

Following a trend, development delayed



Developer Alan Sharaf of 106 Forest Hills St. condominiums listens to abutter concerns. Far right Jeff Richardson.

PHOTO BY RICHARD HEATH

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

There is a new development trend in Jamaica Plain: developers buy up small lots and propose four to nine unit residential buildings that skirt the city's affordability requirements; the neighbors resist and the project is repeatedly delayed.

Such was the case at the May 2 Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Council Zoning Committee hearing on 106 Forest Hills St., a three-story, nine-unit condominium box. After lengthy debate among committee members and residents, the project was deferred.

Two other similar projects originally on the agenda were dropped, one at the last minute, 3247 Washington St. and 6 Marmion St.

6 Marmion St., proposed by David Anderson, is a four-unit, three story square box building near St Thomas Aquinas Church. He asked to be taken off six hours before the meeting so he could talk more with the neighbors.

3247 Washington is another three-story square box residential building of nine units proposed by City Realty. The Egleston Square Neighborhood Association that requested that

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ISD looks to future at budget hearing

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

On Monday, the Boston Inspectional Services Department (ISD) met with the Boston City Council during a Ways and Means Committee hearing to go through the department's plans for the future.

Many issues were discussed, but perhaps the most pressing was the implementation of recreational marijuana shops, which will become officially legal by the state in July.

"The cannabis situation is a very big one, we've worked very closely with our partners at the Boston Planning and Development Agency to determine what makes sense in terms of zoning, looking forward I think we have written a really good policy around



William Christopher
ISD Commissioner

that as we go forward," said ISD Commissioner William Christopher. "It, like many things, is in its infancy right now, and we don't know how this is all going to play out."

Christopher said they are looking to other cities and states which have legalized recreational marijuana for guidance, like Colorado. He said they are modeling a lot

ISD Hearing

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Project Bread attracts thousands



Thousands ran in the 50th annual Project Bread Walk/Run for Hunger and has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars for the hungry in Boston and Massachusetts. The organization has been running or walking since 1969 to support hungry families in Massachusetts, and almost 500 people participated in the race itself.

COURTESY PHOTO

Jamaica Pond Association holds annual meeting, talks parks



About 20 residents came out for this year's annual Jamaica Pond Association meeting.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Jamaica Pond Association (JPA) held its monthly and annual meeting on Monday at the Loring Greenough House and discussed several upcoming and current construction issues in the neighborhood.

Parks and Open Spaces Committee Chair James McGuire discussed both the recent meeting and upcoming meeting for the pathways at Jamaica Pond. He said during the previous meeting on April 10, the city came and discussed the

\$4.06 million allocated to the project.

"The main focus of the community in attendance was for better signage for where bikes should go and should not go, and also there was a lot of concern on what kind of materials would be used for the new pathway," he said. "Basically whether it would just be paved over or removed and how it would be removed."

McGuire said the next meeting for the pathways is set for May 15 at the Curley House at 6:30 p.m. The city states that it will share its current plans for

the scope of Phase 1 of the project, but also that it wants public input.

"The meeting will be entirely focused on pathways; there's not going to be a discussion on major landscaping or other matters," he said. "They'll do landscaping where it's abutting the pathways, but they're not doing a major overhaul."

JPA member Franklyn Salimbene also gave an update on the city's plan to put in a pedestrian crossing at the inter-

Jamaica Pond

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AVMS gearing up for annual Taste of Allston

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Allston Village Main Streets (AVMS) is primed and ready for this year's Taste of Allston, which will be taking place once again on June 22 from noon to 3 p.m. at 65 Harvard St.

"It's right outside Harvard Stadium," said AVMS Executive Director Emma Walters.

Walters said the event is one of their most attended throughout the year, and that they are expanding once again.

"The event just keeps growing we've got about 1,000 attendees that come every year and more than 20 vendors so we just keep growing," she said, adding that more vendors are coming in. "We don't have a number just yet because we're still getting those in."

She said they will have neighborhood favorites like Whole Heart Provisions, Roxy's Grilled Cheese, Tavern in the Square and Bon Chon to name a few. In the past they have also had live music, but Walters said

they are going back and forth on the idea.

"We haven't decided yet, you know, we're expanding the footprint of the event and we thought it might be easier for us to do a live DJ and have speakers placed throughout the whole event," she said.

Walters said bringing together a smattering of all the local options in Allston is a daunting task, but it's definitely worth the price of admission.

"It's always fun it's certainly one of the most-loved events in Allston," she said. "I think we have such a wide variety of cultural tastes here and having them all in one place is certainly a unique experience and it's definitely one of the more popular Tastes in the City of Boston and one of the most affordable... Most Tastes are around \$70 per ticket and ours are \$30 to \$35 depending on when you buy. It helps us keep it more community focused as the price points are more reflective of our neighborhood."

AVMS is also working to bring lights to the neighborhood



The 2018 Taste of Allston is coming in June and already more than 20 area vendors have signed up.

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year-round. Walters said currently they put up lights on lamp posts for the winter holiday season, but they've felt that they could do more with them.

"We put up holiday lights every year and they go up for a couple of months and they're beautiful, and it's really amazing how much those installations transform the district," she said. "But they're incredibly expensive."

Walters said they are looking to get more bang for their buck with the lights in terms of a permanent display.

"We're working on a perm installation led lights; we'll have an artist design the layout on the light poles themselves. We're looking to put them on major intersections as money gets raised. We want to connect all of them eventually. The idea is to create a visual welcome to the

district so when you enter you'll know you're in Allston Village."

Walters said new technology allows more variation in the lights, as the colors can be changed to support any occasion.

"LEDs nowadays a lot of them can be controlled by remote control and you can actually change the colors and change the installations colors to be holiday appropriate," she

said. "Halloween, Valentine's Day, sports games, Hanukah, Christmas whatever, and now we can do it all year-round for all holidays so that's something we're super excited about."

She said the first installation is set for the summer over Brighton and Harvard Avenues. For more information and to purchase tickets for the Taste, go to allstonvillage.com.

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JP residents cleanup



Several members of the Arborway Coalition signed up and went out this week to clean up the Arborway Hillside. Residents and their children came out to make the area a little brighter. Arborway Hillside Coalition Steering Committee Member Sarah Freeman said: "We picked up trash, refreshed the stakes to mark the locations of trees that we planted the past few years & then mulched those trees. In addition to the plentiful typical urban debris, some of the memorable finds included a gorilla suit and a purple mesh bag full of clam shells! We didn't get to remove invasives ("weeds") yet, so you may have another volunteer opportunity soon. Thank to all the volunteers, including two families with two children each, and adults of all ages!"

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NEIGHBORHOOD
DEVELOPMENT



Swans return to the Public Garden Lagoon



Boston Chief of Environment, Energy, and Open Space Austin Blackmon (center) opens the carts allowing Romeo and Juliet access to their summer home in the Public Garden. COURTESY PHOTO



Romeo and Juliet settle right into their summer home after being released during the 30th Annual Return of the Swans hosted by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department on May 2. COURTESY PHOTO

South Boston Student Sings at the Vatican



Timothy Smyth of South Boston, one of the 38 members of the Boston College High School Chamber and Concert Choirs, led by Choir Director Dr. Marina Rozenberg of Hingham, recently returned from a concert tour in Italy.

The trip started with a tour of the city of ancient Rome, where the group visited the Colosseum, the Forum Romanum, the Trevi Fountain and the Pantheon. They gave their first formal performance at Saint Peter's Basilica in Vatican City, offering their voices in song and prayer, participating in mass spoken in Italian.

The following day, the boys toured the Saint Callixtus Catacombs, a 13-mile, four-level cemetery buried in volcanic rock beneath the Roman countryside. After lunch, the group toured the beautiful Jesuit Church of Saint

Ignatius of Loyola, where both Saint Ignatius and Saint Aloysius are buried. The choir sang during mass and then continued with a few extra songs at the priest's request.

On the third day, the choir visited Istituto Massimo Jesuit School and participated in a Friendship Concert. Both choirs performed some of their favorite songs and then shared the stage for a few tunes familiar to both choirs: Hallelujah and Do, Re, Mi. Following lunch at the school, the choir travelled back to the city for a tour of the Galleria Borghese where they saw the statues and paintings of Gina Lorenzo Bernini, Tiziano, Raffaello and Caravaggio.

On the last day, the Choir rose early and returned to Saint Peter's Square for an audience with Pope Francis. After staking claim to a section along the barricades, the

boys experienced the wonder of the pope's presence, cheering "Papa" as he passed by and collecting precious pictures to remember the day. A freshman remarked: "The papal audience was truly astounding. It is a sight that I will never forget. To see the leader of the church of over a billion people, is something that not many people can say they have seen. He is one of the most holy people on the planet and looking at him is like looking at a glimmer of God."

After listening to the pope speak, the choir spent some free time eating lunch along the river and shopping for souvenirs. The day ended with a tour of the Vatican Museums, the Sistine Chapel and Saint Peter's Basilica. The overall experience traveling as a group united in song and prayer is what these students will remember most.

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Editorial

BALANCING THE BOOKS

Every year, with the regularity of Swan Boats splashing into the lagoon, the same debate echoes through City Hall, although typically met with inaction.

The perpetual hot topic: Are local colleges and universities paying enough in taxes (or more specifically, payments in lieu of taxes)?

Under the so-called PILOT program, the city negotiates a flat fee that these institutions agree to pay instead of the full assessment of their property taxes. Boston City Councilor At-Large Annissa Essaibi George is among those questioning those deals, not on their merit, but because even the deeply discounted deals are not being paid.

According to the councilor, as quoted in the Boston Globe, schools paid only \$13 million of the \$27 million they agreed to in 2017. Northeastern University reportedly paid a paltry 23 percent of what it owed. Harvard, despite collecting billions of dollars in its endowment, paid about half of what it owed.

The time has come to scrap these arrangements and treat universities like any other business in the city. Let us disillusion you of any pretense that these schools are playing an out-sized philanthropic role. While they do deserve praise for the many ways they support the city and its residents, that largesse is not enough to justify their multi-million-dollar discounts, especially when even that reduced amount is not being paid.

Job creation? Sure, these schools do create many jobs here. Then again, so does McDonald's and we've never seen the city discount Big Macs and Chicken McNuggets.

Here is the only deal the city should pursue. Once tuitions stabilize for students, once assorted "fees" stop draining their savings, and when we can see evidence that expansionary efforts are not merely a land grab, then – and only then – should the city reconsider tax discounts.

As it is now students are paying for such things as UMass Amherst buying Mount Ida College for no real defensible purpose, leaving layoffs and displaced students as a repercussion.

Students are funding skyrocketing upper-echelon salaries. Allston might as well change its name to Harvard at the rate that school is gobbling up land that would otherwise be taxable at normal assessments and rates.

Our schools are a point of pride and valuable part of the social fabric here in Boston. They are also big businesses and it is hard to justify the deep tax discounts they receive.

The PILOT program has been debated many times before and, unfortunately, we can almost guarantee nothing will happen. At the very least, however, the city should be able to collect the money that is still owed. In this economy, there should be no corporate or college handouts.

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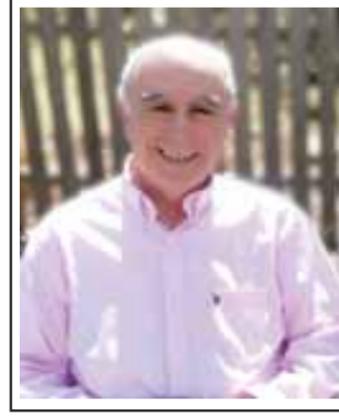
Let's get together for an amazing night

Anyone knowledgeable about adages will not hesitate to fill in the above ellipsis with "unpunished."

Even if one is not canny with sayings but is an out-and-out cynic, "unpunished" will quickly come to mind. Those familiar with and believing in Isaiah 55 ("For My thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways My ways," declares the Lord) will merely shrug, look heavenward, and state the obvious about our loving but inscrutable Creator: His/Her ways are beyond our understanding.

No matter what category into which you, dear reader, fall, your heart has to go out to one Scott Berry and his family, both immediate and extended. May his many good deeds in the community be reciprocated.

Very early on the morning of March 8, after he had cleared snow from his own South Street home, Scott was on his way to snow-blow his neighbors' sidewalks before reporting to his job at State Street Bank when an enormous limb from a city-owned tree thundered down on top of him. Unaware of the breaking sound because of the snow-blower's noise and his earbuds' music, he could only await his wife, Kristen, who heard his scream, ran to help



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Joe Galeota

him, and then phoned 911. The EMT's responded right away but had to then contact the fire department to help them remove the giant limb on top of him.

The Brigham and Women's large trauma team awaited the ambulance transporting Scott and his loving wife. The fast-acting medical staff detected three broken ribs, fractures of cervical vertebrae, and, worst of all, a severed spinal cord. After emergency surgery and several days in that storied hospital's ICU, Kristen had to break the news to Scott that the chances were/slim to none that he'll ever walk again be-

cause of the spinal cord severance.

Out of this tragedy immediately came immense, familial love. The five children of Jim and Teedee Sweeney of Roslindale's Guernsey Street have continued to show unmitigated love for their Scott. Their four other Sweeney children, Joe, John, Kate Smyth and Mary Ross, as well as their many grandchildren, have surrounded sister Kristen and husband Scott with what most families would consider unparalleled support and devotion. By their encouragement they have supported Scott's two children, Caitlyn and Chris, to continue their schooling at UMass Boston and University of Maryland in spite of the life-changing tragedy that befell their dad.

Scott is now in the Spaulding Rehabilitation Center in Charlestown participating in occupational and physical therapy. But the financial cost is and will be immense; the Christopher and Dana Reeve Foundation estimates that the lifetime costs of a 50-year-old living with paraplegia are over \$1.5 million.

Now is the time for the Boston community to begin to

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JAMAICA PLAIN NEIGHBORHOOD ARTISTS EXHIBITION

Boston Photographer Erik Gehring Awarded Best in Show in Hyde Park Art Association Exhibition, Best Nature Photo in Falmouth Art Exhibition, and Juried Into Numerous Other Exhibitions

Photographer Erik Gehring has work on display in multiple current exhibitions, and was awarded Best in Show and Best Nature Photo. You can view his exhibition at the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center, 415 Summer Street, South Boston, MA 02210. The Exhibition takes place on May 17 – Sept. 28, 2018; Reception: Wednesday, June 13, 6 – 8 p.m.

For more information: You can view Erik's accepted entry "Pine in Grove in Snowstorm" here: <http://www.erikgehring.com/WebReady/Pages/ArbPineGroveSnowst.html>

BOSTON AREA RAPE CRISIS CENTER ANNOUNCES PUBLIC WORKSHOPS TO ADDRESS SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND ASSAULT

The Boston Area Rape Crisis Center (BARCC) is offering several upcoming public workshops to educate people on how to support survivors of sexual harassment and assault as well as

to how to take action to prevent sexual violence. BARCC launched the public series earlier this year, as #MeToo continued in the public spotlight and demand for BARCC services and trainings increased.

These free workshops are open to the public. At the first workshop, 25 participants learned critical bystander intervention skills, and attendance at upcoming workshops is expected to grow. Survivors, friends, parents, and significant others are welcome to learn more about self-care, consent, bystander intervention, and how to respond when someone tells you they've been assaulted.

This is a chance to get an inside look at best practices in the field of ending sexual violence—not to mention connect with others, practice self-care, and more! Workshop topics, dates, and short descriptions are below. Workshops take place Monday evenings at the Family Justice Center, 989 Commonwealth Ave., Boston MA 02215. RSVP at bit.ly/BARCC2018RSVP and share that you're going on Facebook at bit.ly/BARCCFBevents.

What Do I Say? Ways to Support Survivors - June 18, 2018, 6:30–8:30 p.m. Have you ever had a friend or family member tell you that they've experienced sexual violence and not known what to say? Join this workshop to learn an innovative model for responding when someone in your life shares with you that they're a survivor.

GREATER BOSTON AREA LETTER CARRIERS TO HOST ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE ON SATURDAY, MAY 12TH

Saturday, May 12 marks the 26th anniversary of one of America's great days of giving - the National Association of Letter Carriers Stamp Out Hunger

Food Drive. This nationwide event, which falls annually on the second Saturday in May, is carried out by thousands of letter carriers that collect non-perishable food items of which are locally delivered to food pantries throughout the Greater Boston Area. Last year, the NALC collected over 75 million pounds of food across the nation, feeding an estimated 64 million people. Currently, 49 million Americans – 1 in 6 – are unsure of from where their next meal will come. Thirteen million of these are children – five million are senior citizens.

Our food drive's timing is crucial. Food banks and pantries often receive the majority of donations during the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons, thus by springtime, many pantries are depleted. Donations may be made by leaving a non-perishable food item, in a bag, next to your residential mailbox on Saturday, May 12, 2018. With your help, letter carriers and the US Postal Service have collected over 1.5 billion pounds of food in the United States over its first 25 years. Please help us in our fight to end hunger, as we celebrate our 26th anniversary year in America's great day of giving.

ALLSTON/BRIGHTON

THE BRIGHTON-ALLSTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS DURING PRESERVATION MONTH... A CELEBRATION OF OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Please join us in our celebration of the BAHS's 50 year history. After brief opening remarks, you can then tour, at your leisure, the annotated display of photographs and other images highlighting our achievements. We will have lots of food and drink to add to the merriment of this event, and it will also be a great opportunity to chat with

members of our community. We will be happy to answer your questions or elaborate on any of the items on display. May is Preservation month, so this will be a great time to learn about our efforts and accomplishments in preserving what we love about Brighton and Allston! Free

The Celebration takes place on May 23, 2018 Beginning at 6:30 p.m. It will be located at the Presentation School Foundation Community Center located at 640 Washington St., Oak Square.

ESL CLASS

ESL Class/ An ESL conversation group meets at 12:30 p.m. every Monday. Come practice your language skills in an informal and friendly setting with other new English speakers. Brighton Branch Library/40 Academy Hill Road/(617) 782-6032

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

A book discussion group meets at the Brighton Branch Library on the last Wednesday of each month at 11:15 a.m. The featured selection for May 30 will be Reindeer Moon by Elizabeth Marshall Thomas Copies of the book are available at the library Everyone is invited and new members are welcome Brighton Branch Library/40 Academy Hill Road/(617)782-6032

MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE

A Memorial Day Service will be held to remember all veterans especially the men and women from Allston and Brighton who made the supreme sacrifice in the service of our country.

Prayers will also be offered for those currently serving overseas, for their safety and safe return. Celebrant Monsignor James P. Moroney, rector of Saint John's Seminary. May 28, 2018 Evergreen Cemetery Brighton 11 a.m. – noon Rain or Shine.

UFO'S

A Slide lecture with John Horrigan/Saturday, May 12, 11:30 a.m. at the Brighton Library at 40 Academy Hill Rd.

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SATURDAY MORNING BLOCK PARTY

Come play, build, and learn together at a block party – library style. Playing with blocks provides opportunities to learn about math and science, pre-reading skills, social skills, and motor skills. Various building blocks will be available including wood blocks, magnetic blocks, KAPLA blocks, soft blocks, and baby blocks. No registration is required. The Block Party takes place on Saturday, May 12, 2018 at 9:30-11:30 a.m. Located at the Hyde Park Branch of the Boston Public Library on 35 Harvard Ave.

5TH URBAN ARTS FESTIVAL

The 5th Urban Arts Festival takes place on Sept. 8, 2018 from noon to 5 p.m. located at the Martini Shell Memorial Park on 1015 Truman Parkway, Hyde Park. The festival is free for all ages. There will be performances, artists, games, arts & crafts, give aways, music, vendors, spoken word, steam roller mega print. For more information please email INFO@SOS617.ORG or call 857-719-9467.

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Friday, May 11: A Night of Worship & Praise at 7 p.m., Saturday, May 12: Thanksgiving Service at 7 p.m., Sunday, May 13: Ultimate Praise Anniversary Service at 9:30 a.m. Services are located at 28 Arlington Street. Hyde Park, MA. 02136

BOSTON RENAISSANCE CHARTER SCHOOL 9TH ANNUAL PLAYWORKS RUN

On Saturday, May 19, students and staff members from Boston Renaissance Charter School will participate in the 9th Annual Playworks Run for Recess 5K presented by Playworks New England in partnership with the New Balance Foundation. Funds raised through the family friendly 5K and 1-Mile Fun Run, which will take place along Franklin Park's world-famous cross country course adjacent to the zoo in Roxbury, will support play and physical activity in 140 elementary schools across New England.

Registration and start times are as follows:

Pre-Registration and Registration opens at 8:30 a.m., One Mile Fun Run begins at 10 a.m., 5K Run for Recess begins at 10:30 a.m., Recess noon - 1 p.m.

All ages welcome. Registration fees range from \$10 to \$50,

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Ask The Doctor

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2018 Mitsubishi Outlander 2.4 SEL S-AWC

The last three years that I have driven Mitsubishi vehicles I have seen improvements in all areas. This week I had the 2018 Outlander SUV. This SUV is not large on the outside yet has third-row seating. The third-row seating has enough room for children, not adults; however, there is plenty of room up front and in the second row. The interior style is simple and all controls are in reach, although the button for the heated steering wheel could have been located in the upper portion of the dash and not on the lower side. The radio has only one knob that is small and close to the screen, so it is easy to touch the screen and change the station by mistake. The rest of the features are controlled by the touchscreen. Sound quality is good and the radio screen is clear.

The Outlander is a quality vehicle. Power comes from the 2.4 liter, 4-cylinder engine via a CVT transmission. A center button on the console locks in the all-wheel-drive, just forward of the heated seat button. The Outlander is quiet and powerful at any speed and under all road conditions.

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Boston's own Junior Damato, "The Auto Doctor" has agreed to field auto repair questions from *Bulletin* and *Record* readers. Please forward your questions to news@bulletinnewspapers.com and we will do our best to get your questions an

City Point talks bus lanes, CPA

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The South Boston City Point Neighborhood Association (CPNA) met on Tuesday night and discussed an upcoming meeting from the MBTA regarding bus routes in the neighborhood.

CPNA President Joanne McDevitt said much of the meeting was dealing with consolidation of bus stops in South Boston, but she said they are also considering a dedicated bus lane on Broadway. They had a previous meeting in April, and the next meeting will be at the Tynan Elementary School on East 4th Street at 6:30 p.m. on May 16. McDevitt said she did not agree with the MBTA's assessment of Broadway, but acknowledged that something has to be done to curb the traffic in the area, as in some cases the combination of heavy traffic and children getting on or off school buses creates very dangerous situations.

"I hope you read that thoroughly because everybody is going to have a difference of opinion and nobody wants a bus in front of their house, but we live in an urban city and there's no way to avoid it," she said. "It's not that we don't want buses in front of our house it has to do with safety."

The proposal as it stands from a previous meeting in April dictates creating a dedicated bus lane from M Street to L Street and up L Street to East 1st Street.

McDevitt said though Broadway has the space for a dedicated bus lane in theory, she doesn't believe the double parking habits will simply vanish in the neighborhood, and she said she see driv-



Residents discussed the prospect of a dedicated bus lane on East Broadway.

ers all the time driving closer to the yellow lines to avoid hitting cars parked too close to the street.

"The federal government has standards as to how wide a street has to be to be able to allow cars and buses on them," she said. "You could say I could fit three lanes in this block, but if you drive up Broadway in the morning it's a sheer nightmare, and that's not going to stop until we start doing other things in the neighborhood."

CPNA Vice President Jim Covenno agreed that increased enforcement in the neighborhood is vital to stem the area's current problems.

"We need the enforcement of existing parking and traffic rules; anybody here going into the South End and trying to park down there? We don't even think about

it because enforcement is there," he said. "We should be getting the same level of enforcement on our streets in South Boston, and it seems to me to be a failure on the city's part to give us basic enforcement of the city's rules."

One resident agreed with Covenno.

"A police officer said to me 'people in Southie don't care about how people park so we don't enforce it,'" she said.

McDevitt said she believes a traffic study will have to be done before any bus lane can go in, but she said that they were promised one three years ago and it never happened. She said the same thing occurred for a water transportation study that also just seemed to evaporate.

"My opinion and a lot of

people I've talked to is they can't put this in without doing a traffic study," she said. "We have to know number one how many cars are coming into our neighborhood."

According to the MBTA's April proposal, the organization wants to also revise routes, ensure ADA compliance, upgrade traffic signals and construct curb-bulbs, bus shelters and benches. It also proposes moving Route 9 eastward around P Street to Farragut Road.

Christine Poff, the Director of Community Preservation, also came by to discuss how the Community Preservation Act (CPA) could help the community. She said that anyone can apply for CPA funding, which allows for one-time capital improvements to

parks, historic preservation or affordable housing. Poff said they passed the deadline for their first spring application session, which aims to get the ball rolling as soon as possible with a few smaller projects and dole out the rest of this year's funding in the fall. She said for the first round, they had 50 project applications for a total \$12 million.

Poff said the applications can be big or somewhat smaller than residents might expect.

"We have someone who wants to install a water spicket to water their community garden, to someone who wants to have a million dollar community housing project," she said. "The spicket will be about \$2,000 and we hope to fund that too, both large and small."

Poff said that anyone can start a project proposal, but added that they want to link those proposals with other organizations with more experience in those types of projects.

"Recipients can be anybody, a group of you can get together and, if you're not a corporation, a nonprofit and I would link you with the South Boston Neighborhood Development Corporation or a group that can do that," she said. "You voted for it so we want it to come from you."

Also during the meeting, the District C-6 Police came by and gave their report. Aside from vandalism and a theft from a store, the main issues of the night were larcenies from motor vehicles. The big concern according to police is that residents are not locking their cars, and they advised residents to do so.

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Senior programs gain funds

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council voted last week to accept \$130,253 last week as part of a grant for the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP).

The grant, provided by the Corporation for National and Community Services, will be administered to the Boston Elderly Services Commission (ESC) and will help provide 356 volunteers for elder care in the city by providing social support to homebound or older adults and individuals with disabilities by eligible seniors.

“The RSVP program will allow the Elderly Commission to recruit and train volunteers, which will aide in the transportation for our seniors, provide free health insurance information to clients, teach English as a second language and provide critical support for our veterans and their families,” said At-Large City Councilor Ayanna Pressley. “This provides much-needed companionship to adults and respite to our caregivers. It is holistic in its socio-emotional

economic services and engages a population of our city of 55 and over and wants to continue to engage in community.”

The idea is to get seniors out into the community to help other vulnerable populations. RSVP is designed to mobilize and organize senior volunteers mainly to the Boston Senior Companion Program and the National Senior Corps Volunteer Program, which in turn has many satellite programs. Basically, it’s seniors helping seniors and the city. Elderly Commission Communications Director Cassandra Baptista said it’s a great tool in the fight against elder isolationism.

“Since the 1970s, we’ve had companionship as one of our volunteer initiatives,” said Tyissha Jones-Horner, the Administrative Director of Volunteer Programs at the Commission on Affairs of the Elderly.

The program provides volunteer opportunities at such organizations in the city as Ethos, Ethos Greater Boston Chinese Golden Age, Grove



Hall Community Center, Hebrew Senior Life HRCA, the Heritage House, Kit Clark JCHE- Volunteer Department, JFK Family Services-Charlestown, Kit Clark Day Health Alzheimer Program, MEMORY Cafe, VA Boston Healthcare System in West Roxbury and Jamaica Plain, Vine Street Senior Cafe and the YMCA Roxbury.

Jones-Horner said the program has changed since the ‘70s and is now more focused on helping individuals in one-on-one settings.

“We had to kind to rethink how our vol[unteer] opportunities were designed,” she said. “Originally they were al-

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Bus Buddies give public transit a boost



Seniors now have the option to call a guru from the city to navigate the MBTA.

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Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Bus Buddy program giving public transit a boost By Jeff Sullivan

The City of Boston Com-

mission on Elderly Affairs (BCEA) is offering residents a helping hand in getting around the city.

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Elderly Commission now offering seniors volunteer food delivery program

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston Commission for Elderly Affairs (BCEA) is getting seniors fed more easily with a program to deliver food.

“It was a need we noticed when there were older adults that frequented a lot of our food pantries around the city, but said it was cumbersome or too heavy to carry on their own,” said Tyissha Jones-Horner, the Administrative Director of Volunteer Programs at the Commission on Affairs of the Elderly. “A lot of them don’t have transportation.”

Jones-Horner said they now have a volunteer program, set up

with the help of the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) to help seniors get access to fresh and healthy foods from local food pantries.

“We have volunteers who go to food pantries like the ABCD in Mattapan, as well as a partnership with Fair Foods, and they pick up bags there and deliver them to seniors,” she said, adding that Fair Foods specializes in fresh organic produce. “We rolled that out in April of last year.”

Jones-Horner said the program is progressing, but they need help finding volunteers and getting the word out.

“It’s helping tremendously,”



Volunteers are now ready to deliver food to eligible seniors in Boston.

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launched in the fall of last year, aims to pair seniors who have difficulty navigating the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) with experienced riders to get them where they need to go.

“We originally introduced our volunteer opportunities last April,” said Tyissha Jones-Horner, the Administrative Director of Volunteer Programs at the Commission on Affairs of the Elderly. “We spent the first couple of months in rounds of training, showing volunteers how to navigate through the MBTA.”

Jones-Horner said they started at the Broadway MBTA Station for the first bits of training. She said training not only involved information on the MBTA, but also how to interact with residents during their time on the T.

“They actually have a whole training facility that is just amazing, they teach the volunteer where all the safety gadgets are on the bus and it was a full 20 hours of training,” she said. “Safety call boxes, for instance; there are a lot of people that don’t know how to use one of those inside an MBTA vehicle.”

Jones-Horner said they also go over more traditional information like map reading, and she said this gives seniors access to any area in Massachusetts, not just Boston.

“They go over how to read the maps,” she said. “They pull out the maps of the entire state of Massachusetts and they show them where the routes connect, so they’re thoroughly knowledgeable about all of the different lines. If they meet up with a client, for example,

and they say ‘I’m from Roslindale and I don’t have access to transportation and I want to go to the beach,’ they can teach them how to go to Wollaston Beach or Revere Beach. It’s not limited to Boston.”

Jones-Horner said they got the idea from volunteers in different programs and talking to senior residents in the community.

“What we heard in our conversations was that they were a little intimidated by the public transit system and a lot of them didn’t have access to transportation and that’s just how this came about,” she said.

Bus Buddies will also be able to teach residents the best times to travel, which is key in a city where rush hour can be an all-day affair.

“We do have a few people that have been interested thinking outside the box, we’ve been contacting independent living facility as well as senior centers to arrange a travel day where we would take the seniors on a trip to a museum or a zoo and during that trip we will teach those components,” she said, adding that the program also provides companionship to seniors as well. “It’s called Bus Buddies because it goes a step further than just showing older adults public transportation, there’s a companionship component to it as well that helps us with our goal with all of our vol[unteer] opportunities, which is reducing social isolation, which is a killer.”

Jones-Horner said to call 617-635-4366 call to volunteer or if they need a bus buddy 617-635-4366.

she said. “These are people who are pretty much food insecure and being able to rely on that food once a month or week, we know that it’s helping and because it’s a federally-funded program, we do survey our clients or older adults that we deliver to in order to make sure we are doing what we set out to do.”

Jones-Horner said addressing food insecurity within the aging population is extremely important for residents of Boston, as it allows more seniors to age-in-place and not have to go to senior living facilities.

“People are starting to learn about it more and more,” she said. “We have about 15 seniors we deliver to on a monthly basis and that’s continuing to grow day-by-day.”

Jones-Horner said they are also working on the Serving the Health Insurance Needs of Everyone (SHINE) program. The statewide initiative aims to provide free health insurance information and counseling assistance to Massachusetts residents with Medicare and their families. The Boston Public Health Commission runs a hot line at 617-534-5050 that has two full-time counselors working to help anyone with questions on health insurance they need.

“That’s helping older adults understand the differences in their medical insurance, Medicare Part A and B, which can be very confusing,” she said.

Jones-Horner added that

they are always working to end isolationism within the senior community, and the food delivery program helps that as well as the volunteers definitely get to know those they serve. She said that’s only one front however on their fight against isolationism.

“We have volunteers go to different senior centers and inde-

pendent living centers and plan activities to keep them socialized,” she said. “We have coffee nights, game days, they just have a lot of fun and they get people outside their houses and get to know the neighborhood.”

For more information on the Elderly Commission’s programs, go to boston.gov/departments/elderly-commission.

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lowed to serve in hospitals and museums and disciplines of that nature but they wanted more peer-to-peer volunteer type initiative, and now we’re providing volunteers to family members who take care of dementia and Alzheimer’s so they can have some time to regroup.”

According to the Elderly Commission, this program has

allowed thousands of Boston residents the ability to age-in-place in their homes, one of the stated goals of Boston Mayor Marty Walsh’s administration. For more information on RSVP, go to boston.gov/departments/elderly-commission/boston-rsvp. For more information on Senior Corps, go to nationalservice.gov/programs/senior-corps.

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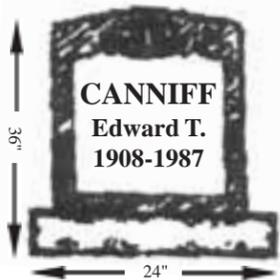
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Residents were happy to hear work is starting at this intersection of Perkins and Parkman Drive.

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section of Parkman Drive and Perkins Street along the pond.

“I live at Cabot Estates and we’ve been trying to get across the street since 1994,” said one resident. “We have been to meeting after meeting after meeting and we are just beside ourselves that last week they put the fencing in and they’re in construction. We’ve actually had people injured getting across the street, it’s almost impossible.”

According to the City’s Vision Zero map, there has actually been a motorist fatality as early as 2016 at that exact spot on Perkins and Parkman. JPA Member Sarah Freeman said the light is now designed to be pedestrian activated.

“So it will only turn red when a pedestrian is crossing and won’t hold up too much traffic,” she said.

Zoning Chair Kevin Moloney said the Department of Recreation and Conservation has also promised street and safety improvements to Centre/VFW Parkway starting from Centre Street to Murray Circle, as well as improvements from there to Kelley Circle to Forest Hills. The idea was first floated on 2015, and Moloney said there were several meetings up until 2016 when DCR Commis-

sioner Leo Roy took over the organization.

“So last year, thanks to our elected officials, our State Reps and our State Senators, we had a public meeting with the new commissioner, who promptly pronounced the plan for Murray and Kelley Circles as complicated,” he said to much laughter in the room. “He promised to take a third look at the project and he continued to indicate he knew nothing of the proposed safety improvements on Centre Street and that he had a fleeting notion of the (VFW) Parkway.”

Moloney said however that last fall he committed to the improvements on Perkins and he is hopefully that something will happen on the other improvements.

The board also voted to change its bylaws to now allow notices for members who have given their email address to receive meeting notifications by email.

“We’re rocketing into the 1990s,” said JPA Board Chair Rosemary Jones. “The post office and the stationary store will miss our business, but the people who do the papers and stuff the envelopes will be quite happy.”

The board also said farewell

to longtime member John Iappini, who has served on the board for 43 years and is now moving Downtown. He said he will still advocate for parks there and drop in from time to time, and that he was glad to be able to serve for so long.

“Once a park advocate, always a park advocate,” he said.

Iappini said he was proud of what the board was able to accomplish in the time he was there, including a policy for community benefits from developers in the area.

“About three to four developers have contributed, the last one being the Goddard House,” he said. “We secured \$50,000 for all the improvements of Daisy Field... with all of those projects I think we as a neighborhood association gathered about \$100,000 in contributions to be used for all three parks in maintenance and preservation.”

The next meeting will take place on Monday, June 4 at 7 p.m. at the Jamaicaway Tower at 1111 Perkins St. Jones said they will be discussing an issue postponed at Monday’s meeting, which is the 660A Centre Street for 100% Delicias Express for a conditional use permit.

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return the commitment that Scott showed to them all the years he spent co-founding and volunteering for Parkway Girls Softball League, Parkway Youth Hockey, and Parkway Flag Football.

Scott’s wife is known in the community because of the nine years that she taught at Holy Name; Scott’s mother-in-law, Teedee Sweeney, is a name recognized by many Don Bosco High School graduates. Scott’s father-in-law, Jim Sweeney, is a retired Boston Public School shop teacher.

Hosting a fundraiser for Scott, the Sweeney and Berry

families, together with their good friends, are asking kind-hearted people from the community, both near and far, to attend. It will be held at Holy Name Parish Hall on Saturday, May 19, from 6-11 p.m. There will be attractive silent auction items, raffles, music, food, and cash bar.

In the meantime, Jim’s Brooklyn, daughter, Mary, has set up a GoFundMe page for brother-in-law Scott (<https://www.gofundme.com/596hj8w>). A Tyndale Street neighbor donated her vertical wheelchair lift for Jim and Teedee’s house to accommodate temporary housing for

Scott while renovations occur. Hopefully, enough money will be raised to provide for all the numerous and necessary renovations to the Berry home on South Street, as well as provide for the necessary medical equipment that Scott will need before the family can go home.

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North End celebrates opening of Tot Lot at Christopher Columbus Park



Residents reveled in the new sand and play materials for the tot lot and playground at Christopher Columbus Park. PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

On May 5, the Friends of the Christopher Columbus Park celebrated the opening of the Tot Lot there with a free pizza party and Touch a Truck event for the kids of the North End.

The event is designed to raise awareness of the group and its efforts in the park. FOCC Representative Meghan Dennenberg said this year garnered a lot of supporters and participants, helped majorly by the warm temperatures.

“We are in great shape, for the last couple of years it’s been quite cold for the day,” she said. “The playground has been here for years and we have our annual playground celebration the first Saturday of spring.”

Dennenberg said the event was a great success. She said people really enjoyed the participation for the Boston Fire Department for their Touch a Truck, as many young children enjoy seeing the inside of a fire truck and hearing from Boston Firefighters.

“We really do appreciate them coming down, they come down from Hanover Street, and it’s really nice for the kids, they love sitting in the truck and visiting with the firefighters as well,” she said.

Dennenberg said they also appreciated the donations of food from Joe’s American Grill,

Beneventos and Kindercare. “They came down and did craft activities and we really appreciate all of them coming down and supporting the park,” she said.

“The FOCC is an all-volunteer organization put together by neighbors and we all donate our time to help the park,” she said. “We raise money for the lights in the Trellis every year, and we do programming throughout the summer like Sunday Night Movies, we do Lawn Games in the Park as well.”

Residents Angela Erb and Tom Simunovic said they came down for the weekend and were amazed at the support the park garners.

“It’s awesome, it’s a great turnout,” she said. “It’s a great community and everybody is really friendly.”

Resident Tommy Green said he came down from Rockland with his family to get some fresh air.

“I love it, I think it’s great,” he said. “It was absolutely worth it.”

Dennenberg also said they offer volunteer opportunities for resident who may have a green thumb and are always looking for help.

“We have a Horticultural Committee who does the Rose Garden and we’re just forming a Playground Committee for families who want to help out,”

she said. “They do the pruning, the fertilizer, it’s just a great group of volunteers who are out there gardening and weeding a couple of times a week.”

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WEST ROXBURY ROSLINDALE

SMA FATHERS DEDHAM BENEFIT DANCE SPRING DRAWING

SMA fathers Dedham Welcomes you for the Benefit Dance and Spring Drawing which takes place on June 8, 2018 at 7- 11 p.m. The venue is the Irish Social Club located on 119 Park St., West Roxbury.

Raffle: 1st Prize - Round Trip to Ireland for two (Restrictions apply), 2nd Prize - Kitchen- Size Flat-Screen Television, 3rd Prize - two nights' Stay for two at Cape Cod Irish Village.

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Admission \$15.00, Proceeds support SMA Fathers Missionary Work. Music: Fintan Stanley also appearing: Harney Academy of Dancers. Contact Par & Josie Casey: 781-329-0530 Father Brendan Darcy, SMA: 781-326-3288.

PLANS ANNOUNCED FOR ROSSI HIGH REUNION

A reunion for all who attended Roslindale High School will take place on Saturday, Oct. 6 at the Dedham Holiday Inn at 55 Ariadne Rd. in Dedham. The reunion will start at 7:30 p.m. and end at midnight. Graduates of the Class of 1968 will be celebrating 50 years. Graduates of the Class of 1969 are planning a 49th reunion and graduates of the class of 1973 will be celebrating 45 years.

Tickets will be e-mailed to each guest responding. The reunion is limited to 250 guests which may prevent tickets being sold at the door. For updates

on the reunion, go to www.roslindalehighschool.com.

REGISTRATION OPEN FOR CORRIB 5K RACE & KIDS FUN RUN

Registration is now open for the 25th Annual Corrib Classic 5k Race. The event will be held on Sunday, June 3 at noon beginning at Billings Field on La Grange Street, West Roxbury. Runners can download an application or register on-line at www.coolrunning.com by clicking on "Races/Results-June 3". The event website has comprehensive information on the race, post-race cookout and activities, and volunteer opportunities. Applications may be also picked up at Corrib Pub and Restaurant located at 2030 Centre Street West Roxbury. T-Shirts are given to the first 500 Pre-registered applicants.

The Race is Sponsored by the Cooperative Bank and supported by Gormley Funeral Services. Hosted by Bligh Family and Corrib Charitable Trust Board of Directors, the event has raised over \$1.2 million for local parkway charities.

CORRIB KIDS FUN RUN

The Corrib Kids Fun Run will take place on the morning of the annual Corrib Classic 5K Road Race on Sunday, June 3. The kids race is FREE and will begin at 10 a.m. at Billings Field, West Roxbury for boys and girls between the ages of 4-12. Fun run applications are available at the YMCA, The Cooperative Bank Branches or the Corrib Pub. Runners can Pre-Register by mailing the application by May 25 to KIDS FUN RUN, 195 Stimson St., West Roxbury MA 02132. T-Shirts and medals will be given to the first 100 registered runners. Runners can also register on race day at Billings Field between 9 and 9:45 a.m. The event is sponsored by the Cooperative Bank and the Corrib Charitable Trust, Inc.

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Location: Cheriton Heights Apartments, 18 Cheriton Rd., West Roxbury, MA 02132

Day and Time: Thursdays from 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Class Dates: May 24 thru June 28, 2018

For more information or to register for this workshop contact Ann Glora at 617-477-6616 or aglora@ethocare.org

AUTHOR SERIES — FRANK LOVELL'S WORLD WAR II DIARIES

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ANIMAL TALKS

Monthly Parlor Meditations and conversations about the animals we love and remember.

Where: The Stratford St. United Church (77 Stratford St, West Roxbury, MA 02132 - Corner of Stratford St and Anawan Ave.)

Topic: Discovering Your Power Animal, Your Familiar
When: May 13, 2018 at 5:00pm (and every second Sunday of the Month)

Contact: Kaleel Sakakeeny, CPGC & Certified Animal Communicator
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4TH ANNUAL ROSLINDALE PORCH FEST SATURDAY SEPT. 15

The Roslindale Arts Alliance announces that the 2018

Roslindale Porch Fest will be held on Saturday, Sept. 15 from 1:30-5:30 p.m., with a rain date of Sunday, Sept. 16. This family-friendly event showcases local talent all over Roslindale hosted by residents eager to provide their porches, driveways, yards, and gazebos as venues for free musical performances. Roslindale Porch Fest is free to all, thanks to our generous sponsors. Last year's event featured live music at 70 locations across Roslindale, with 110 music acts participating in styles ranging from folk to jazz to rock to reggae to classical, and a crowd estimated in the thousands.

Registration is now open for both hosts and musicians at <http://www.roslindalearts.org/porchfest>. The registration deadline is Aug. 1

Roslindale Arts Alliance - www.roslindalearts.org/porchfest - www.facebook.com/roslindaleporchfest

RECIPE FOR A STRONG COMMUNITY: ROSE'S BOUNTY FOOD PANTRY

From 8-11:30 p.m., June 1 at Irish Social Club at 119 Park St. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Event to celebrate 2 years of successful operation of Rose's Bounty, West Roxbury's new food pantry, and to thank community and volunteers for their support. All proceeds will be used for food and supplies for the WR food pantry. The event includes live band, food, comedy, silent auction and more. Tickets available at Rockland Bank and Blue Hill Bank in WR. Discount for table reservations. For more information or ticket inquiries call 857-203-0404 or email Rosesbounty@gmail.com.

ARTS ALLIANCE ANNOUNCES THREE ART SCHOLARSHIPS

The Roslindale Arts Alliance announces the availability of three art scholarships (each \$500) to be awarded in May. Any Boston student in grades 3 through high school are eligible to apply. These scholarships are possible through fund raising efforts during the 20th Anniversary* of It's All about Arts television show.

To be considered, send a short video (mp4 format) of your art and why you love it to glennsmusic.williams@gmail.com. Deadline to enter is May 18. Please indicate your age category: (1) Grades 3,4,5; (2) Grades 6,7,8 or (3) High School.

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City Realty not meet with the zoning committee until after more discussion has reviewed it for months.

106 Forest Hills is an abandoned, boarded-up two-story house built about 1873. Allegedly used by squatters, it is behind two triple-deckers and a single family home.

It was bought by Alan Sharaf, a Brookline real estate attorney, on July 14, 2017 for \$1.4 million.

He proposes to raze the old house and build a three-story, nine-unit condominium box with 10 parking spaces; almost the whole site is paved for parking.

Designed by Embarc Architects, the plan has changed after two abutter meetings.

Dave Baron, zoning committee chair, was enthusiastic.

“These changes show that the community process works really well,” he said. “This new design is a lot cooler.”

The dozen neighbors disagreed that the process worked, but their concerns were less about the building and more about traffic congestion, limited street parking and alleged drainage problems. Two were concerned that Jamaica Plain was losing is architectural heritage.

Dan Artiges, associate architect at Embarc, explained some of the design changes.

“It has three roof decks,” he said. “The interior entrance has been changed. There will be a sloping walkway and a single stair entrance. There are setbacks in the street facade. There is quite a lot of change in the elevation so the new building is only two feet higher than the existing building.”

The new building hugs the street line allowing for more parking spaces at the rear of the lot.

“The existing beech tree will be preserved,” Artiges said. “The building will have horizontal siding with natural cedar infill that maintains its color over time. There will be seven, two-bedroom units and two, three-bedrooms.”

Zoning committee member Anne Barrett and Eric Herot of Amory Street said there is a need for more housing in Jamaica Plain and asked that smaller units be added.

“You can increase the number of units and still keep the same size of the building by reducing the unit sizes,” Herot said.

Michael Kane owns a condominium at 43 Glen Rd. directly in front of the old house.

“There have been some good changes since the last abutters meeting,” he said, citing reduction in parking and orientation of the building. “But the building could be saved. There is too much market rate development. It’s counterproductive. It drives up rents and prices. There should be a moratorium on market rate housing.”

Jeff Richardson lives at 105 forest Hills St. He opposes the building largely because of traffic congestion. He did admit the building is a problem property

“It’s an eyesore. It’s uninhabitable,” Richardson said. “But I’m not worried about affordable housing. Nobody cares. I live next door to affordable housing,

Mostly Section 8 people. They’re not here.”

Baron said people don’t show up either because they don’t care or have no opinion.

One Glen Road resident was opposed but for reasons unrelated to design or affordability.

“Glen Road is overwhelmed with rental parking,” she said. “No. 39 is owned by City Realty. They kicked everybody out and put in students. Three to an apartment and all have cars.”

Another abutting resident offered to show Sharaf around.

“Let me drive you around for two hours so you can see the traffic back up,” she said.

Sharaf’s attorney, Jeff Drago, said that nine units are not going to increase traffic on Forest Hills Street.

Jon McCurdy lives on Rossmore Road and is active in the Stonybrook Neighborhood Association. SNA first called the alarm about this development in March.

“Direct abutters have a lot of pull in this process,” he said. “Who’s looking out for Jamaica Plain as a whole? Just because squatters live in the building doesn’t make it inhabitable.”

Drago said that the property would automatically go through the required Article 85’s 90-day demolition delay review by the Boston Landmarks Commission.

Jennifer Urhane is also from the Stonybrook Neighborhood Association.

“This doesn’t address the needs of the people in this area,” she said. “I don’t believe in density for density’s sake. How much will each unit cost?”

“They will cost a lot,” Baron said. “This is coming in under the inclusionary development policy for affordability. This committee is uneasy with that.”

Sharaf addressed the committee.

“I’m afraid that a lot of your concerns are public policy issues,” he said. “I’m an attorney. In a broad sense I support these issues. I bought this property. This is a project that an architect came up with. If the public policy for affordability in Jamaica Plain is nine or eight or seven by all means go to your city councilors and change it. This is under the limit. We are committed to selling to families.”

Zoning committee member Max Glickman made a motion to deny.

“You can build 12 units,” he said. “Carve out two affordable units within the same building.”

Baron disagreed.

“There’s no advantage to denying this project,” he said. “The existing building can’t be preserved. Something’s going to be built there. Nobody is happy with it.”

Committee member Jim Green offered a compromise.

“There’s no ZBA date,” he said. “If we defer it we allow for more discussions. I’m concerned with traffic. The abutters should petition for neighborhood parking.”

“I’ll gladly defer to a future meeting,” said Baron.

The motion to deny was deadlocked and 106 Forest Hills St was deferred to another day.

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of the policies based on data collected by Colorado and with zoning provisions like mandating a 500-foot radius from a school, ball field, park, playground, church or other area where children normally congregate and keeping medicinal and recreational shops at least a half mile from each other, he believes they are ready to deal with the coming legalization in July.

“In general, across the municipality, I think we’re prepared to bring it on, but as always as we move forward we want to make sure we have the ability to manipulate our enforcement packages so we do it properly so it’s not just haphazard or wasteful efforts,” he said. “I honestly do believe the culture at ISD has changed radically, Mayor Walsh can take credit for all of that because the ideology, the response time, we understand that someone’s small issue in the bigger city issues is no small issue to them.”

District 9 City Councilor and Chair of the Ways and Means Committee Mark Ciommo pointed out that the budget for ISD has been pretty flat over the years and said that there have been calls to add staff to the department, but Christopher said he believes they can work more efficiently, rather than with more people.

“It’s not always just about throwing bodies at a situation,” he said. “It’s being able to analyze the situation so the

resources that we have are deployed in the most efficient manner. The reorganization of the building department itself is a major issue, we have a senior management team at ISD now made up of 10 people who have all been empowered so within their divisions they can make logical decisions and nothing is bottle necked as we go forward. Issues like recreational cannabis, the plastic bag ordinance, Airbnb, for the first time in a lot of administrations we are at the table when these discussions are taking place so the enforcement piece is always being analyzed and looked at.”

Christopher admitted, however, there is still much work to be done.

“Airbnb is one of those issues that has not been fully resolved yet, we have been going back and forth with the council to determine what is the right policy that we want to put in place and at that point we will determine what the right enforcement will be,” he said. “That is not included in our budget this year at all because we really don’t know what the magnitude is.”

At-Large City Councilor Mike Flaherty asked Christopher if they are looking at instituting the dry ice method of pest control for rats in the city.

“It’s Boston’s nemesis, it’s the Norwegian Rat,” he said.

The dry ice method was

used two years ago in the city with a good deal of success, but Christopher said they found that it was not an approved by the federal government.

“We are getting closer with dry ice,” he said. “There has been a case in California where one company has been given exclusive rights to promote and sell dry ice. The local departments here said you can pursue that same avenue. That was not what the plan was, the plan was to make dry ice available to everybody. The chemical composition is dry ice, it’s frozen CO2, that’s all it is, and we are working right now, (ISD Assistant Commissioner) Kim Thai has been working very closely with the Department of Agriculture, we’re getting much closer. It takes forever, but I’m hoping it will happen this year where dry ice is just another tool in our tool box we’re able to work with.”

In 2016, the city used dry ice against rats with a great deal of success. The population dwindled and complaints for rats went down. But even as soon as the next year, many areas of the city – mostly abandoned properties, but also many restaurants and parks – saw a large uptick in rat complaints.

“It’s environmentally friendly, it’s cost-effective, it’s all the right things,” Christopher said. “There will be a party, this has been a long fight.”

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK DIVISION **DOCKET NO. SU18P0767GD**

NOTICE AND ORDER: Suffolk Probate and Family Court
Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor 24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114

In the interests of **Raymond Perez Payan of Hyde Park, MA**
Minor

NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED PARTIES

- Hearing Date/Time:** A hearing on a Petition for Appointment of Guardian of a Minor filed on **04/10/2018** by **Claribel Rivera** of Hyde Park, MA will be held **06/11/2018 08:30 AM** Motion Located **24 New Chardon Street, Boston, MA 02114 3rd Floor.**
- Response to Petition:** You may respond by filing a written response to the Petition or by appearing in person at the hearing. If you choose to file a written response, you need to: File the original with the Court; and Mail a copy to all interested parties at least five (5) business days before the hearing.
- Counsel for the Minor:** The minor (or an adult on behalf of the minor) has the right to request that counsel be appointed for the minor
- Counsel for Parents:** If you are a parent of the minor child who is the subject of this proceeding you have a right to be represented by an attorney. If you want an attorney and cannot afford to pay for one and if you give proof that you are indigent, an attorney will be assigned to you. Your request for an attorney should be made immediately by filling out the Application of Appointment of Counsel form. Submit the application form in person or by mail at the court location where your case is going to be heard.
- Presence of the Minor at:** A minor over age 14 has the right to be present at any hearing, unless the Court finds that it is not in the minor's best interests.

Date: May 2, 2018

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
Hyde Park Bulletin, 05/10/2018

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION **DOCKET No.SU16P2067EA**

Estate of: Sara Marleny Williams **Suffolk Probate and Family Court**
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300

Date of Death: 11/24/2015

A Petition for **Appointment of Special Personal Representative** has been filed by: **Catherine E Williams of Hyde Park, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

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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: **10:00a. m. on the return day of 06/07/2018.** 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.

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: May 04, 2018
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
Hyde Park Bulletin, 05/10/2018

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION **DOCKET No.SU18P0773EA**

Estate of: Robert L. Kimpel **Suffolk Probate and Family Court**
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300

Date of Death: 04/01/2018

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by:
Gary R. Kimpel of Myrtle Beach, SC requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.
The Petitioner requests that:
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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: April 23, 2018
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SUFFOLK Division **Docket No. SU18C0202CA**

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME **Suffolk Probate and Family Court**
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300

In the Matter of: Ariana M Hazery
Of: Allston, MA

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: April 30, 2018
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
Boston Bulletin, 05/10/2018

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division **Docket No. SU18C0205CA**

NOTICE OF PETITION FOR CHANGE OF NAME **Suffolk Probate and Family Court**
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300

In the Matter of: Lauren A Hobler
Of: Brighton, MA.

To all persons interested in petition described:
A petition has been presented by Lauren A Hobler requesting that:
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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: April 30, 2018
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division **Docket No. SU17D2466DR**

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Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
April 13, 2018
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate Court
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