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COMMITTEE HEARING NOTICE

November 6, 2026

The Boston City Council's Committee on Ways and Means will hold a hearing on **Wednesday, November 18, 2026 at 10:00 am**. This hearing will be held **virtually**.

The subjects of the hearing are:

Docket #2080, Message and order to reduce the FY27 appropriation for the Reserve for Collective Bargaining by Seven Hundred Eighty-Seven Thousand, Five Hundred One Dollars ($787,501.00) to provide funding for the Boston Public Schools for the FY27 increases contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston School Committee and Local Union No. 1952, International Union of Painters and Allied Trades, District Council 35 (Custodians).

Docket #2081, Message and order for a supplemental appropriation order for Boston Public Schools Department for FY27 in the amount of Seven Hundred Eighty-Seven Thousand, Five Hundred One Dollars ($787,501.00) to cover the FY27 cost items contained within the collective bargaining agreement between the Boston School Committee and Local Union 1952, Painters & Allied Trades District Council No. 35 (Custodians). The terms of the contract are September 1, 2026 through August 31, 2027. The major provisions of the contract include a base wage increase of 2% and then a flat dollar amount of $800 to be added to annual salaries, both in September of 2026.

These matters were sponsored by Mayor Michelle Wu, and were referred to the Committee on November 4, 2026.

NOTICE: The Boston City Council may have a quorum participating due to standing committees of the City Council consisting of both voting and non-voting members. However, members participating in this duly posted meeting are participating and deliberating only in conjunction with the business of the standing committee.

Attendance In accordance with Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2025 modifying certain requirements of the Open Meeting Law and relieving public bodies of certain requirements, including the requirement that public bodies conduct its meetings in a public place that is open and physically accessible to the public, the City Council will be conducting this hearing remotely. This enables the City Council to carry out its responsibilities while ensuring public access to its deliberations through adequate, alternative means. The public may watch this hearing via live stream at www.boston.gov/city-council-tv and on Xfinity 8/RCN 82/Fios 964. This hearing will be recorded.

Public Testimony Members of the public wishing to testify virtually via videoconference should email the staff contact for a link and instructions to do so. Written comments may be sent to the Committee or staff email (below) and will be made a part of the record and available to all Councilors.

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