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Incoming tenants of The BEAT building on Morrissey Boulevard will be working in spaces like the above where once large presses hummed and reporters' typewriters clattered. *Flavio Debarros photo*

Tenants are expected to check in next spring

BY KATIE TROJANO
REPORTER STAFF

Work to repurpose the former Boston Globe headquarters at 135 Morrissey Blvd. passed a key milestone last Thursday as the developers behind The BEAT announced that life science, medical, and high-tech companies will start occupying the building this coming spring.

The announcement about a the site that is a short walk from the Red Line's UMass-JFK station and seven stops away from the

line's stop at Kendall Square, a hot spot for the region's biotech companies, and that backs up to the Southeast Expressway comes at a time of high demand for lab space in the Boston area.

Representatives from the development team, which included Nordblom Company and Alcion Ventures, introduced a new partnership with Beacon Capital Partners, an investment and management asset firm that recently hired away Steve Purpura from commercial real estate brokerage

CBRE New England to focus on its life science business.

The Globe moved into the building in 1958 where at the height of its business in the 1980s and 1990s it employed nearly 3,000 people. Its editorial and business offices were moved to State Street downtown in June 2017, and its printing operations were shifted to Taunton.

Nordblom purchased the 16.5-acre lot and its 695,000-square-foot building in December 2017 for *(Continued on page 15)*

City's mandate on masks at indoor public spaces set for start on Friday

BY GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS
MANAGING EDITOR

Citing the highly contagious Delta variant of the coronavirus, Acting Mayor Kim Janey has set this Friday (Aug. 27) at 8 a.m. as the starting time for a new mask mandate at Boston's indoor public spaces.

Janey noted that the city expects to see an influx of 50,000 college students from around the world this fall, as well as 50,000 public school students who are not yet eligible for a vaccine. Some workers are also expected to return to their downtown offices, she said.

"Masks work best when everyone wears them," Janey said.

She did not rule out fines for noncompliance with the mandate, which covers retail establishments, restaurants, bars, performance venues, social clubs, gyms, and event spaces. She said it would be up to city officials, like the licensing board, to work that out.

Masks are not necessary when people are eating or drinking, according to Janey's administration. And the mandate doesn't apply to private buildings inaccessible to the public, places of worship, and performers who maintain six feet or more of distance from the audience.

The latest policy came after Janey drew criticism from her mayoral campaign rivals and the head of *(Continued on page 18)*

At-large candidates outline their priorities

Two city councillors at-large running for City Hall's top job and giving up their council seats have spurred more than a dozen people to throw their hats into the ring to replace them in this year's election.

The Reporter sent out questionnaires for the candidates to consider, and a number of them weighed in by listing their priorities once they're inside City Hall. Their answers have been condensed and edited for clarity. See Pages 16, 17.

Dot sports icon Jimmy Hayes has died at 31

Jimmy Hayes, a Dot kid who used the streets and rinks of his hometown as a springboard to ice hockey success in college (a NCAA championship with Boston College), in international play (medals with Team USA), and professionally (seven seasons in the National Hockey League, including 133 games with the Boston Bruins), died on Monday morning at age 31.

The cause of death awaits forensic examination.

Reporter Editor Bill Forry reflects on the news and the impact it is having on the Hayes family and Jimmy Hayes's many admirers.

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Graphic courtesy Boston Bruins

When a senator from California got into a dustup in Mattapan

BY ADAM GAFFIN
UNIVERSAL HUB

In January 1879, John Conness, a United States senator from California during the Civil War who had retired to the life of a gentleman farmer in, of all places, Mattapan, Massachusetts, agreed to appear before a City Hall committee investigating alleged improprieties by the city's superintendent of streets, some of which involved the upgrading of River Street along Conness's farm.

It happened 142 years

ago, but the hearing bears all the hallmarks of what would still make a classic City Hall hearing today: Threats to call in the police if people don't quiet down, allegations of misuse of city property, some good volleys of insults, a bit

of sneering at an out-of-stater's involvement in Boston affairs, and lots of discussion about New England's notoriously rocky soil.

It's not clear, at least from the records available online, why John *(Continued on page 5)*

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Police probe murder on Woodbole Avenue

Boston Police are investigating a murder in Mattapan's Gallivan Housing development after they were called to a location on Woodbole Avenue for a report of a person shot shortly after 12:30 a.m. last Sunday. The victim, whose name has not been released, was rushed to a local hospital and died on Monday.

This was the 26th murder in the city of Boston in 2021. Police are asking for the public's help. Call detectives at 617-343-4470 if you can assist. Or you may also relay information anonymously by texting the word "TIP" to 27463.

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Boston Police have identified the victim of homicide on Almont Street earlier this month as 39-year-old Edgard Matthews of Mattapan. He was shot outside 37 Almont St., in the vicinity of Almont Park, around 3:15 a.m. on Sat., Aug. 14. No arrests have been reported in the case.

Early voting site added in Uphams Corner

By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS
MANAGING EDITOR

After outcries from city councillors and several candidates for mayor, elections officials have added five locations to a list of early voting sites for the Sept. 14 preliminary election and the Nov. 2 final election. The original list of sites submitted by elections officials had some "glaring omissions," according to City Councillor At-Large Michelle Wu. A mayoral candidate who hails from Roslindale, Wu noted the neighborhood was missing from the list.

Other rivals suggested there was a political reason behind the move. Chinatown, the Seaport, and parts of Dorchester were also missing, she noted, compared to the 2020 list of early voting sites that had locations in those neighborhoods. John Barros, who is also running for mayor, weighed in as well. "Funny you point this out, 02125 seems to be missing as well," Barros said in response to Wu on Twitter, the social networking site. "I'm skeptical this is a coincidence." Added District 4 Councillor Andrea Campbell: "The city has a responsibility to put equity before politics." Acting Mayor Kim Janey, who is running for a full four-year term, took to Twitter to say she asked the board of elections commissioners to "take another look" at the list.

At a City Council meeting hours later, elections officials sent in an update that added Roslindale, the Seaport, Uphams Corner, Mission Hill and Chinatown. The Uphams Corner site was not immediately available. Other early voting locations include the Richard J. Murphy School at 1 Worrell St., the Thelma D. Burns Building at 575 Warren St., and BCYF Perkins at 155 Talbot Ave. The Mildred Avenue Community Center in Mattapan will also serve as an early voting site. The 2021 list still excludes Florian Hall, a key longtime polling station in Dorchester, which served as an early voting site in 2020. The 2021 election cycle will also include mail-in voting, thanks to a bill signed by Gov. Baker in July.

Huynh takes on City Hall role that focuses on Dot

By KATIE PEDERSEN
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Acting Mayor Kim Janey has named George Huynh to serve as her liaison to Dorchester in the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS).

A Dorchester native who formerly served in the Walsh administration with a focus on Fields Corner, Huynh will "work to encourage, facilitate, and maximize citizen input and participation through service requests, neighborhood meetings, mailings, and emergency responses," according to a statement from Janey's office.

Huynh fills a role most recently held by Patrick Fandel, who has served as the Dorchester coordinator for the mayor's office since 2018.

"I'm honored to be in this position and have



George Huynh

this autonomy," Huynh told the Reporter last week. "I grew up in Fields Corner, so I'm familiar with a lot of nonprofits here, like VietAID and the Dorchester Youth Collaborative. Growing up, I went to a lot of Dorchester schools," he said, including Mather Elementary. Later, Huynh attended the Boston Latin School and Yale College, where he graduated with a bachelor of arts in political science.

Before he began working for the city, Huynh taught 7th-grade science in the Boston Public Schools and worked for a legal services organization. He speaks both Vietnamese and Spanish.

Huynh said his family moved around a lot when he was growing up. He has lived in the Fields Corner, Shawmut, and Columbia-Savin Hill areas of Dorchester.

For the past ten years, he has called Fields Corner home, working for ONS as the Fields Corner liaison. Now, he looks forward to representing Dorchester as a whole.

"I really enjoyed working in Fields Corner with the Vietnamese community," Huynh said.

"During the pandemic, I was asked to host community meetings in other neighborhoods [including Back Bay, Beacon Hill, and Fenway]. I thought that instead of having this role and bouncing around, I'd be more established in one spot.

"The aim for moving into the Dorchester role was to really get to know the neighborhood and keep myself from having to provide that work for other neighborhoods, and I thought it was a natural role for me to take on. I'm excited to get to know other parts of Dorchester and continue

providing constituent services at a high level."

When asked about his goals as neighborhood liaison, Huynh said, "I just want to pick up where my predecessor left off and put my own spin on it."

He added that he envisions "being active in the community and going to events, but overall, focusing on the priorities of the job and providing resources. Being engaged in the community. Making sure that everyone's involved in the public process for all the projects that are in Dorchester."

UPCOMING CIVIC MEETINGS AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

The 10th annual Dorchester Park Classic Car Show will be held on Sunday, Sept. 12, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. The event will include horse cart rides, performances by Boston School of Music Arts students, story reading and free books for children. Please bring books your children have outgrown to the park on Sept. 12 or drop them off on the porch at 42 Milton St. Free car registration, free admission. Raffle tickets to support the event will be available for sale. Go to dotpark.org for more info.

The annual Neponset River fall cleanup is set for Sat., Sept. 25 from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. with work sites included in Dorchester and Mattapan. Volunteers of all skill levels and physical abilities are needed to help with this important event. Join for an hour or the entire time. Please bring water, sunscreen, hats, work gloves, appropriate footwear (no sandals), a mask, and work clothes that can get dirty. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult. Pre-registration is required at Neponset.org/cleanup2021. Contact the NePRWA cleanup coordinator Meghan Slocombe at slocombe@neponset.org or 781-575-0354 x308.

The BPDA will host an Article 80 Public Meeting in connection with a proposed development project at 55-115 Hampden Street in the Newmarket area of Roxbury on Tues., Aug. 31 at 7 p.m. via Zoom. The proposed project contemplates the construction of an approximately 66,000 sq. ft. F.W. Webb warehouse, distribution, and retail facility with approximately 24,000 square feet of subsurface parking. The project manager for this proposal is Aisling Kerr, 617-918-4212, aisling.kerr@boston.gov.

Applications for the upcoming FY '22 round of Community Preservation Act (CPA) funds are now available through the city of Boston's website. There is \$28 million available for eligible CPA projects under three categories: affordable housing, historic preservation and open space or recreation. Interested applicants must complete eligibility forms by Sept. 3. Candidates deemed eligible will then be invited to submit an application for their proposed projects. Once approved, applications will open on Oct. 4 by invitation only and close on Nov. 12. Applicants who would like to apply for affordable housing projects will need to respond to the joint request for proposals (RFP) released by the City of Boston Community Preservation Program and the Department of Neighborhood Development. This joint RFP must be submitted by September 24, 2021.

The last round of CPA awards in February 2021 funded over \$25.5 million to 67 projects across the city, including affordable housing developments and programs, parks and open space, and historic preservation projects consistent with statewide guidelines. Examples of community projects that benefited from this investment include preserving historic elements on the Guild of Boston Artists building dating back to 1884, improving the tree canopy on the Charles River Esplanade, and adding 75 affordable housing units in Hyde Park. The Community Preservation Fund is capitalized primarily by a one percent property tax-based surcharge on residential and business property tax bills that began in July 2017 after Boston voters adopted the measure on a ballot question in November 2016. Got to boston.gov/community-preservation for more info.

The Franklin Park Coalition and Boston's Parks and Recreation Department hosts the Elma Lewis Playhouse in the Park — a series of free performances at the Playstead near the giraffe entrance of the zoo — on Tuesday mornings and evenings this summer. The children's shows at 11 o'clock for summer campers, families, and child-care programs. Evening shows, starting at 6 p.m., will offer classic R&B, Motown, Jazz, and Reggae bands with popular local performers and bands. Food trucks and vendors, picnic blankets, and lawn chairs will fill the audience area. For more information, call 617-908-4002 or visit franklinparkcoalition.org.

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When a California senator got into a dustup in Mattapan

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Conness bought five acres of land midway between the villages of Mattapan and Lower Mills in 1869 after the California legislature replaced him (until 1914, state legislatures elected US senators) because he had no particular connections to Boston.

Conness was born in Ireland, emigrated to New York City with his parents and grew up to become a piano repair man before going to California in the Gold Rush of 1849 and making a small fortune - not by mining, but by opening a store that catered to miners. He later lost everything when his town burned down.

Undaunted, he rose through the political ranks and, in 1863, the California legislature sent him as a senator to Washington where he quickly became a close confidant of Abraham Lincoln on both the war effort and early attempts at conservation (a mountain in Yosemite National Park is named for him). In 1865, he served as one of Lincoln's pallbearers.

In 1869, after he came out in favor of advances in Chinese immigration policy, he was replaced in the Senate and retired to his new farm in the rural southern end of what was then the town of Dorchester, but which became the rural southern end of Boston a few months later, when the capital city annexed its neighbor.

Conness worked his farm hard, slowly adding acreage and digging up so many rocks and stones that he was able to build numerous roads and paths across his property.

In 1878, two years after Boston widened River Street, the city began to "macadamize" the street, to turn what was essentially a long mud pit through the marshes along the Neponset River between Lower Mills and Mattapan into a more usable road by putting down several layers of crushed stone and then compacting it - the state of the art back then for building decent roads away from city centers.

But the city faced a major expense: Finding and transporting enough crushed stone to the remote area to fill in the road. At this point, Conness got directly involved, and by more than just petitioning the city to improve the street, according to his testimony before a joint committee of the Boston Board of Aldermen and the Common Council.

He tried to persuade some of his neighbors, who had fallow land producing only their annual bounties of rocks, to let the city scoop up their stones to build the road. But most refused unless the city paid them more than it had budgeted. Conness decided that even though he actually had his own use for the rocks that he was still digging up out of his land years after he first tried getting rid of them, he'd let city crews basically mine parts of his farm - even use gunpowder - to blast out stones from his land on the condition that they fill in the resulting holes.

The work began.

One problem for Conness was that the city's superintendent of streets at the time, Charles Harris, had built up a formidable stable of enemies among both city workers, who accused him of playing favorites, trying to force them to vote for a particular mayoral candidate, and among members of the city's Board of Aldermen and Common Council. And it turned out that some of Conness's River Street neighbors took a great dislike to the California import living in their midst.

In January 1879, the two elected bodies opened a hearing on the allegations against Harris. When the discussion turned to the River Street macadam project, Conness was summoned as a witness and he appeared on Feb. 7. People in the gallery immediately began to hiss him so loudly that Alderman Charles Henry Bass Breck, who was chairing the hearing, tried to gavel them into silence and warned he would not hesitate to call the police to enforce order.

Conness denied being enriched by the work. He said that any increase in value of his estate from having the 19th-century equivalent of a paved road was more than offset by the damage to his land from all the holes that hadn't been properly filled in, by the giant pile of marshland the city dumped in one of his fields, and by the money he had to spend on his own to keep some of the roadwork from washing away, such as the \$400 he said he had spent to put down curbing along a new sidewalk the city had macadamized and the \$250 he had paid out to repair a long wall city workers had damaged.

He explained the decision to pay for the curb himself this way: "It was a shame to put so much work on the street, to make it a street for a hundred years, and not to put in an additional curb on account of the cost. I thought the abutters ought to be required to do something to keep the sidewalk for those who travel on it."

Conness later added that that was why he had pushed the city to improve River Street in the first place: "During the seven years I have lived there, it was perfectly pitiable to see the public travelling on the street. It simply injured the carriages. In frosty weather it turned the axles with the severe ruts. In muddy weather it run down.

"A large portion of the Catholic church live in Mattapan, and at all seasons of the year they came through that street, a mile and a third, or more. I have taken the women up particularly - yes, scores of times - in my sleighs and wagons, and deposited them at the church. They came on the walls and crept along and walked on the walls, the place was so impassable.

"And when I endeavored to have that street made, I did it not for myself, but for every mortal that passes over it. It was a scandal, as I stated to the Committee on Paving."

Under questioning from Councilman Isaac Rosnosky, Boston's first Jewish council member, he denied that the value of his property had been improved simply by having thousands of "loads" of stone removed from it, because, after all, this is New England, and the rocks never end.

Q. You got numerous rocks taken away?

A. Oh, no, sir; we live among the rocks; the rocks are abounding.

Q. But most of the rocks, near where the house is situated, are nearly all gone?

A. Oh, no sir; the rocks are my gems.

Q. I think you are a pretty solid rock, Mr. Conness.

And what about all the valuable loam and sod city workers had put on his land, the trees they moved for him?

"Vile, false" [statements by] "vicious people," Conness said. The loam was, in fact, low-quality "coarse material" dug up along the street to make way for crushed stone. He had never had anybody but himself sod his land. And far from gaining new trees, he said he lost several to the excavations and had their remains turned into logs the city could use for the street project.

"I have a very large supply of tools, sometimes as many as six crowbars, one of them we call 'the baby,' weighing 45 pounds," he said. "Six of my bars were in the employ of the city for weeks. I did not hesitate an instant. Ropes for pulling down the trees - trees out on the streets - not mine. Everything I had. The use of our premises; our walls near the barn. The men took water all the season. They were coming and going in wagons and carts. They used my premises in various ways.

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the workers sometimes, but said his bark was worse than his bite, that, in fact, he helped the men out however he could. None of the men he oversaw passed out from the sun, he said.

Conness also got into an exchange with Lawrence Welby, who was not an elected official but one of the people who'd petitioned to have Harris removed as streets superintendent:

Q. I want to know why he takes such a lively interest in Boston, seeing he has lived most of his lifetime in California?

A. I can make an impartial answer to that. I have always taken some interest in wherever I lived. I have never been a tramp, although I have lived in California.

Q. I would like to ask the gentlemen whether he insinuates that the questioner was a tramp?

A. Oh, no, he doesn't look like a tramp; besides, there is a law against tramps.

Q. They attempted to pass it, but they didn't succeed.

A. Perhaps it is well for you and I that they didn't.

In the end, both the Board of Aldermen and the Common Council voted, narrowly, to keep Harris on as streets superintendent.

That was not the last time, however, that Conness butted heads with City Hall over the condition of River Street.

In 1886, he and his neighbors - with whom he seemed to have made up - pleaded with the Board of Aldermen to reconsider its approval of a measure they said would allow dangerous speeding on their stretch of the street "during the sleighing season" by individuals on horses. The street had more than 50 children and was largely used by plodding horse-drawn freight carriages, all at risk of daring people pushing their own horses to breakneck speeds. "Serious accidents

have already occurred there," Conness and his neighbors wrote.

The petition was introduced by Councilman Andreas Blume who, while acknowledging he had never been to River Street, said it was wrong to allow a heavily traveled street full of children be used as a race track by "fast men, and possibly fast women" - and not just "rich gentlemen from Dorchester," but from Weymouth, Dedham, Milton and Hyde Park [then still an independent town].

"It means that a rabble of respectable and every other kind of people will go there from every part of Boston and the surrounding towns and trot their horses," he predicted. He said he supposed if the supporters of a River Street with no speed limits were to live there, "they would sing a different tune."

Mayor Hugh O'Brien vetoed the trotting proposal, Blume succeeded in keeping the board from overturning the veto, and Conness continued with his quiet farming ways, gradually building his estate up to 55 acres.

In 1906, when he was well into his 80s, Conness sold most of his estate for \$65,000 to the city, which used the property to build a large tuberculosis sanatorium as the city struggled to deal with what was then its leading killer.

Conness then moved to Centre Street in Jamaica Plain. The last of Lincoln's pallbearers died in 1909 and was buried in Cedar Grove Cemetery.

His main house remains on the site to this day, visible from the street at 249 River St. The Boston Consumptives Hospital, which added numerous large buildings, many of which also still stand, eventually gave way to today's series of public-health facilities run by a variety of health organizations, including the Boston Public Health Commission, which owns the large campus.



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Janey, Wu TV ads to air through the preliminary vote

By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS
MANAGING EDITOR

Acting Mayor Kim Janey's first television ad hit the airwaves Tuesday, a 30-second spot that the campaign plans to air through Sept. 14, the day of the preliminary election. The Janey camp is spending \$164,000 on airtime this week.

The ad went up a day after an ad from a pro-Janey super PAC started airing. The super PAC, tied to the hospitality workers union UNITE HERE Local 26, endorsed Janey in May.

Michelle Wu, a city



Kim Janey outside City Hall in her first TV ad

councillor at-large who is running for mayor, unveiled her own ad last week. She and Janey topped public polling in June.

Titled "Experience," Janey's ad opens with the acting mayor outside City Hall and holding a frame that speeds through photos of Bos-

ton's former mayors, all white men.

"I'm Kim Janey and I experienced desegregation busing at 11, motherhood at 16, even lived in a shelter," she says. "I know Boston's challenges because I lived them. It's why I'm expanding affordable housing programs, reforming our Police Department, and getting vaccines into as many arms as possible."

The ad will air in English and Spanish on "select cable and broadcast outlets," according to the campaign, just like Wu's campaign ad.

Janey, who became

acting mayor in March, is the first woman and person of color to serve as the city's chief executive. She is seeking a full four-year term.

All five major candidates have released ads at this point, including former city economic development official John Barros and City Councillors Andrea Campbell, and Annissa Essaibi George. Campbell, who represents Dorchester and Mattapan as a district councillor, is getting help on TV from the "Better Boston" super PAC.

The pro-Janey super PAC's ad focuses on Richie Aliferis, a member of the union and a doorman at the Omni Parker House Hotel just blocks from City Hall. In the ad, Aliferis says her family was "forced out" of her great-grandmother's house because the neighborhood became expensive. "Kim never forgot," he adds. "She'll protect working families that put down their roots in Boston."

A spokesperson for the super PAC said last Friday that it is spending \$244,500 on its ad, which will air through Sept. 14.

Wu's campaign has spent more than \$300,000 on its ad on cable, broadcast and Spanish television, as well as on streaming platforms like YouTube and Hulu.

The 30-second ad, titled "Working for You," opens with an employee of Mike's City Diner in the South End calling Wu an effective leader and ends with Wu saying, "As mayor we'll make housing and transportation more affordable for everyone, and we will finally tackle the high cost of living."

A pro-Wu super PAC, tied to the Environmental League of Massachusetts, last week reported spending \$47,000 on digital advertising.

The preliminary will winnow the field to two finalists, who will face off on Nov. 2.

Essaibi George accuses Janey of 'weaponizing' mayor's office

City Councillor Essaibi George last week accused Acting Mayor Janey of "weaponizing" her position as the Sept. 14 preliminary election for the top job in City Hall gets closer.

She lit into Janey last Thursday (Aug. 18), saying she agreed with a fellow city councillor's formal demand for an accounting of how the acting mayor is handling public records requests.

State Attorney General Maura Healey has filed a lawsuit against the Boston Police Department over the internal affairs files of former police commissioner Dennis White, while the Boston Globe has filed



its own lawsuit against the administration over its refusal to release the White files and those of Patrick Rose, a former officer accused of molesting children in the 1990s.

The Globe has also noted that while Janey's office released up to 18 months of calendars for mayoral candidates who worked at City Hall, "the administration produced only a fraction of Janey's records, and nothing since she became acting mayor," while releasing the calendars of the councillors who are running for mayor.

The Globe also reported that Janey received a heads-up on other press inquiries.

Essaibi George, a Dorchester city councillor at-large who launched her campaign for mayor earlier this year, said "it shouldn't take Council mandates or media lawsuits to get public documents."

"Boston deserves to know—especially when the Acting Mayor is weaponizing her office to undermine her fellow candidates' work, record, and character," she added on Twitter, the social networking site. "I am calling on the Acting Mayor to stop playing hide and seek and make these documents public immediately."

Asked about Essaibi George's comment, a Janey administration spokesperson directed the Reporter to the campaign.

Kirby Chandler, Janey's campaign manager, said that the acting mayor released documents associated with the Rose case, and is staffing the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency.

"She reversed 25 years of secrecy and is tearing down the 'blue wall of silence' while standing up for victims of child sexual assault and domestic violence," Chandler said in an emailed statement.

District 8 City Councillor Kenzie Bok this week filed a 17F request, a maneuver that allows councillors to obtain records from the mayor's office. She asked for the acting mayor's practices for responding to public records requests, and which ones Janey's office hasn't responded to.

During last Wednesday's council meeting, Bok said that Janey's administration has shown a "worrying pattern" on transparency, with public records requests delayed or ignored despite deadlines spelled out under law.

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Bowdoin Street Health Center calls the rehab of neighborhood garden a plus on many counts

By Katie Pedersen
Special to the Reporter

The 50-year-old Norton & Stonehurst Community Garden in Bowdoin-Geneva has received a new lease on life. The space was recently renovated through the efforts of members of the Bowdoin Street Health Center, including Marcus Lewis, its violence intervention and prevention coordinator, and Peter McKinnon, its facilities manager, and last week, the team celebrated the new look with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the renovated garden.

The project was funded by a three-year \$25,000 Byrne Criminal Justice Innovation (BCJI) grant awarded by the US Department of Justice (DOJ) to the Boston Public Health Commission for projects that reduce crime while spurring community engagement and neighborhood revitalization.

Lewis applied for the grant on behalf of the health center in October 2017, and the funds were approved that same year. After a community process to determine where residents wanted to see the grant money allocated, the final plan was submitted to the DOJ for approval, where it stalled during the



The Norton & Stonehurst Community Garden in Bowdoin-Geneva was recently renovated through the efforts of members of the Bowdoin Street Health Center with funding support from the Boston Public Health Commission.
Photo courtesy Beth Israel Lahey Health

presidential election and transition.

Despite the delay, “BSHC was finally able to work with the community to get the funds out,” said Alberte Altine-Gibson, BSHC manager of community health.

Both Altine-Gibson and Lewis are excited at seeing the impact of the renovated garden on the Bowdoin and Geneva communities.

“It’s been around since the early ‘70s, with residents who are still participating,” said Lewis. “So,

there’s a generation of residents who have originally been participating and now new residents are participating.”

He noted that the renovation will “bring them together as a community, bring programming around healthy food access, gardening, and community engagement, and make the garden last longer. Now there’s another 50 years’ worth of wealth in that community space that’s able to be shared with new residents and existing

residents.”

Lewis said they’re planning activities for the garden and learning exercises. “We also have a new plot dedicated to peace,” he added. “That’s for everyone in the community to reflect. We’re also going to change it as the seasons go by. So, we’ll have a Halloween theme, a Thanksgiving theme, a Christmas theme, and really just engage the residents as we look at this spot as a gem in our community. There’s a lot of hidden gems in Dorchester, especially in the Bowdoin and Geneva areas.”

Altine-Gibson pointed to BSHC’s longstanding partnership with the resident-founded garden. “The health center engaged in this as another way to support the community,” she said. “We were part of the

trustees. One of our staff workers, Jen French, would attend the meetings in the evening because it was very difficult for some of the residents to do that. They decided to split the work, so that she would help with some of the administrative pieces, and then the community residents would take care of some of the aspects within the garden, ensuring that it was clean and everything was happening the way it was supposed to—things of that nature. And that’s how the health center got involved.”

She also emphasized the many roles that BSHC plays in the Bowdoin and Geneva neighborhood. In addition to standard medical care, BSHC offers programming around food access, a wellness center for physical activity, online

classes, help accessing housing and enrolling in health insurance, and more. It’s also a member of the Neighborhood Trauma Team Network through the Boston Public Health Commission. During the pandemic, BSHC quickly pivoted, setting up a Covid-19 testing site in April of 2020 that has performed around 32,000 tests to date.

“As violence intervention and prevention a health center, we never closed during the pandemic. We always had our doors open,” Altine-Gibson said. “Everyone was pitching in and doing a variety of different work. We kept the mission going.” Key to that mission were Lewis’s efforts to prevent violence, in part through the renovation of the Norton & Stonehurst Community Garden.

“The work of VIP [violence intervention and prevention] is a public-health approach to violence,” Altine-Gibson said. “It’s not the residents’ issue. It’s not a police issue. It’s not the health center’s issue. It’s everyone’s issue, and the more we’re able to get everyone to the table to come up with some solutions the easier it will be.

“We all have a voice. We all have the ability to push for and make changes. We are pushing for our community to be right there at the helm. Sometimes it doesn’t look like what a health center would do, but really, that’s what it’s about. It’s that multi-tiered group coming together to make effective changes.”

Lewis had that very goal in mind when he submitted the federal grant proposal. Renovating the community garden made sense, he said, “given what we were doing for this area around safety through environmental design—really taking a look at the area and how we can improve it and build more safety and inclusion for the community through natural design and activities, communications with the residents, participation from the residents, and a partnership with our community police offices.”

“How do we work against violence together?” Lewis asked. “It takes a village. Our community has very strong individuals, so it’s just finding where can we build the connections, so residents aren’t only looking at each other [in terms of] what part of the country they’re from, or what nationality—we’re really getting to know a neighbor as Ms. Jen, Ms. Susan, Mr. Lewis,” and building that community, that understanding.”

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News about people in and around our Neighborhoods

Two from Dorchester selected for Laver Cup Ballkid Squad

Jhianna Barnes and Lillian Nguyen from have been selected following an intensive recruitment process as two of 30 Massachusetts kids between the ages of 12-15 to be part of the Laver Cup 2021 Boston Ballkid Squad. They participated in a grueling prep sessions on Fri., Aug. 13, at Longfellow Tennis Club in Natick, going through a series of training exercises, focusing on their agility, endurance, coordination,



Dorchester’s Jhianna Barnes, 13, and Lillian Nguyen, 12, pose after their selection as ballkids with 28 others from across the Commonwealth for next month’s Laver Cup competition in Boston.

ball skills, balance, speed and teamwork—all attributes essential to make it onto the ballkid team.

Jhianna and Lillian play tennis year-round and are both members of Sportsmen’s Tennis Club. In addition to playing tennis, Jhianna is a junior mentor for a science club for a girl’s program. When Lillian isn’t playing tennis,

she enjoys reading and playing games with her friends.

The fourth edition of The Laver Cup, featuring the best tennis players from Europe against their counterparts from the rest of the world, will be held at TD Garden Sept. 24-26. Tickets are currently on sale via Ticketmaster.

Mayoral Coffee Hour

Kim Janey was the host at a Mayoral Neighborhood Coffee Hour at Mother’s Rest at Four Corners on Fri., July 30. The series, which is presented by the Parks and Recreation Department, gives residents the opportunity to meet and talk with Janey while enjoying iced coffee and breakfast treats from Dunkin’, fresh fruit from StarMarket, and gifts of flowering plants from the Parks Department greenhouses.

Jon Seamans photos



Boston Parks Commissioner Ryan Woods congratulates Dunkin’ raffle winner Vicky Hu and son Orion Fox, 2 1/2.



Mayoral chitchat abounded at the event as Janey, center, made her rounds.



Tom Taranto, a Bloomfield/Park resident for 43 years, shows off the flowering plant he received.



Dorchester residents Stephanie Theodore, Marilyn Foreman, and Denise Dossantos enjoy a sunny morning in the park with the mayor.

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Alice Stone Blackwell

August 26, 2020 is the 100th anniversary of the federal government’s ratification of the 19th Amendment to the United States Constitution, which reads: “The right of citizens of the United States to vote shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex.”

Dorchester’s most famous woman’s rights advocate was Lucy Stone. She moved to Dorchester in the early 1870s to become the editor of *The Woman’s Journal* newspaper. Lucy did not live to see the ratification. Her daughter, Alice Stone Blackwell, did witness the successful conclusion of the work her mother and so many other women worked for.



Alice took over the editorship of *The Woman’s Journal* after Lucy’s death in 1893. After

graduating from Boston University, Alice had begun working for the paper started by

her parents. By 1884, her name was alongside her parents on the newspaper’s masthead.

After her mother’s death in 1893, Alice assumed almost sole editing responsibility for the publication.

In 1890, Alice helped unify the American Woman Suffrage Association and the National Woman Suffrage Association into the National American Woman Suffrage Association and served as the new group’s recording secretary from 1890 to 1908.

She took up other causes, including temperance and befriending Armenians. She sold the oriental rugs from the house that she had inherited on Pope’s Hill to raise money for food for the Armenian people. She translated the work of many Armenian poets into English.

The following is taken

from “Notable American Women” – “Her affiliations widened to include the Woman’s Christian Temperance Union, the Anti-Vivisection Society, the Women’s Trade Union League, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and the American Peace Society. Postwar reaction to WWI turned her into a socialist radical. One Boston newspaper refused to print her militant letters because of the controversy they provoked. In 1930 she published “Lucy Stone,” a biography of her mother.

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Editorial

Jimmy Hayes’s death hits hard in Dot

Jimmy Hayes is dead at age 31. I just typed those dreadful words with my own fingers and I still cannot believe it. Don’t want to, either.



It’s hard to properly describe the sense of loss that looms over the neighborhood. Jimmy Hayes meant so much to people from Dorchester, especially in tight-knit Neponset where he and his brother and sisters were raised. His family—led by his dad, big Kevin, and mom Sheila—is revered in this community. And it’s not just because the Hayes brothers were hockey prodigies who made it to the highest levels of their sport. It’s because they did it while staying firmly rooted in, and devoted to, this place, always coming back to share their successes and their goodwill with their neighbors.

“Jimmy is the epitome of that saying, ‘He never forgot where he came from,’” says Pat Brophy, a longtime coach in the Dorchester Youth Hockey program.

A national champion with Boston College and a silver-medal-winning Olympian on Team USA, Jimmy even earned a Stanley Cup ring during his brief time with the Chicago Blackhawks. He played for two years with the Bruins, scored a hat trick in front of the Garden crowd in 2015, and pummeled Lars Eller of the Montreal Canadiens in a Winter Classic at Gillette. That last part alone earns you hero status with Dot kids of all ages.

The sportswriter Pete Blackburn tweeted on Monday that Jimmy “may as well have been a god in Dorchester.”

As true as that is, it’s also true that Jimmy didn’t carry himself like a deity. Like the popular t-shirt says, he knew he was “just a kid from Dorchester.”

More precisely, he was a kid from Westglow Street, St. Ann’s parish. His jersey hangs in a place of honor at the Eire Pub in Adams Corner and high up on the wall at the Devine Rink, where he first laced them up for the Dorchester Chiefs. It’s a special place for the Hayes clan, so special that Jimmy’s dad Kev is a still regular there, watching the kids’ teams compete, even though he has no “skin in the game,” so to speak.

While he was still a star on the number one-ranked BC team, Jimmy started a tradition that his brother Kevin continued: He’d bring over members of the Eagles team and his coach, Jerry York, to conduct clinics for the Dot kids at the Devine.

“The kids absolutely loved them,” recalls Shaun O’Sullivan, vice-president of DYH. “They’d run drills, bring in pizzas. All of those kids still have pictures with the Hayes boys. This is a family that just gave so much to this community. Jimmy really showed the kids how to conduct yourself with class and a great sense of humor.”

There’s no answers yet to the whys or the hows behind the sudden death of a strapping 31-year-old with a beautiful young family and a still-bright future.

Right now, the people who care about the Hayes clan—and they make up a very large number—are starting to think about the right ways to memorialize Jimmy’s life both on and off the ice.

“We have to find the strength right now to celebrate his life and to support this family,” said O’Sullivan. “With all of the accolades and the heights that he reached in athletics, people will always point and say: ‘Now that’s how things are done. That a leader right there.’”

– Bill Forry

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We need a teacher in the Mayor’s Office

By CITY COUNCILLOR AT-LARGE
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Editor’s Note: The Reporter has invited each of the five major candidates for Mayor of Boston to submit an opinion column to be published in the month of August.



Annissa Essaibi George

it’s time to turn possibilities into realities and I’m the BPS teacher, mom, and Mayor to get it done.

As far too many of us know, the greatest challenge facing BPS is the lack of access to high quality schools for every student. This has led to a system of stand-alone schools, instead of one, equitable school district. The inequities across learning opportunities, curriculum, facilities and student support services among our schools is directly linked to declining enrollment, a widening opportunity and achievement gap, and a lack of trust in BPS to provide our kids with the education they deserve.

We must begin with establishing baseline standards and resources and creating a BPS budget with the appropriately allocated funding for every school. Every school should have arts programming, athletic opportunities, a library and media center, strong academic resources, English Language Learners (ELL) translators, inclusion done right, and high quality buildings and facilities.

Due to the devastating effects of COVID-19, our kids need social and emotional supports now more than ever. I’m proud of my work advocating for this year’s budget to expand mental health resources in our schools and ensure that we have both a full-time nurse and social worker in each one of our buildings. Appropriate staffing ratios for nurses and school psychologists, a full-time social worker, a full-time school counselor, a full-time family liaison, and a full-time homeless advocate should now be an essential part of every school. The pandemic has underscored the fact that our schools are about

far more than education. They offer food security, physical activity, emotional support and a sense of community, and it’s time we really start investing in that holistic approach to education.

By implementing consistent, district-wide curriculum standards, we can make sure every BPS school delivers high quality academics. Ensuring access to a robust early education and elementary education curriculum is a critical foundation of a high-quality education. In addition to rigorous academics, we must ensure access to enrichment opportunities for lifelong success including financial literacy, CPR training, health and wellness, nutrition and cooking, and life skills classes.

Critical to the success of all, is our ability to focus our efforts on teaching our kids to read—especially in the early years. Persistent declines in fourth grade MCAS reading scores and City divestment in school reading specialists speak to a growing literacy crisis within BPS. In order for students to succeed, they need a strong foundation of literacy. The failure to invest in early detection and intervention places children at a greater risk of dropping out, poor health, unemployment, and incarceration. With the disproportionate impact of this crisis on students of color and ELL students, strengthening literacy is essential to closing the opportunity and achievement gap. We must improve elementary grade literacy support in order to avoid cascading issues later in middle and high school. Strong literacy skills build a solid foundation for learning, growth and opportunities for future success.

Finally, it’s time to rebuild trust in our school communities. In recent years, the absence of stable governance within BPS has fostered deep mistrust for BPS families and educators. The lack of consistent leadership, along with unexpected announcements of grade reconfigurations, school closures, and budget uncertainties, has left many families feeling helpless and dismissed. And the insufficient translation and communications services for ELL families continues to present a major barrier for many, leading to more disconnect. As Mayor, I will lead in partnership with our schools to improve engagement with BPS families and rebuild trust with school communities so we can move forward together.

I spent thirteen years in the classroom at East Boston High School. It’s this system, and the communities within it, that I know intimately, that I myself have personal experience in from multiple perspectives, and that the next Mayor will need to navigate to provide our kids the great education they deserve from this city.

As a teacher, all you ever want is for your students to realize and fulfill their potential. To aim for that A+. I’m ready to see our City aim that high, too. And with a former teacher in charge, Boston is bound to make the grade.



all established trees need periodically. A few years back, we did prune a few branches that stretched too close to our house. But as we remained home from work and school during all of last year to stay safe, we sat on the patio under the tree each day, and gave thanks for its steadfast shade.

So when the tree’s owners cut it down, we were devastated. They claimed they were worried about it giving them problems in the future and they wanted to do something else with their yard. Okay, it was their tree, and to chop it down was their right.

But I wish they could have left part of the tree—the branches that shaded our patio. The massive trunk surely stored large amounts of carbon that had accumulated over the many decades of its life. And now, the tree is gone.

Perhaps I’m getting more sentimental as I grow older, but I feel like I have lost a dear friend. I know that the local birds, squirrels, chipmunks, and raccoons have lost a sturdy, reliable place to rest. And I hope that other city residents will appreciate the value of a healthy old tree in their yard and do better than our neighbors.”

Kathleen McManus is a Dorchester resident and a former staff writer for the Reporter.

My focus: Homeownership help, rent assistance

By KIM JANEY
ACTING MAYOR OF BOSTON

As the first woman and first Black mayor of Boston, I bring to City Hall, and to this race, a life



Kim Janey

My family was unable to hold onto our South End brownstone due to gentrification in the 1980s, robbing us of the opportunity to create generational wealth. This same kind of gentrification is happening today in other neighborhoods across Boston like Dorchester, Chinatown, East Boston, and Roxbury.

As mayor, my immediate goal is to reduce tenant displacement in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic. During my first week as mayor, I moved quickly to provide \$50 million in emergency funding to help families remain in their homes—assisting more than 3,400 families thus far. In addition, in my budget I targeted more than \$25 million in American Relief Plan funds for investments in affordable housing and housing navigation services.

I have also assembled a team of talented profes-

Commentary

The more voters there are, the better for all of us

By BILL WALCZAK
REPORTER COLUMNIST

It seems that many Bostonians have lackluster interest or are oblivious to the Sept. 14 preliminary election for mayor of Boston, which is just a few weeks away. This sense is consistent with numbers from the two most recent preliminary mayoral elections, which attracted just 14 percent of registered voters (2017), and 31 percent (2013).

Of the two, 2013 is the better comparison, since it featured a race to fill an open seat (Tom Menino decided not to run) and attracted a dozen candidates. The 2021 election is more like an open-seat election because Kim Janey became the acting mayor just a few months ago, in March, when Mayor Marty Walsh went to Washington to be US Secretary of Labor.

Janey has been a district city councillor representing one ninth of the city over the past three and a half years, and, therefore, has limited recognition across the city. Also, as an “acting mayor,” she has limited mayoral incumbency.

Incumbent mayors almost never lose elections in Boston. This is because our city has what is called a “strong mayor” charter, which gives nearly all governmental power in Boston to the mayor. This includes the power over the Boston Planning and Development Authority (BPDA, formerly the BRA), through which most development in Boston occurs. As a result, incumbent mayors are able to generate millions of campaign dollars. Walsh had more than \$5.1 million in his campaign fund when he left for Washington, a formidable sum. By comparison, the leading candidates in fundraising for mayor this year have raised about \$1.3 million each.

The power of the mayor also results in the inability of challengers to incumbents to raise significant money. In his 2017 race, Tito Jackson, who had \$55,000 in his campaign account before announcing that he was running for mayor in January 2017, saw his fundraising plummet following his announcement.

Donations to political candidates are reported and put online through the state Office of Campaign and Political Finance, so a donation to a candidate challenging an incumbent mayor

sionals to provide technical assistance to tenants and enable them to access local, state, and federal resources. My administration will continue to execute on its coordinated plan to prevent evictions—working with small landlords, reaching out to families facing eviction, boosting access to legal representation, and ensuring the availability of financial resources.

But we know that families—especially those who earn too much to qualify for deed restricted housing but not enough for market rate—were being squeezed out of the city long before the pandemic due to skyrocketing housing costs. That is why I wholeheartedly support efforts for rent stabilization strategies.

Local control is crucial for all issues, so state legislation that would allow cities and towns to decide for themselves how to control rising housing costs is incredibly important. We do need to be careful of a one-size-fits-all approach, though, because if we do that, we are just reinforcing the inequities that already exist in our housing world.

We need to look at each and every neighborhood and the specific needs they have to make this happen.

We also need to find new revenue streams to expand housing opportunities for our residents. That is why just last week I filed a home rule petition to create a fee of up to two percent on real estate sales over \$3 million to create and preserve affordable housing in Boston. The plan would generate an estimated \$65.3 million annually to help us preserve what exists and create new income-restricted housing.

Another tool we can use to create affordable housing is an increase in acquisition of occupied properties (AOP). I have invested \$20 million this year to do just that.

And, as always, we also need to keep a sharp eye on the most important principle in public policy:

views on our property tax rates, on how development happens in Boston, how municipal agencies are managed, how the schools are run, how to manage the pandemic, how to deal with global warming, transportation, parks, and the tree canopy, and many other issues of importance.

equity. Right now, my team and I are reviewing the Inclusionary Development Policy (IDP) for opportunities to require more affordable housing from development in Boston. I firmly believe that we can do well and do good at the same time—but we need to be deliberate.

I also want to make homeownership a reality for Boston families that have for too long been shut out of this part of the American Dream. That is why I am focusing on homeownership opportunities as a way to stabilize our communities, including expanding the Boston Home Center’s first-time Homebuyer Program. Down payment assistance for income-eligible, first-time homebuyers is now up to \$40,000—four times what was previously offered by the City.

Two decades ago, as a single mom, I was able to purchase my own home with the assistance of a first-time home buyers program. I want to help others realize their own dreams of putting down roots. Expanding home ownership will give residents the opportunity to build generational wealth and break the cycle of poverty. That is also how we’ll close the enormous wealth gap in Boston.

My housing strategy, like all my efforts, are made through the lens of my real-world experience. Today, tomorrow, and for as long as I am mayor of Boston, I will work to prevent evictions, increase the number of affordable housing units throughout the city, especially mixed-income developments, ensure that we develop without displacement, and make the dream of homeownership a reality for Boston families.

This is the greatest city in the world. Together, there is nothing we can’t achieve.

Acting Mayor Kim Janey is a candidate for a four-year term. The Reporter invited each of the five major candidates for mayor to submit an article for publication in the month of August.

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Bill Walczak is a Dorchester resident who ran for mayor in 2013.

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Development, not displacement is the call at hearing on Uphams Corner's Fox Hall

By KATIE TROJANO
REPORTER STAFF

Developers hoping to construct a six-story mixed-use building in Uphams Corner revealed their scaled-back proposal to about 30 attendees during a virtual public meeting hosted by the Boston Planning & Development Agency (BPDA) last Thursday. Roxbury-based Cruz Construction, which has teamed up with Hingham-based JLCD Development to advance the project at 554-562 Columbia Rd., first filed plans with the city in February. Their latest proposal — a 100 percent income-restricted project, with 72 residential units — seeks “development without displacement,” according to Michael Rooney, principal of JLCD Development, who added, “We feel that this project will serve as the catalyst for the revitalization of Uphams Corner.”

He said that the proposal would be in-line with goals outlined in a city-run Uphams Corner planning initiative for the area, which is home to the city-owned Strand Theatre, a health center, and a commuter rail stop.

“I was very impressed with the goals meant to revitalize the area by supporting the arts, reactivating the Strand Theatre, supporting small local businesses, and the development of affordable mixed income housing without displacement,” he said.



A rendering shows the look of a proposed mixed-use development at 554-562 Columbia Rd., including the existing four-story Fox Hall Building in Uphams Corner.

Image courtesy Cruz Companies / The Architectural Team

The structure would be sited behind the existing four-story Fox Hall, which dates to the late 19th century. The older building will be renovated to upgrade units for its current 15 occupants, who will get more spacious studio apartments.

The developer plans to renovate Fox Hall's upper floors, while letting the existing ground-floor commercial tenants stay in place.

“We're looking to preserve and improve the existing Fox Hall building and retail space before and after construction,” said Nick Zozula, a senior associate at McDermott, Quilty & Miller LLP.

All of the residential units in the new complex would be

marketed to people making between 30 percent to 100 percent of the Boston area median income. The proposed breakdown of the residential units is 4 three-bedrooms, 30 two-bedrooms, 20 one-bedrooms, and 18 studio apartments.

The new building will include rooftop amenities, on-site parking for 24 vehicles, bicycle storage in the garage level, with new pedestrian connections and public realm upgrades. The entire project consists of approximately 68,916 square feet of space.

In the question-and-answer session, which lasted for about two hours, members of the project's Impact Advisory (IAG) Group and attendees had their

says on the proposal.

Marti Glynn, an IAG member and longtime Uphams Corner resident, was pleased with certain aspects of the team's pitch but also urged them to consider incorporating more green space.

“There are some things in this proposal that are really great, like that you're saving the Fox Hall building, providing mixed income affordable housing, sustaining and encouraging the current businesses, and keeping the tenants,” said Glynn.

“My main concerns are still about density. I think the height could come down another floor. It could also be pulled back with more green space around

the property.”

The proposal was originally pitched at eight stories but was scaled back to seven, and then six, after community feedback.

Rooney replied that the team “doesn't want to trade affordable units for small amounts of green space,” and noted that the two rooftop decks would include at least small amounts of greenery.

Joan Tighe, another IAG member, echoed Glynn's point in terms of the building height. “I'd prefer to see it come down a little bit but I do understand that you are working within certain parameters,” she said.

A few attendees voiced concerns over parking, while others said that 24 parking spaces would adequately accommodate demands.

Elizabeth Peart, an associate and principal at Howard Stein Hudson, said that the project is in line with the city's goals for transit-oriented development.

“The reality is that not everyone is going to have a car. If we look at what the city wants in terms of the parking ratios, this proposal is aligned with those goals,” she said.

The Boston Planning and Development Agency's public comment period for this project is now open, but scheduled to end this Friday (August 27). Comments and feedback can be submitted online at bostonplans.org. There are no additional BPDA-hosted community meetings scheduled.

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The BEAT will open the doors for its new tenants next spring

The BEAT building features large spaces, large furnishings and, at right, a basketball cage.

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\$81 million. The building was then reduced to its bare bones and construction began in 2019 on transforming the site into a 65,000-square-foot creative office, lab, and retail space, along with a brewery and food hall. The new “innovation campus” carries a formal name, The Boston Exchange for Accelerated Technology, but calls itself The BEAT, an homage to the Globe’s “beat” reporters who worked in the building for almost 60 years. “Our vision is to re-imagine this iconic campus into a vibrant center of employment bringing forward-looking jobs and opportunities down the Red Line to Dorchester once again,” Og Hunnewell, executive vice president at Nordbloom, said in a statement. “The building works well for life science tenants who appreciate its expansive floorplates, considerable floor-to-floor heights, and Red Line connectivity from Dorchester to Kendall Square and beyond. We anticipate an energetic new node of life science companies activating this property,” said Purpura, who is the president at Beacon Capital Life Science. In a separate statement, Eugene DelFavero, CFO and partner at Alcion Ventures, said the building was purchased in 2017 with the goal of offering a “state-of-the-art creative office and life science facility” that would bring jobs to the Savin Hill and Columbia Point sections of Dorchester. “With the hard work of our team and support of the neighborhood, we were able to deliver on our vision earlier this year and are proud of the building our partnership has completed,” he added. “We are confident that the Beacon/Nordbloom partnership will take full advantage of the extremely strong Boston life science market and continue to deliver on our original vision for the property.” Amenities for tenants at the BEAT will include a fitness center, a common roof deck, an indoor basketball mini-court, conference center, a golf simulator, 865 on-site parking spaces, and an indoor bicycle storage and repair facility. Additionally, a new multi-use bike and walking path will be created to improve access to and from the site. Nordbloom has previously announced that it has entered into an agreement with the state’s Department of Conservation and Recreation that allows the team to connect to and maintain the adjacent public park known as Patten’s Cove. The JFK/UMass Red Line Station near the BEAT also serves as a connector for the MBTA’s commuter rail lines that stretch down to Boston’s Readville neighborhood as well as to south of Boston communities such as Middleborough/Lakeville, Hanson, Kingston, and Scituate.

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SAID ABDIKARIM

36, Engineer and instructor, helper of fellow Somali immigrants resettling in US.



Said Abdikarim

Top priority
Housing (expansion of affordable housing options, ownership disparities, and public housing).

Political role models
Mayor Menino. He was the first politician I ever volunteered for and had a personal interaction with. I also had the opportunity to meet Mayor Walsh and talk to him. I was really inspired by his life story and that he believed in giving people second chances.

Endorsements
We will announce our endorsements in the next week. We are waiting to hold a press conference with community leaders and the political leaders who will endorse us.

Walsh administration grade
B+

JAMES ‘REGGIE’ COLIMON

55, Roslindale resident and City of Boston manager of international partnerships.



James Reginald Collimon

Top priority
Re-energize Madison Park Vocational High School in Roxbury

Political role models
Martin Luther King, former mayor Marty Walsh, Haitian general and revolutionary Toussaint Louverture.

Endorsements: N/A
Walsh administration grade

A+. I was Mayor Walsh’s Liaison to the City Council for 3 years. And he deputized me to help develop a Global Affairs Team in the Economic Development Cabinet.

KELLY BATES

51, Hyde Park resident and president of Interaction Institute for Social Change.



Kelly Bates

Top priority
Affordable housing is my top priority in office. I believe we need to bring back rent control, double the IDP, and develop reliable pathways for affordable homeownership.

Political role models
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. from the Civil Rights Movement. Gloria Steinem from the Women’s Movement. Tarena Burke from the MeToo Movement. They are examples of effective leadership that comes from humility, persistence, non-violence, storytelling, and truth-telling.

Endorsements (partial)
Massachusetts Women’s Political Caucus, MassNOW, Mass. Voters for Animals, District City Councilor Ricardo Arroyo, Former City Councilor At-Large Felix D Arroyo, State Sen. Sonia Chang Diaz, State Rep. Liz Malia, former Boston NAACP Chapter Leader Michael Curry.

Walsh administration grade
None given.

Read the full responses online at DotNews.com

MICHAEL FLAHERTY

52, South Boston resident and incumbent city councillor running for re-election. Former prosecutor and Teamsters Local 25 member.



Michael Flaherty

Top priority
My top priority is creating safe and truly affordable housing by strengthening and expanding our affordable housing policies to better meet the needs of Bostonians.

Political role models
Former state representative and judge Michael F. Flaherty Sr., my father, is my biggest role model. I grew up watching him make a career of helping people—getting people into treatment and recovery, getting young kids out of trouble, putting them into housing and quietly helping residents on a variety of issues. Two other role models would be the late Congressman Joe Moakley and former DA Ralph Martin.

Endorsements (partial):
Teamsters Local Union #25, Boston Teachers Union, Boston Firefighters Local 718, SEIU NAGE Local 5000, Boston Police Superior Officers Federation, North Atlantic States Regional Council of Carpenters, United Food and Commercial Workers Local 1445, IBEW 2222, Boston Carmen’s Union #589, The International Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Iron Ship Builders, Blacksmiths, Forgers and Helpers Local 29, International Union of Bricklayers & Allied Craftworkers Local 3, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 103, International Union of Elevator Constructors Local 4, International Association of Heat and Frost Insulators and Allied Workers Local 6, International Association of Bridge, Structural, Ornamental and Reinforcing Iron Workers Local 7, Laborers’ International Union of North America Local 22.

Walsh administration grade
He made extremely difficult decisions quickly to protect our City during the Covid-19 pandemic and helped guide us to where our City is today. Being Mayor of Boston is one of the hardest jobs in America and Marty worked that job 24/7 and I gotta give him an A.

ALEX GRAY

37, Jamaica Plain resident, senior policy manager for the City of Boston’s office of workforce development. Former policy adviser for Mayor Walsh and Gov. Deval Patrick.



Alex Gray

Top priority
Jobs & Economic Relief: As we work to recover from the Covid-19 pandemic, it is critical that we implement policy centered on the communities that have been most impacted: people of color, seniors, the disability community, and frontline workers.

Political role models
I consider Secretary Marty Walsh, Gov. Deval Patrick, and Lieutenant Governor Tim Murray as three of my political role models. Working firsthand with them allowed me to see examples of true public servants.

Endorsements (partial): Former Lt. Gov. Tim Murray, Jay Gonzalez, former 2018 Dem nominee for MA Governor, community activist Alkia Powell, Laborers Local 223, Boston Ward 10 Democratic Committee, Massachusetts Voters for Animals, Run for Something.

Walsh administration grade
Grade: Pass. Mayor Walsh was a great mayor who was a national leader on standing up for working people here in Boston. I was proud to work for his administration and saw every day how he led with compassion and concern for others.

DAVID HALBERT

40, Dorchester resident and former staffer to Councillors Sam Yoon and John Tobin, as well as Gov. Patrick.



David Halbert

Top priority
Ensuring that Boston is able to address the ongoing impact of the pandemic on every part of city life in a manner that prioritizes equity for all neighborhoods and residents.

Political role models
Sam Yoon taught me that leading based on values means that you must take risks, and that you will always sleep better at night - win or lose - if you know your decisions are based on your conscience. Charlotte Golar Richie inspires me by her example of not just identifying issues in her former role as a state representative, but of taking the leap into city government to lead the Department of Neighborhood Development and actively work to solve them. And as a former student of Governor Dukakis in graduate school, I saw his continued love of public service up close.

Endorsements (partial):
Bricklayers & Allied Craftsmen Union Local 3, Massachusetts Nurses Association, North Atlantic States Regional Council of Carpenters, United Auto Workers Region 9A, Sen. Joe Boncore, Sen. Sonia Chang-Diaz, Rep. Nika Elugardo
Boston City Councillor Ricardo Arroyo and Suffolk County Register of Probate Felix D. Arroyo; Boston Ward 15 Democratic Committee, Jamaica Plain Progressives and Progressive West Roxbury/Roslindale.

Walsh administration grade
B. While there were positives in terms of bringing a new culture and certain operational improvements to City Hall, there were also a number of ideas that seemed short-sighted, such as the Grand Prix racing proposal or the bid for the Summer Olympics, and the continuation of the city’s rampant income inequality.

RUTHZEE LOULJEUNE

Mattapan native living in Hyde Park, attorney and former senior counsel on US Sen. Elizabeth Warren’s presidential and US Senate campaign.



Ruthzee Louijeune

Top priority
First-generation homeownership grant-based programs targeted to communities that historically experienced blockbusting and redlining; increasing payments and advancing timing of payments made to the city by commercial and residential developers to fund affordable housing and homeownership; and using more public land for the development.

Political role models
Robert Louijeune, my father, a model for what it means to show up for and be in a community, and to care deeply about your neighbor. Marie St. Fleur: Needless to say, seeing a Haitian American woman stand up for our community left an incredible impact on me. Karilyn Crockett gave me my first job as a walking tour guide, exposed me to this rich and diverse city and gave me a sense of ownership over solving the city’s problems.

Endorsements (partial):
US Sen. Elizabeth Warren, State Sen. Sonia Chang-Diaz, former state Reps. Marie St. Fleur and Liz Miranda, City Councillors Lydia Edwards, and Ricardo Arroyo, Boston Teachers Union, Mass Nurses Association, Greater Boston Labor Council, Firefighters Local 718, IBEW Local 103, Sunrise Boston, Ward 15 Democrats.

Walsh administration grade
No answer provided.

JULIA MEJIA

51, Dorchester resident and former producer at MTV. Founder of CPLAN, citywide parent advocacy group and Determined Divas, volunteer-led civic engagement group for women of color.



Julia Mejia

Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm, who was unboasted and unbosessed. Congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, who did not wait her turn or ask permission. Her leadership at a younger age and her commitment to her ideals was a driving force for me.

Endorsements (partial): State Sen. Sonia Chang Diaz, state Reps Liz Miranda, Nika Elugardo, and Russell Holmes, former state Rep Charlotte Golar Richie, Boston Teachers Union, Massachusetts Nurses Association, UFCW 1445, Sunrise Movement, Sierra Club, JP Progressives, West Rox/Roz Progressives, MassNOW, Massachusetts Women’s Political Caucus.

Walsh administration grade
D.

CARLA MONTEIRO

38, Dorchester resident, Brigham and Women’s Hospital care transition specialist and Boston Children’s Hospital clinical social worker.



Carla Monteiro

Ayanna Pressley and Alexandria Ocasio Cortez. Pressley and I come from very similar backgrounds of struggle and obstacles that we’ve had to overcome not only to pursue political office but also just to get by in Boston. Ocasio Cortez’s documentary “Bringing Down the House” was a motivational look at the courage required to run for office and reminds me of many of the challenges I face on the campaign trail.

Endorsements:
Sunrise Boston, National Association of Social Workers, MA – PACE.

Walsh administration grade
Pass. The Walsh administration developed and began the implementation of many important projects related to addressing climate change, the housing crisis, ensuring safe and multi-modal streets, and much more. At the same time, we must acknowledge the inequity of contracts going to Black and Latino owned businesses, the persistent gun violence, and the police commissioner debacle that Mayor Walsh left behind.



Jon Spillane

30, Hyde Park resident and former staffer for Councillor Kenzie Bok, housing development officer for City of Boston.

Top priority
Taking on the housing crisis, and to do that, we need a city-wide zoning overhaul in Boston.

Political role models
Tom Menino. The Boston that I grew up in has gotten safer and more

ERIN MURPHY

51, Dorchester resident, BPS kindergarten teacher and special education coordinator.



Erin Murphy

Jimmy Carter’s kindness and how he cared about people and always helped them. He spent 30 years helping to build and renovate homes for Habitat for Humanity, and still volunteers at the age of 96. I appreciated Ronald Reagan’s ability to make America proud of itself again.

Endorsements (partial):
State Rep. Dan Hunt, City Councillor Frank Baker, Laborers Union Local 223, IBEW Local 103, SEIU Local 888, Boston EMS, Boston Firefighters Local 718, Boston Police Patrolman’s Association, Mass Women’s Political Caucus, Mass Nurses Assoc., Greater Boston Building Trades, Sheet Metal Workers Local 17.

Walsh administration grade
Passing grade. It is hard to grade his overall performance seeing that he left before his second term ended and many initiatives he started were not seen through.

BRIDGET NEE-WALSH

42, South Boston resident and ironworker, owner of Southie’s Own Gift Shop and Babe Mannion’s Irish Shoppe



Bridget Nee-Walsh

constantly stood up for working families like mine in Congress. State Sen. Nick Collins has always put his constituents first and has never forgotten where he came from. I also have the utmost respect for Councillor Frank Baker and the work he has done for our city.

Endorsements (partial):
Greater Boston Building Trades, City Councilor Frank Baker, Ironworkers Local 7, Boston Firefighters Local 718, Boston Carmen’s Union Local 589 SEIU Local 888, IBEW Local 103, Sheet Metal Workers Local 17, Laborers’ Local 22.

Walsh administration grade
I would give his administration high marks for sure. However, he has left behind big shoes to fill, and I got into this race because I believe working families and organized labor need another ally in City Hall now that Marty has gone down to DC.

JON SPILLANE

prosperous every year I’ve been alive. That wasn’t true for my parents or grandparents, and Mayor Menino, the “Urban Mechanic” was a primary factor. I admire that he prioritized the nuts and bolts issues of a neighborhood.

Endorsements (partial):
Suffolk County Register of Deeds Stephen Murphy, District 3 City Councilor Frank Baker, District 8 City Councilor Kenzie Bok, state Reps. Jay Livingstone and Adrian Madaro, Boston Ward 5 Democratic Committee, North Atlantic States Regional Council of Carpenters, Laborers’ Local 223.

Walsh administration grade
B+

Patrolmen’s union: No mayoral pick
Backs five for at-large seats

By GINTAUTAS DUMCIUS
MANAGING EDITOR

The Boston police patrolmen’s union last week declined to back a candidate for mayor while opting to back five candidates in the race for the at-large slots on the City Council.

“None of the candidates for mayor have requested our endorsement to date,” the union’s president, Larry Calderone, said in an email to the *Reporter*.

Most candidates, whatever office they run for, typically seek out and tout endorsements from public sector unions, regardless of whether the endorsements come with door-knockers and an influx of cash or little beyond the paper the backing is printed on.

The Boston Police Patrolmen’s Association (BPPA) is a unique case at this time. Its endorsement would hit as the police department is beset by scandals, ranging from a Walsh-appointed commissioner ousted after accusations of domestic violence to an overtime theft scheme revealed by federal prosecutors to a former officer being accused of sexually assaulting children in the 1990s.

On social media, the patrolmen’s union has been derisively called the Boston Pedophile Protection Association, stemming from the revelation earlier this year that the police department did not fire the accused officer, Patrick Rose, after a threat from the union that he later led.

The lack of an endorsement aside, the union has not donated to any of the mayoral candidates, though City Councillor Annisssa Essaibi George leads in most donations from police among the candidates.

Earlier this year, the BPPA clashed with City Councillor Andrea Campbell, one of the five candidates running for mayor, after she said they had yet to explain “why they enabled and elevated an accused child molester.”

At a public forum broadcast online in July, Calderone said, “What Mr. Rose was accused of is horrible and disgusting. What our predecessors may or may not have been involved in is unbeknownst to this new leadership team here with me. We had no involvement with it.”

The next mayor will be tasked with negotiating a new contract with the union after the expiration of the old one last year. In Massachusetts, public safety unions have often resisted reforms while demanding pay hikes.

As for the at-large candidates, their endorsements are a different story. The union endorsed five, even though voters only get to choose four on the Sept. 14 ballot.

“It so happens that the field for ‘At-Large’ candidates is very large this election season,” Calderone said in his email.

The five candidates endorsed by the BPPA are: incumbent Mike Flaherty, Erin Murphy, Jon Spillane, Donnie Palmer, and Bridget Nee-Walsh.

Murphy was quick to tout the union’s endorsement. “As a single mom raising my family in Dorchester and as someone who grew up here, I know how important collaboration between the police and the community is,” she said in an email to supporters.

Spillane also said he was “proud” of the endorsement. “[Four] generations of my family have worn the BPD uniform,” he said, noting on Twitter a great-grandfather who participated in the police strike of 1919.

The union also endorsed incumbent Frank Baker for reelection in District 3, and said it is backing Brian Worrell in District 4, which is vacant due to Campbell’s run for mayor. T

The union did not endorse any of the eight candidates in District 7, which is also vacant thanks to the mayor’s race. Acting Mayor Kim Janey is vacating the seat to run for a full four-year term.

Sept. 8 TV debate will feature mayor candidates and questions you pose
NBC10, NECN, Telemundo website

The Dorchester Reporter is partnering with NBC10 Boston and its affiliates, as well as the Bay State Banner, in sponsoring a televised mayoral debate on Wed., Sept. 8.

The Reporter is inviting readers to submit questions for the candidates to newseeditor@dotnews.com.

The hour-long live debate will begin at 7 p.m. on NBC10 and New England Cable News (NECN) and Telemundo’s website. It will air in Spanish on Telemundo Boston at a later date.

The preliminary election is set for Tues., Sept. 14. The major mayoral candidates are Acting Mayor Kim Janey, former city economic development official John Barros, and City Councillors Andrea Campbell, Annisssa Essaibi George and Michelle Wu.

Mandate on masks at indoor public spaces starts on Friday

(Continued from page 1) the City Council, Matt O'Malley.

A mask mandate for schools and city buildings is already in place. A mandate for either vaccination or, absent that, regular testing, is being phased in for city

workers, a move that also came after calls from other candidates, including City Councillors Andrea Campbell and Michelle Wu.

O'Malley on Wednesday chided Janey for claiming Boston is "leading" on pandemic-driven

issues. "That's simply not true," he said, voicing support for an indoor mask mandate and a requirement for proof of vaccination to enter certain indoor venues.

"Nobody wants to be overly punitive, but the times demand it," said

O'Malley, who took over as council president in March when Janey took the acting mayor job after Marty Walsh resigned as mayor to become President Biden's labor secretary.

Janey has repeatedly rebuffed calls for a proof-of-vaccination requirement, also known as a vaccine passport, invoking the specter of slavery and Donald Trump's efforts to undermine President Obama with demands to see his birth certificate.

Campbell and Wu have both called for the implementation of a vaccine

passport, similar to what New York is working on, and said Janey was undermining trust in vaccines with her comments.

On Friday, Kate Walsh, Boston Medical Center's president and CEO, praised Janey's latest mask mandate. "We all have a responsibility to do everything we can to mitigate the risk of Covid-19 infections while continuing to encourage everyone to get the vaccine, including those 12 and older who will be going back to school soon."

The press release announcing the new mandate also included a

supportive note from the president of UNITE HERE Local 26, the hospitality workers union. "The members of Local 26 applaud Mayor Janey's implementation of a mask mandate for indoor spaces," Carlos Aramayo, the union president, said in a statement. "This will ensure that hospitality workers are safe at work and our industry can continue its recovery."

The union has endorsed Janey's bid for a full four-year term, and its super PAC has paid for canvassers and fliers to bolster her mayoral campaign.



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BGCD Partners with Elevate Youth & Paddle Boston for Kayaking Adventures: See details below.

CONNECT THE DOT: BGCD Partners with Elevate Youth & Paddle Boston for Kayaking Adventures: Recently, Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester partnered with our friends at Elevate Youth and Paddle Boston for a couple of fun kayaking field trips for our members. The kids were able to enjoy the beautiful summer weather out on the water learning to kayak. Elevate Youth provides outdoor opportunities to empower youth from underserved neighborhoods with support of positive adult role models, and has partnered with Paddle Boston to offer fun activities such as paddleboarding, canoeing and kayaking in the Boston area. BGCD and Elevate Youth have been partnering together for year-round Outdoor Recreation & Education activities for the past 4 years. We are so thankful to Elevate Youth for continuing to provide these fun opportunities to our members.

FIND OUT WHAT'S INSIDE: BGCD Members Enjoy a Trip to the New England Food Foundation Cape House: This past week, members from Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester's Walter Denney Center Unit located in the Harbor Point community enjoyed a three-day retreat to Cape Cod. Members enjoyed their stay at the New England Food Foundation Cape House which is located in Sandwich, Ma and has a private beach, soccer field, volleyball court and basketball court and provides opportunities for a fun and relaxing time on Cape Cod. They also took a special trip to visit Ocean Edge Resort to go swimming and enjoy a tour, courtesy of Tricia Chapple, our Education Strategist at BGCD. Thank you to our friends at the New England Food Foundation for your hospitality. We are so grateful that our members are able to venture out and explore new places and enjoy taking part in new activities.



BGCD Members Enjoy a Trip to the New England Food Foundation Cape House: See details below.

DID YOU KNOW: BGCD Members Take Part in Football Clinics Hosted by Boston College High School: Boys & Girls Clubs of Dorchester and Boston College High School partnered up this summer to provide our members with two week long sports clinics.

The session included members from our Walter Denney Youth Center who were able to take part in a football clinic at BC High. During these clinics, members did drills with the team and used our new sports equipment that was generously donated to BGCD by BC High's Young Alumni Group this July.

BGCD would like to give a special thank you to all of the young alumni who made this possible. Through a long-standing partnership, BC High and BGCD continue to find ways to support the youth and families of Dorchester and the Harbor Point Community.

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September 25

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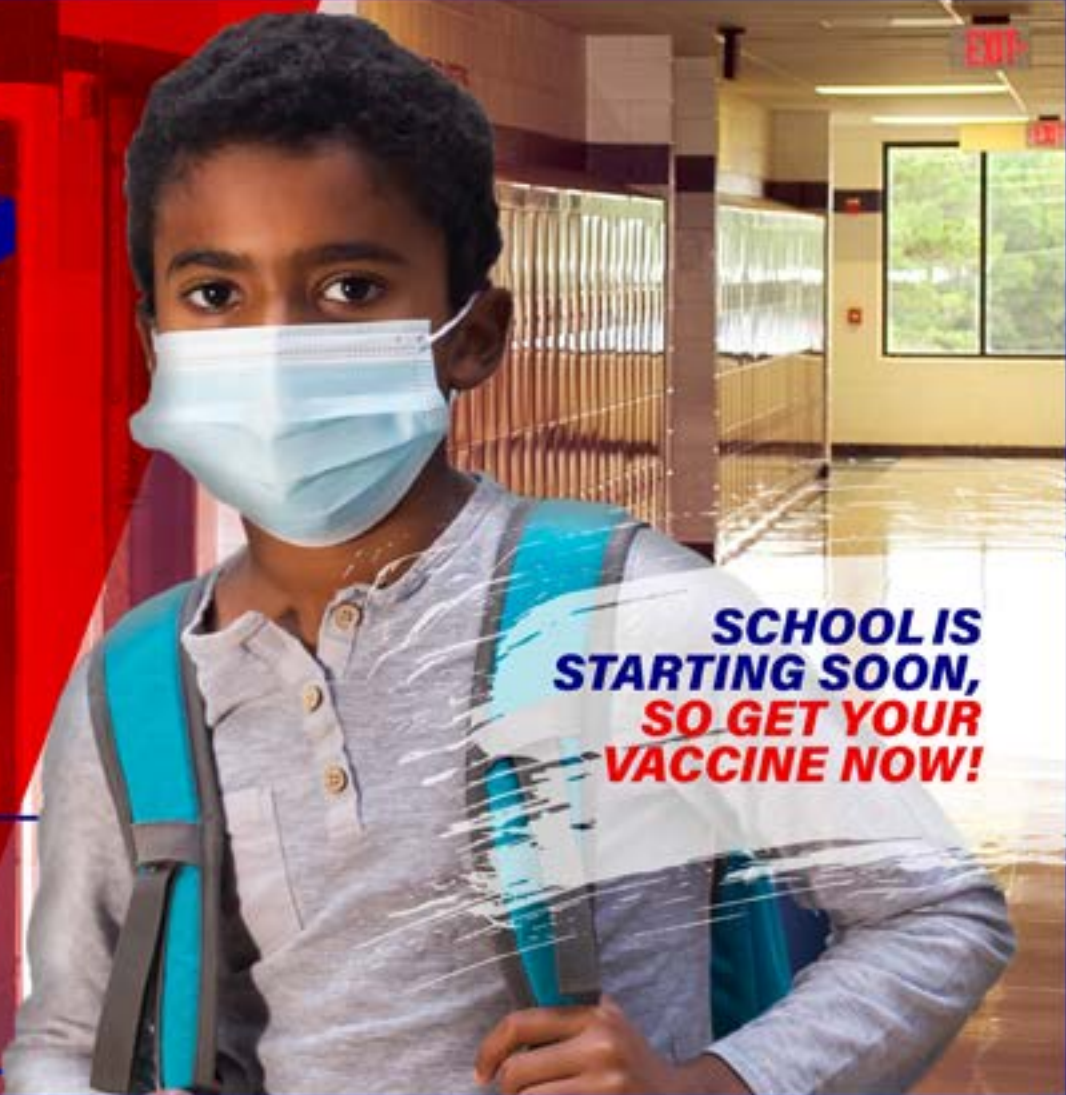
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Moment of Paws

Animal Adoption: Think beyond cats and dogs

By Dr. Edward Schettino

When a family is ready to consider bringing a new pet into their home, many jump to the idea of cats and dogs. And while these furry companions can be a great addition to your family, they don't necessarily work for all households.

For example, if you live in an apartment or small home with limited or non-existent outdoor space, an active dog may not be the best fit. Additionally, landlords that don't accept cats or dogs may be open to smaller animals that won't disturb other tenants or scratch surfaces.

Your lifestyle is also a big factor. If your family is always on-the-go due to work, school, or travel, pets that require less daily maintenance or can more easily accompany you might be better.

And finally, think about how a new pet will affect those in your household. Is anyone in your family allergic to fur or pet dander, or are there small children or elderly relatives living in your home? If so, a hypo-allergenic, less rambunctious pet might be for you.

If you're considering pet adoption, the Animal Rescue League of Boston (ARL) encourages families to think beyond cats and dogs, and open their minds to more nontraditional species. Birds, rabbits, guinea pigs, mice, and other small animals make amazing pets. Many small animals are



Aly likes to chew on wood-based items to keep it's teeth short and healthy.

training.

- Toys are important for stimulation. You'll also want to provide items for your small animal to chew – for rabbits and guinea pigs chewing on wood-based items helps keep their teeth short and in good shape.
- Research what food and treats they eat. Your local pet store will have specialized food for your small animal, but extras like hay, leafy greens and vegetables are important for a complete diet, offering variety and treats too!
- Don't forget about grooming. Items to keep on-hand include a brush and nail trimmer.
- Make an appointment with your local veterinarian. Just like cats and dogs, small animals need regular check-ups to ensure they're healthy and happy.

Finally, if you're new to the small animal world, don't be afraid to ask questions when going through the adoption process. The more you know, the more confident you'll be as a pet owner.

Dr. Edward Schettino is the president and CEO of the Animal Rescue League of Boston. He has a doctorate of Veterinary Medicine from the Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University. Pet questions? Email ARL at press@arlbooston.org.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE & FAMILY COURT SUFFOLK PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT 24 NEW CHARDON STREET BOSTON, MA 02114 617-788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME Docket No. SU21C0263CA IN THE MATTER OF: INDILAINYS MERETE BAEZ A petition to Change Name of Minor has been filed by Indilainys Merete Baez of Dorchester, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Indilainys Soto IMPORTANT NOTICE Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/09/2021. This is not a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding. Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court. Date: August 12, 2021 Felix D. Arroyo Register of Probate Published: August 26, 2021

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Probate & Family Court 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 617-788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION Docket No. SU21P1593EA ESTATE OF: JOSE A. DILBERT DATE OF DEATH: 02/09/2019 Josephine Gordon of Greenacres, FL requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order, and for such other relief as requested in the Petition IMPORTANT NOTICE You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have the right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/23/2021. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you. Unsupervised Administration Under The Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code (MUPC) A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Witness, HON. BRIAN J. DUNN, First Justice of this Court. Date: August 10, 2021 Felix D. Arroyo Register of Probate Published: August 26, 2021

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- Assist in seeking new real estate opportunities and conducting early-stage feasibility analysis
- Assembling financing and submitting applications for grants, equity and loan programs
- Managing permitting, planning and the community process with community partners and organizing staff
- Soliciting, negotiating and overseeing third party consultant services and project teams
- Managing the closings for purchase, loan and equity investments
- Overseeing project budgets, the construction process and schedules
- Ensuring compliance with funding requirements and city, state and federal regulations
- Overseeing project marketing and lease up
- Maintaining investor and lender relationships
- Assisting with understanding residential market trends in the neighborhood
- Representing CSNDC before relevant boards, committees and neighborhood groups, and
- Other related duties as assigned.

Our Ideal Candidate Our ideal candidate will be a team player with a demonstrated ability to deliver high quality, affordable housing projects on time, within budget and with positive community impact. The Project Manager will possess many of the following skills and qualifications but not limited to:

- At least 2 years of experience in real estate development or real estate finance
- A minimum of a Bachelor's degree in real estate, urban planning, community development or a related field; additional work experience may be substituted for degrees
- Understanding of deal structuring, finance, design and construction management
- Familiarity with public, private and quasi-public financing programs for affordable housing and commercial real estate, preferably in Massachusetts
- Demonstrated ability to lead complex partnerships of public, non-profit and private stakeholders
- Experience with large scale mixed-use, mixed-income development projects and public land disposition preferred
- Strong critical thinking and negotiating skills
- Ability to manage multiple priorities and assignments in a fast-paced environment
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- Excellent verbal, written, technology and organizational skills
- Ability to work collaboratively with a wide range of people in a variety of settings, and
- A commitment to the organization's mission and philosophy of community empowerment.

The Selection Process Please send cover letter and resume to: Dominica Man, Director of Real Estate Development & Asset Management at CSNDC, 587 Washington St., Dorchester MA 02124, or email: dominica@csndc.com. Codman Square NDC seeks to fill this position by the Fall of 2021. Applications will be reviewed and acknowledged as they are received. *Codman Square Neighborhood Development Corporation is an equal opportunity employer. Local residents, people of color and women are encouraged to apply.*

Boston Collegiate Charter School will be participating in the USDA's Child Nutrition Programs (Seamless Summer Option). As part of this program, **Boston Collegiate Charter School** will offer healthy meals every school day at NO COST due to the implementation of special assistance for school year 2021-2022. Students will be able to participate in these meal programs without having to pay a fee or submit a household application. Even though meals are free, families may still apply for Free or Reduced meals and benefits. Qualifications for children to receive free or reduced price meals include: belonging to a household whose income is at or below the Federal Income Eligibility Guidelines, belonging to a household that receives public assistance, or if the child is homeless, migrant, runaway, foster, or participates in a Head Start or Even Start pre-K program. Household size and income criteria are used to determine eligibility for free and reduced-price benefits if the household does not receive assistance or the children are not in the other categories mentioned above. Children can get free or reduced-price meals if the household's gross income falls at or below the limits on the Federal Income Eligibility Guideline chart. To apply for free or reduced-price meals, house-holds can fill out the application and return it to

FEDERAL ELIGIBILITY INCOME CHART For School Year 2021-2022				
Household size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly	
1	\$23,828	\$1,986	\$459	
2	\$32,227	\$2,686	\$620	
3	\$40,626	\$3,386	\$782	
4	\$49,025	\$4,086	\$943	
5	\$57,424	\$4,786	\$1,105	
6	\$65,823	\$5,486	\$1,266	
7	\$74,222	\$6,186	\$1,428	
8	\$82,621	\$6,886	\$1,589	
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the school unless the household has already received notification that their children are approved for free meals this year. Application forms are being distributed to all households with a letter informing households of the availability of free and reduced-price meals for their children and what is required to complete on the application. Applications also are avail-able at either **Main Office: The Lower School Campus at 215 Sydney Street in Dorchester, MA 02125 and also The Upper School Campus at 11 Mayhew Street in Dorchester, MA 02125.** Only one application is required for all children in the household and the information provided on the appli-cation will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and verification of data. Applications may be verified at any time during the school year by the school or other program officials. An application for free or reduced-price benefits cannot be approved unless it contains complete eligibility information as indicated on the application and instructions. In the operation of child feeding programs, no child will be discriminated against because of race, sex, color, national origin, age, or disability. Families can apply for benefits at any time. If a household member becomes unemployed or if the household size increases, the household should contact the school. Such changes may make the children of the household eligible for benefits if the household's income falls at or below the Federal Guidelines. Contact **Kim Misci** at kmisci@bostoncollegiate.org at any time to request an application. Under the provisions of the free and reduced-price policy, **Kim Misci** and **Amanda Kay Loring** will review applications and determine eligibility. Parents or guardians dissatisfied with the ruling of the official may wish to discuss the decision with the determining official on an informal basis. Parents wishing to make a formal appeal for a hearing on the decision may make a request either orally or in writing to Jenna Ogundipe, 215 Sydney Street Dorchester MA 02125 (617) 282-6710 x2134. When known to **Boston Collegiate Charter School** households will be notified of their children's eligibility for free meals if they are members of households receiving assistance from the:

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 - Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR); or
 - Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), if the State program meets Federal standards.
- An application is not required for free meal benefits for Assistance Program participants and all of the children in the household are eligible for free meal benefits. If any children were not listed on the notice of eligibility, or if a household does not receive a notice of eligibility, the household should contact the school to have free meal benefits extended to them. Participants in the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children (WIC) may be eligible for free or reduced-price meals, but they will need to turn in an application including household size and total income. When known to **Boston Collegiate Charter School** households will also be notified of any child's eligibility for free meals if the individual child is considered "Other Source Categorically Eligible", because the child is categorized, as defined by law as:


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- Runaway,
- Enrolled in an eligible Head Start, or
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ADDUCI, Joanne Marie (Kelly), 86, of Hull, formerly of Dorchester. She was the daughter of the late John of Roscommon, Ireland and Mary (McLaughlin) Kelly, Malin Head, Donegal, Ireland. Joanne was the wife of the late Robert J. Adduci, Sr. She was the mother of Robert J. Adduci, Jr. and his wife Julie Ann of Scituate, John V. Adduci and his wife Deborah of Charlestown, and Jill A. Connolly and her husband Brian of Quincy. Joanne was the grandmother of 6. Sister of Marylou Henkin of St. Augustine, Florida. Joanne was preceded in death by her siblings: Eileen Dumouchel, John Kelly, and Brian Kelly. She is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews and compassionate caregivers. She held many prominent positions in and for the City of Boston, as well as The State of Massachusetts. These included Gillette, City of Boston Auditing Department, Mayor’s Office of Capital Planning, under Mayors White, Flynn and Menino and The Massachusetts Turnpike Authority. While employed she helped plan, fund and financially account for Special Improvement Projects. Joanne’s Financial Manager roles earned her numerous awards and recognition at many public buildings, schools and roads throughout the City of Boston, including Boston City Hospital, Boston Police Head Quarters, Boston’s Holocaust Memorial, The Rose Kennedy Green Way, City Hall and her favorite, The Big Dig. She was also awarded The Henry L. Shattuck award for outstanding public service. Joanne was an elected



CALLAHAN, Michael Patrick, of Dorchester, 68. Son of the late Donald D. (MSP) and Genevieve M. (Gillis) Callahan of Dorchester/Florida. Survived by his siblings Donald D. Callahan (BPD) and his wife Jean, Donna J., Stephen J., Daniel J. Callahan and his wife Irina all of Dorchester. Father of James F. Callahan, his wife Jess and their daughters Zoe and Piper of Arlington. Uncle of 6. Donations in Mike’s memory may be made to the MSPCA 350 S. Huntington Ave Boston, MA.02130.

CRUPI, Emily (Lanata) formerly of Mattapan, of Milton. Daughter of the late Ernestine (Macchi) and Louis Lanata. Wife of the late Santo J. Crupi. Sister of Dorothy Schillig and her husband John of Walpole and the late Anna Tuttle, Claire Coombs, Louis Lanata and Charles Lanata. Sister-in-law of Nancy Lanata of Milton. Aunt of Anne Krekis of Walpole, Lisa Schillig of FL and Charles F. Lanata, Jr. of Milton.

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INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE
Docket No. SU20P2403EA
ESTATE OF:
DEBBIE TINSLEY SMITH
AKA: DEBBIE SMITH
DATE OF DEATH: August 2, 2020
SUFFOLK DIVISION

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petitioner of Petitioner Regina Smith of Mattapan, MA, Regina Smith of Mattapan, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE
Docket No. SU21P0382EA
ESTATE OF:
MARY T. McLAUGHLIN
DATE OF DEATH: January 15, 2021
SUFFOLK DIVISION

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petitioner of Petitioner Emily Sanchez of Dorchester, MA, a Will has been admitted to informal probate. Emily Sanchez of Dorchester, MA has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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DESISTO, Anna T. “Nancy” (Sheehan) of Dorchester. Wife of the late Frank DeSisto, Lt. B.F.D. Mother of Nancy Ceraso, Frank DeSisto, Linda Searlata, David DeSisto, Diane Ellis, and the late Michael DeSisto. Sister of Peter Sheehan. Grandmother of 8 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.




MONDESIR, Annette, 58, of Dorchester, originally from Port-Au-Prince, Haiti. Wife of Jacques Mondesir of Florida. Mother of Kachita Mondesir of Allston, Cecilia Mondesir of Dorchester, Tawsky Mondesir of Brockton and Joseph Vilbrun of Dorchester. Daughter of the late Joseph and Anita Marie Vilbrun. Sister of Eliana, Wesner, Nicole, Yvette Vilbrun and the late Sonita Vilbrun. Grandmother of 1. She is also survived by many nieces and nephews.



SANTOS, Francisco of Dorchester. Husband of Maria (Gomes) dos Santos. Father of Vinda Santos and Maria Santos both of Dorchester, Eugenia Soares, Maria Joao and Johnny Santos all of Rhode Island. Also survived by 11 grandchildren.



LIND, Catherine D. “Kay,” 99, originally from Dorchester, of Hingham, formerly of Cotuit. She was the daughter of the late Michael and Theresa O’Hare, both formerly of Co. Clare, Ireland, and was raised in Belmont. Kay was a fifth grade teacher with Billerica Public Schools for many years. Kay was the wife of the late Frank A. Lind. She was the mother of Amy L. Corbett (William) of Winchester, Anne L. Marcks (Kent) of Hingham, Betsy Melors (Robert) of Hingham, Robert J. Lind (Barbara Hough) of Dorchester, Paula Bitner (John) of Boston, and the late Susan J. Lind (KC Mitkevicius) of Newton. Kay was the grandmother of 14 and great-grandmother of 17. She was the sister of Ann O. Smith of W Watertown, the late Sister Jeanne d’Arc O’Hare, CSJ, the late Margaret



WILLIAMS, Edith Loretta (Burke), 89, of Mattapan. Daughter of the late Cleretta and Arthur Burke. Mother of Henrietta Lena Fenelle Williams-Gerald with her husband Rev. Arthur T. Gerald. She was preceded in death by daughters, Malachia “Tiny” Williams and Dr. Elizabeth “Betty” Williams. Grandmother of 3. Sister of Judith Burke, Janet Houston, Julianne Burke, George Williams; and sister-in-law of Mary Burke and Charles Walker. She is survived by a host of nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends.

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