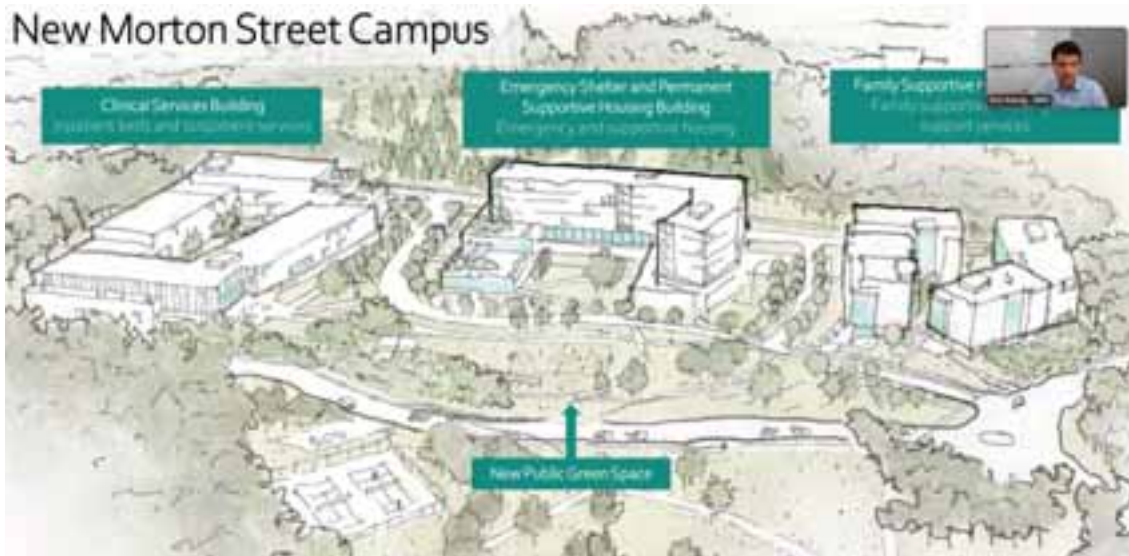


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A schematic drawing of proposed New Morton Street Campus for the Shattuck Hospital in Jamaica Plain. COURTESY PHOTO

ZBA approves 361 Belgrade

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The long saga of 361 Belgrade appears to be concluding, at least regarding the public process side of things.

The Boston Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) voted unanimously to approve the 123-unit rental building at the current site of Clay Automotive. The proposal includes parking for 86 vehicles, a legally protected greenspace as prescribed in the Greenbelt Protection Overlay District (the West Roxbury Parkway basically), 149 bicycle spaces, a 19-space Blue Bike station and EV charging.

Back in 2017 a new Roxbury Prep Charter School was proposed. However, this plan met with a great deal of neighborhood opposition so the school sought and found another location after a lengthy community process.

The new plan exceeds the city's Inclusionary Development Policy (IDP) requirement of 13 percent of the units being affordable at 17 percent (which translates to 21 units). ZBA member Giovanni Valencia asked about the project possibly including lower area median income (AMI) requirements for the 21 units, as only one unit has an AMI requirement of 50 percent.

Attorney Joseph Hanley, representing developer Jake Upton, said they also had one at 60 percent AMI, and the rest were at 70 to 100 percent AMI.

"We have some (six) two-bedrooms that are at 100 percent, which we think are very important for workforce housing," he said. "This is something we worked on very carefully with the Mayor's Office of Housing, and we're pleased to be able to offer 21 units. As you may or may not know, West Roxbury has some of the lowest available inventory of affordable housing anywhere in the city. We're in Roslindale, but of course you cannot restrict people by neighborhood, and so the opportunities here are pretty special."

Upton added that they are proposing what he called "passive housing."

"We've committed to the new environmental standards set

361 Belgrade

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BMC's redevelopment of the Shattuck detailed

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

After weeks of anticipation shrouded in rumor, the Boston Medical Center's redevelopment of the Shattuck Hospital was described at a virtual public meeting on July 20.

Called The New Morton Street Campus, a large part of the public's anxiety was based on the fact that the redevelopment plan took over five years to materialize; it opened with a public meeting on April 12, 2018.

After years of off-again-on-again public meetings a request for proposals was released in June 2022.

On June 21, 2023, in a press release, the Division of

Capital Asset Management announced that it had "provisionally designated the Boston Medical Center (BMC) for the redevelopment of the Shattuck Hospital."

The BMC designation is a consortium made up of The Community Builders (TCB), the Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Development Corporation (JPND), Pine Street Inn, Bay Cove Human Services, Boston Health Care for the Homeless, Health Care Resource Center and Victory Programs.

As first reported by the Dorchester Reporter on June 29, the BMC is quoted as calling their designation "a first of its kind coalition with plans to transform the existing hospital

site into a comprehensive behavioral health and housing community. It creates a multi-use campus that embraces housing first."

But it was the numbers tossed around in the past weeks that seems to have upset the community the most; is it 300 units? 400? 800 units?

Rob Koenig, Executive Director of Strategic Programs at BMC was one of 20 panelists on the virtual two-and-a-half hour meeting with 250 others on the call. He was joined by Dr. Thea James, Vice President of Mission at BMC, Mary Beckman, Senior Advisor (formerly secretary) of the Office

Shattuck

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Nep Valley Pkwy trail xing proposed

Alternate trail route suggested by residents

Matthew MacDonald
Staff Reporter

Recently, the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) held its second Neponset River Greenway to Blue Hills + Readville site walk – followed by a listening session – regarding its feasibility study to extend the greenway from Hyde Park's Truman Parkway to Route 138 in Milton via Neponset Valley Parkway.

The DCR's goal is to de-

termine the practicability of a walking and bicycling path to the nearby Blue Hills Trailside Museum, and then to move on to the project's next phase. However, during the first site walk – held last December and drawing about 30 people – much concern was expressed regarding the plan to put a crosswalk near Paul's Bridge in order to continue the trail from Brush Hill Road on DCR land up to Route 138.

Neponset

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Gerald Autler speaks with residents during a recent walkthrough of the proposed expansion of the greenway from Truman Parkway to Route 138 Milton.

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Separating speculation from facts

Parts of the city are rife with hearsay about the current admissions to the Boston exam schools, particularly Boston Latin School. A number of them have been bounced off me, because over the years as a BPS middle school teacher I instructed hundreds in ISEE test prep after school, as well as co-running a private tutorial program, which included my own four daughters. Truly, it is incumbent upon the Boston School Department to refute or substantiate these growing rumors by addressing the following questions.

Is it true that elementary schools traditionally sending high numbers to BLS are now coming up empty—as in zip, nada, none—because of the current admission standards? In the past these very same schools used to send many 6th graders to Latin, who having gained admission graduated in very high numbers while experiencing a very low attrition rate.

Another rumor about sending schools maligns Catholic school teachers by saying that in the past they inflated grades in math and reading to expedite entry; this anti-Catholic rumor has never been substantiated. The only proven elementary grade inflation that this writer knows of occurred in Atlanta, Georgia, where public school teachers were convicted of falsifying exam scores.

Did the Boston School Committee even have a chance to read the exam school admissions policy they voted on in July, 2021, or understand former Superintendent Cassellius's eleventh-hour changes to the previously discussed admissions policy that the Task Force has recommended?

With the current admissions policy have students gained admission to our exam schools even though they had failing grades, such as a 1 or a 2, in MCAS scores? Have students who had perfect or near perfect scores not gained admission to an exam school?

Has there been an increase in families with children who are putting their houses on the market to move out of the city because the prospects of getting their children into exam schools are slim to none?

Have there been students who should have failed math at



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BLS but instead received passing grades per order of school administration?

It's time for the School Department to refute these speculations with facts or, sadly, to affirm them. If hearsay is not quelled early on, exaggeration tends to set in and characterize the rumors even more negatively.

To pile bonus points upon bonus points to enable admission is not logical. Nor is it fair to talented students from private schools (whose parents have to scrape to fund the tuition); to talented METCO students (who have to endure long rides to their schools in leafy suburbs); and to talented students in the very small number of some Boston Public schools not receiving bonus points not having 40% of its enrollment below the poverty line, disregarding individual circumstances.

I'm certainly not here to argue that the previous exam school admissions policy was perfect. However, in efforts to create more equitable opportunities and greater diversity, the new exam school admissions policy is creating a different set of problems.

All of this notwithstanding, the Boston Public Schools can take credit for a few athletic accomplishments this past spring: English High boys advanced to the semi-finals in baseball in their division; O'Bryant boys volleyball advanced to the quarterfinals (?); Boston Latin girls advanced to the semifinals in tennis; and a BLS boy finished in the top five in the 800 (?) in the state track meet. Now let BPS do the same by speaking out about rumors.

LACK OF LARA COVERAGE CONFUSING

To the Editor:

At the top of the first page of The Bulletin it states 'A newspaper dedicated to the community.'

I have a great respect for newspapers, especially the local ones. The newspaper business is a tough one. With the internet we have seen even large dailies go out of business. To survive many have had to make deep cuts into their staff or gotten rid of their print edition.

I mention this because I am trying to find a reason for the lack of reporting on Councilor Lara's accident. There was the initial story in the Bulletin and then nothing. I could understand that if there was no followup needed and that is was just an accident. We know from other media outlets that this is not the case.

An elected official who represents West Roxbury faces eight vehicular charges. Yes, I do believe in innocent until proven guilty. Other media outlets thought Councilor Lara's first court appearance was newsworthy but not The Bulletin.

Maybe it is just a shortage of reporters as the reason why The Bulletin can't give this story the coverage it deserves. Or it could be The Bulletin has decided to let the larger media outlets run with this story. Either way for a newspaper that says it is dedicated to the community it has not shown it on the coverage of this story.

Stephen Smith
West Roxbury

A MUSICAL TRIBUTE TO SKIPPY WHITE

To the Editor:

Growing up in Boston during the '50s and '60s and loving music, many would find their way over to Skippy White's record shop. Over the years he had several shop locations and it took a while for them to be simply called Skippy White's, but that's what we always called them. I got most of my vinyl records from his shop

down by the Northampton elevated train station. He had two shops in that area. One near the Hotel Alexandria by Mass. Avenue and the one I most remember a few yards south between Louie's Lounge and Basin Street South.

Well, that was decades ago. Back then when I was a teen he was almost over the hill, nearing 30 years old. Oh, and he's always been a white guy too, but many still think he's black because of the music he has loved and promoted over his lifetime.

Well, his friends are throwing together an official tribute to Skippy White which will be held on Saturday, August 5th. It will be a celebration honoring his many contributions to the Soul music scene, from Lower Roxbury to lower Washington Street to down by the old Zone to Cambridge, near Bob the Chef on Mass Ave for a while and ending up near Egleston Square in Jamaica Plain.

If you are looking to see Skippy in person and enjoy a night of good ole soul music, you gotta get to it. For more info call 857.212.2737 or email contact@startimeentertainment.com.

I still remember attending an impromptu 83rd birthday party for him held back in 2019 over at the Regent Theatre. Then, the Pandemic happened and seemingly closed down life for too long of a time. So, on Saturday, August 5th, it will be time to get up on the good foot again. Dance away the night on the dance floor and listen to Skippy tell his amazing story about how the love of good music can keep you alive.

Someone a while back said you gotta keep on moving and Skippy has, and he's not stopping yet. Back in the early '60s, he worked on the air at WILD. Today, he is still a deejay at 98.1 FM The Urban Heat Online Radio.

Take a trip through the Time Tunnel train and get off at Hallet Street at Florian Hall. If you don't you will regret it. So, bring you memories and dancing shoes, I will.

Salvator Giarratani
East Boston



National Night Out hit all of Boston's neighborhoods this week, and honored local community members for their work, like Rosebury Ruskindale Road Neighborhood Association President Lokita Jackson.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

National Night Out bridges gaps

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

This year's annual National Night Out campaign traveled throughout the city holding several neighborhood events.

In the Parkway, District E-18 officers met with community members from Hyde Park at Ross Field before Boston Mayor Michelle Wu came down to present the National Night Out Community Service

Award to Rosebury Ruskindale Road Neighborhood Association Chair Lokita Jackson.

Jackson said the entire effort has centered on bringing Hyde Parkers together and focusing on everything they need.

"I love when we come together," she said. "You know, I'm all about togetherness, from the Community Input Board (CIB) to working with Marcia Kimm Jackson and the Racial Equity and Justice Forum. It's

all about us working together, because it's us. It's not me, or you, it's us."

Jackson said she's seen a lot of effort expended getting the large number of community groups, neighborhood associations, small business conclaves and residents to leverage their power to initiate change, and she feels it's starting to pay off.

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of Health and Human Services and Abi Viadeck, Director of Public Private Development at DCAMM. James opened the call on a seemingly defensive note.

“We have come to you with full authenticity,” she said, “respect and accountability. We acknowledge there are some concerns. This is the first of many opportunities to address your concerns,” James said.

Acknowledging that the number of 405 housing units in the proposal seemed high, Koenig said that “the (request for proposal) RFP was flexible in size, scale, mix and phasing.”

He showed on the screen share a pencil sketch of The New Morton Street Campus consisting of three, six-story cluster buildings separated by entrances off Morton Street.

Koenig said the new buildings are “down from 12 stories of the current building.” The three clusters are pushed against the Morton Street wall with the principal approach connecting all three coming off the Forest Hill entrance to Franklin Park.

He emphasized what was evident on the schematic, that Franklin Park will be buffered by a broad, seven acres of greenspace.

Koenig showed on another screen share that the current hospital has seven acres of pavement.

The largest building is set tight against the east boundary below Rock Morton of Franklin Park, a quad-style building designated for clinical and outpatient services, and 326 in-patient beds.

The four service providers of the consortium will staff and manage this building. In the center is a U-shaped, four-story building set on a low scale, two-story pavilion built as supportive housing, with 120 emergency shelter beds and 200 units of supportive housing.

This will be built by TCB in

partnership with Pine Street. The six-story U-shaped supportive family housing building is planned near the Forest Hills entrance on site of the present Shattuck garages and power house.

This will have 205 family units built and managed by JPND. Koenig said all parking will be underground, presumably using the back-filled foundation of the 11-story personnel building demolished in 2018.

It was not explained who will own the building clusters.

Bart Mitchell of TCB said the development will be done in phases.

“This is the first step in a long sustained process,” Koenig concluded adding, “this is not a new home for Mass and Cass.”

This did not seem to be believed by many on the call who filled up the chat box along with the 20 who testified.

The first verbal comment came right to the point.

“Won’t this just recreate Mass and Cass in Jamaica Plain?” the caller asked. “How can you prove this won’t happen?”

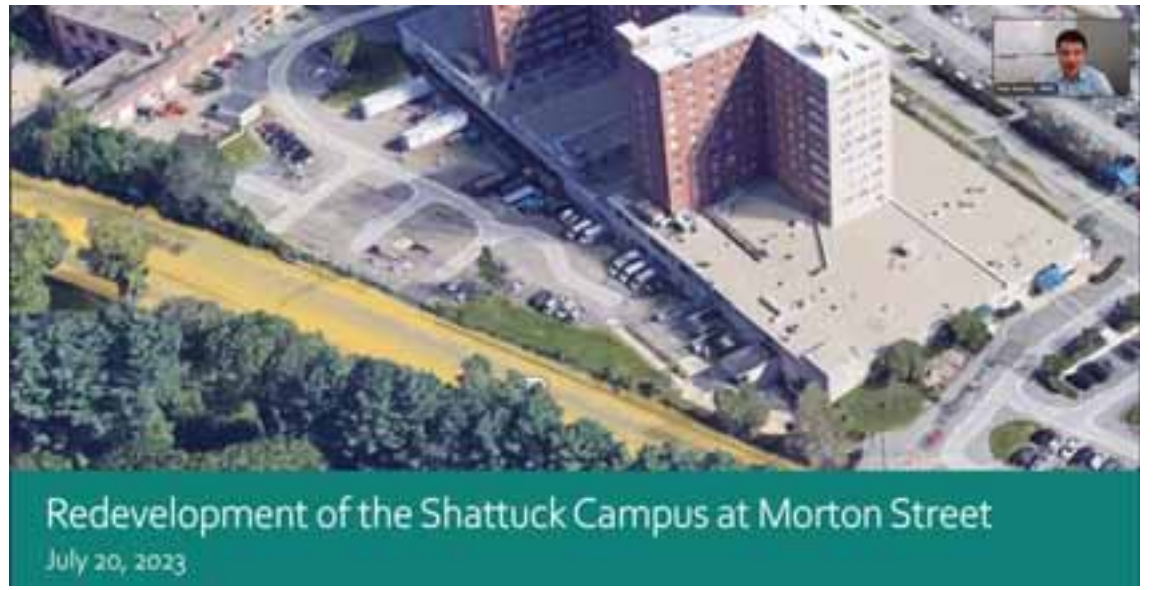
“This is very different,” Koenig answered. “This is a new kind of campus. We will help people and take care of people where they live.”

Lyndia Downey is the executive director of Pine Street Inn.

“The last thing anybody wants is to replicate Mass and Cass anywhere,” she said. “This is supportive housing. At Mass and Cass people don’t have any place to go.”

Another caller was concerned about the numbers. “How did you go from 75 to 100 units [of housing as first proposed in 2018] to 800 units?” he asked.

“The problem increased since then,” Downey said. “We have a homeless problem in Boston. There’s a real dearth of housing for the lowest level



The Shattuck Hospital building. All patients will be moved out to the South End in 2026.

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of income. Tremendous pressure,” she said.

“Thirty-four years ago there were 20,000 SRO [single room occupancy] units in Boston. They’re all gone.”

“This is a housing first model,” Downey said. “Rent based on income. Subsidies screened by Metro Boston or BHA.”

In her opening remarks Beckman said, “The Shattuck site was transferred to the Commonwealth in 1949 and deed restricted for public health purposes.”

Koenig said in his opening statement that one of the purposes of the RFP was to address the fact that the Shattuck “has a lack of patient treatment and supportive housing that has a disproportionate impact on people of color.”

Karen Mauney-Brodeck is director of the Emerald Necklace Conservancy and it has argued for years that the Shattuck land should be returned to Franklin Park.

“Can you address why the state doesn’t explore other sites and not one in an environmental justice neighbor-

hood? The public was never asked what they wanted for this site,” she said.

Beckman repeated what she said in her opening statement. “The site is statutorily deed-restricted for public health purposes,” she told Mauney-Brodeck. “We have public health needs.”

Most callers criticized the size and scale of the development plan.

Dr. David Henderson, Chief of Psychiatry at BMC had a different view concerning scale.

“There’s nothing like this anywhere,” he said. “It is the

largest centralized plan anywhere; very innovative. It’s been tried but not on this magnitude to combine housing and clinical services for people. In my experience this large scale is critical to help people.”

The only person to speak in favor was Kathy Brown of the Boston Tenant Coalition.

“There is so much misinformation,” she said. “It’s dehumanizing. We’re building what’s already there. It’s not 800 beds. It’s supportive housing.”

The Boston Medical Center will repeat its presentation on Aug. 15.



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Hagan said they’ve also increased the number of two-bedroom units from 20 to 26 percent, representing an increase of 12 additional two-bedroom units.

Regarding open space, they are contributing \$300,000 to the Parks Department specifically for nearby Ringer Park, which will be receiving a city-funded face-lift in several phases in the coming years. He said they will also be funding the Mayor’s Office of Arts and Culture with \$25,000 to “advance the goals outlined in the Allston-Brighton Arts, Culture, and Placemaking Report.”

“So part of this is really doing an analysis of the site where parks are located within a half-mile-radius and a one-mile radius,” he said. “The closest is Ringer Park at a seven-minute-walk. One of the great things too is that there are a number of improvements already proposed for Ringer Park.”

Go to https://tinyurl.com/29mue9zn to see The Bulletin’s coverage of proposed improvements to Ringer Park.

Hagan said the project will also improve the public realm with new sidewalks in line with the city’s Complete Streets Standards (increased width as per the Americans with Disabilities Act [ADA], more street trees, more drainage and more plantings).

“The site is designed in such a way to generate an additional 5,000 square feet to the public realm, which represents about 10 percent of the total site,” he said. “There’s a net addition of 20 trees on the site, which are a mixture of three-inch sweetgums, Spanish oaks, red maples and American elms.”

IAG member Elaina Schreckenberger said she still doesn’t feel there are enough affordable units.

“I don’t think there’s enough here, both as someone who works with a lot of clients looking for housing and as someone who is a human services worker with not a lot of income,” she said. “I’m trying to find affordable housing myself, and it’s just really hard in our current economy to be able to pay for a lot of this really expensive housing. It’s really frustrating to have this housing that is really great and I’m sure a lot of people would love to live there, but a lot of us aren’t able to.”

Both Schreckenberger and IAG member Gloria Tatarian said they wanted onsite open space.

“Other than the sidewalk trees and planters which are very nice, but for climate resiliency and for the mayor’s goals of improving our climate I think it would be helpful to have some ground-level greenspace,” Tatarian said.

Resident and ABCDC Executive Director John Woods said he was thankful for the project keeping its commitment to the two affordable developments mentioned above and the solar being installed there.

“I just wanted to thank them for maintaining their earlier commitment to help us on our sustainability efforts across the street at Comm Glen,” he said. “The \$250,000 committed will certainly help us tremendously to make improvements for the low-income residents there. I just wanted to thank you for that and I’m happy to see you’ve made some good progress with the neighborhood.”

IAG member Sarah Iwany said she had an aesthetic request for the building, possibly linked to the recent film Barbie.

“This is probably my last chance to ask you to paint the whole thing pink!” she said with a laugh. “Make it pretty! But other than, you know, you’ve seen my face for a year now and I’m excited to see we’ve come to some good compromises. Thank you.”

Resident Mynor Perez said he’s seen a good deal of developments getting approved recently and then the projects halting because the developers couldn’t get the financing together. He said he doesn’t feel that will happen here.

“They are greatly appreciated and thank you for listening to the community,” he said.

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The Allston Brighton Community Development Corporation will host the Allston-Brighton Needs Assessment Community Kick-off Event. This summer, the Boston Planning & Development Agency is conducting a needs assessment for the Allston and Brighton neighborhoods to examine services under three categories: basic needs, access to opportunity, community.

La Allston Brighton Community Development Corporation organizará la Reunión Inicial en la Comunidad sobre la Evaluación de Necesidades de Allston-Brighton. Este verano, la Agencia de Planificación y Desarrollo de Boston realiza una evaluación de necesidades de los vecindarios de Allston y Brighton para examinar los servicios según tres categorías: necesidades básicas, acceso a oportunidades, comunidad.

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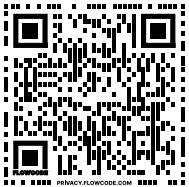
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社区活动启动! Allston-Brighton 需求评估

社區啟動! Allston-Brighton 需求評估

2023年8月9日 Allston Brighton CDC 18R Shepard Street Brighton MA 02135 星期三 晚 6:00 - 7:30

2023年8月9日 Allston Brighton CDC 18R Shepard Street Brighton MA 02135 星期三 下午6:00 - 7:30

Allston Brighton Community Development Corporation (社区发展公司) 即将举办Allston-Brighton 需求评估社区活动启动会议。今年夏天, 波士顿规划与发展局正在对 Allston 和 Brighton 社区进行需求评估, 以便查看居民在基本需求、获得机会和社区三类方面的服务需求情况。

Allston Brighton社區發展公司將主持Allston-Brighton需求評估的社區啟動活動。今年夏天, 波士頓規劃與發展局進行Allston和Brighton社區的需求評估, 以便檢查三種類型的服務: 基本需求、獲得機會、社區。

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- 是哪些因素使 Allston-Brighton 蓬勃发展?
• 如何改善社区以更好地为人们服务?
• 哪些额外服务将有助于为社区提供支持?

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- 什麼會讓Allston-Brighton欣欣向榮?
• 如何改善社區以便為民眾提供更好的服務?
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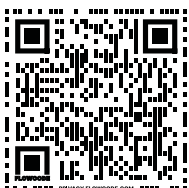
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National Night Out

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“I like to hear from people like Scott Batey, President of the Hyde Park Board of Trade, when he says that Hyde Park used to be siloed,” she said. “Now? We want to have every stakeholder have a seat at the table.”

Roslindale’s National Night Out Community Service Award winner and Parkway YMCA Program Director Taina Acevedo said almost the exact same thing at the Roslindale National Night Out program held at the Washington Beech Apartments in Roslindale.

“It feels good, you know, but it’s not about me,” she said. “It’s about us.”

Acevedo said she’s happy to have received the award, but said none of it could have happened without everyone’s involvement.

“I put a lot into the community, but you get back what you put in and the community’s been very receptive,” she said. “I’m really glad for all the kids and the families.”

District 5 City Councilor Ricardo Arroyo was very happy to see Jackson and Acevedo receive their awards. He said Jackson has been a mainstay in the Hyde Park community.

“We have a few unsung heroes here in Hyde Park and Lokita is certainly one of those who go above and beyond,” he said. “I think she’s really deserving.”

Boston Police Department Lt. Michael Hegarty noted

Acevedo’s accomplishments over at the Parkway Y. He said she’s been the Y’s program director for the last 12 years and has created several programs for teens within the Safe Summer Initiative, which is designed to engage children with activities in a safe space.

“Working in coordination with the City of Boston, she has influenced 65 teens at the Parkway YMCA,” he said. “She gives them workforce training and guidance to prepare for their future. In the past six years at Washington Beech she started a food pantry, blood pressure monitoring, vaccine clinics, senior programs, community tea time and many teen programs as well. During COVID-19, she turned the community room into a classroom so students could attend their remote learning classes. We would like to thank Taina Acevedo for all the hard work she puts in daily to make the community a safer and more enjoyable place to live.”

Boston Mayor Michelle Wu said she was happy to see all the families come out to both events.

“We’re so happy that you came here once again to see all of us, our police commissioner, our district attorney, our staff, our elected officials and all of our police officers and everyone keeping us safe. They work so hard and we’re very grateful that they’re the leading department across the country fo-



Hundreds gathered at the Washington Beech Apartments in Roslindale to enjoy the day and celebrate Taina Acevedo's work around the Parkway.

PHOTO BY JEFF SULLIVAN

used on community policing and making sure everyone is part of keeping our community safe.”

Hyde Park residents O’Brian and Sacha Stadhard said they came out to the Ross Field event to support their friend and neighbor, Lokita.

“This is our first time,” O’Brian said. “She’s a hardworking person and she’s also our neighbor and she’s dedicated to the cause.”

Sacha Stadhard thinks Jackson embodies the neighborhood feeling of pulling together in Hyde Park.

“I think people understand that it takes a village and if you want to get an issue heard or get something done, it makes a

difference if you organize,” she said. “If you have more people supporting the same issue you’re going to get more traction for what you’re looking to accomplish.”

The National Night Out coincided and combined with the Washington Beech Unity Day festival. The festival dates back more than a decade to get kids out of the house and bring residents together with food, music and dancing.

Residents Jamyla Draughn, Virginia Draughn and Joanna Etienne said they all grew up around Washington Beech, and though they might have moved away, they still come every year for the Unity Day and were happy to see the two

events combined.

“The neighborhood comes out to celebrate, usually in August, to show neighborhood love,” Jamyla Draughn said.

The trio said they’ve met Mayor Wu before, which isn’t surprising because her home is right down the street from the apartments, but they also got to meet former Boston Mayor Marty Walsh as well as former Mayors Ray Flynn and Thomas Menino, who helped start the event.

“Every mayor comes out every year, and Menino helped to rebuild this community so we’ve got to give him credit,” Virginia Draughn said.



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Alkade Labranche vs. Jodyann Labranche

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:
Alkade Labranche, 124 Marcella Street, Unit 3, Roxbury, MA 02119-1176
your answer, if any, on or before **09/25/2023**. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of his Court
Date: July 25, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate
West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 08/03/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU23P1565EA

Estate of: Richard G. Hayes, Jr.
Date of Death: 02/07/2015

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

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Late and Limited Formal Testacy and/or Appointment** has been filed by **Helen M. Hayes of Manchester, NH** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that:
Helen M. Hayes of Manchester, NH 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 09/05/2023. 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.
Date: July 25, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate
Boston Bulletin: 08/03/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court Department

Suffolk Division
Docket No. SU23P1176PM

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 §5-405

In the matter of: Ha Nhi Tat
Of: Brighton, MA

RESPONDENT
(Person to be Protected/Minor)

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 **St. Elizabeth’s Gpu at Carney Hospital of Dorchester, MA** In the above captioned matter alleging that **Ha Nhi Tat** is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that:

(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that the protective order or appointment of Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed Conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.

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 **08/31/2023**. 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
Date: July 27, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate
Boston Bulletin: 08/03/2023

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The Trial Court
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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU23P1609EA

Estate of: Paula Claire Fitzgerald
Also known as: Paula Fitzgerald
Date of Death: 05/18/2023

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 **Kerry E. Dunphy of Brighton, 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:
Kerry E. Dunphy of Brighton, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 08/25/2023. 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.
Date: July 28, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate
Boston Bulletin: 08/03/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU23P1563EA

Estate of: Francis P. Foley, Jr.
Also known as:
Francis Peter Foley, Jr.
Francis Peter Foley
Date of Death: 06/30/2023

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

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **James E. Foley of Quincy, 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:
James E. Foley of Quincy, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 08/30/2023. 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
Date: July 26, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate
Hyde Park Bulletin: 08/03/2023

HELPWANTED
Market Intelligence Analyst (Ehomie Boston Inc., Boston, MA 02108) full-time; DUTIES: analyze mktg data. Reqs: Bachelor’s in Mktg, Data Analytics, Biz Admin, or related (or foreign equiv) + 1 yr exp in mktg analytics & data mgmt. Full job desc. & reqs at: <https://jobquest.dcs.eol.mass.gov/JobQuest/NewJobDetails.aspx?jo=19420525>; To apply, send resume to hr_bos@ehomiegrou.com.

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DOCKET No. SU23P1578EA

Estate of: Frank Vincent Murphy
Also known as:
Frank V. Murphy, Frank Murphy
Date of Death: 05/01/2023

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 **Rosemary M. Cochran of Milton, 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:
Rosemary M. Cochran of Milton, MA be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
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The Hyde Park Community Input Board recently met and organized its priorities for the next year. Participants worked to put together goals and working groups to achieve those goals.

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CIB planning for 2024

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Hyde Park Community Input Board (CIB) met recently in a virtual format and looked at its future.

The meeting centered around organizing for the future and getting all planning done for 2024 when Hyde Park rings in the new year.

Organizer and Rosebury Ruskindale Road President Lokita Jackson said they wanted to divide and conquer essentially, with each breakout group centering on a specific topic and setting up goals and more times to meet throughout the remainder of the year. The six breakout groups focused on development and displacement, resident orga-

nizing, youth organizing, environmental issues, cultural and art opportunities and getting the local businesses involved in Hyde Park community events and initiatives.

Joseph Okafor reported on the youth involvement group, and said the main focus was building consensus between Hyde Park's youth and local business owners. He and his group partner Jose Masso reviewed prior conflicts and determined they want to keep an eye on and get ahead of any current or future conflicts.

"Jose brought up just as an example a nearby convenience store that had a sign stating the store only allowed two teens in at a time," he said. "The question becomes how we can ad-

dress this in the future; perhaps we may need a summit specifically for that youth group and business owner or other ways to address similar issues."

Okafor also touched on the Hyde Park Mattapan Youth Advisory Council headed by the Mayor's Office. He said it is planning a summit for this year or next and they wanted to be ready for it when it happens.

"We want to take the position of letting them lead but also offering to help in whatever capacity we can," he said.

Mimi Turchinetz reported on the Development without Displacement: the Community Benefit Agreement (CBA) group. She said they are looking to put together a diverse working group

CIB

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Why Can't I Collect Survivor Benefits from My Deceased Wife?

Dear Rusty: I am a 62 year old widower that is still working full time. While my late spouse was in hospice, I was able to get her to apply for Social Security disability and she received one payment before she passed away two years ago. I was told that I could collect a survivor benefit, so I called my local Social Security office, but they told me that I could not collect any type of benefits from my wife and that all the money she paid into SS for all of those years was basically gone for good. Would you please advise what I can do and if this is true? I was also told that Social Security's agents will do everything they can to avoid paying out benefits.



Russell Gloor
AMAC Certified Social

Signed:
Frustrated Widower

Dear Frustrated Widower: I suspect that the reason Social Security said you were not eligible for benefits as a widower is because you are working full time. At age 62, you are subject to Social Security's "earnings test" which limits how much you can earn while collecting early Social Security benefits. The 2023 earnings limit is \$21,240 and, if that is exceeded, SS will take away \$1 in benefits for every \$2 you are over the limit. If your earnings are high enough, that could make you temporarily ineligible to collect benefits until 1) your earnings are less, or 2) you reach your full retirement age (FRA) when the earnings test no longer applies.

Assuming you have not yet claimed your personal SS retirement benefit, you are still eligible to collect a survivor benefit from your wife when your earnings are less or after you reach your full retirement age. One strategy you may wish to consider, if you plan to keep working full time, is to wait and claim only your surviving spouse benefit at your FRA (67), thus allowing your personal SS retirement benefit to continue growing until you are 70 when your personal SS retirement benefit will be about 75% more than it would be now. Although your survivor benefit reaches maximum at your FRA, your personal benefit doesn't reach

maximum until age 70, so it's possible to collect your smaller survivor benefit from your wife first and claim your higher personal benefit later.

You were apparently given some confusing information when you contacted Social Security. If you haven't already claimed your own SS retirement benefit, you are still eligible for a surviving spouse benefit from your wife but likely cannot collect a widower benefit at this time because you're working full time. However, that doesn't mean you can never collect a survivor benefit; only that you can't collect it at this time because of the "earnings test." The earnings test goes away when you reach age 67, so you can claim only your survivor benefit at that time (or before if you no longer work full time) and allow your personal SS retirement benefit to continue to grow (to age 70 if you like).

From our experience with the Social Security Administration, the skill level of SSA representatives varies but we have never suspected their goal was trying to avoid paying benefits due. Nevertheless, depending on the agent you spoke with, the information provided may have been less clear about the best claiming strategy for you - which is why the AMAC Foundation's Social Security Advisory Service exists. Our advisors are all highly experienced and strive to provide you with complete and clear information which enables you to make an informed choice about how and when to claim the Social Security benefits you are entitled to. I

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Virtual Public Meeting

Allston Square

August 14, 2023
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Project Proponent:
CRM Property Management Corp.

Project Description:
The BPDA is hosting a joint virtual IAG and public meeting for the proposed Notice of Project Change for the Allston Square Project, located in the Allston neighborhood of Boston. The purpose of the meeting is to provide an overview of the proposed amendment, and discuss potential impacts and mitigation. The meeting will include a presentation followed by questions and comments from the public.

The Proposed NPC will convert the previously approved residential ownership units at 8-12 Wilton St., 20 Braintree St., and 10 Highgate St. to residential rental units. Additionally, the NPC will increase the percentage of IDP units at these three buildings from 14% to 17% and offer a deeper range of affordability throughout.

mail to: **Nick Carter**
Boston Planning & Development Agency
One City Hall Square, 9th Floor
Boston, MA 02201

Zoom Link: bit.ly/AllstonSq0814

Toll Free: (833) 568 - 8864

Meeting ID: 161 814 9540

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Teresa Polhemus, Executive Director/Secretary

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Their concern focused on the safety of the trail users and the crossing's impact on traffic.

Neponset Valley Parkway is a major cut-through for cars and trucks going to and from Route 128 and I-95, with rush hour bottlenecks very common where it, Brush Hill Road, and Milton Street meet at the Boston-Milton line, and serious backups through Wolcott Square to the Father Hart Bridge at Hyde Park Avenue are also regular rush hour occurrences.

In December, no specifics were presented regarding exactly where the parkway crosswalk would be located. This most recent site walk of-

ferred two alternatives, one of which was advocated for by DCR Director of Trails and Greenways Gerald Autler.

According to that layout, a raised and marked crosswalk would be near the small Burma Road Trail parking lot at the bottom of the section of Brush Hill Road leading up to Route 138. The proposed trail would then be incorporated into the walking path at Flatley Field, after which it would cross Neponset Valley Parkway – further up the road from the bottleneck – to connect to the DCR owned land on the opposite side of the street.

Leading a group of about 50 people from St. Pius X

parking lot to the site, Autler spoke to them in the trailhead parking lot and led them across Brush Hill Road to Flatley Field. Speaking in favor of the proposed design, he cited the “much lower traffic volumes on Brush Hill Road” and the proposed “high visibility” Neponset Valley Parkway crosswalk.

Citing time constraints, as cars and trucks steadily rolled and rumbled past, Autler did not lead the group to the Neponset Valley crossing site at the far end of the field, opting instead to point the hundred yards or so toward a car exiting near the proposed spot.

That crosswalk would, in fact, be toward the bottom of a bowed downhill curve from



Residents cross Neponset Valley Parkway to Paul's Bridge during the recent site walk in Hyde Park.

PHOTO BY MATTHEW MACDONALD

Route 138, on a stretch of road where – because of its absence of intersections and entering traffic – vehicle speed tends to increase naturally and without interruption.

The meeting – and what it was supposed to be and whether or not there would be another one – was a point of some confusion even before the site walk got underway.

Advertised as a listening session, Autler stated that a meeting would take place in the St. Pius X function room afterwards, and project consultant Kathleen Fasser stated that it would be to rehash the walk. In the middle of this, Leon David – DCR director of government and legislative affairs – arrived and attempted to take contact information (which was already being taken), and announced that he would be arranging a follow-up meeting. Senator Walter Timilty (Norfolk, Plymouth, and Bristol) then clarified that he had requested the site walk and a meeting to be held separate from the listening session.

This interlude brought attention to the fact that, since the project's plan has taken definite shape, there have been consistent calls from the community to hold an in-person meeting to address it. The project, in its entirety, would – if it makes it to construction – involve a redesign of the southern end of Truman Parkway and Neponset Valley Parkway through Wolcott Square to Readville station. However, after a remote feasibility study presentation last November, followed by the December site walk, only an open house was held in February. During that event, attendees went from project diagram to project diagram either alone or in small groups, eliminating the potential of any consolidated dialogue, as well as raised points of concern and contention being heard by everyone.

At the listening session – which immediately morphed from a site walk review into the makings of a give-and-take meeting – this was starkly illustrated by an attendee's presentation of an alternative route to the Blue Hills. In February, this had been floated by community members, piecemeal, during the open house. However, at the listening session, attendees – many of whom had been at that open house – reacted as if they were hearing about it for the first time, and solid support was expressed to explore it further.

The alternate trail unofficially proposes going in the opposite direction from Paul's Bridge on Neponset Valley before turning onto Meadow Road, which runs next to Fowl Meadow until it ends at a large warehouse complex. At the complex, a path would be cut across a corner of the meadow to a trail footprint alongside the Northeast Corridor rail bed. The path would continue to the Route 128 station, go under a highway overpass to Green Lodge Street, turn left, cross the Neponset River, turn left again back under the highway via an underpass, cut across on the opposite side to Green Street, and arrive near the dead end of Royall Street, the other end of which opens at Route 138 and the Blue Hills.

Autler remained hesitant. “I'm not sure that that is a straightforward alternative. I do know that what we've got here we believe is safe, is feasible, and could be accomplished entirely on DCR property, or could be accomplished in collaboration with the Town of Milton.” He did add that “we will certainly take a closer look at that alternative.”

The next project meeting has not yet been scheduled. For past meeting presentations, visit the DCR website and search under “Neponset River Greenway to Blue Hills.”



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

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Grateful thanks. —K.B.

St. Jude's Novena

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In gratitude for helping me. —J.H.

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The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
Docket No. SU19P0918EA

CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT

Estate of: Thomas B. Antoniazzi
Date of Death: 10/21/2006

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

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

IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 09/01/2023.
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Witness, Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: July 28, 2023
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
Docket No. SU22P1911PM

CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT

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

Estate of: Ari R. Davis

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

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Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: July 31, 2023
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Hyde Park Bulletin: August 3, 2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court Department

SUFFOLK Division
Docket No. SU23P1288PM

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 §5-405

In the matter of:
Bryan Cotto Rodriguez
Of: Boston, MA

RESPONDENT
(Person to be Protected/Minor)

To The named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by
Hector L. Cotto of Hyde Park, MA
Yaritza Rodriguez Cotto of Hyde Park, MA
in the above captioned matter alleging that **Brian Cotto Rodriguez** is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that **Yaritza Rodriguez Cotto of Hyde Park, MA**
Hector L. Cotto of Hyde Park, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve Without Surety on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that the protective order or appointment of Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed Conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.

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 **08/23/2023**. 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.

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Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: July 26, 2023
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Hyde Park Bulletin: 08/03/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court Department

Docket No. SU23P1287GD

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

In the matter of:
Bryan Cotto Rodriguez
Of: Boston, 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
Yaritza Rodriguez Cotto of Hyde Park, MA
Hector L. Cotto of Hyde Park, MA
in the above captioned matter alleging that **Bryan Cotto Rodriguez** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that **Yaritza Rodriguez Cotto of Hyde Park, MA**
Hector L. Cotto of Hyde Park, MA (or some other suitable person) to 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 a 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.

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Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: July 26, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate

Hyde Park Bulletin: 08/03/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU23P1579EA

Estate of: Deborah Jean Smith
Also known as: Deborah J. Smith
Date of Death: 06/03/2023

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:
Diane Naughton 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:
Diane Naughton 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 09/05/2023. 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: July 25, 2023
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Probate and Family Court Department

Suffolk Division
Docket No. SU23P1614PM

CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF CONSERVATOR OR OTHER PROTECTIVE ORDER PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 §5-405

In the matter of: Robin Wilkosky
Of: West Roxbury, MA

RESPONDENT
(Person to be Protected/Minor)

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
Brigham and Women's Hospital of Boston, MA
in the above captioned matter alleging that **Robin Wilkosky** is in need of a Conservator or other protective order and requesting that:
George Rodriguez of Quincy, MA (or some other suitable person) be appointed as Conservator to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is disabled, that the protective order or appointment of Conservator is necessary, and that the proposed Conservator is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court.

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 **08/28/2023**. 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.

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Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
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West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 08/03/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU23P1581EA

Estate of: Geraldine Alice Bearce
Date of Death: 03/17/2023

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
Thomas Murphy of Hanover, 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:
Thomas Murphy of Hanover, MA
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration**.

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

COSTOPOULOS

Toula "Demetra" (Merianos) Age 89, of West Roxbury, MA, passed away peacefully on July 24, 2023. Beloved wife of the late Alex Costopoulos. Devoted mother of Nicholas Costopoulos and his husband, John J. Cowan, Theodore Costopoulos, and the late Demetrios Costopoulos. Loving sister of Nikolaos Merianos and his wife, Athena, John Merianos, and the late Panagiota Aloumanis, and the late Aspasia Eraklis. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, relatives and friends here and in Greece. In lieu of flowers, donations in her

memory may be made to Ethos, 555 Armory St., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130. Burial in Forest Hills Cemetery. For online guestbook, please visit www.Faggas.com Faggas Funeral Home 800-222-2586.

LAHAM

James Gregory, Independent Pharmacist of Chelmsford, formerly of Jamaica Plain, passed away, on July 15, 2023, at the age of 50. Dear and devoted husband of Lisa (Magnuson) Laham. Beloved son of Deborah (MacLean) Laham of Westwood and the late Gregory H. Laham. Dear grand-

son of Kathleen MacLean of Winthrop and the late Malcolm MacLean, Herbert Laham and Lorraine Laham. Adoring stepfather of Grace and Olivia. Dear brother of Keith Laham and his wife, Jennifer of Dedham. Devoted uncle of Martin, Jordan and Savannah Laham. Dear son-in-law of John and Elizabeth Magnuson. Brother-in-law of Beth Perullo. Also survived by many loving aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews, countless friends and his unexpected cuddle companion, Gus the cat.

Deaths

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A rendering of the building proposed for 361 Belgrade Ave. in Roslindale.

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by the city and we're exceeding those," he said. "This is a passive house with almost zero carbon footprint and sustainable best practices implemented."

Upton said they will be giving residents of the building a full year of free MBTA passes so they can utilize the adjacent Bellevue MBTA Commuter Rail Stop and the four bus lines on the route. The development team added they will be contributing to new bus stops (presumably they meant benches and shelters) at the site of the bus lines.

Office of Neighborhood Services Roslindale Liaison Dianna Bronchuk said the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) and the city held several neighborhood outreach meetings and that there were several letters of opposition and only a few in support.

Representatives from At-

Large City Councilors Erin Murphy and Michael Flaherty said the councilors support the project. District 5 City Councilor Ricardo Arroyo spoke himself in favor of the project.

"This has been a distressed industrial site for much of my life here in the city growing up on the southwest side in Hyde Park, near Roslindale," he said. "This project is entirely appropriate for the size and scale of that space, but also brings much needed affordable housing. It does deal with many of the pedestrian issues there; there is a commercial space and several other commercial spaces on Belgrade Avenue that could use the density that this is bringing."

Arroyo added that he also supported the high school project previously proposed for the site back in 2017.

"That did not move forward, but I think that where we are now with this project is worthy of our full support and that's why I'm here personally," he said.

Bellevue Hill Improvement Association Chair Ginny Gass said the West Roxbury Association is opposed to the project, mainly because of its height.

"The opposition of our

neighborhood association has to do with the height of the building," she said. "The zoning rules are not recommendations. They're actual rules. This building will be 60-to-70 feet high and we're against this building for that reason."

Resident and Impact Advisory Group (IAG) member for the project Paula Olender said she was in opposition to the project.

"Due to its massive size and the vast overreaching variances being requested," she said. "I think it's vastly out of character for the neighborhood and I think there's no legal basis to show that the variances should be granted. I would ask you to oppose this project or return it to community review."

Resident and WalkUP Roslindale representative Matt Lawlor said he and the group were in support of the project.

"We submitted a letter of support with respect to the Article 80 process and continuing our support at the ZBA," he said. "It's long past time for this site to be redeveloped. We think this project is a great example of the kind of project that should be done in the city and the neighborhood."

The Board voted unanimously to approve the project.



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make contributions in his memory to St. George Orthodox Church, 21st Century Fund, 55 Emmonsdale Rd., West Roxbury, MA 02132, stgeorgeofboston.org James was laid to rest at The Gardens Cemetery. Guestbook available at www.KfouryFuneral.com

NEHILEY

Michelle of West Roxbury, formerly of Charlestown, South Boston, and Sandwich, passed away on July 27, 2023, surrounded by loved ones after a long battle with interstitial lung disease. Beloved wife of Patrick Nehiley. Devoted mother of Chloe Fay, Colleen and Brian Nehiley; proud fur mama of Liberty; and "Mama Nehiley" to many friends. Daughter-in-law of Helen Nehiley. Daughter of the late Dorothy O'Neil. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Long term friend of Bill W. Visitation in the O'Brien Funeral Home, 146 Dorchester Street, SOUTH BOSTON, on Friday,

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August 4th, from 4-8 pm. Funeral Mass in Gate of Heaven Church, 615 East Fourth Street, South Boston, on Saturday, August 5th at 10 am. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Celebration of Life to follow. For directions and guestbook, please visit www.obrienfunerals.com O'Brien Funeral Home South Boston 617 269 1600.

NILAND

Daniel T. Age 76, of Jupiter, FL, formerly of Mission Hill, and West Roxbury, passed away peacefully, Wednesday, July 19, 2023. Danny was born in Boston, March 1, 1947, to the late William and Nora (Bradley) Niland. Beloved husband of 53 years to Florence (McLean). Father of Michelle Niland, Dyan Teehan; and two grandchildren of Roslindale. Loving brother of Francis Niland of Westwood, Elaine McIntyre and her late husband Richard of Roslindale, Kathleen Baron and her late husband Paul of Dedham; and his sister-in-law Maureen Niland of Marshfield. Predeceased by his brothers Carl Niland and his late wife Thelma of Somerville, Ralph Niland and his late wife Geraldine of Walpole, Michael Niland and his late wife Carol of Marshfield and John Niland of Marshfield. Survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Danny served honorably in the United States Army. He is a Vietnam wounded combat Purple Heart Veteran. He is a proud

American, devoted to his country, and fellow service men and women. Danny is known for his love of history, baseball, especially coaching CYO softball and basketball, jeopardy trivia, sense of humor and enormous heart. A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at The Basilica of Our Lady of Perpetual Help "Mission Church", 1545 Tremont Street, Boston, MA 02120. Interment MA National Cemetery, Bourne. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Danny's memory to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation that supports our nation's greatest heroes and their families, www.T2T.org. For guestbook gormleyfuneral.com. William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

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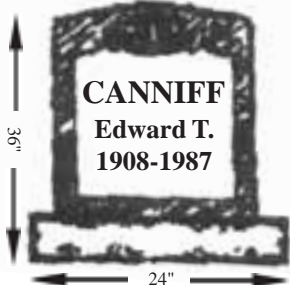
Walter "Buddy" of Dedham, formerly of Jamaica Plain, passed away on July 29, 2023. Beloved husband of the late Anne (Singer) Robinson. Devoted father of Steven Robinson of North Attleboro, Thomas and his wife Jane of Walpole, Walter Robinson and his wife Nancy of Foxboro, Anne Mayer and her husband George of Millbury, and Paul Robinson and his wife Ann of Dedham. Loving grandfather of Corey, Matthew, Katie, Shannon, Eric, Alan, Fred, Michael, Paul, and Laura. Great-grandfather of Aniela, Greyson, Ava Grace, and Hayes. Dear brother of Tom Robinson, Hank Robinson, Laura Rooney,

Charles Robinson, and the late William Robinson, Hazel Barry, Anna Graziano, and James Robinson. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Buddy served as a Marine in the Korean Conflict. He was a proud member of Teamsters Local #25. Buddy enjoyed his last years at Bridges by Epoch in Westwood, and the Robinson family would like to thank the staff for their care and attention. Funeral from the P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, 2000 Centre St. West Roxbury. For online guestbook and full obituary pemurrayfuneral.com. Arrangements by P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, West Roxbury.

SARKIS

Susan M. (Condry) of Readville, July 20. Beloved wife of Mark C. Sarkis; and loving mother of Alyssa R. Sarkis of Medfield. Dear sister of Ann Marie O'Brien of Hyde Park. Funeral from the Folsom Funeral Home, 87 Milton St., DEDHAM. Interment in Mount Benedict Cemetery, West Roxbury. Donations to Hebrew SeniorLife Development Office, 1200 Centre St., Boston, MA 02131 to be used for patient care at Newbridge on the Charles. For directions, obituary and guestbook, please visit funeral home website. Folsom Funeral Home www.folsomfuneral.com

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focusing on preventing displacement in the neighborhood. The first steps include defining what development without displacement is, to develop an outreach plan to ensure the maximum participation in development meetings and public discourse, and to meet monthly.

"Included in that is expanding our outreach list, to flyer the train stations and bus stops to address the issues of both renters, homeowners and working class folk in the neighborhood," she said.

In a related topic, Environmental Group representative Marilynne Smith-Quarcoo said their discussions focused on identifying and protecting undeveloped land the city could defend.

"We also wanted to look at issues of air quality and emissions due to current and past zoning

and its historical impact on health," she said. "We want to also think about the use of greenspaces and continue the work with the EPA, the Department of Conservation and Recreation and residents with a focus on the Neponset River."

In the cultural diversity and arts group, representative Marlon Soloman said the focus was on finding ways to use cultural differences and practices to unite otherwise distant groups.

"Because we all practice the same thing, we just practice it differently," he said. "And how do we make sure all cultures are finding space to be represented."

Soloman said they also reviewed and discussed all of the cultural and art spaces in the community to figure out what's available and how they could be better utilized to help promote the area.

"One of the issues is that there's an art center in Hyde Park but we didn't really know what's going on there culturally," he said. "We want to make sure that whatever we do we're supporting our cultural businesses and increase the cultural revenue in our community."

Resident Helena Tonge represented the Residential Community Building group and said she recently noticed a mail campaign targeting Hyde Park residents informing them of upcoming events, and thought something like that would be a useful tool for the CIB.

She also said they worked on reaching out to schools and getting community members involved, as well as hosting in-person meetings to attract folks of all ages to these sessions.

"And last but not least, an oldie but a goodie, is door knocking," she said.

Adding on to that, Jackson said they were also looking at different strategies to get businesses involved in Hyde Park organizing. They want to aggressively increase participation.

"If we're currently at 5 percent I'd like to get that to 25 percent by the end of 2023," she said. "We need to be able to measure that and really quantify that."

She said upcoming events would be the best places to connect with businesses, as well as giving the businesses flyers about events so that more folks would be informed of the CIB.

The next CIB meeting will be on Sept. 28 at 7 p.m. For more information and to stay up to date on the CIB, go to <https://qrco.de/CIBHP>

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