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## Menino BCYF hosts annual Easter Egg Hunt



About 100 residents comprised of both young and old souls came out to the Hyde Park Boston Centers for Youth and Families Menino Community Center in Hyde Park on Sunday for the annual Easter Egg Hunt. The afternoon started with arts and crafts in the center, along with games and other activities, metaphorically priming the pump for the kids' imaginations before they headed out to search for the eggs that had "magically" appeared during the activities session.

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## Walsh has constructive meeting with HPNA on development concerns



Boston Mayor Marty Walsh spoke about neighborhood development and its effects on Hyde Park.

PHOTO BY MARY ELLEN GAMBON

**Mary Ellen Gambon**  
Staff Reporter

Mayor Marty Walsh addressed ongoing development issues before a standing room only audience of more than 70 concerned residents at the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA) meeting, held Thursday, April 4 at the Boston Police Department District E-18 Station.

This was the perfect time for the Mayor to engage the community, as development and gentrification have been growing concerns for a number of

months.

"Hyde Park is a neighborhood that developers are interested in," Walsh said. "We've had some large projects proposed here. Not everyone is happy with that."

In the past year, there have been two key developments proposed: Sprague Street and Readville Yard 5. Combined, they propose to add about 800 units of housing to Readville.

"There is a housing crisis in Boston," Walsh said, stressing

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## Traffic and density top Readville development meeting



Hundreds came out on Tuesday to hear about changes to the Residences at Reaville. Many were not pleased with the additional traffic they said the project would cause.

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**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

According to many of the more than 200 residents who came to the Boston Planning and Redevelopment Authority (BPDA) meeting on April 9, the proposed project at 1717-1725 Hyde Park Ave. in Readville is too dense and would cause too much traffic in an already congested area.

The proposal is to put 305 units of workforce housing, rental and condo, tucked into the corner of Hyde Park Avenue and the Father Hart Bridge. The project is slated

to have 221 parking spaces, a turnaround courtyard for drop off and pick up and two commercial spaces, of which the developer hopes to be restaurants.

Developer Jan Steenbrugge said the process for this project originally began in 2015 and they heard from residents that traffic was the biggest issue facing the development. Residents also remembered that he originally had proposed 220 units, but Steenbrugge said the traffic is an issue there right now.

"No project will solve decades of mismanagement of

traffic going on here," he said.

Howard Stein Hudson Traffic Engineer Michael Littman said the traffic will be contained within the building in terms of pickups and drop offs and also for restaurant travel. Steenbrugge also said they will put up No Parking signs along their section of Hyde Park Avenue to prevent residents from parking right before the bridge.

Littman also went through the city and state's current summer plan to install new

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## Basement units get heat at Hyde Park meeting



Members of the BPDA, ISD and DND presented the city's plan to allow some basement, attic and carved out units without a variance.

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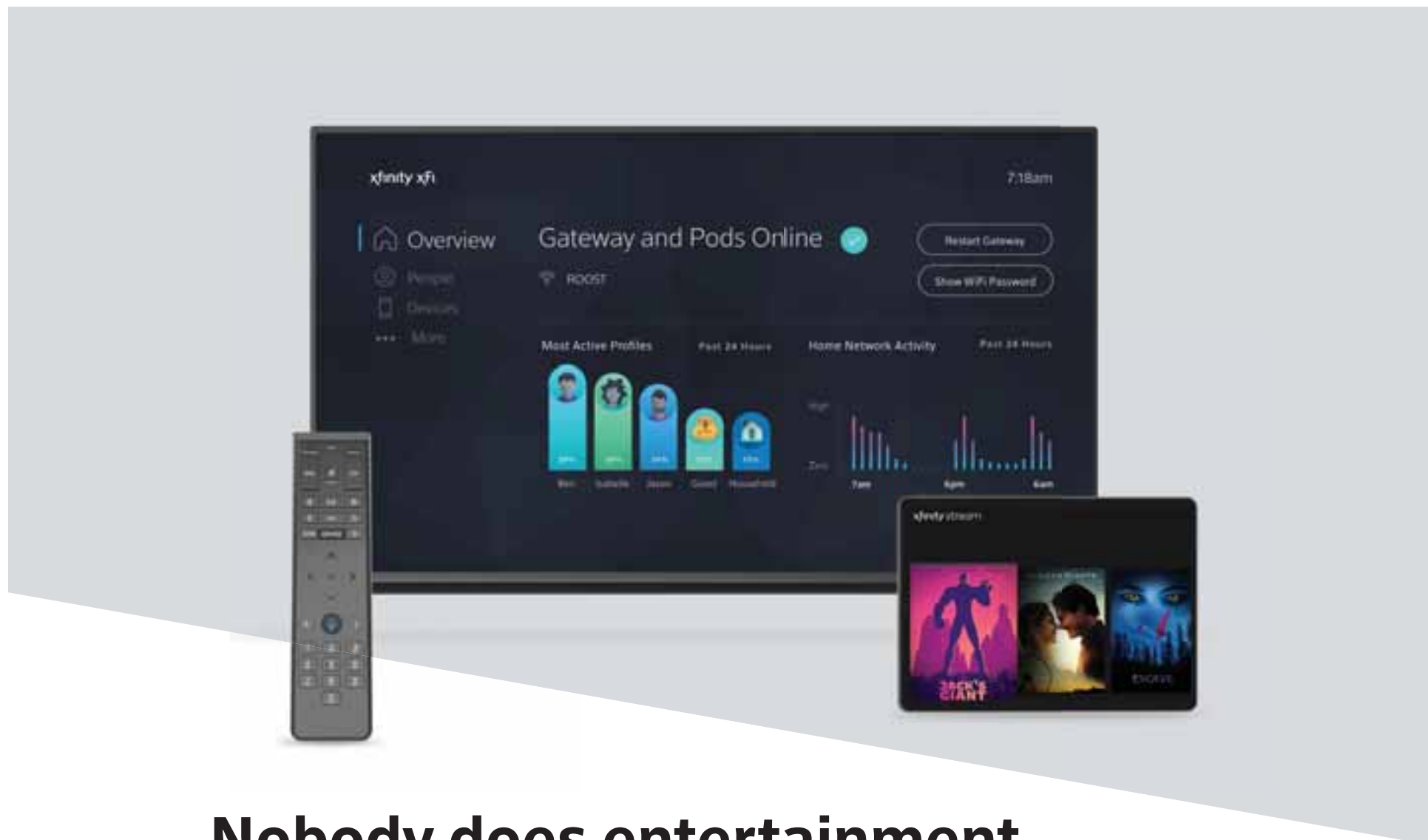
On Monday, April 8 the City of Boston hosted a meeting with about 40 residents at the Hyde Park Branch of the Boston Public Library to discuss the implementation of a program to allow residents to put

an additional dwelling unit (ADU) in their homes.

The program would allow owner-occupied homes to add an additional unit in the basement, attic or cut out section of their home under certain re-

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# First ever Hyde Park Main Streets Bingo Night a success



Hyde Park Main Streets held its first annual Bingo Fundraiser on Saturday, emceed by District 5 City Councilor Tim McCarthy.

PHOTO BY ARIANE KOMYATI

**Ariane Komyati**  
Staff Reporter

Hyde Park Main Streets (HPMS) held a bingo fundraiser on Saturday, April 6 at the Rincon Caribeno on Fairmount Avenue.

Around 40 people attended the event; each attendee was given ten bingo sheets with six games on each sheet, and winners were able to pick a gift card from a basket. The gift certificates were for local Hyde Park businesses - Bacaro, Coffee Break, Fairmount Grille, Rincon, Ron's, and ZAZ. The last round included a \$200 jackpot prize.

The bingo fundraiser was hosted by HPMS Executive Director Thien Simpson and Program Coordinator Katelyn Ferrari. District 5 City Councilor Tim McCarthy read out the numbers and helped keep the energy alive throughout the night.

"Tim McCarthy is a great person who is always more than willing to help," remarked Simpson.

The night was "80's themed", so 1980's classics from singers and bands such as Aerosmith, Bon Jovi, U2, Madonna and David Bowie played in the background while Hyde Park community members

played bingo.

After an hour of playing bingo, attendees were served appetizers sponsored by 100 Business Center. Many of the appetizers were Dominican style, including queso frito (fried cheese), salami frito Dominicano (fried Dominican salami) and a meat sampler.

This is Hyde Park Main Streets first time doing a bingo fundraiser. Simpson explained since HPMS usually hosts fundraisers that are food or history related, they wanted to try something different.

"One person from our pro-

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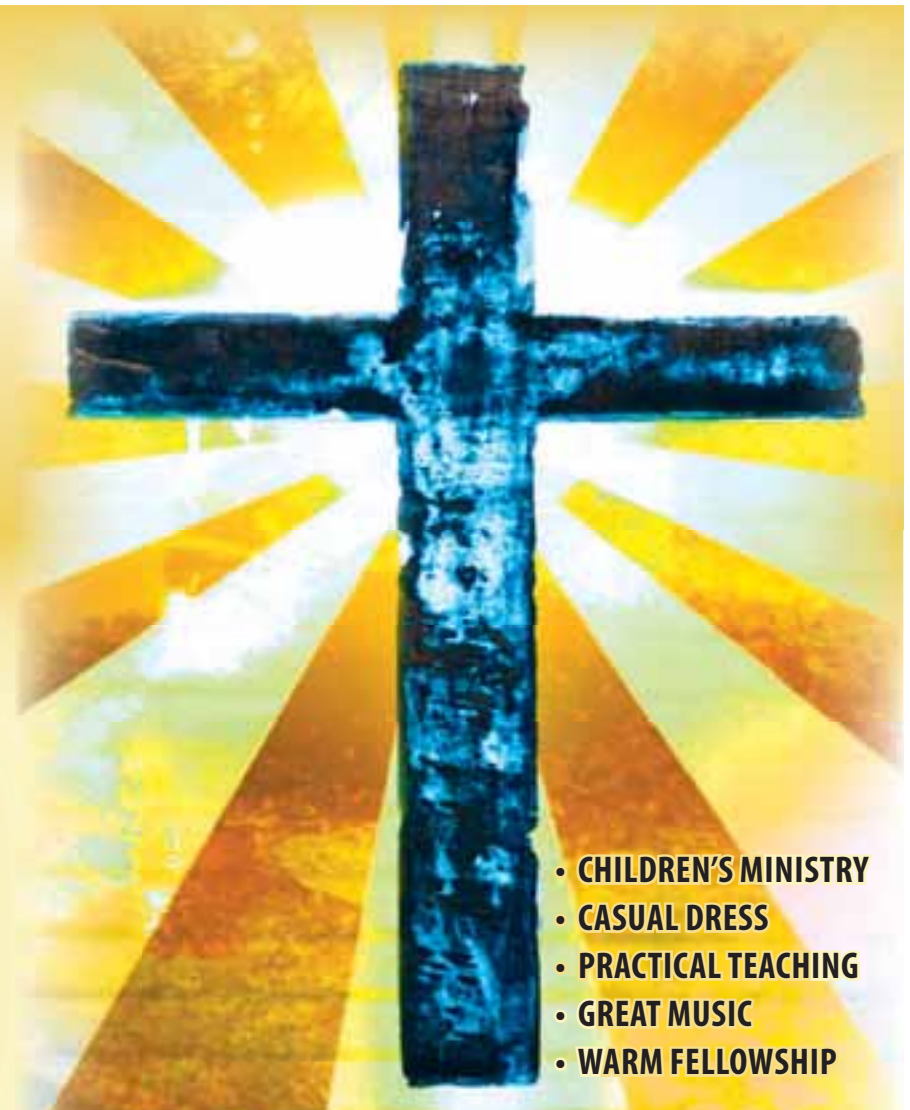
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## Editorial

### LITTLE CRIMES, BIG CONTROVERSY

It took more than a term, but Gov. Baker has finally found himself mired in a real controversy. The headline-grabbing debate at its core is between Baker, his administration and Suffolk District Attorney Rachael Rollins.

Rollins, as she promised on the campaign trail, wants to do a full reversal of what law enforcement brain trusts used to call the “broken windows” theory. The idea was that ridding small-level crimes from neighborhoods would cause a chain reaction that would ultimately reduce more damaging and severe crimes. In Rollins’ view, that approach is a failure and far too many minority men are languishing behind bars for small offenses.

Her remedy: to decline prosecutions of 15 itemized crimes, including: trespassing; shoplifting (including offenses that are essentially shoplifting but charged as larceny); larceny under \$250; disorderly conduct; disturbing the peace; receiving stolen property; minor driving offenses including operating with a suspend or revoked license; breaking and entering—where it is into a vacant property or where it is for the purpose of sleeping or seeking refuge from the cold and there is no actual damage to property; wanton or malicious destruction of property; threats, excluding domestic violence; minor in possession of alcohol; drug possession; drug possession with intent to distribute; stand-alone resisting arrest charge; resisting arrest charge combined with only charges that all fall under the list of charges to decline to prosecute (e.g. resisting arrest charge combined only with a trespassing charge).

Instead of prosecuting these cases, Rollins said, they “should be outright dismissed prior to arraignment or, where appropriate, diverted and treated as a civil infraction for which community service is satisfactory, restitution is satisfactory, or engage-

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## Not in my history books: Carmelita Torres

It’s hard for me to grasp the whole idea of bathhouses in Boston. The absence of hot water in cold-water flats (hence the name), which proliferated throughout the city as immigrants poured in, gave rise to a number of bathhouses in Boston, the last of which seems to be at L Street. Did thousands of people just line up? Were reservations necessary? Was there hot water or just cold showers? Did bathers bring their own soap and towels? If there was hot water, was there any left for those at the end of the line?

In the 50’s, to take a bath, do dishes, or do laundry—anything that demanded warm/hot water—a stack in the kitchen had to be lit with a match, at least 15 minutes before being able to access tepid water. Showerheads were virtually non-existent; even the daily bath did not exist.

So, it came as a surprise when a recent lecturer at Boston College referenced a bathhouse tragedy in El Paso. Surely if Boston needed bathhouses to cleanse its hordes of unwashed, so did other cities—even those in warmer climates such as Texas.

My history books referenced the Alamo and the United States-Mexican War;

perhaps there was another reference, but there is certainty that they did elaborate or even abbreviate any description of the Bath House riot in 1917 nor was there any sidebar about Carmelita Torres, indeed a Latina version of the much acclaimed Rosa Parks.

Seventeen-year-old Torres used to cross the border daily by trolley—similar to those moping along Comm Ave—from Juarez to clean American houses. One morning in 1917 she was commanded by customs officials to get off the streetcar, take a bath, and get disinfected by gasoline/kerosene to allegedly halt the spread of typhus. She refused and after a while other Mexican women joined her, thereby blocking traffic, not unlike what happened in 1968 on East Boston’s Maverick Street, where by design only women physically planted themselves to protest the continual rumbling of large trucks to feed MassPort’s appetite of voracious expansion.

The number of Mexican women quickly swelled to several hundred. The troops were called in when the protesters laid down on the trolley tracks to prevent them from moving.

No wonder there was re-



My Kind  
of Town/  
Joe Galeota

luctance to go to the fumigating site. For the delousing process men and women were separated, with any children accompanying the women into separate buildings, where they were stripped of all clothing and valuables. Clothing and valuables were steamed, while other items that might be damaged by steam were exposed to cyanogen gas and possibly DDT. Attendants examined the nude persons for lice. If lice were found, men’s hair was clipped close but women’s hair was doused in a mixture of vinegar and kerosene, wrapped in a towel, and left on the hair for at least 30

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## Mayor's Column

Martin Walsh

On April 2nd, we made a promise: in five years, Boston will achieve high-quality Universal Pre-Kindergarten for every four-year-old in the city. In the last five years, we've added 750 pre-K seats that are high-quality, and proven to close the achievement gap. Now, we're going to be investing \$15 million in our new Quality Pre-K Fund, which will close the high-quality gap by adding an additional 750 high-quality seats in Boston Public Schools, and community-based organizations.

Through this commitment, we'll be able to achieve our goal: a high-quality Pre-Kindergarten seat for every 4-year-old in the City in the next five years.

To make Boston a place where everyone can succeed, we need to start at the very beginning. The moment a child is born, they need high-quality resources and a safe place to call home. And when they set foot into the classroom, they need a strong foundation to set them onto the path to success. We must make sure that every single child, from every background and neighborhood, can get a strong start in life.

Access to high quality pre-K should be a guarantee, for every single family in Boston, regardless of income or background.

Boston's approach to pre-K is a national model in early childhood education, and we have proven success in closing achievement gaps. It's because we offer some of the most comprehensive and high-quality programs in the country. Our teachers are trained to support students of all cultural backgrounds, they encourage critical and creative thinking, and they put the needs of our students first.

And the lessons children learn don't just stay in the classroom — they have lasting impacts, all the way from kindergarten to college and beyond.

Every year, we've been working to expand this successful approach with the goal of reaching every single four-year-



Mayor Walsh made the announcement about high-quality Universal Pre-Kindergarten at the ABCD Head Start at Walnut Grove in Dorchester.

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old in the City.

When I took office, we were facing a gap of 1,500 high-quality seats. Ensuring equal access to high-quality pre-kindergarten became one of our top priorities. We couldn't have done it without the partnership and dedication of educators, partners, organizations, and many more. One of the first steps we took was creating a UPK Advisory Committee. The Committee gathered input from families, educators, and stakeholders. Their recommendations have been our guiding light in how we've taken steps to expand access to high-quality pre-

K. We've invested in new pre-K seats every single year since 2014, despite constraints on our budget and available classroom space. In our most recent budget for FY19, we designated \$850,000 to develop 80 pre-K seats, together with community partners.

We learned that community-based organizations are central to our UPK strategy. We wanted to make sure we were building something to last and truly serve our communities. And today, we're providing more options for working families, right in their own neighborhoods. Because of our work,

over the last six years, our initial gap of 1,500 seats has been cut in half. And now, this new fund will help us close the remaining gap, and achieve Universal high-quality Pre-Kindergarten in the City of Boston.

This isn't just about making enough seats available — because if that were the case, we could have already achieved Universal Pre-K. This is about ensuring that every single pre-K seat we offer is a high-quality one that closes opportunity and outcome gaps — and gives all of our children an equal

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# Dwelling Units *continued from page 1*

quirements without the need for a zoning variance. The meeting was held in conjunction with the city's Department of Neighborhood Services (DND), the Inspectional Services Department (ISD), and the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA).

The idea is to change the city's zoning bylaw to allow this use without a variance and several other potential costly processes that might be making such a move financially unfeasible for many homeowners. ISD Commissioner William "Buddy" Christopher said the city is currently about to complete its first year of an 18-month pilot program of the zoning change, and he said it's been pretty successful.

"You can add another unit only if it's within the envelope of your existing house, and it's limited to a one, two, or three-family home," he said. "If it meets our requirements, we're going to forgo all of the zoning issues and forgo the requirement for lawyers and architects."

Christopher said currently in the program, the additional units have been small and since they're almost exclusively basement units, the combination of those two factors have made them cheaper than any luxury unit, which he said is a small but solid way to help increase the city's affordable housing stock.

"We're expecting this to be naturally-occurring affordable units, as they are likely to be less expensive than a brand new market-rate building," said DND Director of Operations Marcy Ostberg.

He said the start of the program came from stories out of South Boston. He said many elders in the area were having developers come out of the woodwork to buy their single-family homes for prices around \$1.5 million. He said the residents would then feel seller's remorse, as they left the neighborhood they had established roots. He said sure, \$1.5 million might seem like a lot of money, but not in South Boston or Boston as a whole.

"So these folks would go to the same coffee shop for 20 or 30 years and build community," he said. "All of a sudden they lost that, and there's no way to recreate that 30 years without another 30 years."

And so he said many residents who left and regretted it said they only needed a little bit more disposable income to stay in the neighborhood, and the idea of streamlining ADUs was born. He said they want

to make it easier for a homeowner to rent out a new unit, and this is the plan.

Ostberg said the pilot has been going well. She said out of the 72 applications they received, 33 have passed review, five have been approved and two have been issued occupancy permits. She said the zoning allowances for the ADUs would make it so floor-to-area ratio requirements would be exempted, occupancy limits as well as additional parking requirements. Christopher did point out that space requirements for sanitary purposes, which require each room in a unit to have a certain amount of space by state law, would keep the occupancy low enough to avoid safety concerns. Ostberg also said that a height of seven feet six inches would be required for the ADU's, and that two and three-family homes would require sprinklers installed in the new units.

Christopher said that only owner-occupied residences will be eligible for this program, and that if a homeowner decides to sell to a developer, the developer will legally have to remove the elements added that make the ADU feasible, like the kitchen and the bathroom, etc.

Ostberg said the challenge they heard about most from residents was the cost. While many residents might think it would cost about \$30,000 to finish their basements, the sprinklers alone could cost that amount of money. She said that's why in the fiscal year 2020 budget, Boston Mayor Marty Walsh, who also supports the ADU plan, is now proposing an additional \$650,000 for loan programs associated with ADUs. Ostberg said this would translate into up to \$30,000 interest-free loans for residents who undertake this program.

The meeting then got a bit tense during the question and answer session.

"Where are people going to park? Have you thought at all on the effect of the abutters?" one resident asked. "We moved here specifically to avoid density, and this will totally destroy the fabric of our neighborhood because it will increase density."

Christopher, after asking the resident to please not yell at the team, said the idea is that most of these units will be used by someone who is already living in the house or the neighborhood and would not necessarily increase parking.

"But this program is not meant to solve the parking issues," he said.

One Readville resident said he was in favor of the program.

"This would be an easement to a lot of the concerns that people have about density," he said. "For me particularly, I would like to see this program expand and, furthermore, raise the limit on the loan. It's very hard to create an ADU with \$30,000, but doubling that would allow this to take place, because bids for this work are much higher."

Fairmount Hill Neighborhood Association President Joe Smith said he felt this was a slap in the face to the work the community undertook four years ago putting together Article 69, the Hyde Park Zoning Code.

Hyde Park Neighborhood Association member Craig Martin said he felt it was in conflict with the current zoning, which states that "Notwithstanding any contrary provision of this article or code, dwelling units in a basement are forbidden in the Hyde Park Neighborhood District." Martin added that the additional dwelling units would "cost me equity."

Despite the loud opposition, many residents seemed in favor or ambivalent to the ADU proposal. Martin and Smith both said they felt that the process does not allow residents in opposition to the proposal to affect the outcome, since the ADU proposal would start at the BPDA, go through the Boston Zoning Commission and then gain final approval from Mayor Walsh.

# Universal Pre-K

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"I believe all children deserve a quality education whether it is in Boston Public Schools or in our community programs," said Jeri Robinson, a Boston School Committee member who also serves on the Universal Pre-K Advisory Committee. "A mixed delivery system allows us to serve more families and better prepare all children for their transition to kindergarten. As a longtime advocate for children and families, I am excited to support the Mayor's investment in early education and commitment to this community partnership."




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**SPRING BENEFIT DINNER FOR ROSLINDALE DAY PARADE**

The Roslindale Day Parade Committee will host our Annual Spring Benefit Dinner on Friday evening, May 3rd, 2019 from 7:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. at St. Nectarios Hall in Roslindale Village. This traditional annual event will feature a dinner courtesy of Delfino Restaurant, music with DJ Glenn Williams, performances, raffles, award presentations, and a silent auction, and a half hour show by ComedySportz Boston. Tickets to

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# Around the Neighborhood



## Ask The Doctor

Junior Damato began servicing vehicles in 1969. He owns a 10-bay auto repair service center in Hyde Park and an 8-bay center in Middleboro. Junior is an ASE-certified Master Technician, ASE-certified L-1 and ASE-certified Natural Gas.

**2019 VW Golf 1.4 SE**

I remember the old Volkswagens of just a few years ago. They were hard-riding and the seating and drive controls were not the best. That brings me to this week in a 2019 Golf SE powered by a turbo-charged, 1.4 liter engine with an automatic transmission. The car seats four adults with comfort. Seats are firm and supportive; front seats are heated with manual adjustments for front to rear and a power adjustment for the back. There is a large, clear touchscreen display and steering hub controls. The Golf is very smooth and quiet on any road and any conditions. Open the hood and the engine bay is clean and easy to see and to service anything that needs it. The turbo-charger is mounted off the exhaust manifold and is piped into the intake without the need of an inter-cooler. The Golf also has the push-to-start feature. Driving the car for a week on all types of roads and in all weather conditions makes one appreciate what a great compact car the Golf is. Even with the rear seats up, there is plenty of cargo space. The power from the 4-cylinder engine comes on as soon as the accelerator is depressed. Even from a dead stop under full acceleration the engine is quiet. Like most new vehicles, the Golf is loaded with safety equipment. The audio system has also been upgraded with great sound, eight speakers, and XM satellite radio.

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# East River talks City Council, police activity

**Mary Ellen Gambon**  
Staff Reporter

Two of the candidates vying for the District Five City Council seat in the September preliminary election spoke before the East River Neighborhood Association's (ERNA) audience of 25 members at their monthly meeting on Monday, Apr. 8 at the Perfect Dental building at 912 River St.

Candidates Jean-Claude Sanon and Yves Mary Jean spoke of their commitment to public service and their desire to reach out to constituents on a one-on-one basis.

"I have lived in Mattapan, Hyde Park and Roslindale for the past 40 some-odd years," Sanon said, noting that he is a native of Haiti. "I have five children with my wife of more than 30 years."

Sanon said that he has attempted to run for the position before, but felt that this was the right time to throw his hat into the race.

"I try to lead by example," he said. "There are other candidates in the race. If they have in their hearts a love for service, they should run. If they have in their head that they want to run because they think they are all that, then they should not."

Sanon described his "game plan" as "being a unifying force" in a culturally and eco-

nomically diverse district.

"I will go back to the Council and fight as an advocate," Sanon said, noting that the City Council is not about "doing the checks and balances."

"Crime in our communities is very high," he said. "I was touched by the elderly woman who was just shot in Mattapan."

He described his "three-pronged approach" of a successful community: politicians, police and constituents working together.

"They say that it takes a village to raise a child," Sanon said. "But we need to do more than that. We need to all work together so we will be a solid community. And we need to instill this in our children."

Jean, also a native of Haiti, came to Boston in his youth. Jean received his bachelor's degree in international affairs at Bridgewater State and a master's degree in political science from Suffolk University.

"I am running because of some of the reasons we discuss at these meetings – safety, education and housing," the Roslindale resident said. "We need to gather information for the police department in order to solve crimes."

Jean stressed that he has never run for office, but is a concerned neighbor who wanted to become engaged in

the process.

"I am not a politician," he said. "I am a writer and a poet. There needs to be more human conversation in our government."

Public safety was one concern brought up during the meeting. Area E-18 Sgt. Daniel MacDonald brought up the shooting on Saturday, April 6 at 2 Frazer St.

"At approximately quarter past 11 that night, a gentleman heard gunshots," MacDonald said. "He was shot in the hand and the thigh. He was taken to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries."

The Dollar Tree store, located at 912 River St., continues to be a problem. On March 26, a cell phone was stolen from the counter, according to the police report.

There was also an assault and battery between two employees, MacDonald reported.

ERNA co-coordinator Barbara Hamilton said she is inviting the manager of the Dollar Tree to attend the next meeting to address concerns of safety and cleanliness at the store.

"It's unsafe to even go in there," added co-coordinator Patricia Odom. "Outside and inside, there is trash."

She noted that the store is under new management, but she has been unable to contact the manager when she has vis-



District 5 City Council Candidate Jean-Claude Sanon spoke at the meeting on Monday along with candidate Yves Mary Jean.

PHOTO BY MARY ELLEN GAMBON

ited the store.

"I'm sorry it's even there now," Odom said. "It used to be so nice."

On a more positive note, there were no breaking and enterings and no robberies since last month's meeting.

The police also made several key drug busts, according to MacDonald.

On March 26, at 317 Wood Ave., police acted upon a search warrant and confiscated 15 grams of fentanyl, 8 grams of cocaine and a 38 caliber revolver.

On March 18, at the corner of River St. and Rosa St., the Drug Control Unit observed a suspect and made an arrest for possession of a Class A substance, which turned out to be

heroin.

On March 15, at 357 Huntington Av., an arrest was made. A 38 revolver was confiscated, as well as 95 grams of heroin.

Residents also expressed concerns about people freely smoking marijuana at Ross Playground, especially near the tot lot.

"There is no smoking allowed, let alone marijuana," MacDonald said. "They can be fined for that."

Residents asked if there could be signage put up at the park as a reminder.

Another issue brought up was the question of when River Street, from the Boston Prep school at 885 River St. up to

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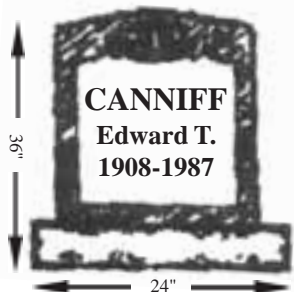
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### VALERI

Robert Anthony of Norwood formally of Readville-Hyde Park passed away on April 4, 2019 at the age of 84. Beloved husband of Rose M. (Brandolo) Valeri. Devoted father of Michael Valeri of Walpole, Dawn Valeri-Vrabel and her husband Michael of Canton and the late Laura Mercier. Brother of the late



Sylvia Harman. Robert is also survived by his grandchildren Eric Mercier, Nicholas Valeri, Amanda Vrabel and Samantha Vrabel. Son of the late Antonio and Domenica (DiGiambattista) Valeri. Robert worked 35 years as a foreman for the Construction Laborers Union Local 135. Funeral from the Kraw – Kornack Funeral Home, 1248 Washington St., Norwood, MA. Burial at Fairview Cemetery in Hyde Park MA. Donations in his name may be made to a charity of your choice.

### YERGANIAN

Dr. George, 95, of Boston on March 16, 2019, beloved husband of 68 years to Sona (Arzomanian), devoted father of Athena and Arra and his wife Taline and loving grandfather of Alec, Talar, and Shant of San Jose, CA. The father of modern bio-medical research he was the former Chief, Laboratory of Cytogenetics, Boston Children's Cancer Research Foundation - Harvard Medical School. Thereafter, his research took place at Brandeis University, where his colony of mammalian models will carry on. WW II - Navy Ensign. Mass of Christian burial was held on March 23, at Holy Trinity Armenian Apostolic Church, 145 Brattle Street, Cambridge at Noon. Internment at Mt. Auburn Cemetery, Cambridge. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his honor to St. Andrew Armenian Church, 11370 S. Stelling Rd., Cupertino, CA 95014 or [www.standrewarmchurch.org](http://www.standrewarmchurch.org)



## Bingo Night *continued from page 3*



The night featured food and games and was HPMS Executive Director's Thien Simpson's idea to switch up the group's fundraising efforts.

PHOTO BY ARIANE KOMYATI

motion committee suggested a bingo night," explained Simpson. "We decided to try it since it's fun for all ages." She explained that this fundraiser is a "social bingo" rather than a "serious bingo".

Simpson explained that HPMS chose Rincon Caribeno as their location for the fundraiser since they wanted to keep the event "small and local". "Rincon is very accommodating and generous. They provided the venue for us at no charge," she remarked.

Simpson also explained that

HPMS likes to keep their event local with local sponsors. The Hyde Park sponsors for this event were Akiki Auto and 100 Business Center.

Two volunteers for the event helped create signature Hyde Park cocktails that were showcased at the bingo fundraiser. The special drinks, which will be on Rincon's menu from now on, are "The Hyde Parker" (vodka, triple sec, a splash of Curacao and club soda) and "El Rincon" (Hennessy, Malibu, and pineapple juice). Community members are encouraged to

taste these new drinks the next time they dine at Rincon.

HPMS thanks the community for supporting the event, as well as their sponsors for the event, Akiki Auto and 100 Business Center Real Estate.

HPMS is a "local non-profit organization composed of residents and business owners who are interested in promoting a vital and thriving business district in our traditional downtown area." For more information on HPMS and future events, visit [www.hydeparkmainstreets.com](http://www.hydeparkmainstreets.com).



# HPNA Meeting *continued from page 1*

that more affordable units are being built in Boston than ever before. “We realized that poorer people are being pushed out.”

Boston is also attracting millennials, who are starting their careers after college in high-tech and other growing industries.

“Every year, our city is growing by 250,000 people,” Walsh said. “In the past, people would go to New York City and San Francisco. That’s started to change for a lot of people, who are now coming to Boston.”

Walsh said he understood the neighborhood’s concerns about changing the character of the neighborhood and its quality of life.

“You’re worried that the new restaurants that come in will push the old restaurants out,” he said.

“Somehow Hyde Park has the reputation of being against development,” Joe Smith, the president of the Fairmount Hill Neighborhood Association (FHNA), said. “But that’s not the case. We want to see responsible development.”

He asked what would happen to the former William Barton Rogers Middle School, which has been vacant for the past few years.

“We’re begging for something to go in there,” Smith said.

“The School Committee voted on it at their last meeting, and they surplused it,” Walsh said.

He added that there are “a couple of private developers” interested in the property.

This led to the discussion of the 11 Dana Ave. project. There has been an ongoing debate between the HPNA members and the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) as to the correct zoning district and whether the project is “as of right.”

“The project was approved by the BPDA, because they said it was as of right, but it’s really not,” said HPNA member Craig Martin. “We showed them at the meeting here that it is in a separate NS-2 district.

“But we never even had the discussion about whether it was beneficial for the community or not because it was automatically approved,” Martin told Walsh. “It’s obscene.”

Martin asked the Mayor if there was any way to appeal the process.

“Generally a smaller project would not have to go before ISD (Inspectional Services Department),” Walsh replied.

“I actually support having a building developed the right way,” Martin said. “I just want to say to them, ‘Look at your own map.’”

Walsh took a copy of the NS-

2 map and schematics of the proposed development from HPNA president Jim Kirker and said that he would bring the issue before the BPDA.

“These show that the proposed developments should not be ‘as of right,’” Kirker said. “Therefore, it would require some sort of variances, which would make them have to build some affordable units in the building.”

The way the project was proposed, with a street-level retail or office space, affordable units would not be required, according to the BPDA.

Walsh explained to the community that, with development projects, residents can advocate for changes they would like to see as part of a mitigation package.

“I just want you to know that there are things that you can work on,” Walsh said.

Some examples from other neighborhood projects include reducing the number of units and adding greenspace.

Walsh also noted that the percentage of mandatory affordable housing units per development was changed from 13 percent to 18 percent.

“We’re not the worst city in the world with gentrification,” he said.

Two key meetings regarding development with the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) were held on Monday, April 8 and Tuesday, April 9, in Hyde Park.

The first, held at the Hyde Park Library, was to discuss a proposed citywide amendment to the Boston Zoning code that could allow Additional Dwelling Units (ADUs) in certain basements within the envelope of a homeowner’s property.

The second meeting, held at the Blue Hills Collaborative, was to discuss a proposed housing development called the Residences at Readville Station. Near the Readville commuter rail station, it would provide a mix of rental and home owner opportunities with approximately 305 proposed units.

Education also was high on Walsh’s agenda. He stressed the need to build new buildings, which would mean consolidating some neighborhood schools.

“Two-thirds of the schools were built before World War II,” he said. “Teachers should be teaching in new schools. The Grew is a good school, but it is old.

“In Boston, we are stuck in the 70s,” he continued. “It’s about time we make some investments to make some real changes for our kids and grandkids.”

He noted that the 125 schools have 22 different start times, which needs to be ad-

dressed.

Walsh talked about how he started out in civic engagement, and the importance of the HPNA.

“My career kind of started out in a civic association,” Walsh said, noting that he joined the Columbia-Savin Hill Civic Association Civic Association at age 19 before deciding to run for state Senate to replace Jim Brett.

“You are the eyes and ears of the community,” he continued. “Just because I am not in this room doesn’t mean that your opinions don’t get back to me.”

Walsh also complimented the work of groups including Keep Hyde Park Beautiful and Hyde Park Main Streets. He presented HPMS executive director Thien Simpson with an award from the City for her outstanding community service.

He also praised the work of District 5 City Councilor Tim McCarthy, who will be leaving the Council at the end of his term. McCarthy gave a presentation earlier in the meeting about the upcoming transportation projects in Hyde Park, including the reconstruction of the Dana Avenuw Bridge in July.

In addition, the intersection at Wolcott Square will be redesigned. Traffic lights from Wolcott Sq. to Cleary Square will be synchronized so that traffic will flow better.

“I think it was a great meeting,” Walsh said in an interview afterwards. “The people here really came out and do a lot of good work.”

# Boston celebrates Greek Independence



Boston was alive with music on Sunday, April 7, to celebrate the start of the Greek independence movement that started in 1821. The parade started the front of Lenox Hotel and ended at the Boston Common. The parade was a celebration of Greek music, Greek traditional dances, and Greek food. The Grand Marshals were His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios of Boston; Honorable Mayor of Boston Martin Walsh. A unit of Evzones, the Greek presidential Guard, who are trained to perform various ceremonial duties such as guarding the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier and the Presidential Mansion, led the parade in Boston and at the parade held on the same day at the same time in Philadelphia.

PHOTO BY PATRICK O’CONNOR

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Mattapan Sq. was going to be repaved.

“This has been going on for about a year and a half,” said Larry Byrd. “They said they were going to repave River St. But then they come in and build something like the school and do a patch job.

“Watch the cars go up River Street and hit the patches,” he said. “It’s like a roller coaster.”

“A couple of years ago they built the school,” added Elijah White. “Now they are cutting it up again for the Goodwill. All up and down River St. is uneven.”

Hamilton said she would see if she could get an answer at the next meeting. It will be held on Monday, May 13 at 912 River St. in the basement of the Perfect Dental building at 7 p.m.

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APRIL 11, 6:30 PM - "These Truths: A History of the United States" by Harvard historian Jill Lepore, is the focus of the 2019 West Roxbury Reads series. Dr. Lepore, who is also a New Yorker columnist, has been praised for the way her history includes voices of the marginalized which have been omitted from traditional histories. She will speak following a reception where copies of "These Truths" will be available for sale.

About West Roxbury Reads - West Roxbury Reads is a biennial event created in 2006 to focus on one author's title which the community reads and discusses in a month of relevant events, speakers, and activities. Past authors have included Pulitzer Prize winner Geraldine Brooks; journalist Michael Pollan; National Book Award winner Julia Glass; biographer Justin Martin; and Lois Lowry.

### TASTE OF WEST ROXBURY

Our 8th Annual Taste of West Roxbury will be on Thursday, May 16th 2019 from 6-9pm at the Irish Social Club.

Buy Tickets - \$30 each (Opens new window). Actually, why not buy a whole table! - \$240 for Table of 8 (Also opens a new window). Sign Up for Free Childcare at the Parkway YMCA (Available 6-9pm on May 16th; must show ticket or payment receipt).

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Please reach out to us at [director@wrms.org](mailto:director@wrms.org) if you are interested in learning more about sponsorship opportunities or participating as a restaurant.

### LOVE YOUR BLOCK - SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER

This year's Love Your Block spring cleanup in West Roxbury will be held on Friday, May 3rd, for corporate groups and Saturday, May 11th, for residents.

### EASTER EGG HUNT

The Easter Bunny will make his annual appearance on during the annual Parkway In Motion Easter Egg Hunt at the West Roxbury Education Complex. 9am. Saturday, April 20th.

### YMCA HEALTHY KIDS DAY

Healthy Kids Day is an annual event that inspires parents and

kids to stay moving and learning all summer long. On April 27 the Parkway YMCA will celebrate Healthy Kids Day with fun and free activities that promote the health and well-being of children. 10:30am-1:30pm. Saturday, April 27th.

### ROSLINDALE LIBRARY

#### AROUND THE NEIGHBORHOOD - FRIENDS OF ROSLINDALE LIBRARY OFFER FREE BOOK SHARING LIBRARIES

The Roslindale Community Libraries Project developed by The Friends of Roslindale Library is increasing the number of Free Book Sharing Libraries in neighborhood businesses and yards to make sure you can get books during the library's renovation starting later in 2019. With the help of partners, we will have handcrafted libraries to give away to people who would like one on their property and meet the criteria. The community libraries are book-sharing boxes placed for public access to support good reading habits. People drop off books they no longer need and pick up books in which they are interested. The Friends will help keep the boxes stocked from their store of donated used books. Local businesses throughout Roslindale were recruited to host a library shelf as well. A map of all the locations will be produced once all the new community li-

braries are open. Any donations of books or funding are welcome.

Those interested in having a library on their property can check at the main desk of the branch library at 4246 Washington Street or call 617-323-2343. Applications should be submitted by the end of April

### PARKWAY IN MOTION SCHOLARSHIPS - MAY 15 DEADLINE TO APPLY

Providing academic scholarships to students in the Parkway area has been a long-term goal of Parkway In Motion since their inception in 1998. Thanks to the generosity of the community, they have distributed \$70,000 in scholarships since 2014.

On March 30th, Parkway In Motion will award the 5th Annual Michael Kennedy Memorial Scholarship valued at \$5,000 for students in grade 6-8 and Parkway pride scholarships for K-5 grade students, valued at \$1,000 each. If you are interested in sponsoring a Parkway Pride scholarship for 2019-2029 academic year, please email [info@parkwayinmotion.org](mailto:info@parkwayinmotion.org).

In 2019, Parkway In Motion is introducing their Summer Enrichment Scholarship Program. This program provides financial resources to students entering grades 3-8 in the Parkway community so that they can participate in the summer enrichment learning experience of their choice. Students may apply for funding for camps in the areas of music, art, mathematics, dance, language, robotics, sports, science, and more. Learn more at [www.parkwayinmotion.org/scholarships](http://www.parkwayinmotion.org/scholarships).

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# Residents at Readville *continued from page 1*

lights at each end of the bridge. A light at Wolcott Square will ease traffic, buses will be rerouted so as not clog up Wolcott Square and back up traffic to the bridge, and buses will be rerouted along the street south of the Square. He said the city will also be turning that into a one-way to allow for more parking and safety.

Residents were allowed two minutes to voice their concerns, due to the number of people in the room. Resident George Perry was allowed to speak first. He is a resident of Hyde Park who has been against this project since the beginning.

“You can’t go forward with this project,” he said. “It’s as President Trump said at the border the other day, we’re all full up. Eastern Mass. is all full up. We’re a first-class city? We’re a full-ass city.”

One resident said he was encouraged by the fact that the Sprague Street development, at last count with more than 500 units, was on hold or at least being reconsidered, again because of traffic concerns. He said he’s also happy the developer is not using an egress close to the bridge.

“I would like to see some

plans on what you’re going to do to alleviate the traffic,” he said. “I’m personally not opposed to development, it looks like a nice looking building, but if you’re going to cause a negative impact on our community, we want to know you guys have looked at the traffic, studied it and alleviated it... Lights do not alleviate bottlenecks, and for you not to know that, it doesn’t give me any trust in your competence.”

Steenbrugge said he felt the most profitable project he could have proposed was not residential development, as they are not in a residential area, and he said another type of project could be more detrimental.

“The easiest and best way for me to earn money is to make this a storage facility,” he said. “I would have gotten a lot of money four years ago... But that is not good for the neighborhood. You get no jobs, no activity and no places to live.”

One resident pointed out that he felt the entrance to the building being essentially on the crest of the hill on Hyde Park Avenue was dangerous.

“That’s going to be an absolute disaster,” he said. “It’s

a blind hill, and people are going to be moving out of that garage and are not going to be able to see. Five years from now when that’s built, we’re the ones who are going to have to live with it and it’s going to be a disaster.”

Residents were also concerned that Steenbrugge is providing 220 parking spaces for 305 units. One resident said it is perfectly reasonable to assume every resident in the building would have two cars, and would push residents to park on the west side of the tracks and take parking away from residents living in those neighborhoods.

Steenbrugge said the proximity to public transit, both the buses and the Commuter Rail, means more residents will be seeking to live in that area who will take the train or buses and will not necessarily have two cars, to which a loud groan could be heard from many of the audience members.

District 5 City Councilor Tim McCarthy said he believed this to be the case. He said while his generation’s idea of financial stability and a reasonable life included two cars, a white picket

fence, a single-family home and a yard, the current generation does not feel the same way.

“They’re taking Ubers, they’re taking bikes, they’re taking the train,” he said. “But I do agree with you, 300 units is too big, and now the dance begins of you coming back to 280, 270 260 or whatever and coming back and people will get tired of coming to the meetings. I’m tired of going to meetings and that’s why I’m not running again!”

McCarthy said he was more concerned about the industrial or commercial uses that could come to the area as-of-right and without community input, as the zoning allows it. He said an asphalt plant would have a more detrimental effect on the health of the residents in the area, and many other uses would have more traffic and congestion than residential.

“If you think Amazon can move in here, I mean we have 300 buses here on Sprague Street as-of-right,” he said. “If you want Amazon trucks and garage trucks and tow trucks and tow yards and buses then that’s what you’re going to get if you

don’t want a lot of younger residents to come with some disposable income and help us.”

McCarthy pointed to the restaurant industry in Hyde Park, or the lack of it. He said in recent years, the only new restaurant has been Bacaro’s and they recently lost Cappy’s, which is a net zero in terms of restaurants.

“I mean the whole entire city is growing except us,” he said. “We have the lowest number of 35 to 40-year-olds in the entire city, that’s the truth. Until we start getting some young people with disposable income in here, we’re going to be sunk.”

McCarthy also addressed concerns regarding the traffic improvement ideas of the developers. He said he’s been working with residents, the state and the Boston Transportation Department for years to get the light plan and traffic plan in Wolcott Square done, and this project just added a bit of impetus to the plan.

McCarthy reiterated he felt 305 units was too much.

“We’ll see you at the next meeting when you come back with 220 units,” he said. “Ish.”



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 The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department  
 SUFFOLK Division Docket No. **SU19D0275DR**  
**DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING**  
**Erick Thevenin vs Amalia Petit Frere**  
 Suffolk Probate and Family Court, 24 New Chardon St., Boston, MA 02114  
 To the Defendant:  
 The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable breakdown of the Marriage under MGL 208 Sec 1B  
 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: **Erick Thevenin, 694 Metropolitan Ave., Hyde Park, MA 02136** your answer, if any, on or before **05/09/2019**. 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.**  
 March 20, 2019  
 Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate Court  
*Hyde Park Bulletin, 04/11/19*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
 The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department  
 SUFFOLK Division Docket No. **SU18D0839DR**  
**DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING**  
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**Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.**  
 March 27, 2019  
 Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate Court  
*West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin, 04/11/2019*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
 The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department  
 SUFFOLK Division Docket No. **SU18C0554CA**  
**CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME** Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
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**In the Matter of:** John Jose Brea Beaz  
 A change of name has been filed by  
 John Jose Brea Beaz of West Roxbury, MA  
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**WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court**  
 Date: March 27, 2019  
 Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate  
*West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin, 04/11/2019*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
 The Trial Court Probate and Family Court  
**INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE** DOCKET No. **SU18P2331EA**  
**Estate of: Patricia Spinney** Suffolk Division  
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**Date of Death: September 23, 2018**  
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*Hyde Park Bulletin, 04/11/19*

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ment with appropriate community-based no-cost programming, job training or schooling is satisfactory.”

Enter Baker’s secretary of public safety, Thomas Turco, who issued a harshly worded memorandum to protest the bold effort. Rollins shot back with both a policy defense and a zinger. “Candidly, not everyone gets the benefit of the Baker family when they have interacted with the criminal jus-

tice system,” she said. “They don’t get to not get arrested, have the state police that reports to them handle the investigation.”

Rollins didn’t name Baker’s son Andrew by name, but did suggest that his father’s political position may be why details and actions have been sparse as the U.S. District Attorney’s Office reviews allegations that he inappropriately touched a female passen-


ger during a flight from Washington to Boston. He was escorted off the plane, but quickly released by State Police.

The broadside against Baker and his son may have been in bad form for many tastes, but we still find ourselves applauding Rollins’ decision to bring her fight into the mud of politics. As for her actual policies, unfortunately, we can see her intended goal but cannot stomach the approach.

These are not victimless crimes. Store owners take a direct hit from shoplifters. Her drug and alcohol possession policies could unintentionally exacerbate the opioid problem. Suspended licenses and registrations are an effective punishment for dangerous driving. Succinctly put, there is a reason the items on her list are considered crimes.

We do appreciate efforts to keep perpetrators of minor crimes out of prison, and we do agree that community service should be used much more frequently. Her current plan, however, goes too far.

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minutes. If re-inspection indicated that not all lice been removed, the process was repeated. Once attendants declared that the delousing procedure had been successful, the naked people were sprayed with soap chips and kerosene.

Rumors existed that photographs were being taken of the women. There was the incontrovertible fact that two dozen died a year earlier in an El Paso jail when a cigarette was tossed after inmates were deloused with gasoline,

The riots lasted for three days but for forty years such fumigation continued. In the 1920's U.S. officials in the area deloused and sprayed the clothes of Mexicans crossing into the U.S. with Zyklon B in what was called, ominously enough, "the gas

chambers." (A German scientific journal written in 1938 specifically praised the El Paso method of fumigating Mexican immigrants with Zyklon B; this chemical was later adopted by the Nazis as a fumigation agent at concentration camps and later during the Final Solution, pelletized in gas chambers to exterminate millions of

Jews.) My high school history teachers had so much to teach us: two years was not enough time for them to address injustices in Tulsa, El Paso, Wounded Knee, Heart Mountain, and the sites of so many other American places, far from Boston, where such violations and tragedies occurred.

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