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Residents discussed an upcoming meeting regarding traffic safety on Washington Street and another upcoming community discussion on marijuana dispensaries.

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## Some feel the O'Neil traffic death was largely ignored

### WRCIA to hold meetings to address Washington Street safety

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

The West Roxbury Civic Improvement Association (WRCIA) agreed on Monday, Dec. 9, that it would be hosting two community discussions on Washington Street Safety and marijuana dispensaries in the next two months.

The Washington Street safety discussion will take place on Jan. 13 at 7 p.m. at the St. Stephen's United Methodist Church at 5160 Washington St. and the marijuana dispensary discussion will take place on Feb. 10 at 7 p.m. at the same

location.

Current president Larissa Castro said the meeting will focus on street safety, as three people have been struck and killed in the past year. Past WRCIA Vice President Marty Keogh said he felt like Washington Street was being ignored during the Centre Street Road Diet discussion started after Marilyn Wentworth was killed in February of this year. He said it occurred literally a few days before the WRCIA hosted a meeting on

**WRCIA**

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The building will keep some of the old greenhouses still on the property.

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## ZBA approves Roslindale cannabis and denies 48 Allston St.

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

The Boston Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) met on Tuesday, Dec. 3, and approved several projects in the city.

The Board approved the proposed cannabis dispensary at 717 American Legion Hwy. in Roslindale near the Hyde Park and Mattapan lines. The application was submitted by Silver Therapeutics, representatives of which have stated they want to turn the old greenhouse and plant shop into a dispensary, complete with a small greenhouse to teach prospective farmers how to grow themselves. Attorney representing Silver, Michael Ross, said the idea is to promote entrepreneurship among residents.

"It will only be 1,600 square feet," Ross said. "It will be a demonstration greenhouse, so we will see cultivation occur at that greenhouse onsite for the

purpose of teaching people from this community, from Boston, how to enter the industry and how to get lucrative careers within the industry as cultivators."

Residents were initially against a dispensary in the neighborhood. Members from the Mount Hope Canterbury Neighborhood Association (MHC) felt that the American Legion Corridor is a dumping ground for all types of retail and uses that no other neighborhood would accept. After looking into the prospect however, residents either do not oppose the project because they are in favor of the plan or because they saw that if this project wasn't approved, another more undesirable project wouldn't be far behind.

Ross pointed out that the 20,000 square foot parcel allows cannabis as a conditional use, and the site also has in

**ZBA**

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## Hastings Tree Lighting attracts hundreds

Jeff Sullivan  
Staff Reporter

The 2019 Boston Mayor's Trolley Tour and West Roxbury Main Streets Holiday Market came through West Roxbury last Friday night to the delight of hundreds of revelers, despite the rainy and cold weather.

Residents were treated to popcorn, hot chocolate, Christmas carols, display stands from local businesses and a visit from Boston

**Tree Lighting**

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Despite the rain, hundreds of residents turned out for the Hastings Street Holiday Tree Lighting, which is part of Boston Mayor Marty Walsh's Holiday Trolley Tour.

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Mayor Marty Walsh.

This is the 24th year the Trolley Tour has taken place in Boston. Walsh himself has toured every neighborhood over two weeks every year since he was elected, and stopped at 16 locations over the course of last week.

This was the first year of the tree lighting at the Hastings Street Lot for West Roxbury Main Streets Executive Director Jacob

Robinson, and he said it was a great time.

"I think we've got a nice turnout," he said. "We've got a good night for it, the snow is finally over, so we're going strong."

Robinson said since growing up in the Midwest, he's used to extremely cold winters.

"But the New England winters can be a bit longer though," he said.

"We've got these Westie hats we've been selling like crazy, we've got ornaments and pens and we had food but that ran out pretty quickly," he said. "People are hungry tonight. It's been nice to partner with the Squealing Pig as well; they have their new beer garden which just opened."

Residents Heather McDuffe and Angie DiModica said this was their first time at the tree lighting.

"Just the sense of community, the Christmas lights and to see Santa of course," said McDuffe when asked why she decided to come. "It shows that everybody here really likes to come together and support the local businesses and bring some money in. Might as well, you know?"

"It really brings everybody together," said DiModica.

Resident Mette Arnmark said she came last year and again this year despite the bad weather.

"I love it, we live here in West Roxbury and we just



Mayor Walsh greeted residents before the actual lighting, and then he and hundreds counted down the seconds before throwing the switch.

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walked down and brought some friends to hang out," she said. "I think it says good things about this community that we like to get together no matter what and see each other to celebrate the holidays and the holiday spirit."

Residents Cheryl Smith-Rolfe, Mark Rolfe and Linda Burns said they came for the first time as well.

"It's very spiritual and we know many of the vendors," said Smith-Rolfe.

"We came to the Bramble

before, and we just love this community," said Rolfe. "It's just got a great community spirit."

"I got my Girl Scout cookies and brownies," said Burns. "There are just so many people here, it's amazing."

And that's not all folks, at least for tree lightings in West Roxbury. This weekend on Sunday, Dec. 16 at 11:30 a.m., the Washington Grove Street Tree Lighting will start its neighborhood festivities.

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## Brighton's AOB: RIP

On the day before Thanksgiving 92-year-old ever-spry and cognitively astute Anne O'Brien drove to a supermarket, came home, and began unloading her groceries. A bit light-headed from the unpacking probably, she sat down and quietly passed away.

Nothing in the above makes her sound like a remarkable woman, but truly she was. This New Jersey native moved to Boston decades ago after marrying at the age of 32—indeed late in those days. She and her late husband Duncan raised three boys, all of whom attended Boston Latin and Harvard University, as a result of her impressing upon them the need for excellence in all things.

Widowed after 24 years of marriage, this fiercely independent woman maintained her status for more than 30 years, living alone, driving, cleaning her own house, and maintaining an active social life and spiritual outreach. Would that all of us maintain such independence into our 90's with profound mental acuity and physical health! Would that all of us re-

spect our Creator's mandates against self-centeredness and material acquisition as this woman! And would that we all who are repulsed by intubations, surgeries, and other invasive procedures experience such a gentle death!

Her peaceful death was a fitting tribute and gift from her God Who rewarded her for years of faithful service, adoration, and love. But this did not mean she was without strong convictions: she was an ardent foe of abortion, opposed inane eulogies at funerals, and railed ceaselessly against the current president for showing little regard for child and adult lives.

On a biting cold morning after a snowstorm during the preceding night, St. Ignatius Church was crowded with people from Brighton as well as Wellesley and Winchester where two of her sons now reside. Her third son, a diocesan priest in Lawrence who founded Cor Unum to feed so many of that city's hungry residents, presided at the funeral Mass, with a dozen other priests also in attendance, at least three



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Joe Galeota

of them Jesuits.

Anne O'Brien was laid to rest in a simple Trappist casket in Evergreen Cemetery, a mere Jackie Bradley toss from her home. Family members, friends of the family, and other mourners gathered at a post-internment repast at the Harvard Club on Commonwealth Avenue—she might have winced at the thought that the collation was in such a storied edifice—to tell more stories about this already-missed nonagenarian from 02135.

## West Roxbury resident receives Heroes in Health Care Award

VNA Care, a nonprofit visiting nurse association, recently honored three health care leaders while raising a record-breaking \$340,000 at its sold-out Heroes in Health Care Gala held at the Mandarin Oriental, Boston.

The Gala is VNA Care's signature fundraising event and has raised millions in essential funding for home health care provided by the 133-year-old VNA Care and end-of-life care provided by VNA Hospice & Palliative Care.

"The success of the event would not have been possible without the financial support of our generous sponsors. We are also fortunate that the event brought together a tremendous group of people who are now more committed than ever to our mission and vision," said Laura Wise, manager of Fund Development.

At the Gala, VNA Care presented Heroes in Health Care awards to Tony Coles, MD, CEO and chairperson of Cerevel Therapeutics; Steven Strongwater, MD, president & CEO of Atrius Health; and Patricia Joyce, RN, community nurse with VNA Care and a resident of West Roxbury. Joyce received her award from fellow nurse and colleague Shandolyn Chavis-Garcia, a resident of Roslindale.

Amy and Joshua Boger



West Roxbury resident Patricia Joyce, RN, (left) accepted the Heroes in Health Care Award from Roslindale resident Shandolyn Chavis-Garcia, LPN. Heroes in Health Care has raised millions in vital funding for VNA Care's home health care, palliative care and hospice care services in area communities.

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served as Fund the Mission Chairs. Presenting Sponsors were Corridor and Homecare Homebase, and Trustee Sponsors were Amy and Joshua Boger, Medically Home and Mutual of America. Gala co-chairs were John Murphy and Linda Hope-Springer. Gala Committee co-chairs were Debra Angeloni and Renee Picard Walsh.

VNA Care was the first or-

ganized visiting nurse association in the United States and provides vital health care services in people's homes in more than 200 Eastern and Central Massachusetts communities. When a patient nears the end-of-life, specialized care focused on pain and symptom management is provided by VNA Hospice & Palliative Care. For more information, visit <http://www.vnacare.org>.

# Council discusses rideshare vision

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council met and discussed Rideshare companies and Transportation Network Companies (TNC) at a hearing on Nov. 19 and at the council's regular meeting on Nov. 20.

The issue was voted to remain in committee, but Hearing Sponsor and District 2 City Councilor Edward Flynn said he feels they have made some real progress.

"In the hearing we spoke of legislation in the State House that would increase the surcharge on TNC's, and I know that the city is still actively looking at pick up and drop off spots, geofencing and other ways to improve traffic in terms of TNC's," he said. "This additional traffic also brings pollution and raising concerns about climate change and sustainability. As we all know, Chinatown has the worst air quality in all of Massachusetts. There are



*Boston Chief of Streets  
Chris Osgood*

other concerns as well, including consumer protection issues."

Flynn said these TNC's are not paying their fare share and he wants to explore ways the city can offset the increase in problem issues they bring to the city.

"The data has shown that there are 42 million rides that began in Boston in 2018, or over 115,000 rides per day," he said. "As we all

**Rideshare**

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# Boston Police arrest package thief

At about 6:26 PM on Sunday December 8, 2019, officers assigned to District E-5 (West Roxbury) made an onsite arrest after responding to a call for a larceny in progress in the area of Cliftdale Street and Rosecliff Street in Roslindale. While on approach, officers were advised that a male suspect, later identified as Johnatan Cordero-Garcia, 23, of Dorchester, had been observed taking packages from the front porch of a residence on Rosecliff Terrace before fleeing the area on foot.

Responding officers soon located the suspect and performed a pat frisk which led to the recovery of a Sig Sauer handgun from the suspect's waistband which was later determined to be a BB gun. Officers also recovered a stolen pair of sneakers which had been removed from packaging which was addressed to the home on Rosecliff Terrace. Officers continued their investigation and were able to recover several toys which had been removed from their packaging and discarded by the suspect on Cliftdale Street. The suspect was placed in custody without incident after being positively identified on scene. The suspect will appear in West Roxbury



District Court on charges of Larceny (Under \$1200) and Receiving Stolen Property.

With the busy holiday shopping season upon us, the Boston Police Department would once again like to take this time to remind our residents to protect themselves from being targeted for package theft. Here's how:

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are companies that will hold a package for up to 5 days.

- Request that your package is marked "signature required." This requires the delivery person to stand by and wait until you're available to retrieve the package. You could also put a note on your door, requesting the deliverer go to your next door neighbor for the signature.

- Leave special instructions on where to deliver the package. A good place is on the side or back of the house, so that the package is out of sight from the road. Ask the delivery person to take and discard the note with him/her or leave it with the package.

- Use a company that provides a tracking service and check online to see when your package is scheduled to arrive.

- Have the items shipped to the nearest store for "in-store pick up." If you have an understanding boss, have your packages delivered to you at work.

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street safety on Washington St. after resident Timothy “Timmy” O’Neill was struck and killed on the sidewalk on Washington Street on Nov. 7, 2018.

“It took us more than two months to get that safety meeting with Boston Transportation’s Bill Conroy and, the day after the meeting, Marilyn Wentworth was killed,” he said. “This group was started because of Olivia Waishek’s mother getting killed on Washington Street. It was literally started because of road safety. The changes on Washington, well it’s still bad, but back then it was like the Wild West.”

Keogh said while no death should be treated differently when it comes to road safety, he felt that O’Neill’s was largely ignored, despite the fact that both Wentworth’s and O’Neill’s accidents involved sun glare.

“I didn’t know him, but I just feel like no one’s fighting for him,” he said.

“We’ll fight for him,” said current WRCIA Vice President

Mary Foley.

Castro said the reason they want to host the meeting on Washington Street is that she feels many in the community felt blindsided by the Road Diet proposed on Centre Street (four lanes reduced to two travel lanes, a turning lane and two bike lanes) and wanted to get community input before a potential plan was presented.

“I think with the Road Diet it seems like something that’s been forced down our throats and we don’t get a say in it,” she said. “I think the least they could do is put it to a ballot or something. I can’t not live in Boston for the next so many years, so I’m going to be stuck with it and I don’t know where I’m going to park my Suburban with my five kids and go to Sugar Bakery.”

The marijuana discussion arose because at a recent meeting, the WRCIA voted to rescind its letter of non-opposition for Beacon Compassion’s medical marijuana proposal on 1524 VFW Pkwy.

The letter was originally written three years ago when Beacon first came to the WRCIA on the condition that they stay a medical facility after Miami-based Massachusetts Patient Foundation backed out of its proposal for medical marijuana. Beacon gained similar letters of non-opposition from the 1515 VFW Trailer Park organization, the Charles River Spring Valley Neighborhood Association and the West Roxbury Main Streets organization. In 2018, the Boston City Council voted not to

oppose the measure either.

Castro said her main problem with the group is that she feels they have not been transparent through the process, since she feels it is now apparent that medical marijuana won’t be a successful business model now that adult use recreational marijuana has been proliferated. She said she believes once Beacon gets approval for medical, they will immediately come back to request recreational, for which they’d have to restart the zoning and Boston City Council processes.

“We are hoping that this could shake up the process and get these neighborhood groups in this room; the meeting will be open to any community groups who want to come,” Castro said. “I have a friend in the industry and she has friends who have pot shops in their communities and I want us to hear from her about what it was like before the shop came and what happened after. This is what we were fearful of and this is what actually happened, this is what we were hopeful for and this is what happened, etc.”

Beacon, for its part, stated at the West Roxbury Neighborhood Council (WRNC) last week that they have never discussed recreational adult-use in West Roxbury, and the reason for the delay after three years is that the rules and approval process had not been hashed out for recreational adult-use. The city basically wanted to revamp its medical process to be in line with adult use. Representatives said at the WRNC that now that the Boston Cannabis Board has been formed they expect to be approved soon.

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The Canale Family at their last light show in 2018 in Readville. The family said they just don't want to continue at the old location.

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# Canale Family says thanks to community after 45 years

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Canale family in Readville stated they will not be hosting their annual Christmas holiday light show at their regular location this year.

As was reported last year, Ken Canale said the Norton Street light display was just getting too much for the family after nearly half a century.

"I mean it was my parents' home and they're both deceased now," he said. "It's a just something we don't want to do here anymore."

Canale said it was a grueling task to get the lights up every year, and included 12-hour days of preparation on the weekends for at least one month before the actual show. There was no hired help and Canale said he just didn't look at the electric bill at that time of year. Canale

hinted that the display will go on, just at another location in Readville.

"I don't really want to disclose the location, it will be a little smaller and I don't want all the traffic for the first couple of years."

And Canale added they do get a lot of traffic.

"We had more than 5,000 people a year show up," he

**Light Show**

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## Miracle Prayer

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—S.G.H.

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This is a true mid size pick up truck that is as tough as they get in every way, including going off road. The Gladiator resembles a Jeep even including the rear design and tail lights. There is even a front grille mounted camera with a washer nozzle pointed to clean the lens. The camera has multi uses including vision on steep grades to what is ahead or below. Like most vehicles the Gladiator is available in many models with lots of options. The top of the line Rubicon is equipped with a lot of off road equipment including some very large tires and wheels. The traditional V/6 and either automatic or manual transmission with high and low range transfer case power the Gladiator. Look for a diesel late fall or early spring. The longer wheel base helps the ride yet the turning radius is increased only slightly. The bottom line is the Gladiator a fun mid size truck. If you need to hold a 4x8 sheet of plywood, the 2 position tail gate is the answer to keep the plywood up to fit over the wheel wells, because the plywood does not fit between the wheel wells. A full road test to come soon.

Since Ram got its own identity sales have been rising. This week I got a look at the new Ram trucks including the 3500 Duley special Kentucky Derby addition finished in white and off white interior. Power came for a 1000 foot pound of torque. This is the most out of any Cummings diesel to date. The interior quality of leather trim and every thing else is more car like than truck. From the 1500 to the 3500 Ram trucks provide whatever the buyer wants and or needs. For the buyer who wants a door pick up truck, Ram has it for you. The interior has all the amenities and safety features. I think that a high performance version or 2 will make a debut before years end. Ram has all the goodies to make it happen.

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**ZBA** *continued from page 1*

the past been utilized for a greenhouse and grow house. He said local Roslindale residents Sieh and Leah Samura – owners of 612 Studios – will be aiding residents in that endeavor, as well as working on their own small business to create Purient Bedroom Cannabis.

“They are experts in the field,” Ross said. “In addition to the greenhouse we will also have the dispensary, which will be available for adult use (recreational) and medical use.”

Ross also said that they had negotiated the hours of operation with the MHC to miss the morning commute by opening at 11 a.m. and closing at 8 p.m., Monday through Saturday, with a closing on Sunday at 6 p.m. He said the proposal has a host community agreement as well as a good neighbor agreement with the MHC, which co president Rick Yoder said during the hearing was a key component of the group’s support.

In other business, The ZBA denied without prejudice a proposal for eight home ownership units for 48 Allston St. in Allston. Attorney representing the developer Patrick Foley said the idea for the building is to increase Allston’s owner-occupied home ownership rate, which is the lowest in the City of Boston at 11 percent, and he said 75 percent of the units would be deed-restricted to

be owner-occupied.

“We are looking to replace an underutilized four-family with eight new units,” he said.

Foley said the project would have three two-bedroom units and five three-bedrooms, along with 10 underground parking spaces.

“They’re looking to attract young families and professionals to the area with home ownership,” Foley said.

The project also has several variances for which the project team is seeking zoning relief. Those include floor area ratio is excessive, front yard setback requirement is insufficient, side yard setback requirement is insufficient, rear yard setback requirement is insufficient and despite having several multi-family buildings around the area, multi-family is a forbidden use in the zone.

Foley said they hosted several neighborhood meetings during the proposal’s process.

“The first proposal was 11 units and after meeting with neighbors we dropped it to nine and then eight units,” he said.

ZBA Chair Christine Araujo pointed out that regardless of what the developer did to reduce the units or variances on the project, in this particular case the ZBA’s baseline is the single-family 2,500 square foot zoning regulations.

“We look at that to see how much you exceed that,” he said.

Resident Samuel Hui spoke in opposition to the project because he feels increasing density in the area would exacerbate the pest and rat problem already there.

“It’s almost all students now and the neighborhood has gone right down the tubes and with this project it’s going to be a lot worse,” he said. “I’ve been to most of these units in the Allston Brighton area because I’m a licensed exterminator, and I see rat problems, bedbugs and I see all these problems because the owners do not live in these buildings and they are managed by property management people and they don’t take care of these properties at all.”

While District 9 City Councilor Mark Ciommo sent his representative in support of the project (as well as At-Large City Councilor Michael Flaherty doing the same), Allston Brighton Representative for the Mayor’s Office of Neighborhood Services Conor Newman said after several abutters meetings, the Mayor’s Office would be in opposition of the project. The Allston Civic Improvement Association also sent a letter of opposition to the project.

Foley pointed out that the proposal requires owner-occupied home ownership. Araujo said that a denial without prejudice allows the applicant to come back within a year after reducing the number of units on the project to try again.

**Rideshare**

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know, Boston is in the midst of a congestion and traffic crisis. It’s clear from the data that we need to include TNC in this conversation. Many constituents have also brought up concerns relating to public safety and Vision Zero to reports of vehicles speeding through our neighborhoods, while often unfamiliar with our roads as they may be coming from Rhode Island or New Hampshire.”

During Tuesday’s hearing, Chief of Streets Chris Osgood went through other ways the city is combating congestion, including transit signal priority for buses, signals that talk to each other to relieve congestion, increases in Blue Bike Stations to get people off the road and more. He said in the City of Boston, the biggest thing officials can do right now without any state legislation is to better manage the curb.

“Over the course of this past year, the Boston Transportation Department (BTD) and the Mayor’s Office of New Urban Mechanics collaborated on a pick up drop / off pilot in Councilor Zakim’s District (District 8) in the Fenway,” he said. “We ran that pilot for three or four months. The assessment, which we just released, showed really important things. If you create a pick up / drop off zone, in this case it was four spaces on two separate blocks that people who were using Uber and Lyft were guided to, you see a huge increase in curb productivity.”

Osgood said they saw a 300 percent increase in the productivity of those curb spaces because of the pilot program.

“So instead of having parking meter spaces, we actually got far better utilization occur for general pick up and drop off,” he said. “It wasn’t specific to Uber or Lyft, it was for taxis and personal vehicles as well.”

Osgood said they are looking to expand the pilot program in three different locations in the South Boston Waterfront. He said with the Fenway Pilot, they were looking to see how pick up and drop off worked for night life and retail purposes, but now he said the office wants to look at work commuters and if pick up and drop off locations would help there as well.

The Council voted on Wednesday that the issue is to remain in committee for now until more concrete plans can be made in regards to keeping up with TNC’s.

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# Light Show *continued from page 7*

said. "And those are just the ones who walked through the yard, not including those who stopped in their cars and looked in from the outside."

Canale said his father, Kenneth Canale Sr., originally started the tradition more than 45 years ago with his wife and children. The show changed and improved over the years to include flashing lights, train sets and animatronics elements, and the vision was always the same: to bring a little Christmas spirit to the neighborhood.

Outgoing City Councilor Tim McCarthy said the show and Canale Sr. meant a lot to him both growing up and for his own kids.

"Growing up in Readville with the Canale Family makes it easy to say wonderful things about them," he said. "Mr. Canale was my Pony League coach and a great role model. 'Running out a ground ball' is something that reflects in all aspects of life, that's a lesson learned early with Coach Canale. The ending of the Christmas light tradition is a sad one. I remember the joy as a kid, but it became even more special when Maureen and I took our boys over every year. We loved waiting to see what was new and enjoyed the old. God Bless this very special family and their gift to generations of Christmas lovers."

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# City departments against Inspector General Position

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council met for its regular meeting on Wednesday to discuss the creation of an Inspector General position for the City of Boston.

The proposal, issued by City Council President Andrea Campbell, comes after the Boston Economic Development Industrial Corporation (an arm of the Boston Planning and Development Corporation) had one employee, John Lynch, plead guilty to accepting \$50,000 to influence a decision at the Boston Zoning Board of Appeals. At the time of the supposed incident Lynch was working as the group's Real Estate Manager and helped 27-29 H Street Developer Steven Turner net \$500,000 for his redevelopment of the South Boston property.

Prosecutors have since asked for emails and documents from former ZBA member Craig Galvin, as he was listed as a real estate agent on multiple projects granted variances by the zoning board. No accusations of wrongdoing have been made, but all of this led Campbell to propose this Inspector General Position (as well as At-Large City Councilor Michelle Wu's call to abolish the BPDA and create a city-run planning department).

Flaherty covered the working session the City Council held on Dec. 2 and said that Massachusetts State Inspector General Glenn Cunha testified both during the working session and the

public hearing held back in November that he was opposed to the City of Boston creating its own office of inspector general.

"And he provided specific testimony about recommendations, like to call his 24-hour fraud hotline as well as to call his office to provide training for city departments, the council or the Mayor's Office," he said.

The Boston Finance Commission also discussed its opposition to the measure as well as many of the redundancies both Executive Director Matthew Cahill and volunteer Richard Ianella pointed out would occur if the IG office was put together on the city level.

Campbell, along with District 1 City Councilor Lydia Edwards put out a joint statement on Monday, Dec. 9, refuting this opposition from the city and the state.

"While we value the role existing state and local authorities play, we must acknowledge those offices didn't detect any potential wrongdoing at City Hall over the past few years and never investigated related incidents," the statement read. "Some have suggested that a municipal Inspector General is redundant given the availability of the state Inspector General. Yet, again, that office never investigated any of the recent incidents that occurred at City Hall and instead Boston taxpayers funded investigations led by costly private attorneys whose reports were not public or independent.

"A City Inspector General would ensure City Government can work proactively, restore public trust, ensure transparency and accountability, and save taxpayers money in the process."

During last month's hearing, Cahill spoke on how his office enforces contracts and procurement law so as to prevent fraud and misconduct in the city's dealings. Campbell's point was more that the IG has a much broader mandate, as the ordinance is currently written, and looks at more than just finance.

Also during the hearing, Campbell asked if Cunha saw any value for a city-based IG, which she pointed out would have the responsibility of building relationships with city departments to facilitate such whistle blowers coming to the office.

"So that when they go in it's not like 'who are you, where are you coming from,' there's already a rapport and appetite to work together regardless of who's in the political space to ensure we get outcomes of transparency," she said.

Cunha said he feels one of the major points is that his agency has been able to strike back at fraud and problems in government through preventative education, so that officials know what's legal and do not, at least accidentally, break the law.

"We do have the staff and we do have the interest in doing as much as we can locally," he said. "I appreciate



City Council President  
Andrea Campbell

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the fact that this has started a conversation that we can have not only with the City Council but also the mayor as to how we can work with the city, but I think one of the major things that I think is really important for an IG's office is the prevention piece of it. That's being proactive and that's training. You could start an office and hire some crack investigators who have great experience, maybe former prosecutors, maybe former police or FBI agents who could come in and set up a unit, so you may get the investigation piece, but the prevention piece?"

To take a look at the ordinance itself, what responsibilities and jurisdiction of the City IG if the position were to be created, go to [boston.gov/sites/default/files/document-file-10-2019/1337.pdf](http://boston.gov/sites/default/files/document-file-10-2019/1337.pdf)

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**DEATHS**

**CAREY**  
Dennis F. of West Roxbury, December 1, 2019. Beloved husband of Donna R. (Hanson). Loving brother of Michael "Curley" Carey and his wife Elaine of Dracut. Uncle of Christopher Greenwood, Mitchell Carey, Donald Jackson, and Deborah Jackson-Jraitiny. Late Army Veteran Vietnam Era and member of the Damariscotta American Legion Post 42. A Funeral Mass was held on December 6th in Holy Name Church. Interment MA National Cemetery, Bourne at 1:30pm. For guestbook, [www.gormleyfuneral.com](http://www.gormleyfuneral.com) William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

**CULLETON**  
Edward F. of West Roxbury, December 5, 2019. Loving son of the late Wilfred and Dorothy (Manning) Culleton. Devoted brother of Margaret and the late Simon Monchick of Florida, Francis Culleton and his wife Barbara of Franklin, Alice Pedneault of Chelmsford, and the late Dorothy Murray, Mary and Earl Manifase, Barbara and Edward Goscinak, and Patricia and Joseph Pagliuca. Ed is also survived by his brother-in-law William Murray of Woburn. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Edward worked as a custodian for 26 years at Children's Hospital, where he was fondly known as a grandfather to the kids. Edward had a great faith and positive outlook on life. He will be sorely missed. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on December 10th in St. Theresa of Avila Church. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in Ed's memory may be made to Boston Children's Hospital, 401 Park Drive, Suite 602, Boston, MA 02115 or at [childrenshospital.org](http://childrenshospital.org) For guestbook, [gormleyfuneral.com](http://gormleyfuneral.com) William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

**LEONARD**  
Mary Frances Age 91, of Marblehead, Massachusetts, died peacefully at home on December 5, 2019 surrounded by her beloved children. She was raised in West Roxbury, Massachusetts and

after marrying her late husband, Gerald, they lived in Westwood and Scituate with their three children. Mary enjoyed traveling and instilled that passion in her family. She and her late husband spent summers vacationing with their young family on Cape Cod and their winters, skiing in New Hampshire. Later, she enjoyed many trips abroad with her children and her dear friends. Her life was further enhanced by her appreciation of music and good books. She was intrigued with fashion and known for her impeccable style. She was keenly interested in current events and politics and never hesitant to share her views. Her parents were Michael and Hannah O'Toole of West Roxbury. She was also predeceased by her husband of 34 years, Gerald Leonard, her son William Leonard, her sister Ann O'Toole and her brother Francis O'Toole. Mary is survived by her devoted children, daughter Elaine Leonard of Marblehead and son Gerald and wife Nancy Leonard of Cohasset, her dear sister Dorothy Pritchard and her much-loved niece, Regina Pritchard, both of Pembroke. She cultivated a diverse network of close friends and favorite family members, all of whom were wonderfully supportive in her later years. The family wishes to extend their gratitude to all of those who cared for Mary, especially Allison Merritt, Marie Gena, Joanne Powers, Dr. Sophia Fagan of the North Shore Physicians Group and members of the Care Dimensions Hospice Team. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on December 11th in Saint Theresa's Church. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the Marblehead Fire Department, Local 2043, 1 Ocean Avenue, Marblehead, MA 01945, Attn: Eric Rich or the Abbott Public Library (fund for large-print books), 235 Pleasant Street, Marblehead, 01945. For guestbook [www.gormleyfuneral.com](http://www.gormleyfuneral.com) William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.



**MITCHELL**  
Rosemarie, Longtime resident of West Roxbury, formerly of Jamaica Plain, unexpectedly December 4, 2019. Beloved daughter of the late James and Mary (McCloskey) Mitchell. Loving sister of Mary Holm and her husband Robert of Norwood, James G. Mitchell and his late wife Cheri of Medfield, Margaret Sadosky and her late husband Ron of Enfield, CT., John P. Mitchell and his wife Maureen of Hopkinton, Joseph P. Mitchell and his wife Marcia of Hudson, and the late Teresa V. Mitchell. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Rosemarie was the former director of human resources at Central Cooperative Bank, Chestnut Hill. She currently worked as a receptionist at Dedham Savings Bank. A Funeral Mass was held on December 9th at St. Theresa's Church. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. Arrangements by P.E. Murray - F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, West Roxbury.

**MURRAY**  
Robert J. of West Roxbury, formerly of Roslindale, December 5, 2019. Beloved husband of the late Julia M. (Murphy) Murray. Loving father of Kathleen Murray of West Roxbury, Elizabeth O'Reilly and her husband William of Scituate, Maureen Moore and her husband Paul of Bedford, NH. Bob is survived by six loving grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Devoted brother of the late Dorothy Manning and Edward Murray. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. Bob was a retired employee of New England Telephone company and a U.S. Army Veteran, WWII. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on December 7th in the Holy Name Church. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flow-



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Robert J. Lawler Jr. - William L. Lawler - James F. O'Connor

**Deaths**  
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**Novena to St. Jude**  
Oh Holy St. Jude Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles, near Kinsman of Jesus Christ faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need, to you I have recourse from the depths of my heart and humbly beg to whom God has given such great power to come to my assistance. Help me in my present and urgent petition. In return I promise to make your name known and cause you to be invoked. Say three Our Fathers, three Hail Marys and three Glorias. Publication must be promised. St. Jude pray for us and all who invoke your aid. Amen. *This must be said for nine consecutive days. This Novena has never been known to fail.*

—S.G.H.

## Events, resources, and charities for the holidays

The winter holidays are on us. People often take this time to spend with family and friends and reflect on the year, or connect with others out in the community.

For others, the holidays can be a stressful time for many who cope with the increase in responsibilities, grief or loss, financial issues, and obligations that can feel overwhelming. Whether you are looking to give back to the community, or need resources of your own, this year we wanted to continue our tradition of linking to different events, resources, and charities, listed below.

Here's a list of Boston-area holiday events, many of which are free to the community! <https://www.boston-discovery-guide.com/boston-event-calendar-december.html>

This site (<https://freefinancialhelp.net/christmas-assistance-programs/>)

lists an assortment of Christmas assistance programs for families in need.

My Brother's Keeper, an area charity, offers assistance to those in need in the area, providing food, furniture, and other forms of support. They also offer volunteer opportunities.

<http://www.mybrotherskeeper.org/> Toys for Tots takes toy donations yearly and provides them as gifts for children in need. <https://www.toysfortots.org/>

Christmas in the City provides resources to the City of Boston's homeless and in-need population. They host a yearly community event helping to provide a Christmas experience for them. <https://christmasinthecity.org/about-the-organization/>

This helpful database (<https://disabilityinfo.org/factsheet-library/financial/holiday-assistance-resources/>) lists

many different types of holiday resources, ranging from limited financial assistance to holiday meals and toys. Other areas in Massachusetts are also represented in this list. For those coping with grief during the holidays, MassGeneral Hospital offers this helpful tips and resources page. You can also find more support groups for children and family. <https://www.massgeneral.org/medicine/pcgm/palliative-care/resources/grief-at-holidays> The National Alliance on Mental Illness Massachusetts offers this list of family support groups to help those that may benefit from reaching out during the holidays. As always, the suicide prevention hotline can be reached 24 hours a day, seven days a week at 1-800-273-8255 for immediate support. <https://namimass.org/> Have a safe and happy holiday, and we will see you in the new year!

## Deaths *continued from page 12*

ers, donations may be made in Bob's name to Holy Name Parish, 1689 Centre St., West Roxbury, MA 02132. [www.holynameparish.com](http://www.holynameparish.com) Lawler and Crosby Funeral Home 617-323-5600.

### RAMACI

Joseph D. Jr. of West Roxbury, November 30, 2019. A Funeral Mass was held on December 4th at St. Theresa of Avila Church. Interment St. Michael Cemetery, Boston. Complete notice and guestbook at [www.KfouryFuneral.com](http://www.KfouryFuneral.com) Kfoury Keefe Funeral Home, West Roxbury 617-325-3600.

### ROSSELLE

Florence L. (DiNinno) of Roslindale, passed away peacefully surrounded by her loving family on December 4, 2019. Born December 21, 1933, the daughter of the late Felix and Ashanza (Rico) DiNinno. She was the beloved wife of the late Peter "Freddy" Rosselle.

Devoted mother of Deborah Rosselle of Norwood; Lorraine Andexler and her husband Martin of Enfield, CT; AnnMarie Gargano of Roslindale and Michael Rosselle and his wife Elaine of Dedham. Loving "Nana" of Peter and his wife Ashley, Jonathan, Stephen, Thomas, Adam, Nicholas, Brandon, Felicia, Michael and Samantha. She was the great-grandmother of Braelyn. She was predeceased by her siblings Anna, Elizabeth, Albert, Jennie, Arthur and Felix. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Florence worked for Liberty Mutual Insurance for many years. She was the parish secretary for St. John Chrysostom Church in West Roxbury for over 20 years. A Mass of Christian Burial was held on December 9th in St. John Chrysostom Church. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in Florence's memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-

1905 or at [stjude.org](http://stjude.org) For guestbook, [www.gormleyfuneral.com](http://www.gormleyfuneral.com) William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

### ZORE

Maria (Filopova) Age 96, of Roslindale, passed away on Monday, December 2nd, 2019. Beloved wife of the late Hugo Zore. Mother of Radica Parker and her husband Robert of Walpole. Grandmother of Natalie Callahan and her husband Michael of Rockland, Elizabeth Kratzer and her husband Robert of Foxboro, and Christine Parker of Walpole. Great-grandmother of Meghan Leipold and her husband Dustin, Joseph and Daniel Callahan, and Ryan Parker. Great-great-grandmother of Gavin Leipold. Services are private. Expressions of sympathy may be made in her memory to the Alzheimer's Association, 309 Waverley Oaks Rd., Waltham, MA 02452. Gillooly Funeral Home [www.gilloolyfuneralhome.com](http://www.gilloolyfuneralhome.com)

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**Prayer to the Blessed Virgin**  
*(Never known to fail!)*  
 Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech thee from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity [make request]. There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee [three times]. Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands [three times]. Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted to you.  
*Grateful thanks. —K.B.*

**St. Jude's Novena**  
 May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day. By the 9<sup>th</sup> day your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank you St. Jude. My Prayers were answered.  
*In gratitude for helping me. —J.H.*

**Miracle Prayer**  
 Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked You for many favours. This time, I ask you this very special one (mention favour). Take it, dear Heart of Jesus, and place it within Your own broken heart where Your Father sees it. Then, in His merciful eyes, it will become Your favour, not mine. Amen. Say for three days, promise publication and favour will be granted.  
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department  
SUFFOLK Division Docket No. SU19C0569CA  
**CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME** Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon St.  
Boston, MA 02114  
617-788-8300

**In the Matter of:** Jill Marie Lizotte  
A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by  
**Jill Marie Lizotte of West Roxbury, MA**  
requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to:  
**Jill Marie Veilleux**

IMPORTANT NOTICE  
Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m on the return day of 12/26/2019. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding.

**WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court**  
Date: December 2, 2019  
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate  
*West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 12/12/2019*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

**INFORMAL PROBATE PUBLICATION NOTICE** DOCKET No. SU19P2368EA  
Suffolk Division

**Estate of:** David Anthony Casey  
**Also Known As:**  
**Date of Death:** April 16, 2019

To all persons interested in the above-captioned estate, by Petition of  
Petitioner: **Douglas A. Casey of West Roxbury, MA**

A Will has been admitted to informal probate

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

*West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 12/12/2019*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION** DOCKET No. SU19P2562EA  
Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon St.  
Boston, MA 02114  
617-788-8300

**Estate of:** Malcolm A. MacLeod  
**Date of Death:** 02/08/2012

To all interested persons:  
A Petition for **Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by:  
**Alexis MacLeod of Hyde Park, 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:  
**Alexis MacLeod of Hyde Park, MA**  
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE  
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 01/13/2020. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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

**WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.**  
Date: December 02, 2019  
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate  
*Hyde Park Bulletin: 12/12/2019*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION** DOCKET No. SU19P2520EA  
Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon St.  
Boston, MA 02114  
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**Estate of:** Anthony M Debaptista  
**Date of Death:** 05/25/2019

To all interested persons:  
A Petition for **S/A- Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by:  
**Judith A. Henderson of Roslindale, 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:  
**Judith A. Henderson of Roslindale, MA**  
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Personal Surety** on the bond in an **unsupervised administration**.

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You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 01/02/2020. 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: November 20, 2019  
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate  
*West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 12/12/2019*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION** DOCKET No. SU19P1302EA  
Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon St.  
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617-788-8300

**Estate of:** Nancy Ann Sullivan  
**Date of Death:** 09/05/2017

To all interested persons:  
A Petition for **S/A –Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by:  
**Diane M. Colson of Readville, MA and Anthony Sullivan of Roslindale, 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 M. Colson of Readville, MA and Anthony Sullivan of Roslindale, MA**  
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an **unsupervised administration**.

IMPORTANT NOTICE  
You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 01/09/2020. 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: November 27, 2019  
Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate  
*West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 12/12/2019*

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
THE TRIAL COURT – PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT DEPARTMENT  
SUFFOLK, ss DOCKET NO. 19E0169

**TO: Rosa Bonilla of Roslindale in the County of Suffolk, and to all other persons interested.**

A petition has been presented to said Court by **Oscar Bonilla of Roslindale in the County of Suffolk** representing that he holds as joint tenant a 50% undivided part or share of certain property lying in **Roslindale, in the County of Suffolk and briefly described as follows:**

The land in Roslindale together with the buildings thereon, situated in that part of Boston, Massachusetts, called Roslindale, being Lots Fifty-three and Fifty-four on plan recorded with Suffolk Deeds at the end of Book 1873, bounded and described as follows:

NORTHWESTERLY by Manning Street, Fifty (50) feet; SOUTHWESTERLY by Lots Fifty-one, Fifty-one A, Fifty-two, and Fifty-two A, on said plan, one hundred (100) feet; SOUTHEASTERLY by Lots Eighty-four and Eighty-three on said plan, fifty (50) feet; NORTHEASTERLY by Lot Fifty-five, on said plan, one hundred (100) feet. Containing 5,000 square feet of land.

The title to said land is derived under deed of Oscar Bonilla, and Rosa Bonilla, dated December 13, 2002 and, recorded with the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds, Book 30167 Page 192 and your petitioner further represents that the names and residences of all the joint tenants and their respective shares and proportions and the nature thereof, are as follows:

NAME	RESIDENCE	SHARE	NATURE
Oscar Bonilla	145 Bourne Street Roslindale, MA 02131	50%	Tenant in Common
Rosa Bonilla	40 Manning Street Roslindale, MA 02131	50%	Tenant in Common

Setting forth that the petitioner desires that all said land may be ordered to be sold at private sale of auction for not less than **SIX HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$650,000.00)** and praying that partition may be made of all the land aforesaid according to law, and to that end, that commissioner be appointed to make such partition and be ordered to make sale and conveyance of all, or any portion of said land, which the Court finds cannot be advantageously divided, either at private sale or public auction, and be ordered to distribute and pay over the net proceeds thereof in such manner as to make the partition just and equal.

If you desire to object thereto you or your attorney should file a written appearance and answer in said Court at Boston before ten o'clock in the forenoon on the 19th day of December 2019 the return date of this citation.

Witness, HONORABLE Brian J. Dunn this 2nd day of December 2019.  
Felix D. Arroyo  
REGISTER OF PROBATE COURT  
*West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 12/12/2019*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

**CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION** DOCKET No. SU19P2726EA  
Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon St.  
Boston, MA 02114  
617-788-8300

**Estate of:** Alissa B. Myrick  
**Date of Death:** 11/07/2019

To all interested persons:  
A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by:  
**Christopher A. Myrick of Fort Collins, CO**  
requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.  
The Petitioner requests that:  
**Christopher A. Myrick of Fort Collins, CO**  
be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond in an **unsupervised administration**.

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You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 01/09/2020. 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: December 5, 2019  
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