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>> -- VALENTINE'S DAY TO EVERYONE.
IF I COULD GET MY COLLEAGUES TO SETTLE DOWN A LITTLE BIT SO WE COULD GET STARTED.
MADAM CLERK, WILL YOU PLEASE CALL THE ROLL TO ASCERTAIN THE PREPARES OF A QUORUM.
>> COUNCILOR BAKER, COUNCILOR CAMPBELL, COUNCILOR CIOMMO, COUNCILOR REDWOOD, COUNCILOR ESSAIBI GEORGE.
COUNCILOR FLIERT.
COUNCILOR FLYNN.
CHAIRMAN JAMIE, CHAIRMAN MICK CAR HE THEY, KAREN O'MALLEY, , COUNCILOR PRESSLEY, COUNCILOR WU AND COUNCILOR ZAKIM.
MADAM PRESIDENT, WE HAVE A QUORUM.
>> WONDERFUL, THANK YOU.
I'VE BEEN INFORMED BY THE COLLECTOR THAT A QUORUM IS PRESENT.
I ASK MY COLLEAGUES AND GUESTS PLEASE RISE AS OUR COUNCILOR INTRODUCES THE COLLEGEY FOR THE DAY.
I ASK AFTER THE INVOCATION EVERYONE REMAIN STANDING FOR THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.
COUNCILOR WU.
>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT.
TODAY I AM HONORED TO INTRODUCE FATHER JOHN -- FROM OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HEALTH MISSION CHURCH IN MISSION HILL.
FATHER WAS BORN INTO THE PARISH ATTENDING BOTH MISSION GRAMMAR AND MISSION HIGH SCHOOL.
AND SPENT 22 YEARS AS A MISSIONARY WORKING WITH LATINO COMMUNITY.
HE HAS SPENT TIME IN PUERTO RICO, AND AS A PARISH PRIEST SINCE 1988.
HIS ROLE INVOLVES SERVING THE WHAT THE THOSE.
I AM PROUD TO INTRODUCE FATHER --
>> THANK YOU EVERYONE.

RECEIVED THE OBLIGATION AND
RESPONSIBILITY RESPONSIBILITY TO
TAKE OVER THE KINGDOM OF KING
DAVID.

HE WAS STRUCK WITH THE 1307B89,
THE OBLIGATION THAT HE HAD TO
TAKE CARE OF SUCH A GREAT AMOUNT
OF PEOPLE.

SO HE ASKED OUR LORD TO GIVE HIM
WISDOM SO THAT HE WOULD BE ABLE
TO FULFILL THAT.

AND I'D LIKE TO READ NOW THE
PRAYER THAT HE OFFERED TO THE
LORD.

GOD OF MY FATHERS, LORD OF
MERCY, YOU WHO HAVE MADE ALL
THINGS BY YOUR WORD AND IN YOUR
WISDOM HAVE ESTABLISHED MAN TO
RULE PRODUCED BY YOU TO GARNER
THE WORLD IN HOLINESS AND
JUSTICE AND TO RENDER JUDGMENT
IN INTEGRITY OF HEART.

GIVE ME WISDOM.

THE ATTENDANT OF YOUR THROWN,
AMONG YOUR CHILDREN FOR I AM
YOUR SERVANT, THE SON OF YOUR
HAND MAID.

OUR MAN SHORT LIVED AND LACKING
AND COMPREHENSION OF JUDGMENT
AND OF LAWS.

INDEED THOUGH UNBE PERFECT AMONG
THE SONS OF MEN IF WISDOM WHO
COMES FROM YOU BE NOT WITH HIM,
SHALL BE HELD IN NOTICE STEAM.

I READ THE SAME NOW [SPEAKING
FOREIGN LANGUAGE]

AMEN.

[PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE IN
UNISON.]

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR WU AND
FATHER FUREY FOR THE PRAYER THIS
MORNING.

AT THIS TIME, I WOULD LIKE TO,
WE HAVE SOME SPECIAL GUESTS WHO
ARE HERE IN CITY HALL TODAY AND
IT'S A DELEGATION FROM UGANDA.
THEY ARE ACCOMPANIED BY THEIR
DEPUTY MAYOR.

I JUST WANTED TO RECOGNIZE THEM
AND THANK THEM FOR JOINING OUR
MEETING TODAY.

I'M NOT SURE IF THEY ARE IN THE
CHAMBER.

ARE THEY IN THE CHAMBER?

SO THEY'RE WALKING AROUND I KNOW WITH JANE FROM A ADMINISTRATION. I DEFINITELY WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE THEIR PRESENCE TODAY AT BOSTON CITY HALL AND THANK THEM FOR MEETING THE COUNCILMEMBERS AS WELL AS THE STAFF.

SO THANK YOU.

AT THIS TIME WE WILL GET INTO THE REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS. MADAM CLERK.

MADAM CLERK, HELLO.

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY, HAPPY ASH WEDNESDAY.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES, IF THERE ARE NO CORRECTIONS TO BE MADE, THE MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING WILL STAND APPROVED.

SEEING AND HEARING NO OBJECTIONS, THE MINUTES ARE SO APPROVED.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM HIS HONOR THE MAYOR.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0284 MESSAGE AND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCENT AND EXTEND THE AMOUNT OF \$1, 078,915.41 IN THE FORM OF A GRANT FOR THE CHARLES R SHANNON, JR. COMMUNITY SAFETY INITIATIVE AWARDED BY THE MASS EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND SECURITY TO BE STIRRED BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

THE GRANT WILL FUND REGIONAL AND MULTIDISCIPLINARY APPROACHES TO COMBAT GANG VIOLENCE THROUGH COORDINATED PREVENTION AND INTERVENTION LAW ENFORCEMENT, PROSECUTION, REINTEGRATION TYPE OF PROGRAM.

THANK YOU.

>> DOCKET 0284 REPLACING THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0285, MESSAGE AND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND EXTEND THE AMOUNT OF \$250,000 IN THE FORM OF A GRANT FOR THE IMMIGRANT ADVANCEMENT INITIATIVE AWARDED BY A DONOR GROUP TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE OFFICE OF IMGRUNT ADVANCEMENT.

THE GRANT WILL STUNNED PROGRAMS,
INITIATIVES, EVENTS AND SMALL
GRANTS THAT ENABLE IMMIGRANTS TO
PLAY AN ACTIVE ROLE IN THE
ECONOMIC CIVIC SOCIAL AND
CULTURAL LIFE OF THE CITY OF
BOSTON.

>> CHAIR RECOGNIZES COUNCILOR
PRESSLEY.

AT THIS TIME COUNCILOR PRESSLEY
LOOKS TO SUSPEND THE RULES AND
PASS DOCKET NUMBER 0285.

ALL THOSE IN FAVOR SAY AYE.

ANY OPPOSED SAY NAY.

THE AYES HAVE IT, DOCKET 0285
HAS BEEN PASSED.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0286, MESSAGE
AND ORDER TO DECLARE SURPLUS OF
THE BOSTON CITY PLANNING
DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES OWNED
PARCELS OF VACANT LAND AND
TRANSFER TO THE CARE CUSTODY,
MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL OF SAID
PROPERTY TO THE PUBLIC
FACILITIES DEPARTMENT.

THE PARCELS ARE LOCATED AT
CONYUR'S STREET EAST BOSTON
DISTRICT WARD ONE PARCEL NUMBER
033640000.

CONYER'S STREET WARD ONE PARCEL
NUMBER 03365000.

AND -- STREET AND EAST
BOSTONWARD ONE PARCEL NUMBER
0 366000.

>> DOCKET 0286 WILL BE PLACED IN
THE COMMITTEE ON PLANNING DON'T
AND TRANSPORTATION.

REPORT OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND
OTHERS.

MADAM CLERK.

>> WOULD YOU LIKE ME TO READ ALL
THREE.

>> THAT WOULD BE GREAT, THANK
YOU.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0287, NOTICES
RECEIVED FROM THE CITY CLERK IN
ACCORDANCE OF CHAPTER 6 OF THE
ORDINARIANCES OF 1979 REGARDING
ACTION TAKEN BY THE MAYOR ON
PAPERS ACTIVE BY THE CITY
COUNCIL AT ITS MEETING OF
JANUARY 24, 2018.

DOCKET NUMBER 0288 COMMUNICATION
WAS RECEIVED FROM LAWRENCE --

CHAIRMAN OF THE AUDIT COMMITTEE
UPDATING THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THEIR MEETING HELD WITH
INDEPENDENT AUDITORS KPMG, LLP
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER
31ST, 2017.

AND DOCKET NUMBER 0289, NOTICES
RECEIVED FROM THE MAYOR OF HIS
ABSENCE FROM THE CITY FROM 6:00
P.M. ON FRIDAY FEBRUARY 9, 2018
UNTIL 12:00 P.M. ON SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 11, 2018.

>> DOCKET 0287 THROUGH 0289 WILL
BE PLACED ON FILE.

MATTERS RECENTLY HEARD FOR
POSSIBLE ACTION.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0137 MESSAGE
AND ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY
OF BOSTON TO ACCEPT AND HE CAN
TEND A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$400,000 FROM THE COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS EXECUTIVE
OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS.
THE DIVISION OF CONSERVATION
SERVICE PARK LAND ACQUISITIONS
AND RENOVATIONS FOR COMMUNITIES
KNOWN AS PARK, PROGRAM GRANT.
THE PARKS AND RECREATION
DEPARTMENT WILL STIR THE FUNDS
TO BE USED TO PROVIDE CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT TO NOISE PLAYGROUND
LOCATED IN THE EAST BOSTON
NEIGHBORHOOD.

>> CHAIR RECOGNIZES COUNCILOR
O'MALLEY.

>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT.
ON MONDAY, THE COMMITTEE ON
ENVIRONMENT SUSTAINABILITY AND
PARKS HELD A HEARING IN REGARD
TO THIS DOCKET, A \$400,000 GRANT
FROM THE COMMONWEALTH,
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF
ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS DIVISION
OF CONSERVATION SERVICES PARK
LAND ACQUISITIONS AND
RENOVATIONS FOR COMMUNITIES
GRANT.

IT'S CALLED THE PARK GRANT FOR
VERY GOOD REASON WHICH MAKES IT
A LITTLE BIT EASIER.

JOIN THE BY DISTRICT ONE
COUNCILOR LYDIA EDWARDS WHO HAS
BEEN A PASSIONATE ADVOCATE FOR

THIS PARK AFTER THE HEARING RECEIVED A PHONE CALL FROM OUR OLD PAL SAL LAMATTINA WHO WORK VERY HARD IN THE PROCESS OF THIS PARK BEING LED INTO COMPLETION BY COUNCILOR EDWARDS.

THE CITY HAS PUT IN WELL OVER \$3 MILLION FOR THIS.

THIS IS A SAFE GRANT THAT'S GOING TO HELP BUILD A BEAUTIFUL PARK, NOISE PARK IN EAST BOSTON. IT'S GOING TO HAVE A SYNTHETIC SOCCER FIELD I PREFER TURF BUT THE SYNTHETIC WILL ALLOW MORE USAGE LONGER IN THE SEASON. IT'S GOING TO HAVE SOFTBALL FIELD, BASEBALL FIELD, BASKETBALL COURTS AND PERHAPS MOST EXCITING TO ME IT'S GOING TO HAVE ENERGY EFFICIENT LED LIGHTS.

IT'S GOING TO HAVE NOT ONE WITH YOU TWO WATER FILLING STATIONS AND COMMISSIONER COOK ASSURED ME AT OUR HEARING IT WILL HAVE A SUN SCREEN DISPENSER THROUGH OUR PARTNERSHIP WITH IMPACT MEL NO AWE.

THIS IS NOT IN MY DISTRICT BUT I WILL BE VISITING THIS PARK VERY FREQUENTLY.

THIS IS GOING TO BE AN AMAZING THING FOR 9 YOUNG AT HEART IN EAST BOSTON AND BEYOND.

I ASK WE VOTE AFFIRMATIVELY IN PASSAGE OF THIS DOCKET TODAY. IT'S GOING TO BE A GREAT THING. THE RFI'S WILL GO OUT NEXT MONTH.

THE CONSTRUCTION SHOULD START BY MAY OF THIS YEAR AND THE COMMISSION HAS ASSURED ME BY THE LITTLE LEAGUE SEASON OF 2019, THIS PARK WILL BE FULLY UP AND OPERATIONAL AND I LOOK FORWARD TO THE RIBBON CUTTING.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR O'MALLEY. AT THIS TIME COUNCILOR O'MALLEY MOVES FOR ACCEPTANCE OF THE COMMITTEE REPORT AND PASSAGE OF DOCKET 0137.

ALL THOSE IN FAVOR SAY AYE.

OPPOSED SAY NAY.

THE AYES HAVE IT.
DOCKET 0137 HAS BEEN PASSED.
>> DOCKET NUMBER 0129, MESSAGE
AND ORDER FOR YOUR APPROVAL AND
ORDINANCE ALLOWING SHORT TERM
RESIDENTIAL RENTAL IN THE CITY
OF BOSTON.

THE ORDINANCE PROVIDES A PROCESS
THROUGH WITH CERTAIN DWELLING
UNITS MAY BE REGISTERED WITH THE
CITY FOR USE AS SHORT TERM
RENTAL UNITS.

>> THE CHAIR RECOGNIZES
COUNCILOR FLAHERTY.

>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT.
WE HELD A FIVE HOUR HEARING
YESTERDAY BY OVER 200 RESIDENTS
OF THE CITY.

CHIEF DILLON, COMMISSIONER
CHRISTOPHER AND CHRIS ENGLISH
THE POLICY ANALYST FED IN
SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSAL ON
BEHALF OF THE ADMINISTRATION
HIGHLIGHTING AND ENGAGING US ON
SEVERAL THINGS INCLUDING THE
NEED FOR REGULATION AS A RESULT
OF HOUSING UNITS BEING TAKEN OFF
THE MARKET AND USED FOR SHORT
TERM ACCOMMODATIONS AS WELL AS
THE PROPOSED FEE STRUCTURE AND
ENFORCEMENT OF THE REGULATIONS
ALONG WITH DATA COLLECTION.
THE COMMITTEE ALSO HEARD FROM
PROponents AND OPPONENTS.
THE SHORT TERM RENTAL INDUSTRY.
THE PROponents EXPRESSING HOW
THIS INDUSTRY PROVIDES VERY
NECESSARY SUPPLEMENTAL INCOME TO
INDIVIDUALS WHO NEED THAT EXTRA
CASH FLOW TO BE ABLE TO LIVE IN
THE CITY AND TO MAINTAIN THEIR
OWN PROPERTIES.

ALSO OPPONENTS SHOWED HOW
COMMUNITIES, PARTICULARLY
CHINATOWN YESTERDAY SEEING
OPPONENTS BUYING ALL WHOLE
BUILDINGS FOR SHORT TERM RENTAL
BNBS.

MY COLLEAGUES WILL AGREE THERE
WERE SOME CONCERNS AND
DISAPPROVAL AROUND THE INVESTOR
CATEGORY SO THAT WILL PROBABLY
GIVE US A STARTING POINT AS TO
WHERE WE'RE TOGETHER TO LOOK TO

PROBABLY MAKE SOME SUBSTANTIAL AMENDMENTS TO THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE.

AT THIS TIME RECOMMENDING THROUGH YOU MADAM PRESIDENT THAT IT STAY IN COMMITTEE.

MY SUGGESTION WILL PROBABLY BE A WORKING SESSION THE NEXT COUPLE WEEKS AND LET'S TRY TO GET SOMETHING ON THE BOOKS BETWEEN NOW AND THE SIX DAY ORDER WHICH IS MARCH THE 21ST.

SO WE'LL NEED TO TAKE ACTION BETWEEN THOUSAND AND THEN. THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR FLAHERTY. AT THIS TIME DOCKET 0129 WILL REMAIN IN THE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS.

MOTIONS ORDERS AND RESOLUTIONS.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0290, COUNCILOR JANEY OFFERS THE FOLLOWING ORDER.

FOR HEARING REGARDING THE OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES FACING SMALL BUSINESSES IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

>> COUNCILOR JANEY, YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH AND MANY THANKS TO MY COLLEAGUES ON THE COUNCIL FOR BEING SO WARM AND WELCOMING.

I'M INCREDIBLY GRATEFUL AND EXTREMELY PROUD TO SERVE ON THE MOST DIVERSITY COUNCIL IN BOSTON'S HISTORY.

I ALSO WANT TO ACKNOWLEDGE MY INCREDIBLE STAFF FOR THE AMAZING WORK IN SERVING THE RESIDENTS OF ROXBURY SOUTH AND DOOR CHERGS AND FENWAY.

I NEED TO PAY HANNAH IMTO MY MOTHER WHO IS HERE -- HOMAGE TO MY MOTHER WHO IS HERE TODAY.

[APPLAUSE]

SHE IS THE MOST GENEROUS PERSON THAT I KNOW AND I AM GRATEFUL FOR EVERYTHING SHE HAS TAUGHT ME AND HER COMMITMENT TO FAMILY AND COMMUNITY.

SHE IS JOINED BY FAMILY MEMBERS, NEIGHBORS, FRIENDS AND BUSINESS OWNERS IN MY COMMUNITY.

IT IS A GRATE HONOR FOR ME AS A DAUGHTER OF ROXBURY TO SERVE MY COMMUNITY.

AND WHILE I AM PRIVILEGED TO BE REPRESENT EACH OF THE NEIGHBORHOODS IN MY DIVERSE DISTRICT, AS TODAY IS VALENTINE'S DAY, I MUST PROCLAIM MY ROXBURY LOVE FOR THE COMMUNITY THAT HAS GIVEN ME SO MUCH.

[APPLAUSE]

AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, I WAS BORN INTO A LARGE FAMILY OF EDUCATORS, ARTISTS, ACTIVISTS AND ENTREPRENEURS WHO SHARE A DEEP LOVE FOR OUR COMMUNITY AND OUR CITY.

MY FATHER GRANDPARENTS MADE ROXBURY THEIR HOME ALMOST A HUNDRED YEARS AGO AND MY FAMILY WHO LIVED IN ROXBURY OVER THE SPAN OF SIX GENERATIONS.

I'M ALSO PART OF MY ROOTS IN THE SOUTH END.

YOU SEE MY MOTHER'S GRANDPARENTS ESCAPED THE JIM CROW SOUTH AND CAME TO BOSTON IN SEARCH OF A BETTER OPPORTUNITY.

THEY WANT WHAT WE ALL WANT. THEY WANT TO EARN A GOOD LIVING, TO BUY A HOME, TO GIVE THEIR CHILDREN AN EXCELLENT EDUCATION. AND THAT IS THE STORY THAT SO MANY OF US SHARE.

WHETHER AFRICAN AMERICAN, IRISH CATHOLIC OR WHETHER RECENT IMMIGRANT.

OUR FAMILIES HAVE ARRIVED IN BOSTON IN PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS ROOTED IN THE AMERICAN DREAM. BUT FOR TOO MANY OF US, THAT OPPORTUNITY HAS BEEN SLIPPING AWAY.

INCOME INEQUAL TEAR IS A PERSISTENT AND PERVASIVE PROBLEM FACING OUR CITY AND OUR DOWN TREE.

MOIFER THE WEALTH GAP IS STARKLY DRAWN ALONG RACIAL LINES AND HAS MEANT THAT BLACK FAMILIES IN BOSTON HAVE DRAMATICALLY LEFT WEALTH TO PASS ON TO THEIR CHILDREN.

WE KNOW HISTORICALLY THERE ARE
TWO WAYS TO BUILD WEALTH.
WE CAN DO SO THROUGH
HOMEOWNERSHIP AND THROUGH
ENTREPRENEURSHIP.
AS EVERYONE IN THIS ROOM ALREADY
KNOWS WE'RE IN THE MIDST OF A
MAJOR HOUSING CRISES.
JUST AS RISING REPRESENTS ARE
IMPACTING RESIDENTS THROUGHOUT
THE CITY RISING COMMERCIAL RENTS
ARE PUTTING GREAT PRESSURE ON
SMALL BUSINESSES.
AND WHAT USED TO BE THE MOST
VIBRANT AND THRIVING COMMERCIAL
DISTRICT IN THE CITY SECOND ONLY
TO DOWNTOWN, MY OWN NEIGHBORHOOD
OF DUDLEY SQUARE NOW HAS 12
EMPTY STORE FRONTS.
A NOTION ICONIC LOCAL
INSTITUTION OF DEEP CULTURAL
SIGNIFICANCE HAS BEEN REPLACED
BY A CHECK CASHING STORE.
BUT WHAT I HAVE SEEN AND
EXPERIENCED AND LEARNED IS THAT
THERE ARE CHALLENGES BUT THERE
ARE ALSO OPPORTUNITIES.
TODAY DUDLEY SQUARE STANDS AS
ONE OF THE MOST PROMISING AREAS
IN OUR CITY WITH 14,000
RESIDENTS WITHIN A HALF MILE
SPENDING AN ESTIMATED \$85
MILLION ON RETAIL AND
RESTAURANTS.
BUT THIS MONEY IS BEING SPENT IN
RANDOLPH INSTEAD OF ROXBURY.
AND AT THE SOUTH SHORE PLAZA
INSTEAD OF THE SOUTH END.
BUT I REMAIN HOPEFUL.
THE CREATIVELY, THE TALENT, THE
WORK ETHIC OF THE RESIDENTS
INSPIRES ME EACH AND EVERY DAY.
OUR PEOPLE ARE WHAT MAKE BOSTON
STRONG.
BUT IT IS OUR NEIGHBORHOOD THAT
GIVE OUR PEOPLE THEIR SPIRIT.
AND IT IS THE SMALL MOM AND POP
BUSINESSES THAT GIVE OUR
NEIGHBORHOODS THEIR CHARACTER.
THE INVESTMENT OF TIME, ENERGY
AND LOVE BY ENTREPRENEURS IN
THEIR BLOCKS AND THEIR
NEIGHBORHOODS THROUGH THE
INVOLVEMENT OF THEIR LOCAL MAIN

STREETS AND CIVIC ORGANIZATIONS IS INVESTMENT NOT ONLY IN THEIR OWN BUSINESS.

BUT IN THE ECONOMIC SOCIAL STRENGTH OF NEIGHBORHOODS AND OUR PEOPLE THROUGH THE CREATION OF JOBS.

COMMENDABLE EFFORTS BY THE ADMINISTRATION AND SIGNIFICANT WORK BY MY COLLEAGUES ON THIS COUNCIL HAVE ALREADY RESULTED IN IMPROVEMENTS FOR SMALL BUSINESSES.

AND I WANT TO BUILD ON THAT GOOD WORK.

THIS HEARING ORDER WILL ALLOW US TO EXAMINE HOW WE CAN REMOVE BARRIERS AND UTILIZE EXISTING OPPORTUNITIES AS WELL AS CREATE NEW ONES.

WE MUST SEEK CREATIVE SOLUTIONS TO HELP ESTABLISH BUSINESSES REMAIN IN OUR CITY AND GROW AND TO ALLOW NEW BUSINESSES TO OPEN HERE.

WE NEED POLICIES RESPONDING TO THE PRESSURES OF COMMERCIAL GENTRIFICATION AND WE STILL HAVE TO DO WORK IN ADDRESSING THE MANY PERMITTING AND LICENSING PROCESSES THAT CAN BE A ROAD BLOCK FOR MANY SMALL BUSINESSES INCLUDING THE ACCESS TO CAPITAL. FINALLY THERE IS MUCH MORE TO DO AND SUPPORTING OUR SMALL BUSINESSES OWNED BY WOMEN, IMMIGRANTS AND PEOPLE OF COLOR. WE NEED COMMUNITIES WHERE PEOPLE CAN LIVE, WORK AND PLAY.

OUR LOCAL BUSINESS DISTRICTS NEED TO BE PLACES WHERE YOU CAN WORK IN AN OFFICE DRY CLEAN YOUR CLOTHES, ENJOY A MEAL AT A SIT-DOWN RESTAURANT, BUY A CUTE OUTFIT ARE FOR YOURSELF, A GIFT FOR A FRIEND, SEE A SHOW AT A THREE OR SHOP FOR AFFORDABLE GROCERIES FOR YOUR FAMILIES. THIS IS WITHIN OUR REACH AND TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE IT A REALITY.

TODAY MARK THE DAY THAT FREDERICK DOUGLAS TOOK AS HIS BIRTHDAY.

HE FOUGHT HIS ENTIRE LIVE FOR
FREEDOM AND EQUALITY.
AFTER A HUNDRED YEARS AFTER HIS
DEATH WE CONTINUE THAT FIGHT.
SUPPORTING SMALL BUSINESSES IS
AT THE VERY CORE AN ISSUE OF
JUSTICE AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY.
AS A COMMUNITY ORGANIZER ARE I
HAVE SPENT MY ENTIRE LIFE
ADVOCATING FOR RACIAL AND
ECONOMIC JUSTICE.
AND I ALSO GRATEFUL FOR THE
OPPORTUNITY TO CONTINUE THIS
WORK WITH ALL OF YOU IN THIS
CHAMBER AND WITH ALL OF YOU IN
THE COMMUNITY THAT I LOVE.
THANK YOU SO MUCH.

[APPLAUSE]

>> WELCOME TO THE COUNCIL,
COUNCILOR JANEY.

[APPLAUSE]

AT THIS TIME WOULD ANYONE LIKE
TO ADD THEIR NAME.

MADAM CLERK IF YOU COULD ADD
COUNCILOR BAKER, CIOMMO,
EDWARDS, ESSAIBI GEORGE,
FLAHERTY, FLYNN, MCCARTHY,
COUNCILOR O'MALLEY, COUNCILOR
PRESSLEY, COUNCILOR WU,
COUNCILOR ZAKIM AND THE CHAIR.
AT THIS TIME DOCKET 0290 WILL BE
PLACED IN THE COMMITTEE ON SMALL
BUSINESS AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS.
BEFORE I GO TO THE NEXT DOCKET,
MADAM CLERK, I QUICKLY WANT TO
ACKNOWLEDGE THE DELEGATION FROM
UGANDA.

I RECOGNIZED THEM EARLIER BUT
THEY WEREN'T IN THE CHAMBER.
IF YOU WOULD PLEASE STAND.

[APPLAUSE]

AND THEY ARE LED BY THEIR DEPUTY
MAYOR AND THANK YOU FOR BEING
HERE TODAY AND THANK YOU FOR
BEING IN THE BUILDING AND TAKING
PART IN OUR COUNCIL MEETING.
AND THANK YOU, JAMES, FOR YOUR
WORK ON THIS TOO.

AT THIS TIME MADAM CLERK, CAN
YOU READ DOCKET NUMBER 029 1.
>> DOCKET NUMBER 02 1 COUNCILOR
WU OFFERS THE FOLLOWING ORDER
FOR HEARING TO DISCUSS FLOODING
IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

>> CHAIR RECOGNIZES COUNCILOR
WU.

>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT.
WE ARE ALL FAMILIAR RIGHT
THOUSAND THAT BOSTON IS IN A
UNIQUELY VULNERABLE PLACE WHEN
IT COMES TO OUR CHANGING WEATHER
PATTERN AND SEA LEVEL RISE.
WE SAW NOT JUST A LITTLE OVER A
MONTH AGO THAT WHEN THE FACTORS
ARE JUST RIGHT, A STORM PLUS
WHERE THE MOON IS AND THE TIDE
MEANS THAT ALMOST ALL OF THE
SEAPORT, INTO DORCESTER DOWN
DORSI BOULEVARD, THE WATER'S
COMING.

WE THINK TYPICALLY OF CLIMATE
CHANGE AFFECTING OUR
NEIGHBORHOODS THAT ARE CLOSEST
TO THE WATER.

THE CITY'S DONE GREAT WORK
PLANNING FOR EAST BOSTON AND
CHARLESTOWN AND NOW INTO THE
SEAPORT.

BUT THE TRUTH IS WE HAVE TO
PREPARE NOT JUST FOR THOSE RIGHT
ON THE EDGE OF THE WATERFRONT
BUT ALLEGE SO ALL OF OUR
NEIGHBORHOODS INSIDE AND
PARTICULARLY OUR COMMUNITIES
THAT ARE NOT ABLE TO AFFORD THAT
ADAPTATION.

SO IT'S ABOUT PREPARING FOR
FLOODING.

IT'S ABOUT MOVING ALL THE
MECHANICALS UP.

BUT CLIMATE CHANGE ALSO
EXACERBATES THE HOUSING STOCK
THAT IS NOT UP TO STANDARDS AS
IT IS.

SO WHEN YOU HAVE ISSUES OF MOLD
OR LEAD PAINT, WHEN THERE'S
FLOODING AND ALL THAT, IT JUST
MAKE IT WORSE.

THE HEAT FOR WORKERS WHO ARE
WORKING OUTSIDE MAKE IT WORSE.
SO I AM SUBMITTING THIS HEARING
ORDER AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO TALK
ABOUT WHAT WORK WE'VE DONE TO
PREPARE SPECIFICALLY FOR
FLOODING IN BOSTON.

ALL THROUGHOUT OUR CITY.
AND ALSO TO TALK ABOUT HOW WE'RE
GOING EVERYTHING THAT'S INCLUDED

FROM A MAJOR SEAWALL IN BOSTON HARBOR THROUGH PROGRAM THAT WOULD ALLOW HOMEOWNERS TO RENOVATE THEIR HOMES AND MAKE SURE THEY ARE COMPLETELY UP TO THE MOST PROTECTIVE STANDARDS. SO SOME OTHER CITIES DO THIS VERY WELL.

AMSTERDAM MIGHT BE A EXCESS PAM PULL.

THEY ARE GOING OUT TO THE YEAR 2100.

SO WE'RE GOOD UNTIL 2030.

WE'RE THINKING ABOUT 2030 BUT WE REALLY NEED TO PUSH BEYOND THAT AND HOW WE'LL PAY FOR IT AND HOW TO CONTINUE TO MAINTAIN ALL OF THAT INFRASTRUCTURE.

I WELCOME THAT CONVERSATION AND HOPE EVERYONE SIGNS ON.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR WU, COUNCILOR PRESSLY, YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> JUST RISE TO COMMEND THE MAKER AND WISH TO HAVE MY NAME ADDED.

AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP IN THIS SPACE AND I WANTED TO SAY WE HAVE ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF YOUR SMART AND FORWARD THINKING APPROACH BUT THE REALITY IS THAT IT DOESN'T EVEN FEEL AT THIS POINT FORWARD THINKING BECAUSE THE THREAT IS SO IMMINENT AND WE DO NEED TO MAKE SURE THERE'S AN EQUITABLE VENT IN THE RESILIENCY OF ALL OUR COMMUNITIES AND NOT JUST THE THREE THAT SEEM THE MOST IMMINENTLY VULNERABLE BECAUSE OF SEA LEVEL RISE AND FLOODING.

SO AGAIN THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP AND I WISH TO HAVE MY NAME ADDED.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR PRESSLEY. IF WE COULD ADD COUNCILOR PRESSLEY'S NAME.

COUNCILOR ZAKIM YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT. I WANT TO THANK COUNCILOR WU FOR BRINGING THIS FORWARD AND THE RISK OF STEALING COUNCILOR O'MALLEY'S THUNDER HE REMAINLDZ

US THAT FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS
NOT ACTING IN THIS FIELD
WHATSOEVER.

AS A COASTAL CITY, AS AN OLDER
CITY BOSTON IS VULNERABLE SO I
WANT TO THANK YOU FOR BRINGING
THIS FORWARD.

I LOOK FORWARD TO A HEARING BUT
ALSO SOMEONE WHO NOT ONLY LIVES
BUT REPRESENTS MANY OF THE
NEIGHBORHOODS IN OUR CITY THAT
WERE BUILT ON LAND FILL THAT ARE
STILL IN MANY WAYS ESPECIALLY
VULNERABLE TO FLOODING.

FROM MINOR INCREASES WATER
LEVELS IT'S A HUGE PROBLEM.

I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY FOLKS
REMEMBER FROM A COUPLE YEARS AGO
WE HAD THE BOSTON GLOBE PRINTED
A GRAPHIC AND MUCH OF MY
DISTRICT WAS UNDER WATER.

IT'S SOMETHING THAT'S MORE
IMMINENT THAN WE'D LIKE TO
THINK.

THIS IS FORWARD THINKING, IT IS
IMPORTANT.

LOOKS LIKE WE HAVE A FEW YEARS
BEFORE WE'RE REALLY UNDER WATER
BUT THIS IS HAPPENING.

WE ALL SEE THE PICTURES, WE ALL
SEE NEWS REPORTS WHEN THERE IS
UNUSUAL WEATHER WHEN THESE
THINGS COME UP WE HAVE.

HAVE LOTS OF OUR NEIGHBORHOODS
OUR FLOODING.

WE HAD GREAT BOSTON FIREFIGHTERS
JUST LAST MONTH RESCUING PEOPLE
FROM FLOODED VEHICLE ON THE
STREETS OF THE CITY OF BOSTON.

THIS IS NOT AN ABSTRACTION.
THIS IS NOT SOMETHING THAT'S
GOING TO HAPPEN TO OUR CHILDREN
OR OUR GRANDCHILDREN, THIS IS
HAPPENING RIGHT NOW.

SO THANK YOU FOR FILING THIS.
PLEASE ADD MY NAME AND I LOOK IN
ORDER TO A HEARING AND MAKING
SURE WE MOVE FORWARD ON THIS AS
A CITY.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR ZAKIM.
IF YOU COULD ADD COURTROOM
ZAKIM'S NAME, COUNCILOR BAKER,
CIOMMO, EDWARDS, ESSAIBI GEORGE,
FLAHERTY, FLYNN, JANEY,

MCCARTHY, COUNCILOR O'MALLEY AS WELL AS THE CHAIR.
DOCKET 0291 WILL BE PLACED IN THE COMMITTEE ON PLANNING DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPORTATION.
>> DOCKET NUMBER 0292, COUNCILOR WU AND O'MALLEY OFFER THE FOLLOWING ORDER FOR HEARING TO DISCUSS RESILIENCY STANDARDS FOR REDEVELOPMENT OR DEVELOPMENT CITY-OWNED PROPERTY.
>> COUNCILOR WU, YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.
>> MADAM PRESIDENT I'M PROUD TO WORK WITH COUNCILOR O'MALLEY IN SPINNING OFF A LITTLE PIECE OF HIS LARGER WORK ON THE DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS FOR NET ZERO AS THE CITY'S GROWING AND GROWING.
AS WE HAVE LEARNED, THE ADMINISTRATION IS REALLY WORKING HARD AND HITTING ALL THE GOALS TO CREATE MORE UNITS OF HOUSING PARTICULARLY THINKING ABOUT AFFORDABLE AND WORK FORCE HOUSING AND TO JUST ABOUT A WEEK AGO THE CITY PUT OUT AN RFI LISTING SOME OF THE PROPERTIES WE ALREADY OWN, LIBRARIES, COMMUNITY CENTERS, ETCETERA, TO THINK ABOUT HOW TO WE MAYBE REDEVELOP AND ADD SOME UNITS FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING ON TOP OF THOSE OR MIX IT IN.
MAKE IT WORK ALL AROUND.
SO AS COUNCILOR O'MALLEY'S WORKING ON HOW WE SET STANDARDS IN GENERAL, HERE'S A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY WHERE THE CITY ALREADY IS ABLE TO CONTROL AND SET OUR OWN STANDARDS WITHOUT GOING TO STATE GOVERNMENT AND TALKING ABOUT HOUSING CODES AND BUILDING CODES AND ALL THAT.
THE BOTTOM LINE IS THAT EVERY ONE IN BOSTON SHOULD BE ABLE TO LIVE IN A HOME THAT IS HEALTHY, THAT IS SAFE AND THAT IS PREPARED FOR THE FUTURE THAT'S GOING TO COME.
AND THAT MEANS THAT RESIDENTS WHO LIVE IN AFFORDABLE HOUSING SHOULD LIVE IN THE MOST ENERGY

EFFICIENT, THE MOST RESILIENT,
THE MOST HEALTHY TYPE OF UNITS
THAT CAN BE PRODUCED AND THESE
DAYS THE TECHNOLOGY'S OUT THERE
SO THAT THE COST DIFFERENTIAL
AND COUNCILOR BAKER BROUGHT UP
THIS POINT BEFORE, THE COST
DIFFERENTIAL IS SHRINKING AND
ACTUALLY MAY NOT BE THAT MUCH
DIFFERENCE IN COST.

IN THE LONG RUNG THESE MEASURES
END UP PAYING DIVIDENDS IN GREAT
NUMBERS.

SO WE'RE TALKING ABOUT CREATING
OPPORTUNITY FOR THE CITY TO
COMMIT TO CERTAIN STANDARDS SO
THAT THESE RESIDENTS OF OUR NEW
AFFORDABLE UNITS WILL LIVE IN
GREAT HOUSING, HEALTHY HOUSING
AND NOT PAY FOR ENERGY COSTS.
IF.

HOUSE IS WELL THIS IS LATED.
THERE'S NO NEED TO TURN ON THE
HEAT OR COOLING.

THANK YOU COUNCILOR O'MALLEY FOR
PARTNERING ON THIS AND
PRIORITIZING THIS SEPARATE IN A
YOUR OTHER WORK.

>> COUNCILOR O'MALLEY YOU HAVE
THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT I
RISE TO THANK MY DEAR FRIEND AND
CO-SPONSOR ON THIS OR NOUNCE,
COUNCILOR WU FOR HER GREAT
PARTNERSHIP ON THIS AND SO MANY
OTHER IMPORTANT ENVIRONMENTAL
INITIATIVES.

SHE BASICALLY SAID EVERYTHING I
WANT TO COVER.

I JUST ADD ONE POINT AND THE
BIGGEST QUESTION THAT WE'VE BEEN
ASKED THAT WE WILL BE ASKED THAT
HAS COME UP WITH THIS WHICH IS A
VERY VALID QUESTION, A QUESTION
I ASK MYSELF IS THIS K34EBGLY --
ECONOMICALLY FEASIBLE.

ARE WE BUILDING REAL AFFORDABLE
HOUSING SOMETHING THAT IS SCARCE
IN THIS CITY AT THE RISK OF
MAKING IT ENERGY EFFICIENT.
AND THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS
THE TWO ARE NOT MUTUALLY
EXCLUSIVE.

IN FACT IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF

PENNSYLVANIA ONE OF THE OTHER
FOUR COMMON WELTS IN THE COUNTRY
THEY PUT A PREMIUM ON THE
AFFORDABLE HOUSING UNIT.
THERE ARE THREE ASPECT THAT HAVE
REALIZED REAL COST SAVINGS
MONEY.

ONE IS THAT EFFICIENT GREEN
BUILDINGS HAVE LOWER OPERATING
COSTS, THEY HAVE FAR LOWER
MAINTENANCE COSTS, THE SECOND IS
IF YOU'RE LOSING LESS FUEL, YOU
ARE LESS DEPENDENT ON THE
FLUCTUATION OF FUEL PRICES WHICH
CAN VARY GREATLY AS MANY OF US
KNOW.

THE THIRD IS THERE ARE BETTER
HEALTH OUTCOMES TO COME WITH
GREBE BUILDINGS.
SO THIS IS SOMETHING THAT REALLY
IS WHAT WE NEED TO BE FOCUSING
ON.

THANK ALL OF YOU FOR YOUR
SUPPORT AND OUR EFFORTS TO LOOK
AT NET ZERO COULD BE ON NEW
DEVELOPMENT ON MARKET RATE ON
AFFORDABLE, ON EVERYTHING BUT
THIS SPECIFIC FOCUS THAT I'M
PARTNERING WITH COUNCILOR WU ON
IS REALLY AN OPPORTUNITY FOR US
TO EXAMINE AN OPPORTUNITY TO
BUILD MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING
MAKE SURE IT'S HEALTHY FOR OUR
RESIDENTS AND THEIR WALLETS AS
WELL.

I LOOK FORWARD TO QUICK ACTION.
THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR O'MALLEY.
ANYONE ELSE WOULD LIKE TO ADD
THEIR NAME TO.

MADAM CLERK IF YOU COULD
COUNCILOR SEE MOW, BAKER,
EDWARDS, ESSAIBI GEORGE,
FLAHERTY, FLYNN, JANEY,
MCCARTHY, PRESSLEY, COUNCILOR
ZAKIM AND THE CHAIR.

DOCKET 02 2 PLACED IN THE
COMMITTEE ON PLANNING
DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSFORMATION.
>> DOCKET NUMBER 0293 COUNCILOR
EDWARDS OFFERS THE FOLLOWING
ORDER FOR HEARING REGARDING THE
REDEVELOPMENT OF ONE CHARLESTOWN
PROJECT.

>> COUNCILOR YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.
>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT.
I'M HERE TODAY BECAUSE WE ARE AT
A PIVOTAL MOMENT ESPECIALLY NOT
ONLY IN BOSTON BUT IN MY
DISTRICT SPECIFICALLY
CHARLESTOWN.

WE HAVE THE LARGEST HOUSING
PROJECT IN NEW ENGLAND.
THERE WAY HAVE 1100 UNITS AND
THE CITY HAS ENDEAVORED TO REDO
THOSE UNITS.

THEY'VE BEEN THERE SINCE THE
190'S.

THEY'RE THE OLDEST HOUSING IN
THE CITY AND WE NEED TO DO RIGHT
3W50EU9 INDIVIDUALS WE INTEND TO
HAVE.

THERE ARE A LOT OF QUESTIONS AND
ISSUES THAT COME ABOUT WITH THAT
PROCESS.

AND AS A RESULT OF THAT I AS THE
CHAIR OF HOUSING IS GOING TO BE
HOSTING A HEARING SPECIFICALLY
ON ONE CHARLESTOWN.

THIS IS A HEARING ABOUT
TRANSPARENCY.

IT'S A HEARING ABOUT
ACCOUNTABILITY AND IT'S A
HEARING ABOUT CLARITY.

IT'S BRINGING IN THE
STAKEHOLDERS NOT TO TALK TO
CHARLESTOWN BUT IN FACT FOR
CHARLESTOWN TO TALK TO
STAKEHOLDERS ABOUT WHAT THEY
NEED FOR OUR FUTURE.

THE PROJECT IS CALLED ONE
CHARLESTOWN.

IT IS IN ONE SQUARE MIMÉ.
WHAT HAS BEEN PRODUCED SO FAR
WITH OVERBUILT, IT DID NOT
INCLUDE REALISTIC HOUSING FOR
ALL PEOPLE IN CHARLESTOWN.
AND THERE WAS NO ACTUAL PROMISE
THAT EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THE
UNITS WOULD BE ABLE, OF THE
PEOPLE LIVING THERE IN THE
HOUSING PROJECT WILL BE ABLE TO
COME BACK.

AND THAT IS A MASTIF
DISPLACEMENT I WILL -- MASSIVE
DISPLACEMENT I WILL CITE AGAIN.
I WANT THOSE PARTIES TO COME TO
CHARLESTOWN TO HEAR DIRECTLY

FROM THE FOLKS IN CHARLESTOWN.
I WANT TOGETHER TO DESIGN THE
FUTURE ON CHARLESTOWN AND THE
ONE CHARLESTOWN PROJECT.
ALREADY IN THIS PROCESS, WE HAD
PROMISES OF FOLKS BEING ABLE TO
GO AND TAKE THEIR VOUCHERS TO
FLORIDA TO GO ACROSS THE COUNTRY
AND I FIND THOSE PROMISES TO BE
INSULTING TO THE INTELLIGENCE
NOT ONLY TO THE INDIVIDUALS IN
THE HOUSING PROJECTS BUT THE
PEOPLE IN GENERAL.
SO I AM ASKING THAT NOT ONLY WE
HAVE THE HEARING THERE BUT EVERY
SINGLE ONE COUNCILOR HERE CON
AND JOIN ME IN CHARLESTOWN.
THIS IS SETTING A MODEL, IT WILL
SET A NATIONAL MODEL BECAUSE THE
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT IS PULLING
BACK ON INVESTING IN HOUSING.
AS ONE OF THE HOUSING PROJECTS
IN YOUR DISTRICTS COMING UP TO
BE REDONE THEY'RE GOING TO LOOK
TO WHAT HAPPENED IN CHARLESTOWN.
I'M HOPEFUL AND I'M BREAK WHEN
THEY LOOK AT -- PRAYING WHEN
THEY LOOK AT THAT EXAMPLE
THEY'LL SAY LOOK WHAT HAPPENED
THAT WE CREATED NOT ONLY HOUSING
THAT'S AFFORDABLE, HOUSING
THAT'S MARKETTABLE, RENT TO
OWN, LOOKING HOW WE INCORPORATED
PASSIVE HOUSING, WE MADE SURE WE
WERE LOOKING AT WATERFRONT AND
ACTUALLY COMING UP WITH FUTURES
FOR PEOPLE WHO WANTED TO STAY,
LIVE OWN AND BECOME A MEMBER AND
BECOME A CONTINUED MEMBERS OF
THE CHARLESTOWN.
I'M EXCITED ABOUT THIS
OPPORTUNITY.
I'LL BE DOOR KNOCKING TO TURN ON
AS MANY PEOPLE.
BPS WILL BE THERE -- LEGATE
MCCALL THEIR NEW FUNDER WILL BE
THERE.
I'M EXCITED AND HOPE YOU COME
OUT TO.
I'M ASKING THIS ORDER TO BE PUT
INTO MY COMMITTEE AND THAT WE
HOPEFULLY HAVE ALL OF YOUR
SUPPORT.
>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR EDWARDS.

ANYONE ELSE LIKE TO SPEAK ON
THIS MATTER OR ADD THEIR NAME?
COUNCILOR PRESSLEY, YOU HAVE THE
FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT.
I WISH TO HAVE MY NAME ADDED AND
COMPLETELY AGREE WITH YOU,
COUNCILOR EDWARDS, THAT THIS
WILL BE PRECEDENT SETTING IN THE
BEST WAY AND VISIONARY WAY AS A
MODEL OF THE COOPERATIVE
VISIONING AND DEVELOPMENT OF
COMMUNITY WHICH IS THE
STAKEHOLDER AND THE ROLE THE
COMMUNITY DESERVES TO PLAY IN
THE DEVELOPMENT OF IT.
AND WHILE WE KNOW THAT THE
FEDERAL GOVERNMENT THAT HAS
FAILED AND PUBLIC HOUSING HAD
BEEN DIVESTED IN OS TENSE ME,
THAT THESE INVESTMENTS AND
UPGRADES ARE LONG OVERDUE.
I APPRECIATE YOUR POINT AROUND
BUCKING AGAINST THE SAD REALITY
OF WHERE SO MANY PEOPLE HAVE
BEEN LIVING IN PUBLIC HOUSING
FOR GENERATIONS BUT THE
OPPORTUNITY TO RENT TO OWN
GETTING TO COUNCILOR JANEY'S
POINT ABOUT THIS BEING ONE OF
THE MAIN WAYS WE WISH TO BUILD
WEALTH THAT WE DO NEED TO GET
BACK TO THAT.

I LOOK FORWARD TO THE HEARING
AND BEING IN CHARLESTOWN FOR THE
HEARING AND AGAIN I THANK YOU
FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP.
AND WISH TO HAVE MY NAME ADDED.
THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR PRESSLEY.
MADAM CLERK, IF YOU COULD ADD
COUNCILOR PRESSLEY'S NAME,
COUNCILOR BAKER, COUNCILOR
ESSAIBI GEORGE, COUNCILOR
FLAHERTY, COUNCILOR FLYNN,
COUNCILOR JANEY, MCCARTHY,
O'MALLEY, WU, COUNCILOR ZAKIM AS
WELL AS THE CHAIR.

>> DOCKET 0293 WILL BE PLACED IN
THE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING.
PERSONNEL ORDER.

>> DOCKET NUMBER 0294, COUNCILOR
CAMPBELL FOR COUNCILOR BAKER.

>> COUNCILOR BAKER AT THIS TIME

MOVES FOR SUSPENSION OF THE RULE
AND PASSAGE OF DOCKET 0294, ALL
THOSE IN FAVOR SAY AYE.
ANY OPPOSED SAY NAY.
THE AYES HAVE IT.

DOCKET 029 HAS BEEN PASSED.
>> DOCKET 0295 COUNCILOR --
>> COUNCILOR BAKER MOVES FOR
SUSPENSION OF THE RULE AND
PASSAGE OF DOCKET 0295 ALL THOSE
IN FAVOR SAY AYE.
ANY OPPOSED SAY NAY.
THE AYES HAVE IT.

DOCKET 0295 HAS BEEN PASSED.
AT THIS TIME EEFNL?

-- I'M INFORMED BY THE CLERK WE HAVE TWO LATE FILE
MATTERS WHICH IN THE ABSENCE OF
OBJECTION WILL BE AD TO THE
AGENDA.

HAG AND HEARING NO OBJECTIONS
THE MATTERS WILL BE ADDED TO THE
AWE GENERAL DE.
IF YOU COULD RED THE FIRST FILED
MATTER.

>> IN THE CITY COUNCIL FEBRUARY
13, 12018.
COUNCILOR CAMPBELL FOR COUNCILOR
WU.

ORDERED THAT COUNCILOR WU MOVE
FOR SUSPENSION OF THE RULES AND
PASSAGE OF THE FIRST LATE FILE
MATTER.

ALL THOSE IN FAVOR SAY AYE.
ANY OPPOSED SAY NAY.
THE AYES HAVE IT THE FIRST LATE
FILE FARTHER HAS BEEN PASSED.
>> THE SECOND LATE FILE OFFERED
BY COUNCILOR MICHELLE WU ORDER
FOR HEARING TO DISCUSS THE CITY
OF BOSTON'S LOCAL ASSESSMENT
PAYMENT TO THE MBTA.

WHEREAS THE MASSACHUSETTS STATE
TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY KNOWN
AS MBTA OPERATING BUDGET
INCLUDES AS THE THREE LARGEST
SOURCES OF REVENUE ESTATE SALES
TACKS BY MBTA RIDERS AND
DEDICATED LOCAL ASSESSMENTS
LEVEED ON THE 175 MUNICIPALITIES
IN THE MBTA SERVICE AREA.
THE AMOUNT ASSESSED ON EACH CITY
AND TOWN IS DETERMINED BY
WEIGHTED POPULATION AND MBTA
SERVICE.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT
THE APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE OF THE
BOSTON CITY COUNCIL HOLD A
HEARING TO DISCUSS THE CITY OF
BOSTON'S ANNUAL LOCAL ASSESSMENT
FOR THE MBTA AND THAT
REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE MBTA
BOSTON TRANSPORTATION
DEPARTMENT, CITY OF BOSTON
BUDGET OFFICE AND PUBLIC PEA
INVITED TO TESTIFY.

FILED ON FEBRUARY 14TH, 2018.

>> COUNCILOR WU, YOU HAVE THE
FLOOR.
FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT.
EVERY YEAR -- THIS IS A PAIN
MADE ON BEHALF OF ALL RESIDENTS
COMING FROM OUR TAXPAYER DOLLARS
OF EVERY NEIGHBORHOOD AND YET
THE SERVICE THAT OUR RESIDENT
ARE GETTING ARE NOT, IS NOT AT
THE LEVEL THAT WAS THEY DESERVE
AND OUR RESIDENTS ARE NOT BEING
SERVED EQUITABLY ACROSS THE CITY
OF BOSTON.

I REALLY HATE TO LATE FILE
THINGS BUT THIS ONE I COULDN'T
NOT DO IT BECAUSE WE JUST HAD A
MEETING ON FRIDAY WHERE SO MANY
OF US WERE IN A ROOM WITH
RESIDENTS WHO WERE SAYING I
CAN'T AFFORD TO USE THE T
BECAUSE THE COMMUTER RAIL PRICES
ARE SO HIGH IN THESE
NEIGHBORHOODS THAT WE CAN'T MAKE
IT TO DOWNTOWN.

IT'S CHEAPER TO GO FROM HYDE
PARK TO PROVIDENCE THAN IT IS
FROM HYDE PARK TO RUGAL ON THE
MBTA COMMUTER RAIL.

WE SAT WITH THOSE RESIDENCES AND
TALKED ABOUT HOW THEY COULD DO.
LOWERING THE FARES FOR THEM MORE
PEOPLE WOULD RIDE, THERE WOULD
BE MOW PEOPLE ON THE COMMUTER
RAIL INSTEAD OF DRIVING CARS.
ON MONDAY THE MBTA BOARD MET AND
FLOATED THE IDEA OF INCREASING
FARES YET AGAIN NEXT FISCAL
YEAR.

THAT WE ALL KNOW WOULD
DISPROPORTIONATELY IMPACT OUR
RESIDENTS, OUR CONSTITUENTS IN

BOSTON.

AND AGAIN PUSH MORE PEOPLE OUT OF PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION INTO CARS, INCREASING OUR TRAFFIC AND MAKING IT WORK FOR EVERYONE OVERALL.

SO IT'S TIME TO TALK ABOUT WHAT WE'RE GETTING FROM THIS ANNUAL \$85 MILLION PAYMENT THAT WE GIVE TO THE T.

AND THIS COUNCIL HAVE WORKED ON A DONE OF ISSUES RELATED TO THE MBTA, COUNCILOR ZAKIM ON LATE NIGHT SERVICE AND TREATMENT OF JANITORS AT THE T.

WE TALKED WITH COUNCILOR MCCARTHY AND COUNCILOR O'MALLEY AS WELL THE GREEN LINE BEING EXTENDED IN HIS DISTRICT.

COUNCILOR ESSAIBI GEORGE HAS BEEN HAMMERING THIS ASSESSMENT PIECE AS WELL.

SO WE NEED A RESPONSE.

WE NEED AN OPPORTUNITY TO TALK TO THE T ABOUT HOW WE CAN DENCH THIS PARTNERSHIP THAT WE HAVE BECAUSE BOSTON'S \$85 MILLION PAYMENT MAKES UP 4% OF THEIR OPERATING BUDGET.

THAT IS A VERY LARGE PERCENTAGE FOR ONE CITY TO BE CONTRIBUTING. WE MAKE UP OVER HALF OF THE THIRD LARGEST REVENUE SOURCE FOR THEM WHICH IS THIS POOL OF 175 CITIES AND TOWNS.

OUR ONE CITY MAKES UP OVER HALF OF THOSE PAINTS.

AGAIN WE ALSO GENERATE A LOT OF THE LARGEST SOURCE OF REVENUE FOR THEM WHICH IS THE STATE SALES TAX.

LOOKING FORWARD HOW WE CAN USE THIS OPPORTUNITY AS STAKEHOLDERS IN THE T, WE ASK FOR MORE EQUITABLE TREATMENT FOR OUR RESIDENTS AS WELL.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR WU.

I APOLOGIZE TO MY COLLEAGUES IF I TAKE YOU OUT OF ORDER, I DIDN'T SEE THE FLASHING LIGHTS. I'M GOING TO START WITH KAREN COUNCILOR -- COUNCILOR MCCARTHY.

>> I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE MY NAME

ADDED AND THANK YOU COUNCILOR WU FOR YOUR CONTINUED PUSH ON THIS. \$85 MILLION, ALMOST \$86 MILLION THAT'S REAL MONEY.

WE'VE BEEN TALK BIG THIS SPECIFICALLY, I'VE BEEN TALKING ABOUT IN DISK FIVE FOR A WHILE AND I HAVE A NEW RESIDENTIAL MICHELLE AND WE'VE BEEN HAMMERING AT THIS.

THE REALITY IS THE MBTA DOES NOT SERVICE BOSTON RESIDENTS WELL. WHEN MICHELLE STATED THAT YOU CAN GO TO PROVIDENCE AS CHEAPLY AS YOU CAN FROM HYDE PARK TO BOSTON, THAT WASN'T A MADE UP STORY.

THAT'S THE TRUTH.

IN HYDE PARK IN PARTICULAR 2136, WE HAVE THREE DIFFERENT PAY RATES.

I SAID THIS A MILLION TIMES ON THIS FLOOR.

IF YOU PARK AT READVILLE AND YOU TAKE THE READ VILLE TRAIN INTO SOUTH STATION IT COSTS YOU \$4 AND \$6.75 TO RIDE ONE WAY.

NOW YOU ADD THAT UP AND YOU KEEP DOING THE MATH YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT JUST AROUND \$4,000 TOO GET INTO WORK.

IF YOU'RE A PERSON MAKING \$40,000 THINK ABOUT SPENDING 10% OF YOUR INCOME THAT HASN'T EVEN BEEN TAXED YET TO GET INTO WORK. IT'S ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE.

SO WHAT PEOPLE ARE DOING IS PARKING IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS. THEY ARE TRYING TO GET ANY WAY TO GET TO THE ORANGE LINE AND THAT AREA IN AND AROUND FOREST HILLS RIGHT NOW IS AN ISSUE TO GET THERE.

SO THIS IS A BIG ISSUE AND I'M GLAD THAT WE'RE BRINGING THIS UP.

4% OF A BUDGET IS A BIG BUDGET. CAN YOU IMAGINE IF WE TAD \$86 MILLION TO OUR SCHOOLS, TO OUR PARKS.

THIS IS REALLY MONEY.

SO LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS AND FIGURING OUT HOW THE MBTA WAS COME TO GO THEIR SOLUTIONS.

IF THE MBTA WAS A BUSINESS THEY WOULD BE OUT OF BUSINESS AND I'M GLAD TRYING TO HELP THEM STAY IN BUSINESS.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR MCCARTHY. COUNCILOR O'MALLEY YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT. I ALSO RISE TO COMMEND THE LEAD SPONSOR COUNCILOR WU AND ALL OF OUR COLLEAGUES GREAT WORK ON THIS ASK THAT MY NAME BE ADDED. IT IS ABSURD THAT RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF BOSTON PAY DIFFERENT FARES TO GO IN TOWN.

THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS AT THIS HEARING I WILL ASK THE MBTA OR WHOMEVER THEY SEND AS A REPRESENTATIVE WHETHER OR NOT THEY WOULD SUPPORT HAVING A TAX ABATEMENT FOR RESIDENTS OF HYDE PARK AND REST ROXBURY AS IT RELATES TO THE ASSESSMENT OF \$86 MILLION.

I WOULD VENTURE THE GUESS THEY WOULD SAY NO BECAUSE IT'S ABSURD.

IT'S ABSURD OUR REDENIAL ARE PAYING MORE.

WE NEED TO DO MORE TO GET MORE PEOPLE TO RIDE THE T AND NOT PERPETUATE THIS BROAD MANAGEMENT OF OUR PUBLIC TRANSIT.

I LOOK FORWARD TO REALLY HOLDING THEM ACCOUNTABLE.

AS ALL OF US KNOW IT IS FRUSTRATING THAT THE COMMONWEALTH REALLY HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO EFFECT CHANGE AS IT RELATES TO THE MBTA BUT THE CITY CAN AND SHOULD BE PLAYING A ROLE AS WELL.

I'M DELIGHTED TO PARTNER WITH ALL OF YOU TO MAKE SURE WE CAN GET THIS DONE THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR O'MALLEY. COUNCILOR PRESSLEY YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> I JUST RISE TO COMMEND THE MAKER AND ASK TO HAVE MY NAME ADDED.

THIS IS WHAT ADVOCACY LOOKS LIKE AND I JUST PRESSURE THE VIGILANCE AND COOPERATIVE SPIRIT

WITH WHICH THIS COUNCIL HAS
TAKEN THIS ISSUE ON.
MAKING IT CLEAR BECAUSE IT IS
TECHNICALLY A STATE ISSUE WE
DON'T NEED TO RECUSE OUR ABILITY
TO INFLUENCE AND ADVOCATE
BECAUSE WE'RE THE ONE DEALING
WITH THE FALLOUT.
WE'RE NOT SEEING A RETURN IN OUR
VENT AND THE FALLOUT WINS TO BE
ONE ON.

BACKS OF WORKING CLASS PEOPLE
AND THAT'S DISCUSS SIMPLY UNJUST
AND UNACCEPTABLE AND WE ALL E
TRANSIT AND ACCESS TO IT BEING
RELIABLE AND BEING AFFORDABLE AS
SIMPLY A SOCIAL JUSTICE ISSUE.
SO ONWARD.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR PRESSLEY.
COUNCILOR SAY KIN YOU HAVE THE
FLOOR.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM PRESIDENT.
I WANT TO THANK COUNCILOR WU FOR
BRINGING THIS FORWARD.
WE PARTNERED ON SOME MBTA
ACCOUNTABILITY ISSUES IN THE
PAST INCLUDING IN OUR FIRST TERM
PARTICULARLY AROUND LATE NIGHT
SERVICE.

I MENTION THAT AGAIN TO GIVE
OURSELVES KUDOS BUT WE HAD A
VERY DIFFERENT RESPONSE WHEN
GOVERNOR PATRICK WAS IN CHARGE
WHEN WE HELD HEARINGS THERE AND
WE TALKED ABOUT THE CITY'S
ASSESSMENT OF THE MBTA AND WE
TALKED ABOUT THE IMPACT ON OUR
RESIDENTS AND THEY LISTENED TO
US AND WORKED WITH US TO EXTEND
LATE NIGHT SERVICE.

UNDER GOVERNOR BAKER'S
ADMINISTRATION THEY HAVE NOT
BEEN WILLING TO DO THIS.
THEY TALK AGAIN AND AGAIN ABOUT
STREAMLINING AND MODERNIZING AND
BEING MORE EFFICIENT BUT THEY
REFUSE TO INVEST IN THIS SYSTEM
AND THAT'S WHERE WE END UP WITH
THE PROPOSAL FOR HIGHER FARES.
I WANT TO COMMEND MY COLLEAGUES,
COUNCILOR O'MALLEY, WU AND
OTHERS WHO HAVE BEEN WORKING ON
THIS SO MUCH AS IT AFFECTS
SPECIFIC AREAS OF OUR CITY.

THIS UNDER INVESTMENT FOR
RIDERS.

WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT A
SAVINGS HERE OR THERE WE NEED
REAL INVESTMENT IN OUR TRANSIT
SYSTEM.

IT FOLDS INTO THE ISSUE WE'VE
BEEN TALKING ABOUT, AROUND HOUSE
ISING AND ACCESS TO JOBS IN THE
DOWNTOWN AREA.

PEOPLE NEED TO GET ON SAFE
RELIABLE MASS TRANSIT IN THE
CITY OF BOSTON.

WE TALK OVER AND OVER AGAIN
ABOUT VISION ZERO MAKING IT
SAFER FOR PEOPLE TO WALK AND
RIDE THEIR BIKES.

WE TALK ABOUT GETTING CARS OFF
THE STREETS.

THIS IS ALL GREAT TO TALK ABOUT
BUT IF WE DO NOT HAVE RELIABLE
PUBLIC TRANSIT, I DON'T THINK
IT'S FAIR TO ASK OUR RESIDENTS
TO NOT USE THEIR CARS, TO TAKE
THESE OTHER METHODS OF
TRANSPORTATION.

WE NEED TO BE TALKING ABOUT THIS
BROADLY.

THIS IS AN INCREDIBLY TIMELY.
THE CITY OF BOSTON PAYS A HUGE
AMOUNT OF MONEY INTO THE T.

I AM CAUTIOUSLY OPTIMISTIC THE
MBTA WILL RESPOND AND APPEAR
HERE AS THEY HAVE IN THE PAST
AND ACTUALLY HAD A CONSTRUCTIVE
DIALOGUE BUT THEY NEED TO DO
THIS IN THIS BODY AS BEING
RESPONSIBLE TO THE VOTERS OF
CITY OF BOSTON NEED TO HOLD THEM
ACCOUNTABLE AS WELL.

I LOOK TO PARTNERING WITH OUR
COLLEAGUES IN THE STATE HOUSE TO
WORK ON THIS BECAUSE IT'S LONG
OVERDUE.

THEY NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE
ARE REDISCOVERING WHAT IT IS TO
BE A GOOD SERVICE PROVIDER.
WE'RE DISCOVERING WHAT IT MEANS
TO PROVIDE SERVICE TO YOUR
CUSTOMERS THAT IS WORTHWHILE AND
NOT CONTINUING TO CAN YOU TELL
SERVICES AND ADD FARES
PARTICULARLY IN GEOGRAPHICALLY
MANNER IN A WAY THAT QUITE

FRANKLY MAKES NO SENSE.
SO PLEASE ADD MY NAME.
I LOOK FORWARD TO THE HEARING.
>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR SAY KIN.
MODERN CLERK IF YOU COULD ADD
COUNCILOR ZAKIM, PRESSLEY,
O'MALLEY, JANEY, FLAHERTY,
ESSAIBI GEORGE, EDWARDS, CIOMMO
AND THE CHAIR.
THE SECOND LATE FILE MATTER
REPLACED IN THE PLANNING
DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSPORT AGENT.
WE'LL MOVE ON TO THE GREEN
SHEETS.
ANYBODY WISHING TO REMOVE A
MATTER FROM THE GREEN SHEETS MAY
DO SO AT THIS TIME.
COUNCILOR CIOMMO FOR WHAT
PURPOSE DO YOU RISE?
>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT.
FROM DOCKET 0230 PAGE SIX OF SIX
ON THE GREEN SHEETS.
>> MADAM CLERK, IF YOU COULD
READ DOCKET 0230 IT'S ON PAGE
SIX OF SIX OF THE GREEN SHEETS.
>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT.
IN THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND
MEANS, DOCKET NUMBER 0230,
SPONSORED BY THE MAYOR.
MESSAGE AND ORDER AUTHORIZING
THE CITY OF BOSTON TO SUBMIT TO
MASSACHUSETTS BUILDING AUTHORITY
KNOWN AS MSBA STATEMENTS OF
INTEREST FOR THEIR ACCELERATED
REPAIR PROGRAM FOR THE FOLLOWING
SCHOOLS.
LAW RAFAEL HERNANDEZ SCHOOL,
PATRICK LIEDEN, DONALD MICK KAY,
K THROUGH 8, JAMES OTIS, QUINCY
ES, SNOWDEN INTERNATIONAL AT
COPLEY AND THE JOHN D. O'BRIEN
SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS AND SIGNS.
IT DESCRIBES THE EFFICIENCIES
AND PRIORITY CATEGORIES MAY BE
INVITED TO APPLY FOR THE MASS
SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY IN THE
FUTURE.
THIS IS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON
JANUARY 31ST, 2018.
>> THE CHAIR RECOGNIZES
COUNCILOR CIOMMO ON DOCKET 0232.
>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT.
FIRST LET ME APOLOGIZE FOR ALL
MY COLLEAGUES, ESPECIALLY THE

NEWER ONES.

IT WAS FILED ON JANUARY 31ST IN THE CLOCK KIND OF RAN OUT BEFORE I WAS ABLE TO SCHEDULE A HEARING.

AND THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF THE STATEMENT OF INTEREST IS THIS FRIDAY.

SO WE DON'T WANT TO MISS OUT ON THIS OPPORTUNITY.

MY COLLEAGUES WOULD REMEMBER THE STATEMENT OF INTEREST IS MERELY AN APPLICATION FROM THE CITY OF BOSTON TO THE MASS SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY IN ORDER TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE ACCELERATED REPAIR PROGRAM WHICH WE'VE AVAILED OURSELVES MANY TIMES FOR BOILERS, WINDOWS AND ROOFS.

SO WHEN THE CLERK READ THE DOCKET SHE MENTIONED THE SCHOOLS.

I'VE ALSO PROVIDED A FACT SHEET ON WHAT WE'RE ASKING FOR IN THIS STATEMENT OF INTEREST BUT ALSO WHERE WE ARE WITH OTHER APPLICATIONS.

AND I WAS INFORMED EARLIER BEFORE THIS HEARING WE'LL PROBABLY BE BACK VERY SHORTLY FOR FUNDING OF THE ACCELERATED REPAIR PROGRAM OF WHICH WE GET ALMOST 62% REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE STATE.

SO AGAIN I ASK FOR YOUR SPORT IN PASSING THIS -- SUPPORT IN PASSING THIS STATEMENT OF INTEREST.

THERE'S NO FUNDS ASSOCIATED AT THIS POINT SO IT WOULD JUST MERELY GIVE THE CITY THE APPROVAL TO GO AHEAD FOR THE APPLICATION.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU FOR THAT COUNCILOR, CIOMMO.

AT THIS TIME THE QUESTION NOW COMES ON ACCEPTANCE AND PASSAGE OF DOCKET 0230.

MADAM CLERK, IF YOU COULD CALL THE ROLE.

CALL THE ROLL.

>> COUNCILOR BAKER.

COUNCILOR CAMPBELL, YES.
COUNCILOR CIOMMO, YES.
COUNCILOR EDWARDS, YES.
COUNCILOR ESSAIBI GEORGE, YES.
COUNCILOR FLAHERTY, YES.
COUNCILOR FLYNN, YES.
COUNCILOR JANEY, YES.
COUNCILOR MCCARTHY, YES.
COUNCILOR O'MALLEY, YES.
COUNCILOR PRESSLEY, YES.
COUNCILOR WU, YES.
AND COUNCILOR ZAKIM, YES.
MADAM PRESIDENT --
>> THANK YOU MADAM CLERK.
DOCKET 0232 HAS BEEN PASSED.
AT THIS TIME WE'LL MOVE ON TO
THE CONSENT AGENDA.
I'M INFORMED BY THE CLERK THAT
THERE IS ONE LATE FILE MATTER
WHICH IN THE ABSENCE OF
OBJECTION WILL BE ADDED TO THE
CONSENT AGENDA.
HEARING AND SEEING NO OBJECTION,
THE LATE FILE MATTER IS ADDED.
THE CHAIR AT THIS TIME MOVES FOR
ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA.
ALL THOSE IN FAVOR SAY AYE.
ANY OPPOSED SAY NAY.
THE AYES HAVE IT, THE CONSENT
AGENDA HAS BEEN ADOPTED.
AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO
RECOGNIZE COUNCILOR O'MALLEY.
>> THANK YOU MADAM PRESIDENT.
I ASK UNANIMOUS CONSENT TO MAKE
A BRIEF STATEMENT.
>> YES.
>> THANK YOU.
ONE OF THE PEOPLE OF WHOM WE ARE
CLOSING IN MEMORY TODAY IS DON
WATSON AND WE ARE JOINED TODAY
IN THE CHAIN BORROW BY GLORIA
WATSON, HIS%9+
GLORIA WATSON, HIS WIDOW, AND I
JUST WANTED TO SPEAK A LITTLE
BIT ABOUT DON BECAUSE HE WAS AN
AMAZEN MAN -- AMAZING MAN, A
GREAT JAMAICA PLAIN LEGEND.
THE WATSON FAMILY HAVE BEEN
FRIENDS FROM LONG BEFORE I WAS
AROUND.
DON GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL
WITH MY DAD IN 1967.
HE WAS A BOSTON POOLE EDUCATOR,
TEACHER, HE HELPED TURN THE

CURLEY SCHOOL AROUND.
HE WAS COACHING KIDS, YOUTH
FLOOR HOCKEY AND SOFTBALL AND
BASEBALL, JUST AN AMAZING GUY.
HE DID THE PAN MASS CHALLENGE 20
YEARS, A GREAT ATHLETE AND JUST
A GENTLE SOUL.
HE WAS DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER
RIGHT AROUND THIS TIME LAST
YEAR.

GLUIA WAS TELLING ME VALENTINES
TINES DAY WAS ALWAYS HIS
FAVORITE DAY AND I WAS VERY GLAD
MANY OF YOU HELPED US, LAST MAY
WE DESIGNATED DON WATSON DAY
JUST TO CAP OFF A REMARKABLE
CAREER.

SO, GLORIA, ON BEHALF OF ALL OF
US, WE ARE SO SORRY FOR YOUR
LOSS AND WE ARE A FAR BETTER
CITY BECAUSE OF YOUR HUSBAND AND
WE WILL THINK ABOUT HIM FOREVER.
SO THANK YOU FOR INDULGING ME,
COLLEAGUES.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR
O'MALLEY.

CAN WE HAVE THE FAMILY STAND SO
WE CAN RECOGNIZE YOU?
AND THANK YOU.

(APPLAUSE)

THANK YOU AGAIN, COUNCILLOR
O'MALLEY AND HAPPY VALENTINE'S
DAY TO THE FAMILY.

AT THIS TIME I WOULD LIKE ALL
GUESTS, MY GUESTS, COLLEAGUES,
STAFF TO PLEASE RISE.
WE WILL BEGIN TO ADJOURN TODAY'S
COUNCIL MEETING IN MEMORY OF THE
FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS: FOR
COUNCILLORS FLAHERTY AND
COUNCILLOR O'MALLEY, DON WATSON.
FOR COUNCILLORS FLAHERTY AND
O'MALLEY, ALSO, PATRICIA COLLIE.
FOR COUNCILLOR CIOMMO, THOMAS
COLLIE, EDWARD.
FOR COUNCILLOR JANEY HAMILTON.
FOR COUNCILLOR WU RICHARD MERCH,
FOR THE CHAIR, WILLIAM BILL
DONHOFFER.

AT THIS TIME, A MOMENT OF
SILENCE.

(SILENCE)

THANK YOU.
THE CHAIR MOVES AT THE TIME WHEN

THE COUNCIL ADJOURNS IT DOES SO
IN MEMORY OF THE AFOREMENTIONED
INDIVIDUALS.

WE ARE SCHEDULED TO MEET AGAIN
FEBRUARY 28th AT 12:00 NOON IN
THIS CHAMBER.

(VOTING)

THE COUNCIL IS ADJOURNED.

(ADJOURNED)