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The Jason Roberts Challenger League kicked off last week at the Ohrenberger.

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The West Roxbury Neighborhood Council heard the proposal to turn this market and deli on Baker Street into condos and commercial.

COURTESY PHOTO

Billy's back at Jason Roberts League has first opener since 2019

Matthew MacDonald
Staff Reporter

On a drizzly Wednesday, Aug. 16, the Jason Roberts Challenger League held its 26th opening day at its baseball field at the Ohrenberger School in West Roxbury.

The league – the first of its kind in the city – is the local branch of the adaptive baseball program for individuals with physical and intellectual challenges, and is open to players at least 5 years old, with no upper age limit. Also participating are buddies – typically of high school age – who assist the players with their batting, fielding, and base running.

With the Red Sox and Dodgers introduced and standing along the freshly chalked first and third base lines, and State Representative Rob Consalvo (Suffolk 14th) and City Councilor Kendra Lara (District 6) looking on from the infield, Brunna Cunha – branch manager of The Coop-



John Thomas Kraemer launches a titanic grand slam.

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erative Bank in West Roxbury – threw out the first pitch, officially marking the league's return to action after a three year hiatus.

Due to the pandemic, the two teams comprising the league had last played in 2019, and – as game time approached – murmurs

grew to an excited buzz as players and their families arrived at the pristine little ballpark, recognized familiar faces, and exchanged greetings; while first time participants were wel-

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WRNC denies 370 Vermont Street approval

Katie Krom
Staff Reporter

On August 22nd at 7:00 p.m. the Area E Police Station in West Roxbury was packed with community members attending the West Roxbury Neighborhood Council. All of the seats were taken and half of the attendees stood in the back of the room. The topic of discussion was the potential Condominium building proposed at 370 Vermont Street.

Currently, the Baker Street Market and Deli does business at this location. The plan from Trabucco Architects calls for tearing down the market and building a four story condominium building with a parking lot.

Dan Conley and his partner from ML Strategies presented the plan and answered questions from community members. This is the second time this project has been proposed, the first was prior to the COVID-19 pandemic. Since that time changes have been made from the earlier plan, most significantly that the scope of the project has been reduced by almost 50 percent.

The new plan calls for retail shopping on the first floor and

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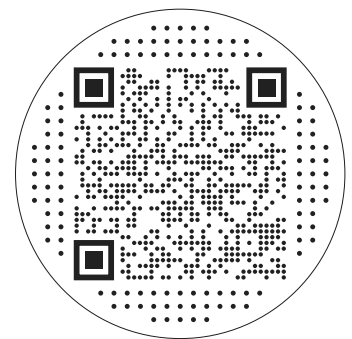
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The ZBA also approved this building in Roslindale getting an extension due to delays related to COVID-19 issues in the permitting process.

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ZBA approves Allston Townhouses

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) met recently and approved several projects in Allston and Roslindale.

Four townhouses on 108 Allston St. in Allston received approval. The proposal's zoning violations included a forbidden use, insufficient side yard (required 10 feet proposed 3 feet), front yard insufficient (16 feet proposed 20 required), excessive height in stories (two-and-a-half allowed three proposed), excessive floor area ratio (.6 maximum proposed .88) and the entrance does not face the front.

Attorney Ryan Spitz of Adams & Morancy presented the plan of applicant Glenshade Properties, along with architect Alita Alba. Spitz said the origi-

nal proposal was denied without prejudice at its first go around, and that they were asked to decrease the massing and size of the building, along with increasing the greenspace.

"This is exactly what has been done with this proposal," he said. "We were originally at five units and we have decreased that massing down to four units. We increased the greenspace and we added the walkways on the side of the building which were also recommended."

He said there will be four garage spaces and three visitor spaces, and emphasized that these will be homeownership units. In Allston, the most recent data states that the neighborhood has about a 12 percent homeownership rate.

Board member Hansy Better Barraza asked about a large tree presented in the renderings and if it would be kept during construction. Alba said 'yes' they would be able to work around it.

"It would be critical to try to preserve that tree," Barraza said. "I do appreciate the improvements on this project in regards to balancing open space and garden spaces."

Office of Neighborhood Services Allston Representative Frank Mendoza said the office

has received two letters of opposition to the project and four in support.

Allston Civic Association (ACA) President Tony D'Isidoro spoke representing his organization. He said the project began as a five-unit rental building but that response to the issue has been good.

"The proponent has been very responsive to the community and the feedback they've gotten," he said. "We believe this four-unit townhouse condo development is a huge improvement over the original and we would like to go on record in support."

The Board voted unanimously to approve the project, with the proviso that the curb cut on the front of the property is reduced to help increase the likelihood of preserving the large tree in the front during construction.

The ZBA also approved an extension of the proposed project at 3992-3996 Washington St. in Roslindale. The proposal is for a 20,000-square-foot, four-story condo building including 18 residential units, one commercial unit and 18 parking spaces.

Jeff Drago of Drago & Toscano, attorney representing the applicant, Boston Building Company LLC, said the project was approved in 2020.

"Obviously, that was during the heart of COVID-19, and there were some delays in general, but they did actually get their certificate of approval from the Boston Planning and Development Agency and immediately started on their permit process," he said. "They pulled their demolition permit and their foundation permit, but what happened was there was some contamination on the site and when they submitted their full set of plans, that contamination caused a change of where the stacker parking system would go."

He said the plans were put on hold because of that, but that the proponent is ready to start immediately and will pull the building permit as soon as possible. The Board voted to extend the original proposal to Aug. 8, 2024.

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The DPW Salt Yard at the Arborway.

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City presents plans for Arborway bus yard

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

Persistent advocacy by the JP neighborhood council around the Arborway bus yard has made the mayor's office and Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) take notice.

True to his word to return to the JP Neighborhood Council Arborway subcommittee with more information, Chris Osgood, the mayor's advisor on infrastructure, came to the August 16 subcommittee meeting with no less than

seven senior staff from three city agencies.

Joining Osgood on the two hour call were Jascha Franklin-Hodge, chief of streets; Sheila Dillon, chief of the mayor's office of housing; Diana Fernandez, BPDA deputy director of design; Meera Deean, BPDA assistant director of urban design; Lydia Hausle, BPDA senior transportation planner; John Fitzgerald, BPDA deputy director of transportation, and William Moose, BTD.

Franklin-Hodge and Fernandez gave detailed pre-

sentations on the two issues most important to the subcommittee, the DPW salt yard and the acres of land to be transferred to the city for future development.

None of the 36 residents on the call, chaired by Renee Stacy Welch, seemed to approve of what the city officials said.

Franklin-Hodge opened the discussion with what he said was "the city's perspective."

"We're here representing

Arborway Yard
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MOVIE REVIEW: OPPENHEIMER

Well, the truth is I haven't seen the movie. But I enjoyed the book it's based on, *American Prometheus*, and have fought back tears in the Peace Memorial Museum in Hiroshima, Japan. I've worked with men who told me their lives were saved when atomic bombs ended WWII before an invasion of Japan. And I have this to relate: In Albuquerque I sat next to a young couple annoyingly attentive to one another. Normally not one to eavesdrop, I was distracted by their physicality, and drawn to their words.

During a burger and beer, I learned they were engrossed in mathematics, as their conversation repeatedly broached the subject. I thought humor was perhaps the best way to engage. *Two right triangles sit at the bar, and one turns to the other and asks, "What's your sine?" Nah...hey, ya think an acute angle is repulsed by a vulgar fraction?* Long accustomed, however, to my sense of humor misfiring, I simply turned and introduced myself. Mentioning their predilection to the subject, the woman replied, "We're mathematicians at the University of New Mexico," which prompted a long-standing question: "What, exactly, is mathematics?"

"Math is the language of the universe," the young woman replied without hesitation, "and we're just learning how to interpret it."

An author once posed a fascinating question: "How long does it take for matter to become conscious?" Long pondered, here's another: "How long does it take for conscious matter to learn the language of the universe?"

This language, including heavy accented algebra, geometry, and trigonometry, is not man-made. Its theorems exist apart from human constructs. A way of discerning the universal is to apply its hypothesis across a spectrum of demonstrable knowledge. No race, color, or creed, for instance, taught another how to laugh, or find an attraction in the opposite sex. These are universal truths, theorems of actuality. Two plus two has *always* equaled four, even before conscious matter existed. The Pythagorean Theorem was eternal truth before Pythagoras lived, breathed, or counted fingers and toes, and shall continue thus, though his name not uttered in one million years. That the number 3.14159 is a phrase of higher prose, a more complicated manuscript, is indisputable, despite conscious matter only



translating it relatively recently. It was truth when the earth was first cast off from whence it was cast and will be truth once conscious matter no longer exists.

Without math—the simplest math—there would be no monetary system, not even barter. Without ten fingers and ten toes there might not even have been a formative whisper establishing the most basic mathematical systems, never mind an opening of the largest door in the universe. Today, this unrelenting translation has not just led to the once unimaginable triumphs of algorithmic processes governing computing, DNA sequencing, or Global Positioning Systems, but to further understanding of the universe itself with conscious matter's replication of nuclear fission.

How long did it take matter to become conscious, and create a sunburst in its own sky? It first occurred down the road in Alamogordo. How long does it take *conscious matter* to come to an epiphany that *it doesn't matter*?

I arose, glanced at cuddling, clinging, and colluding conscious matter beside me. *Get a universe*, I thought, smiled, and walked on. But what truly concerned was if Gods do indeed exist—and who am I to say?—then they either encouraged opening this ultimate door to universal language or found it impossible to prevent. Either way conscious matter now utters God-like, universal words and sentences and paragraphs, bequeathed by such brilliant linguists as Einstein, Braun, and Oppenheimer. It is a narrative yet unfinished, being written in real time. Does conscious matter have the intelligence and wisdom to accept such responsibility? Will our attempts at universal speech be eloquent, or a guttural, illiterate stammer? How well will diverse cultures converse in our new tongue? No, we haven't seen this entire movie yet. How does it all add up?

Do the math.

ERNA discusses traffic calming

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The East River Street Neighborhood (ERNA) met with representatives from Eversource at the neighborhood group's regular meeting on Aug. 14.

With the recent death of four-year-old Ivan Pierre on Wood Avenue last month, traffic safety was a top concern. ERNA Chair Barbara Hamilton asked Boston Police Department District E-18 Community Service Officer Paul Broderick about increased speeding patrols in the neighborhood.

"We've had at least 40 directed up there since last month," he said. "It's a tough situation. People don't know or are ignorant, of which I'm not sure, but we're doing our best to monitor the situation."

Hamilton said the ERNA will be campaigning to get speed humps installed around Wood Avenue. ERNA has been asking the city to put these in for the last seven years.

"I know the mayor is trying to expand such a program, but we are asking for speed humps and we're asking that we are not last on the list," she said, "and that we make it a priority for Wood Avenue especially. And we will be protesting and writing letters to the mayor and doing whatever we can, because the solution that BTM offered has made Wood Avenue a mess."

Hamilton said the current traffic calming measures include alternating parking and flex posts, which are incentivizing traffic to go "straight down the middle" of the street.

"It's like a game of chicken," she said. "It's a mess and we're the ones who have to live with it."

Rosebery Ruskindale Road Neighborhood Association (RRRD) Co-Chair Lokita Jackson said at a recent meeting that the group had met with BTM officials and will be having a community-wide meeting around Wood Avenue and other streets with ERNA, RRRD and the Belnel Family Neighborhood Association (BFNA).

"They are aware that some things need to be done on Wood Avenue, and they are continuing to do some analysis on streets like that, as well as Cummins Highway and other things like that," Jackson said. "They really want to work with us."

Hamilton said in the meantime, residents can email ERNA with suggestions and feedback on traffic at eastriverna@gmail.com. Jackson said they are looking to have the meeting sometime in the fall.

Resident Mark Selby said District 5 City Councilor Ricardo Arroyo has said in the past he wants to get speed bumps on Wood Avenue.

In other news, ERNA discussed gas line replacements going on in the neighborhood with representatives from Eversource, namely Project Manager John Babyak and Gas Manager Bernard "Buzz" Krysinski.

Krysinski said the company is currently working on replacing much of the cast iron or steel infrastructure in the region with plastic, which he said would not leak like the iron pipes do.

"This started in 2014 and we're on an accelerated program to replace the aging infrastructure in the state. We're mandated by the state to

replace a certain amount of pipe every year," he said. "The pipe is old, it gets corroded and rots; it's in the ground and it's unprotected. So what we do is replace that with modern high-density polyethylene plastic. We replace the main and the service pipes which will all be high-density plastic. It's state-of-the-art and it really cuts down leaks to zero."

Krysinski said Eversource is trying to repair and fix leaks across the system, but they've got a long way to go. According to the Home Energy Efficiency Team (HEET), Massachusetts saw 10,185 new gas leaks found in the system with 10,814 repaired. In 2021 and 2020, it was 11,624 found and 12,954 repaired, and 12,644 found and 13,659 respectively (<https://tinyurl.com/32mn22n9>).

"It's a slow process," Krysinski said. "You've got to remember we're digging in the city, there's water, there's drain, there's sewer, there's electrical buried in the road. We're held to a pretty high standard of procedures enforced by the federal and state governments."

Krysinski said if a main and its service pipes (the pipes that go to a home) are replaced, they sometimes have to dig up residents' yards. He said within a month, Eversource's landscaping contractors should be there to reseed the loam and replace any plants that were removed or disturbed. Before work is done, a gas contractor has to contact the homeowner to figure out when it is best to come to replace the service. If you have issues with the restoration efforts at your home, reach out to Eversource at MACommunityRelations@eversource.com

Babyak said this year they are working on sections of River Street, Wood Avenue, Taunton Avenue and Bradlee Street. In 2021, they worked on Wood Avenue up to Frazer Street, and in 2022 they worked on pipes along Wood Avenue in the Tacoma and Chapel Road areas, all the way up the side streets in between.

This year they are working with the City of Boston to coordinate the city's paving schedule.

"We need to get this done so we don't come in at a later date when people are saying, 'They just paved this street, why are they going and digging it up?'" he said. "So this year we're working on Bradlee Street and the side streets. We finished half of Taunton Avenue and will finish that later."

Babyak said they will be working on Wood Avenue from Edwardson to Safford Streets in the coming weeks, as well as Garrity Terrace and will finish River Street from the Riverside Plaza to Wood Avenue.

"This will be completed probably early to late October," he said. "We're working with the customers and putting the services in now out here on Wood Avenue. For 2024 there is some good news. I'm just looking at Ross Playground as a center space, and we'll be moving out and will have been done with everything from Riverside to Wood Avenue up to Cummins with all these side streets and replace that pipe with the new high density polyethylene."

BFNA Chair Helena Tonge said the BFNA neighborhood recently had this happen in 2021, and said ERNA should ask the contractors not to use the tar asphalt for temporary sidewalks after they complete work as it presents issues for residents with mobility issues.

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BCB approves HP cannabis shop at 1295 River St.

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston Cannabis Board (BCB) voted to approve the proposed cannabis shop at 1295 River St. in Hyde Park.

The establishment, doing business as Suite 420 Wellness LLC, will be run by Geneise Israel. Israel said during the hearing that the establishment will be a minority-owned company for adult-use retail, light manufacturing and home delivery.

“This will be a social equity business as well as a Boston equity business, as I’m from Mattapan and have lived in Bos-

ton the majority of my life,” she said. “This will be vertically integrated with three separate licenses to work in tandem to maximize efficiency and profit and create more employment opportunities to empower entrepreneurship, especially through the manufacturing license.”

Israel asked for approval despite a violation of the cannabis establishment buffer rule by about 100 feet. She said that it is a small violation and the two businesses would complement one another, as the other business is a growing operation.

“There is a buffer zone conflict that has been acknowledged;

it’s just about 100 feet shy of being within the buffer zone with another business, which is a cultivation business,” she said. “This is a very different business type and also complementary to my business type.”

The business will be working with the community and be participating in a host community agreement with the city, as all cannabis businesses are required, and will be offering educational seminars as well as expungement clinics for residents to help clear their records.

“Which I’ve already started,” she said. “We had a clinic on Aug. 7.”

The hours of operation would be 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. seven days a week. She feels the location is

ideal for the business as the municipal Hyde Park Parking Lot is right across the street and the Hyde Park MBTA Commuter Rail is also right next door.

She has received a good deal of community feedback and support, including from the Boston Police Department, which has a station around the corner, District

E-18. She said District 5 City Councilor Ricardo Arroyo is also in support of the business.

“I had meetings with the different neighborhood associations, specifically the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association (HPNA) with positive feedback

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1295 River Street in Hyde Park.

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—V.C.

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—V.C.



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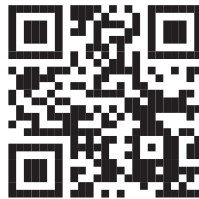
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Challenger League

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comed, issued caps and uniform shirts from the scorer's house, and then joined their new teammates and managers in the dug-outs.

Announcing the game from the infield (the PA system was acting up) was the league's driving force: Billy Hubbard. When founding it, he had named it in memory of his nephew, who had been killed by a drunk driver. Then, as the league began to gain traction and was looking for a permanent home, he brought it to the attention of Mayor Menino, the outcome of which was the 2004 construction of Jason Roberts Field. In the seasons since then, he has continuously worked to make it grow, as evidenced by the ongoing participation of the players, as well as the league's many sponsors.

Nonetheless, Hubbard's pre-game emergence from the crowded scorer's house was a surprise, since he had handed over the league's reins to Kerry O'Connor just prior to the pandemic, and had been honored for his work at the charity softball game held last September between the Parkway Rotary Club and the Roslindale/West Roxbury Kiwanis.

As Hubbard explained it, when O'Connor let him know that she wasn't going to be able to continue "I came out of retirement. I wasn't going to let the league go down the tubes."

The game itself focused on everyone having fun, while maintaining the form of a casual contest that nobody was bothering to keep score of. Fielders and buddies played their positions

while a designated pitcher customized his delivery to whoever was batting.

There were dribblers, solid contacts, and one close call as a line drive to left – hit by Michael Santiago – sent Hubbard to the grass. "Did you see that?" he asked after the game, chuckling. "I'd like to know how close it was to me. I think it was pretty close."

The game's youngest player – 7-year-old Mary Malley – covered left field sitting in a small beach chair, cheerfully chatting with her buddy about whatever crossed her mind. She also had two hits off the tee, getting to first surprisingly fast. "I felt really excited," she said after her first game. "It was really fun... Are you putting this in the newspaper?"

Her brother Joseph – who had participated as a first-time buddy – shared his own thoughts on the ballgame. "It was different because I was expecting it to be more like a normal baseball game, but this was more fun than I thought it was going to be."

One of the night's biggest hits came from John Thomas Kraemer, who thwacked an early inside the park grand slam. By his estimate, he has been playing in the league for about 15 seasons, and has taken on a leadership role. "It felt great getting the team to hustle up, and trying to get everyone more active – like getting ready when the ball comes... toward that direction," he said of his experience in the game.

He then spoke more broadly. "What it means to us here is amazing... It's a great time."

League players are now on a road trip to Washington D.C., during which they will play a game against the Nottingham Challenger League in New Jersey, tour the nation's capital, and have a group photo taken with Sean O'Brien, president of the Teamsters Union.

Leading the way – again – is Billy Hubbard.

When they return, games will be played every Wednesday evening at 6 p.m. through mid-October. For more information, email bhjrcl@aol.com or call 617-364-9249.

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Said Barko — Watertown

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Olamide Taiwo — Dedham

Olamide provides expert care to the participants and trains other staff, giving them greater confidence in their abilities.

\$5,000 Awards



Ifeoluwa Alabi — Belmont

Ife loves the participants. He warmly greets each one and engages them with jokes, conversation, and asking about their day.



Judithe Vital — Dedham

Judithe is a model for the other staff, and everyone relies on her; she is respectful and supportive of other staff, helping them to improve.



Reynissa Prince — MABWorks

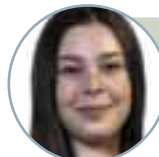
Reynissa balances improving operations at MABWorks with providing direct care and ensuring each participant's full engagement in the community and their own lives.



Lukman Salami — Roslindale

Lukman makes the residential home a joyous home for the participants. He's fully engaged, making sure that the participants feel loved and happy.

\$2,000 Awards



Haley Kinnon — Individual Supports

Haley is a great communicator. She builds strong relationships with families and the care team, follows up, coordinates care, and keeps everyone informed.



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Choice Omorotionmwan — Belmont

Choice exhibits a wonderful attitude towards her work, entering with boundless energy and a desire to give her best, making her an exceptional team member and a positive role model for other staff.



Pearl Osasogie Oni-Edwards — West Roxbury

Pearl's immense passion for the participants makes the home feel like family, as evident from the participants' love for her. They cry when she's not there and eagerly await her return.



Jeremiah Veal — Hyde Park

Jeremiah's unwavering dedication to the residents at the house drives him to provide the best care possible, all while treating each individual with the utmost respect and attention they deserve.

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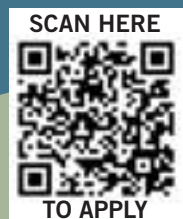
Macdonald Quaye — Shrewsbury

Macdonald's persistence shines through as he tenaciously works with each participant, never giving up after one attempt. His dedication has earned him the respect of his fellow staff members.

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The proposed new building at the Baker Street Market and Deli site in West Roxbury.

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condominiums above. There will be 14 units in total, each having its own porch. A parking lot underneath the building will open out onto Baker Street. The company plans to plant evergreen trees around the lot to add greenery and partially shield the building from view. Materials used in the construction will mimic materials already present in the community.

“We are upgrading this side of the neighborhood, and starting a new market,” ML Strategies said. “This is a reasonable zoning case.”

ML Strategies called this area of West Roxbury a “neighborhood shopping district.” Many community members disagreed.

The developers made it clear that there have been similar projects like this in the area. However, unlike their proposed plan, most of those units are rentals rather than the home ownership units being proposed. Just across the street from the Baker Street Market is a multifamily rental building.

Many in attendance disagree with the proposal in general because of the thickly settled nature of the neighborhood, with many children and senior citizens using the roads and sidewalks.

One attendee said, “I was against the condos built on Centre Street, but tried to ignore them. Now they are creeping into our neighborhoods and will impact us directly.”

Many felt as though the building would be too tall in relation to the rest of the neighborhood. In fact, one of the few permissions being sought is a variance to exceed the 35’ limit in height. This plan calls for construction to 38’

Myles Duffey, a resident who lives near the site said he spoke for both himself and a neighbor who could not be present that evening. He said that the house right next door utilizes solar panels. If this building presented was to be built, the home would be adversely affected in terms of sunlight as would many others in the neighborhood considering solar power.

ML Strategies countered that the seller was told to tell the buyer about this new project before they purchased the home and so they knew about this potential building before they bought the property.

Along with the solar panels, Duffey was also worried about more projects like this being built if this one is allowed, mentioning the 37 bus stop with adults and school children continuously using the MBTA.

Many others in attendance shared parking concerns both for the retail business on the first floor and for resident parking.

The law requires 1.5 parking spaces per resident. The plan as proposed does meet all parking requirements. There would be 23 parking spots, one of them a handicap spot, and two of them for retail use that will be free spots to use when retail is closed.

Residents from Durant Street, a dead end, said that it is frustrating when people park on their street to shop at the market or the dry cleaners and use their driveways to turn around.

Many residents there have children and think safety will be compromised more than it already is.

Others were concerned with the visibility of the large building when you turn the corner while driving, and about trash pickup among other things.

Only two members who spoke during the meeting had anything positive to say. One expressed that it is better to accept the proposal and have control over it, somewhat like the devil you know. The other said that it is important for our kids to be able to afford living in West Roxbury, and with more affordable housing it will make that possible.

Tony Saroufim, WRNC Zoning Committee Chair, asked the group if they had any positive suggestions for ML Strategies as they move forward with this proposal.

No one had anything to say.

The WRNC voted disapproval of the proposal.

Saroufim explained that the WRNC does not have the final say.

ML Strategies stressed that they want to work with West Roxbury residents and will take these concerns into account. They are willing to do a shadow study when it comes to the height of the building and have it available prior to the next meeting.

“I’d love to walk these streets with you and discuss everything.”

Saroufim asked them to come back next month with new accommodations and they can have another discussion.

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Development Potential

BPDA - Scenario (2023)
 Residential Units: **980**
 Retail: 85,020 SF
 Maker/Work: 14,920 SF
 Open Space: 123,130 SF

Site A - 15 stories
 Site B - 7-14 stories
 Site C - 7 stories
 Site D - 5-7 stories
 Site E - 6 stories
 Site F - 3 stories



BPDA development potential scenario for the Arborway yard acreage transferred to the city.

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Arborway Yard *continued from page 3*

the city,” Franklin Hodge said. “We want to advance a site plan that serves the community well, however we get there.”

He said the MBTA and the city have been in discussion. “Our emphasis is to focus on the site plan, the building footprint. Everything from the floor plan of the bus garage and the placement.”

Fernandez-who joined the BPDA in July 2022- said the agency is looking “at creative ways” of land use.

“Our understanding of the site and how it evolved is it goes back 100 years as critical transit infrastructure,” she said.

“A lot has changed in this context in the last 22 years. The Casey Overpass is gone. The assumption was that the DPW yard would go away. But now there’s change in the public works context, especially in the zero waste drop-off at the site, for hard to recycle materials.

“The city is trying to get closer to those eight acres. We value the primary goal of housing and ground floor retail, especially a supermarket,” Fernandez said.

Franklin-Hodge showed a diagram on the screen share indicating the locations of the city public works yard, all but one on the periphery of the city limits.

“If you look at the snowflake [symbol] in the center, that’s the Arborway public works yard,” he said.

He said that the needs for more efficient snow and ice removal on key streets, especially transit routes, required a more central site to serve JP, Roslindale, Roxbury and Mattapan.

“There’s 7½ miles from West Roxbury to Roxbury,” he said.” The Arborway DPW yard is in the center of the city.”

Franklin Hodge noted that one “major critical change of the public works yard is the need of a community recycling drop off facility for hard to recycle materials in a convenient location.”

The zero waste concept is a new land use for Boston since the MOU of 2001.

Franklin-Hodge said the city recognizes that the community wants the eight acres for housing development, as stated in the 2001 MOU.

“But how we get there is not resolved,” he said. “One way is to reduce or relocate the public works yard in ways that still fulfills its operational needs.

“We know the public works yard is the center of concern,” Franklin-Hodge said. “We’re redoubling our efforts to find a new location. We’re looking at all the city’s inventory of land. It’s not an easy thing.”

Fernandez said that the BPDA has thought out the future development process but admits it won’t begin until the garage is completed, according to the MBTA, in 2028. “Then the drafting and review of the RFP with the public to create development guidelines can begin,” she said.

Fernandez said that the goal is to reduce the size of the DPW yard and increase the land use for development.

“We’re working with the T on the design and siting of the garage to reduce the massing,” she said.

She said using Plan JP Rox guidelines, the potential for development on a 6.5 acre site would be 980 units of housing, 85,000 square feet of retail and three acres of green space.

Fernandez put up on the screen share diagrams showing six buildings on the Arborway yard parcel and three buildings on the Janus carwash site at Brookley

Road ranging from 15 stories down to three stories, each planned with underground parking: the tallest buildings would be opposite MetroMark.

Welch opened the virtual floor to callers to ask questions.

Carolyn Royce of Egleston Square said she was glad the BPDA was thinking ahead about development.

Caliga had a suggestion. “I have a good fix for this,” she said. “Store the rock salt around Forest Hills Station on that land nobody is taking care of. Don’t foist this on us. Don’t do this to us.”

Sarah Freeman thought one way to reduce the size of the bus garage was to make it three stories high.

Jennifer Uhrhane of Rossmore Road said she didn’t like using salt on the neighborhood roads and suggested another site for the hazardous waste drop off.

“Use school parking lots,” she said.

Alan Ihrer seemed pessimistic about the DPW yard. “This is blight on the neighborhood,” he said. “This is a game; a rope a dope just to run out the clock. Get rid of the salt yard, move it to American Legion Highway.”

Franklin-Hodge said that the MBTA plan is at 15%.

“When it’s more solid we can move to the next phase. Planning has not started in any way [for the development parcel]. We’ll look at the overall demand and the overall design,” Franklin Hodge said. “Planning will shift to development when the land is transferred to the city after the garage is built.”

He said he was willing to meet again with the Arborway subcommittee but he wanted to have more ‘substantive information’ before the next date is set.

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 Docket No. SU23C0398CA

CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

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 (617) 788-8300

In the matter of: Ren Garrido
 A Petition to **Change Name of Adult** has been filed by **Ren Garrido of Brighton, MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: **Ren Nunes**

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
 Date: August 08, 2023
 Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department
 Docket No. SU23C0420CA

CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
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In the matter of: April Galilea Chavez Larios

A Petition to **Change Name of Minor** has been filed by **April Galilea Chavez Larios of Roslindale, MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: **April Galilea Larios**

Any person may appear for purposes objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at: **Suffolk Probate and Family Court** before 10:00 a.m on the return day of **09/14/2023**. 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: August 15, 2023
 Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate

West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 8/24/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court
 Docket No. SU23C0396CA

CITATION ON PETITION TO CHANGE NAME

Suffolk Probate and Family Court
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In the matter of: Ramya Mahalakshmi Ravindrababu

A Petition to **Change Name of Adult** has been filed by **Ramya Mahalakshmi Ravindrababu of Roslindale, MA** requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: **Ramya Mahalakshmi Ravel**

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DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
April Rose Jeanniton vs. Hendy Jeanniton

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.

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You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon:
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 your answer, if any, on or before **10/09/2023**. 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: August 14, 2023
 Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate

Boston Bulletin: 08/24/2023

DALY

Maureen V. (O'Brien) of Poughkeepsie, NY, formerly West Roxbury, Quincy, Brockton & Arlington, MA, August 15, 2023. Age 83. Beloved wife of the late Maurice J. Daly of Quincy, MA; and infinitely devoted mother of their sons, Mark J. and his wife, Mary Pat Reeve of Arlington, MA and Brian C. and his wife, Faith Golden of Poughkeepsie, NY; and especially to her six grandchildren, Em, Simon, Callum and Joy Daly and Maia and Tessa Golden-Daly. Cherished daughter of the late Charlie and Doris O'Brien of West Roxbury; loving sister to Carol Barrett of Woburn, MA, Paul O'Brien of NY, NY, Roberta York of Watertown, MA and Theresa O'Brien-Horan of Walpole, MA; and devoted and beloved aunt to 19 nieces and nephews and their many children. Funeral from the MacDonald Rockwell & MacDonald Funeral Home, 270 Main St., WATERTOWN. Interment in Mt. Auburn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial con-

tributions may be made to the International Ministries of the Jesuits, at sjnen.org/donate-now. For complete obituary and guestbook, please visit www.macdonaldrockwell.com **MacDonald-Rockwell-MacDonald** www.macdonaldrockwell.com

GAVA



Rita, age 99, of West Roxbury, passed away on August 14, 2023 just short of her 100th

birthday. Rita was born on August 25, 1923 to Amabile and Giacomo Bolzan in Gaiarine (Treviso), Italy. Beloved wife of the late Merico E. Gava, to whom she was married for over 58 years. Surviving her are her daughter, Diana Benedetti and her husband, Robert of Canton; and her son, Roy Gava and his wife, Saloua, of Dedham. Nonna to Eric Gava of Las Vegas and to Jillian Gava Lancaster and her husband, Christopher of Virginia. Great-grandmother of Chase and Cole Lancaster. She also leaves several nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. Funeral from The Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. Interment in St. Michael's Cemetery, Roslindale. For complete obituary, www.lawlerfuneralhome.com Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home 617-323-5600.

MIESMER

Susan Anne of West Roxbury, formerly of Closter, NJ and Columbus, OH, passed away on August 13, 2023 at the age of 74. She was a woman of strength, integrity, humor, love and lifelong partner for over 42 years to Brad Vance. Loving daughter of the late Evelyn and Charles Miesmer. Half sister of Adrienne Cosel and Charles Miesmer. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre Street, WEST ROXBURY. Susan graduated with a BA from Ithaca College and an MA from Ohio State University. She taught Spanish for over 35 years. Two years as a lecturer at Ohio State and the rest at Meadowbrook and Charles E. Brown Middle School in Newton, MA, where she touched the lives of 3500 students. She also was a fine tennis player with a formidable two-handed backhand who loved pace. First it was tennis,

then sweetest life together, all ending too soon. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Susan A. Miesmer may be made to People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, PETA, 501 Front St., Norfolk, VA 23510. For guestbook, please visit gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

WELBY

James P. "Rocco" of Readville passed peacefully on August 10 at the age of 75. Beloved husband of the late Donna Potter. Devoted father of Robin Brittan and her husband Thomas of Walpole and Denise O'Connell and her late husband Thomas of Hyde Park. Cherished brother of Paul Hallion and his wife Shelley of Norwood and the late Robert Welby. Loving "Papa" of Kelsey and Jake and also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, in laws, and friends. Rocco was a proud Local 25 Teamsters Union member.

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The Boston City Council is looking to potentially give tax abatements to businesses on Mass and Cass. COURTESY PHOTO

Tax abatement for Mass and Cass?

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston City Council voted unanimously to move forward a hearing order to discuss tax abatement programs for businesses in the New Market area affected by the situation on Massachusetts Avenue and Melnea Cass Boulevard.

The area has become a hot spot for heavy drug use, drug sales and reported human trafficking. At-Large City Councilor Erin Murphy put forth the tax abatement program as a way to help businesses struggling to stay afloat in the area.

"Over the last year-and-a-half that I've been on the council, I've been talking to business owners who have been affected by the crisis at the Mass and Cass area," she said. "We know that they are struggling through none of their own doing and that we've failed them in not providing a safe environment. Many have been adversely impacted by the deteriorating conditions of the neighborhood that are accurately reflected in their property tax valuation, including declining public safety, cleanliness and quality of life

over a number of years now." Murphy said 65 members of the New Market Business Association have spent \$3.5 million collectively in security costs and incurred \$1.9 million in damages in 2021 alone.

"That cost has gone up tremendously in the past two years, and most recently, the business owners invested \$500,000 into security measures, including cameras to try to curb some of this crime," she said. "In recognition of our inability, despite decreased investments and coordinated efforts across all departments to adequately address conditions in this area, the city could, and I want to support pushing this through, offer property tax abatement to those businesses most adversely affected to compensate for fees, costs of doing business and negatively-impacted quality of life."

At-Large City Councilor Michael Flaherty said he agreed that something must be done to help the businesses in that area.

"Residents and businesses have paid millions in cleanup and security costs and repairs to their homes, to their busi-

nesses, to their vehicles, not to mention extraordinary theft particularly over in the South Bay Mall area, with all those businesses there," he said. "They've put up with enough, they deserve better. This city needs to partner with them and I think a call for an abatement is fair, reasonable and would be a practical solution for this body to work with the administration to bring some much-needed tax relief to the folks who have endured more than anyone could ever imagine."

At-Large City Councilor Julia Mejia said this was an issue she first heard about when she was elected to the Boston City Council.

"Some are also immigrant-owned businesses who have had to pay out of pocket every single time their windows get broken," she said. "This is something I have been saying; if the city starts really recognizing the role it plays and recognizing the support it could offer businesses, then we could really start seeing more advocacy. At the very least, our small businesses should be supported through this process."

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Blakemore mural finished



The Friends of Blakemore Bridge announced the group completed the mural for the bridge recently. The project is the culmination of the Friends group's efforts to bring more attention to the neighborhood.

COURTESY PHOTO

BCYF lifeguard hiring event

Boston Centers for Youth & Families (BCYF) is hosting two free lifeguard hiring events on Monday, August 28 from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the BCYF Mason Pool in Roxbury. Any Boston residents with valid lifeguard certification who are interested in working as a lifeguard at a BCYF pool are invited to attend one of the events.

The lifeguard hiring event will combine all the necessary steps to become a lifeguard for a City of Boston pool in one location. These include a swim evaluation, skill evaluation, interview, and paperwork processing. Full-time and part-time positions are available as well as Head Lifeguard positions.

BCYF lifeguard positions start at \$22/hour and all lifeguards, even those who work part-time hours, are eligible for all the benefits available to City of Boston employees, including generous health, dental and retirement benefits as well as paid vacation. With pools located in almost every neighborhood of Boston, working at a BCYF pool is a great way to serve your community.

Interested candidates must be at least 18 years old and should bring the following: at least two references, contact information we can follow up on, a state ID or license, and American Red Cross Lifeguard Certification. Proof of Boston residency will be required later in the application process. We recommend signing up at this link: bit.ly/BCYFLifeguardHiringEvent. However walk-ins are welcome. If you are in-

terested and can't stop by, more information about lifeguarding at BCYF as well as the link to apply can be found at Boston.gov/BCYF-Aquatics.

BCYF Mason Pool is located at 159 Norfolk Ave in Roxbury. Parking is available next to the pool or on nearby streets or it's a short walk up Proctor Street from any of the buses that serve Massachusetts Avenue.

The City of Boston is working across departments to renovate several city-owned pools following years of disinvestment. Over the last 3 months, the City has reopened the BCYF Paris Street Pool in East Boston and the BCYF Hennigan Pool in Jamaica Plain. The BCYF Paris Street Pool reopening was the result of a \$10.2 million investment. More pools will be reopened in the coming months and this hiring event is seeking lifeguards to help staff them and other BCYF pools.

Lifeguard recruitment and pool renovations are part of Mayor Wu's Swim Safe initiative, a commitment to support Boston residents' safety around water.

ABOUT BCYF

Boston Centers for Youth & Families (BCYF) [<https://tinyurl.com/ye9r9uwe>] is the City of Boston's largest youth and human service agency. BCYF operates 35 community centers in Boston that offer a variety of engaging and enriching programs for people of all ages created through community input and need. BCYF also oversees many citywide programs.

Cannabis Shop *continued from page 5*

from them and the local Boston Police Department," she said. "I've received 107 letters of support."

She said she started what she called a "feedback loop," which is where she has kept in communication with neighbors and residents in the area.

"I keep in contact with them so they can ask questions or get more information about the business and, so far, those efforts have all been very successful," she said.

The manufacturing end of the business would have very little impact on the neighborhood. She said it would consist of pre-rolling cigarettes and infusing oils.

"It wouldn't be large manufacturing machines, we'll start on a small scale and give people the opportunity who already have a brand or want to create a brand

to come in and partner and have some opportunity to bring the products to market," she said.

She added that there is a small potential for edibles, but would only include small options like gummies, and not include baked goods like brownies.

They plan on having a minimum of 17 employees, with a goal of around 25.

"We're still working on the specifics," she said.

Office of Neighborhood Services representative Conor Newman said that during the community process there were residents who expressed opposition over concerns about the location being close to the Roxbury Prep High School and The Grew Elementary School.

"There were also concerns regarding potential traffic being added to that area, which is cur-

rently impacted by the River Street Bridge shutdown, and questions surrounding security in the area," he said.

Newman said the Belnel Family Neighborhood Association and the HPNA both had representatives at the meeting and pledged to work with residents to see what other concerns the community would have.

Newman said several residents were in support of the proposal, in part due to the fact that it would be adding a Black-owned business to the neighborhood.

"Also, they cited the proponent's extensive ties to the community," he said. "They also thought this would bring more jobs to the Hyde Park neighborhood as well and would be economically beneficial to the community."

Wu announces e-cargo program for Allston Brighton

Recently, Boston Mayor Michelle Wu and the Boston Transportation Department (BTD) announced the launch of Boston Delivers, an e-cargo bike delivery pilot program, to serve local residents and businesses. This service will make deliveries to and from local businesses in Allston and the surrounding area. Instead of motor vehicles, packages will be delivered by electric cargo bikes. The program will launch in mid-September and run for at least a year, with the goal of supporting local businesses, reducing pollution, easing traffic congestion caused by the expansion of delivery services, and improving street safety.

“The way our small businesses and residents use our city’s curbs has changed over the last few years, and we’re launching Boston Delivers to explore how to make our streets flow more smoothly and safely for everyone,” said Mayor Michelle Wu. “This bike delivery pilot will support restaurants with an affordable, green, and convenient delivery option while reducing congestion on our streets.”

“The growth of car-based delivery services has negatively impacted our streets by adding congestion and increasing unsafe and illegal parking,” said Jascha Franklin-Hodge, Chief of Streets. “This pilot will help us explore alternatives by offering convenient delivery options that support neighborhood businesses while keeping our streets safe and moving.”

“Kudos to the Boston Transportation Department, where vision, persistence, and creativity have created an innovative pilot program which will gen-

erate goodwill and good data,” said City Councilor Liz Breadon. “We are very proud of Allston’s local businesses, including its abundant restaurants which feature cuisines from all over the world. Allston-Brighton residents are ready to make this green transportation program a great success.”

The rise of delivery services following the pandemic has led to more congestion outside local businesses and double parking in bus, bike, and vehicle travel lanes. This has led to more conflicts among pedestrians, cyclists, and vehicles, which has increased the potential for serious injury. Boston Delivers aims to improve safety on our streets by reducing the size, speed, and environmental impacts of delivery vehicles.

The City will subsidize the delivery costs for up to eight businesses, making delivery costs more affordable for local businesses, with funds from Massachusetts Clean Energy Center’s (MassCEC) Accelerating Clean Transportation for All (ACT4All) Program (funded by MassCEC and the Department of Energy Resources). This program will also help businesses provide a delivery service where they may not already offer one. Additionally, the city is contributing about \$345,000 towards the pilot program. The majority of this is labor costs, along with outreach and translation services and equipment.

“We would like to participate in the Boston Delivers pilot because it seems like an easy way to support cleaner air and job opportunities for those without a car,” said John Kim,

owner of OliToki, a Korean fusion restaurant in Allston that will be participating in Boston Delivers. “Also, we see a lot of bike and e-bike deliveries in other major cities, and we feel that adding more ways to get food into people’s hands should ultimately benefit both restaurants and customers.”

While some businesses have already been selected, Boston Delivers is seeking more businesses in the Allston area to participate in the program. Those interested in participating in Boston Delivers can go to boston.gov/boston-delivers to fill out the interest form and learn more.

This pilot program has several key learning objectives that will help pave the way for the operation of e-cargo bikes for delivery. These include: Identify the policies, programs, and regulations that need to change to allow for e-cargo bike delivery in the City of Boston; Test infrastructure changes needed

to accommodate e-cargo bike delivery, including but not limited to e-cargo bike delivery zones, staging and sorting areas, parcel lockers, and other last-mile logistical needs; Measure the benefits of e-cargo bike delivery, including its impact on environmental, safety, and economic metrics; Understand the costs and feasibility of e-cargo bike delivery for different types of businesses; Communicate to delivery service providers that the City of Boston is ready for delivery services to utilize e-cargo bikes.

“Through our farm share program, ABHC is really looking forward to partnering up with Boston Transportation Department’s Boston Delivers team as we intersect two key needs in our community: equitable access to food and transportation,” said Jessi Rubin, Allston Brighton CSA, organized by Allston-Brighton Health Collaborative, who is participating in Boston Deliv-

ers. Boston Delivers will serve as a case study for The Urban Freight Lab at The University of Washington to help inform worldwide efforts to encourage deliveries on e-cargo bikes. The Boston Transportation Department has partnered with Net Zero, a leading final mile logistics provider, to carry out the pilot. Net Zero will provide and manage the fleet of e-cargo bikes and related equipment, make the deliveries, and manage the logistics.

“About Fresh, via our Fresh Truck ECommerce program, is excited to partner with the City and Net Zero Logistics to take an innovative, environmentally friendly approach to door-to-door delivery,” said Seana Weaver, Fresh Truck Program Director, one of the businesses participating in Boston Delivers.

More information on Boston Delivers can be found on boston.gov/boston-delivers.



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The Trial Court Probate and Family Court**

CITATION G.L. c. 210, §6 DOCKET No. SU23A0385AD

In the matter of:
Christopher Daniel Dennett

To: Daniel Ramirez Villar

**Suffolk Probate & Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300**

Any unnamed or unknown parent and persons interested in a petition for the adoption of said child and to the Department of Children and Families of said Commonwealth.

A Petition has been presented to said court by:
**John D. Wessels of Hyde Park, MA
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requesting for leave to adopt said child and that the name of the child be changed to:

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 27, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate

West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 08/17/23, 8/24/23, 8/31/23

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT
23 SM 003022
ORDER OF NOTICE**

TO: Maureen Idehen

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act: 50 U.S.C. c. 50 § 3901 (et seq):

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Witness, GORDON H. PIPER, Chief Justice of said Court on August 3, 2023.

Attest:
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West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 08/24/2023

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

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU23P0877EA

Estate of: Shirley Ann Baran
Also known as:
Scottann Baran, Scott Baran
Date of Death: 05/28/2022

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

To all interested persons:

A Petition for S/A- Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by: **Jason Braeger of Riverside, CA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Jason Braeger of Riverside, CA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **With Corporate 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 09/26/2023. 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: August 15, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate

Boston Bulletin: 08/24/2023

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

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU23P1785EA

Estate of: Lila Mae Trappier
Date of Death: 06/02/2021

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

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by: **Anthony B. Trappier of Taunton, 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: **Anthony B. Trappier of Taunton, 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 09/29/2023. 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: August 18, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate

Hyde Park Bulletin: 08/24/2023

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

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU23P1706EA

Estate of: Carline Riobe
Date of Death: 01/20/2022

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

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by: **Riolla Riobe Sejourne of Randolph, 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: **Riolla Riobe Sejourne of Randolph, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve **With Personal Surety** on the bond in **unsupervised administration.**

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: August 09, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate

Hyde Park Bulletin: 08/24/2023

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

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET No. SU23P1731EA

Estate of:
George Thomas Kierstead III
Date of Death: 01/02/2023

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

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by: **Michael Cambria of Arlington, 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: **Michael Cambria of Arlington, 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 09/25/2023. 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: August 14, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate

West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 08/24/2023

NOTICE OF SELF STORAGE SALE

Please take notice Prime Storage - Hyde Park located at 1641 Hyde Park Ave., Hyde Park, MA 02136 intends to hold an auction to sell the goods stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via www.storagetreasures.com on 9/13/2023 at 12:00 PM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. Carmelo Bienaime unit #1079; Jose Andrade unit #2082. All property is being stored at the above self-storage facility. This sale may be withdrawn at any time without notice. Certain terms and conditions apply. See manager for details.

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