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The Boston City Council is looking to acquire the land around Sprague Pond, but the owner may not be a willing seller.

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Boston Police Officers from both the Hyde Park and West Roxbury stations detailed issues going on in the Parkway recently.

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Property on Sprague Pond considered – if owner will sell

Mary Ellen Gambon
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council’s Committee on Environment, Resiliency and Parks met on Friday, Dec. 3 to accept a state Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations for Communities (PARC) grant of up to \$387,164 to help fund the acquisition of two parcels on the western shore of Readville’s Sprague Pond.

The only caveat is that the parcels are privately-owned, with the owner already having completed several steps in the development process to build three condos on the property.

Committee Chair and District 6 City Councilor Matt O’Malley presided over the hearing on the property, located at 0-4 Lakeside Ave. The grant money would be used to purchase the land and declare it a permanently protected park.

It would be named the Sprague Pond Shoreline Reserve.

In October, Sprague Pond was officially designated by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) as a “great pond.” This means that it contains more than 10 acres of land in its natural state.

The grant money was awarded by the state’s Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs Division of Conservation Services, Parkland Acquisitions and Renovations.

District 5 City Councilor Ricardo Arroyo joined the hearing briefly to express his support for the land acquisition via the grant money.

“These two parcels have historical significance,” he explained, noting they

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Shootings, residents’ doors unlocked causing problems

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Southwest Boston Civic Association (SWBCA) met on Dec. 1 in a virtual format and discussed incidents of crime with representatives from the Boston Police Department (BPD).

The discussions focused on the two districts that comprise the neighborhood association. Those districts cover West Roxbury and Roslindale (E-5) and Hyde Park, Roslindale and a bit of Mattapan (E-18). Crimes they discussed took place over the past two months.

Starting with the bad news, District E-18 Community Service Officer Paul Broderick said there were several shootings in the district over the last month. Broderick started with the shooting first reported on Oct. 10 at 6 Ayles Rd. around 3 p.m.

“There was a radio call for a person shot and the victim was found on the

ground with gunshot wounds,” he said. “He was deceased. Homicide is investigating this. This was a targeted shooting.”

The next reported targeted shooting Broderick discussed was on Nov. 22 at the intersection of Maple Avenue and Walnut Street around 10 p.m. The victim was apparently found shot in the abdomen, driven to the hospital and later died. Homicide detectives are now investigating the incident.

Broderick also reported a non-targeted, apparently accidental shooting to the neighborhood first reported on Nov. 10. He said the shooting took place on 217 Wood Ave. at around 10:30 p.m. He said the victim was shot randomly after the assailant approached him and asked him a question. When the victim didn’t

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- Highlight key neighborhood destinations of Egleston Square
- Encourage people to walk and bike more in the neighborhood
- Build off of the Egleston Square infrastructure improvements



Wayfinding signage coming to Egleston Square

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

Egleston Square became a crossroads in 1898 when Columbus Avenue was extended from Northampton Street to Walnut Avenue.

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A plea from Matthew

The title does not mean St. Matthew, who is referenced a lot at this time of year, as in “Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold Magi came from the East ...” This is Matthew White, who for many of us is The Recycle Guy. Driving one of the large yellow but sometimes white compactor trucks for Capitol Waste, he arises around 3:30 AM on most weekday mornings to do his long route throughout West Roxbury, Hyde Park, and other parts of the city, elevating the 96-gallon blue toters into his truck.

With his ever-present sunglasses on and his baseball cap worn backwards, he takes pride in contributing so much to our city (by saving on landfill volume) and by carrying so much back to be recycled. Many times the hydraulic extenders on both side of the expensive truck are not working, meaning that he has to jump out of the driver’s seat to position the large, blue totems on the mechanical lift.

Here’s comes the bad news: some people throw ANYTHING into the recycle bin—all violating the directions on the toter. Such deposits have been done by careless, if not malicious, residents. But what he needs help with these days preceding Christmas concerns well-intentioned people who place styrofoam into the blue totems. Such people are under the misconception that just because their television, video game, and so many other items delivered by UPS, Amazon, FedEx, post office, and DHL arrived in card-



My Kind of Town/
Joe Galeota

board boxes with styrofoam bracing the contents against bumping, that the said Styrofoam must be “good.” Wrong. Styrofoam, whether in the form of peanuts or rectangular prisms, is mentioned first on the lid of the totem as not being recyclable. So don’t increase the volume on his trucks by not taking the time to remove the Styrofoam and breaking down the cardboard; plus, it has to be removed on the conveyor belts at the recycling facility in Charlestown.

Speaking of gumming up the works, don’t throw plastic bags into the recycle bin: they are to be excluded but can be recycled at Roche Brothers and Loew’s, among other places, where plastic bags are placed to be taken away to be recycled.

Here’s hoping that all the people working on recycling have a Merry Christmas, one devoid of styrofoam.

Wayfinding

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transfer station.

The elevated is gone but that surface transportation route on Columbus Avenue serves three of Boston’s busiest bus routes: the Number 22, 29 and 44.

And as of Dec. 1 the Number 29 bus will be free for the next two years.

Just as electrified elevated trains were cutting-edge transportation in 1909, so is the state’s first bus-only lane that opened with enthusiastic fanfare on Nov. 4, 2021 through Egleston Square from Walnut Avenue to Centre Street and Jackson Square and the replacement Orange line.

Carolyn Royce of the Egleston Square Neighborhood Association (ESNA) joined then-mayor Kim Janey and MBTA general manager Steve Poflak at the ceremony.

“This is a very important gain for Egleston Square,” she said. “It’s innovative, it’s new, it’s exciting and it’s brought some welcome public investment to Egleston Square.”

The busway with four new center lane bus shelters gets riders through Egleston Square; the next phase of investment is planned to improve how residents get around in Egleston Square.

As William Moose of the Boston Transportation Department (BTD) –who was the city’s project manager on the busway – described it in a November 2020 virtual public meeting, the next phase of investment would be the Egleston Square wayfinder directional sign program.

That wayfinding program is getting underway and Laura Moule of BTD came to the November 1, 2021 ESNA meeting to explain that with the busway completed, a survey for the program would begin.

It would be the first signage program of a business district in Jamaica Plain.

The wayfinding signs would be funded through the Egleston Square infrastructure budget through which the busway was built.

BTD defines Egleston Square as bounded by Boylston

Street, Dimock Street Walnut Avenue and the Southwest Corridor Park at Atherton Street.

Within that circle BTD describes School Street and West Walnut/Walnut Park as the two major local through streets.

Royce emailed the survey to the ESNA list on Nov. 22 ahead of the Dec. 6 ESNA monthly meeting during which the survey would be discussed.

As Royce wrote in her message, “What are your familiar and important neighborhood destinations?”

Basically, the survey for the first time will allow those who live in Egleston Square today to define what landmarks and destinations within Egleston Square are important to them. But do the boundaries set by the BTD agree with the Egleston Square boundaries in the minds of those who live in it?

The survey lists transit, shopping destinations, community destinations, schools, health centers, parks and playgrounds.

The longest list of options is parks and playgrounds with 11 potential destinations including Washington Park and Trotter School playground, which are well outside the BTD-defined boundary.

Do residents consider Crawford playground adjacent to the Ellis School - one of the largest in the vicinity - a playground destination?

Is the Rafael Hernandez Playground – another large playground – a destination even if it is locked to those not in the school over the smaller but accessible Mendell School playground, even if that is farther away?

The survey lists three health centers, Brookside, Dimock and Martha Eliot. But Martha Eliot is within the grounds of Mildred Hailey Apartments at Jackson Square; is that an Egleston destination?

The Peace Garden is considered a destination in the presentation Moule gave at the ESNA meeting: she bundled it together with the YMCA and Greater Egleston

High School, but the Peace Garden has been fenced off since Nov. 14 and is up for sale.

Also among the questions residents will have a chance to answer is the connection from Franklin Park to the Southwest Corridor Park which is considered important to the BTD wayfinding program.

That connection should be accessible for both walkers and bicyclists.

School Street is the obvious route since it lines up with an original park entrance and El Parquecito de la Hermanadad playground.

Columbus Avenue at the Walnut Avenue park entrance steps is the most direct route since it lines up with Atherton Street that runs straight to the SWC Park.

The survey will allow residents to determine the best route for the neighborhood.

The planning and design process for the signage is being done by Kittleson Associates and Mary Saunders is the project manager.

The signs will include destinations with a logo, directional arrows and the length of time to get there by foot or on a bike.

According to Moose, the sign approval and fabrication will be completed at the end of winter 2022 and be installed that summer.

Among the destinations will certainly be the three new bus stations within the center of Egleston Square at Walnut Avenue, Weld Avenue and Bray Street.

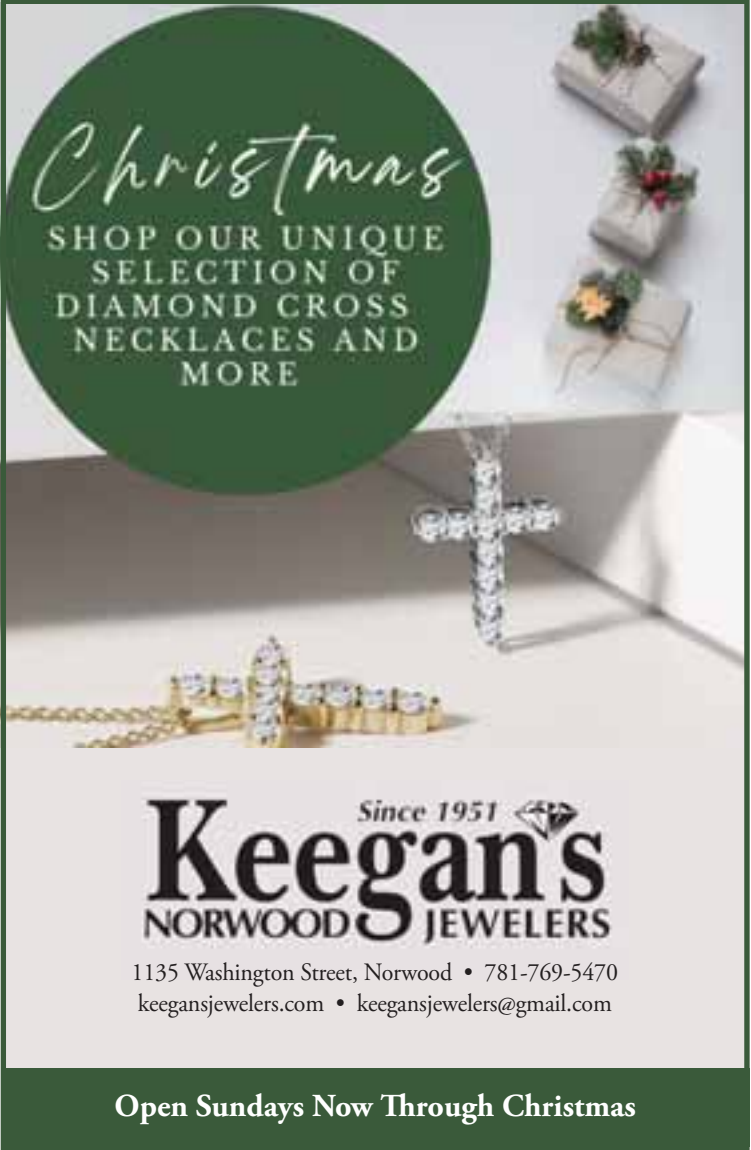
These have electric signs that list the routes and arrival time of each bus.

The busway opened for operation on Oct. 30 and Andrew McFarland of the MBTA said at the Nov 1 ESNA meeting that he was encouraged.

“We’re working pretty closely with the city on this,” he said. “From a bus operator's standpoint we’ve gotten positive comments. This is the first time that the T has done this in the system. It’s doing pretty well.”

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Please pray for me who am so miserable. Make use I implore you of that particular privilege accorded to you to bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolations and help of Heaven in all my necessities, trials and tribulations, particularly (here make your request) and that I may bless God with you and all the elect forever.

I promise you, O blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor and I will never cease to honor you as my special and powerful patron and to gratefully encourage devotion to you.

In thanksgiving for many answered prayers.

—S.G.H.

Transcript Tab calls print quits

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The West Roxbury Roslindale Transcript, which had a few years ago combined with the Allston Brighton Tab, announced recently that it has suspended its print edition of the dual paper since Dec. 1.

According to a 1970 historical publication by Richard Davis, the paper started publishing in Roslindale in 1930. Davis' Recollections of Roslindale stated the paper was a joint venture between he and the wealthy then-owner of the Dedham

Transcript, Charles M. Cox. "He wanted to start a paper in Roslindale," the essay read. "He came down to see my father, and asked him if he'd be interested. My father said no, he wasn't interested, but he said: 'My son, you see him, I know he'd be interested,' and my father pointed to me up in the store. When Mr. Cox approached me, I grabbed at the opportunity. I was going to Northeastern University, but I said I'd be very glad to work with him. So he gave me a job, and they gave me so much an inch for whatever I'd

do."

While the Transcript Tab won't be ending its digital services, the last print edition left the printing shop on Dec. 1. A release from the paper states that this decision will help them to deliver more local news.

The Bulletin Newspapers will continue to report on these four neighborhoods every week. According to Dan Kennedy's Media Nation blog, more and more Massachusetts papers owned by Gannett (and its subsidiary Gatehouse) are shutting their print operations.

Letters to the Editor

LETTERS LACKING IN REALITY

To the Editor:

The letters to the editor in the December 2 issue of The Bulletin could not have been in sharper contrast over the issue of parking spaces in proposed developments. On the one hand writer Robert Orthman decried the ZBA decision to deny a permit to the proposed development of 4198 Washington Street in Roslindale Square based on a lack of parking, and on the other hand inveterate writer Sal Giarratani decried the approval of any developments that do not have "sufficient parking" spaces. The latter thinking can best be described as lacking in any relation to reality on several crucial points.

First, rising housing prices are primarily

the result of short supply, which is exacerbated by the incessant demand that more parking spaces be provided. Second, it is astounding that there exists a perception that everyone owns or wants to own a car. In fact, a great number of people do not own - in particular those of lower income, the very people hurt most by high housing prices. It is past time to end the 20th Century notion that everyone should be driving a car. Indeed, our survival on this planet is directly dependent on reducing our addiction to carbon dioxide spewing and congestion creating private transportation machines.

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Prayer to the Blessed Virgin
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—S.G.H.

A Prayer to the Holy Spirit
Holy Spirit, you who made me see everything and showed me the way to reach my ideal. You who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget the wrong that is done to me and you who are in all instances of my life with me. I, in this short dialogue want to thank you for everything and confirm once more that I never want to be separated from you no matter how great the material desire may be. I want to be with you and my loved ones in your perpetual glory. Amen. Thank you for your love towards me and my loved ones. Persons must pray the prayer 3 consecutive days without asking your wish. After 3rd day, wish may be granted no matter how difficult it may be. Then promise to publish this dialogue as soon as this favor is granted.
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are part of the land where the Massachusetts 54th Regiment, the first Black volunteer regiment to serve in the Civil War, had been encamped.

Rep. Rob Consalvo of Hyde Park also supported the effort. He and state Sen. Mike Rush previously coauthored a letter in support for the state designation as a great pond.

“This is a hugely important issue for Readville and Hyde Park,” he said. “And that great pond designation brings so many protections to Sprague Pond.”

“This land around Sprague Pond is under threat of development by a private owner who wants to build units of housing on it,” Consalvo acknowledged. “While we support housing across the district, this particular piece is so important to protect through this grant because of the historical nature of Sprague Pond and the land surrounding it.”

Aldo Ghirin, the senior planner for the city’s Parks and Recreation Department, said that this land acquisition has been a “long-term goal of the city,” citing a 2011 strategic plan for Hyde Park completed by the Boston Redevelopment Authority (BRA), now known as the Boston Planning and Development Authority (BPDA), that referenced “a Sprague Pond waterfront park.”

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—S.G.H.

“It has the potential to be a nationally significant historic, cultural and archaeological resource area,” Ghirin said.

City funds through Community Preservation Act (CPA) revenues will also be allocated for the purchase, he added. He explained that he needed to get authorization for the funding before speaking to the owner, upon the advice of the city’s counsel.

City archaeologist Joseph Bagley said this land was the former home of the Massachusetts Tribe at Ponkapoag. He flagged the land as an archaeologically sensitive site of historical significance both for Indigenous people and because of Camp Meigs, where the 54th Regiment was encamped.

Bagley explained he had no authority to perform an archaeological survey on the property currently because it is private. However, he said he would “take it on as a community archaeological project” if acquired.

“We really need to do this,” O’Malley said. “It’s really heartening to see the work of the city and the state coming together. This can be an incredible destination and place of learning and place of remembrance.”

But there was not unanimous enthusiasm for this proposal. Belnel Family Neighborhood Association (BNFA) President Helena Tonge expressed concern that the property owner had already received approval for development of the three condos from the BPDA, the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA), and the Boston Conservation Commission, which was not referenced at the hearing.

“What I’ve noticed over a period of time in my position and as a resident is there’s no cross-conversations with these departments when critical deci-

sions are being made,” she said. Tonge also questioned why, considering the frequent mentioning of the 54th Regiment and the Massachusetts Tribe, that these groups were not part of this conversation about the land acquisition.

Proposed space for the 54th Regiment reenactors has been discussed for location in The Pryde, the LGBTQ-friendly elder housing development that is being built on the site of the former Rogers Middle School, rather than on the site of Camp Meigs, she noted.

“There are descendants here that are living, breathing entities,” she stressed. “Who gets to tell the story? Who gets to decide what goes into spaces and how those spaces are designed and formed and discussed?”

Frank O’Brien, a community environmental activist, agreed that Tonge raised good points.

“The goal is to have a willing seller at the end of the day, and this grant helps accomplish that,” he said.

Darius Gregory of Gregory Investment Group, the property owner, was the last to testify. He spoke of O’Brien’s conservation effort here in less than glowing terms.

“He may be a champion to some,” Gregory said of O’Brien. “But in my case, for lack of a better word, he is somewhat of a nuisance because of what he’s done to prevent this development from moving forward.”

Gregory added that he and his partner “have spent hundreds of thousands of dollars” going through the approval procedures prior to construction. He said he would be willing to sell it “if they are willing to agree on terms.”

“To date, I don’t see how they are going to fill the gap that needs to be filled,” he said.

O’Malley said that the procurement process will be transparent. He hoped that the City Council would approve the measure at an upcoming meeting.

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answer, the assailant shot him. Broderick also detailed several other thefts including package thefts, a marijuana bust and a few vandalism reports. Broderick said in overall crime, the district is down 18 percent.

Broderick also detailed several other incidents including, but not limited to, a fight at the bus stop involving students of Boston Prep, the tasing of a resident at a gas station on Hyde Park Avenue, a robbery of a cell phone and motor vehicle from a woman at Braywood Road, a breaking and entry theft of a wall air conditioning unit from the construction site at 11 Dana Ave., a stolen Lexus off of Hyde Park Avenue, and another motor vehicle stolen while it was left running outside.

This lead into the E-5 crime report from Community Service Officer Ed Roach. First and foremost, on Nov. 27 an intoxicated 27-year-old male found his way into the bedroom of a young girl on Gloria Road. The girl was sleeping in her parents' room that night, but after they had breakfast she found someone in her room she was not expecting.

"This just shows you the importance of locking things, not just cars but also your houses," he said. "The family was downstairs in the morning and the girl comes back and said 'There's a man sleeping in my room.' The night before, the daughter had slept in the parents room and had proceeded to go into her room that morning, and while

they were sleeping someone came in, obviously intoxicated because they thought they were in the house of a girl he knew, and it was a 21-year-old male. The police came and he was arrested, but that shows the importance of at least keeping your house locked when you're sleeping and at your most vulnerable."

Roach also detailed several motor vehicle break-ins which occurred almost exclusively in vehicles that were left unlocked.

There was an uptick in larcenies from vehicles, especially in West Roxbury," Roach said. "There were 13 in West Roxbury, as opposed to eight in Roslindale. I believe every

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single one in West Roxbury was unlocked and I think everyone but one in Roslindale was unlocked and people leave things like expensive cameras and laptops and decent amounts of cash – I don't know why these people are doing it – but that's a continuing problem we never seem to get over, people never willing to lock their vehicles. If people locked their vehicles, these 20-plus incidents might have been only a couple."

Roach said also that there was an incident at Eagle Street on Nov. 14 where the victim reported they were out shopping and saw a notification on their Ring doorbell. They came home to find the intruder in the house. The victim asked what he was doing there, and he said he was helping her husband

paint the house. He fled out the door.

"The crazy part is the police responded and then the guy came back with his wife and daughter," Roach said. "The wife (of the suspect) brought her husband back to the scene of the crime so he could be arrested."

Roach said the Drug Unit made an arrest at Stonybrook Commons, where they per-

formed a search warrant. "They made two arrests and seized over 250 grams of fentanyl, which is over a half a pound," he said. "Fatality involving fentanyl is in the micrograms, so that shows how much that is. In total there were 10 other arrests from the drug unit, and it was pretty much spread out. There were four in Roslindale and six in West Roxbury."

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Invites you to a
Public Information Meeting to Introduce
The Notice of Project Change
for the

Allston I-90 Multimodal Project

Wednesday, December 15, 2021

6:30 p.m.
Virtual (Zoom)

Join: virtualmeeting.link/AllstonMultimodalNPC

The purpose of this public information meeting is to provide members of the community with an opportunity to become fully acquainted with the Notice of Project Change (NPC) to be filed for the I-90 Allston Multimodal Project. The meeting will introduce attendees to the NPC document and how to provide comments on the document, and provide a status update on the ongoing project design and permitting process. To be added to the project email list, contact the project, or review further information, please visit the project website at <https://www.mass.gov/allston-multimodal-project>.

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DAVENPORT
Katherine M. “Kay” of Naples, Florida, formerly of Roslindale and West Roxbury, passed away peacefully on November 24, 2021. Beloved wife of the late Joseph Davenport (BFD). Devoted mother of the late Michael and his surviving wife Darla Davenport of Fairfield, CA, Maura Davenport of Naples, FL, and Katherine (K.C.) and her husband Kevin Grogan of Quincy, and the late Brady J. Davenport. Cherished grandmother of Matthew, Karley, Devin, Erin, Lauren and Ted. Devoted great-grandmother “GG” of Grace, Claire, Maeve and Declan. She was predeceased by her dear brother John “Jack” Brady. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, WEST ROXBURY. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated in Holy Name Church. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in Kay’s memory may be made to Vitas Hospice Healthcare, 4980 Tamiami Trail N. Ste. 102, Naples, FL 34103. For directions and guestbook, please visit gormleyfuneral.com. William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

FAGAN
Patricia A. (Cioherty) of West Roxbury, December 5, 2021. Dear and devoted wife of the late James N. Fagan. Loving mother of Patrice Fagan of West Roxbury, Deb Spillane of West Roxbury, Mary-Ellen Fagan and her partner Dorine Margeson of Mattapoisett, Christine Popson and her husband Michael of CT, Susan Falvey and her husband Kevin of Walpole and Jim Fagan and his wife Kathleen of Mashpee. Cherished grandmother, “Nana,” of Brittany, Sean, Danielle, Kaitlyn, Andrew, David, Mark, Owen, Ryan, Scott, Thomas and Matthew. Dear sister of Sally Dolan and her husband Tom of VA and the late Mary Young. Sister-in-law of Peg Guzzo, Claire Cahill, Linda Bunton and her husband Jim, Carmel Fagan and Barbara Fagan. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Funeral from the Kfoury Keefe Funeral Home, 8 Spring St. (at the corner of Centre St.), WEST ROXBURY. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Patricia’s memory may be made to Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, 13770 Noel Road, Suite 801889, Dallas, TX 75380 (Komen.org). Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. Guestbook and other information at www.KfouryFuneral.com

FOX
Joan M. (Cameron) of Kingston, formerly of West Roxbury, peacefully, surrounded by her loving family, December 2, 2021. Dear and devoted wife of the late George P. Fox. Loving mother of Melissa Fox Lincoln and her husband Robert of Fairhaven, Katrina Barry and her husband James of Medford, Deidre Fox of West Roxbury and Gretchen Fox and her husband Paul O’Brien of Kingston and Linda Foley and her husband Greg of North Easton. Cherished Nana of Jayme Heon Sweeney and her husband Joseph, Gabrielle Heon, Victoria “Tori” Barry, Jim Barry, Jr.,

Obituary policy

The Bulletin Newspaper publishes obituaries from information supplied by funeral homes. Relatives and friends also may supplement information by e-mailing to news@bulletinnewspapers.com by Monday at 1 p.m. Photos also will be accepted.

DEATHS

Ashley Frank and Rachel Allen and her husband Brad. Great-grandmother of Faith, Kirsten, Noah, Amir and Nikolina. Dear sister of Eileen Cavanaugh of FL, Brenda Lynch of Marlboro and the late Lorraine McCarthy. Dear sister-in-law of Ronald Fox of Kingston. Also survived by many loving nieces, nephews and her goddaughters Karin McCarthy Mazzella, Patricia Russo Gibbs and Michelle Gorman Coill. She shared a special friendship with longtime friends Joan Marie Gorman and Jane Silveria. Funeral from the Kfoury Keefe Funeral Home, 8 Spring St. (at the corner of Centre St.), WEST ROXBURY. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Joan’s name to the New England Center and Home for Veterans at 17 Court St., Boston, MA 02108 or the Salvation Army. Interment will be private. Guestbook and other information at www.KfouryFuneral.com

GORMLEY



James P. of Derby Line, VT, formerly of West Roxbury and Jamaica Plain, peacefully on December 5, 2021. Loving son of the late William J. and Marie (Curran) Gormley. Cherished brother of Mary Clasby, Katherine Ahern, Richard Gormley, and the late William J. Gormley III. Jim is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Jim was a graduate of Boston College High School and Norwich University. After serving in the U.S. Navy during the Cuban Missile Crisis, Jim was a Social Worker in New York and Virginia. He retired to Vermont where he enjoyed many wonderful years. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, WEST ROXBURY, on Friday, December 10th at 10:30 AM, followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Theresa of Avila Church, at 11:30 AM. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend. Visiting Hours, Thursday, December 9th from 2:00 - 5:00 PM. Contributions in Jim’s memory may be made to the St. Vincent DePaul Society at St. Theresa Church, 2078 Centre St., West Roxbury, MA 02132. For directions and guestbook, gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600 Home, 2055 Centre Street, WEST ROXBURY, on Friday, December 10th at 10:30 AM, followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Theresa of Avila Church, at 11:30 AM. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend. Visiting Hours, Thursday, December 9th from 2:00 - 5:00 PM. Contributions in Jim’s memory may be made to the St. Vincent DePaul Society at St. Theresa Church, 2078 Centre St., West Roxbury, MA 02132. For directions and guestbook, gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600

GRENIER
Annette T. of Roslindale, formerly of New Bedford passed away peacefully on November 21, 2021. Loving daughter of the late Antonio

and Helen (Pelerin) Grenier. Cherished sister of Nora Frakes, Theresa Grenier, Simone Comeau, Yvonne Grenier, Karen Grenier, Paul Grenier, Roland Grenier and the late Robert Grenier and his surviving wife Joanne, and the late Pauline Hanlon and her infant brother Raymond. Annette is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews and treasured friends whom she considered family. She was the devoted and loving godmother of Scott Frakes. Annette was a proud graduate of Emmanuel College where she obtained her degree as a Registered Nurse. Following graduation, she worked at many Boston area hospitals where she cared for many with care and compassion. She retired from the VNA of Boston after compassionately caring for many residents of the city of Boston. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend Annette’s Funeral Mass in St. Theresa of Avila Church, 2078 Centre Street, WEST ROXBURY on Saturday, December 11, 2021 at 10 AM. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Pl, Memphis, TN 38105. To leave a condolence message for the family, please visit: gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

KELLEY
William J. Jr. of Milton, formerly of Roslindale, died on November 27, 2021. Beloved husband of Marjorie E. (Carr) Kelley. Loving father of Mary Donovan and her husband Edward of Maryland, Francie Kelley and her husband Quentin Fennessy of Belmont, Patricia Kelley-Borchert and her husband Robert Borchert, Jr. of Connecticut and Joan Shobbrook and her husband Timothy of Plymouth. Brother of the late Paul Kelley. Also survived by 8 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. A Funeral Mass was celebrated at St. Anne’s Church, 90 W. Milton St., Readville on Monday, December 6. Interment, Mount Calvary Cemetery, Roslindale. U.S. Airforce veteran. In lieu of flowers, donations in Bill’s memory may be made to St. Vincent De Paul Society, 18 Canton St., Stoughton, MA 02072. For guestbook condolences, please visit www.bradysfallon.com Brady & Fallon Funeral Home 617 524 0861.

MAZZEO S. David of Readville, December 1, 2021. Beloved husband of Jane E. (McKendry) Mazzeo for 19 years. Father of Alex Mazzeo of Italy. Son of Maria “Mirella” Mazzeo of Readville and the late Domenico S. Mazzeo. Brother of Maria S. “Marina” Joyce and her husband Paul of Readville. Uncle of Kevin P. Joyce and Kara E. Joyce both of Readville. Also survived by many cousins and friends. Retired Yardmaster for the MBTA. Funeral from the George F. Doherty & Sons Wilson-Cannon Funeral Home, 456 High St., DEDHAM. Interment in St. Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to the The American Diabetes Association, 260 Cochituate Rd., Framingham, MA 01701. Online guestbook at gfdoherty.com George F. Doherty & Sons Dedham 781-326-0500.

MULLIN
Peter J. of West Roxbury, passed away peacefully on November 29, 2021. Loving husband of 48 years to Mary E. (Connor) Mullin. Devoted father of Brian Mullin and his wife Christine of West Roxbury, Chris and his wife Alison of Michigan and P.J. and his wife Jen of Brimfield. Cher-

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ished “Bampy” of Dane, Sydney, and Avery. Dear brother of the late James and Elaine Mullin. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Peter was a retired Major of the U.S. Army National Guard proudly serving his country retiring after 28 years of service. He was the past Grand Knight of the K of C Council ’98. Most of all, he will be remembered as a proud loving husband, father and grandfather who had an incredible sense of humor and “appetite” for life. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, WEST ROXBURY. In lieu of flowers, donations in Peter’s memory may be made to the Sgt. Jeffrey Mullin Scholarship, c/o Weymouth High School, 1 Wildcat Way, South Weymouth, MA 02190. For directions and guestbook, please visit gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

NILAN
Henry J. Jr. November 30, 2021 Born 1935 to Henry J. and Mildred G. (Dunn). Lifelong resident of West Roxbury. Predeceased by his parents, his sisters Mary Louise, Virginia and Sarah as well as son-in-law Daniel J McCarthy Sgt MPD. Survived by his wife of 68 years, Leslie (Rockwell) and their children Susan Bratton (Gerry), Stephan (Christine), Christopher (Jamie), and Kimberly McCarthy. Also survived by 13 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and many loving nieces and nephews. Long-time employee of Stark Draper Lab. Retired Sgt. Major of the 11th Special Forces (Airborne). Henry was a larger than life personality who spoke his mind with ease and readily stood his ground. Firm yet fair. Love of family first

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and foremost, God and country. Funeral from The Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home 617-323-5600.

WOOD
Harold C., passed away at home at the age of 78 on December 2, 2021. The only son of Mildred and Harold Wood, born on December 19, 1942 in Jamaica Plain. He spent most of his life as an avid sportsman. He is survived by his loving wife Emma Wood of 50 years and a large extended family. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. Interment St. Michael Cemetery. For directions and guestbook, www.gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

Council sends OPAT nominations to Mayor

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council voted unanimously approved the list of nine nominations to the Office of Police Accountability and Transparency (OPAT) Civilian Review Board (CRB) at its most recent regular meeting on Dec. 1.
Boston Mayor Michelle Wu will now have to appoint three of those nominations to the CRB in the coming months. The council’s nominations will fill three of the nine total seats on the board.
Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice and outgoing District 4 City Councilor Andrea Campbell said they received 81 eligible applications for the Board when they started the process back in the summer.

“We actually received more than that but of those received only 81 were eligible,” she said. “I just want to thank the public. A lot of folks took time out of their busy schedules to apply for a position to serve the community. This is an incredibly important role for the City of Boston and I want to thank all those who put forth their names.”
Those being submitted include Mona Connolly Casper of South Boston, Maria Dolorico of the South End, Anne Hernandez of Roslindale, Luis Lopez of East Boston, Zachary Lown of Roslindale, Carrie Mays of Dorchester, Tara Register of Roxbury, Chanda Smart of Roxbury and Benjamin Thompson of Dorchester.
Campbell did say the re-

sponsibility of appointing three of the nine nominees lies with the mayor, but they are asking Wu to consider further action once the selection is made.
“One thing that did come up during the working session that I think is really important is that

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INFORMAL PROBATE
PUBLICATION NOTICE

DOCKET No. SU21P0770EA

Estate of: Debra J. Burke

Suffolk Division

Date of Death: December 16, 2020

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of
Petitioner Joseph Burke of West Roxbury, MA

Joseph Burke 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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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU21P2252EA

Estate of: Mark N. Schwartz

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

Date of Death: 05/03/2020

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Gabriella G. Kiniry of Greenwich, CT** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.
The Petitioner requests that:
Gabriella G. Kiniry of Greenwich, CT 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: 10:00A.M on the return day of **01/04/2022**. 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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UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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: November 23, 2021
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. SU21P2507GD

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF
GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO
TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304

In the matter of: Steven Paul
Of: West Roxbury, MA

RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person

To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by Parkway Health and Rehabilitation of West Roxbury

in the above captioned matter alleging that Steven **Paul** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that **Velma J. Brinson of Hyde Park, MA** (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve Without Surety on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

You have the right to object to this proceeding. If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00AM. on the return date of **12/30/2021**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person’s right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
November 30, 2021
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

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DOCKET No. SU21P1941EA

Estate of: Michael N. Koufos

Suffolk Division

Date of Death: June 06, 2021

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of
Petitioner Nicole Kelley of Plymouth, MA

Nicole Kelley of Plymouth, 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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INFORMAL PROBATE
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DOCKET No. SU21P0685EA

Estate of: Rose R. Gisone

Suffolk Division

Date of Death: October 12, 2020

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of
Petitioner Paula Diana of Braintree, MA

A Will has been admitted to informal probate.

Paula Diana of Braintree, 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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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR
FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU21P2076EA

Estate of: Paul J. Seigny

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

Date of Death: 07/16/2021

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Josephine M. Seigny of West Roxbury, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.
The Petitioner requests that:
Josephine M. Seigny of West Roxbury, 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: 10:00A.M on the return day of **01/14/2022**. 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.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS
UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)

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: December 03, 2021
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

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OPAT

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when she chooses three of these persons to nominate, she should let the council know what her decision-making involved,” she said. “So we can report that back to folks who were not selected so they can stay engaged in the process and, if seats do become available, they can re-apply and be reconsidered to fill in if someone is ineligible.”

The OPAT is designed to be a separate review entity for the Boston Police Department (BPD), and since the passing of its associated ordinance earlier this year, it will have to form two oversight bodies, one to deal with internal affairs complaints and the other, CRB, which will deal with civilian complaints against the police. The CRB will have the power to refer incidents to the OPAT for investigation, conduct their own investigations, make determinations in regard to complaints set against the BPD, review relevant complaints, review any incident where a Black person, indigenous person or person of color is fired from their job or disciplined at the BPD, investigate allegations of disparate treatment of workers or officers of the BPD, and make recommendations to the Police Commissioner regarding complaints brought to the Board.

District 6 City Councilor Matt O’Malley said there was not a mandated process in the ordinance on how the council was supposed to select its appointees, but he said he is happy with how it turned out. He said the council tried to put conduct as transparent a selection process as possible, and he believed the number of applicants showed that.

“Not only did we have an online portal, but we made sure that language access was at the forefront by making sure the application was translated into Chinese, Cape Verdean Creole, Haitian Creole, Spanish and Vietnamese. We had a very open process, and I know that all of us here reached out to our networks to try to make sure we had more folks involved. The result was not only 80-plus candidates, but 80-plus really qualified candidates. The hardest part was trying to winnow that down to nine.”

Deadline

The deadline for all press releases for The Bulletin is Friday.

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