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### NEWRA supports Old North Foundation renovation plans

By Phil Orlandella

As expected, the North End/Waterfront Residents' Association (NEWRA) supported a request by the Old North Foundation to renovate the northside garden of the church and place a structure with the poem, "Paul Revere's Ride" on it.

Funds from the Boston Edward Inercoll Browne Fund will be used for the project.

Foundation president Reverend Stephen Ayres presented the project proposal.

Chris Cook, chief environment, energy and open spaces

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### Appealing for the continued peeling of a historic bell

By Meghan Maloney

Many who travel down Hanover Street in Boston's historic North End, whether they be a tourist or a local, stop and look up at the bell tower that sits atop the red-bricked exterior of St. Stephen's Church. Those that know their history, know that they are looking at a tower that holds a bell made by Boston's most famous midnight rider – Paul Revere. Those that might not know the history soon discover, upon entering St. Stephen's, that they have stepped into a building that is not only where Paul Revere and his father had at one time attended religious services; but is also, the

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Owners Joseph (Peppi) and Fernando (Freddy) Giangregorio pictured inside the Green Cross Pharmacy that has closed its doors on March 5.



### Green Cross Pharmacy is closing after 55 years in Boston's North End

By Amanda Stoll

Green Cross Pharmacy in the North End has closed its doors. Their last day open for business was March 5, 2019.

Owners Joseph (Peppi) and Fernando (Freddy) Giangregorio came to the United States in

1954 and have owned the pharmacy at 393 Hanover St. since 1964. As residents and small business owners, they have been actively involved in the North End community for over 50 years.

Peppi recently received an

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### Residents evacuated from Hanover Street building declared structurally unsafe

By Matt Conti

Boston Inspectional Services has declared that the building at 454-464 Hanover S. is structurally unsafe for occupancy. Residents were forced to evacuate on March 13, after city officials decided to condemn the property.

The building is home to dozens of residents in its 26 residential units. There was formerly a 7-Eleven store on the ground floor located across from the U.S. Coast Guard complex, on

the corner of Commercial Street.

Residents of the five-story property were allowed to quickly gather some belongings and told to seek alternate housing while repairs can be made. City Hall is helping secure temporary housing for those in need.

ISD said an engineering firm notified them of deteriorated steel beams and the property had recently had some falling brick incidents. The building is organized as a condominium with owner and rented units, along with a property manager.

### NEAD Family Dinner/Talk held

By Phil Orlandella

Once again, the main hall at the Nazzaro Community Center was filled to capacity for still another North End Against Drugs Family Dinner/Family Talk.

The free event featured guest speaker Dr. Christin Price, Program Administrative Director of the Brigham Health Bridge Clinic and Clinical

Director, Medicare ACO at Brigham and Women's Hospital/BWPO.

Dinner included macaroni, meatballs, bread and butter, a soft drink and cookies for dessert.

Eversource, Inc., NEAD sponsored the community event. The Nazzaro Center is a BCYF site. NEAD plans to conduct other Family Dinner/Family Talk events in the near future.

### NEWNC unanimously opposes 2 Snelling Place proposal

By Phil Orlandella

Two voting items were on the North End Waterfront Neighborhood Council (NEWNC) February 11 monthly meeting held in the Nazzaro Community Center, 30 North Bennet St.

The Council voted unanimously to not support a proposal to build a one-story addition, expansion of live space in the

basement and a private roof deck at 2 Snelling Place.

One of butter oppose the project, proposed for the three-story building that would not exceed the 55-foot height limit set in the North End. The actual height of the building proposed was 43 to 45 feet. North End Attorney Daniel Toscano represented the applicant.

Another unanimous vote was

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Photo by Phil Orlandella

Old North Foundation President Reverend Stephen Ayres explains plans for the North Side improvements.





# Forum

'Congress shall make no law ... abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press.'  
BILL OF RIGHTS, Amendment I

## TRAGEDY, SADNESS IN NEW ZEALAND

New Zealand is a beautiful country that seems far removed, both literally and figuratively, from the problems facing the rest of our troubled planet.

However, the tragic shootings at two mosques in New Zealand this past Friday have demonstrated that there is no place on earth that is immune from the forces of evil and hatred that are tearing apart the fabric of our societies.

As we are writing this, 50 persons have been confirmed dead, with another 31 injured, of whom nine are in critical condition, including a four year-old child.

The shootings are typical of the cowardly perpetrators of these deeds: They choose churches, mosques, and synagogues where their victims are unarmed and worshipping their God pursuant to their individual faith in a place where the victims feel most safe.

Are we getting to the point where every house of worship must hire armed guards in order to protect their congregants?

New Zealand's prime minister, Jacinda Ardern, was unequivocal in her resolve to take action in the wake of the tragedy. "Within 10 days of this horrific act of terrorism, we will have announced reforms that I believe will have made our community safer," Ms. Ardern said.

To be sure, there is no one action that any government can take to prevent this sort of tragedy from happening. Hatred and mental-illness always will exist.

However, common-sense measures can be undertaken regarding the sales and licensing of the sort of military arms that are responsible for these mass shootings.

While none of us can predict the future, we do not have to be Nostradamus to know that until we restrict the sale of these weapons of mass murder, they will occur again -- and again -- and again.

## SPRING HAS SPRUNG, ALONG WITH CANDIDATE SEASON



## ANOTHER SIGN OF CLIMATE CHANGE

"Historically catastrophic" flooding is the description of what has been happening across our nation's Midwestern Plains states this past week, thanks to a combination of heavy snows and unseasonably cold weather followed by unusually heavy rains.

When most of us think of climate change, images of rising sea levels and fearsome hurricanes that threaten our densely-populated coastal cities are what come to our minds.

But this past week's unprecedented events in the heart of our nation's bread basket should make all of us realize that no place on earth is safe from the devastating effects of climate change, which are accelerating at a rate faster than even the most-dire models had predicted.

It should be clear to all of us by now that whatever the costs may be of implementing green energy measures, they will be far outweighed by the costs of the devastation caused by the forces of nature that await us if we do not change our ways immediately.

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## OPINION BY PHIL ORLANDELLA

### A CLEANER NORTH END IS EVERYONE'S BUSINESS

North End mechanical street cleaning is under way and it's time for residents and the business community to remove their vehicles from the curb, making it much easier for the City to remove all the debris in the community gutters.

Continuous cooperation will help the battle to keep the community cleaner, healthier and deal with rodent control.

In addition, properly sweeping gutters and sidewalks in front of homes and stores will greatly contribute to the community's major trash problem that currently exists.

Taking part in neighborhood street cleaning programs coordinated by the City or community organizations will greatly support the endeavor to have a much cleaner North End.

### BE A CANDIDATE IN THE NEWNC ELECTIONS

The May 2019 community

elections to serve as a board member on the North End Waterfront Neighborhood Council (NEWNC) is closer than expected.

NEWNC will be distributing nomination papers to secure the signatures for candidates to secure a spot on the ballot.

Residents should consider running for a seat on the NEWNC Board.

There are six spots open on the Board. All voting will take place at the Nazzaro Community Center where the final ballots will be counted and the winners announced.

Serving on the Council is one-way North End Waterfront residents can help the community in several ways.

### SUPPORT NEMPAC FUNDRAISER

North End Music and Performing Arts Center (NEMPAC) plays an important role in the community providing musical, theater and arts programs.

NEMPAC will conduct its annual Perform-A-Thon

Fundraiser this April to benefit music scholarships and educational programs.

It's important that the community support this special neighborhood organization that provides assessable, quality music education and performing arts programming.

### MBTA FARE INCREASE NOT WELL RECEIVED

In order to improve MBTA services, including safety, it takes money, lots of money, that in part means raising user fees.

It's a fact that nobody wants to continually go into their pockets or purses to pay for a T hike or any other dollar hikes then they have to.

Providing public transportation is simply a must throughout the state, especially the City of Boston and without question fees will be increased one way or another.

Is it fair? No! But what is the answer?

Maybe it is more accountability, checks and balance or alien assistance.



## North End Basketball banquet scheduled for March 31

By Phil Orlandella

This year's North End Basketball Banquet site has been changed to a luncheon at the Nazzaro Community Center gymnasium, 30 North Bennet St.

BCYF Nazzaro Center, North End Athletic Association (NEAA) and the Boston Catholic Athletic League, formally CYO, John Pregmon Director, have collaborated to put together the annual banquet.

Besides lunch, metals will be presented to all participants of each league, and the banquet is free for them. Adults \$20 per

person, siblings that did not participate are \$5 each.

In order for the event to be successful participants need to RSVP as soon as possible, Nazzaro Center Administrative Coordinator Stephen Siciliano said. "Let us know how many people will be in your party."

He said, "This is extremely important as we are trying to get a headcount in order to put a seating arrangement in place and secure the amount of food."

Registration deadline is March 23, at 5 p.m. Personal checks and money orders are accepted, payable to the Nazzaro Center. To register call the Center at 617-635-5166.

## Tia's hosts FOCCP membership drive

By Phil Orlandella

Friends of Christopher Columbus Park (FOCCP) has reached out to current members and potential new members to attend a membership social, an opportunity to learn more about the non-profit community organization.

Memberships are vital to helping FOCCP, in collabo-

ration with the Boston Parks and Recreation Department to maintain the beauty of the park and support all of the final events held throughout the entire year.

The benefit event will be held at Tia's, 200 Atlantic Avenue on Monday, April 3 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Passed appetizers and cash bar.

For details email [info@foccp.org](mailto:info@foccp.org).

## Friends of Library sponsor Ellis Island book talks

By Phil Orlandella

Friends of the North End Library recently presented a book discussion by author and Professor of history at UMass Boston, Vincent J. Cannato.

The author spoke on his 2010 book, *American Passage: The History of Ellis Island*, that captures a time and a place unparalleled in American immigration, history, that articulates the dramatic and bitter-sweet accounts of immigrants, officials, interpreters and social reformers who all played an important role in Ellis Islands

chronicles.

This is one of many activities, programs and events the Friends sponsor during the year. More are being planned.

The Library hours are:

- Monday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Tuesday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Wednesday noon to 6 p.m.
- Thursday 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Friday 9 a.m. to 5 p.m..
- Saturday 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Sunday Closed.

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last remaining church in Boston designed by famed architect, Charles Bulfinch.

Fast-forward many years beyond Bulfinch's day, and you have a historic landmark, emblematic of all the generations of Patriots and immigrants who had, at one time or another, lived and worshiped in the North End including Rose Fitzgerald Kennedy's family, who had her baptized at the church in the late 1800.

But, along with that great history comes age. Today, the bell tower is in desperate need of repair, with the wood rotting and in need of repainting with special weather-resistant paint. Father David Costello, pastor of St. Stephen's, explained that funding for this important project has become complicated. With much of St. Stephen's congregation made up of visiting tourists rather than a consistent, large group of parishioners, weekly donations tend to amount to less than those of other area churches. Additionally, many historical preservation foundations restrict funding from buildings they consider "religious," making Fr. Costello's task a daunting one. Just last week, in fact, the Supreme Court declined to hear a legal dispute from the state of



The bell tower that sits atop St. Stephen's Church.

New Jersey over the use of state tax money to repair churches.

Thankfully, the fundraising "thermometer" Fr. Costello has set up inside St. Stephen's doors has been an impetus for those who visit to contribute to this worthwhile effort to preserve a part of our city's history. A GoFundMe Page has also been set up under Fr. David Costello's name to allow those that can't make it to the church to donate online. "We are blessed that St. Stephen's Church is steeped in history and has been part of the fabric of the North End

for so long," said Costello. "It would be remiss of us not to preserve it to allow for future generations to practice their faith and appreciate the historic and architectural significance of such a beautiful house of worship."

Costello encourages individuals and families of all faiths and backgrounds to stop by and see a part of our city's great history. Those who want to know more about helping with the bell tower project are encouraged to call Fr. Costello at the church.

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Photo by Phil Orlandella

Attorney Daniel Toscano prepares for 2 Snelling Place proposal presentation.

given to support plans for the Old North Foundation to build a water table structure in the Unity Street entrance side, with the poem, "Paul Revere's Ride" placed on it.

Funding for the new piece of art/history will be granted by Boston's Edward Ingersol Brown Fund.

Reverend Stephen Ayres, President of the Old North Foundation, presented the plans and other information related to the north side of the church.

Representatives for Northeastern University presented the Council a proposal of a working study of the existing Nazzaro Community Center to

identify potential mixed-use scenarios for the community facility owned by the City.

They made it clear that the study was only a guideline and not for actually determining what should occur in the over 100-year-old building which is currently being considered by the Boston Landmarks Commission for landmark status.

Many Council members and residents in attendance wanted to make absolutely sure the study should have no bearing on plans for the building scenario.

Once completed, the study will be made available to the community and anyone that requests a copy.

GREEN CROSS (from pg. 1)

award from Centro Attività Scolastiche

Italiane (C.A.S.IT) for his unwavering support and promotion of the Italian language and culture in the North End. The brothers have also earned

a Clean Streets Good Neighbor Award.

The family owns the Hanover Street building so Peppi will continue to live upstairs. Freddie and his family live in Revere.

Peppi, Freddy, Rachele (Ellie)

and Dom from Green Cross Pharmacy would all like to thank their patrons and the North End community for being so supportive over the years.

### BE THE TALK OF THE TOWN

The Regional Review is interested in publishing the memories of North End residents in print.

If you or someone you know would like to share your experiences, please send email to [regionalreview@comcast.net](mailto:regionalreview@comcast.net)

# Mayor announces new initiatives for City's transportation infrastructure

By Phil Orlandella

New initiatives and improvements to Boston's transportation infrastructure were announced by Mayor Martin Walsh at the Boston Municipal Research Bureau.

Reportedly, they will help increase safety for all users on the roads, ease congestion and provide more viable transportation options for residents.

These investments complement the key projects identified in Go Boston 2030, the City's long-term transportation plan and Vision Zero, the City's policy plan to reduce the number of roadway fatalities according to information provided by the City.

"Making sure our residents can get around our City in a safe and reliable way is the key to ensuring Boston's opportunities extend to all," the Mayor said.

According to city officials, over the last several years there has been significant steps to improve the transportation infrastructure and the City is planning new investments and initiatives that will apparently improve its transportation goals.

Plans call for An Act Concerning Photo Enforcement of Certain Traffic Violations.

This legislation allows for photo enforcement for speed violations and blocking the box traffic violations.

The proposal would also enable school buses to be equipped with cameras to capture violations when stop arms are deployed.

Together these proposals will equip cities and towns with the tools to make streets safer, cut down on gridlock, congestion and generate revenue to invest in local roads and transit.

These bills are a part of a broader road safety legislation agenda, which includes support of previously filed bills relating to sideguards on trucks and cell phone use while driving.

In 2015, according to city officials, the Mayors signed a Truck Side Guard Ordinance which requires all large city contracted vehicles to be equipped with convex blind spot mirrors, crossover mirrors and line-sport awareness decals.

Many other projects are in the making, currently under way or completed.

## NORTH END LIBRARY PROGRAMS

By Phil Orlandella

Many programs and activities have already taken place at the North End Library, 25 Parmenter Street, thus far, during the month of March and there is much more scheduled for the remainder of the month.

Library goers can enjoy three more films, computer assistance, games, workshops, helpful services for seniors, an adult book discussion club, homework help and an author talk.

For more information call 617-227-8135.

### EVENTS FOR ADULTS

**Friday Films:** Films by Blacklisted Hollywood Directors and Writers

Friday March 22 at 1pm  
Screen Writer Dalton Trumbo: Roman Holiday

Friday March 29 at 1pm  
Screen Writer Michael Wilson: A Place on the Sun

**One-on-One Computer Assistance** for Adults by Appointment—Wednesdays 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

Call 617.227.8135 to reserve a 30-minute spot for personalized assistance with PC computing, laptops, iPads, tablets, the BPL catalog, and online resources. Laptops are available to use or you can bring your own.

**Mahjongg Club** – Thursdays

from 11:00am - 2:00pm

Come and play the American-style variant of this tile-based game that originated in China and requires skill, strategy, and calculation. Beginners are welcome. No sign up is required.

**Workshop:** Self-Publishing Your Book – Saturday March 23 from 11:00am – 1:00pm

Got a book to publish? Author and writing coach Kim Kerrigan will guide you through the process, including editing and proofreading, formatting, publishing options, marketing strategies, and much more. Participants are encouraged to bring a laptop or tablet, or use a library laptop. Please call 617-227-8135 to reserve a space.

**Games People Play** – Tuesday, March 25 from 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Chess, Scrabble, Bananagrams, Monopoly, Uno, anyone? Drop in to play board and card games with friends new and old! For grown-ups only.

**Seniors Connect:** What Can Boston Do for You? – Thursday, March 21 from 10:30am-12:00pm

The City of Boston has done a survey of its senior residents to get a better understanding of what we need. The survey results has led the City to establish various helpful programs and initiatives for the elderly.

Learn about what services are available and how to access them from an age-friendly representative. This program is in partnership with Boston's Jewish cultural center, the Vilna Shul. Free, light refreshments will be served.

**Adult Book Discussion Club** – Wednesday, March 20 from 6:30 – 7:30 pm

March's book is Emma Donoghue's 2016 novel "The Wonder," in which an eleven-year-old girl is purported to have gone without eating for months in a mid-19th century Irish village. English nurse Lib Wright is sent over to see if the rumor is true and that the girl is truly subsisting on nothing. Refusing to believe, Lib is determined to end the hoax within days, but she finds herself inexplicably drawn to the "living wonder." Copies of the book are available to check out at the library's front desk.

**Homework Help** – Wednesdays from 4:00-6pm

A Boston Public School teacher assists children in kindergarten through grade 6 with homework. This is a free, drop-in program.

**Author talk:** Karen McManus – Wednesday, March 27 from 6:00 -7:00pm

Acclaimed local teen author Karen McManus discusses her new book, "Two Can Keep a Secret."

## Parks Dept. free indoor golf clinics begin March 26

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department is offering free indoor golf clinics at local Community Centers for both beginners and experienced players who want to brush up on their skills before they hit the links.

The clinic series is six weeks long with registration on a first-come, first-served basis. The first hour of each clinic is the Junior Session (ages 7 to 17), the second hour is the Adult Session (18 and up). There is

a maximum of 25 people per session; all others will be placed on a waiting list.

Equipment is provided, but you may bring your own clubs. Clinicians are highly qualified golf instructors. To register, please contact the sites directly. The clinic schedule is as follows:

Tuesdays starting March 26  
BCYF Nazzaro  
30 North Bennett Street, North End  
(617) 635-5166

Junior Session: 5 p.m.  
Adult Session: 6 p.m.  
BCYF Charlestown  
255 Medford Street, Charlestown

(617) 635-5169  
Junior Session: 6 p.m.  
Adult Session: 7 p.m.  
Adult Session: 7 p.m.

For more info, please contact Larelle Bryson at (617) 961-3092 or larelle.bryson@boston.gov.

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for the City of Boston advise the Council of resiliency study for the North End/Downtown area.

Boston Architecture College's Gateway program presented a study which is in

the making to assess mixed use for the Nazzaro Community Center.

The study will be made available to the public, it is not a guideline to anything related to the Nazzaro Center plans.

The next NEWRA public monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, April 13, at 7 p.m. at the Nazzaro Community Center, 30 North Bennet Street.

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# Proposed legislation would put further restrictions on beer gardens

By Dan Murphy

Although open-air beer gardens throughout the city like the Trillium Garden on the Rose F. Kennedy Greenway, the Owl's Nest on the Charles River Esplanade and the Castle Island Beer Garden on Constitution Wharf in Charlestown enjoyed unmitigated success last summer, two state lawmakers have proposed a bill that would put further restrictions on the blossoming beer gardens.

Sens. Nick Collins of South Boston and Ed Kennedy of Lowell are sponsoring the proposed legislation that would prohibit any individual or entity from getting any more than 14 one-day licenses in a year while the current yearly limit caps it at 30 licenses per applicant.

While its specific language has yet to be finalized, the Kennedy-Collins bill could stymie many of the city's beer gardens, which operate seasonally with multiple parties applying for a series of one-day licenses, as well as nonprofits that depended on one-day licenses to host fundraising events.

State Rep. Jay Livingstone, who serves as vice chair of the Joint Committee on Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure, which would consider the bill if it moves forward, has reservations about the legislation as currently proposed, although he said he isn't opposed to establishing a more uniform approach to regulating beer gardens.

"I think it as it's currently written, the bill will create a lot of unintended consequences... [but] having a clearer regulations on beer gardens might make sense," Livingstone said. "Some of the beer gardens that would be impacted are also great amenities that are enjoyed by a lot of residents, so I don't support ending them."



Derek Alten, Night Shift Brewing's director of hospitality, and Ryan Olenick, its general manager, are seen at the Owl's Nest beer garden on the Charles River Esplanade last summer.

Livingstone added, "I'm looking forward to the discussion to [determine] what some of the sponsors believe to be a problem."

Michael Nichols, executive director of the Esplanade Association, credits the Owl's Nest beer garden for creating a pleasant and welcoming atmosphere that allowed more than 50,000 visitors to the park to enjoy beer, wine, cider and non-alcoholic beverages along the banks of the Charles River last summer.

"Beer gardens like the Owl's Nest spur positive use of public spaces as they provide enhanced concessions, additional public bathrooms and seating, and a family- and dog-friendly environment while also providing revenue that goes directly back to the maintenance and improvement of the park," Nichols wrote in regard

to the beer garden that was launched via a unique partnership that included the nonprofit, Everett-based Night Shift Brewing and the Department of Conservation and Recreation. "The legislation, as filed, would eliminate the possibility of repeating this activation in 2019 and beyond. We hope the Legislature does not act to restrict these positive outcomes."

In response to criticism, Collins, whose district includes the Trillium beer garden on the Greenway, replied that he "enjoy[s] beer gardens as much as anyone and love the vibrancy they bring to our communities," but that he is instead merely seeking to put an end to the "ineffective" and "unfair" system that allows companies to bypass regulations by gaining access to "unlimited" one-day licenses.

"One-day" licenses are a flat \$75-\$150 fee, with no public process or hearing," Collins posted at [votenickcollins.com](http://votenickcollins.com). "That is fine for one-day occasions, as they were designed, but for seasonal operations we should have a system in place that reflects the true nature of the license. By comparison, full liquor licenses for restaurants are often valued between \$250,000 and \$500,000 on the private market."

Meanwhile, the Boston City Council is currently considering a home-rule petition filed by Mayor Marty Walsh that would then makes its way to the state legislature seeking 184 nontransferable liquor licenses for distribution to new neighborhood restaurants by the city, not the state.

"I am committed to ensuring that liquor licenses in Boston are used as an economic development tool to uplift our neighborhoods and support our restaurants," Walsh said in a statement. "My administration is working to secure passage of legislation that will increase the number of licenses for our neighborhood establishments. This bill creates a new process for large-scale developments to ensure that the new licenses that would be generated from the proposal are preserved for local businesses."

The mayor said he is looking forward to hearing further discussions about other proposed legislation related to liquor licenses during the public processes at the City Council and State Legislature levels.

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## ADVERTISEMENT

CITY OF BOSTON, BOSTON CENTERS FOR YOUTH & FAMILIES (BCYF)

INVITATION FOR SEALED BIDS FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF THE FOLLOWING SERVICES: **Repair, Maintenance, and Painting work at the BCYF Mirabella Pool and Bathhouse** located at 475R Commercial Street, Boston, MA 02113(North End)

The City of Boston (the City), acting by the Commissioner of the Boston Centers for Youth & Families, hereinafter referred to as the Official, invites sealed bids for the performance of the work generally described above, and particularly set forth in the Invitation for Bids. **The bid documents will be accessible online from Monday, March 25, 2019, through Friday, April 12, 2019**, by visiting the City of Boston Public Procurement website at the following link <http://www.cityofboston.gov/procurement/> and accessing the event ID # **EV00006536**, or by calling Varnie Jules, Finance Unit Manager @ 617-635-4920 x 2149.

The attention of all bidders is directed to the provisions of the Invitation for Bids and contract documents, specifically to the requirements for bid deposits, insurance, and performance bonds as may be applicable. All bids for this project are subject to **M.G.L. c.30, s. 39M** and in accordance with the terms and provisions of the contract documents.

### Bid Deposit (5%)

All bids submitted for this project should be accompanied by a bid deposit of 5% of the total bid amount. The bid deposit shall be in the form of a bid bond, certified check, treasurer's check or cashier's check and made payable to the City of Boston.

### Certificate of Insurance

All bids submitted for this project must include a current copy of the bidder's Certificate of Liability Insurance with evidence of General Liability and workers compensation Insurance coverage.

### Labor/Materials Payment Bond (50%)

In accordance with **M.G.L. Chapter 30, s. 39M** a Labor and Materials payment bond shall be required from the successful bidder to guarantee the faithful performance of the contract. Such bond shall be issued by a surety company qualified to do business under the laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and such surety company must be included in the U.S. Treasury's current list of approved sureties (Circular 570).

If the total bid price is greater than \$50,000, the Labor/Materials Payment Bond shall be in the sum equal to 50% of the total amount of the contract.

### Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSHA)

The successful bidder must provide evidence to the awarding authority that its employees who will be working under this project have received the required training in Occupational Safety and Health education as per OSHA standards.

### Prevailing Wage

Bidders are hereby notified that this project is subject to **M.G.L. c.30, s. 39M** and in accordance, contractors must pay prevailing wage as set by the Division of Occupational Safety within the Department of Labor and Workforce Development. Every contractor or subcontractor which performs construction work on the project is required to submit weekly payroll reports and a statement of compliance directly to the awarding authority by mail or email and keep them on file for three years. Each weekly payroll report must contain: the employee's name, address, occupational classification, hours worked, and wages paid. A sample of a payroll reporting form may be obtained at <http://www.mass.gov/dols/pw>

Bidders are further notified that they shall submit prices for and bid prices shall be compared on the basis of the entire period of performance. This contract shall be subject to the availability of an appropriation. Therefore, if sufficient funds are not appropriated for the contract in any fiscal year, the Official reserves the right to cancel the contract.

Sealed bids shall be filed **electronically** no later than **4:00 pm on Friday, April 12, 2019** by login onto the City of Boston Procurement website as listed and accessing the above listed event number. The contract awarded pursuant to this invitation for bid will **commence on or about Monday, April 29, 2019**.

The Official reserves the right to waive any informality in or to reject any and all bids if it is in the public interest to do so. The award of any contract shall be subject to the approval of the Mayor of Boston and the Awarding Authority. The maximum time for bid acceptance by the City after the opening of bids shall be ninety days (90 days).

William Morales  
Commissioner

## NEWS AND NOTES By Phil Orlandella

### Democratic Delegate Selection Plan

A delegate selection plan for the Democratic National Committee has been released.

The plan is now open for comment and public feedback following the comment period, the Massachusetts State Committee (400 members) will vote on the adoption of the del-

egate selection plan at the April 6 State Committee meeting.

Massachusetts will have a total of 114 delegates and 8 alternatives, evenly divided between men and women.

### Additional Regional Transit Funding

An additional \$5.1 million in funding awards for Regional

Transit Authorities to implement the best practices and innovation services to customers is available.

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# NEMPAC kicks off annual #PLEDGEME campaign

March 4, marked the beginning of the “Pledge Me” Campaign for North End Music & Performing Arts Center, NEMPAC’s Annual Perform-a-thon Fundraiser, with the goal of raising \$20,000 in pledges, sponsorships, and raffles to benefit Music Scholarships and Educational Programs.

The Perform-a-thon, NEMPAC’s Annual Fundraising Concert, will take place on Sunday, April 7th at The Improv Asylum on Hanover Street (Boston), from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This performance marathon will feature a four-hour straight show of NEMPAC students and instructors performing on the instrument of their choice, and will spotlight performances from NEMPAC programs such as the Eliot Band Program, Eliot



Ensemble, Eliot Choir, Music Theatre Troupe, and Kids Music Theatre.

From now until April 7, performing students and instructors

will collect pledges for their performances at this event, banding together to support the NEMPAC Scholarship Fund and Educational Programs.

NEMPAC awards more than \$7,500 each year in children’s need-based music scholarships, providing opportunities for over 20 children to participate in private lessons, after-school music classes, or to experience week-long intensive music camps during the summer.

The NEMPAC Performathon 2019 is generously supported by Matching Sponsors including Core Properties Group, Bridget D’amore Scholarship Fund, North End Athletic Association, Eamon O’Marah, and Andrea



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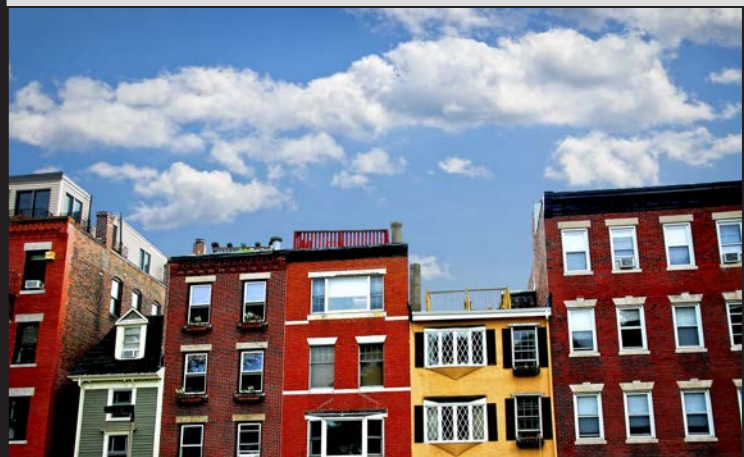
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How to Sponsor the Perform-a-thon

Anyone interested in supporting the arts in the community, and contributing to the NEMPAC Scholarship Fund, should contact [ssnow@nempacboston.org](mailto:ssnow@nempacboston.org) for sponsorship opportunities.

All donations to NEMPAC are tax deductible and are acknowledged in writing.

How to Volunteer

NEMPAC is looking for a volunteers to help at this event. If interested, contact [info@nempacboston.org](mailto:info@nempacboston.org).

Learn More!

To learn more about NEMPAC's Perform-a-thon, reach out to Educational

Programs Director, Manda S. Amodio at [mshepherd@nempacboston.org](mailto:mshepherd@nempacboston.org).

The North End Music & Performing Arts Center (NEMPAC) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that enriches Boston's North End/Waterfront and neighboring communities by providing accessible, quality music education and performing arts programming.

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## Public safety meeting crime report: shoplifting, larcenies, arguing in the street, three arrests

By David Marx

Boston Police District A-1 provided North End / Waterfront residents an update on recent neighborhood crime incidents, summarized below, at the March 2019 North End Public safety meeting.

### Aggravated Assaults (1)

– 2/8/19 at 7:12 p.m. (Hanover St. & Battery St.): Police officers observed two males arguing. One male walked away and reached for his waistband. He was frisked and found to have a gun (for which he had a license). The suspect was arrested.

### Breaking & Entering –

### Residence (1)

– 2/27/19 at 11:15 a.m. (4 Michelangelo St.): Victim was away on military leave from 2/25/19 to 2/27/19. Upon returning to his apartment, he found scattered trash on the floor, and an underwear drawer was open. Nothing appeared to be missing from the apartment.

### Larcenies (3)

– 2/8/19 at 8:30 p.m. (CVS – 218 Hanover St.): A hair dryer and hair products were stolen.

– 2/13/19 at 4:20 p.m. (191 North St.): A wallet was lost, after which purchases in the amount of \$55 and \$105 were fraudulently made at CVS.

– 2/7/19 at 6:30 p.m. (32

Sheafe St.): Victim was away from their residence between 4:30 p.m. and 6:15 p.m. Upon their return, personal papers were found on the floor, a piece of wood was removed from a dresser and the deed to the home was missing. No sign of forced entry.

### Larceny from Motor Vehicle (1)

– 2/9/19 at 6:30 p.m. (4 Cleveland Pl.): Victim reports she was carrying in groceries to her mother's building on Cleveland Place. After making several trips to her motor vehicle, she noticed her handbag was stolen from the vehicle. The bag contained credit / bank

cards, house and car keys, and personal papers.

### \*Arrests (3)\*

– Assault & Battery / Shoplifting (2/8/19 at 10:30 p.m.: CVS – 218 Hanover St.): White female grabbed some items from a shelf. Manager confronted her. After a physical altercation, the suspect left the store. She later returned to the store and was arrested on a felony warrant, as well as on additional charges.

– Poss. Firearm / Breaking & Entering Motor Vehicle (2/12/19 at 8:45 p.m.: 181 North Washington St.): Valet said a male broke into a car.

Suspect denied having a gun,

but admitted he was checking car door handles. Officers located a gun in the immediate vicinity, after which the suspect claimed he originally found the gun in the center console of a car.

– Larceny: Aforementioned lost wallet incident resulting in larceny.

David Marx hosts the monthly Public Safety meeting with Boston Police District A-1. North End Public Safety Meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month, 6 p.m. at the Nazzaro Center, 30 N. Bennet Street. All are welcome to attend and bring their questions.

## Celebrate Public Art on The Greenway

By Phil Orlandella

Celebrate Public Art on The Greenway on Saturday, May 4 with several events scheduled starting at 1 p.m.

It all starts with: World Labyrinth Day: Walk as One in peace and harmony, followed by a reception to view the

2019 abstract that introduces Geometry as public art, telling a story, and interactive circular room development in collaboration with the Eliot K-8 innovation school.

Tea and desserts will be hosted by MEM Tea Imports and Eastern Lamejun Bakers.



Art New England Editor Sarah Baker with Lucas Cowan, Public Art Curator, Greenway Conservancy during the 2018 Reception.

## ST. JOHN SCHOOL DELIVERS HARVEST TO FRANCISCAN FOOD CENTER



On Ash Wednesday some of the third graders at St. John School in the North End took a brisk walk over to St. Anthony Shrine to deliver the freshly harvested tower garden produce grown at St. John's for the Franciscan Food Center; while there, they received ashes and took time to say special Lenten prayers. Third grade students always enjoy looking at the dolls of different Congregations of religious sisters in the lobby. On this day, Brother John Jaskowiak, who spent his spare time for several decades sewing traditional habits for the dolls, spoke with our students about this labor of love and explained the history of several of the dolls. Principal Karen McLaughlin is especially grateful to Brother John for the time he spent with the students.

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

### PUBLIC SAFETY MEETING

The North End Public Safety monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, April 4 at 6:30 PM at the Nazzaro Community Center, 30 North Bennet Street. All residents are welcome to attend.

### NEWRA MONTHLY MEETING

The North End/Waterfront Residents' Association (NEWRA) public meeting will be held on Thursday, April 13 at 7 PM at the Nazzaro Community Center, 30 North Bennet Street. All residents are welcome to attend.

### NEWNC MONTHLY MEETING

The North End/Waterfront Neighborhood Council (NEWNC) will hold its monthly public meeting on Monday, April 8 at 7 PM at the Nazzaro Community Center, 30 North Bennet Street. All residents are welcome to attend.

### FOCCP MONTHLY MEETING

The Friends of Christopher Columbus Park (FOCCP) will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 9 at 6:30 PM at the Mariners House, 11 North Square, 2nd Floor.

### GOLF LESSONS AT NAZZARO CENTER

Boston Center Youth Family (BCYF) will hold an indoor Junior Indoor Golf Lessons Program for kids 7-18 and adults

at the Nazzaro Community Center Gym.

The program is available for 25 participants on a first-come, first serve basis. The first 25 registered will be accepted, all others will be placed on a waiting list.

Registration papers are available at the front desk of the Center and must be returned to the center as well. For details call 617-635-5166.

### BASKETBALL BANQUET

The Nazzaro Community Center will hold a Small Fry and CYO Basketball Banquet on Sunday, March 31 at 2 PM in the Center's Gym. For details call 617-635-5611.

### FOCCP SPRING SOCIAL/MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Friends of Christopher Columbus Park (FOCCP) will conduct its annual Spring Park social and membership drive on Wednesday, April 3 from 6-8 PM. For details email info@foccp.org.

### BLOOD DRIVE AT NAZZARO CENTER

A Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at the Nazzaro Community Center, 30 North Bennet Street from 1-6 PM in the Center's conference room on Friday, March 29. For more details call 1-866-236-3276.

### LITTLE TYKES SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION

Registration is underway for the 2019 Nazzaro Center

Little Tykes Summer Camp for children ages 6-12. For details call 617-635-5611 or 603-657-6605.

### N.E. LIBRARY AUTHOR TALK

The North End Library, 25 Parmenter Street, will hold an Author Talk with acclaimed local teen author Karen McManus who will discuss her new book "Two Can Keep a Secret" on Wednesday, March 27 from 6 to 7 p.m.

### OLD NORTH LANTERN CEREMONY

The Old North Church and Historic Site will commemorate the 24th anniversary of when two lanterns were hung in the church's steeple signaling the advance of the British by sea on Sunday, April 14 at 7 p.m.

### BOOK SIGNING AT REVERE HOUSE

A history of Boston in 50 artifacts will be held at Paul Revere House on Saturday, March 30 from 1-3 p.m.

Boston's own City Archaeologist, Joe Bagley will sign copies of his fascinating book and chat with visitors about what stories lie underneath our feet.

See some of the actual objects highlighted in the book in person and learn more about them in the archaeological process from an expert in the field.

### LIBRARY 3-DAY OPEN HOUSE DISPLAY

The North End Library, 25

Parmenter Street will hold a three-day Books in Boston on Wednesday, April 3 through April 6 featuring flower arrangements, demonstrations on working with store bought bouquets inspired by a book.

Daily library resources tools on April 4 from 3 to 5 p.m.

### LIBRARY AUTHOR TALK

An Author Talk with David Kruh will be held at the North End Library, 25 Parmenter Street on Wednesday, April 24 at 6:30 p.m. Always Something Doing: Boston's Infamous Scollay Square.

### RECONFIGURATION OF SCULPTURE

The annual reconfiguration of the Abstract Sculpture on The Greenway will take place on Sunday, April 7 at 7 p.m. Rain date Sunday, April 14.

### NEMPAC THE LITTLE PRINCE AUDITIONS

Auditions will be held for the North End Music and Performing Arts Center (NEMPAC) Opera Project 2019 production of 'The Little Prince' that will take place at Boston's Historical Faneuil Hall on June 20 and 22.

Auditions for adult principal roles will be held on February 23 and 24.

Auditions for child treble roles ages 8-16, unchanged voices, of 'The Little Prince' will be held on March 10.

For times and locations call

617-227-2270 or svandewalle@nempacboston.org.

### NEAA BASEBALL REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2019 North End Athletic Association (NEAA) baseball season is underway for all ages. For details email jromano45@gmail.com. No deadline has been established at this time.

### HOMEWORK HELP

The North End Library, 25 Parmenter Street will provide homework help for kindergarten through grade six on Wednesdays from 4-6 p.m.

### ARTS AND CRAFTS

Arts and Crafts are held every other Thursday from 10 to 11 AM at the Villa Michelangelo. For more information call 617-523-8125.

In class, seniors use their muscles in their hands and arms and engage in planning and critical thinking, while being with the peers.

Past projects have included painting, flower design, centerpieces, collages and masks. Material for projects will be provided. For more info call 617-523-8125.

### COMPLIMENTARY WINE TASTING

V. Cirace and Son, Inc., 173 North Street, North End offers complimentary Wine tasting on Fridays from 5-7 p.m. All are welcome to participate by visiting the award-winning shop. For details call 617-227-3193.

### FIRST PLACE



Finn and Sam photo by Beverly Gentile won first place at the Friends of Christopher Columbus Park (FOCCP) Tunnel of Love special event that took place under the Trellis in the park. Beverly and three of her friends will receive free tickets to FOCCP Summer Sunset Harbor Cruise.

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## FRESH AND LOCAL

# Categories of Processed Food

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

We are all becoming more savvy consumers and some of us have begun to opt for healthier food. When we talk about processed foods, we might be wise to use the system of classification recognized and utilized by many scientists assessing how food processing impacts health.

The “NOVA” system, created by Dr. Carlos Monteiro and colleagues, categorizes food processing into four groups: unprocessed or minimally processed foods, processed culinary ingredients, processed foods, and ultra-processed foods.

### Unprocessed or Minimally Processed Foods

Unless you’re like a rabbit nibbling on lettuce while it is still rooted to the ground, the food you are eating has been processed to some extent. This category recognizes that fact and accepts that natural food may have inedible or unwanted parts removed. It may be crushed, dried, ground, filtered, cooked, fermented, refrigerated, pasteurized, packaged, frozen, or vacuum sealed. These foods are the basic ingredients for scratch cooking in homes and restaurants.

### Processed Culinary Ingredients

It takes a bit more work to create some of the healthy items we use in everyday cooking but would not normally eat on their own. The olive oil we choose

as a better fat is pressed for the extra virgin type and refined for the other grades.

This group also includes items like flour, butter, sugar, salt, and spices that are ground, dried, and milled to turn them into more easily used additions to the minimally processed group above to make our meals.

### Processed Foods

Here you find the foods you could make at home if you were a talented canner, fermenter, or baker, and they are probably foods your ancestors made. This category includes fruits in syrup, cheeses, freshly made bread, and canned or bottled vegetables. One important distinction for the foods in this group is that they should have few ingredients and you ought to recognize those additions as foods from groups one and two.

### Ultra-Processed Foods

This is the extreme area of food processing and the one we have personally decided to avoid in our diets. These “foods” contain a high concentration of ingredients derived from foods and many additives. Some of these products have little or no actual foods from the unprocessed or minimally processed food groups intact.

Examples are soft drinks, packaged snack food, reconstituted meat products, and prepared frozen foods. Many are very high in three ingredients known to be bad for our health but that enhance



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the flavor of the finished product— sugar, salt and fat. What’s more, these sugars, salts, and fats are often present in their least desirable forms like hydrogenated or interesterified oils, maltodextrin, invert sugar, and high-fructose corn syrup.

Finally, you’ll find a long list of additives on the ingredient label of ultra-processed foods. These are needed to make the non-food aspects of the item palatable. The Open Food

Fact database lists these as, “... dyes and other colours, colour stabilizers; flavours, flavour enhancers, non-sugar sweeteners; and processing aids such as carbonating, firming, bulking and anti-bulking, de-foaming, anti-caking and glazing agents, emulsifiers, sequestrants and humectants.”

Today, the NOVA classifications are being used by researchers to determine how ultra-processed foods impact our health. One way to stay

healthy, no matter what they find, is to avoid ultra-processed food and stick to the foods in the first three groups. We know those foods have a long history of keeping our ancestors well nourished and able to lead far more active, labor-intensive lives than we live today.

*Do you have a question or topic for Fresh & Local? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your suggestion.*

## AROUND THE CITY

### KISS

Live Nation presents the iconic band performing its End of the Road World Tour, March 26 at TD Garden, Boston. Tickets start at \$79. [livenation.com](http://livenation.com).

### PROJECT RAU

Prometheus Dance, in collaboration with Korhn Basaran and Kinan Azmeh, presents a premiere performance March 24, 7 p.m., at Boston Conservatory at Berklee, 31 Hemenway St., Boston. Suggested donation at the door, \$20. [prometheusdance.org](http://prometheusdance.org), [info@prometheusdance.org](mailto:info@prometheusdance.org), 617-912-9222.

### WILBER’S WAR

Popular Boston-NewEngland star Robert D. Murphy performs in “Wilber’s War: An American

Family’s Journey Through World War II,” March 29, at 7:30 p.m., Peirce Farm, Route 1, 116 Boston St., Topsfield. Advanced tickets, \$10 + fee. Veterans with reservations, free. Doors open at 7 p.m. [punctuate4.org](http://punctuate4.org).

### CARDBOARD PIANO

Renowned director Benny Sato Ambush helms New Repertory Theatre’s New England premiere of Hansol Jung’s socio-political drama, “Cardboard Piano,” March 23-April 14, at Mosesian Center for the Arts, MainStage Theater, 321 Arsenal St., Watertown. \$25-\$67, student, senior, group discounts available. 617-923-8487, [enwrap.org](http://enwrap.org).

### COPPELIA

Boston Ballet presents George

Balanchine’s full-length dance comedic tale of mistaken identity, love and fun, March 21-31, at the Boston Opera House, 539 Washington St., Boston: Thursday, Friday, 7:30 p.m.; Saturday 1:30, 7:30 p.m.; Sunday, 1:30 p.m. Tickets start at \$37. youth discount with price of an adult full-price ticket. [bostonballet.org](http://bostonballet.org), 617-695-6955.

### DROR KEREN

The multi-award-winning Israeli playwright-actor-comedian is Israeli Stage Company’s two-week artist-in-residence. leading a series of workshops March 25-27, at Brandeis University and Bunker Hill Community College, with most open to the public. On March 30, at 8 p.m., Keren performs the world premiere staged reading of his latest

play, “What Life Wants,” at Boston University’s Playwrights Theater, 949 Commonwealth Ave., Boston. RSVP required. [IsraeliStage.com](http://IsraeliStage.com).

### DRAGON MAMA

Writer-performer Sir Porkalob presents the reprise of her musical hit, “Dragon Lady,” and world premiere of “Dragon Mama,” in repertory, March 20-April 6, at Oberon, 2 Arrow St., Cambridge. Tickets from \$25. [americanrepertorytheater.com](http://americanrepertorytheater.com), 617-547-8300.

### EXTREMITIES

A.K.A., Also Known as Theater, closes its season with William Mastrosimone’s play, “Extremities,” March 28-April 13, Thursday-Saturday, 8 p.m. Friday night post-show Discussions at Margaret

Jewett Hall, First Church Harvard Square, 11 Garden St., Cambridge. [\\$22.bit.ly/akaextremities](https://$22.bit.ly/akaextremities).

### BERKLEE PERFORMANCE CENTER

Fred Hersch presents “Leaves of Grass,” featuring Kurt Elling and Kate McGarry, March 23, at 8 p.m., \$30-\$58, [\\$30-\\$58](http://worldmusic.org/content/event_page/7301/fred-hersch); Meow Meow and Thomas M. Lauderdale of Pink Martini, March 24, at 7:30 p.m., \$30-\$37, \$42, \$48; the International Folk Festival March 27, advance tickets, \$10, day of show, \$15; and Curtain Up: Original Musical Theater Songs, April 2, \$10/\$15. 136 Mass. Ave., Boston. [berklee.edu/BPC/about/617-747-2261](http://berklee.edu/BPC/about/617-747-2261).



# City Council discusses potential traffic enforcement unit, traffic enforcement cameras

By Lauren Bennett

Speeding and congestion are huge topics of conversation across the city, and affect residents of every neighborhood. The City Council Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice held a hearing on March 12 to discuss the possibility of creating a traffic enforcement unit within the Boston Police Department, as well as talk about the pros and cons of traffic enforcement cameras.

Sponsor Andrea Campbell said that traffic and speeding concerns are “at the top of the list” for calls made to the councilors. “Residents feel we need to do a lot more along various parallel tracks,” Campbell said. She said that while it is important to lower the speed limits, “enforcement, structural changes to our streets, [and] willingness by people who live in the city to think about alternative modes of transportation,” are all important pieces of the solution.

Councilor Mark Ciommo said he “did some limited research” about cameras across the country, and found that municipalities are “pulling back the use of cameras as an enforcement mechanism,” as they may cause more crashes than they prevent. Ciommo said he thinks that cameras should be used to inform law enforcement. “We need to make our streets safer and the best way to do that is to make sure we enforce better,” he said. “I am concerned about using cameras as that enforcement.” Councilor Baker added that he would rather see the city resources go into the police force, as it “sends a friendlier message” than cameras doing the traffic ticketing.

Councilor Flynn believes that the number one issue in the city is pedestrian safety, and he said that “not a day goes by” where he does not hear from his constituents about this issue.

Boston Police Department (BPD) Superintendent Kevin McGoldrick said that a large

part of the current issue is that the motorcycle unit “is not as robust and focused on traffic as it used to be.”

Councilor Matt O’Malley asked if there were any statistics issued on texting, jaywalking, or “blocking the box.”

“I’ve never seen a jaywalking ticket in my 29 years” in the police department, McGoldrick said. The official fine is \$1, but “I think we would need to do significant public education and outreach” in order to actually enforce it, he said. “It would take people by surprise and culture shift for pedestrians in this city.”

“We do cite for texting,” he added, but did not have the statistics with him at the hearing.

Another large issue with enforcement is that there is no real analysis of the data collected by the police department, and this is something they would need to have in order to have better enforcement.

Councilor Ciommo asked if the cameras currently in place in some areas have the ability to monitor violations. Boston Transportation Department (BTD) Commissioner Gina Fiandaca said

that “we don’t monitor violations or record license plates of vehicles that are not stopping at red lights.” She said that they do, however, have the ability to monitor traffic conditions and are able to alert BPD and ask them for support at certain intersections.

Councilor Lydia Edwards said that there is a “lot of blocking the box, a lot of congestion in my district,” particularly in Charlestown and East Boston. “We need police details, we need that kind of enforcement,” she said. She wanted to know if BPD was getting any sort of mitigation money to put more officers in places like that.

McGoldrick said that the “challenge is we’re still taking those officers from somewhere. Very rarely do we have extra officers working.” A quick solution to creating a more

robust traffic unit, he said, is to expand the motorcycle unit, because when traffic is really bad, the motorcycles are able to get there much more easily than cars. He said this also does not require the hiring of more sergeants or other “supervisory responsibilities,” which would be required when creating an entire new unit. “If we were to do a standalone traffic unit, we’d probably be looking at six sergeants, lieutenants, I would assume, and a significant number of officers to fully staff that where we could otherwise just add a dozen people to the motorcycle unit and have a pretty similar effect...,” McGoldrick said.

Matt O’Malley spoke about the recent crash and fatality in West Roxbury. He said that since the incident in February, there has been a car stationed at the intersection where it happened, and “the number of citations for motorists not stopping in crosswalks has doubled.”

He said that other places have used cameras to help stop speeding “to make sure we have safer streets for pedestrians, cyclists, and others. Surely we can balance that with safer streets,” he said.

On the second panel was Brendan Kearney, Communications Director for WalkBoston. He said that over the last four years, there has been an average of 738 pedestrian crashes in the City of Boston. “I thought it was very interesting you were saying earlier today that you either hear that traffic’s not moving fast

enough or traffic’s moving way too fast,” he said of a comment previously made by O’Malley. “And that’s a perfect summation of the issues that the transportation department is trying to deal with right now.” Kearney also provided several other statistics on accidents that have affected pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists.

Becca Wolfson, Executive Director of the Boston Cyclists Union and representing the Vision Zero Coalition, said that the Cyclists Union’s goal “is to make it safe and comfortable for anyone to be able to bike safely within the City of Boston and the region.” She said that it would be a “much better use of the city’s resources” if streets were changed to be self-enforcing of lower speeds, and for the focus to be on the most dangerous streets and behaviors “with respect to enforcement.”

“We know that police officers can’t be on every corner,” she said, and “change can’t be done overnight,” but she believes that analyzing BPD data “in conjunction with BTD can inform where design needs the most change and enforcement can be utilized.”

Stacy Thompson, Director of Livable Streets Alliance and a member of the Vision Zero Coalition, spoke about automated enforcement. “Given the number of crashes in Boston, we cannot ask our police to be superheroes,” she said. “What we would say affirmatively is that when deployed properly, automated enforcement, specifically speed cameras and red light

cameras, have been shown to effectively reduce unsafe driving behavior, the number of crashes, and the severity of crashes.”

Emiliano Falcon, Civil Liberties and Technology Policy Councilor at the ACLU of Massachusetts, said that the ACLU has concerns about the potential traffic enforcement unit and the use of automated enforcement, such as the legal authorization for the surveillance, the disparate impact on racial justice, and ongoing oversight of transparency and accountability.

Steve Jonas, a “daily pedestrian,” said that he is concerned about the life safety issues associated with traffic in Boston. He read an excerpt from an email that he sent to Mayor Walsh in November to which he said he received “zero response.”

“As a daily pedestrian in our fine city, I have witnessed the rampant increase in the incidence of vehicles running red lights and doing so at high speeds,” Jonas read. “My message is that enforcement of traffic violations has become almost nonexistent; there are no consequences to disregarding the traffic safety laws. As a result, more motorists are doing just that at the peril of pedestrians, bikers, and other motorists.” He said that he is a fan of traffic enforcement cameras to assist with these issues.

This conversation is going to be continued by the City Council as they discuss ways to mitigate issues of traffic across the city.

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To all persons who have or may have some interest in the above-captioned estate and, if interested, to then Office of the Attorney General and the Department of Veterans Affairs, notice is hereby given on January 15,

2019 that the Petitioner Barbarann Finocchiaro of Saugus, MA intends to file the above-named Probate and Family Court, not sooner than seven (7) days after this notice, a Petition for Informal Probate of a Will.

Petition for informal Appointment of Personal Representative, to serve without surety on the bond.

Barbarann Finocchiaro of Saugus, MA.

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

of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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## LEGAL NOTICE

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TRUST  
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Docket No.  
SU19P0290PO

In the matter

Of: Stephanie A.

Parker, Trustee of

the 406-408 Trust

To all interested persons:

A Petition has been filed by:

Frederick H. J. Green, Jr. of Boston, MA requesting 406-408 Trust Under Declaration of Trust Under Written Instrument by J. Spencer Goldsmith.

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 04/08/2019.

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.

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

Date: February 25, 2019

Felix D. Arroyo

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# Greenway 2019 season offers 450 free events and more

The Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy has announced the 2019 programmatic lineup on The Greenway, a season brimming with possibilities including new food trucks, fitness partners, events, and more.

Old friends and new visitors to The Greenway will experience a free and open public park, where over 450 free events will create opportunities to gather, play, unwind, and explore around every corner.

This season will include a unique free musical performance experience from Celebrity Series, 100+ free fitness classes, and the return of festivals, markets, and play.

Discover flavors from around the world seven days a week with 36 food trucks and carts in the 2019 season of Greenway Mobile Eats. The new season of vending will begin on April 1 and offer a variety of affordable, unique cuisines across seven different locations along the park.

Seven new vendors for 2019 including Boston SnoMobile, Caffé Pellicano, Daddy's Bonetown Burgers, Hometown Poké, Melt, Say Pao de Queijo, and The Whoopie Wagon.

The Conservancy welcomes back some of our favorite season-long partners, bringing enriching experiences to our world-class park.

\*Coolidge on The Greenway will return for the fifth year with movie screenings on The Greenway on June 18, July 16,



*The Greenway Fitness Program will offer over 100 free fitness classes.*

and August 13.

\*Boston Calling Block Parties are returning for their sixth season of live music, beer, and wine to Dewey Square Thursdays and select Tuesday evenings from mid-May through August.

\*Discover unique local artisan crafts at the Greenway Open Market from May to October every Saturday plus the first and third Sundays of the month.

\*Boston Public Market at Dewey Square on The Greenway will provide fresh and local wares every Tuesday and Thursday from mid-May until Thanksgiving.

\*The North End Music & Performing Arts Center will bring Jazz in the Park: NEMPAC Summer Concert Series to The Greenway weekly on Tuesdays in July.

\*The Asian Community Development Corporation, for the 14th year, will bring Chinese language kung fu films and movies about the Asian/American experiences to the

park for Films at the Gate on August 23-25.

Covering a range of workouts and abilities, the Greenway Fitness Program will offer over 100 free fitness classes running from June through September as part of the Conservancy's fourth year of partnership with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts on Greenway Fitness. A full schedule of the 100+ free classes will be released in late May.

"With new additions to our programming every year, we're looking forward to a season full of experiences for families, visitors, and residents to explore and discover," said Jesse Brackenbury, Executive Director of the Greenway Conservancy. "With private support and our extensive range of partnerships, we're able to bring free programs for all ages to The Greenway."

The Conservancy also announced a 2019 partnership with Celebrity Series of Boston's Concert for One: 1 Musician. 1 Listener. 1 Minute of Live Music. Taking place in September, this public art project is part concert series-part social experiment that will produce thrilling, intimate free

concerts on The Greenway joining one listener with one local musician for 60 seconds.

A series of major festivals will take place on The Greenway in 2019, all free and open to the public.

\*The Boston Pops Fireworks Spectacular will be returning to The Greenway this July 4 with Bloomberg for a live simulcast of this classic Boston tradition and sensational celebration.

\*Chinatown Main Street will return with the Chinatown Main Street Festival in early July and the Lantern Festival in early September.

\*The Caribbean One World Expo will be July 13, and the FIGMENT Boston participatory art festival will be July 27 and 28.

\*The Chinese Consolidated Benevolent Association of New England will bring back August Moon Festival on August 11.

\*Boston GreenFest will come to The Greenway for the first time in 2019 on August 16, 17, and 18.

\*The Massachusetts Military Heroes Fund will return to The Greenway on September 11 for the 9/11 Service Project to Support Our Troops & Families, day to support active duty service members and veterans.

\*September 15 will be Sustainable Business Network's Boston Local Food Festival.

The Conservancy has coordinated this year's play programming, with generous support from Yasso Frozen Greek Yogurt and its Game On! Foundation. Youth play programming on The Greenway includes weekly sessions in Chinatown on Thursday evenings from May

through September and a SaturPLAY series in partnership with the Asian Community Development Corporation's A-VOYCE program from April to October. As in years past, the Conservancy will continue to work with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Boston and other youth organizations, hosting 14 Youth Adventure Days on The Greenway.

"The Greenway is the perfect place to gather with friends, family, and out-of-town visitors," said Keelin Caldwell, Director of Programs and Community Engagement. "From fresh, unique foods from our farmers market and food trucks to experiencing a yoga or spin class right in the heart of downtown Boston - there's always something new to try."

Two ticketed fundraising events will take place on The Greenway in June. At the Gala on The Greenway on June 6, we will honor Governor Charlie Baker for his leadership on behalf of the Greenway Conservancy since its inception. As a private citizen, Baker served on our founding Board of Directors and, as governor, his leadership was instrumental in creating the landmark 2017 multi-party funding agreement for The Greenway. Our event Co-Chairs are Alli & Bill Achtmeyer and Bob & Laura Reynolds; sponsorships are currently available. On the following night, June 7, guests will enjoy live music, performances, food, and beverages while supporting the Conservancy at the signature young professionals event, Glow in the Park.

The Conservancy's full program calendar compliments all the The Greenway has to discover, from local drinkeries, contemporary public art, seven unique water features, and more. Organic lawns and gardens invite visitors to unwind, the Greenway Carousel at The Tiffany & Co. Foundation Grove will soon be spinning daily with a host of native New England creatures, and a free Wi-Fi network continues to stretch the entire 1.5 mile length of The Greenway.

Many events are still completing permitting and are subject to weather and schedule changes. The calendar is available online and updates are available by following The Greenway on Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, and signing up for the weekly e-newsletter.

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