: 03/20/19 1:44 PM ;;;;BCC190320 >> THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY. THE REAL WORK HAPPENS WITH MY TEAM. I JUST GET TO GO OUT AND TALK ABOUT IT. THANK YOU FOR THIS. I WON'T BE GONE FOREVER. YOU WILL STILL SEE ME. I WILL STILL BE AT DORCHESTER DAY AND CELEBRATE THE UNBELIEVABLE THINGS IN THAT COMMUNITY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE] >> I INVITE ALL OF MY COLLEAGUES TO COME UP. I WANTED TO ACKNOWLEDGE JAMES WHO OVERSEES ALL OF THE Ys WHO IS HERE AS WELL. THANK YOU FOR THE WORK YOU DO. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TEAM AT THE DORCHESTER Y. >> HER MOM IS HERE. IS THIS MOM? THANK YOU FOR HER. THANK YOU FOR DEDICATION TO THE COMMUNITY AS WELL. I WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE MOM IS IN THE BUILDING. >> YES. GOOD TO SEE YOU. >> ON THREE. [APPLAUSE] >> AT THIS TIME I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE UP COUNSELOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE FOR A SPECIAL PRESENTATION. >> THANK YOU, COUNCIL PRESIDENT CAMPBELL. I'M EXCITED TO DAY TO PRESENT THIS RESIDENT HROUGS FOR NATIONAL SAFE PLACE WEEK WITH REPRESENTATIVES FROM SAFE PLACE SITES IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

THIS YEAR NSP WEEK CELEBRATES THE 35th ANNIVERSARY OF SAFE PLACE.

A PROGRAM TO SERVE YOUTH OF MEDIATE NEED AND SAFETY. BY POWERING WITH LOCAL BUSINESSES AND ORGANIZATION. SAFE PLACE MAKES SUPPORT SERVICES AVAILABLE FOR YOUTH IN CRISIS.

IN BOSTON SAFE PLACE IS OPERATED BY BRIDGE OVER TROUBLED WATERS FOR HOMELESS, RUN AWAY AND AT RISK YOUTH.

NATIONAL SAFE PLACE WEEK GIVES US A CHANCE TO CELEBRATE THE STORE LESS EFFORTS OF OUR BOSS AND PROVIDERS, EXPANDED ACCESS AND TREAT FOR CARE IN OUR CITY FOR OUR YOUTH.

I'M GRATEFUL FOR OUR SERVICE PROVIDERS AND LOCAL BUSINESSES TO STEP UP TO PROMOTE OUR HELP FOR OUR AT-RISK YOUTH.

THOSE SERVICES ARE CRITICAL TO THEIR ACT TO SUCCEED.

I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE JAMES WHO HAS PLAYED A KEY ROLL IN ESTABLISHING SAFE PLACE IN BOSTON.

JAMES.

>> THANK YOU, THANK YOU TO ALL OF YOU RECOGNIZING THIS WEEK AS NATIONAL SAFE PLACE WEEK AND RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF THE SAFE PLACE NETWORK IN OUR COMMUNITY.

BRIDGE OVER TROUBLED WATERS SERVICES HOMELESS, RUN AWAY AND AT-RISK YOUTH.

WE JOINED SAFE PLACE NETWORK AS A LEAD AGENCY TO CREATE AND TRAIN SAFE PLACE SITES ACROSS BOSTON.

THIS NETWORK IS AN EXTENTION OF OUR OUTREACH SERVICES TO HOMELESS AND RUN AWAY YOUTH. -- UNDER AIMED YOUTH WHO NEED HELP AND SAFETY.

SO GRATEFUL TO THE MEMBERS OF OUR NETWORK FOR THE WORK THEY DO HELPING TO CONNECT TO OUR RESOURCES.

LAST YEAR WE CAME TOGETHER TO CONNECT THE 135 YOUTH TO BRING 367 DAYS A YEAR.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

[APPLAUSE]

>> SO ON BE HALF OF THE BOSTON

CITY COUNCIL ALL MEMBERS OF THE

COUNCIL HAVE SIGNED THE

RESOLUTIONS WHICH WE WILL SHARE

WITH YOU.

RECOGNIZING HAGS AL SAFE PLACE

WEEK.

THIS WOKE I WOULD LIKE TO

RECOGNIZE THE 15 SAFE PLACES IN

SUFFOLK COUNTY THAT PROVIDE A

SAFE PLACE FOR OUR YOUTH.

THIS INCLUDES FOUR BOSTON PUBLIC

BRANCH LIBRARIES.

INCLUDING TEEN CENTRAL AT

COPPLEY SQUARE.

FOUR PBS WELCOME CENTERS.

TWO SPOTS THROUGH BRIDGE OVER

TROUBLED WATERS.

THE ELLIOT FAMILY RESOURCE

CENTER, THE HALO HOUSE SOUP

KITCHEN.

PROJECT TRUST.

SUCCEED BOSTON AND BECAUSE WE

WELCOMED AND ACKNOWLEDGED ANDREA

FROM THE DORCHESTER Y.

I WANT TO MAKE NOTE THAT IN

CHINA TOWN THE Y IS A SAFE

PLACE.

ON BE HALF OF THE BOSTON CITY

COUNCIL AND THE CITY OF BOSTON

WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE YOU ALL FOR

YOUR HARD WORK TO MAKE EVERY DAY

HAPPEN NOT JUST THIS ONE WEEK WE

RECOGNIZE IT.

THANK THE PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS

FOR THE WORK THEY DO.

JANE AND EVERYONE, THANK YOU FOR

BEING HERE.

WE WILL --

[APPLAUSE]

PROBABLY JAMES AND ANDREA IF YOU

WANT TO COME UP AS PART OF THE

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTATIVE.

WE HAVE DONE A PICTURE WITH YOU.

YOU MIGHT AS WELL JOIN US AGAIN.

- >> THANK YOU.
- >> THANK YOU.
- >> NOW I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE

COUNSELOR FLYNN FOR A SPECIAL

PRESENTATION FOR ONE OF OUR VERY OWN.

>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT

FORGIVING ME THE TONIGHT TO RECOGNIZE DEDICATED CITY EMPLOYEE WHO GAVE MANY YEARS OF SERVICE TO OUR CITY WORKING ON BE HALF OF OUR VETERANS AND MILITARY FAMILIES.
THAT'S COMMISSIONER GISSELE STERLING.

I HAVE A PROCLAMATION SIDE BY

THE CITY COUNCILORS.
BEFORE I READ IT I WANT TO

RECOGNIZE COMMISSIONER STERLING

FOR HER TREMENDOUS WORK.

WORKING CLOSELY WITH MAYOR

WALSH, THE CITY COUNCIL AND

VARIOUS AGENTS TO MAKE SURE OUR

VETERANS AND MILITARY FAMILIES

ARE TREATED FAIRLY AND TREATED

WITH THE RESPECT THEY HAVE

EARNED.

COMMISSIONER STERLING WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN OPERATION THANK A VET.

IT'S A PROGRAM WHERE ONCE EVERY TWO MONTHS SROT UNTIERS GO AROUND TO CERTAIN NEIGHBORHOODS WITH A LIST OF VETERANS.
LETTING THEM KNOW FIRST OF ALL, FIRST THANK THEM FOR THEIR SERVICE AND PROVIDE A LIST OF SERVICES THEY HAVE EARNED.
IT'S A EXCELLENT PROGRAM.

COMMISSIONER STERLING WAS ALWAYS

THERE FOR OUR VETERANS WHETHER

IT'S ON A SATURDAY OR A SUNDAY.

THEY WERE HAVING TROUBLE WITH THE VA, HAVING TROUBLE ACCESSING

HEALTHCARE.

SHE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN WORKING WOMEN VETERANS MAKING SURE THEIR VOICE WAS HEARD IN BOSTON AND THE VA AS WELL.

SHE WORKED CLOSELY WITH MAYOR WALSH FOR ENDING HOMELESSNESS. SHE ADVOCATED FOR OUR VETERANS DURING THIS PERIOD OF TIME. IT'S AN HONOR FOR ME TO PRESENT THE CITATION SIGNED BY A ALL OF MY COLLEAGUES ON THE CITY COUNCIL.

I WILL READ IT TO YOU. COMMISSIONER STERLING IN RECOGNITION OF YOUR YEARS OF DEDICATED SERVICE IN SUPPORT OF VETERANS, OUR MILITARY, GOLD STAR FAMILIES AS COMMISSIONER OF VETERAN SERVICES FOR THE CITY OF BOSTON.

FOR YOUR TIME IN THE UNITED

STATES MARINE CORP, TO

COMMISSIONER OF VETERAN

SERVICES, YOU HAVE ALWAYS

HONORABLY SERVED YOUR COUNTRY

AND BEEN A CHAMPION FOR PROGRAMS

TO ASSIST OUR VETERANS, MILITARY

FAMILIES, GOLD STAR FAMILIES

WHILE HONORING THEIR SACRIFICES

FOR OUR CITY AND COUNTRY.

YOUR COMPASSIONATE LEADERSHIP

WILL BE MISSED.

THE CITY OF BOSTON WISHES YOU

NOTHING BUT THE BEST FOR FUTURE

ENDEAVORS.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE.

WE WISH YOU THE BEST OF LUCK.

WE DO KNOW YOU WILL CONTINUE

WORKING HARD FOR VETERANS AND

MILITARY FAMILIES.

THANK YOU, COMMISSIONER.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR FLYNN.

[APPLAUSE]

>> THANK YOU JOINED BY MY

COLLEAGUE AND WORK FAMILY,

QUINCY ROBERTS.

ALL OF THE WORK AND PROGRAMS YOU

MENTIONED COULDN'T OF JUST BEEN

BY ME

IF YOU COULD JOIN ME UP HERE

THAT COULD BE GREAT.

HE'S ALSO PART OF MILITARY

FAMILY.

THE REST OF MY WORK FAMILY IS

WORKING HARD PUTTING TOGETHER

OUR THANK A VET AND BREAKFAST

COMING UP I WANT TO SAY THERE

ARE VETERANS IN EVERY

NEIGHBORHOOD IN EVERY KOSHER OF

THE CITY OF THE BOSTON.

WE'RE PROBLEM SOLVERS, WE ARE

LEADERS, INNOVATORS AT THE CORE

OF EVERYTHING WE DO WE WANT TO

SERVE.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SERVICE US

AND OUR FAMILIES.

THANK YOU FOR LETTING ME SERVE

THE CITY OF BOSTON.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR FLYNN, FOR THE SPECIAL PRESENTATION. MOVING ONTO APPROVAL OF THE MINUTE.

NO CORRECTIONS TO BE MADE THE

MINUTES OF THE LAST COUNCIL

MEETING WILL STAND APPROVED.

HEARING NOTHING SO APPROVED.

MOVING ONTO COMMUNICATIONS FROM

THE MAYOR.

>> DOCKET 4045.

MESSAGE IN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE

CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND

EXTEND THE AMOUNT OF -- FORM OF

A RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM

GRANT AWARDED BY THE

MASSACHUSETS EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF

ENERGIEN AND ENVIRONMENT AL

AFFAIRS.

DEPARTMENT OF CONVERSATION AND

RECREATION.

TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE TKOFT THE BOSTON

TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT.

-- FOR A NEW ACCESSIBLE GATEWAY

AND PATH IN THE ARBORETUM FROM

THE STREET UNDER PASS IN ROSEN

DALE.

>> DOCKET 0545 ASSIGNED TO THE

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND

TRANSPORTATION.

IF WE CAN READ 0546 AND 0547 TO

GETTER THAT WOULD BE YATE.

>> 0546 MESSAGE IN ORDER TO

EXPEND \$50,000 IN THE FORM OF A

TKPWRAPT FROM THE PROFESSIONAL

DEVELOPMENT FUND AWARDED FROM

THE SHARP FAMILY FOUNDATION

ADMINISTERED BY THE CITY COUNCIL

TO FUND COMPREHENSIVE

DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE FOR THE

BOSTON CITY COUNCIL ON THE FOCUS

OF RACIAL EQUITY.

DOCKET 0457 EXTEND THE A HAUNT

OF \$25,000 IN THE FORM OF A

GRANT OF A PROFESSIONAL

DEVELOPMENT FUND AWARDED BY THE

BOSTON FOUNDATION TO BE

ADMINISTERED BY THE CITY

COUNCIL.

THE GRANT WILL FUND A

COMPREHENSIVE DEVELOPMENTAL

INITIATIVE FOR THE BOSTON CITY

COUNCIL WITH A FOCUS ON RACIAL

EQUITY.

>> THANK YOU, MR. CLERK.

AS YOU KNOW I SENT AN E-MAIL

AROUND.

WE ARE PUSHING THIS YEAR COUNCIL

PRESIDENT TO BE ABLE TO GET

FUNDS INTO THE CITY COUNCIL

BUDGET FOR PROFESSIONAL

DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES.

NOT JUST FOR THE COUNCIL AS A

INSTITUTION AND US AS COLLEAGUES

BUT FOR TEAM MEMBERS.

THROUGH THE SUPPORT OF THE SHARP

FOUNDATION AND BOSTON FOUNDATION

WE WERE ABLE TO FUND THE

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT

IN THE CITY COUNCIL'S BUDGET.

I THINK IT'S THE FIRST IN THE

HISTORY OF THE COUNCIL.

SOMETHING TO CELEBRATE.

I CHOOSE TO USE A PORTION OF THE

FUND FOR RACIAL EQUITY TRAINING

THAT WILL START AT SOME POINT

THIS YEAR.

IT WILL BE ROBUST.

THE GOAL IS TO BE EGYPT IN A

SHARE UNDERSTANDING WHAT WE MEAN

BY RACE AND MORE.

A SPACE TO TALK ABOUT THESE

SOMETIMES DIFFICULT SECTS AS A

COLLECTIVE.

WHY IS THAT IMPORTANT?

TO ADDRESS INEQUALITY IN ALL

ISSUES WE WORK ON.

WE SEE REPORTS, THE DATA,

REPORTS OF VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS

HIGHLIGHTING THE RACIAL AND

NEIGHBORHOOD FRONT.

TO HAVE A GOOD RESPONSE AND GOOD

POLICY I THINK THE TRAINING IS

NECESSARY.

SOY LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH

EACH OF YOU AND OUR TEAM MEMBERS

AND STAFF THAT WORK WITH US TO

PULL KNEW THE TRAINING AND GET

YOU NO THE FUTURE TO USE

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DOLLARS

FOR OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

PARTICULARLY FOR STAFF AND

CENTRAL STAFF.

I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT AND WE

AGREE FOLKS HAVE A OPPORTUNITY

TO LEARN AND GROW IN RESPECTIVE

POSITIONS.

EXCITED TO PUSH.

EXCITED TO JOIN YOU GUYS TO DAY IN JOINING IN ON THESE GRANTS. I ASK FOR SUSPENSION OF THE RULES AND PASSAGE OF THE DOCKETS.
DOCKET 0546 THE CHAIR SEEKS

DOCKET 0546 THE CHAIR SEEKS SUSPENSION OF THE RULES AND SEEKS PASS ANG 0546.

THOSE IN FAVOR I.

>> I.

>> THE Is HAVE IT.

DOCKET 0546 HAS BEEN PASSED.

DOCKET 0547 THE CHAIR SEEKS

SUSPENSION OF THE RULES AND

PASSAGE OF DOCKET 0547.

THOSE IN FAVOR OF PASSAGE SAY I.

>> I.

>> THE Is HAVE IT.

DOCKET 0547 HAS BEEN PASSED.

MOVING ONTO REPORTS OF PUBLIC

OFFICERS AND OTHERS.

>> DOCKET 0548.

CHIEF OF HOUSING OF THE 2018

ANNUAL REPORT ON BOSTON'S

AFFORDABLE HOUSING.

>> DOCKET 0548 WILL BE PLACED ON FILE.

TO REPORTS OF COMMITTEE.

>> 0549 -- DOCKET 0139 AN

ORDINANCE REGARDING GOOD FOOD

PURCHASING STANDARDS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

OF BUSION.

SUBMIT A REPORT RECOMMENDING THE ORDINANCE OUGHT TO PASS IN A NEW

DRAFT.

>> COUNSELOR FLAHERTY YOU HAVE

THE FLOOR.

>> THIS HELPS TO HELP THE CITY

OF BOSTON LEVERAGE PURCHASE

POWER FOR VALUE DRIVEN

PURCHASING FOR LOCAL ECONOMIES,

NUTRITION, WORK FORCE, ANIMAL

WELFARE THIS.

IS IN PART MODELS FROM THE GOOD

FOOD PURCHASING PROGRAM

DEVELOPED BACK IN 2012.

WAS REFERRED TO JANUARY THE

9th, 2019.

IT'S A REFILED MATTER FROM LAST

YEAR.

THE COMMUNITY HELD A HEARING ON

THE ORIGINAL DOCKET

DECEMBER 5th, 2018.

THE COMMITTEE HELD WORKING

SESSION ON DOCKET 139 OP MONDAY FEBRUARY 25th.

AS A RESULT OF THAT AND FEEDBACK FROM THE WORKING SESSIONS AND

HEARINGS A FEW CHANGES WERE MADE

TO THE ORDINANCE.

THEY INCLUDES CONCLUSION OF

HEALTH INSURANCE AND CHILD CARE

ACCESS TO THE DEFINITION OF

WORKERS, FLIGHTS PURPOSE 4.91

AMENDING REFERENCES TO "REQUEST

TO PROPOSES" PROPOSALS,

PROCUREMENT REQUESTS THROUGHOUT.

AS IT'S BEEN EXPLAINED THAT BPS

USES VARIOUS METHODS.

-- CHANGES THAT COULD BRING A

NEW DEPARTMENT INTO PREVIEW FOR

DEPARTMENT AND AGENCIES, 4.9.2.

CLAIRE IF I STATION OF

NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES UNDER

TRANSPARENCIES.

4-9-4 ADDITIONAL LANGUAGE

EXTENDED COMMUNITY ADVISORY

COUNCIL BEYOND IMPLEMENTATION.

AS REQUESTED.

4 HAD THE 9-4 ADDITION OF PRINT

REQUIREMENTS UNDER REPORTING.

4.9-5 CLARIFICATION UNDER

REPORTING 4 HAD THE 9 HAD THE 5

THAT SHALL BE REPORTED ANNUALLY

REGARDLESS OF REQUESTS.

OTHER CHANGES TO FORMATING.

-- RECOMMENDED TO PASS AN

AMENDED DRAFT AND TURN TO THE

LEAD SPONSOR FOR FURTHER

COMMENT.

SHE DID GREAT WORK ON THIS,

MADAM PRESIDENT.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR

FLAHERTY.

COUNSELOR WITH YOU, YOU HAVE THE

FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.

I WANT TO GIVE A BIG THANKS TO

CHAIRMAN FLAHERTY.

WE PUT THROUGH THIS MULTIPLE

TWEAKS TO MAKE SURE AT THE END

OF THE DAY WE HAVE A ORDINANCE

TIGHT ON THE LANGUAGE.

I ALSO WANTED TO MENTION

INDIVIDUALLY THE ORGANIZATION

THAT HELPED TO PUSH THIS.

THE CORPORATE ACCOUNTABILITY.

UNITED FOOD AND COMMERCIAL

WORKERS -- BOSTON PUBLIC MARKET. VIEWING THE DIFFERENT DRAFTS AND THINKING ABOUT WHAT PIECES COULD BE PUT IN PLACE TO HAVE THE IMPACT RIGHT AWAY. I WANT TO THANK THE BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF FOOD AND NUTRITION SERVICES.

SHE IS INCREDIBLE, HER TEAM AND ADMINISTRATION WORKING WITH US SINCE INTRODUCING THIS, WITH CONVERSATIONS AND SHAPING. THIS IS SOMETHING HER OFFICE WILL BE ABLE TO IMPLEMENT. SHE HAS BEEN A CHAMPION FROM THE BEGINNING.

A LITTLE REMINDER OF THE CONTEXT.

THE IDEA IS THAT AS SO MANY OF THE ITEMS WE TACKLE HERE AT THE CITY COUNCIL BOSTON SHOULD TAKE ALL STEPS WE CAN TAKE TODAY. OUR FOOD SYSTEM IS ONE OF THE SYSTEMS RIPE WITH THE MOST IN DUST ISES.

YOU THINK ABOUT FARM WORKERS AND HOW THAT LARGELY I AM GRANT WORK FORCE IS TREATED.

INTIMIDATION.

ON-LINE.

DOCUMENTED INSTANCES OF -- THAT WILL BE BROUGHT UP LATER IN THIS MEETING.

HORRIBLE CONDITIONS AT INDUSTRIAL PACKAGING PLANTS FOR FOOD.

ANIMAL WELFARE AND ABUSES FOR ANIMALS THAT ARE LIVESTOCK, ETCETERA THAT WILL END UP NOURISHING AND OUR KIDS. SCORE RATIONS LOGGING FOR FEDERAL NUTRITION STANDARDS SO WHAT WE FEED TO OUR KIDS IS FLEXIBLE BECAUSE THERE HAS BEEN SUCH A INVOLVEMENT OF INDUSTRY AND CORPORATION IN THE FOOD SYSTEM GENERATING PROFITS. THE BEST THING CAN HE CAN DO AS A CITY FOR KIDS AND FAMILIES TO MAKE IT AS LOCAL AS POSSIBLE. THERE IS A GREAT MOVEMENT IN BOSTON AND MASSACHUSETS AROUND URBAN AGRICULTURE, NEW FARMS

THE MORE WE CAN CONNECT OUR KIDS TO FRESH LOCALLY PRODUCED FOODS IT'S HEALTHIER FOR THEM.
MANY GETTING THE MAJORITY OF CALORIES THROUGH SCHOOL MEALS.
ALSO HELPING WITH OUR CLIMATE GOALS.

WE'RE NO LONGER TALKING ABOUT SHIPPING FOOD ACROSS THE COUNTRY OR OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY BUT WE'RE JUST TAKING IT DOWN THE STREET AS SOME OF THE FARMERS HAVE TESTIFIED HERE HAVE SAID. BOSTON WOULD BE THE FIRST CITY IN THE NORTHEAST TO TAKE A LEAD ON THIS.

THERE ARE MANY CITIES FURTHER WEST THAT HAVE DONE THIS. THIS IS A CHALLENGE IN OUR CLIMATE.

I THINK THIS ORDINANCE

REPRESENTS A REASONABLE WAY TO

MAKE SURE THAT EVEN WITHOUT

24 -- 35 DAY ACCESS TO FARMED

GOOD WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

LOCALLY. WE HAVE HUGE POTENTIAL.

BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS SPENDS

\$18 MILLION A YEAR ON FOOD.

THAT IS INCREDIBLE PURCHASING

POWER TO GO TO SUPPORT LOCAL

FARMERS, BETTER PRACTICES AND

HEALTHIER FOODS AS WELL AS THE

OPPORTUNITY TO PUT A STAKE IN

THE GROUND SO WE'RE LEADING.

NOT JUST OUR OWN PRACTICES BUT

THOSE OF HOSPITALS AND

UNIVERSITIES IN THE CITY WHO ARE

ALSO SPENDING TREMENDOUS AMOUNTS

OF MONEY FEEDING THEIR YOUTH,

PATIENTS, FAMILIES, ETCETERA, WE

HAVE HAD THE CONVERSATIONS

ALREADY.

I WANT TO CLOSE WITH AN EXAMPLE OF SOMETHING THAT IS HAPPENING NOW.

THIS WILL PROVIDE A NEW PATH FORWARD.

OUR FOOD CONTRACT NOW THANKS TO

ADVOCACY IN THIS ROOM HAS

PROVISIONS FOR LOCAL JOBS,

ETCETERA, WE'RE NOT YET TRACING

OUR INGREDIENTS ALL THE WAY

THROUGH I THINK THERE ARE

UNINTENDED CONSEQUENCES.

FOR EXAMPLE FISH STICKS IN OUR SCHOOL LUNCHES.

THE PROVISION IN THE CONTRACT REQUIRES AS MUCH LOCAL AS POSSIBLE.

THE FISH COMES FROM GLOUCSTER. THEY CHOP IT UP THERE AND FREEZE IT.

IT IS THEN SHIPPED TO A LOCAL NON PROFIT WHERE IT'S DEFROSTED AND COOKED, REFREEZE IT. THEY THEN SHIP IT TO THE

COMPANIES, A MAIN HEADQUARTERS, NATIONAL COMPANY PLACE IN THE NORTHEAST OF CONNECTICUT WHERE

IT THEN MAY GET DEFROSTED AGAIN IT MAY NOT.

IT GETS ASSEMBLED INTO THE LITTLE TRAYS AND SEALED IN PRACTICE, THEN SHIPPED BACK TO BOSTON FOR THE SCHOOLS TO MICROWAVE, PEEL OPEN, ETCETERA, GOOD INTENTIONS.

WHEN WE DON'T TRACE THINGS STEP BY STEP AND HAVE THE ANALYSIS BASELINE THERE IS A HUGE GAINS LOST THERE.

UNNECESSARY TRAVEL.

UNNECESSARY COST ADDED TO THE SCHOOL BUDGET.

SO WE HAVE THE INGREDIENTS LOCALLY, THE ENERGY, SO MANY PEOPLE READY AND WILLING TO HELP.

THIS ORDINANCE WILL MAKE SURE WE HAVE THE PROCESS AND MANDATE FOR THE OFFICE TO MAKE SURE WE GET IT RIGHT.

THANK YOU, VERY MUCH.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR WITH YOU.

AT THIS TIME COUNSELOR FLAHERTY CHAIRING THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS SEEKS PASSAGE OF DOCKET 03 -- ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF PASSAGE SAY I.

>> I.

>> OPPOSED.

THE IS HAVE IT.

WE HAVE PASSED A NEW DRAFT.

MR. CLERK, WOULD WE READ DOCKET

0212 AND 013 TOGETHER.

>> DOCKET 012 THE COMMITTEE OF

WAYS AND MEANS REFERRED

JANUARY 30th, 2019, DOCKET 0212.

MESSAGE IN ORDER APPROVING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF 1,000,038 WILL THOUSAND \$154 FOR THE BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO COVER THE IMPACT OF THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN BPS TRANSPORTATION VENDOR TRANSDEV AND BUSS DRIVER UNION.

SUBMITTING FOR THE ODOR TO PASS. 0213 COMMITTEE OF WAYS AND MEANS REFERRED JANUARY 30th, 2019. DOCKET 0213 REDUCE FISCAL YEAR APPROPRIATION FOR THE RESERVE, RESERVE FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING BY 1348 -- PROVIDE FUNDING FOR BOSTON PUB HICK SCHOOLS TO COVER THE IMPACT OF THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT BETWEEN TRANS DEV AND

SUBMITS A REPORT RECOMMENDED THE ORDER OUGHT TO PASS.

>> THANK YOU.

BUSS DRIVERS UNION.

COUNSELOR, YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.
>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.
DOCKET 0123 TRANSFER OF FUNDS
FROM THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
RESERVE AND DOCKET 2012
AUTHORIZES THE FUNDING OF THE A

KPWROEPLT. APPROXIMATELY 8 -P 0 BUSS DRIVERS IN THE BARGAINING AGREEMENT EMPLOYED BY TRANS DEV. THE THREE YEAR AGREEMENT WILL EXTEND TO JUNE 2021 WITH AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$6.8 MILLION. LANGUAGE INCLUDE EMPLOYEE LEAVE ABUSE, A REQUIREMENT THAT ALL DRIVERS COMPLETE FINGERPRINTING, INCREASE THE NUMBER OF DRIVERS ELIGIBLE TO RETIRE WITH SEVERANCE PAY AND A CAP ON PARTIAL ROUTE DRIVING EMPLOYEES ELIGIBLE FOR FULL TIME BENEFITS. COMPENSATION AND OTHER COST ITEMS INCLUDE 2% WAGE INCREASE EFFECTIVE IN JULY OF EACH YEAR,

IN THE CONTRACT, 2% ANNUAL INCREASE TO CHARTER BUSS RATES IN YEARS TWO AND THREE AFTER A SPECIFIC INCREASE IN YEAR ONE.

INCREASE 401K MATCH
CONTRIBUTIONS AND CHANGES TO
SEVERANCE PROVISIONS.
THE COMMITTEE HELD A PUBLIC
HEARING ON MARCH 14th.
PUBLIC SCHOOL CHIEF OPERATIONS
JOHN HALLIN, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR
OF FINANCE ED PESH TESTIFIED ON
BE HALF OF THE ADMINISTRATION.
THE SUPPLEMENT APPROPRIATION WE
ARE AUTHORIZING TODAY FOR THIS
AGREEMENT IS 1,388,015 HAD HAD
DOLLARS.
FOLLOWING APPROVAL OF THE

FOLLOWING APPROVAL OF THE APPROPRIATION THERE WILL BE \$15,964,679 REMAINING IN THE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING RECEIVER. CHAIRMAN OF WAYS AND MEANS I RECOMMEND PASSAGE OF THE DOCKETS.

THANK YOU.

- >> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR CIOMO.
- >> AT THIS TIME COUNSELOR CIOMMO RECOMMENDS PASSAGE OF 0212 AND 0213.

I WILL TAKE EACH SEPARATELY. FOR DOCKET 0212 THOSE IN FAVOR OF PASS APLG SAY I.

>> I.

>> DOCKET 0212 HAS ABOUT PASSED. FOR DOCKET 0213 THOSE IF FAVOR SAY I.

>> I.

>> THE Is HAVE IT DOCKET 2013
HAS BEEN PASSED.
MOVING ONTO MATTERS RECENTLY
HEARD FOR POSSIBLE ACTION.
>> DOCKET 2050 A ORDINANCE
PROTECTING LOCAL WET LANDS AND
PROMOTING CLIMATE CHANGE
ADAPTATION IN THE CITY OF
BOSTON.

- >> COUNSELOR FLAHERTY, YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.
- >> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT THIS.

IS A PROPOSED ORDINANCE TO BE A TOOL TO PROTECT WET LANDS, FLOOD RESOURCES AND A JOINING AREAS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.
CONTROLLING ACTIVITIES AND MIT GATING AFFECTS DEEMED BY THE BOSTON CONVERSATION COMMISSION

TO HAVE AN ADVERSE EFFECT ON

AREAS.

-- COUNSELOR WU, COUNSELOR MAT O'MALLEY.

WE HAD A HEARING ON MARCH EIGHTH, 2019.

WE HEARD SEVERAL FOLKS TESTIFY.

ADMINISTRATION FOLKS, FOLKS FROM

ADVOCACY GROUPS, MASSACHUSETS

ASSOCIATION OF CONVERSATION

COMMISSION.

WE HAD DIRECTOR PROJECTS FOR THE RIVER SHED.

TOWARDS, GREATER BOSTON REAL ESTATE BOARD.

SENIOR AND ENVIRONMENTAL

PLANNERS.

I HEARD TESTIMONY IN SUPPORTING OF BOSTON CREATING THEIR OWN WET LANDS ORDINANCE THAT IS TAILORED TO FIT THE NEEDS OF THIS UNIQUE URBAN ENVIRONMENT UNDERSCORING GREATER COLLABORATION WITH THE

STAKE HOLDERS.

BASED ON THE FEEDBACK THE

TESTIMONY AS CHAIR I RECOMMEND A

COMMITTEE THROUGH THE CHAIR

DEFERRING TO THE TWO RESPONSES

ON BE HALF OF THE COUNCIL HAVE

DONE GREAT WORK ON THE SPACE.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCIL FLAHERTY.

THEY LOOK LIKE THEY'RE OKAY.

DOCKET WILL REMAIN IN THE

COMMITTEE OF OBSERVATION.

>> DOCKET 0428.

DISCUSSION THE NEED OF MORE

SEUFPBG EDUCATION IN OUR CURRENT

SCHOOLS BEYOND THE HALF YEAR

REQUIREMENT.

>> COUNSELOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE YOU

HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR THIS.

MONDAY I CHAIRED A HEARING

SPONSORED BY COUNSELOR GARRISON.

WE WERE JOINED BY

REPRESENTATIVES OF THE BOSTON

PUBLIC SCHOOLS INCLUDING

NATASHIA SCOTT AND GRANSON.

WE WERE JOINED BY DR. RICE FROM

SIEVING LEARNING.

THE HEARING BEGAN WITH A

PRESENTATION FROM BPS

EMPHASIZING OPPORTUNITIES FOR

CURRENT STUDENTS IN BPS.

CURRENT OPPORTUNITIES THEY'RE GIVING TO THE CIVICS CURRICULUM AND OPPORTUNITIES.
SUCH AS DISCOVERING CURRICULUM, CIVICS ENGAGEMENT DAY.

I HAVE ASKED THEM TO PARTNER

WITH US TO REPLICATE SOMETHING

SIMILAR HERE.

PROGRAMS A ENGAGEMENT DAY AT THE HALL.

STUDENT WORKER PROGRAM WE HAVE LEARNED A LOT ABOUT THE LAST FEW YEARS.

AN ACTION CIVICS PROJECT.

BPS CONTINUES TO PLAN TAOUT I

REMEMBER IMPLEMENTATION OF

PROPERTIES INCLUDING SUCH THE

PASSING OF THE STATE HOUSE KNOWN

AS THE ACT TO PROMOTE AND

ENHANCE CIVIC ENGAGEMENT.

THIS HAS BEEN SIGNED INTO LAW BY

GOVERNOR BAKER.

THE COLLABORATIVE AS WELL AS

INCLUDING STAKE HOLDERS --

GENERATION CITIZEN ...

I CAN'T GET IT OUT OF MY MOUTH.

YOUTH ONBOARD AND MORE.

THEY MEET BIMONTHLY TO DISCUSS

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION.

DR. RICE SPOKE ABOUT COLLEGES

AND UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES

EMBRACING STUDENTS TO BE

CIVICALLY ENGAGED.

WE ALSO HEARD TESTIMONY FROM THE

BOSTON DEBATE LEAGUE.

iCIVIC AND OTHERS AGREEING

IT'S CURABLE TO TEACH OUR YOUTH

ABOUT HISTORY AND ENGAGE THEM IN

CURRENT DAY ACTIVITIES.

THAT IS ALSO KNOWN AS CIVICS.

I ASK THIS REMAIN IN COMMITTEE.

I DEFER FUTURE COMMENT BY MY

COLLEAGUE COUNSELOR GARRISON.

>> THANK YOU.

COUNSELOR GARRISON YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.
AT THE HEARING I SPONSORED ON
CIVICS EDUCATION IN THE CITY OF
BOSTON HELD MONDAY AVERAGE.
WE WERE HAPPY TO WELCOME OUR
PANELISTS, SEVERAL SUBJECT
MATTERS AND EXPERTS ON THE
TOPIC.

INCLUDING NATASHIA SCOTT FROM THE BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOL, DR. JOHN REED FROM THE MASSACHUSETS DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND CHARLES GRANSON FROM THE BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS. AFTER HEARING I VOICE MY STRONG SUPPORT OF THE NODE FOR MORE CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION ON CIVICS EDUCATION IN OUR BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

I WAS HAPPY WITH THE TURN OUT OF INTERESTED RESIDENTS WHO CAME OUT FOR THE HEARING INCLUDING MANY YOUNG PEOPLE.

A ROBUST DISCUSSION FOLLOWED AMONG THOSE PRESENT.

THANK YOU FOR THE OTHER COUNCIL WHO JOINED US FOR THE HEARING TO COUNTY SABY GEORGE TO WHO CHAIRED THE HEARING.

I LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING THE DISCUSSION AND THE NEED FOR MORE CIVICS EDUCATION IN OUR BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM.

THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR GARRISON.

AT THIS TIME DOCKET 0248 WILL REMAIN IN THE COMMITTEE OF EDUCATION.

- >> DOCKET 0315, ORDINANCE OF THE CAN I BASS OPERATION IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.
- >> COUNSELOR FLAHERTY YOU HAVE THE THRAOR.
- >> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT THIS.

ORDINANCE SEEKS TO CREATE A BOSTON CANNABIS BOARD. IT LOOKS TO ESTABLISH QUALIFYING CRITERIA FOR EQUITABLE APPLICANTS.

OUTLINING APPLICATION OUTFRONT, FEES AND ENFORCEMENT POWERRERS AMONG OTHER THINGS.

THIS WAS SPONSORED BY KIM JANEY.

WE HAD A HEARING YESTERDAY.

BASED ON THE FEEDBACK AND

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SUGGESTED

CHANGES THE COMMITTEE IS

RECOMMENDED 0315 REMAIN IN

COMMITTEE THROUGH THE CHAIR DEFER IF THE LEAD SPONSOR HAS

ANYTHING ADDITIONAL TO ADD.

>> COUNSELOR JANEY, YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT AND THE CHAIRMAN.

WE HAD ANOTHER HEARING THAT WAS WELL ATTENDED.

THE CHAMBERS WERE PACKED HERE.

LOTS OF AD ROW INDICATES AND

ENTREPRENEURS IN THE HOUSE.

AS A REMIND THEY ARE IS A FOLLOW-UP.

I INITIALLY HELD THE COMMITTEE WHEN IT WAS IN MY COMMITTEE IN DECEMBER.

WE DID A WORKING SESSION, LISTENING SESSION IN JANUARY. INTRODUCED THE LEGISLATION IN FEBRUARY.

HEARD FROM MANY FOLKS, MANY OF YOU, MANY OF MY COLLEAGUES WERE THERE AT THE HEARING.

LOTS OF GOOD IDEAS AND

RECOMMENDATIONS.

LOOKING FORWARD TO CONTINUING THE WORK WITH AWFUL YOU, THE ADVOCATES AND ADMINISTRATION. THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR, JANEY.

>> DOCKET 0315 WILL REMAIN IN THE COMMITTEE OF GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS.

>> DOCKET 0817.

A SPECIAL LAW REGARDING AN ACT OF THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ESTABLISH A INVESTOR AND COMMERCIAL PROPERTY TRANSFER FEE.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT THIS

IS SPONSORED BY EDWARDS AND KIM JANEY.

WE HELD A HEARING YESTERDAY, CLOSE TO FOUR HOUR HEARING. IT CALLS FOR A FEE 6% OF THE PURCHASE PRICE OF REAL ESTATE TRANSFER.

3% PAID BY THE SELLER, 3% PAID BY THE PURCHASER.

MAXIMUM OF 25% FOR PROPERTY SOLD

MULTIPLE TIMES IN TWO YEARS.
>> IF A PROPERTY IS TRANSFERRED

BETWEEN FAMILY MEMBERS, LESS

THAN TWO MILLION OR TRANSFERRED

TO THE GOVERNMENT.

THE FEES GO TO THE NEIGHBORHOOD

HOUSING TRUST.

WE HAD A VERY SPIRITED HEARING YESTERDAY WITH A DIVERSITY OF OPINIONS.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO HOLDING A WORKING SESSION WITH STAKE

HOLDERS IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

AT THIS TIME WOULD LIKE THE

MATTER TO REMAIN IN COMMITTEE

THROUGH THE CHAIR DEFERRED TO

THE SPONSORS IF THEY HAVE

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS.

THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR

FLAHERTY.

COUNCIL EDWARDS YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, IT WAS A SPIRITED CONVERSATION.

I THINK WE REALLY REFLECTED THE AMOUNT OF PEOPLE PASSIONATE GO ASSURING WE HAVE THE RESOURCES TO PREVENT DISPLACEMENT OF BOSTON.

I THINK WHAT WAS LEFT HANGING AND WE NEED TO DISCUSS IS AGAIN WHAT WILL IT TAKE.

WHAT IS THE PRICE TAG TO ASSURE BOSTON IS AFFORDABLE CITY FOR WORKING CLASS, MIDDLE CLASS, POOR FOLKS.

TO INSURE WE'RE A CITY FOR ALL. THAT'S A PRICE TAG WE NEED TO GET FROM THE CITY.

WE KNOW WITH THE MONEY THE CITY OF

THESE ARE PROGRAMS THAT CITY HAS RIGHT NOW WE DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH RESOURCES FOR IEP THE PLANS AND THE PROGRAMS THE CITY IS PROMOTING FOR AFFORDABLE HO HOUSING.

SO, THIS IS ONE OF THOSE TOOLS IN THE TOOLBOX.

IN THE TOOLBOX.
AND I WANT TO THANK ALL THE
COLLEAGUES WHO CAME OUT TO
SPECIFICALLY ADD IN THEIR
OPINION, COUNCILMEMBER BAKER,
CIOMMO, O'MALLEY, ES
ESSAIBI-GEORGE, FLYNN, I WANT TO
ALSO THANK COUNCILOR FLAHERTY AS

CHAIR THAT HAVE COMMITTEE THAT

WAS A DOUBLE HEADER FOR YOU YESTERDAY, I THINK EIGHT HOURS OF SITTING IN THERE I AM NOT --THE COSPONSOR. THE LEGISLATION WHO HAS BEEN SPONSOR OF THE PREVIOUS ONE. I WANT TO THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH I THINK I MAY HAVE FORGOTTEN COUNCILOR WU WHO WAS THERE. THIS IS I THINK AN IMPORTANT CONVERSATION TO HAVE AND I LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING THIS CONVERSATION HAVING A WORKING SESSION AND PASSING THIS. IN THE CITY COUNCIL. I BELIEVE WE CAN GET THIS DONE. I WANT TO THANK COUNCILOR O'MALLEY FOR SPECIFICALLY POINTING OUT THE FLEXIBILITY AND LANGUAGE THAT IT WAS IN INTENTIONAL. UP TO 6% MEANS SOMETHING. AND WE WILL ADD UP TO 3% AND UP TO 3% TO ASSURE THAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT A FLEW FLEXIBLE MODEL AND BALANCE THAT CAN BE STRUCK. IT IS ALSO UP TO 25% FOR THE FLIPPING TAX AS WELL. WE'RE TALKING ABOUT SETTING THE RIGHT KIND OF BALANCE AS I STATED IN THE HEARING I'LL SAY AGAINT FOR THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED IN MAKING SURE WE STRIKE THAT BALANCE THOSE WHO ARE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE INDUSTRY IN REAL ESTATE. THOSE WHO ARE NOT, IF WE'RE INTERESTED IN A BALANCE THEY'RE WELCOME TO THE TABLE BUT IF THERE IS **OUTRIGHT OPPOSITION TO ANY FORM** OR ANY WAY OF GETTING MORE RESOURCES THEN, YEAH, I DON'T UNDERSTAND OR SEE THE POINT IN NEGOTIATING WITH FOLKS WHO ARE ABSOLUTELY GOING TO OPPOSE THIS. I LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM FOLKS AND LEARNING FROM THEM. AND MAKING SURE AGAIN THAT OUR CITY SETTED WE DO NOT HAVE THE RESOURCES FOR OUR OWN 2030 PLAN, WE DO NOT HAVE ENOUGH RESOURCES FOR OUR OWN PLAN IN BOSTON.

THAT'S A PROBLEM.

DID HAVE CITY DEPARTMENTS, THE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT, WE NEED TO HEAR FROM THE BPDA AND HEAR FROM THE NEIGHBORHOOD HOUSING TRUST. THERE WAS A QUESTION ABOUT PROCESS THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS THE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT DOES NOT HANDLE FEES RIGHT NOW. I APPRECIATE THEIR OPINION ABOUT PROCESS BUT THEY DON'T DEAL WITH THAT RIGHT NOW I THINK WE NEED THOSE WHO DEAL WITH FEES TO ACTUALLY HAVE AN OPINION ON -- I APPRECIATE THE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT'S ASSESSMENT OR OPINIONS ABOUT THE MARKET RATE HOW THIS WOULD IMPACT. AGAIN, I PREFER THE DEVELOPING DEPARTMENT TO ACTUALLY TALK ABOUT MARKETING TO TALK ABOUT IMPACT ON DEVELOPMENT VERSUS OUR ASSESSING DEPARTMENT WHICH IS DEALING WITH TAXES ONLY. I LOOK FORWARD TO A SPIRITED DEBATE BUT THIS PASSING I KNOW WE CAN DO THIS AS A BODY. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU COUNCILOR EDWARDS. COUNCILOR JANEY YOU HAVE THE FLOOR. >> BIG THANKS TO MY COSPONSOR COUNCILOR EDWARDS AND TO THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE. VERY LONG DAY FOR MANY OF US YESTERDAY. VERY IMPORTANT HEARING THAT LASTED CLOSE TO FOUR HOURS. I AM VERY IMPRESSED BY THE ADVOCATES WHO CONTINUE TO FIGHT AND TO PUSH US, NOT ONLY FOR THEIR ACTIVISM AND ADVOCACY BUT FOR OFFERING REAL SOLUTIONS I WOULD ENCOURAGE OTHERS WHO ARE FINDING FAULT AND CRITICIZING TO DO THE SAME TO FIND SOME SOLUTIONS TO THIS ISSUE. I ALSO FIND IT DEEPLY CONCERNING THAT WE DON'T HAVE REAL NUMBERS IN TERMS OF WHAT THE COST WOULD BE. WHAT THE NEED IS MAKING SURE THAT WE UNDERSTAND HOW MUCH

I ALSO WANT TO BE CLEAR WHILE WE

MONEY DO WE NEED TO ADDRESS OUR

HOUSING CRISIS AND HOW MANY

UNITS DO WE NEED TO BE AFFORDABLE MOVING FORWARD. I LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING THIS CONVERSATION WITH ALL OF YOU, WITH ALL OF THE ADVOCATES AND THE ADMINISTRATION AS WELL. THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR JANEY. DOCKET 0187 REMAIN IN THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS.

MOVING ON TO MOTIONS ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS.

>> DOCKET NO. 0549 COUNCILOR ZAKIM AND WU ORDER NABS AMENDING CHAPTER 9 OF THE CITY OF BOSTON CODE.

ORDINANCES REGARDING LANDLORDS PROVIDING VOTER REGISTRATION TO TENANTS.

>> COUNCILOR ZAKIM YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.
I WANT TO THANK OUR COUNCILOR WU
FOR HER PARTNERSHIP ON THIS.
THIS IS A FAIRLY SIMPLE
ORDINANCE, IT'S BASED ON WHAT'S
HAPPENED IN SOME OF THE CITIES
NOTABLY IN SEATTLE, WASHINGTON,
MINNESOTA, LANDLORDS WHEN THEY
ARE SIGNING LEASES TO INCLUDE
AMONGST THE PACKAGE OF MATERIALS
THAT THEY PROVIDE TO THEIR
TENANTS VOTER REGISTRATION FORMS
AND INFORMATION SO THAT THEY CAN
REGISTER.

AS WE ALL KNOW PARTICULARLY COUNCILOR CIOMMO ON SEPTEMBER 1, WHICH IS OFTEN WITHIN A WEEK OF A PRIMARY, CERTAINLY WITHIN FEW WEEKS OF PRIMARY THERE'S A HUGE TURN OVER IN APARTMENTS ACROSS THE CITY OF BOSTON.

A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO HELP FOLKS UPDATE THEIR INFORMATION, REGISTER IN TIMELY FASHION, VERY MINIMAL BURDENS ON LANDLORDS THEY ARE ALREADY PROVIDING VARIOUS INFORMATION AROUND CITY SERVICES, AROUND CODES, AROUND LIGHTING AND OTHER SORTS OF THINGS REQUIRED BY CITY ORDINANCE AND STATE LAW. THAT WOULD BE ADDED TO THE

PACKAGE I THINK IT'S A SIMPLE APPROACH THAT HE HAS WORKED IN OTHER COMMUNITIES, LOOK FORWARD TO HOLDING A HEARING TO WORKING WITH THE ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT DN DND OTHERS WHO WILL BE INVOLVED AND REAL ESTATE COMMUNITY TO FIGURE OUT WAY TO DO THIS. I CAN SAY A LOT OF THE LANDLORDS AND SOME OF THE COMMUNITIES I REPRESENT PARTICULARLY MISSION HILL DO THIS ALREADY. ON THEIR OWN. THEY FIND IT TO BE SIMPLE THEY ALSO WILL COME HERE AUGUST PICK UP STACK OF VOTER REGISTRATION FORMS FROM THE ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT. I THINK IT'S ANOTHER TOOL IN THE TOOLBOX THAT CONTINUE INCREASING ACCESS TO OUR ELECTIONS. THANK YOU. >> BOOST THE OPEN GAUGEMENT AND BUILD TRULY INCLUSIVE CITY. IF BOSTON HAS SUCH A STRONG CIVIC INFRASTRUCTURE WE HAVE SO MANY RECOURSES AVAILABLE TO SUPPORT RESIDENTS AND NEIGHBORHOOD GROUPS AND WAYS TO GET INVOLVED, BUT OFTENTIMES WHEN I TALK TO PEOPLE WHO WEREN'T ORIGINALLY FROM HERE, THERE'S THIS GAP OF WHEN SOMEONE DECIDED THEY NEEDED TO DO IT THEY HAD TO PUT IN THE ACTIVE EFFORT TO FIND THAT ASSOCIATION, FIGURE OUT WAY TO PLUG IN, ONCE YOU MEET SOMEONE THEN ALL OF A SUDDEN BOSTON YOU'RE WELCOME, YOU'RE IN, YOU'RE ABLE TO ACCESS ALL OF THAT. BUT THIS WOULD BE JUST ONE EASY STEP TO GET PEOPLE THERE EVEN FASTER AND ENCOURAGE THEM TO GET INVOLVED, LOOK UP WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND THEM WHO IS ON THE BALLOT, WHAT ISSUES ARE ON BALLOT THEN PLUG INTO THE OTHER CIVIC RESOURCES AVAILABLE, TOO. LOOKING FORWARD TO THE PROCESS AND HEARING AND IMPLEMENTATION. >> THANK YOU COUNCILOR WU, ANYONE ELSE LOOKING TO SPEAK ON

THIS MATTER OR ADD THEIR NAMES?

MR. CLERK, WOULD YOU COULD ADD COUNCILOR CIOMMO, EDWARDS, ESSAIBI-GEORGE, JANEY, COUNCILOR FLYNN, COUNCILOR O'MALLEY I THINK I GOT YOU -- DID I GET COUNCILOR JANEY AS WELL AS THE CHAIR.

DOCKET 0549 WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS.

- >> DOCKET 0550, COUNCILOR EDWARDS OFFER THE FOLLOWING, ORDER FOR HEARING REGARDING WAGE AT LOGAN AIRPORT AND CITY OF BOSTON.
- >> COUNCILOR EDWARDS YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.
- >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
 I COME HERE TODAY TO, AGAIN,
 TALK ABOUT HOW THE CITY OF
 BOSTON HAS ALREADY A MISSION AND
 ALREADY VERY CORE OF OUR VERY
 BEING TO ASSURE WORKERS WHO LIVE
 HERE ARE PAID A LIVING WAGE.
 THAT'S WHAT WE DO IN BOSTON WE
 FIGHT FOR WORKERS AND FIGHT FOR
 WORKING FAMILIES.

AND WE FIGHT REGARDLESS OF WHO THAT EMPLOYER IS, HOW BIG, HOW CORPORATE OR WHETHER THAT EMPLOYER IS ANOTHER AGENCY. THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS MASS PORT IS ONE OF OUR LARGEST EMPLOYERS AND ENTITIES IN BO BOSTON.

THEY HAVE ROLE TO PLAY WHEN SOME OF THEIR SUBCONTRACTORS OR INDIVIDUALS THAT CHOOSE TO DO BUSINESS WITH THEM DO NOT PAY THEIR WORKERS.

THEY ARE NOT UNAWARE OF THIS FACT.

HAVE ROUTINELY BEEN DOCUMENTED FOR STEALING WORKERS' WAGES FOR SEXUAL HARASSMENT, FOR UNION INTIMIDATION ASSURING THAT THE WORKERS TO DO NOT FEEL DIGNIFIED OR SAFE FOR JETBLUE AND SPECIFICALLY AT MASS PORT. MASS PORT HAS ROLE TO PLAY THUS FAR HAS PULLED BACK IN THAT RO ROLE.

WE'VE SEEN THAT IN OUR OWN SAFETY TRYING TO GET OUR POLICE

OFFICERS TO COORDINATE IN AN APPROPRIATE WAY. MASS PORT IS NOT JUST A NEIGHBORHOOD HERE, MASS PORT COMPLIES WITH CITY ORDINANCES WHEN IT SEES FIT. I CAN LOOK AT THE DEVELOPMENT IN EAST BOSTON AND SEEING THE RELATIONSHIP WITH MASS PORTED AND FLYING WITH OUR ZONING CODE AND PROVIDING AFFORDABLE UNITS OR ASSURING THOSE WHO DEVELOP THERE DID. MASS PORT HAS A ROLE TO PLAY TO PROTECT EOUITY, FAIRNESS AND

GOOD JOBS.

THIS HEARING IS ABOUT BRINGING THEM TO THE TABLE, ABOUT BRINGING THE WORKERS TO THE TABLE, READY JET, FSS TO BASICALLY SAY WE NEED TO STOP WAGE THEFT ESPECIALLY HERE IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

WE COMMITTED IN 1997 TO THE BOSTON JOBS AND LIVING WAGE ORDER ANSWER.

WE DID THAT TO ASSURE THAT FAMILY OF FOUR WOULD BE ABLE TO WORK AND MAKE WAGES AT OR ABOVE THE POVERTY LEVEL.

WE HAVE SET THAT BASELINE AGAIN WE RESET THAT BASELINE ON WAGE THEFT ORDINANCE IN MAYOR WALSH PASSED THE FIRST YEAR TO ASSURE THAT EITHER ANY WORKER THAT HAS NOT BEEN PAID, IF WE HAVE A LICENSE OR THEY HAVE RELATIONSHIP WITH THE CITY OF BOSTON WE CAN HOLD THAT ENTITY

ACCOUNTABLE OR WE FACILITATE A WAY FOR THAT WORKER TO GET TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE AND FILE CLAIMS.

THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS WE ARE HERE FOR WORKERS WE SET UP A STRUCTURE FOR WORKERS AND YET HERE WE HAVE WORKERS WHO LIVE AND WORK IN BOSTON. WHO WORK AT MASS PORT AND THEY HAVE SAID MANY TIMES WE'RE NOT BEING PAID WE'RE BEING HURT, WE'RE BEING HARASSED.

I'M ASKING MY COLLEAGUES TO COME TO THIS HEARING, I'M ASKING MASS

PORT TO COME TO THIS HEARING AND WE'RE GOING TO TALK ABOUT HOW WE'RE GOING TO STOP WAGE THEFT AT LOGAN AIRPORT.

I'M GOING TO TALK ABOUT THAT BECAUSE AS MY COLLEAGUES SAY. POVERTY DOESN'T FLY.

WE DON'T WANT THAT TO HAPPEN OR TAKE OFF FROM BOSTON WE HAVE ROLE TO PLAY BOSTON WE NEED TO HOLD MASS PORT ACCOUNTABLE WHO

NEED TO HOLD JETBLUE WHO IN TURN

HELPS FSS AND READY JET ACCOUNTABLE CIAL, THERE'S A BIG TABLE, PLENTY OF TIME, WE NEED TO DO RIGHT BY THESE WORKERS I'M ASKING ALL OF YOU TO COME TO THAT HEARING I'M ASKING TO YOU COSPONSOR AND CANNING ALL OF US TO FIGURE OUT WAY TO MAKE SURE THAT THESE WORKERS WILL GO TO WORK AND GET PAID FOR EVERY SINGLE HOUR THAT THEY ARE AWARE FROM THEIR FAMILIES.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR EDWARDS. COUNCILOR FLYNN YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

[APPLAUSE]

>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT I JUST WANT TO COMMEND COUNCILOR EDWARDS FOR HER WORK ON THIS ISSUE.

SHE'S BEEN A FIGHTER ON THIS ISSUE NOT JUST ON THE CITY COUNCIL BUT FOR MANY YEARS AScó AN ATTORNEY.

MADAM PRESIDENT, I ALSO WANT TO SPEAK ABOUT WAGE THEFT BECAUSE I KNOW IT'S AN IMPORTANT ISSUE IN PASSING SO MANY WORKERS ACROSS OUR CITY, ESPECIALLY LOW WAGE WORKERS, IMMIGRANTS, PEOPLE THAT REALLY DON'T HAVE ACCESS TO PUBLIC COUNSEL AND THEY'RE OFTEN EXPLOITED BY THEIR BOSSES BECAUSE THEY KNOW ABOUT THEIR IMMIGRATION STATUS, THEY KNOW THEY MAY NOT HAVE LEGAL REPRESENTATION. SO EXPLOITATION OF OUR WORKERS

AS WELL. RECENTLY THERE WAS CASE IN MY

DISTRICT, ACTUALLY TWO OF THEM, I WORK CLOSE WITH THE CHINESE

PROGRESSIVE ASSOCIATION ON ONE OF THEM. THERE WAS A SIMILAR CASE WHERE IMMIGRANTS WERE WORKING IN A RESTAURANT NOT BEING PAID THEIR FAIR WAGE AND I ALONG WITH SEVERAL OF OUR COLLEAGUES HERE ON THE CITY COUNCIL WROTE A LETTER ON BEHALF OF THESE WORKERS DEMANDING THAT THEY BE TREATED FAIRLY AND THAT THEY BE TREATED WITH RESPECT. AS COUNCILOR EDWARDS MENTIONED, MAYOR WALSH SIGNED AN EXECUTIVE ORDER IN 2014 TO PREVENT WAGE THEFT WHICH ALLOWS THE BOSTON LICENSING BOARD TO MODIFY SUSPEND OR REVOKE POTENTIAL LICENSE IF THERE IS A VIOLATION OF FAIR LABOR LAWS. I ALSO KNOW THAT ATTORNEY GENERAL HAS A DIVISION THAT SPECIFICALLY WORKS ON THIS ISSUE FIGHTING FOR OUR WORKERS. MAKING SURE THAT THEY -- FOR EVER DOLLAR THEY WORK THAT THEY RECEIVE THEIR PAY. SO IT'S AN IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR OUR CITY AND IT'S IMPORTANT THAN WE STAND WITH OUR WORKERS, BECAUSE IF OUR WORKERS ARE NOT BEING PAID A DECENT WAGE, A FAIR WAGE, IT IMPACTS THE ENTIRE ECONOMY OF BOSTON BUT CERTAINLY -- CERTAINLY NOT A GOOD RECORD FOR OUR CITY IF WE KNOW ABOUT CASES THAT THE MOST -- THE POOR AND IMMIGRANTS ARE NOT RECEIVING FAIR WAGE AND THIS IS ABOUT RESPECT AND DIGNITY FOR OUR WAGES. I'M PROUD OF THE WORK COUNCILOR EDWARDS HAS DONE AND I'D LIKE TO ADD MY NAME, MADAM PRESIDENT. >> MR. CLERK, IF YOU WOULD ADD COUNCILOR FLYNN AS WELL AS COUNCILOR BAKER, COUNCILOR CIOMMO, ESSAIBI-GEORGE, FL FLAHERTY, GARRISON, JANE ME, McCARTHY, O'MALLEY, COUNCILOR ZAKIM AS WELL AS THE CHAIR. WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THE CITY ON JOBS, WAGES AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.

>> DOCKET 0551, COUNCILOR OFFER THE FOLLOWING.
ORDER FOR A HEARING REGARDING IMPLEMENTATION OF CHAPTER SIX THROUGH EIGHT OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE.

- >> COUNCILOR EDWARDS, YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.
- >> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

WE RECENTLY HAD A HEARING ABOUT THE DIVESTMENT OF OUR RETIREMENT

FUNDS AND RESULT ON SAME DAY

COINCIDENTALLY ADMINISTRATION

ANNOUNCED THEY ARE MOVING \$250

MILLION INTO COMMUNITY BANKING.

THAT'S A WONDERFUL THING, THAT'S

SOMETHING WE ABSOLUTELY SUPPORT.

AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO TALK

ABOUT THE \$6 BILLION IN OUR

RETIREMENT ASSURING THAT IT'S IN

LINE WITH OUR ACTUAL GOALS OF

THE CITY COUNCIL.

BUT SPEAKING SPECIFICALLY ABOUT

THAT \$250 MILLION DURING THE

HEARING WE DID ASKED

ADMINISTRATION HOW THEY INTENDED

TO COMPLY WITH THE MUNICIPAL

DEPOSITORIES ON BANKING

ORDINANCE THAT HAD BEEN PASSED.

IN 2013 ACTUALLY THIS COMMITTEE

OR THIS BODY UNDER LEADERSHIP OF

THEN COUNCILOR FELIX PASSED THIS

ORDINANCE ASSURING COMMUNITY

BANKING AND FAIRNESS AND PR

PREVENTING DISCRIMINATION.

THE INVEST IN BOSTON ORDINANCE

WAS TO REGULATE CITIBANKING

PRACTICES AND ESTABLISH A PUBLIC

COMMISSION TO OVERSEE CITY

INVESTMENTS.

WE NOW HAVE \$250 MILLION.

SO THE QUESTION WAS, HOW ARE YOU

GOING TO ASSURE THAT MONEY

COMPLIES WITH THIS ACT.

AND WE GOT BACK CRICKETS BECAUSE

APPARENTLY WE LAUGH NOT EITHER

IMPLEMENTED NOR SET UP THE

COMMISSION FOR -- IN COMPLIANCE

WITH THE ORDINANCE THAT WE

PASSED IN 2013.

THE ORDINANCE SPECIFICALLY

SUPPORTS THE CITY GOALS OF

ENDING RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND

BUILDING HOME OWNERSHIP THROUGH

FAIR LENDING PRACTICES. THE ORDINANCE THAT SETS CRITERIAS FOR INSTITUTIONS WHICH ARE CITY BANKS, \$250 MILLION MOVE TO COMMUNITY BANKS. SO, WE SAID AT THE CITY OF BOSTON IF WE GIVE YOU OUR PUBLIC FUNDS YOU SHOULD BE HELD TO A CERTAIN STANDARD AND THAT STANDARD SHOULD INCLUDE REGULAR DISCLOSURE OF BANKING PRACTICES SHOULD ASSURE THAT WE PREVENT DISCRIMINATORY PRACTICES. THE ORDINANCE CREATES COMMISSION TO OVERSEE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FINANCIAL PRACTICES AND INFORMATION REPORTING WITH THEM. I DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN 2013 AND NOW, WE HAVE NOT SET UP THE COMMISSION, WE NEED TO APPOINT THOSE MEMBERS WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT **ESPECIALLY WITH \$250 MILLION** GOING INTO COMMUNITY BANKS. THAT WE ARE READY TO HELP MONITOR THAT AND ASSURE THAT THE BANKS ARE INCLINES WITH OUR ORDINANCE. STOW THIS HEARING IS REALLY ABOUT MEETING WITH THE CITY, WITH THE CFO SAYING HOW DO WE MAKE THIS ORDINANCE COME TO FRUITION, ALSO A THANK YOU TO COUNCILOR AROYYO FOR HIS LEADERSHIP MAKE SURE THIS HAPPENED I DON'T KNOW WAS IT POINT ONE OR TWO. ACTUALLY, I THINK WERE YOU --COUNCILOR FLAHERTY WAS ALSO THERE I APOLOGIZE TO THOSE DARKS DARKS COUNCILOR CIOMMO WHO HELPED TO PASS THIS. THANK YOU SO MUCH. LET'S MAKE SURE THIS COMES TO FRUITION. >> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR EDWARDS. ANYONE ELSE LOOKING TO SPEAK OR ADD THEIR NAME? MR. CLERK ADD COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE, COUNCILOR FLYNN, COUNCILOR GARRISON, COUNCILOR JANEY, COUNCILOR WU, COUNCILOR ZAKIM. DOCKET 0551 WOULD BE ASSIGNED TO THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT

OPERATIONS.

>> PRESERVATION OF HISTORIC

BOSTON.

>> COUNCILOR EDWARDS YOU HAVE

THE FLOOR.

>> THIS IS A REFILE FROM LAST

YEAR.

SO THIS IS ABOUT HISTORIC

PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT

MAKING SURE WE CAN HAVE BOTH.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR EDWARDS.

ANYONE ELSE LOOKING TO SPEAK ON

THIS MATTER OR ADD THEIR NAME?

MR. CLERK IF YOU COULD ADD

COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE,

COUNCILOR FLYNN, COUNCILOR

FLAHERTY, COUNCILOR GARRISON,

COUNCILOR O'MALLEY.

COUNCILOR WU, AS WELL AS CHAIR.

COUNCILOR BAKER.

COUNCILOR CIOMMO RATHER NOT COME

BACK FOR RECONSIDERATION DO YOU

WANT TO ADD YOUR NAME TO THIS

DOCKET?

DOCKET 0552.

MR. CLARK IF YOU COULD ALSO ADD,

THIS IS HISTORIC PRESERVATION

DOCKET.

ADD COUNCILOR BAKER AND

COUNCILOR CIOMMO.

WILL BE ASSIGNED TO THE

COMMITTEE ON PLANNING,

DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPORTATION.

>> DOCKET 0553, COUNCILOR

ESSAIBI-GEORGE OFFER THE

FOLLOWING, RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING NATIONAL SAFE SPACE

WEEK.

>> COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE, YOU

HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> MADAM CHAIR, THIS IS THE

RESOLUTION I PRESENTED EARLIER

TODAY REGARDING SAFE PLACE WEEK.

I DO MOVE FOR SUBSTITUTION, ONE

OF THE POCKETS HAD A TYPO, THE

ONE THAT EVERYONE RECEIVED AT

THE START OF THE MEETING IS THE

ACCURATE ONE FOR THE FILE.

>> ANY OBJECTIONS?

MR. CLERK, REFLECT THE CHANGE,

THANK YOU COUNCILOR

ESSAIBI-GEORGE WHO SEEKS

SUSPENSION OF THE RULES AND

PASSAGE OF THIS.

BEFORE WE DO THAT COUNCILOR

FLAHERTY?

MR. CLERK, ADD COUNCILOR

FLAHERTY, COUNCILOR BAKER,

COUNCILOR CIOMMO, COUNCILOR

EDWARDS, FLYNN, GARRISON, JANEY,

McCARTHY, COUNCILOR O'MALLEY,

COUNCILOR WU, COUNCILOR ZAKIM AS

WELL AS THE CHAIR.

ESSAIBI-GEORGE SEEKS SUSPENSION

OF THE RULES AND PASSAGE OF

ADOPTION OF 0553 ALL THOSE IN

FAVOR OF ADOPTION SAY AYE?

ANY OPPOSED SAY NAY?

THE AYES HAVE IT.

DOCKET 0553 HAS BEEN PASSED.

MOVING ON TO PERSONNEL ORDERS.

>> DOCKET 0554, COUNCILOR

CAMPBELL FOR COUNCILOR WU.

>> COUNCILOR WU SEEKS SUSPENSION

OF THE RULES AND PASSAGE OF

DOCKET 0554.

ALL THOSE IN FAVOR SAY "AYE."

ALL THOSE OPPOSED SAY "NAY."

AYES HAVE IT DOCKET 0554 HAS

BEEN PASSED.

>> DOCKET 0555, COUNCILOR

CAMPBELL FOR COUNCILOR WU.

>> SEEKS SUSPENSION OF THE RULES

PASSAGE OF 0555, ALL THOSE IN

FAVOR SAY "AYE."

ALL THOSE OPPOSED SAY "NAY."

THE AYES HAVE IT.

DOCKET 0555 HAS BEEN PASSED.

MOVING ON TO LATE FILES.

I'M INFORMED BY THE CLERK THAT

THERE IS ONE LATE FILE WHICH IN

THE ABSENCE OF OBJECTION WILL BE

ADDED TO TODAY'S AGENDA.

BY THE WAY, IT'S A PERSONNEL

ORDER SO THAT'S WHY YOU DON'T

HAVE IT.

HEARING AND SEEING NO OBJECTION

THE LATE FILE MATTER IS SO AD

ADDED.

MR. CLERK IF YOU COULD READ THE

LATE FILE PERSONNEL ORDER IN TO

THE RECORD.

>> PERSONNEL ORDER, COUNCILOR

CAMPBELL FOR COUNCILOR ZAKIM.

>> COUNCILOR ZAKIM SEEKS

SUSPENSION OF THE RULES AND

PASSAGE OF FIRST LATE FILE

MATTER, FIRST AND ONLY, ALL

THOSE IN FAVOR SAY "AYE."
ALL THOSE OPPOSED SAY "NAY."
THE AYES HAVE IT, LATE FILE
MATTER HAS BEEN PASSED.
MOVING ON TO THE GREEN SHEETS.
ANYONE LOOKING TO REMOVE MATTER
OF THE GREEN SHEETS?
COUNCILOR FLAHERTY, YOU HAVE THE

FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, I RISE TO PULL
0138 ORDINANCE REGARDING RIGHT
TO FREE PETITION MATTER CAN BE
FOUND ON PAGE THREE OF 16 IN THE
GREEN SHEETS.

SPONSORED BY OUR COLLEAGUE MICHELLE WU ASSIGNED TO THE COMMITTEE BACK ON JANUARY 9th, THE COMMITTEE HAS HELD TWO HEARINGS ALONG WITH THE WORKING SESSION, TWO HEARINGS ONE IN 2017.

- >> CLARIFICATION, THIS IS PAGE 3 OF 16.
- >> THAT'S CORRECT.
- >> DOCKET 0138.
- >> CORRECT.

PETITION.

- >> IN THE GREEN SHEETS.
- >> COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS.
- >> LET'S HAVE CLERK READ IT INTO THE RECORD.
- >> FROM THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS, THE GREEN SHEETS, DOCKET 0138 ORDINANCE REGARDING RIGHT OF FREE PE

AS MENTIONED THIS WAS --

- >> THANK YOU MR. CLERK.
- >> FILED BY MICHELLE WU

COMMITTEE HELD TWO HEARINGS ONE

IN 2017, ONE IN 2018, ALONG WITH

A WORKING SESSION IN 2018.

THROUGH THE CHAIR I'D LIKE TO

CALL FOR A VOTE.

THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.

>> THANK YOU, BEFORE WE ACTUALLY

MOVE OVER TO COUNCILOR WU JUST

QUICKLY WANT TO POLL THE

COMMITTEE TO MAKE SURE IT'S

PROPERLY BEFORE THE COMMITTEE.

JUST GIVE US A MOMENT.

- >> COUNCILOR FLAHERTY.
- >> YES.
- >> COUNCILOR EDWARDS.

COUNCILOR BAKER.

- >> YES.
- >> COUNCILOR McCARTHY.
- >> YES.
- >> COUNCILOR O'MALLEY.
- >> YES.
- >> COUNCILOR CIOMMO.
- >> YES.
- >> COUNCILOR WU.
- >> THANK YOU.

DOCKET 0138 IS PROPERLY BEFORE

THE COUNCIL.

COUNCILOR WU YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAME PRESIDENT,

THANK YOU AGAIN TO THE COMMITTEE

CHAIR AND TO COLLEAGUES WE'VE

BEEN PLANNING TO PUT THIS BEFORE

THE COUNCIL FOR A WHILE BETWEEN

JURY DUTY AND OTHER ISSUES GOT

PUSHED BACK TO TODAY.

I WOULD SAY IN MY FINAL PITCH

THAT I THINK IF THERE WERE ONE

RESOURCE THAT I WOULD ASK FOR

MORE OF TO SUPPORT WHAT WE'RE

DOING HERE, IT ACTUALLY WOULDN'T

BE FUNDING AND DOLLARS, ALTHOUGH

WE COULD CERTAINLY USE THOSE ANY

TIME TO FUND CITY SERVICES.

BUT IT'S CIVIC ENGAGEMENT THAT

IS THE MOST IMPORTANT PART OF

OUR JOB IS TO MAKE SURE THAT WE

ARE BUILDING TRUST WITH

COMMUNITIES, GIVING PEOPLE WAY

TO PLUG IN AND THROUGH THAT

CIVIC PARTNERSHIP WE CAN FIGURE

OUT ALL THE OTHER ISSUES FROM

FUNDING TO PROGRAMS TO

IMPLEMENTATION TO IDEAS.

AND SO THIS ORDINANCE IS ABOUT

THAT VERY FUNDAMENTAL RIGHT OF

AN INDIVIDUAL TO APPEAR BEFORE

THEIR GOVERNMENT AND GET A

RESPONSE.

IT IS BASIS TO THE MASSACHUSETTS

CONSTITUTION DATING BACK FROM

EARLIEST COLONIAL CIVIC PRIDE

AND A DOZEN OTHER CITIES IN

MASSACHUSETTS ALREADY HAVE THIS

PROVISION IN PLACE.

SO IT'S NOT AN IDEA THAT WE'RE

MAKING UNOUT OF NO WHERE. IT'S

NOT RADICAL AND NEW, IT'S

ACTUALLY VERY OLD AND ONE THAT

WE WOULD BE FOLLOWING A DOZEN

OTHER OF OUR COUNTERPARTS IN IMPLEMENTING. IT WOULD MEAN THAT AN INDIVIDUAL WHO WANTS TO GATHER SIGNATURES FROM THEIR FELLOW RESIDENTS TO TALK ABOUT AN ISSUE. TO ASK PETITION THEIR GOVERNMENT ABOUT ISSUE THAT MATTERS TO THEM WOULD BE GUARANTEED A HEARING WITHIN A CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME. AND WE WORK THROUGH MULTIPLE GROUNDS AND REVISIONS AND PUBLIC CONVERSATIONS OVER TWO-PLUS YEARS TO SETTLE ON THE PARAMETERS PROPOSED TODAY THAT IT WOULD BE 500 SIGNATURES FOR A HEARING WITHIN CERTAIN PERIOD OF TIME THAT ALLOWS FOR THE ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT TO NOT HAVE TO BE CERTIFYING IF THERE IS AN ACTIVE ELECTION, WHETHER THAT'S SPECIAL ELECTION OR ON CYCLE CITY ELECTION, ET CETERA. WHAT I ANY I WOULD WANT TO SUMMARIZE AS WHAT WOULD HAPPEN IF THIS PASSES, IS MAYBE DIFFERENT FROM WHAT I THINK SOME FOLKS MIGHT WORRY WOULD HAPPEN. WHICH IS THAT WE WOULD HAVE IDEALLY THE CITY COUNCIL WOULD CREATE A NEW COMMITTEE TO ADDRESS PETITION, IT WOULD BE CHAIRED BY COUNCILOR WHO WOULD VOLUNTEER TO DO THAT AND THESE PETITIONS WOULD BE BUNDLED AS THEY COME IN TO BE ADDRESSED REGULARLY. EITHER FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH OR ON SOME BASIS WHERE THAT IS A DAY WHERE CITIZEN PETITIONS OR RESIDENT PETITIONS CAN BE HEARD BEFORE THE COUNCIL. THIS GIVES PEOPLE DIRECT ACCESS TO THE COUNCIL AGENDA AND CREATES THAT TIGHTER BOND AND TRUST WITH OUR RESIDENTS. THE ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT AND MY OFFICE HAVE SURVEYED DOZEN OTHER CITIES WHO HAVE THIS EX EXTENSIVELY, WE'VE TALKED TO EACH ONE OF THOSE CITY CLERKS AND SOMETIMES IT IS ELECTED OFFICIALS AS WELL TO UNDERSTAND HOW IT WORKS THERE.

CERTAINLY BOSTON IS BIGGER, CERTAINLY BOSTON IS UNIQUE, BUT THE FEEDBACK FROM THE OTHER CITIES WAS ONE THAT THEY NEVER HAD MORE THAN ONE OR EVEN TWO A YEAR THAT IT WASN'T A CRUSHING LOAD OF PETITION THAT AFFECTED OTHER BUSINESS. BUT, TWO, THAT IT WAS -- THEY FELT IT WAS REALLY IMPORTANT AND WORTHY GOAL AND THAT THEY BELIEVE HELPS CEMENT THEIR RELATIONSHIPS WITH RESIDENTS FEELING LIKE THEY COULD APPROACH THEIR GOVERNMENT FOR ISSUES THAT MATTERED TO THEM. I AM AT THE POINT WHERE I FEEL WE'VE HAD ENOUGH HEARINGS AND WORKING SECTIONS AND DEBATES AND I OWE IT TO THE COMMUNITY WHO FIRST BROUGHT THIS IDEA TO ME, TO SEEK A VOTE FOR THE COUNCIL. THANK YOU. >> THANK YOU. COUNCILOR WU. COUNCILOR BAKER YOU HAVE THE FLOOR. >> THANK YOU, MADAME PRESIDENT. I WANTED TO BRIEFLY SAY ACTUALLY KIND OF APATHETIC ON THIS, DOESN'T MATTER TO ME ONE WAY OR THE OTHER WHAT I'M HAPPY ABOUT THAT WE'RE GOING TO ASSIGN AN

ACTUAL COMMITTEE THAT SOMEONE IS GOING TO BE -- SOMEONE GOING TO VOLUNTEER FOR, MICHELLE, GOING TO VOLUNTEER FOR THAT ONE THERE BECAUSE I THINK THIS AS DI DISTRICT, WEAKENS WHAT WE DO. PEOPLE WE SHOULD HAVE THE **RELATIONSHIPS IN OUR** NEIGHBORHOODS WHERE PEOPLE COME AND SIT AND TALK WITH US. WHICH WE'RE GOING FOR AN ISSUE RIGHT NOW SOMEONE SAYING THAT THEY'RE TALKING TO US, NEVER TALKED TO ANY OF US LOOKING FOR PETITION. IF THEY WANTED A PETITION I THINK IF THEY SAT IN ANY ONE OF US HERE SOMEBODY WOULD HAVE GIVEN THEM HEARING THAT THEY ARE LOOKING FOR. I PERSONALLY THINK THAT THIS WEAKENS THE POSITION I WILL BE

VOTING NO ON THIS.

AGAIN THE WAY IT PLAYS OUT I'M ACTUALLY KIND OF APATHETIC ON IT I'M TAKING MY VOTE BASE MORE ON DISTRICT CITY COUNCILOR I THINK THIS CHEAPENS US AND WEAKENS US, THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU.

COUNCILOR EDWARDS YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH, AS FELLOW DISTRICT CITY COUNCILOR I SHARE YOUR CONCERNS THAT PEOPLE COULD OVERSTEP OR SIMPLY GET IN FRONT OF AND GET IN LINE TO SIMPLY PUSH AN AGENDA THAT WE HAVE DECIDED IT IS NOT IN LINE WITH OUR VALUES OR THEY SIMPLY WANT TO WASTE TIME.
WHICH APPARENTLY SOME PEOPLE DO HAVE A LOT OF.

WE DON'T.

WE ARE WORKING EXTREMELY HARD. RATTY SURING THAT PEOPLE HAVE A VOICE.

EVERY SINGLE ONE OF US DOES FACE THAT CERTAIN KIND OF PRESSURE TO BRING FORWARD A CERTAIN KIND OF CONVERSATION THAT WE CAN START AND ACTUALLY DO SOMETHING WITH ON OUR OWN TIME.

THAT BEING SAID, THE CITY WAS BORN AS AN EXPERIMENT IN DEMOCRACY.

THE FACT THAT WE LEAD AND THAT WE'RE GOING TO PUSH THAT WE'RE GOING TO TAKE RISK WITH DEMOCRACY THAT ACTUALLY OPENS UP A TENT SAYS PEOPLE ARE WELCOME HERE TO PUSH CONVERSATIONS, I ANY THAT IS AT THE VERY CORE, FUNDAMENTAL TO WHO WE ARE AS BOSTON.

SO I UNDERSTAND THE RISK THAT THIS COULD TAKE.

I FIRMLY UNDERSTAND THAT.
I UNDERSTAND THAT AS DISTRICT
CITY COUNCILOR AND COUNCILOR
RECENTLY ATTACKED PERSONALLY AND
WHO WAS ASKED TO STEP DOWN FROM
A RESIGNATION FOR NOT HAVING A
CONVERSATION.

I UNDERSTAND AND I'LL BE QUOTED I'M SURE, IT'S LYDIA WITH A Y, THE PRAISE HE'S WILL BE LET IN. I HOPE COUNCILOR WU UNDERSTANDS THAT WHEN SHE CHAIRS THAT COMMITTEE EVERY OTHER FRIDAY TO ASSURE THAT THOSE VOICES ARE IN. I DON'T KNOW THAT THERE ARE ENOUGH SAFEGUARDS TO MAKE SURE THIS IS NOT SOMETHING GOING TO OVER TAX OUR CLERK THAT IS A PERSONAL CONCERN. I WILL VOTE IN FAVOR OF THE EXPERIMENT OF DEMOCRACY. I WILL VOTE FOR THIS. COUNCILOR WU. BUT I DO THINK THAT THERE STILL NEEDS TO BE SOME ADDITIONAL CONVERSATION IN MAKING SURE THAT THIS IS ACTUALLY DONE IN A CORRECT WAY AND IMPLEMENTATION. >> THANK YOU COUNCILOR EDWARDS. I DIDN'T KNOW ELSE LOOKING TO SPEAK ON THIS MATTER? I'LL JUST QUICKLY ADD, I THINK I

SHARE SOME OF THE CONCERNS

RELATED TO THE DISTRICT

COUNCILORS AS WELL AND CONCERNS

RELATED TO THE BURDEN IT WOULD

PLACE ON OUR CLERK'S OFFICE.

I ALSO THINK THERE'S WAY WHICH

TO DO THIS WITHOUT AN ORDINANCE

FOR THOSE REASONS I WILL BE

VOTING NO.

ANYONE ELSE LOOKING TO SPEAK ON THIS MATTER?

MR. CLERK.

IF WE COULD JUST READ THE DOCKET AGAIN.

>> AGAIN THIS IS FROM THE GREEN SHEETS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS, DOCKET NO. 0138, AN ORDINANCE REGARDING THE RIGHT OF FREE PETITION.

>> THANK YOU. AT THIS TIME

COUNCILOR WU SEEKS PASSAGE OF DOCKET 0138.

ALL THOSE IN FAVOR SAY "AYE."

ALL THOSE OPPOSED SAY "NAY."

NAYS HAVE IT.

HAS NOT BEEN PASSED.

AT THIS TIME I'M GOING TO MOVE ON.

TO THE CONSENT AGENDA.

I'M INFORMED BY THE CLERK THERE IS ZERO LATE FILE MATTERS IS A

GREAT THING.

CHAIR MOVES FOR ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA AT THIS TIME. ALL THOSE IN FAVOR SAY "AYE." ALL THOSE OPPOSED SAY "NAY." AYEs HAVE IT. CONSENT AGENDA HAS BEEN ADOPTED. ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS? COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE? YOU HAVE THE FLOOR. >> THANK YOU, MADAME PRESIDENT. I KNOW THAT EVERYONE KNOWS THAT I WASN'T HERE LAST WEEK, I WAS IN TUNISIA ON A TRIP TO THE INSTITUTE IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE MIDDLE EAST PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVE THROUGH THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND JUST SO HAPPENS THAT TODAY IS TUNISIA'S DAY OF INDEPENDENCE I THOUGHT IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO SAY SO. IN 1956, TUNISIA GAINED ITS INNED PEND DENSE FROM FRANCE AND MY GRANDFATHER HAPPENED TO PLAY A ROLE IN THAT INDEPENDENCE, I'M VERY EXCITED TO BE ABLE TO JUST HAVE A MOMENT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT. WEEKS AS I SORT OF COLLECT ALL OF THE DOCUMENTS AND

I WILL IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF PHOTOGRAPHS. SHARE A LITTLE BIT OF THAT EXPERIENCE WITH ALL OF YOU AS TUNISIA JUST RECENTLY WENT THROUGH SOME DECENTRALIZATION EFFORTS. RENEWED ITS CONSTITUTION AND HAS WORKED TO CHANGE ITS STYLE OF GOVERNMENT THAT WAS PART OF WHY WE WERE THERE TO CONNECT WITH TEN AMERICAN ARABS THERE, PARTNERED WITH NEWLY ELECTED MUNICIPAL OFFICIALS FROM ALL OVER TUNISIA. I LOOK FORWARD TO SHARING THAT WITH YOU JUST WANTED TO NOTE THAT TODAY IS TUNISIA'S CELEBRATION OF INDEPENDENCE, THANK YOU. MADAME PRESIDENT. >> THANK YOU, ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT. MADAME PRESIDENT, I RISE TO RELATE SOME SAD NEWS ABOUT A

COUNCILOR FLYNN, UP THE FLOOR

NOW.

FRIEND OF MINE MICHAEL FLAHERTY, COUNCILOR FLAHERTY I'M SPEAKING OF FOR COUNCILOR FLAHERTY BUT OUR DEAR FRIEND JOHN MULLIN IS WORLD WAR II VETERAN AND I'M ALSO SPEAKING FOR COUNCILOR BAKER AS WELL. BUT OUR FRIEND JOHN MULLIN A WORLD WAR II VETERAN OF THE UNITED STATES MARINE PASSED AWAY ON MARCH 17th. HE WAS ACTIVE IN VARIOUS VETERANS' ORGANIZATIONS IN SOUTH BOSTON AND DORCHESTER AND HE WAS A WONDERFUL MAN AND THE DAY HE PASSED ON. HE WAS THE FOUNDER ALONG WITH JOE MURPHY OF THE WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL IN SOUTH BOSTON BUT THE DAY HE PASSED ON WAS THE DAY THAT OUR WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL IN SOUTH BOSTON WAS VANDALIZED. WE ALSO HAD RECENT VANDALISM OF THE BOSTON POLICE MEMORIAL AT MOUNT HOPE CEMETERY IN MADAPAN. SO I'M JUST RISING TO TALK ABOUT THE LIFE OF JOHN MULLEN AND JOE MURPHY AND THEIR INCREDIBLE CONTRIBUTION TO OUR CITY AND TO OUR COUNTRY. JOHN MULLIN WAS A MARINE, A WORLD WAR II VETERAN, A VANDERBILT ANSWER ADVOCATE, A NEIGHBOR, COMMUNITY ACTIVIST, FATHER, GRANDFATHER, SOMEONE WE RESPECTED AND ADMIRED FOR HIS FIERCE ADVOCACY OF THE CITY AND OUR COUNTRY. HE ALSO FOUGHT FOR SAFEGUARDS, HE FOUGHT FOR VETERAN -- A

OUR COUNTRY.
HE ALSO FOUGHT FOR SAFEGUARDS,
HE FOUGHT FOR VETERAN -- A
BETTER ENVIRONMENT, BALL AGAINST
AIR POLLUTION, HE WAS AN
ENVIRONMENT LIST BEFORE WE EVEN
KNEW THE TERM ENVIRONMENTALIST.
JUST ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND
COUNCILOR FLAHERTY AND COUNCILOR
BAKER WE WANT TO EXPRESS OUR
SYMPATHY TO JOHN MULLIN AND HIS
FAMILY AND OUR VETERANS IN SOUTH
BOSTON AND WE HAVE GREAT RESPECT
AND ADMIRATION FOR THEM.
WE'LL MISS JOHN AND WE'LL MISS
HIS ADVOCACY OF THE TOWN OF
SOUTH BOSTON BUT MORE

IMPORTANTLY HIS INCREDIBLE SERVICE TO OUR COUNTRY AS A UNITED STATES MARINE. THANK YOU, MADAME PRESIDENT. >> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR FLYNN. ANY OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS? AT THIS TIME I WOULD LIKE ALL GUESTS AND COLLEAGUES TO PLEASE RISE AS WE ADJOURN TODAY'S MEETING IN MOM MEMORY OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS. FOR THE CHAIR, BISHOP BRAGG OF NEW LIFE RESTORATION TEMPLE. FOR COUNCILOR O'MALLEY, HIS AU AUNT. CLAIRE SLOAN. FOR COUNCILOR FLAHERTY, HONORABLE DESY LARKIN. AS WELL AS THE CHAIR, JOHN MULLIN WHO WAS WORLD WARD II VETERAN. A MOMENT OF SILENCE, PLEASE. THANK YOU. THE CHAIR MOVES THAT WHEN THE COUNCIL ADJOURNS IT DOES IN MEMORY OF THOSE AFOREMENTIONED INDIVIDUALS. WE WERE SCHEDULED TO MEET AGAIN IN THIS CHAMBER ON WEDNESDAY MARCH 27th AT NOON, ALL THOSE IN FAVOR OF ADJOURN. SAY AYE. ANY OPPOSED SAY NAY.

COUNCIL IS ADJOURNED.