

EVENTS, EXHIBITS, AND TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Boston City Hall Boston, MA, 02201 Held virtually via Zoom

APRIL 10, 2025

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Suzanne Taylor, Nat Sheidley, Karin Goodfellow, Dave O'Donnell **COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:** Juan Lopez, Eric Hanson-Plass, Jay Ash, Juan Eusebio, Faries Gray, Dr. Noelle Trent, Kyera Singleton, Sam Tully-Chambers, Esther Farah

STAFF PRESENT: Genesis Pimentel, Commemoration Commission Manager; Kathy Kottaridis, Director of Historic Preservation

A full recording of the meeting is available on boston.gov/commemoration-commission

SESSION BEGINS - 2:00 PM

I. WELCOME

a. Genesis Pimentel welcomed attendees.

II. ORDER OF BUSINESS

a. Review of meeting minutes was held off.

III. NORTH END BLACK HERITAGE TRAIL PRESENTATION

- a. Ann Moritz gave a presentation on The North End Black Heritage Trail, a project of 14 sites of importance to Black History in the North End from 1638 up to the Revolutionary War.
- b. Questions were asked about walkability, community engagement, and the current status. Ann Moritz explained that the trail is in its preliminary stages, lacks a budget, and is not yet associated with a 501(c)(3). She expressed interest in adding LGBTQ+ history and Indigenous history to the trail and to the area. She added that it would be great to have this project be part of a larger project to pull trails together.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

a. Comments from the public included additional context on the project from those collaborating with Moritz, questions around how the local Black community is involved, how the North End is involved, how she shaped the criteria for choosing sites, and how Moritz is working with National Parks.

V. ADJOURNMENT - 3:04 PM



a. The meeting was adjourned.

Documents: Ann Moritz's presentation on the North End Black Heritage Trail