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Residents braved the rush hour traffic on Centre Street to protest the road diet.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN



Many said they felt their concerns and alternatives to the lane reduction were ignored by the city.

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A tale of two Centres

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Opposing protests took place on Centre Street in West Roxbury on Wednesday, July 12.

The two protests centered around a plan from the City of Boston to reduce the number of lanes on Centre Street from four to three – two travel and one turning – to reduce speeds and increase safety. The design also features the installation of a bike lane. Almost 100 people showed up on either side of the conflict respectively.

Those opposed to the road diet met at the West Roxbury Parkway Rotary and those in favor met at Tim White Way, near the West Roxbury Branch of the United States Post Office.

At the rotary, residents said they were not consulted enough and many of their concerns were left unaddressed when the city presented the plan this spring.

“We came out because the city has not done enough planning and not given



Other residents came out further up Centre Street to support the lane reduction and to reassure businesses they would continue to patronize them after the work is done.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

enough consideration to the traffic that’s going to back up into the neighborhood streets once people realize what the two travel lanes will do to Centre Street,” said resident Juan Cofield. “There’s already a significant amount of traffic

from people avoiding the stoplight at Centre and Corey streets and going up Montview. And it’s going to get much worse. The city hasn’t thought about the ramifications.”

Cofield said this was a “half-baked”

idea to make bike traffic more accessible.

“What they are doing is trying to provide for a few at the expense of an enormous

Road Diet

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SNA takes on Shattuck and Arborway garage

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

At its July 10 bimonthly meeting, the Stonybrook Neighborhood Association (SNA) voted to launch two initiatives: one to save Franklin Park and one to rescue the Arborway bus garage plan.

The redevelopment of the 13-acre Shattuck Hospital grounds at Franklin Park by a consortium led by the Boston Medical Center (BMC) was announced by the state Office of Health and Human Services (OHHS) – which owns the land – on June 21, 2023.

Josh Cuddy, OHHS Director of Hous-

ing, was scheduled to make a presentation to SNA but, according to Rory Coffey, “Cuddy declined at the last minute.”

Coffey lives on Forest Hills Street and is active in both SNA and the Franklin Park Coalition.

“His [Cuddy’s] superiors did not want him to discuss the project before the developer’s presentation,” Coffey said on the virtual call. “He was told not to discuss the proposal in another format.”

Coffey said the developers would hold a public meeting on July 20. The

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BPDA approves 76 Ashford St. Project looking to connect neighborhood with Lower Allston

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) approved the proposed tower at 75 Ashford St. in Allston at its regular meeting last Thursday.

The project calls for 223,025 square feet of building, including 254 residential units in 16 stories (215 feet) of height. The project also features a cross-rail connection to the other side of the tracks, which is also slated for development, as well as direct access to the proposed MBTA

Commuter Rail West Station with its proposed bus station.

“This project is going to be the gateway to the West Station, and also encourages other modes of transportation with bike parking onsite and a donation for a Bluebikes Station, and it’s a short walk to the Green Line,” said attorney representing developer City Realty, Jeffrey Drago.

BPDA Project Manager Nick Carter said the project will also donate funds for the upkeep of

76 Ashford St.

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Development proposed near the Neponset River

HPNA to host District 5 candidate forum

Matt MacDonald
Staff Reporter

The Hyde Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA) met on Thursday, July 13 for its monthly meeting, drawing about 15 for a session that featured two speakers.

The evening's main appointment concerned a proposed 10-unit residential building that – if approved – would be located at 5 Warren Ave., which abuts the

Neponset River at the end of a short block separated from the main portion of that street by Truman Parkway.

The lot in question is occupied by a house built in 1882 that had been a single family, but that is currently zoned as a two-family dwelling. Bordering it on two sides is a U-Haul moving and storage facility. Looming next door to it in the other direction is a large apartment building at 735 Truman Pkwy. Nestled directly across Warren Avenue from it – and amongst the larger properties surrounding them – is a small single-family house.

On the opposite bank of the river is the Fairmount Commuter Rail Station.

The location of the lot in relation to the surrounding properties and the nearby station, as well as its separation from the residential Fairmount Hill section of Warren Avenue, makes it a prime spot for transit-oriented development, according to the developer. Nonetheless, its Inspectional Services Department (ISD) refusal letter lists seven violations of Hyde Park's Article 69 zoning code, all of which will require relief from the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).

Zoning attorney John D. Barry – making the first community pre-

sentation regarding the project (an earlier abutters' meeting had drawn no attendees) – explained that the developer's original plan to build condominium apartments may very well change.

"I think the owner, right now, is not dead set on one or the other," he said of whether the units would be for ownership or rentals. "I think the market is going to dictate that." He qualified by adding that "the interest rates have really changed a lot in the past year."

According to the plans handed out by Barry, the proposed building would be four stories, with three ADA accessible units on the first floor, and with the top two floors consisting of four two-level units. There would also be 10 parking spaces, with five garage spots.

During the Q&A that followed Barry's remarks, a question was raised regarding the impact of the project on the surrounding tree canopy, which is fairly thick along the riverbank that would border the driveway running from Warren Avenue to the back of the building, where the five car parking lot and garage entrance would be located.

In response, Barry made clear that – in addition to going before

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Of racing, dirt bikes and parties

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Mount Hope Canterbury Neighborhood Association (MHC) met on Thursday, July 14 and discussed the ever-growing problems of parties, drag racing and dirt bikes in the local plazas.

The biggest issues are drag racing and parties around the American Legion Plaza at 718 American Legion Hwy. and the Stop & Shop Plaza at 950 American Legion Hwy. The area has been a magnet for illegal parties, drag racing and dirt bikes for some time.

Boston Police Department (BPD) officers from the auto thefts unit for District E-18 came by to answer questions from residents and review their policing policies. The big issue, according to the police present, are the numbers.

Detective Sgt. Michael McDougall said they were able to catch up with organizers from Lawrence last year. They went undercover with the E-5 District and have charged organizers with illegal betting, gun, drug and drag racing charges, which are working their way through the grand jury. He said the unit is worried that the drag racing and illegal betting charges may be dropped to pursue the gun and drug charges, but feels it is important to make these charges stick to discourage future incidents.

“They bet significant amounts of money on these races,” he said. “It’s team-based; they bet \$5,000 to \$10,000 per race. That’s why so many people come from all over.”

“So we should be getting community benefits from that,” MHC Co-founder Lisa Beatman said to laughter from the group.

McDougall said they were able to charge six individual organizers.

Officer Matthew DiPiro said in May about a dozen officers were able to go to one of these large gatherings and ticketed large numbers of revelers based on observing their license plates.

“We allowed them to set up at Stop & Shop knowing that we could funnel them out of the lot,” he said. “The problem was that this was a district-wide event so it took everyone we could possibly assign in the district. We don’t always

have the ability to do that. One 911 call, one other priority one call and that would have squashed this entire operation and we would have had to let them go. So the stars kind of aligned that night, and we were able to make a big impact. I think we did roughly \$28,000 alone that night in citations.”

DiPiro said there have been fewer cars setting up, he thinks, because of these citations.

Police say they simply do not have the manpower to go in and start arresting people at these parties, when sometimes more than 200 people have been reported. DiPiro said officers stick to issuing tickets because trying to instigate mass arrests could lead to even more problematic situations.

“It’s extremely unsafe, even with the entire district of 10 or 12 officers, to go down and try to engage with this group of 200-to-300-plus cars. The ratio there is not in favor of officer safety,” he said. “So we mail motor vehicle trespassing citations to the owners because we can’t identify the individual occupants and operators without stopping these cars.”

McDougall added they are looking at towing speaker cars and charging the owners with disturbing the peace so they can hang onto the vehicles during the court process. Since the vehicles often have \$50,000 worth of work and added equipment on them, he said this might be a big enough incentive to stop using the cars in illegal practices.

Beatman said, despite the limitations, she’s happy something at least got done.

“It was so eye-opening that they were able to ticket a large party in the back of the Stop & Shop, including tickets to out-of-town people from over 30 towns,” she said. “The organizers of these parties are not neighbors; they’re from Saugus or places like that.”

Beatman and residents said the property owners at these locations are not being encouraged to deal with the problem.

“They feel zero accountability,” she said.

The MHC is taking August off and will meet again at 6 p.m. at the Home for Little Wanderers, at 780 American Legion Hwy. on Sept. 14.

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the ZBA – the project will also go before the Boston Conservation Commission, and that the Commonwealth would also be involved because of the Neponset.

“Nothing is going to get approved on the site without both the City of Boston and the State of Massachusetts signing off with every aspect of construction,” he said. “Plus the civil engineer and anyone doing any work will have to sign affidavits that what is done is done in accordance with what both the City of Boston and the state’s Concoms are proscribing to be done there.”

Unmentioned during the presentation and discussion was whether or not the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency will play any role in the building’s review process. This spring, the EPA ac-

tively began work on the long awaited Superfund project, the goal of which is to clean up the heavily polluted Neponset – and its banks – from Mother Brook downriver to the Baker Dam at Adams Street, on the Dorchester/Milton line.

Hearing dates have not yet been scheduled for the ZBA or the Conservation Commission.

The meeting’s other appointment featured Geneise Israel, who provided a status update on her proposal for a cannabis dispensary that, if approved, would be located at 1295-1297 River St. – part of the business block leading up to the closed River Street Bridge. If the City and Commonwealth approval process is successful, Israel hopes to open Suite 420 Wellness at roughly the same time the bridge is scheduled to reopen in 2025.

A virtual community meeting was held regarding the proposed business on May 30, and the next step in the process is a ZBA hearing scheduled for Aug. 9 that will address 1295-1297’s conditional use as a cannabis business; it will also determine whether it falls within 500 feet of a pre-existing school. As Israel explained it, the site is within that distance of Roxbury Prep (1286 Hyde Park Ave.) if it is measured in a straight line, but outside of 500 feet if the distance is measured as one would travel between the two points, which would entail going around buildings and other obstacles, thus lengthening the trip.

The next HPNA meeting will be held on Aug. 3 and will feature an in-person District 5 City Council candidate forum during which the floor will be open for audience questions. As of yet, a venue has not yet been determined for where this – the second District 5 candidate forum – will be. For further information, send an email to hydeparkneighbors@gmail.com.

Legals

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court
Docket No. SU23C0356CA

CITATION ON PROBATE PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
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(617) 788-8300

In the matter of: Rainy Leigh Lifton

A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by **Rainy Leigh Lifton of Chestnut Hill, MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: **Rainy Leigh**

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Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: **Suffolk Probate and Family Court** before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of **08/10/2023**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: July 11, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate

West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 07/20/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court Department
Docket No. SU23D1039DR

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
Miriam Navarro vs. Jason Goulet

Suffolk Probate and Family Court, 24 New Chardon Street, Boston, MA 02114

To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for **Irretrievable Breakdown**.
The Complaint is on file at the Court.
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You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon:
Miriam Navarro, 20 Doone Avenue, Unit #1, Mattapan, MA 02126
your answer, if any, on or before **08/10/2023**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.
Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of his Court
Date: June 14, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate

Hyde Park Bulletin: 07/20/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. SU19D1176DR

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
Jideofar Ogbonna Tomlinson vs. Veronica Ebony Laurelle Tomlinson

Suffolk Probate and Family Court, 24 New Chardon Street, Boston, MA 02114

To the Defendant:
The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for **Irretrievable Breakdown**.
The Complaint is on file at the Court.
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your answer, if any, on or before **09/21/2023**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.
Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 05, 2023
Vincent Procopio Register of Probate

Hyde Park Bulletin: 07/20/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON GENERAL PROBATE PETITION

Docket No. SU22P1427EA

Estate of: Aidan Patrick Connolly
Also known as: Aidan P. Connolly
Aidan Connolly
Date of Death: 04/19/2022

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
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To all interested persons:
A Petition has been filed by:
Nancy Kelleher of West Roxbury, MA
requesting Order Apple Inc. with a corporate address of One Apple Parkway, Cupertino, CA (or any subsidiaries) to assist Nancy Kelleher as PR in the provision of access to the decedent’s information from the deceased person’s account as the deceased was the user of the accounts connected to the Apple ID adianconnolly75@yahoo.com.
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on 08/01/2023.
This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: June 28, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate

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Letters to the Editor

ESSENTIAL CHANGES NEEDED

To the Editor:

It is impossible to avoid noticing that the planet is rapidly heating up. Our collective carbon dioxide emissions are leading to changes in the climate system that are generating weather extremes. These extremes are destabilizing societies everywhere, whether Montpelier Vermont, Phoenix, Florence, Damascus or San Jose. By changing our behaviors at the local level we can help diminish these forces. One way is to become less dependent on cars by making it easier and safer for people to walk to businesses such as those on Centre Street. The City of Boston has done an impressive job of providing multiple forums with detailed presentations on the dangers presented by that highway-like four-lane road along with public Q&A. The opposition likes to complain that they are not being heard but they have been heard loud and clear.

Traffic safety science is unequivocal that such a road creates too many structural problems that can only be fixed by lane reduction. And, extensive national experience with the modifications that will be implemented show that business improves as a result. Another way to help is by supporting more housing in locations such as Washington and Dale streets in Roslindale to Allandale Road in Jamaica

Plain. Unfortunately, opposition to adding more housing - mostly coming from those who already own homes - is badly hurting young people, new arrivals to the Boston area, and all those with low incomes who are faced with high rental costs and unable to buy. Too often I hear comments from younger generations about the selfishness of my Baby Boom cohorts, but given such opposition I understand the criticism.

*Alan Wright
Roslindale*

HOW IS THIS ILLEGAL PARKING HAPPENING?

To the Editor:

I just read Joe Galeota's article on cars parking along Washington Street to take the bus to Forest Hills, rather than paying to park in the commuter rail lot. It sounds like this has been going on for a long time. How? Boston has a two-hour parking rule. Why haven't these cars been ticketed already? No meter maids?

This problem goes on all the time and people need to do something to get rid of this illegal all-day parking.

I live behind the Faulkner Hospital and over the years the employees began to take over the neighborhood with parking, even parking across driveways and yelling at residents that they don't own the street. A petition was signed and "Residents Parking only" signs were put up all over the streets.

The Parking Dept. cruises the streets and give out tickets to freeloaders. We have a residential parking sticker on our back window to show we live here. Problem solved.

The Roslindale businesses should have been fighting this all along. The city does not want people to come from outside the city and get free parking 5 days a week, 8 hours a day while residents and small businesses suffer.

Someone is dragging their feet on this! Otherwise, how could this be ongoing for years?

*Carol Galvin
Jamaica Plain*

HELP TO MAKE CHANGES TO BPDA DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

To the Editor:

Good afternoon friends and neighbors:

As many of you know and have experienced, there is growing frustration with excessive development and the way that the BPDA implements the development process, along with frustration that community voices are ignored when they provide comments and critiques to the BPDA. The project review process is governed by Article 80, part of the zoning code that provides the specific procedures the BPDA is required to follow to involve the community in its review of

Letters

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The Trial Court Probate and Family Court**

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE **Docket No. SU23P0937**

Estate of: Benny Nam Ho **Suffolk Division**
Date of Death: March 25, 2023

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of **Petitioner: Sum Har Ho of Brighton, MA**
a Will has been admitted to informal probate.
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**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court**

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE **Docket No. SU23P1407EA**

Estate of: Corrine M. Fitzpatrick **Suffolk Division**
Date of Death: July 18, 2022

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of **Petitioner: Sheryl A. Fitzpatrick of Boston, MA**
Sheryl A. Fitzpatrick of Boston, MA
has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond..

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07/20/23, 07/27/23*

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court**

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE **DOCKET No. SU23P1504EA**

Estate of: Marilyn J. McCarthy **Suffolk Division**
Date of Death: April 9, 2023

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate and, by Petition of **Petitioner James D. McCarthy of Walpole, MA**
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James D. McCarthy of Walpole, MA
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**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court**

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Docket No. SU23P1283EA

Estate of: Harold Kenneth Farr
Also known as:
Harold Kenneth Farr, Jr.
Date of Death: 04/28/2023

**Suffolk Probate and Family Court
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To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Andrew M. Farr of Wilmington, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court**

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU23P1435EA

Estate of: Marie Laferrara
Also known as:
Marie Sally Laferrara
Date of Death: 12/19/2020

**Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300**

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Karen Smith of Boston, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court
Department**

Docket No.SU16P2224EA

CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT

**Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300**

Estate of: Wayne Niamath
Date of Death: 08/07/2016

A Petition for **Order of Complete Settlement** has been filed by: **Helen Niamath of Roslindale, MA** requesting that the court enter a formal Decree of Complete Settlement including the allowance of a final account, and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 08/11/2023.

This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

Witness, Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: July 14, 2023

Vincent Procopio,
Register of Probate

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07/20/2023*

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court**

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE **DOCKET No. SU23P1502EA**

Estate of: Paul J. Albrecht **Suffolk Division**
Date of Death: June 06, 2023

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate and, by Petition of **Petitioner Kevin W. Albrecht of Palm Coast, FL**
Kevin W. Albrecht of Palm Coast, FL
has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 7/20/2023

The Petitioner requests that:
Andrew M. Farr of Wilmington, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration.**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 07/28/2023. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

The Petitioner requests that:
Karen Smith of Boston, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration.**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 A.M on the return day of 08/17/2023 This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court**

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE **Docket No. SU23P1501EA**

Estate of: Francis L. Macchi **Suffolk Division**
Date of Death: December 22, 2022

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of **Petitioner: Ellen Macchi of West Roxbury, MA**
Petitioner: Stephen P. Macchi of West Roxbury, MA
a Will has been admitted to informal probate.
Ellen Macchi of West Roxbury, MA
Stephen P. Macchi of West Roxbury, MA
has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court.

Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: June 16, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
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LAHAM

James Gregory, of Chelmsford, formerly of Jamaica Plain, passed away on July 15, 2023 at the age of 50. Dear and devoted husband of Lisa (Magnuson) Laham. Beloved son of Deborah (MacLean) Laham of Westwood and the late Gregory H. Laham. Dear grandson of Kathleen MacLean of Winthrop and the late Malcolm MacLean, Herbert Laham and Lorraine Laham. Adoring stepfather of Grace and Olivia. Dear brother of Keith Laham and his wife Jennifer of Dedham. Devoted uncle of Martin, Jordan, and Savannah Laham. Dear son-in-law of John and Elizabeth Magnuson. Brother-in-law of Beth Perullo. Also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, countless friends, and his unexpected cuddle companion, Gus the cat. An enthusiastic hobbyist, James was affectionately known as King of

the Nerds among friends and loved ones. Whether he was playing video games, sitting around a gaming table, or on a golf trip, James was counted on by all to create fun and tell the very best of stories. James was the proud owner of Sullivan's Pharmacy and Medical Supply, one of the largest independent healthcare providers in the nation. Nothing mattered more to James than taking care of others, and he was depended on by many as a source of truth, wisdom, and compassion across his astonishingly vast network of friends and family. James' greatest joy came in recent years when he married the love of his life, Lisa, and became an amazing stepfather to Grace and Olivia. He has left

us all too soon, but our lives are immeasurably better for knowing him and we are incredibly grateful for the time we had. James' Funeral Service was held on July 19, 2023 at St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church, 55 Emmonsdale Rd. West Roxbury. In lieu of flowers, please make contributions in James' memory to St. George Orthodox Church 21st Century Fund, 55 Emmonsdale Rd. West Roxbury, MA 02132 (stgeorgeofboston.org). James was laid to rest at The Gardens Cemetery.

SEAVER

Debra (Stanley) of Hyde Park, formerly of Newton, July 10, 2023. Beloved wife of the late Edward Seaver. Loving mother of Michael

Stanley and his wife, Kellie of Plainville, Adrian Kase of Spencer and former wife of David Kase of Needham. Sister of Darren Stanley of Rindge, NH, Sandra Stanley of New Mexico and the late Sharon Stanley. Also survived by several nieces, nephews and cousins. Funeral from the George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, 1305 Highland Ave., NEEDHAM. Funeral Service and Interment private. For online guestbook, gfdoherty.com George F. Doherty & Sons Needham 781 444 0687.

SCANNELL

Mary B. (Connell) was called to God the morning of July 13, 2023. Mary was the eldest child born in Boston to Thomas and Margaret

(Heffernan) Connell on August 15, 1927. Her parents were born in County Galway, Ireland, but never met until a chance encounter at a Hibernian Hall dance in Boston many years later. Mary grew up in Jamaica Plain, and attended Our Lady of Lourdes Grammar School, and Mission High School. She met the love of her life, Jim, through her sister Peggy. Mary and Jim were married in 1952 at Mission Church. They started a family and settled in West Roxbury, where they raised their six children and remained for the rest of their lives. After her children were of school age, Mary enjoyed working part-time at Decelle's Clothing Store where she made many long-lasting friendships. Mary was a devoted and loving mother who had a great sense of humor, something that came in handy raising six children. She was an active parishioner in St. Theresa Parish where she was a member of the Theresians for many years. After retirement, Mary and Jim traveled and spent much of their time with their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mary is survived by her devoted children Marybeth McDonough (John) of Norwood, James III (Kathleen) of West Roxbury, Carol Raffoul (George) of West Roxbury, Julie MacIsaac of Milton, Thomas (Maureen) of West Roxbury, and Michael (Susan) of West Roxbury. She will be missed by her 18 adoring grandchildren: John, Katie, Kristen, Meghan, Ryan, Erin, Tom, Matty, Brianne, Stephanie, Jillian, David, Mike, Corey, Griffin, Catherine, Joseph and James. She also leaves behind 15 (and counting) great-grandchildren; and many loving nieces, nephews, cousins, dear neighbors and friends. Mary was predeceased by her parents; her sister (and best friend) Peggy Smith; her brother John; and her beloved husband of 63 years, Jim, who passed away in 2016. It will be a glorious reunion for all of them. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Mary's name to www.catholicvt.org or ClergyTrust.org. For directions and guestbook gormleyfuneral.com.

DEATHS

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proposed developments. Mayor Wu ran on "abolishing the BPDA", and has taken some steps to change the Agency. One is the establishment of an Article 80 Steering Committee to potentially rewrite Article 80 and reform the process.

The Steering Committee appointed by the Mayor was heavy on development friendly appointments, and only 1 Neighborhood Association leader was selected. Many of us in leadership positions in the neighborhoods across the city were dismayed and created a parallel process, chaired by Allston Brighton NA president Tony D'Isodoro. Tony is the only community representative on this Article 80 review committee. The parallel working group he spearheaded has been meeting to get recommendations from neighborhood groups across the City to correct the current imbalance between developers and residents.

A subcommittee (Neighborhoods for Article 80 Reform Subcommittee) was formed to draft an initial letter to the Article 80 Steering Committee reflecting the concerns and recommendations voiced by the neighborhood participants in the Zoom meetings. This is the first of what will be a series of letters to the Steering Committee from this group to address key issues that are of concern across the city and in Hyde Park and Southwest Boston.

I urge you to sign on to these future letters. NA's and groups can sign on as well as individuals. This process is just beginning, so we are seeking broad support to inform the Steering Committee about the concerns of ALL neighborhoods which are dealing with unprecedented development.

Please let us know if you have any questions. If there are issues that you think should be addressed in future letters, we would like to know those also.

Mimi Turchinetz

President, HPNA, on behalf of the Neighborhoods for Article 80 Reform Subcommittee

Prayer to the Blessed Virgin
(Never known to fail!)

Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech thee from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (three times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (three times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted to you.
—V.C.

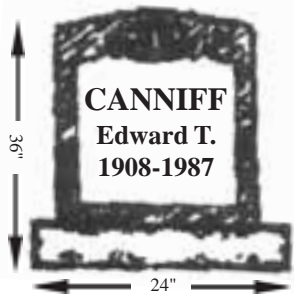
Miracle Prayer

Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked You for many favours. This time, I ask you this very special one (mention favour). Take it, dear Heart of Jesus, and place it within Your own broken heart where Your Father sees it. Then, in His merciful eyes, it will become Your favour, not mine. Amen. Say for three days, promise publication and favour will be granted.
—V.C.

Novena to St. Clare

Ask St. Clare for three favors, 1 business, 2 impossible. Say nine Hail Marys for nine days, with lighted candle. Pray whether you believe or not. Publish on the ninth day. Powerful novena. Say "May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be praised, adored, glorified, now and forever, throughout the whole world. Amen." *Your request will be granted, no matter how impossible it may seem.*
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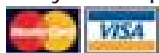
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Road Diet *continued from page 1*

mous amount of people who are driving," he said. "The streets just weren't designed for it. These streets were designed for cars back in the 30s, 40s, and 50s. They're now trying to create a situation that's going to make it much worse for auto traffic. There are other ways they can deal with safety. But the city is using safety as an excuse because bike lanes don't sell. If the city was really concerned about safety the first thing they would do is enforce the traffic rules."

The protest was organized by the West Roxbury Safety Association (WRSA), and co-founder Doug McClure said the city was being disingenuous about its motivations for the road diet.

"They're saying Centre Street is one of the un-safest streets in the city; it's a lie," he said. "They're lying to us, the (Boston Transportation Department) BTM is lying to us. If you look at the stats, it's a problem. The whole community is against this and they're still pushing it down our throats. The elected officials are not listening to the community; it's messed up."

Resident Tom Ricketts said the WRSA's proposed plans are viable as a compromise.

"I mean maybe raised crosswalks could work, or signals on-demand for crosswalks," he said. "It's just kind of being rammed down our throats. City Hall is making decisions without really listening."

McClure pointed to compromise, and said the plans presented by the WRSA would accomplish safer roads without reducing the lanes. The BTM and the city have stated they disagree.

At-Large City Council Candidate Catherine Vitale said she came out to support residents against the diet.

"I try to support every initiative I agree with and when I can to help people in opposition have a better understanding of where the other side is coming from," she said. "But I didn't see anybody here in opposition. I like to try to cross lines and talk to both sides be-

cause as long as we're fighting each other nothing's getting done."

One resident in opposition was Roslindale cyclist Alan Wright, who went around the rotary egging on the protesters. Vitale did not say whether she engaged with him or not.

Residents Elizabeth Berry and Cindy Fagrey said the focus was centered on bike lanes and not safety.

"If people were to ride their bikes then this would be a reasonable alternative, but look at the street right now," Berry said. "There's parking with two lanes. Now they want to take out one lane and put a bike lane in, what is that going to do to all these businesses?"

Proponents of the reduction at Tim White Way said that increasing pedestrian accessibility with the diet would increase locals going to the business district.

"We were emailing back and forth about what to do in response to the event happening at the rotary and came up with this idea to do something positive as a sign of support of the community and the businesses," said organizer Krissy Peterson. "We want to show we support the businesses and that there are people who live here who want to and continue to shop at these places and support them. I think there's been a lot of rhetoric in one direction."

Peterson said she understands businesses are concerned about the diet, since eight on-street parking spaces will be lost.

"We just want to tell them they don't need to be concerned because people are still going to be here supporting the community."

"We also want to represent walkers and people with disabilities because they haven't really had a forum," said resident Patricia Connors. "So we wanted to have a walk and get walkers to come join us."

Engineer Dan Robinson said the road diet methodology has worked in other places.

"I'm in favor of traffic calming in general," he said.

"Just slow down cars by using lane reductions, and it does work. There's a section in Allston where I noticed it slowed things down a lot over by Harvard Street."

Resident Erik Gehring said he wanted to show businesses that they'd see more of him if the diet goes through.

"I'll be biking more, I'll be walking more if the redesign is done," he said. "I'm going to Roche Bros. right after this to get some groceries."

Gehring said he knows if he's able to bike more, he'll need a lot more calories and caffeine to fuel his rides.

"I know Recreo will see more business; I'm there all the time getting bags of coffee," he said.

It was at this point Wright came up Tim White Way. Wright has been a staunch proponent of the road diet and cycling efforts across the city.

"The all-powerful bicycle lobby is here!" he said.

Residents Dorothy Renaghan and Tony Santangelo said they came out to support the road diet because they want to see a safer Centre Street.

"It's like a thoroughfare," Santangelo said. "We just want to make it a traditional community center street like you see in a lot of places."

"We've been living here for 40 years so we've come here quite a bit," said Renaghan.

Resident Steve Bogue said he's almost been hit several times on Centre Street due to the double jeopardy situation, where a car in the nearest lane stops for a pedestrian but cars in the farther lane or behind the first car don't see the pedestrian and continue in the left lane.

"The outside lane can't see what's going on," he said. "I'm pretty adamant about it and I'm not as crazy about the bike lane. The safety thing is what I'm here for."

For more information on the lane reduction plan, go to <https://tinyurl.com/53f57n4v>. For more information on the WRSA, go to the group's Facebook page at <https://tinyurl.com/msf36f9s>



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