



CITY OF BOSTON • MASSACHUSETTS

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR
MARTIN J. WALSH

February 22, 2021

TO THE CITY COUNCIL

Dear Councilors:

I transmit herewith for your approval an appropriation order in the total amount of TWENTY-FIVE MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY-FOUR DOLLARS AND NO CENTS (\$25,500,374.00) from Fiscal Year 2021 community preservation fund revenues for community preservation projects at the recommendation of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee (“CPC”).

The Fund was created upon the adoption of the Community Preservation Act, Massachusetts General Laws chapter 44B, (the “Act”) in November 2016 and is funded by the 1% property tax-based surcharge on residential and business property tax bills that took effect in July 2017 and an annual state distribution from the Massachusetts Community Preservation Trust Fund. Section 5 of the Act provides that in each fiscal year, upon receiving recommendations from the Community Preservation Committee, the City Council shall take action and approve such appropriations from the Community Preservation Fund in order to implement the recommendations of the Community Preservation Committee.

The CPC is recommending \$13,617,850 in affordable housing projects, \$5,598,569 in historic preservation projects, and \$6,283,955 in recreational use and open space projects. Since adopting the Community Preservation Act, over \$67 million has been awarded to 131 projects spanning across every neighborhood in the City of Boston. With your approval of this appropriation request, we will have awarded over \$92 million to 198 projects since the first funding round in 2018. These projects are renovating playgrounds in our neighborhoods, creating and improving open spaces, including parks, community gardens and urban farms, planting trees to increase Boston’s tree canopy, saving and preserving historic buildings, supporting affordable housing programming and building affordable housing for our city. Each of these projects is supporting and having an impact on all of Boston’s neighborhoods and communities in countless ways.

I urge your Honorable Body to pass this order expeditiously so that the CPC may fund important affordable housing, historic preservation, and recreational use and open space projects in the City of Boston prior to the close of the Fiscal Year 2021.

Sincerely,

Martin J. Walsh
Mayor of Boston

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ORDERED: That, upon the recommendation of the City of Boston Community Preservation Committee and in order to undertake community preservation projects with Community Preservation Fund revenues for Fiscal Year 2021, the respective sums of money specified in the schedules hereinafter set out be, and the same hereby are, appropriated for expenditure under the direction of the Community Preservation Committee for the several specific projects hereinafter designated being made out of the Community Preservation Fund's budgeted reserve for Fiscal Year 2021.

Appropriations

Affordable Housing

<u>NEIGHBORHOOD</u>	<u>PROJECT NAME</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED AMOUNT</u>
Allston	6 Quint Avenue Supportive Housing	City of Boston Department of Neighborhood Development	\$617,850
Citywide	Acquisition Opportunity Program	City of Boston Department of Neighborhood Development	\$5,000,000
Citywide	Boston Home Center ONE Plus Boston Program	City of Boston Department of Neighborhood Development	\$5,000,000
Fenway	72 Burbank Street	City of Boston Department of Neighborhood Development	\$1,000,000
Hyde Park	Barton Rogers Middle School	City of Boston Department of Neighborhood Development	\$2,000,000
	TOTAL		\$13,617,850

Historic Preservation

<u>NEIGHBORHOOD</u>	<u>PROJECT NAME</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED AMOUNT</u>
Back Bay	Old South Church	Old South Church	\$150,000
Back Bay	Arlington Street Church	Friends of 20 Arlington Street, Inc.	\$200,000
Back Bay	First Baptist Church in Back Bay	The First Baptist Church of Boston	\$250,000
Back Bay	Ayer Mansion	Campaign for Ayer Mansion, Inc.	\$30,000
Back Bay	Guild of Boston Artists	Guild of Boston Artists, Inc.	\$100,000
Beacon Hill	Prescott House	The National Society of the Colonial Dames of America in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts	\$50,000
Boston Harbor Islands	The Boston Harbor Islands Archaeological and Climate	City of Boston Archaeology Program (Environment Department)	\$100,000

	Change Impact on Native History		
Chinatown	St. James the Greater Church	Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston St. James the Greater Parish	\$250,000
Chinatown	Chinatown Row Houses	Chinatown Community Land Trust, Inc.	\$100,000
Dorchester	Clapp Houses	Dorchester Historical Society	\$77,200
Dorchester	Pleasant Hill Baptist Church	Pleasant Hill Baptist Church	\$378,969
Dorchester	Global Ministries Christian Church	Global Ministries Christian Church	\$100,000
Dorchester	Second Church in Dorchester	Second Church in Dorchester, A Church of the Nazarene	\$250,000
Dorchester	Walter Baker Sign Restoration	WBL Artist Collective, Inc.	\$56,000
Dorchester	Greater Love Tabernacle Church	Greater Love Tabernacle Church	\$321,500
Dorchester	Pierce Building	Dorchester Bay Economic Development Corporation	\$250,000
Dorchester	The Great Hall at Codman Square	Codman Square Health Center, Inc.	\$488,000
Downtown	World Ocean School	World Ocean School	\$100,000
East Boston	Ohabei Shalom Cemetery	The Jewish Cemetery Association of Massachusetts, Inc.	\$40,000
Hyde Park	Riverside Theater	Inspire Arts and Music, Inc.	\$150,000
Jamaica Plain	Loring Greenough House	Jamaica Plain Tuesday Club dba Loring Greenough House	\$90,000
Jamaica Plain	Bethel AME Church	Bethel AME Church	\$250,000
Jamaica Plain	St. John's Episcopal Church	St. John's Church	\$150,000
Jamaica Plain	First Baptist Church in Jamaica Plain	First Baptist Church in Jamaica Plain	\$100,000
Mattapan	Berea SDA Academy	Berea Seventh Day Adventist Academy	\$200,000
North End	The Shaw House	North End Music and Performing Arts Center (NEMPAC)	\$75,000
North End	Gravestone Conservation at Copp's Hill Burying Ground	Historic Burying Grounds Initiative, Boston Parks and Recreation Department	\$100,000
Roxbury	Haley House Bakery Cafe	Haley House Inc.	\$141,900
Roxbury	St. Luke's Chapel	Protestant Episcopal Diocese of Massachusetts	\$200,000
South Boston	Congress Street Fire Museum	Boston Sparks Association Inc	\$150,000

South End	League of Women for Community Service in the South End	League of Women for Community Service, Inc.	\$400,000
South End	St. Augustine and St. Martin	Church of St. Augustine and St. Martin	\$200,000
West End	Otis House	Society for the Preservation of New England Antiquities d/b/a Historic New England	\$50,000
West End	Old West Church	Old West Church United Methodist	\$50,000
	TOTAL		\$5,598,569

Recreational Use and Open Space

<u>NEIGHBORHOOD</u>	<u>PROJECT NAME</u>	<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>RECOMMENDED AMOUNT</u>
Allston-Brighton	Chandler Pond	City of Boston Parks and Recreation Department	\$300,000
Bay Village	Cocconut Grove Memorial	City of Boston Parks and Recreation Department	\$250,000
Beacon Hill	Charles River Esplanade in Beacon Hill	Esplanade Association, Inc.	\$14,241
Boston Harbor Islands	Georges Island Pavilion	Boston Harbor Now, Inc.	\$125,000
Charlestown	Little Mystic Channel Park	Mystic River Watershed Association	\$112,207
Charlestown	Charlestown Peace Park	Charlestown Preservation Society	\$500,000
Charlestown	Chin Park Placemaking	Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy	\$250,000
Citywide	Boston Open Space Acquisition Fund	City of Boston Parks and Recreation Department	\$1,000,000
Dorchester	Dudley Village in Dorchester	Dorchester Bay Economic Development Corporation	\$25,000
Dorchester	Westville Urban Farm	Boston Farm Community Land Trust, Inc.	\$150,000
Dorchester	Olmec 2 - Aspinwall Food Forest in Dorchester	City of Boston Department of Neighborhood Development	\$100,000
Dorchester	Cedar Grove Cemetery	Properties of Cedar Grove Cemetery	\$50,000
Dorchester	Codman Square Park	City of Boston Parks and Recreation Department	\$150,000
Dorchester	The Washington Street Urban Forest	City of Boston Department of Neighborhood Development	\$700,000

East Boston	City Water at 6 Chelsea Terrace	City of Boston Department of Neighborhood Development	\$50,000
Fenway	Muddy River Initiative	The Muddy Water Initiative	\$40,000
Hyde Park	Moynihan Playground	Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation Trust and Urban Parks Trust Fund	\$200,000
Hyde Park	Factory Hill Park	Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation Trust and Urban Parks Trust Fund	\$300,000
Hyde Park	We Grow Microgreens Irrigation System in Hyde Park	We Grow Microgreens, LLC	\$12,507
Jamaica Plain	Jackson Square Redevelopment Initiative Greenway	Jackson Square Partners LLC	\$300,000
Mattapan	Brooke Mattapan & Lena Park Playground	Brooke Charter School	\$100,000
Mattapan	Olmec 1 - Morton St. Food Forest	City of Boston Department of Neighborhood Development	\$100,000
Roxbury	Frederick Douglass Plaza	Mayor's Office of Arts and Culture	\$400,000
Roxbury	Winthrop Community Garden	The Trustees of Reservations	\$180,000
Roxbury	Oasis@Bartlett	Nuestra Comunidad Development Corporation	\$200,000
South Boston	Castle Island Interpretive Signs	Boston Harbor Now, Inc.	\$75,000
South End	Crite Park	City of Boston Public Works Department	\$250,000
West Roxbury	Cammarata Little League Complex Renovation	Parkway Little League	\$350,000
	TOTAL		\$6,283,955

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT
THE FOREGOING, IF PASSED IN
THE ABOVE FORM, WILL BE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.
BY Eugene L. O'Flaherty
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