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From left to right: candidate Bill MacGregor, Ethos CEO Valerie Frias, candidates Celia Segal and Robert Orthman.

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An illustration of the proposed mural for the Margarita Muniz Academy on Child Street.

PHOTO BY RICHARD HEATH

10th Suffolk candidates at senior's forum Special Election on May 2nd

Susan Kryczka
Staff Reporter

The three candidates running for state representative in the 10th Suffolk District met in an open forum hosted by Ethos on Tuesday, April 18, in preparation for the special election to be held on May 2.

A free bagged lunch was provided to the nearly 100 people in attendance. Ethos CEO Valerie Frias opened the discussion by asking each candidate their stand on a series of questions that had been submitted by many of those in the audience. These included housing costs, aging in place, rent stabilization/control, an end to COVID-19 flexibilities, possibly a new senior center in the district, food accessibility/security, and elder mental health resources.

The candidates agreed on the importance of all these issues, differing on how they would bring their own experience and perspective to solving the problems.

Housing was cited as a top problem.

"The number one thing I hear from everyone I talk to is they are getting priced out of the neighborhood," said Candidate Celia Segal, a Jamaica Plain resident. She said the state has to take the lead on negotiating housing costs. "We need to improve the services when people want to stay in their homes. Right now, there is a patchwork of programs that don't always connect."

She said while she supports Mayor Wu's proposal on rent control, she also feels tax relief doesn't go far enough.

"It's really important that people who want to stay in their homes can stay in their homes."

She said she supports educational programs to train people to work in the homecare industry.

Candidate Bill MacGregor, a West Roxbury resident, said he agrees that housing affordability is a major issue.

"We need to find pathways to home ownership. We need homes that are smaller," he said, noting that all the homes being built now are over \$1 million in price. He also agrees

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JP public buildings art

Richard Heath
Staff Reporter

Two works of art will grace two public buildings in Jamaica Plain later this year; one on the new Egleston Square firehouse on Columbus Avenue and the other at the entrance to the Margareta Muniz Academy on Child Street.

At its April 11 monthly meeting the Boston Art Commission approved the colorful

tile and painted mural for the school, and on April 8 a reception was held at the Possible Zone School at 31 Heath St. to celebrate a sculpture planned for the fire station.

Titled "Call and Response," the metal sculpture is made from four overlapping, cutout layers depicting what the artist L'Merchie Frazier at the reception said, "represented the rich Egleston Square neighborhood."

It will go on the brick, Bragdon Street side wall of the fire station.

Titled "Learn to Shine" the Muniz Academy tile/mural has been in the works six months; "Call and Response" for over two years.

The call for artists for the planned \$23.5 million Egleston Square fire station was issued

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AB post office likely returning

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Allston Civic Association (ACA) met on April 19 with Eden Properties to discuss the proposed development at 25-39 Harvard Ave., the former location of Allston's Post Office.

The post office on the site was originally closed more than three years ago when the building was found to be structurally deficient. The United States Postal Service (USPS) after closing the site opened several temporary sites in the neighborhood before shuttering those as well.

Wayne Yeh, Policy Director for District 9 City Councilor Liz Breadon, has been working with the USPS to bring back the post office, with members of the ACA and neighbors lending

their voices to the need for one in this densely-populated area of Allston. Now, the post office's return looks closer than ever.

Development Representative Noah Maslan said they are currently in negotiations with the USPS to bring back the post office. He said the development team had tried repeatedly to get the USPS to work with them to bring the post office back when the company first bought the building around 2020.

"We struck out many a time trying to find the right person to talk to," he said. "Through Councilor Breadon, we were able to talk to the (USPS) Northeast Real Estate Representative who is really delightful to work with and after we started talking, they did initial test cases in what they could do here."

Maslan said while every-

thing right now looks very promising, nothing yet is set in stone.


"There are several steps here in getting the federal government to reestablish a post office in a neighborhood, both in allocating the money for them and signing a lease," he said. "So we're trying to make things as easy as possible for them. What we presented to them is that, 'We have 5,000 square feet of ground floor space, do you want all of it? Do you want some of it? Which part do you want?' We're giving them priority with respect to any of the financial and economic conditions as well."

Maslan said during one of the USPS' test cases the agency determined that it would need about 1,300 to 1,400 square feet

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that tax relief is not enough. "I was endorsed by the MA retirees... we need more support for our seniors. I know how hard it is to live in this neighborhood with prices rising."

Rob Orthman, a Roslindale resident, added that more senior housing needs to be built.

"We need more senior housing in particular. Hard working people need more tax relief. Boston can't do it alone. We need other communities to do their fair share." As an attorney who has represented cases in housing court, he added, "We have to build more affordable housing, more tax relief. It can't be just one thing." He mentioned the former West Roxbury High School as an asset that might play a part in housing or as another neighborhood resource. "What can

we do with that high school?"

All three are firm supporters of a new senior center. Segel noted an increased older population. "We have an aging community. We need to catch up. We need to have someone in the state house who knows how to get it done. How do we put together the right sources for funding?"

MacGregor agreed. "I absolutely support it. It's going to take some time. I will work with the mayor's office. We'll need accessibility and parking and a central location." Orthman concurred and said that a senior center is long overdue. "My number one priority is to bring a senior citizen here. We need to get it done. I would defer to the community as to where it should be located."

With COVID-19 services and flexibility coming to an end, all agreed that some programs need to be continued and even expanded, including mental health services. Segel supports the continued use of telehealth so seniors don't have to travel to a doctor and can get medical advice from home. MacGregor supports the continuation of all COVID services. Orthman favors expanding telehealth to small business owners.

As there was agreement on the problems facing the district, each candidate provided

what differentiated them from the others and made them best qualified to solve those problems. "I've spent the last seven years holding pharmaceutical companies responsible regarding prices," said Segel. She pointed to her experience in building coalitions to pass legislation. She feels the needs of the constituents will guide her. "I've been struck by the campaign... as I listen to people. As I talk with people in the room...you will tell me what your biggest obstacles are in your life."

"I come from a working-class community," said MacGregor. "I understand the day-to-day struggles... I want to fight for you guys, fight for the senior center." He said his family background in the district will inform his leadership on the issues.

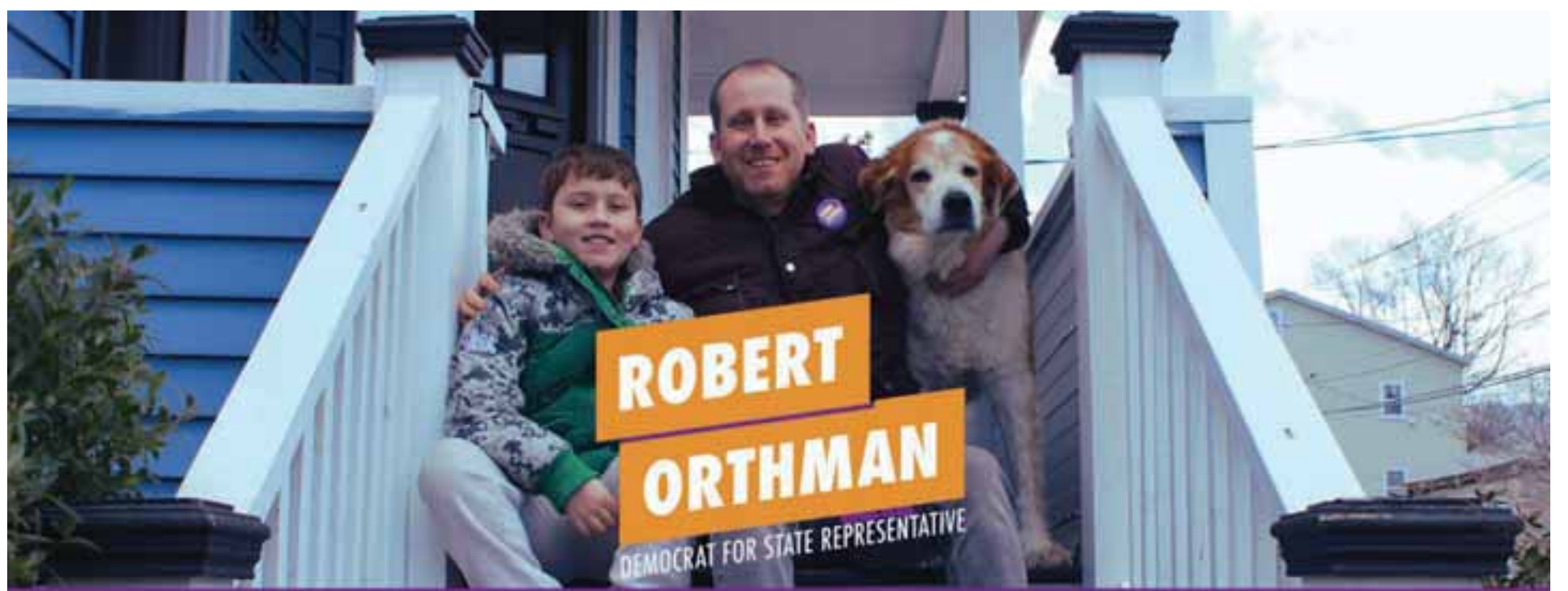
"I'm an attorney... I've been a community leader. I know how to do core constituent services," said Orthman, who will rely on his experience working on basic issues and services at the community level to guide him. With a nod to his competitors, he added, "It's my experience that separates me out of the field of these excellent candidates. I want to be able to stay here. It's easy to identify the issues. I have the experience on all of these issues."

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Budgeting meeting solicits priorities

Ariane Komyati
Staff Reporter

A participatory budgeting community town hall was held on Apr. 20 via Zoom. The meeting was sponsored by the Crane Ledge Woods Coalition in partnership with the Community Input Board of Hyde Park. About 30 community members attended the meeting.

The town hall was a chance for residents to learn about Boston's participatory budgeting plans for 2023-2024, and to give input on their priorities. These priorities included transportation, parks, public health, environmental justice, city service and more.

"This conversation is really about you. What do you want to see in this upcoming budget? It's about community," explained Mimi Turchinetz, the Assistant Deputy Director of the Mayor's Office of Financial Empowerment and President of the Hyde Park Neighborhood Association.

Kathy Henriquez of the Better Budget Alliance gave a presentation on participatory budgeting.

"Participatory Budgeting is a democratic process in which community members directly decide how to spend part of a public budget," Henriquez explained.

She said in the 2021 Mu-

nicipal Election, Boston voters approved a ballot measure to create an Office of Participatory Budgeting, which would further public engagement around the City's budget and how tax dollars are spent. Ahead of the FY23 budget, Mayor Wu worked with the Office of Budget Management and the Boston City Council to hold budget sessions for residents. These sessions are held to help residents better understand the budget and to solicit public feedback.

As a result of Ballot Measure One passing in Nov. 2021, the city council can reject, reduce, pass, or amend line items in the City Budget. Amending the budget means that the Council can reduce certain department budgets and increase others, as long as it stays within the total city wide budget submitted by the Mayor. During budget hearings, community members can ask councilors to increase or decrease department budgets for specific purposes.

At-Large City Councilor Ruthzee Louijeune and a member from District 5 City Councilor Ricardo Arroyo's office were present at the meeting.

"It is important to bring democracy to the people," said Louijeune. "We [the Boston City Council] start reviewing the budget in hearings next

week. We're going to delve into more of these details through the budget season."

An important budget item for many residents was transportation.

"I would like to see better and rapid public transit and bus shelters" said Lisa Beatman of the Mt. Hope Canterbury Neighborhood Association. "Around the Cummins/American Legion/Canterbury octopus intersection to the Stop and Shop entrance, there are five bus stops and only one has a

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The charming (?) toot of a train

Decades ago a development for new, expensive housing was launched in central Massachusetts near an already existing pig farm. The new homeowners in the development, revolted by the odors when the wind blew from a certain direction, took the pig farmer to court wanting a ruling for him to cease and desist. I forget the outcome of the case, but I hope that it ruled in favor of the farmer: he was there first, and new landowners certainly knew what they were getting into when they purchased property abutting a pig farm.



My Kind of Town/
Joe Galeota

A similar type of problem has recently arisen in suburban Boston with railroads.

To back up a step, when my Italian grandparents moved out of the tenement at Green Street and Union Avenue in Jamaica Plain to a nearby one-family house on a pork chop lot on Greenley Place, they knew that especially in the upper second and third floor of their new home, the constant roar of trains on the raised mainline of the then New York, New Haven, and Hartford Railroad would be a constant. Not that it bothered them that much, but caveat emptor.

Now comes a request to the

MA Supreme Court to lift whistle bans by speeding locomotives at pedestrian crossings across the state at wherever pedestrians can cross tracks, including obvious grade crossings. The federal government has approved such “quiet zones,” but the state Department of Public Utilities has control here, most times requiring the tooting of the train horn a quarter mile before any crossing.

This complaint against railroad horns is prevalent in upscale communities. The one with

which I’m most familiar is near the Scituate/Cohasset border, served by the Purple Line’s Greenbush route, a relic of the Old Colony Railroad: it’s a grade crossing at which there are flashing lights and crossing gates but signage explains that trains do not have to blow their horns as a warning.

Because at one point in my life I was crossing the same grade crossing several times a year, I took it upon myself to lean on my car horn either out of spite for residents in their opulent homes or to let the train operator to know I was coming. I was appalled that homeowners put minor irritants to their quality of life up against the safety of pedestrians and motorists.

Boston itself has no grade crossings with speeding trains, though there still might be an occasional one in a commercial zone for slow freights to rumble by. When some of my nieces and nephews lived in suburban Cleveland’s west side, there were numerous grade crossings for long freight trains and occasional Amtrak trains; for safety’s sake they truly valued the toots—although frequent—of oncoming trains (as well as the gates and lights). Today most of that rail traffic has been moved to far south of the city for the massive East-West connections.

Will the ban on locomotive horns be lifted in Greater Boston? Who knows, but if a politician’s family comes to instant death at such a crossing, just you watch how quickly the change occurs.

Corrections

In the April 13 issue of The Bulletin, the cutline on page 1 for the story entitled, “Resident addresses food security in Archdale” incorrectly stated the organizers pictured volunteer their time for the Roslindale Food Pantry. They in fact volunteer their time at the Archdale food pantry of Roslindale, run mostly by resident Sabrina Ivory. We apologize for the error.

Also in the April 13 issue, in the ‘WR Budget discussion shifts to Road Diet’ article the link that was published is only connected to The WRSA Facebook page. The actual link for the proposed plans should have been <http://tinyurl.com/WRSAPlan>. We apologize for the error.

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Letters to the Editor

DALE STREET AND THE FAILURE OF COMMUNITY LEADERS

To the Editor:

Thank you for Matthew McDonald’s accurate report on the Dale Street housing development meeting. As a long time homeowner in Roslindale, as a father of a 30 year old renter, and as a human deeply worried about climate change, I was very dismayed by the abject failure of the Southwest Boston CDC leadership for acting contrary to the organization’s mission statement by opposing the Dale Street development project proposed by minority developer James Guerrier. On the CDC website it is stated that the mission is to promote diversity, affordable housing, access to transit and climate resiliency. The sponsorship of this “not-in-my-backyard” meeting by the CDC leadership and their statements during the meeting revealed their hypocrisy. There is only one real and lasting solution to the terrible housing shortage that is creating much suffering among youth and lower income residents, which is building more housing supply, particularly the affordable units proposed by the developer.

The development site is one block away from the Hyde Park Avenue bus lines that run to Forest Hills, which undoubtedly many of the residents will use. The heavily polluted one acre was long used as an industrial dumping site that is now filled with non-native highly invasive plants that are seeding and thus deteriorating the adjacent Sherrin Woods (contrary to CDC employee Alvarez’s claim, invasive seeding is not conducive to the health of native woods). Indeed, the Norway Maples, Japanese Knotwood and Oriental Bittersweet plants need to be cut down in order to protect the woods. To further protect our fragile environment, the 28 row house units that Mr. Guerrier plans to build as 100% energy efficient electric-utility only buildings will contribute far more to reducing CO2 emissions than the diseased trees in the parcel could ever absorb. Further, rather than burning fossil fuels to commute from the more affordable suburbs the residents will be closer to their travel destinations and thereby generate less CO2 emissions.

What the meeting really was about was to be an outlet for the NIMBY attitudes of some members of the Dale Street Neighborhood Watch. This group, formerly known as the Dale Street Crime Watch, seems to not comprehend that the nearly 100 additional neighbors - with whom they could become friends - will be the additional eyes and ears that will help deter the drinking, drugging and trashing of some who visit this isolated neighborhood. Furthermore, Mr. Guerrier has offered substantial community benefits such as cleaning up and adding more lighting to the pedestrian bridge over the train tracks and adding native trees to the border of the parcel plus an improved entrance into Sherrin Woods. I hope that the Board of the SWBCDC will expect better from the organization’s leadership in the future.

Alan Wright
Roslindale

BEWARE OF ROAD DIETS

To the Editor:

I have had relatives living in the Parkway in both Roslindale and West Roxbury for almost 50 years and while I have only resided for a brief time myself in Roslindale, I know this neighborhood quite well.

As I read the front page piece (WR budget discussion shifts to Road Diet, Bulletin, April 13), I can understand why so many folks in West Roxbury are nervous about road diets. These so-called diet plans are usually done deals even before community folks even hear about them. This can only lead to feelings of frustration and powerlessness.

These road diets are everywhere. Folks in West Roxbury have a right to be angry. Their input is never sought. I see these road diets all the time when I am over in the North End and North Station area along Commercial, Causeway and North Washington streets. Shrinking lanes only causes more and more gridlock.

In East Boston, my neighborhood has heard of a planned road diet for Bennington Street which runs through the heart of my community as Centre Street does to yours. In the end, we all know they won’t work because the folks behind them don’t care about our needs or our cars or businesses or anything else. It is just part of the woke agenda. It is all about

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bench! Transit equity equals public safety, public health, environment, economic equity, and quality of life for families and seniors.”

Community member Barbara Gibbs stated that she would like to see better paving on the streets and provisions for off-street parking in new developments, including two parking spaces per unit.

Climate resilience was another important topic for the town hall attendees. “We need the city to fund inland climate resilience, not just coastal climate resilience,” stated Beatman.

Community member Patricia Alvarez added that climate resilience is critical for human survival.

“The tree canopy that we have in Boston is lower than most cities” she said. “I’m not talking about street trees I’m talking about conservation woodlands.”

Alvarez said she would like Crane Ledge woods and other tree canopies in Southwest Boston be purchased by the

city to be preserved. “You cannot protect a city from climate change simply by reducing car emissions. Mature woodland trees play a great role. Some of the city budget should be set aside for the purchases of woodlands,” said Alvarez.

Roslindale resident Tracey Henderson said she would like to see more money for traffic enforcement in the budget.

“The traffic in Boston is out of control. If the police department had more traffic enforcement that could help with speeding and traffic violations,” she said. Henderson said she would also like to see a park around Walk Hill Street and American Legion Highway. Hiring more police officers is another item she would like to see in the budget.

About an hour into the town hall, the meeting was “Zoom bombed” by offensive erotica. Despite this major interruption, those leading the discussion were able to shut down the Zoom bomber and continue the meeting as planned.

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of space in the building to function.

“It will not be a distribution facility but it will be a full-scale retail location that would include P.O. boxes,” he said. “They issued a letter to customers as well the mayor and other elected officials opening a public comment period on Dec. 1. That closed on Jan. 31 and I appreciate any of you submitting support for reestablishing the post office in the neighborhood. I know that (ACA President Tony D’Isidoro) did and we thank you for that. And so now we’re engaged with their design team for a layout of the first floor and we are negotiating a letter of intent with the USPS to be a tenant on the ground floor of this building.”

D’Isidoro said it’s very early in the process on the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) public process side of things and residents will still have time to give their opinions and ideas for the project.

“So just keep that in mind,” he said.

The development itself will have 170 rental units across six floors with 15 percent of those units – a total of 25 – being income-restricted affordable housing under the city’s Inclusionary Development Policy (IDP). Three of the units will be set at 60 percent area median income (AMI), 19 units at 70 percent and three units at 100 percent AMI.

The building will have 58 parking spaces for a .34 ratio and the entire site will have

9,425 square feet of open space. Maslan added that there will be more greenspace added to the site to offset the current condition of almost all impervious surfaces.

Maslan also said they will be working to extend the width of the sidewalks from 12 feet to 20 feet, reduce the existing curb cut to add 16 feet of curb, add street trees and a new BlueBike station.

Resident Tom Leonard said he felt it was a great start for the project and liked the increased space in the public realm.

“The sidewalk expansion is particularly significant given the amount of foot traffic that takes place up and down Harvard Avenue,” he said. “To nearly double the sidewalk in this area, I mean I commend you and your team for being able to put that into this proposal. I like the street trees as well. The root well structure looks similar to something we had last year on Western Avenue where the root well is deep enough for the tree to have sustainable growth over a longer number of years, which I think is great.”

Leonard asked about post office traffic patterns. Maslan said they would be doing drop off at Harvard Avenue at the curb.

“We already have a lot of double parking issues with the restaurants on that street, but other than that I think it looks pretty good,” he said.

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getting us out of our vehicles and getting us either on the MBTA or a bicycle. I myself am too old for a bike. Do you know that along Commercial Street they’ve actually created a bike highway with two lanes, each going the opposite direction?

Last winter when we had snow, the first area cleared along Commercial Street, I kid you not, was the bike highway. That tells you everything you need to know about enthusiasts of bike

lanes.

I did love the quote from District 6 City Councilor Kendra Lara when she said, “I am a councilor for West Roxbury. I represent the cyclist residents from West Roxbury who are coming into my office asking to make Centre Street Safer.” Doesn’t Kendra Lara represent everyone from West Roxbury?

She makes it a point to add

that bike riders feel intimidated by neighborhood opposition to bike lanes. What about the neighborhood residents and business owners who refuse to be intimidated by woke-ism and will be negatively impacted by fewer parking spots and traffic gridlock that will surely follow in quick order.

Sal Giarratani
East Boston

Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

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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. —C.J.

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.

—C.J.

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Resident launches "Sweeping" reminder app

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

Former Brighton resident Eli Silvert said when he was living in the neighborhood he was towed from on-street parking more times than he'd care to remember.

"I came up with this last summer living in Brighton at the intersection of Washington Street and Comm. Ave.," he said. "I had been towed a number of times primarily because of street cleaning. In that area, there were street sweeping signs that would sometimes be there and sometimes not. Like, I literally had pictures of that. It was very confusing for someone who's renting there in that neighborhood for the first time."

He said he later saw he was not alone forgetting about street cleaning. He said after getting towed at a different street with a different schedule than he was used to, he found that his car wouldn't start in the tow lot after paying the fee. Silvert said he got

a jump from one of the workers there and drove back to his regular street. But the next week he saw street sweeping return on his normal street.

"And the tow truck was coming," he said. "So my roommate helped me jump my car and I moved it just in the nick of time, but in this process I saw just about everyone on my block had forgotten about street cleaning and the tow trucks were towing lines of cars. So this was an issue and I felt a level of empathy for my neighbors and felt bad that I couldn't give anybody a heads up that their car was being towed because I didn't have anyone's phone number."

Silvert said he and friend Mihika Nadig thought up the idea for Tow Zone Alerts, which works now in the City of Boston, Brookline, Somerville and Cambridge. The idea is that you can sign up for text reminders of when street cleaning is on your regular street, or you can have real-time alerts for when someone texts in a plate num-

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This is not an issue that has escaped public notice. The Boston City Council toyed with the idea of making street sweeping violations a ticketable offense the first few times, with towing only being allowed after a certain number of offenses. It was recognized in 2016 that while richer residents view getting towed

as an expensive hassle, low-income residents may not be able to afford the then \$125 cost of a ticket and tow (now \$140), and may suffer the loss of means to get to work and

other financial hardships. The council voted then to start a pilot program in Charlestown where you'd just get a ticket

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While there were some concerns around density and parking, residents were generally supportive of the planned expansion and housing for the Hyde Park Health Associates on River Street.

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Docs at River Street receive general support

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) held a virtual meeting concerning the Hyde Park Health Associates building at 745 River St. The plan calls for a five-story mixed-use building with 40 units of rental housing utilizing space at 735 River St., currently an

auto body shop. Owners Jean and Clifford Bonnet presented their plan which included any needed environmental remediation for the auto body shop site. Clifford Bonnet said they've been able to provide the community with its regular medical services for more than 21 years and offered vaccination clinics during the COVID-19 pan-

demie. "What we've been able to do is provide as much service as we can, bringing in cardiologists and podiatrists into the community to

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instead of getting towed. The idea was to expand the program out to other neighborhoods, but that never materialized. The City of Boston Press Office did not return repeated requests for comment on this at the time of publication. But, in the 2016 press release for the Charlestown pilot program, it states that residents interested in expanding the program to their neighborhood should reach out to their Office of Neighborhood Services representative (www.cityofboston.gov/ons/). A citizens' bill of rights for towing has been proposed recently in the City council, but it has not passed yet.

Cambridge instituted a citywide pilot program last month that will continue for a full year. The idea was to raise the fines from \$30 to \$50, resulting in more money going to the city coffers instead of to the private towing companies the cities contract to do the work.

Silvert said he would support such a program in Boston.

"I would certainly be in support of any of these policy changes," he said. "Right now, I think Tow Zone Alerts is providing an alternate solution but it's not as direct as a policy change and I would definitely support that. I mean, 'Tow Zone Alerts' might have to be rebranded to 'Ticket Zone Alerts,' but that's it."

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DCR lays out plan for Moynihan Playground

Jeff Sullivan
Staff Reporter

The Massachusetts Department for Conservation and Recreation (DCR) hosted a meeting in a virtual format to go over the current plan for new play equipment at Moynihan Playground and get community feedback from Hyde Park residents.

DCR Playground Planner Sandra Libby said the project's purpose was to update the play space into modern standards and expand its offerings. She said the major updates to the park include three new play structures for children ages 5 to 12, repaving of paths, the removal of a fence, and other landscaping improvements. Libby said while some of the trees had to be cut down and removed due to various diseases – she said it was nothing inherently virulent and the rest of the trees are not at a heightened risk – some of the trees near the playground area are very healthy and she wanted to do as much as possible to keep them that way.

“The playground is very nicely shaded and so we wanted to keep those trees. What we did was to design and pick out equipment that

would fit into that area that was going to give us spinning, swinging and net climbing,” she said, “and then also give a little clubhouse element that was requested.”

The new play elements include a twist net climber, which is a steel structure with two twisting poles going laterally in almost a helix pattern. Rope is crisscrossed in between the two poles for children to climb on.

The next new play structure is called a bowl swing, and it allows for single kid, group or adult use.

“I don't have young kids but I go to the playground to go on the swing, and so I'm wondering about that swing,” said West Fairmount Hill Community Group leader Marcia Kimm Jackson. “Is it usable for adults?”

“It's a nice big bowl swing and you're welcome to sit in it and I've sat in many,” Libby said.

Libby said that a regular swing set requires 16 feet of space to allow for the swing to move freely without hitting any static object, but because this bowl swing is pinned to the ground rather than swinging from a structure, it's got a much smaller clearance.

“The two posts go in, you

have one big swing and it's a great opportunity for kids to learn to play cooperatively and share and get to know each other, and there's still plenty of room. You don't have to be on top of each other. It's a really great swing,” she said.

The next structure is a rope ladder spinner for kids use, as well as the aforementioned club house with detachable walls for customization.

Libby said the new play structures will be placed north of the existing structures. They would be replacing the wood chips in the existing structures, and added that they

will be looking to update the current playground in the next few years.

“We've proposed poured-in-place rubber surfacing in this play area, which is nice because the existing equipment is older,” she said. “At some point in the next five years or so we'd be looking to redo the existing equipment... And so it would be very easy if we look to put in this surfacing under the new equipment to then later put it in where the old equipment is now.”

One resident asked whether the poured rubber

uses PFAS. Libby said that some shredded rubber playground material does, but not poured-in-place rubber. She said one playground in Boston used PFAS material at one point but it was then removed.

Resident Valentina Cordero asked about maybe someday installing trash receptacles at the site, as she believes currently residents have to take their own trash out of the playground (ideally, but that's not always the case).

“There used to be four

Playground
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Welcome spring with Mothers

It's Spring! Time to celebrate AND to take action at one of two Rooting for a Livable Climate neighborhood events.

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(1269 River Street), in partnership with Keep Hyde Park Beautiful, from 10am – noon and at West Roxbury's Theodore Parker Church (1859 Centre Street) from 10am – noon.

Members of Mothers Out Front have been growing seedlings to give away. Trees have been donated by Speak for the Trees. There are many ways to get involved, and each organization needs your energy and passion for climate action. Please take this opportunity to learn about our work and the urgency of protecting the climate for our children, grandchildren, friends and family.

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DEATHS

BRENNAN
Timothy James, of Los Angeles, CA, formerly of West Roxbury, passed away, April 12, 2023. Beloved son of Timothy F. and the late Kathleen T. (Hanlon). Loving brother of Joseph, Michael and the late Francis T. Brennan. Devoted cousin of Danny Hanlon and the late Ian McAvoy. Adored nephew of Tommy and Mary Brennan, Kenny Brennan, Gail and Tony DeViscovo, Richard Brennan, Jeanne Brennan, Donna Starkey, Patrick and Patty Brennan; Karen (Hanlon) Breese, Christine (Hanlon) Sampson, Lainey Hanlon, James Hanlon, Patty Hanlon and husband, Gerry Crimlisk, the late Ellie Hanlon, Mary Hanlon, Tommy Hanlon, Francis and Mary Ellen Hanlon, and Kerry and Jim Lynch. Loving cousin and great friend to many. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. Interment in Gethsemane Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in Tim's memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude

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BUNUAN
Sr. Maria Ignacia, of the Daughters of St. Paul, passed away on April 17, 2023 at home in West Roxbury. Loving sister of Dr. Josefina Bunuan of West Roxbury and Lino Bunuan of New Jersey. Also survived by many nieces and nephews, two sisters-in-law, and her loving friends. She was born in the Philippines on June 20, 1931. After 17 years at the Vatican, she returned to Boston. Sister spent her life spreading the Gospel through writing, prayer groups and visiting the elderly and sick. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY, Saturday, April 29th at 9:30 am, followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Theresa Church at 10:30 am. Visiting Hours on Friday, April 28th 4-8 pm. Relatives and friends invited. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. For directions and guestbook, www.gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

HUGHES
Edward J. Jr., passed away peacefully on February 2, 2023, after a long illness. Edward was born to the late Edward J. Hughes and Mary R. (Cotter) Hughes in Boston, on March 26, 1946. He was predeceased by his older brother, Gerard C. Hughes. Edward is survived by his sister, Kathleen Sixt (Hughes) and her husband, Norman Sixt; and their children, whom he loved very much and of whom he was very proud, Christopher Sixt of

Enfield, CT, Gregory Sixt of Medford, MA, and Shannon Sixt-Parda of Ferrisburgh, VT. Edward also leaves great-nephews and a niece. Edward was a lifelong resident of West Roxbury, MA. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at Holy Name Church on Saturday, May 13, at 11:00 am., with a private interment at Mt. Benedict Cemetery. Refer to the Lawler Funeral Home's website for more details, www.lawlerfuneralhome.com In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Catholic Memorial, Advancement, 235 Baker St., West Roxbury, MA. 02132 or www.catholicmemorial.org/ give Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home 617-323-5600.

JOYCE
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Virtual Public Meeting

1270 Commonwealth Ave, Allston

May 16, 2023
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM

Zoom Link: bit.ly/1270COMMPUB
Toll Free: (833) 568 - 8864
Meeting ID: 160 029 3916

Project Proponent:
Benenson Capital and Hines

Project Description:
The information at this meeting is crucial to you as a City of Boston resident, and stakeholder. Interpreting services are available to communicate the content of these documents at no additional cost to you. If you require translation services, please contact the following: Tyler.C.Ross@boston.gov. The meeting is scheduled for 5/16/2023. Please request interpreting services no later than 5 days before the meeting date.

Meeting of the Public to review the proposed 1270 Commonwealth Ave project in Allston. This meeting will be focused on the proposed 1270 Commonwealth Ave development. Please note that this is an public meeting. The meeting will begin with a 45-minute presentation of the project by the development team, followed by 45 min public Q&A.

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in August 2018. The art budget was \$300,000 for a “site specific, impactful, focal design for the exterior of the building.”

In 2019, Ralph Helmick was chosen as the artist; Helmick designed the layered metal sculpture of Boston Pops conductor Arthur Fiedler at the Esplanade in 1984.

The Art Commission gave Helmick preliminary design approval in May 2020 but, according to the Commission, “it received a lot of criticism which it took seriously that creates complex delays.” At its Nov. 9, 2021 meeting the Art Commis-

sion announced that it had reached a solution which was a collaboration between local artist L’Merchie Frazier and Helmick and “formal agreement is being worked on.”

A vote was taken that approved the “reincorporated partnership.” Frazier would be the artist of record and Helmick the advisor.

The Art Commission described Frazier as a “fabric art designer who had not done sculptural work before.”

A new preliminary design of layered, prefabricated metal was presented at the Oct. 11, 2022 Art Commission meeting.

The Bulletin

The artwork was described as a “multi-dimensional sculptural wall mural.” Jason Harris, the lead architect of the fire station – dedicated on October 21, 2021 – said at the Oct. 11 virtual meeting he “was very impressed with what the group had done.”

The Art Commission approved the design on Oct. 11, 2022 and on April 8 Frazier and her project manager Kenna Bandon gave a Power point presentation about the sculpture to about 20 neighbors as well as firefighters from the Egleston fire house and Fire Commissioner Paul Burke.

Frazier said that the sculpture installation is planned for the fall of 2023.

“The four layers are being fabricated by M.S. Fabrications in Dorchester,” she said, adding that her “artist team has been working with a lighting company so there will be a color light at night.”

Frazier said the three layers created by CAD designer Ben Bruce will be the historic Egleston Square neighborhood, people walking and firefighters at a rescue.

At the reception for “Call and Response”, Karen Goodfellow, director of public art, said that “this event is part of bringing public art to all of our neighborhoods.”

And at its April 11 meeting the Art Commission shifted to another neighborhood in Jamaica Plain, the Muniz Academy at 20 Child St., the only bilingual high school in Boston.

Teaching artists Taina Vargas and Ruth Henry have been working with eight students from Ms. Alice Viera’s class to create a colorful mural of 59 tiles created by the students over a mural to be painted by Vargas and Henry.

The centerpiece of the mural will be a portrait of Margarita Muniz, who worked in the Boston public schools for 39 years; 30 years as principal of the Rafael Hernandez School in Egleston Square, one of the most important K-8 bilingual school in Massachusetts.

The Muniz Academy opened in 2012 in what was the Agassiz elementary school built in 1972. It was named after Muniz who died in 2011.

Henry is contracted as Art-

ist in Residence through the I Learn America program and she joined Vargas to give a presentation about the proposed fired tile and painted mural. It is 82 feet wide and 230 feet long and will be placed at the entrance to the school over what is now a blank panel.

The tile mural has a waving river of blue tiles designed and painted by the students, above which a gold sun of tiles rises flanking the portrait of Muniz. There are 59 tiles, 54 of which created by the eight students.

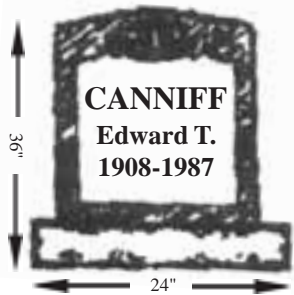
Henry told The Bulletin that students will help paint the mural. The background of the rising tile sun will be dominated by rays through which soaring silhouetted eagles fly.

The tiles were completed in March and will be cast in ceramic glaze. The Art Commission approved the design at its April 11 meeting.

Painting and sealing the mural background and installation of the tiles is expected to be done in May. According to Henry and Vargas “a family-community celebration” to dedicate the mural is planned for June.

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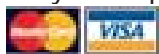
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VOZZELLA



Gina M. (Perella) of Roslindale, April 22, 2023, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family. Beloved wife of the late Alfred A. Sr., “Tootsy” Vozzella. Loving mother of Sandra Vozzella of Roslindale, Alfred Vozzella, Jr. and his wife Laurie of Carver, Paul Vozzella of Roslindale and his partner Kristen Schuler and Rosanne Vozzella of Roslindale and her boyfriend Michael Garofalo. Cherished grandmother of Amelia and her husband Brett Harris, Alec and his wife Lesley, and Paul Anthony Vozzella. Great Gigi of Nora. Loving sister of Louie and his wife Mary, and the late Chester Perella and his wife Charlene, and Dante Perella and his sur-

viving wife Lidia. Funeral from The Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St. West Roxbury. Interment Mt. Benedict Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in her memory to The American Stroke Association.

YANG

Zhongmin “Joe”, of West Roxbury, loving husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend, passed away in his home on April 17, 2023 at the age of 78. Zhongmin is survived by his wife, Nansheng “Nancy” Ke; son Lifan and wife, Andrea; stepson, Christopher Wu; brother, Weimin Yang and wife, Weiguo Meng; niece, Lulu Yang; and grandchildren, Matthew and Elizabeth. Zhongmin was born in the city of Chongqing, China on April 14, 1945. He was the eldest child of loving parents Ji Yang and Chun Pei Wu. As a youth, he was curious, kind, and determined. An exceptional student and athlete, he graduated from Tsinghua University in 1968, and was a member of the Chinese national alternate table tennis team. In 1982, he began studying at Harvard University where he earned his MS in Applied Math and Computer Science and his PhD in Mechanical Engineering in 1987. He worked as Post Doctorate Research Associate at Brown University, and as a Research Assistant Professor at Harvard University, before embarking on a corporate career; first at Eaton Corp. then at Harmonic Drive LLC, serving as its EVP, CCO and CIO. He also sat on its Board for nearly two decades. During his illustrious career, he led, collaborated with,

and mentored many colleagues across the U.S., Japan, and China. He was particularly involved in facilitating the company’s expansion in China, and has two patents and six publications under his name. Zhongmin met Nansheng Ke forty years ago, and they have been blissfully married for the last 24 years while raising two sons from prior marriages. He was a quiet man who found his greatest joy sharing time with his wife gardening, grilling, playing table tennis, swimming and traveling across the U.S., Asia, Europe and Latin America. He made numerous friends across the country and globe through his many acts of kindness. Zhongmin lived his life as one who lovingly planted trees under whose shade he did not expect to sit. While he left us all too soon, his kindness, perseverance, integrity and selfless generosity live on in all of us whom he touched during his life. The family will hold Visiting Hours at the P.E. Murray-F.J. Higgins George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, 2000 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY, on Friday, April 28th from 4-8 pm. Funeral Services will be held in the Funeral Home on Saturday, April 29th at 11 am. For those unable to attend, the Funeral will be available via livestream at Harborview.live at 11 am. Those who would like to share their thoughts, may do so at Forevermissed.com/zhongminyang Online guestbook at pemurrayfuneral.com P.E. Murray-F.J. Higgins George F. Doherty & Sons West Roxbury 617-325-2000.

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make it a one-stop-shop," he said. "We try to serve everyone in the area. My father is Haitian and we speak Haitian-Creole, and we are willing to serve anyone who comes in. We've been extremely fortunate with the support of the community utilizing the services we render."

Development Architect Jonathan Garland said the project would have 18 one-bedroom units, 15 two-bedroom units and seven three-bedroom units. The medical clinic will be upgraded to 4,474 square feet of space and the building will have 26 parking spaces.

The site will have two Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) accessible parking spaces for the practice and the residents. The community benefits include providing a \$10,000 donation towards the renovation of Ross Field via the Boston Parks Department, as well as adding crosswalks and other public realm improvements to the area.

Garland added that the team will be working with an abutting property owner to look at enhancements to a private passageway between both properties on River Street and Thorn Street respectively, and that they've been thinking about adding a new sidewalk area, landscaping, way finding and other improvements.

The building will also offer seven affordable units under the city's Inclusionary Development

Policy (IDP) which is 4.5 percent higher than the city's required 13 percent. Five units would be 70 percent area median income (AMI). They understand that while that's the usual AMI for affordable units, the fact that the AMI takes into account a wide swath of the region and is inflated by communities like Wellesley and Somerville makes those "affordable" units a bit out of reach for many in the city.

"That doesn't look into the neighborhood specifics of what the AMI range might be for Hyde Park and we're understanding of that," he said. "I think we're thinking one of those two 'voluntary' units would likely be at 50 percent AMI and one would be more like 80 or 90 percent. However, we are in discussion on that with the BPDA and (District 5 City Councilor) Ricardo Arroyo's office, who's a big proponent of that."

Some residents expressed parking concerns. It was brought up that the area is already congested, and that the lack of parking would drive residents onto the street. Residents pointed out that River Street is a snow corridor, meaning that there's no parking allowed during snowstorms. They said they were concerned that parking would overflow into the surrounding neighborhoods. Zozula countered that the proximity to the MBTA Commuter Rail will lessen the need for parking in the building.

Resident Eddie Ortega asked if the development will need zoning relief from the Boston Zoning Code and what variances they would need. Garland said they would need relief for a clinic being a forbidden use, lot area insufficient, floor area ratio excessive, building height in feet and stories excessive, insufficient open space, front and side yard insufficient, and off-street parking and loading insufficient.

Ortega also asked if there would be any other retail on the site. Zozula said there will be no other retail.

"It's kind of a tough site in terms of it being a desert from a retail standpoint; there's not a ton around there," he said. "This part of River Street isn't really a retail zone."

Ortega said this was an appropriate place for this building

and supports the project overall.

"Whatever you need in support just let us know," he said.

Belnel Neighborhood Association Chair Helena Tonge said the community has requested more than a few modifications to the project and felt those have been addressed for the most part. She was glad that more affordable units have been added. However, she would like to see more accessible parking spaces on the site. BPDA Project Manager Stephen Harvey asked Tonge to send him any residents currently using handicapped parking placards so they can assess the need.

"We can work with community members to get that set up on the street now even before the project is put in place," he said. "But usually getting handicapped parking is not some-

thing we usually link with projects unless it has to do with being on the site's interior."

Zozula added that they will be going through a Public Improvement Commission (PIC) process involving departments like the Boston Transportation Department and the Disability Commission and they would advocate for more accessible parking.

"I think that makes a lot of sense and we are closing up a bunch of curb cuts because of the closing of the auto body shop and so we're actually adding a bunch of spaces to River Street," he said.

The comment period for this project ends on April 28. To leave a comment or to see the plans in full, go to <https://bit.ly/40HWigG>

Playground *continued from page 9*

trash receptacles at this upper part of the playground from entrance to entrance, not including anything near Truman Highway or the baseball field, but during the pandemic they were removed," she said. "Now, one has been brought back and I really want to advocate for three more to be brought back. I don't know if a trash can is going to fix this prob-

lem, but there is a ton of broken bottles and glass and it's unnerving."

State Rep. Rob Consalvo said he's seen this issue a few times before. He said all those trash receptacles have been or will be replaced this year, and more have been put in at the basketball courts, the Martini Hatch Shell and the tennis courts.

"Also, we heard from our

folks at Miigs Field where I think three or four barrels were placed as well as the Kelly Field Complex," he said. "The commitment DCR has made to us is we will have trash barrels as part of the regular seasonal barrels."

For more information on the project and to look at the presentation, go to <https://bit.ly/41SKGbH>

BPDA Income-restricted Rental Opportunity
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4 Income-restricted Units

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1	1-Bedroom	760	\$1,668	50%	1
1	2-Bedroom	1058	\$1,147	60%	0
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Maximum Incomes
(set by BPDA + based on household size + Area Median Income (AMI))

Household size	Maximum Income 30% AMI	Maximum Income 50% AMI	Maximum Income 60% AMI	Maximum Income 70% AMI
1	\$29,450	\$49,100	\$58,900	\$68,750
2	\$33,650	\$56,100	\$67,300	\$78,550
3	\$37,850	\$63,100	\$75,700	\$88,350
4	\$42,050	\$70,100	\$84,100	\$98,150
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River Street Bridge Replacement Design Public Hearing

What is happening?
 The purpose of this hearing is to provide an opportunity for members of the Hyde Park community to become fully acquainted with MassDOT's plans to replace the River Street Bridge. 25% design plans for the replacement bridge and the permanent utility bridge which will provide a bicycle and pedestrian connection over the Amtrak/MBTA Northeast Corridor rail line once the existing River Street Bridge is removed will be presented at the hearing. Attendees will also be presented with information regarding construction staging, anticipated duration, and how the proposed replacement bridge will connect to the Hyde Park Commuter Rail station.

How will this affect you?
 The River Street Bridge has been closed to vehicle traffic and two detours in place since May of 2022. To lessen community impacts, MassDOT is currently repairing the existing bridge with the goal of reopening it in spring, 2024, but the agency remains committed to a full, permanent replacement which will be easier to maintain and reliable for all users in the long-term. All members of the Hyde Park community are encouraged to attend.

When
WEDNESDAY MAY 3, 2023
6:00PM

Attend
www.mass.gov/orgs/highway-division/events

Visit www.mass.gov/hyde-park-river-street-bridge-replacement-project for more information. Please note this meeting will be transcribed by a stenographer.

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Project inquiries may also be emailed to massdotprojectmanagement@dot.state.ma.us. **Please submit any written statements regarding the proposed undertaking to: Carrie A. Lavallee, P.E., Chief Engineer, MassDOT, 10 Park Plaza, Boston, MA 02116, Attention: PROJECT MANAGEMENT, PROJECT FILE NO. 606901.**

Legals

Classifieds

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department
Docket No. SU23D0243DR
DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING
Najat Benjadid vs. Athmane Zemmouri
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114

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

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

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon:
Michelle R. Moucharite, Esq., Law Office of Michelle R. Mouchrite,
One West Foster Street, Suite 7, Melrose, MA 02176
your answer, if any, on or before 06/08/2023. 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: April 10, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate, *Boston Bulletin : 04/27/2023*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department
CITATION ON PETITION
PETITION TO CHANGE NAME
Docket No. SU23C0177CA
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, Ma 02114
617-788-8300

In the Matter of: **Tamara Mandy Hennessey**
A **Petition to Change Name of Adult** has been filed by **Tamara Mandy Hennessey** of Boston, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: **Tamara Iwanski Hennessey**

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 **05/05/2023**. 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
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court Department
CITATION ON PETITION FOR ORDER
OF COMPLETE SETTLEMENT
Docket No. SU14P2338EA.
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300

Estate of: **Ellen E. Hegarty**
Date of Death: **06/30/2014**
A **Petition for Order of Complete Settlement** has been filed by: **James Gardner Long, III of Roslindale, MA** requesting that the court enter a formal **Decree of Complete Settlement** including the allowance of a final account, and other such relief as may be requested in the Petition.

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 **05/25/2023**.

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.

Witness, Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court
Date: April 24, 2023
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West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 04/27/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
DOCKET No. SU23P0533EA
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617)788-8300

Estate of:
Raymond Daniel Holland, III
Also known as: **Raymond Holland, Raymond D. Holland**
Date of Death: **11/10/2022**

To all interested persons:
A **Petition for Formal Adjudication of Intestacy and Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by:
Jane H. Brennan of South Dennis, 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:
Jane H. Brennan of South Dennis, MA be appointed as **Personal Representative(s)** of said estate to serve 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 **05/17/2023**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: April 21, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate
Boston Bulletin 04/27/2023

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
DOCKET No. SU23P0764EA
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617)788-8300

Estate of: **Janet T. Dillon**
Also known as: **Janet Dillon**
Date of Death: **01/25/2023**

To all interested persons:
A **Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Robert Dillon of Berkeley, 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:
Robert Dillon of Berkeley, CA 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 **05/18/2023**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: April 13, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate
Boston Bulletin: 4/27/23

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court Probate and Family Court
CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE
Docket No. SU14P1015EA
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
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Estate of: **Rosalie Larry**
Date of Death: **01/10/2014**

To all interested persons:
A **Petition** has been filed by: **Leslie A. Milton of Boston, MA** requesting that the **Court enter a formal Decree and Order** that **Leslie A. Milton of Boston, MA** be appointed as **Successor Personal Representative(s)** of said estate to serve **Without Surety** on the bond and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

You have a 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 05/24/2023**. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return date, action may be taken without further notice to you.

The estate is being administered under formal 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 recipients 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.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: April 12, 2023
Vincent Procopio, Register of Probate
Hyde Park Bulletin 04/27/23

ZONING HEARING

The **Zoning Commission of the City of Boston** hereby gives notice, in accordance with Chapter 665 of the Acts of 1956, as amended, that a virtual public hearing will be held on **May 10, 2023, at 9:15A.M.**, in connection with **Map Amendment Application No. 756** and petitions for approval of the First Amendment to Master Plan for Planned Development Area No. 127, Allston Yards (the "Master Plan"), the First Amendment to Building A Development Plan for Planned Development Area No. 127, Allston Yards, the First Amendment to Building B Development Plan for Planned Development Area No. 127, Allston Yards, the First Amendment to Building C Development Plan for Planned Development Area No. 127, Allston Yards, the First Amendment to Building D Development Plan for Planned Development Area No. 127, Allston Yards (collectively "the Amendments"), and the Building E Development Plan for Planned Development Area No. 127, Allston Yards, Allston(the "Development Plan"), filed by the Boston Redevelopment Authority d/b/a the Boston Planning & Development Agency.

Said map amendment would add the designation "D," indicating a Planned Development Area overlay district to approximately 20,586 square feet (approximately 0.473acres) of land located at 52 Everett Street in Allston.Said Amendments would incorporate the land and vacant building located at 52 Everett Street into the Master Plan and Planned Development Area No. 127 site, make corresponding changes to the other Allston Yards Development Plans to account for the construction and addition of the building proposed at 52 Everett Street, Allston, and update the Allston Yards project commitment to advance construction of homeownership units. Said Development Plan proposes to construct an approximately 150-unit residential homeownership building with an approximately 1,950 square foot retail space to activate the ground floor along Guest Street.

This meeting will only be held virtually and not in person. You can participate in this meeting by going to https://bit.ly/BZC_May2023. Copies of the petition, the Master Plan, Amendments, and a map of the area involved may be obtained from the Zoning Commission electronically, and you may also submit written comments or questions to zoningcommission@boston.gov.

Interpreting services are available to communicate information at this hearing. If you require interpreting services, please contact the following: zoningcommission@boston.gov or **617-918-4308**. The meeting is scheduled for **May 10, 2023**. Please request interpreting services no later than **May 5, 2023**.

For the Commission
Jeffrey M. Hampton
Executive Secretary
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