreements, Institutional & Intergovernmental Relations	<b>0589</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to review the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) program in the City of Boston.	3/27/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0100</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		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	<b>0101</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		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
Planning, Development, & Transportation	<b>0104</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		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	<b>0107</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		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	<b>0108</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		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



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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	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	3/25/2024	3/27/24- remains in committee
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, Anderson	Order for a hearing to discuss the ongoing modernization of Article 80 in Boston's Zoning Code.	1/24/2024		4/5/24- hearing canceled
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		

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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	3/25/2024	3/27/24- remains in committee
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0303	Durkan	Breadon, Coletta	Order for a hearing To Review The Rules and Regulation of Vehicles in Relation to Expansion of Micromobility Access.	2/7/2024		4/5/24- hearing canceled
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0350	Flynn		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		Order for a hearing to discuss the possibility of congestion pricing in Boston.	2/14/2024	7/8/2024	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0477	Pepén		Order for a hearing to explore the creation of Safe School Zones to improve pedestrian safety around all schools in the City of Boston.	3/6/2024	4/11/2024	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0567	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Susan Goganian as a Commissioner of the Boston Landmarks Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2024.	3/20/2024	3/25/2024	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0568	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Susan Goganian as a Member of the Fort Point Channel District, for a term expiring June 30, 2024.	3/20/2024	3/25/2024	
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0636	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Paul Raber Umphenour II as an Alternate Member of the Fort Point Channel Landmark District Commission, for a term expiring March 19, 2027.	4/3/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0637	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Hessann Farooqi, as a Member of the Building Emissions Reduction and Disclosure (BERDO) Review Board for a term expiring March 19, 2027.	4/3/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0640	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Angela Ward Hyatt as a member of the Highland Park Architectural Conservation District Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2025.	4/3/2024		

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Planning, Development, & Transportation	0641	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Shamiah Turner as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeal, for a term expiring May 1, 2026.	4/3/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0648	Flynn	FitzGerald, Santana	Order for a hearing to discuss pedestrian safety, traffic calming, and expanding the Safety Surge program in the City of Boston.	4/3/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0698	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Kevin Ready as a member of the South End Landmark Commission, for a term expiring June 30, 2025.	4/10/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0755	Worrell		Communication was received by the City Clerk from the Boston Landmarks Commission for City Council action on the designation of The Putnam Nail Factory / George Lawley & Son Shipyard, 12-12R Ericsson Street, Boston, MA, as a Landmark (in effect after June 1, 2024 if not acted upon).	5/1/2024		
Planning, Development, & Transportation	0763	Pepén	Durkan, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss ways to repair and maintain private ways.	5/1/2024		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0103	Mayor		Message and order for the confirmation of the appointment of Jaclyn Youngblood as a member of the Audit Committee for a term expiring September 11, 2028.	9/20/2023		2023 - 1488
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0553	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's procurement processes, procedures, and progress.	3/20/2024		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0556	Mejia		Order for a hearing on government accountability, transparency, and accessibility of decision making protocols in city government.	3/20/2024	5/29/2024	
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0584	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit government transparency and accountability towards surveillance equipment.	3/27/2024		
Post-Audit: Government Accountability, Transparency, & Accessibility	0585	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's hiring, firing and promotion policies, practices and procedures.	3/27/2024		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0187	Worrell		Order for a hearing to access expanded Hospital & Community-Centric Violence Prevention & Intervention.	1/24/2024		

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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		
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0415	Fitzgerald		Order for a hearing to discuss the current trauma response resources in the City of Boston and the potential for expansion.	2/28/2024	5/10/2024	
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0478	Fernandes-Anderson		Order for a hearing on provisions of temporary mental health treatment or interventions and preventions for children and youth before formal diagnosis.	3/6/2024	7/11/2024	
Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	0512	Fernandes-Anderson		Order for a hearing to discuss the Shattuck housing proposal to prioritize racial equity.	3/13/2024	4/4/2024	

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Public Health, Homelessness, & Recovery	<b>0718</b>	<b>Flynn</b>	Pepen, Murphy	Resolution declaring speeding cars and reckless driving as a public health emergency.	4/10/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0134</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		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	<b>0174</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to address gun violence.	1/24/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0185</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to explore the Summer Community Plan.	1/24/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0354</b>	<b>Fernandes-Anderson</b>		Councilor Fernandes Anderson offered the following: Order for a hearing regarding current bail policies in local jails.	2/14/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0377</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		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.	2/28/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0378</b>	<b>Mayor</b>		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.	2/28/2024	

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Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0507</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss resources for the Boston Police Crime Laboratory.	3/13/2024	4/26/2024	
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0511</b>	<b>Louijeune</b>	Worrell, Anderson	Order for a hearing on a cross-sector collaborative citywide strategy for community safety and violence prevention.	3/13/2024		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0590</b>	<b>Santana</b>	Weber	Order for a hearing to discuss the City of Boston's current investments in and policies for using Gunshot Detection Technology.	3/27/2024		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0650</b>	<b>Pepén</b>	Coletta, Santana	Order for a hearing to raise the age requirement for entrance to the Boston Police Academy.	4/3/2024		
Public Safety & Criminal Justice	<b>0760</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss plans to address drag racing, dirt bikes, ATVs, and other off-road vehicles on neighborhood streets.	5/1/2024		
Rules & Administration	<b>0351</b>	<b>Flynn</b>		Councilor Flynn offered the following: Order for a meeting to review the Boston City Council rules.	2/14/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	<b>0173</b>	<b>Worrell</b>		Order for a hearing regarding equity in city contracts.	1/24/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	<b>0183</b>	<b>Fernandes-Anderson</b>	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	6/21/2024	
Small Business & Professional Licensure	<b>0186</b>	<b>Worrell</b>	Mejia, Anderson	Order for a hearing regarding barriers to business.	1/24/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	<b>0352</b>	<b>Durkan</b>		Councilor Durkan offered the following: Order for a hearing to explore the creation of a citywide merchandise licensing program.	2/14/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	<b>0586</b>	<b>Fernandes-Anderson</b>		Order for a hearing to discuss a statewide right to repair to protect consumers and foster a culture of repair in Boston and beyond.	3/27/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	<b>0647</b>	<b>Mejia</b>		Order for a hearing on diversifying cannabis business models.	4/3/2024		

## 2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0702	Worrell		Order for a hearing to establish a “Business Owner 101” program for grant recipients.	4/10/2024		
Small Business & Professional Licensure	0761	Mejia		Order for a hearing to audit the City of Boston's accountability, transparency and accessibility regarding construction sites impacting small businesses.	5/1/2024		
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	
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0413	Murphy		Order for a hearing to discuss the results of last year's youth summer jobs programs and prepare for this summer.	2/28/2024	3/12/2024	3/7/24 (hearing rescheduled) 3/13/24 -remains in committee
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0508	Fitzgerald	Pepen, Worrell	Order for a hearing to discuss the option to expand access of handicap parking placards to those who are pregnant.	3/13/2024		
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0509	Weber	Pepen, Louijeune	Order for a hearing to review programming available for seniors in the City of Boston.	3/13/2024	4/1/2024	4/3/24- remains in committee
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0514	Fernandes-Anderson		Resolution to explore a need for a senior recreational center in Roxbury.	3/13/2024	6/27/2024	

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Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0634	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Three Hundred Forty-Six Thousand Eight Hundred Thirty-Five Dollars (\$346,835.00) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY24 Senior Companion Program, awarded by AmeriCorps to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund administration of the Senior Companion Program, including reimbursement for travel and meals plus stipend for volunteers who provide companionship to homebound and frail seniors.	4/3/2024		
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0635	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Forty Thousand Two Hundred Fifty-Three Dollars (\$140,253.00) in the form of a grant, for the FY24 Retired Senior Volunteer Program, awarded by the Corporation for National and Community Service to be administered by the Age Strong Commission. The grant will fund administration for senior community service volunteers, including reimbursement for meals and travel expenses.	4/3/2024		
Strong, Women, Families, & Communities	0696	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Eighty-Four Thousand Three Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$184,320.00) in the form of a grant, for the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Home and Community-Based Services (HCBS) Funding for Family Caregivers Support Program Stipends, 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 Respite and Supplemental Services Stipends to family caregivers enrolled in an Aging Service Access Points Family Caregiver Support Program.	4/10/2024		
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	6/7/2024	
Veteran, Military Families, & Military Affairs	0588	Flynn		Order for a hearing to discuss services for women veterans.	3/27/2024	6/7/2024	
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		



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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	0268	Worrell	Fernandes Anderson	Order for a hearing to discuss Boston Public School's Budget for Fiscal Year 2025.	1/31/2024		3/14/24 (WS)
Ways & Means	0479	Worrell		Order for a hearing to discuss projected commercial property tax values in Boston.	3/6/2024		
Ways & Means	0670	Mayor		Message and order for Annual Appropriation and Tax Order for FY2025. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 8, 2024.	4/10/2024	See Budget Schedule	5/1/24-remains in committee
Ways & Means	0671	Mayor		Message and order for Annual Appropriation for the School Department for FY2025. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 8, 2024.	4/10/2024	See Budget Schedule	5/1/24-remains in committee
Ways & Means	0672	Mayor		Message and order approving an appropriation of Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000.00) to the Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Liability Trust Fund established under Section 20 of Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 32B. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 8, 2024.	4/10/2024	See Budget Schedule	5/1/24-remains in committee
Ways & Means	0673	Mayor		Message and order approving an appropriation of Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000.00) from the City's Capital Grant Fund to address the impact of transportation network services on municipal roads, bridges and other transportation infrastructure or any other public purpose substantially related to the operation of transportation network services in the city. Such funds will be transferred and credited to the Capital Grant Fund from revenue received from the Commonwealth Transportation Infrastructure Enhancement Trust Fund. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 8, 2024.	4/10/2024	See Budget Schedule	5/1/24-remains in committee
Ways & Means	0674	Mayor		Message and order approving an appropriation of Twenty-Nine Million Seven Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$29,780,000.00) from the City's Capital Grant Fund in order to provide funding for various transportation and public realm improvements. The funds shall be credited to the Capital Grant Fund from the Parking Meter Fund. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 8, 2024.	4/10/2024	See Budget Schedule	5/1/24-remains in committee

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	0675	Mayor		Message and order authorizing an appropriation Order in the amount of One Million Eight Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,850,000.00) from Surplus Property Disposition Fund, credited to the Capital Fund for planning, design, and construction, for projects, the Lafayette Garage and Border Resilience projects. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 8, 2024.	4/10/2024	See Budget Schedule	5/1/24-remains in committee
Ways & Means	0676	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an appropriation order in the amount of One Hundred Eighty Four Million Seven Hundred Eighty Thousand Dollars (\$184,780,000.00) for various capital improvement purposes for city departments including the Boston Center for Youth and Families, Boston Housing Authority, Boston Planning and Development Agency, Boston Public Library, Environment, Fire, Mayor's Office of Housing, Office of Arts and Culture, Parks and Recreation, Police, Property Management, Public Works, and the Transportation Departments.	4/10/2024	See Budget Schedule	5/1/24-remains in committee
Ways & Means	0677	Mayor		Message and order authorizing an appropriation order in the amount of Two Hundred Forty Million Three Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$240,375,000.00) for various capital improvement purposes for the Boston Public Schools.	4/10/2024	See Budget Schedule	5/1/24-remains in committee
Ways & Means	0678	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an order authorizing the City of Boston to enter into one or more leases, lease-purchase or installment sales agreements in Fiscal Year 2025 in an amount not to exceed Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000.00). These funds are to be used by various City departments for the acquisition of equipment in furtherance of their respective governmental functions. The list of equipment includes: computer equipment (hardware and software), motor vehicles and trailers, ambulances, firefighting equipment, office equipment, telecommunications equipment, photocopying equipment, medical equipment, school and educational equipment, school buses, parking meters, street lighting installation, traffic signal equipment and equipment functionally related to, and components of the foregoing.	4/10/2024	See Budget Schedule	5/1/24-remains in committee

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	0679	Mayor		Message and order authorizing the appropriation of One Million Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,300,000.00) from the income of the George Francis Parkman Fund. The funds are to be expended under the direction of the Commissioner of Parks and Recreation for the maintenance and improvement of Boston Common and Parks in existence since January 12, 1887.	4/10/2024		
Ways & Means	0680	Mayor		Message and order approving an appropriation of Four Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$4,400,000.00) from the 21st Century Fund, also known as the Public Educational, or Governmental (PEG) Access and Cable Related Fund, pursuant to Section 53F 3/4 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws, to the PEG Access and Cable Related Grant for cable related purposes consistent with the franchise agreement between the cable operator and the city including but not limited to: (i) supporting public, educational or governmental access cable television services; (ii) monitoring compliance of cable operator with the franchise agreement; or (iii) preparation of renewal of the franchise license.	4/10/2024	5/9/2024	
Ways & Means	0683	Mayor		Message and order authorizing a limit for the Law Department revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2025 to purchase goods and services for repairs to city property. This revolving fund shall be funded by receipts from recoveries for damages to city property caused by third parties. The Law Department will be the only unit authorized to expend from the fund and such expenditures shall be capped at Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00).	4/10/2024		
Ways & Means	0684	Mayor		Message and order authorizing a limit for the Mayor's Office of Tourism revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2025 to purchase goods and services to support events and programming on and around City Hall Plaza to advance tourism and promote participation in public celebrations, civic and cultural events. This revolving fund shall be funded by receipts from payments for the use of City Hall Plaza pursuant to City of Boston Code, Ordinance, 11-7.14. The Mayor's Office of Tourism will be the only unit authorized to expend from the fund and such expenditures shall be capped at One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00).	4/10/2024	5/6/2024	

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	0685	Mayor		Message and order authorizing a limit for the Mayor's Office of Arts and Culture revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2025 to purchase goods and services to support the operation of the Strand Theatre. This revolving fund shall be funded by receipts from rental fees for the use of the Strand Theatre. The Mayor's Office of Arts and Culture will be the only unit authorized to expend from the fund and such expenditures shall be capped at One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00).	4/10/2024		
Ways & Means	0686	Mayor		Message and order authorizing a limit for the Mayor's Office of Arts and Culture revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2025 to purchase goods and services to support public art to enhance the public realm throughout the City of Boston. This revolving fund shall be funded by receipts from easements within the public way granted by the Public Improvement Commission. The Mayor's Office of Arts and Culture will be the only unit authorized to expend from the fund and such expenditures shall be capped at Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$800,000.00).	4/10/2024		
Ways & Means	0687	Mayor		Message and order authorizing a limit for the Distributed Energy Resource Revolving Fund for Fiscal Year 2025 to facilitate the purchase of offsets of greenhouse gas emissions which shall be associated with a portion of the electricity consumed by the City annually; and to operate, maintain, monitor and expand the City's existing solar arrays and Boston Public Schools' combined heat and power facilities. This revolving fund shall be credited with any and all receipts from the sale of renewable and alternative energy certificates and demand response program revenues produced by combined heat and power units located at Boston Public Schools sites and solar renewable energy certificates produced by the City's photovoltaic arrays. Receipts and resulting expenditures from this fund shall not exceed One Hundred Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000.00).	4/10/2024	5/21/2024	

## 2024 Matters in Committee

Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred	Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	0688	Mayor		Message and order authorizing a limit for the Environment Conservation Commission revolving fund for the Fiscal Year 2025 for the purpose of securing outside consultants including engineers, wetlands scientists, wildlife biologists or other experts in order to aid in the review of proposed projects to the Commission, per the city's ordinance protecting local wetland and promoting climate change adaptation. The revolving fund shall be funded by receipts from fees imposed by the Commission for the purpose of securing outside consultants. The Environment Department will be the only department authorized to expend from the fund and such expenditures shall be capped at Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000.00).	4/10/2024	5/21/2024	
Ways & Means	0689	Mayor		Message and order authorizing a limit for the Boston Centers for Youth and Families (BCYF) revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2025 to pay salaries and benefits of employees and to purchase supplies and equipment necessary to operate the City Hall Child Care. This revolving fund shall be credited with any and all receipts from tuition paid by parents or guardians for children enrolled at the center. Receipts and resulting expenditures from this fund shall not exceed Nine Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$900,000.00).	4/10/2024	5/7/2024	
Ways & Means	0690	Mayor		Message and order authorizing a limit for the Boston Public Schools revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2025 to repair and purchase Boston Public Schools computer technology, including computers, mobile devices, and instructional software. This revolving fund shall be credited with any and all receipts from equipment sales and repair fees for Boston Public School technology. Receipts and resulting expenditures from this fund shall not exceed One Million Seven Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$1,750,000.00).	4/10/2024	4/30/2024	
Ways & Means	0691	Mayor		Message and order authorizing a limit for the Boston Public Schools revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2025 to support the maintenance and repair for BPS facilities, including custodial and utility costs for extended building time, floor refinishing, landscaping and building repairs. Receipts from Lease, Permit for Use and Parking Fees for BPS facilities will be deposited in the fund. BPS will be the only unit authorized to expend from the fund and such expenditures shall not exceed Two Million Dollars (\$2,000,000.00).	4/10/2024	5/20/2024	

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Ways & Means	0692	Mayor		Message and order authorizing a limit for the Boston Public Schools revolving fund for the Fiscal Year 2025 for Boston Public School Transportation cost, including bus and public transportation costs. This revolving fund shall be credited with revenue received by Boston Public School Department for the provision of transportation to groups and entities for field trips and activities other than transportation to and from school. Receipts and resulting expenditures from this fund shall not exceed One Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$150,000.00).	4/10/2024	4/30/2024	
Ways & Means	0693	Mayor		Message and order authorizing a limit for the Boston Police Department revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2025 to support the Canine Unit's training program for officers and police dogs from non-City of Boston law enforcement agencies. The Special Operating Division will charge tuition and other fees to outside law enforcement agencies for the Canine Unit. The tuition and other fees by outside agencies will be used to purchase training equipment, certify instructors, update facilities and provide funds for other training needs not otherwise budgeted. The Special Operations Division will be the only unit authorized to expend from the fund and such expenditures shall be capped at One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00).	4/10/2024	5/13/2024	
Ways & Means	0694	Mayor		Message and order authorizing a limit for the Boston Police Department revolving fund for Fiscal Year 2025 to pay salaries and benefits of employees and to purchase supplies and equipment necessary to operate the Police Department Fitness Center. Revenue for this fund is derived from monthly membership fees. Receipts and resulting expenditures from this fund shall not exceed One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00).	4/10/2024	5/13/2024	
Ways & Means	0744	Mayor		Message and order for your approval an Order to reduce the FY24 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Seven Million Seven Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars (\$7,754,649.00) to provide funding for the Boston Police Department for the FY24 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Boston Police Superior Officers Federation. Filed in the Office of the City Clerk on April 29, 2024.	5/1/2024		

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Committee	Docket #	Sponsor	Co-Sponsor(s)	Docket Description	Date referred Hearing(s)	Notes
Ways & Means	0745	Mayor		Message and order for a supplemental appropriation Order for the Boston Police Department for the FY24 in the amount of Seven Million Seven Hundred Fifty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Forty-Nine Dollars (\$7,754,649.00) to cover the FY24 cost contained within the collective bargaining agreements between the City of Boston and the Boston Superior Officers Federation. The terms of the contract are July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2025. The major provisions of the contract include base wage increases of 2%, 1.5%, 2%, 1%, and 2.5% to be given in July of each fiscal year of the contract term, as well as the addition of the Transitional Career Award Program in July 2023. The contract also contains reforms relating to discipline, officer return to duty, paid detail system, and union release.	5/1/2024	
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.
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

OFFERED BY  
CITY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

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

#### **WOMEN2WOMEN INTERNATIONAL LEADERSHIP PROGRAM**

IN RECOGNITION OF:

YOUR WORK IN EDUCATING AND EMPOWERING YOUNG FEMALE LEADERS, AS WELL AS PROVIDING THEM WITH THE SKILLS TO TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD; YOUR PROGRAM HAS BROUGHT TOGETHER YOUNG WOMEN FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD AND HELPED THEM MAKE CONNECTIONS AND BUILD THEIR NETWORK, AS WELL AS INSPIRED THEM TO DO GOOD IN THE WORLD; BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL EXTENDS ITS BEST WISHES TO THIS PROGRAM, 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: \_\_\_\_\_



# City of Boston IN

## CITY COUNCIL



### Official Resolution of Councilor Benjamin Weber

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

#### Protectors of the Big Oak Tree

In Recognition of:

The good work of Jamaica Plain residents in fighting to protect the big, 150-year-old oak tree located at 72 Hyde Park Avenue. The neighbors' advocacy resulted in the developer issuing new plans to ensure the protection of the tree, which were approved by the Zoning Board of Appeals on April 30, 2024.

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 L. Fournier*  
President of the City Council

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

Clerk of the City of Boston

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

*Ben Weber*

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

*5/3/2024*

City of Boston  
IN  
CITY COUNCIL



OFFICIAL RESOLUTION  
OFFERED BY  
CITY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN

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

**BOSTON DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL**

IN RECOGNITION OF:

**YOUR 45TH ANNIVERSARY GALA, YOUR WORK IN ORGANIZING THE DRAGON BOAT FESTIVAL  
THROUGHOUT THE YEARS, PROMOTING CULTURAL EXCHANGE AND DIALOGUE, AND CELEBRATING THE  
VIBRANCY OF CHINESE AND ASIAN HERITAGE; BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL  
EXTENDS ITS BEST WISHES TO YOU IN YOUR FUTURE ENDEAVORS, 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: May 3, 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 CONGRATULATIONS TO:

**DANIEL McLEAN**

IN RECOGNITION OF:

**YOUR THIRTY-TWO YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE CITY OF BOSTON, AS WELL AS YOUR DEDICATED WORK  
AND EFFORTS AT THE BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND ENGINEERING;  
AND BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOSTON CITY COUNCIL EXTENDS ITS BEST WISHES TO YOU IN YOUR  
RETIREMENT; 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: May 3, 2024



OFFERED BY COUNCILOR ED FLYNN  
**CITY OF BOSTON  
IN CITY COUNCIL**

**RESOLUTION COMMEMORATING HOLOCAUST  
REMEMBRANCE DAY (YOM HASHOAH)**

**WHEREAS:** May 5 to May 6, 2024 is Yom HaShoah, also known as Holocaust Remembrance Day. It corresponds to the 27th day of Nisan on the Hebrew calendar, and it marks anniversary of the Warsaw Ghetto Uprising; *and*

**WHEREAS:** On this anniversary, we remember and honor the six million Jews and millions of others that were killed by the Nazis during the Holocaust, and honor those who survived the Holocaust; *and*

**WHEREAS:** We reaffirm our commitment and our responsibility as citizens to ensure that these horrific atrocities will never be forgotten, and that the memories of the atrocities will contribute towards the prevention of mass crimes, genocides, and crimes against humanity; *and*

**WHEREAS:** Boston is also proud to educate residents and tourists about the Holocaust at the Holocaust Memorial next to Boston City Hall; *Therefore Be It*

**RESOLVED:** That the Boston City Council recognizes May 5th and May 6th, 2024 as Yom HaShoah, or Holocaust Remembrance Day.

Filed in Council: January 31, 2024