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A look at the two different views of the Arborway looking south towards Murray Circle. DCR presented this option as its preferred for the redesign of the roadway.

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New Arborway design proposed by DCR

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

On Oct. 21, 2020, the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) presented five alternative designs for the Arborway between Parkman Drive and Forest Hills.

DCR announced that alternative four called the “no circle” was the preferred solution at the first stakeholders meeting held on line Aug. 31, 2022 and opened up three months of public comment.

Alternative four was described at length by Howard Stein Hudson traffic consult-

ant Matthew Jasmin at the second stakeholders meeting held virtually on Dec. 14. Aided by a 3D modeling power point, Jasmin spent 30 minutes figuratively driving down the alternative design from the Arboretum Forest Hills Gate to Parkman Drive.

Arborway program director and DCR deputy chief engineer Jeffrey Parenti opened the meeting on what seemed like an apologetic note. “There’s been a high volume of letters and emails commenting on [alternative 4],” he said, “hundreds and hundreds of public comment.”

“There’s been some public records re-

quests,” Parenti said referring to the appeal by the Jamaica Pond and Jamaica Hills associations seeking documentation on which alternative four was based. “These requests take up a lot of time. I’m trying to assemble the documents,” he said.

Parenti said that a late January 2023 meeting is planned to focus on the traffic analysis that will presumably explain in part the choice of number four. “Traffic talk, as much traffic talk as you can get,” he said.

There were 45 residents on the call, including eight representatives of the 19-

Arborway Plan

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92 Seattle St., 400 Belgrade Ave. amendments approved

Mary Ellen Gambon
Staff Reporter

The Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) at its monthly virtual Board of Directors meeting on Thurs. Dec. 15 approved several project amendments, including ones for projects located in Allston, West Roxbury and Brighton.

The board unanimously approved an amendment to the 2013 Institutional Master Plan (IMP) for Harvard University’s Allston campus to include an overhaul of the building at 92 Seattle St. The amendment also includes a commitment of \$100,000 to the Harvard Allston Partnership Fund grant cycle.

The 92 Seattle St. proposal includes the renovation of a 56,000-square-foot warehouse and institutional storage building, according to BPDA Project Manager Tyler Ross. He explained that the work will provide space for Harvard’s athletic program as well as studio and office space for the school’s Department of Art, Film and Visual Studies. There is also a common space and an area for the golf program. New fenestration will create a more open look to the building where four loading docks are located currently.

As part of the renovation, there will be improvements to the building’s exterior, updated infra-

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Child hit on Centre St.

Ariane Komyati
Staff Reporter

On the afternoon of Dec. 5, a child was hit by a car while crossing the intersection of Bellevue and Centre Streets. The child was transported to the hospital with pain in his lower right leg. Due to the number of pedestrian accidents on Centre Street over the recent years, many community members have said they would like to see safety improvements on this main road.

According to the police report, when a police officer arrived on the scene, a blue Mazda was parked in the right outbound lane with his hazard lights on, and a group of people gath-



Earlier this month, one child was struck and injured by a vehicle on a crosswalk on Centre Street in West Roxbury. Some residents are now calling for safety improvements to the street once again, as the area has seen several such accidents in recent years.

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Child Hit

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Surveillance oversight reviewed

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council voted unanimously to continue the process of updating the Surveillance Use Policies within seven departments under the city's jurisdiction.

The policy will cover surveillance footage from the Boston Housing Authority, the Boston Parks Department Park Rangers, the Boston Public Schools, the Boston

Public Health Commission, the Boston Municipal Protection Services, the Office of Emergency Management and, of course, the Boston Police Department (BPD).

The document outlines the use and limitations of surveillance technology in each department. For example, the police for authorized use of "stingrays," devices used to simulate cell phone towers to collect suspect data, would require a search warrant ob-

tained after a judicial finding of probable cause or "in exigent circumstances."

The ordinance itself is not finished and will go through more tweaking in the coming weeks to allow for more input from the relevant stakeholders.

"All stakeholders were brought to the table, including the relevant agencies and community advocates," said At-Large City Councilor and Public Safety Committee Chair Michael Flaherty. "All worked together on this ordinance. Not everyone is completely happy. There was some give and some take, but in my experience that tends to mean that it's good legislation."

District 7 City Councilor Tania Fernandez Anderson said she felt there were still many issues to resolve around the ordinance, particularly around the use of technologies like Shotspotter to provide evidence.

"Firecrackers and car back firings are likely to set the technology off, creating a diversion of public safety officers where they aren't needed," she said. "This is costly and ineffective technology. I think we can assume the technology is not evenly distributed among our communities, likely acting as a dragnet which predominantly Black, Brown and working class people are surveilled and forced into interactions with police that do not stem from criminal behavior, as demonstrated by the lack of accuracy rates from the technology."

According to the American Civil Liberties Union, a person is actually the one determining whether a reported sound from the system's microphones is a gunshot or not, which is in turn based on someone's professional opinion rather than a repeatable scientific process.

"We are also still in the dark as to who can access Shot Spotter information and what specific locations and technologies are being used," Anderson said. "They impact too many people in our communities for such a tight-lipped approach from the BPD."



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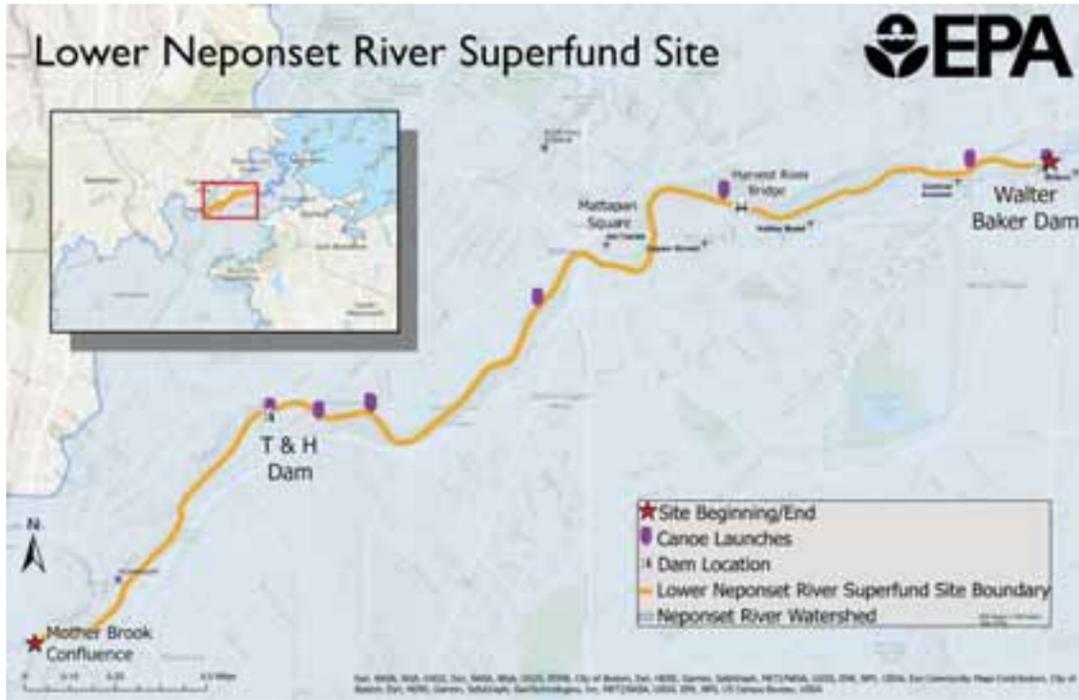
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The EPA is currently collecting information from residents regarding what they want to see when the cleanup is completed on the Lower Neponset River.

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Superfund site at Neponset discussed

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The East River Neighborhood Association (ERNA) met virtually for a discussion centered around the Superfund Site of the Lower Neponset River in Hyde Park.

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Remedial Project Manager Natalie Burgo went over the project's highlights and what's in store for the site. First up, the Superfund designation stretches from Mother Brook in Hyde Park down to the Walter Baker Dam around Lower Mills. The site was originally listed as a Superfund site because there have

been issues surrounding Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) in the water for decades, and during that time it has been unsafe to swim, fish or drink from the river.

"It was a common electric transformer fluid that was utilized from the 1920s all the way to the 1970s when PCBs were then banned," Burgo said. "After they banned PCBs there was a number of other chemicals in the river and that is what brought this to the EPA's attention."

PCBs are the original forever chemicals, in that they stay in a local food chain basically forever. They are very difficult to get rid of, and can cause cancer and other health problems in humans. They

also don't degrade in the natural environment, and Burgo said they need to be physically removed from the area.

"And they can be transported long distances, so even if the facilities were on the Mother Brook or further upstream, the PCBs can transport downstream and contaminate further areas of the river, which is what happened with the Lower Neponset," she said.

Burgo said her office is currently in the stage of trying to find the parties responsible and making them pay for the cleanup.

"Right now we have sent out a number of what are called gen-

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Letters to the Editor

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To the Editor:

When will the City of Boston start enforcing the illegal overnight parking of commercial tractor trailers, box trucks, RV vehicles, commercial dump trailers and commercial open construction trailers all over West Roxbury and Roslindale? You can find tractors parked overnight on Lizst St. in Roslindale. Between St John's Church and the West Roxbury Parkway you will find tractor trailers and box trucks parking overnight. Further down Washington St. near the Speedy Market at Grouse St. and at West Boundary Rd. you will find tractors, RV's old U-Haul and Hertz moving Trucks that are parked overnight. Drive down Woodley Rd and you find a Commercial dump trailer and another open trailer with a backhoe on it. Across from the Beethoven School you can find a tractor parking there 2-3 nights a week. Try driving down Grove St. from Washington St towards the Quarry and you find more commercial trucks parked overnight.

Also, what happened to the overnight residential parking stickers that were suspended during "Covid." I guess they could not ticket illegally parked cars in these areas of West Roxbury and Roslindale because it wasn't safe to get out of their cars. It's time to bring the residential parking permits back. I just wonder if these commercial vehicles were parked in the Mayor's neighborhood in Roslindale if they would be ticketed.

*Victor DiModica
West Roxbury*

IT APPEARS YOU AND ME ARE ON OUR OWN

To the Editor:

There are two things I really want badly this Christmas. One is never hearing Mariah Carey singing "All I Want for Christmas" again and again and again, and the other is getting the Boston City Council serious about doing the people's will. They pontificate on about affordable housing and zoning in this city being constantly done by variance. This city needs a real plan that keeps folks here rather than moving away because no one can afford to live here anymore. We need our elected officials representing our voices and not those of special interests.

As bad as the idea of letting 16 and 17 year olds vote in municipal elections, members of the Boston City Council now want legal status immigrants also being able to vote. I only wonder how long before the undocumented find advocates sitting on the Boston City Council?

We now live in, we are told, "the Greenest City in America." God save our trees. As for the rest of us? We seem on our own unless, of course, we are high school voters or non-citizen voters. Good luck to struggling homeowners or renters. Don't let the door hit you on the way out of town.

Even listening to endless repeats from Mariah Carey is starting to seem more palatable. Merry Christmas, Ho, Ho, Ho!

*Sal Giarratani
East Boston*

The worst Christmas(es) ever

In 1971 Barbara Robinson penned a stirring novelette for young readers entitled, "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever." Reprinted many times because of its popularity, it makes for enjoyable, humorous—and dare I say, poignant—reading even for adults. But the above title of this piece is the antithesis of "The Best Christmas . . ."; the "Worst" is no typo, no mistake.

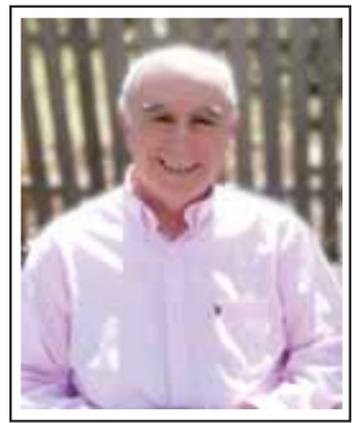
No matter how disappointing or bad the Christmas of 2022 is for us Bostonians—job loss, inflation, shrinkflation, attack of COVID/ flu, car accident, supply chains, Xmas gift problems—none can match those in repugnance for thousands of American GIs in 1943 and 1944.

Christmas Day for thousands of American men in the Pacific theater meant preparing for the advance a day later onto Cape Gloucester, on the island of New Britain in Melanesia. Northeast of the much larger island of New Guinea, New Britain's Cape Gloucester would be the landing place for the 7th Marine Division (and later the 1st Marines), who had only a minimal idea about the 3 M's that would characterize their time there: muck, mire, and—at the time of the year—the monsoons. For three straight weeks, daily torrential downpours bogged them down as well as their amtracs and tanks. Could it be that the military higher-ups delayed the in-

cursion to December 26th to allow the leathernecks to experience a Christmas with a semblance of peace and without combat (but nevertheless filled with stress about the next day), or was the Feast of St. Stephen chosen because of tides and/or weather?

Ultimately 310 Marines gave their last full measure of devotion there—many without proper burial because of the mud—and another 1,083 were wounded, with the number of Japanese dead surpassing 2,000.

The Christmas of a year later resulted in a much greater number of American military casualties, this time in Europe. The Battle of the Bulge took place in the brutally cold Ardennes Forest straddling Belgium and Luxembourg from December 16, 1944, to January 28, 1945. This was the last major German offensive campaign on the Western Front during World War II. The Allied forces had no choice about the date: they were attacked when early in the morning more than 200,000 German troops and nearly 1,000 tanks launched Hitler's last bid to reverse the ebb in his fortunes that had started when Allied troops landed in France on June 6 of 1944. Aiming to drive to the English Channel and divide the Allies as they had done in May 1940, the Germans struck in the Ardennes Forest, a 75-mile stretch of the front filled with



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Joe Galeota

dense woods and virtually no roads, held by four American divisions stationed there for rest and seasoning.

After a hard day of fighting, the Germans broke through the American front, surrounding most of an infantry division, seizing key crossroads, and advancing toward the Meuse River, creating the bulging projection that gave the battle its descriptive name.

During the six weeks, American casualties numbered 75,000 with more than 10,000 killed and 23,000 missing. German casualties were much higher, from 80,000 to 100,000. Indeed, a very sad time for families on both sides, not having their sons/brothers/husbands home for Christmas or, worse, not having them return home ever.

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structure, two accessible entrances, and new windows, according to Ross. The BPDA sponsored task force and public meetings about the project earlier this month as well as in September.

Mark Handley, the director of government affairs and community relations at Harvard, explained that the renovation project “will allow us to continue our effort to build out the next link of the greenway” south of the university’s science and engineering complex. He added that it will positively impact the development of affordable housing and homeownership opportunities at 65 Seattle St.

The project will allow for the continuation of a pathway network that “is not particularly friendly” at 92 Seattle St., Handley said. The building’s four current loading docks will be removed to provide more connectivity to the green space and the science and engineering complex.

He added that the landscaping improvements will be “kept rather close to the building.”

“We received a lot of great feedback from the Harvard Allston Task Force,” Handley added. “We were able to agree to a number of benefits

to support this project.”

Golf lessons will be offered to community members as part of a community benefits package. Also, a mural by local artists will be painted on the wall adjacent to the park.

No public testimony or letters were provided from the public on the project, and board members did not comment before unanimously approving the project.

The board also voted unanimously to lower the amount of below-grade parking spaces for the proposed development at 400 Belgrade Ave. in West Roxbury from 33 to 18, providing a one-to-one ratio of spaces per unit.

The building, planned for the site of a former gas station on the West Roxbury/Roslindale line, originally been proposed with a height of 54 feet. After pushback from the community, the height was reduced to 35 feet upon its approval. Traffic was also raised as a concern.

BPDA Senior Project Manager Caitlin Coppinger explained that the board previously approved the plans for the four-story building on Oct. 20, 2016 with 33 parking spaces. However, the proponent on Sept. 23 requested to amend the number of spaces “due to the ex-

traordinary cost of the parking system.” Parking was proposed with a stacker system. The address is located about one-tenth of a mile from a commuter rail station.

She added that the parking space reduction is in keeping with the Boston Transportation Department’s (BTD) ratio guidelines for spaces per unit. John Pulgini, the attorney representing the applicant, was present on the call but did not offer any comments. In a previous statement, he said the 15 spaces being removed would cost about \$3 million due now to inflation and the rising costs in labor and materials since 2016.

Also unanimously approved was a request to enter into an affordable housing agreement for one unit located at 36 Colborne Rd. Coppinger explained that the 11-unit condominium development project received approval from the Zoning Board of Appeal (ZBA) on Sept. 13. One unit was slated to be affordable as part of the city’s Inclusionary Development Policy (IDP) guidelines, even though one unit would comprise 9% of the housing. The IDP requires that 13% of a new development’s units be affordable.



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ered on the sidewalk.

“Officer Taylor spoke with the operator of the Blue Mazda who stated he thought he had the green light when he observed a child run into the street, at which point he slammed on his brakes to avoid hitting the child,” the police report states.

In the report, one witness stated she observed a car hit the child while they were walking on the crosswalk, and was unsure whether the driver had a green light or not. The witness estimated that the motor vehicle was traveling five to ten miles per hour. Another witness, the child’s aunt, stated that she was walking home from school with her nephew.

“Her nephew hit the crosswalk button, and when the crosswalk signal came on, [child’s name redacted] started walking when she observed the motor vehicle accelerate prior to hitting her nephew,” the report states. The child was transported to Children’s Hospital via ambulance.

The police report redacted the name of the child’s school, but the Lyndon School is located less than a block away from where the accident took place.

According to a witness, the driver of the blue Mazda was wearing a police uniform, but information regarding the driver’s name is redacted on the police report.

Many Lyndon parents feel shaken from the incident, and are disappointed that nothing has been done in recent years to make Centre Street safer. Brittany Jenkins, whose child

attends the Lyndon School, said that her husband was about to cross the street by CVS when the boy was hit.

“He [Jenkins’ husband] said he instantly looked up and saw that the driver’s light was red,” she said.

Eisenbarth-Jenkins emailed District Six City Councilor Kendra Lara, At-Large City Councilors, Mayor Wu, and the Chief of Streets.

“I also followed up with a phone call to each of the city councilors-at-large last Wednesday evening. I have yet to hear back from any of their offices. I have been emailing our councilors on a regular basis, usually after every Centre Street incident over the past three years to voice my support for the road diet,” she explained.

In 2019, a pedestrian was struck and killed on Centre and Hastings streets. The Boston Transportation Department proposed a series of designs to make the road safer for pedestrians. This plan, called the “Centre Street Road Diet,” included reducing the number of auto travel lanes, making more left turn only lanes, less on street parking, and bike lanes. The plan was shelved after some residents accused the city of caving to outside interests, such as the “bicycle lobby.” The last iteration of the plan can be found at <https://bit.ly/3j4J6lZ>.

Last October, a pedestrian suffered life-threatening injuries after being struck by a vehicle on Spring Street near Centre and Powell Streets. In March 2022, a man was hit

in the crosswalk at Centre and Hastings Street, but luckily did not have life-threatening injuries. In December 2021, a pickup truck in the Hastings Street municipal parking lot drove over the brick wall that separates the parking lot from the Centre Street sidewalk. A couple and their young children were injured.

Some local groups, such as WRox Bikes, have been advocating for safer streets.

“We [WRox Bikes members] have advocated with the City of Boston since 2019 to implement street structure changes to encourage slower, safer driving. The December 5th incident shows that modifying things like lights and speed limits, without changing the street layout, fails to make pedestrians and bicyclists safer,” explained Jason Brown of WRox Bikes. “We continue to urge the City to improve West Roxbury’s streets through these immediate next steps: reducing car traffic lanes in the Centre Street corridor and providing clearer lane striping and signage for motorists, pedestrians and bicyclists. Cars need to be slowed down on Centre Street for the safety of all.”

Other groups, such as the West Roxbury Safety Association, are against the “road diet” and believe other measures should be taken.

“Our number one priority is our request that was made to Boston Transportation Department (BTD) for on-demand pedestrian lights at several critical intersections, along with stronger police presence and signage at the Rotary and Spring Street that it is a high enforcement area,” stated one WRSA member.



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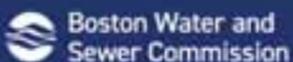
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member stakeholder group selected by DCR.

Parenti said the 3D model “will help move the work forward.”

Jasmin put up the 3D presentation and alternated between birds-eye and walkers’ views of alternative four.

It seemed that the preference favored the pedestrian by using signalization and safety islands and traffic calming by reducing travel lanes. According to Jasmin’s 3D presentation, option four achieved nine goals.

-Reclaiming 12,300 square feet of parkland that preserves the majority of existing trees and provides space for more.

-Separate, designated, 16-foot residential roads, eight-foot sidewalks with 12-foot bikeways.

-Narrowed travel lanes for traffic calming.

-Eliminating the Kelly Circle rotary allowing for more organized and regulated traffic flow with a mini roundabout and timed signals at Pond Street, Parkman Drive and Prince Street.

-Increased pedestrian walks and designated bikeways, similar to those built at the Casey Arborway in 2018.

-Shorter crossing distances for pedestrians with safety islands.

-Replacing Murray Circle with a signalized square and regulated, timed, signalized turns similar to Shea Square at Franklin Park.

-Neckdown parking lanes between the Jamaica Plain and Forest Hills gates of the Arboretum.

-Narrowed down travel lanes

and increased park space bikeway and sidewalks on the Arboretum stretch of the parkway.

In many ways option four is as close to the original 1892 Olmsted plan as possible in this motorized age. Thirteen callers had comments, most with mixed opinions but no outright opposition.

Abby Jamel of Liveable Streets, Sarah Freeman of the Arborway Coalition and Wendy Landman of Walk Boston all spoke in support.

“I very much support alternative four,” Landman said. “Human beings on foot can now get around.”

The Jamaica Pond Association is on record as opposing alternative four and Franklin Salimbene of Eliot Street was the spokesman. “We came out in opposition to alternative four,” he said. “The rotaries don’t have to be removed to achieve the objectives. There are too many signalized intersections.”

“I want to caution,” Salimbene said, “there’s more to this project than bicycles and pedestrians.”

Peter Furth of Boston Cyclists said, “cyclists are really happy [with this alternative]. They want signalized crossings.”

Furth also was in favor of the mini roundabout at Prince St and Parkman Drive. Andrea Howley of Jamaica Hills Association said there “was real discomfort” with alternative four.

“Traffic is backed up to the Faulkner [hospital],” she said. “Ambulances can’t get through.”

Howley questioned limiting travel lanes.

Celeste Walker, who lives on Centre Street, said there was “no improvement for pedestrians. I don’t see any solution with a traffic light at Murray Circle,” she said.

The Arboretum parking provision was one of the reasons Danny Schissler of the Arnold Arboretum liked alternative four. “It’s much safer parking,” he said. Schissler was also enthusiastic about “the sheer amount of new park land.”

Claire Barker of Orchard Street also liked the added park land but she wanted it programmed. “This can go towards picnics,” she said. “We can’t picnic in the Arboretum. Sarah and I look forward to playing croquet in the new park space.”

Andrew Sharpe called in and seemed worried. “I am moved to comment,” he said. “I don’t see people who look like me. There is no Mattapan or Hyde Park.”

Sharpe said he worked in the Fenway, “I don’t see my associates on this call,” he said. “I want to be the voice at the table. I want to advise my community about changes in the city. I love this plan.”

Parenti concluded the two-hour zoom by agreeing “there are competing needs.”

“We need compromise. We’re trying to get to design development, get out a plan and hire a contractor. But we need to get the preferred alternative,” Parenti said.

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BLATZ

Rosemary (O'Connor) of Hyde Park, December 13, 2022. Beloved wife of the late Frank Blatz. Loving mother of the late Edward Blatz. Daughter of the late Edward and Ethel (Pinckney) O'Connor. Sister of Donna Seibert, Patricia DeBassio and Alice King. Rosemary is also survived by several nieces and nephews. Funeral from the Dolan Funeral Home, 460 Granite Avenue, East Milton Square. Interment Blue Hill Cemetery, Braintree. To send Rosemary's family a condolence message, please visit www.dolanfuneral.com

BRASIE Myrna A. (Easa) of Brighton, formerly of West

Roxbury, December 16, 2022. Dear and devoted wife of Richard Brasie. Loving stepmother of Stewert Brasie, Rebecca Anders and her husband Scott, Tana Nalley and her husband Richard and Quentin Brasie and his wife Yham. Cherished grandmother of 22. Dear sister of Michel Easa and his wife Evelyn, and Judith Hawkins and her husband Paul. Also survived by several loving nieces and nephews. Interment at The Gardens Cemetery, West Roxbury. Guestbook and other information at www.KfouryFuneral.com

DEATHS**FERRO**

Marion E. of West Roxbury, formerly of Brookline and Winchester, passed away peacefully on December 12, with family by her side. Wife of the late Charles A. Ferro. Beloved mother of six children and their spouses, Rosemarie (Paul), Lenora (Thomas), Marion (William), Charles (Veronica), John (Chasidy), and Wendy (Joseph). She is predeceased by her loving first grandson, Todd M. P. Kerwin. Marion leaves behind several grandchildren: Christopher, Michaela, Tatum, Anthony, Sheryl (John), Susan (Jeffrey), Robyn (Keith), and Sara; as well as great-grandchildren, Emma, Jorja, Olivia, and Kaylea. Marion's legacy is one of the purest forms of love, generosity, humor, and family values. She will be sorely missed by all who were lucky enough to have known her. Funeral from the The Robert J. Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, a kind donation to the Alzheimer's Association would be greatly appreciated in memory of Marion's loving husband, Charles A Ferro. www.alz.org Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home 617-323-5600.

GRUTTADURIA

Giuseppa (Giusto) of Readville, December 18, 2022. Beloved wife of the late Joseph Gruttaduria. Devoted mother of Tina Lawless and her husband Robert of Medway, Fran Lawrence and her husband Robert of Lakeville, and Linda Murphy and her husband Paul of Canton. Grandmother of Joey, Krissy, Peyton, and Mia. Great-grandmother of JoJo, Sadie, and Brielle. Sister of Maria Labaki of Hyde Park and the late Carmela Barrile. Visitation at the George F. Doherty & Sons Wilson-Cannon Funeral Home, 456 High St., DEDHAM on Thursday, Dec. 22 from 9:00-

10:45am, followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Anne's Church, Readville at 11:00am. Relatives and friends kindly invited. Entombment in St. Michael Cemetery, Roslindale. Online guestbook at gfdoherty.com George F. Doherty & Sons Dedham 781-326-0500.

HENDERSON

Robert C. of West Roxbury, passed away December 10, 2022. Cherished son of the late Ruby Mae Peters. Devoted partner of 50 years to the late Francis J. Purnell. Loving brother of David K. Henderson of Florida, Paul Peters-Henderson of Hyannis, Robin Peters of New Bedford and the late Richard and Peter Henderson. Dear brother-in-law and uncle to the Kane and Purnell families. Funeral from the Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, WEST ROXBURY. To leave a condolence message for Bob's family, please visit gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

HIGGINBOTTOM

Brian J. Jr. of Hyde Park, passed unexpectedly on December 9th, at the age of 30. Beloved son of Brian J. Higginbottom Sr. of Hyde Park and Christine Mullen of Westwood, MA. Devoted brother of Andrew Higginbottom of Hyde Park, MA. Loving fiancé of Clare Sullivan of Somerville, MA. Also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Anne's Church, 90 West Milton Street, Readville, MA. Interment at St. Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury, MA. Please, in lieu of flowers, all donations can be made to <https://www.gofundme.com/f/in-loving-memory-of-brian-higginbottom>.

PANCIOCCO

Jeanne (Kenney) of Marco Island, FL, formerly of Londonderry, NH, and Hyde Park, MA died December 7, 2022. Beloved wife of the late Gaspare (Cass) Panciocco. Loving mother of five children, Susan, Karen, Marie, Cass, and Paul; many grandchildren; great grandchildren; nieces, and nephews. She was the daughter of the late Emma Kenney. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that you donate to the Gaspare G. Panciocco Scholarship Fund for first responders at [UMASS, https://minutefund.umass.edu/project/35467](https://minutefund.umass.edu/project/35467) Visiting Hours: Service to be held at a later date.

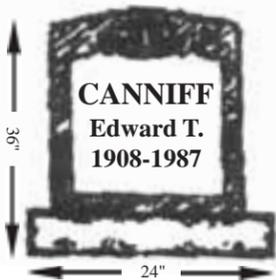
WEST

Paul Michael of West Roxbury, on December 12, 2022. Beloved husband of Patricia (Sullivan) West. Loving father of Carolyn Golley and her husband Gary of Roslindale, Timothy West and his wife Allison of Roslindale, and Michael West of West Roxbury. Devoted and caring "grampy" of Jack and Olivia West of Roslindale, who were his #1 pride and joy. Also survived by his sister, Dr. Maryanne West of Brighton, step-granddaughters, Sara and Erin Golley, and many nieces and nephews. Lifelong friend of Leo Brannelly of West Roxbury. Loving son of the late Kenneth and Mary West of Boston and Osterville. Paul grew up in West Roxbury and graduated from Catholic Memorial High School, and then Boston College, after which he served proudly in the United States Marine Corps. Paul was a dedicated employee of Raytheon for over 30 years. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, WEST ROXBURY. Interment at the Massachusetts National Cemetery, Bourne. In lieu of flowers, donations in Paul's memory may be made to Fisher House Boston, fisherhouseboston.org in support of our veteran community. For directions and guestbook gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

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eral and special notice letters to a number of parties who have historically been known to have operated along the river and now have other companies which have absorbed them and therefore make them liable as well," she said. "There are some very lucrative companies that we've been looking into to try to have them be responsible for the cleanup, and they have been notified. Our legal team is working very diligently to make the responsible parties pay for the cleanup work."

Burgo said currently they are also reaching out to neighborhood and community groups like the ERNA to establish a dialogue and rapport with community members to make sure they are involved in the process. She said right now that puts the site in the "Characterization" step of the Superfund process, during which the EPA is looking at testing as much of the area as possible and then determine what methods would be best to clean up the site. Once that phase is completed and the Selection of Remedy phase is approved after that, the cleanup phase can begin.

"Right now I know there's a lot of recreation use along the river and we want to work with you to figure out how we can help expand on that," Burgo said. "Where we're remediating the site for instance,

maybe we could help out with additional trails on banks that were going to be remediated."

ERNA President Barbara Hamilton said they have been working with the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) and other community organizations on the Doyle Playground rehabilitation and renovation to put in more paths and passive recreation near the Neponset River for when it is cleaned up.

"Pathways that would lead from the Shops at Riverwood up to Fairmount so that we can embrace the river that we have," she said. "So many of us bought houses or live around here or even on River Street, but we've never had an opportunity to connect with the river. This is a great opportunity that has come to our community in the Superfund site of the Neponset. People have been lobbying for that for years and it's now come to fruition."

Burgos said they are looking for input on what residents want to use the area for so that when it is cleaned up, they can put the river in a state to complement those uses. Go to <https://www.epa.gov/neponsetriver> for more information and how to comment.

Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

(Never known to fail!)

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

Miracle Prayer

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

Novena to St. Clare

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

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON GENERAL PROBATE PETITION Docket No. SU22P1677EA

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

Date of Death: 07/02/2022

To all interested persons:
A Petition has been filed by **John J. Sullivan, III of Estero, FL** requesting Decree that disclaimer is in the best interest of the persons interested in decedent's estate and not detrimental to the best interest of the decedent or the persons interested in the decedent's estate; and authorize petitioner to disclaim certain property interests to which decedent was entitled as heir or survivor of decedent's husband.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. **You have a right to object to this proceeding.** To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on **01/03/2023**.

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

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: December 16, 2022
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 12/22/2022

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION DOCKET SU90P2380

Estate of: **Raymond Masiello** Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300

Date of Death: 09/10/1990

To all interested persons:
A Petition for S/A -**Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Gerald A. Masiello of Bethany Beach, DE** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Gerald A. Masiello of Bethany Beach, DE** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. **You have a right to object to this proceeding.** To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of **01/20/2023**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
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The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
SUFFOLK Division **Docket No. SU22D1736DR**

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
Charles Purnell vs. Zanetta Purnell

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

To the Defendant:

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for **Irretrievable Breakdown**. The Complaint is on file at the Court.

An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. **SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.**

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon:
Charles Purnell 99 Highland Street Boston, MA 02119

your answer, if any, on or before 01/18/2023. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
December 12, 2022
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate *Hyde Park Bulletin: 12/22/2022*

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

INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE

Estate of: Cynthia F. Adams DOCKET No. SU22P2639EA

Date of Death: October 30, 2022

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate, by Petition of
Petitioner: Mark A. Weinstein of Ashburn, VA
a Will has been admitted to informal probate
Mark A. Winstein of Ashburn, VA
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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The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU22P1467EA

Estate of: Eileen J. McClellan
Also known as:
Eileen Julie McClellan

Date of Death: 05/05/2022

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

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by
Mark J. McClellan
requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that:
Mark J. McClellan
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration.**

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. **You have a right to object to this proceeding.** To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return date of 01/24/2023. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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 13, 2022
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
Boston Bulletin: 12/22/2022

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department

Docket No. SU22P2442GD

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

In the matter of: Nadia Macauley Of: Allston, MA

RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person

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

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by
Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center of Boston, MA

In the above captioned matter alleging that **Nadia Macauley** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that
Susan Hubbard of Topsfield, 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 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **01/25/2023**. 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 03, 2022
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. SU22P0626GD

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

In the matter of: Jerry Holloman Of: Hyde Park, MA

RESPONDENT
Alleged Incapacitated Person

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

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by
Park Place Nursing & Rehab Center of Hyde Park, MA

In the above captioned matter alleging that **Jerry Holloman** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that
Patrick McGrath of Allston, MA
(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve 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 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **01/10/2023**. 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
December 07, 2022
Felix Arroyo Register of Probate
Hyde Park Bulletin: 12/22/2022

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET SU22P2751EA

Estate of: Marie L. Masiello

Date of Death: 04/07/1998

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

To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy** has been filed by
Gerald A. Masiello of Bethany Beach, DE
requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that:
Gerald A. Masiello of Bethany Beach, DE
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration.**

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. **You have a right to object to this proceeding.** To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return date of **01/09/2023**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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 12, 2022
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate
Hyde Park Bulletin: 12/22/2022

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU22P2689EA

Estate of: Rodolfo I. Follett

Date of Death: 10/19/2022

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
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Boston, MA 02114
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To all interested persons:
A Petition for **Formal Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by
Denise Dixon of Boston, 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:
Denise Dixon of Boston, MA
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration.**

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. **You have a right to object to this proceeding.** To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 A.M. on the return day of **01/18/2023**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
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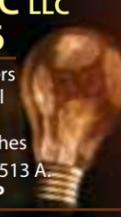
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