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The Saint Agrippina procession marches on Endicott Street. See Pages 8 and 9 for more photos.

Prezza donates \$10,000 to North End Youth Organization following their 25th anniversary block party

Special to the Regional Review

Following a milestone celebration of 25 years in Boston's North End, Prezza is proud to announce a \$10,000 donation to the North End Youth Organization — a gift made possible by the overwhelm-

ing support of loyal guests and community members who joined the restaurant's first-ever block party on Sunday, June 22.

The donation, fueled by ticket sales and the generosity of attendees, is a reflection of Prezza's enduring bond with the North

End — a neighborhood that has embraced the restaurant since day one.

"What made our 25th anniversary celebration so special wasn't just the food or the festivities — it

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COURTESY PHOTO

Prezza raised \$10,000 during their 25th anniversary block party for the North End Youth Organization.

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North End Sub Committee seeks Library Renovations

By Phil Orlandella

In 2013, the Boston Public Library (BPL) identified the North End Library, 25 Parmenter Street, as one of six branches that qualified for a future capital project.

Twelve years later, BPL has still not delivered any restoration hope for the library, which has been bypassed for much needed restorations.

Reportedly, since 2016, renovations have taken place at five locations and six others have begun construction, leaving the North End branch out of the mix on the original list that was identified.

Multiple branches which were not on the list have surged ahead of the North End.

This has prompted North End resident Rory Harrington to form a North End Library Renovation Sub Committee, which he chairs, to gather community support to renovate the library.

Harrington said, "The goal of the committee, through community support, is to ensure the library

receives much needed renovations as soon as possible."

The Committee has already met with the BPL Neighborhood Services Department to convince them there is neighborhood support to upgrade their library, which was built in 1965 and has a rich history of great community services.

Another public meeting is scheduled for this September.

"It (the library) no longer fully meets the evolving needs of our community," Harrington said. He encourages residents to attend the next meeting and express their support for library renovation.

"We need a welcoming, accessible and modernized space for generations to come," Harrington said.

He noted, "Remember that in 2013, BPL systems wide review uncovered the urgent need for substantial renovations at the library, yet the North End branch has been continuously bypassed."

The Committee is also seeking support from local elected officials.

Elections Dept. sends Vote-By-Mail applications, issues call for poll workers

Special to the Regional Review

In order to increase access to and participation in local elections, the City of Boston's Election Department is mailing vote-by-mail applications to Boston voters. Applications are being mailed to the address at which each voter is registered or has on file with the Election Department. These applications are non-forwardable, even if a voter has changed their address with the post office. Additionally, the Election Department is recruiting poll workers for the upcoming Preliminary Municipal Election on Tuesday, September 9, 2025.

In order to vote-by-mail in the September 9 Preliminary Election,

residents must (1) be registered to vote by Saturday, August 30th, and (2) the City of Boston must receive a vote-by-mail application by Tuesday September 2nd at 5pm. The following information and forms may be found at www.VoteinMA.com.

Residents can check their voter registration at www.VoteinMA.com and can update it if necessary in any of the following ways:

On the Secretary of State's website at www.VoteinMA.com;

By printing a voter registration form and mailing it to the Boston Election Department located at City Hall, One City Hall Square, Room 241, Boston, MA 02201;

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EDITORIAL

SHOULD DRIVERS OVER 80 BE REQUIRED TO TAKE A ROAD TEST?

We read with great sadness the recent news reports about an 81-year-old man who was arraigned last week on multiple charges connected with the wrong-way crash that killed an 18-year-old boy and injured three other teenage passengers.

According to a press release from Essex District Attorney Paul F. Tucker's office and related court documents, the accident occurred on the Abram Piatt Andrew Bridge that spans the Annisquam River on Route 128 in Gloucester at approximately 1:30 a.m. on June 30.

Authorities allege that the defendant, who was the operator and sole occupant of his 2020 Honda CRV, drove northbound in the southbound lane for five miles before colliding with the victims' vehicle, a 2011 Toyota Corolla.

The defendant was not charged with operating under the influence -- according to news and police reports, he simply had been confused.

We all know that accident statistics clearly demonstrate that new drivers (ages 18-24) are the most accident-prone of any age cohort, but what is less widely-known is that studies show that drivers 80 and over have the highest rate of fatal crashes per mile driven.

Although senior drivers, particularly those over 80, are involved in fewer crashes than younger drivers, they have a higher rate of deadly and severe crashes compared to other age groups.

This is not surprising. As those of us who are approaching that 80 year-old cohort know all too well, we have decreasing physical and cognitive abilities that affect our reaction time, vision, hearing, and overall driving performance.

Massachusetts law mandates that drivers age 75 and older must renew their licenses in person at an RMV location and undergo a vision test. The RMV can request a road test or written exam only if there is reason to believe a driver's medical condition might affect their ability to drive safely.

However, as Baby Boomers continue to age, America's senior population is growing faster than all other age groups, thus greatly increasing the number of elderly drivers who will be on our roads in the years ahead.

It seems to us that in this era of Lyft and Uber, our seniors have many options for getting around -- and that removing older drivers who no longer are capable of operating on our roadways safely will greatly improve public safety for everybody.

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Mayor Michelle Wu's Movie Nights

Special to the Regional Review

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department ParkARTS program presents Mayor Wu's Movie Nights, featuring family-favorite movies in 12 City of Boston parks now through August 29.

The Mayor's Movie Nights series is hosted by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department and sponsored by Bank of America with additional support from the Mayor's Office of Tourism, Sports, and Entertainment. All movies begin at dusk. Free fresh popcorn will be available while supplies last.

Dates and locations for area venues are as follows:

Monday, August 11

"Transformers One"

Jamaica Pond Pinebank

350 Jamaicaaway, Jamaica Plain

Tuesday, August 12

Meteor Shower Program

featuring "Wall-E" with family

friendly entertainment starting at 7 p.m.

Healy Playground

160 Florence Street, Roslindale

Wednesday, August 13

"Migration"

Chandler Pond

95 Lake Shore Road, Allston-Brighton

Friday, August 15

"Paddington in Peru"

Hynes Playground

502 VFW Parkway, West Roxbury

Monday, August 18

"Moana 2"

Titus Sparrow Park

75 W Rutland Square, South End

Tuesday, August 26

"Wild Robot"

Noyes Playground

86 Boardman Street, East Boston

Wednesday, August 27

"Moana 2"

Barry Field

41 Medford Street, Charlestown

Thursday, August 28

"Despicable Me 4"

Moakley Park

Columbia Road at Mercer Street, South Boston

Friday, August 29

"Wicked"

With Wicked themed entertainment starting at 5:30 p.m.

Boston Common Parade Ground

38 Beacon Street, Boston

All ParkARTS performances are free of charge. For more information please go to Boston.gov/MovieNight. To stay up to date with news, events, and improvements in Boston parks visit boston.gov/parks, call (617) 635-4505, join our email list, and follow our social channels @bostonparksdept on X, Facebook, Instagram, and @parks.boston.gov on Bluesky.

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or by dropping it in the City Hall Plaza drop box at City Hall - Main Entrance on 3rd Floor, 1 City Hall Sq, Boston, MA 02201;

By coming in person to the Boston Election Department, located at City Hall.

2. In order to receive a vote-by-mail ballot, a registered voter's application must reach the Boston Election Department by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, September 2. Voters can do this in any of the following ways:

By completing and returning a paper vote-by-mail application, which is mailed to all registered voters, or which can be downloaded here. Applications can be returned via mail to the Boston Election Department, City Hall, One City Hall Square, Room 241, Boston, MA 02201, or in person either at the Boston Election Department or in the drop box located at the Main Entrance to Boston City Hall on the 3rd Floor;

By completing an online application on the Secretary of State's website;

By e-mailing a signed application or letter to the Election Department requesting a vote-by-mail ballot for any or all elections in 2025, including the Preliminary Municipal Election on September 9, 2025 and the General Municipal Election on November 4, 2025

to either election@boston.gov or absenteevoter@boston.gov.

If residents have questions or need further assistance updating their voter registration or requesting a vote-by-mail application, they are encouraged to contact the Election Department at 617-635-0905.

Additionally, the Election Department is recruiting poll workers for the upcoming Preliminary Municipal Election on Tuesday, September 9, 2025. Poll workers are paid a stipend rang-

ing from \$160-200 in addition to payment for required training. Being a poll worker is a meaningful way to give back, participate in democracy, and help neighbors vote in free and fair elections. Residents can request to be assigned a location close to their home. Bilingual applicants are strongly encouraged. Residents can apply online or get more info at boston.gov/pollworkers or reach out to the Election Department by calling 617-635-0905 or emailing pollworkers@boston.gov.

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Boston invited to join the World Cities Culture Forum

Special to the Regional Review

Mayor Michelle Wu announced that Boston has been officially invited to join the World Culture Cities Forum, a global network of more than 45 cities across six continents united in using culture to shape more inclusive, creative, and resilient cities. Boston becomes the sixth U.S. city—alongside New York, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Chicago, and Austin—to join the Forum with international cities including Paris, London, and Tokyo. This milestone underscores Boston's leadership in cultural equity, leadership in expanding access to creative innovation, and its historic role as a hub of education and civic engagement.

"It is an honor to receive an invitation to join this unique partnership, alongside 45 peer cities in the World Culture Cities Forum," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "We look forward to sharing Boston's rich history, diverse communities, and creative energy and learn how we can strengthen our city's role as a global cultural leader. We are excited to share Boston's successes and learn from partner cities around the world."

Under the leadership of Mayor Michelle Wu, the City has transformed the way arts and culture is supported and created in Boston—creating access for a new generation, preserving and expanding cultural space, and reinventing the public art landscape of a city known more for its revolutionary era monuments.

With initiatives like Boston Family Days, Mayor Wu and the City have opened the doors to Boston's world-class cultural institutions to more than 60,000 Boston youth and their families. In Brighton, the City secured 290 North Beacon Street to create 40,000 sq ft of affordable music rehearsal/recording studio alongside deeply affordable public housing. And with the launch of Un-monument—the largest-ever investment in public arts programming in our city's history—and the first Boston Public Art Triennial, Boston is making its mark as a global leader in public art.

"I'm delighted Boston is joining this network of global cities committed to embedding cultural infrastructure into the fabric of their cities," said Joseph Henry,

Director of Cultural Planning, Mayor's Office of Arts and Culture (MOAC). "Our vision is for Boston to be a space of cultural production, education and civic innovation, and access to the Forum will strengthen our ability to collaborate, exchange ideas, and learn from our peers from around the world. Boston is home to world-class talent, and we are excited to elevate them on the global stage."

The World Cities Culture Forum connects civic leaders around the globe to exchange ideas, share knowledge and data, and develop collaborative responses to global challenges such as climate change, rapid technological shifts, cultural displacement, and equitable economic growth. The Forum champions the belief that culture is the golden thread of urban policy—creating jobs, attracting tourism, strengthening communities, and improving health and well-being.

As a member of the World Cities Culture Forum, Boston will participate in global policy exchanges, contribute to international research initiatives, and collaborate with other cities to develop

cultural policies that improve life for all residents. The City is eager to use the Forum as an opportunity to work on new emerging policy and research topics.

In October 2025, representatives from Boston will join mayors, culture commissioners, and city policymakers from around the world in Amsterdam at the 2025 World Cities Culture Summit. Boston will also be included in the World Cities Culture Trends Report, a widely used publication for policymakers, researchers, and media that provides a global snapshot of culture's role in cities.

World Cities Culture Forum was founded in 2012 around the belief that global cities can achieve more by working together and being generous with ideas.

"I'm delighted to welcome Boston to our global network of creative cities and civic leaders," said Justine Simons OBE, Deputy Mayor of London for Culture and the Creative Industries & Chair of World Cities Culture Forum. "Culture is an essential ingredient in the success of cities, bringing together communities and supporting fairness, inclusion and prosperity. Through the World Cities Culture Forum, we

are using the power of culture to tackle the challenges of the 21st century. Boston is a globally influential cultural city where arts, technology, and education drive innovation—home to world-class universities, vibrant public art and architecture, and pioneering civic institutions. We look forward to working closely with Boston to support its growth as a global capital for culture."

World Cities Culture Forum is a leading global network of over 45 creative cities across six continents, collectively representing a population of over 280 million. They champion the role of culture as a driver of equitable, sustainable, and prosperous cities. Their network of civic leaders shares ideas and solutions to tackle 21st-century challenges - including climate change, cultural tourism, affordable workspace, and diversity in public spaces - placing culture at the heart of city planning and investment. Through their global Summit, leadership programs, and research, they empower civic leaders to build communities and economies where culture thrives. For more information visit worldcitiescultureforum.com

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was the people," said Anthony Caturano, Owner of Prezza. "Our guests, many of whom have been with us since the beginning, came from near and far to celebrate with us. Their loyalty and enthusiasm made this donation possible, and we're honored to give back to the community that has given us so much."

The June 22nd block party transformed Fleet Street into a vibrant, family-friendly celebration complete with food stations, wine and beer bars, specialty cocktails, and live entertainment. Hundreds gathered for an afternoon of Italian hospitality, all in support of a meaningful cause.

The turnout far exceeded expectations, with hundreds of

guests joining from across Greater Boston and beyond — a true testament to the deep-rooted loyalty and affection that surrounds Prezza. As the restaurant looks ahead to the future, giving back to the North End will remain at the heart of its mission. This donation is just the beginning of what Prezza hopes will be many more opportunities to support the neighborhood and the families that make it so special.

Prezza has been serving authentic Italian cuisine in Boston's North End since owner Anthony Caturano was just 25 years old. Fast forward to today and they've become Boston's premier destination for delectable dishes, family gatherings, and the best wine Bos-

ton has to offer. Stemming from Caturano's Italian roots, Prezza offers authentic Mediterranean and Italian cuisine you can only get from across the pond.

If you're craving authentic Italian food in Boston, look no further than Prezza. The experienced chefs at Prezza have created a menu that is bound to satisfy all your cravings for authentic Italian cuisine. Between menu items you'll crave and the best service around, you'll want to come back every night for authentic Italian cooking. For more information about Prezza, visit www.prezza.com or follow them on Instagram at @prezzaboston.

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Mayor's Cup Tennis Tournament begins Aug. 11

Special to the Regional Review

Mayor Michelle Wu and the Boston Parks and Recreation Department are excited to announce the 2025 Mayor's Cup Tennis Tournament will kick off on August 11.

Athletes ages 8 - 18 will have the opportunity to battle for "Boston's Best" in singles and doubles tennis.

"We are excited to hold the Mayor's Cup Tennis Tourna-

ment for another year to celebrate the talent and hard work of Boston's young athletes," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "This tournament serves as an opportunity to expand access to youth sports while supporting our local parks."

The tournament will kick off on Monday, August 11 at 9:30 a.m. with the games concluding on Thursday, August 14. Matches will take place at Carter Playground Tennis Courts, 709

Columbus Ave. Divisions are as follows: 8U singles, 10U singles, 12U doubles and singles, 14U doubles and singles, 18U doubles and singles. Registration is now open on the Boston Park Sports and Activities page.

The Mayor's Cup Tennis Tournament is presented by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department in partnership with the Sportsmen's Tennis and Enrichment Center, Tenacity, and the United

States Tennis Association (USTA). P&G Gillette is the sponsor of this year's tournament.

"We're excited to welcome young athletes from across Boston to Carter Playground for the 2025 Mayor's Cup Tennis Tournament," said Boston Parks and Recreation Director of the Capital Plan Cathy Baker-Eclipse. "Thank you to our partners at Sportsmen's Tennis & Enrichment Center, Tenacity, and the USTA for

helping us provide access to free, high-quality youth sports opportunities."

Learn more and register for the 2025 Mayor's Cup Tennis Tournament. To stay up to date with news, events, and improvements in Boston parks visit our page, call (617) 635-4505, join our email list, and follow our social channels @bostonparksdept on X, Facebook, Instagram, and @parks.boston.gov on Bluesky.

FRESH AND LOCAL

Pie for breakfast

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Have you heard the phrase, "As American as Apple Pie." Pie in America is so essential to our culture that the Library of Congress dedicated a blog post, Pie•ology: A Full Filling Story, to the subject.

In that juicy article, author Jennifer Harbster explained, "New England became known as the 'pie belt' and rightfully so. Pies were a staple in New England house-

holds and it was not uncommon to serve pie for breakfast." If you are someone who looks forward to a piece of pumpkin pie on the days after Thanksgiving or a slice of blueberry pie in the morning, you are merely continuing a long tradition.

What Counts as Pie?

Harbster wrote, "Not only do we have the traditional savory



This delicious blueberry pie replaced a birthday cake for Ed. The next day it served as Penny's breakfast.

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meat pies and the sweet dessert pies, but we also have pocket pies. These handheld pies are made by folding the dough over a filling and baking." We are happy to go along with that definition, as it opens up a world of traditional pies for our enjoyment.*

Pocket pies can make an excellent handheld breakfast on a grab-and-go morning. Their size means that even from frozen, these breakfast pies can be ready after 8 to 15 minutes in an air fryer or 15 to 20 minutes in an oven. Pop one or two in to bake when you wake, and they'll be ready in the time it takes for your morning routine.

Homemade Pies

The pocket pie with the best story is the Cornish Pasty. It was a handy meal that miners in Cornwall were able to eat in the dreadful conditions of the mines. Their wives would make a pastry crust and fill one end with beef, potatoes, onions, and rutabaga; create a dough barrier, and fill the other

end with fruit pie filling. The thick, crimped pastry edge served as the handle for the miner to hold in his dirty hand and toss away when he finished his meal.

While many cooks don't make pies because they lack the skill of making a good crust, they can try their hand by using a good commercial crust. We usually have both puff pastry, pie and pizza dough in our freezer.

Store Bought Pies

Another option can be found in the supermarket, where you can buy both fresh and frozen pies, as well as hand pies. We are fortunate to have vendors who offer empanadas, samosas, and fatayer at our farmers' market. Those in the Greater Boston area are fortunate to have great frozen empanadas available at Capone's Foods in Union Square, Somerville.

Since so many cultures have traditional pies and hand pies, you can sample a wide selection, dine in, or take out from restaurants.

We've saved a list of "40 Pies from Around the World" that we plan to use as a pie discovery bucket list. We've already checked off the Jamaican Paddy, Samosa, Spanakopita, Australian Meat Pie, and the others mentioned above.

The next time you need a conversation starter, ask people to share their pie story or whether they eat pie for breakfast. Ed's birthday pie was an extension of the Lemon Meringue pies a neighbor baked each year for Penny's birthday. And, with a family of pie bakers, Penny has even received a raisin pie, also known as a funeral pie, that is said to sweeten a sad time. Reflect on your past and prepare to share your own pie story once the conversation is underway.

Do you have a question or topic for Fresh & Local? Email Penny@BostonZest.com with your suggestion.

FRIENDS OF THE PUBLIC GARDEN CELEBRATE SUMMER AT BREWER FOUNTAIN



Courtesy of Friends of the Public Garden

The summertime vibes were high on July 22 at the Friends of the Public Garden's annual Summer

Celebration on Brewer Plaza on Boston Common.

Over 800 people stopped by the Plaza to enjoy free sandwiches from Bon Me, frozen treats from

Boston Ice Cream Truck, and live music by the Orchid Reed Band.

For more on the Friends of the Public Garden, visit friendsofthepublicgarden.org.



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MBTA celebrates anniversary of ADA alongside City of Boston

Special to the Regional Review

The MBTA proudly celebrates the 35th Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and joined advocates, members of the community, and legislators at the ADA 35 Rally and March led by the City of Boston and the Boston Center for Independent Living (BCIL). The Rally and March took place last week in support of disability rights.

“The Healey-Driscoll administration is committed to providing high quality access to jobs, housing, health care, transportation, and all other elements necessary for a high quality of life,” said Transportation Secretary and CEO Monica Tibbitts-Nutt. “The Americans with Disabilities Act anniversary is cause for celebration – the landmark legislation has physically and literally opened doors for millions of people. Accessible transportation is about fairness and equity, and when everyone can travel, our residents have the world opened to them.”

Every day, the MBTA honors the spirit of the ADA by working to make all aspects of its system and transit service easier for people with disabilities and older adults to use. By investing in accessibility, the MBTA advances a more modernized, human-centered system that benefits all riders, including parents and caregivers traveling with strollers, veterans, those with temporary injuries, and visitors to the system. With a focus on providing inclusive service for all riders, the MBTA continues to make



PHOTO COURTESY OF MBTA

important progress, aiming to be a national leader in accessible public transit. When the ADA was passed in 1990, only 22% of MBTA stations were accessible – today, nearly 85% of stations are accessible, and by 2030, the MBTA is on track to reach nearly 95% accessibility at stations.

“Accessibility is essential to quality of life and the ability to enjoy all that life has to offer. This ADA 35 event is a reminder that there is more to do. With a focus on accessibility as we rebuild our infrastructure, the MBTA is committed to doing our part to make sure all who want or need to use public transportation can do so

,” said MBTA General Manager and CEO Phillip Eng. “I’d like to thank Laura Brelsford, Assistant GM for Systemwide Accessibility, for her leadership, our entire workforce, and our partnership with advocates and stakeholders that helps drive this progress to date and the work that lies ahead in making our system fully accessible across all modes.”

This year alone, 10 stations – four on the Green Line D branch as well as Wellesley Square, West Medford, Franklin, Walpole, North Wilmington, and Winchester Center – have benefited from major accessibility upgrades with an eleventh – Natick Center

– slated for completion in August 2025, and 30 more to come over the next five years.

Across the system, over 400 bus stops have also been completely rebuilt over the last five years to improve accessibility with 40 more stops planned to be upgraded this year. The MBTA bus fleet is 100% accessible, the new Red and Orange Line cars are the MBTA’s most accessible subway vehicles in the system’s history, and the upcoming Type 10 Green Line “supercar” includes a 100% low-floor design with a modern public information system.

At Downtown Crossing, a

major accessibility project is underway to install two new elevators, which will create the MBTA’s first fully accessible connection between the Red and Orange lines – a major milestone for riders.

These improvements would not be possible without the work and advocacy of the Daniels-Finegold plaintiffs and the 2006 MBTA/Daniels-Finegold Settlement Agreement, which called for sweeping accessibility improvements across the Authority. The MBTA strives to go above and beyond the terms of the Agreement with every improvement a result of a strong partnership between the plaintiffs, Greater Boston Legal Services, MBTA, and Judge Patrick King who serves as the settlement’s independent monitor.

“The anniversary of the ADA is a great opportunity to reflect on both how far we’ve come, and how far we have to go. In looking back on the progress we’ve made towards making the system fully accessible, by far and away the most impactful change has been an embracing of the understanding that the perspectives and insights of disabled people matter,” said Laura Brelsford, MBTA Assistant General Manager, System-Wide Accessibility. “By ensuring people with disabilities, both employees as well as riders, have a seat at the decision-making table we are best positioned to make lasting positive change that benefits all. That has been, and will continue to be, the secret to our success.”

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NORTH WASHINGTON STREET BRIDGE

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The Construction Look-Ahead through August 16 for the North Washington Street Bridge is as follows:

Scheduled Work

- FRP fascia screening installation
- Marine fender and dolphin pile work

Work Hours

- Monday through Friday from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- Saturday from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Travel Tips

For everyone using the east sidewalk of the new bridge, please help share the space: walk to the right, walk bikes, and be mindful of people coming from both directions, if walking in a large group.

Drivers should take care to pay attention to all signage and move

carefully through the work zone. Police details, lane markings, temporary barriers, traffic cones, signage, and other tools will be used to control traffic and create safe work zones.

The Tudor Wharf Walkway (under the bridge next to the water in Paul Revere Park) will be intermittently closed for safety during construction operations, with access provided via the Water Street underpass. The Boston Harborwalk under the bridge and eastern/harborside bridge sidewalk remain closed until rebuilt.

The contractor is coordinating with the TD Garden and local police to provide awareness and manage traffic impacts during events. For your awareness, the following TD Garden events are scheduled during this look-ahead

period:

- August 8 at 7 p.m., August 9 at 3 p.m., August 9 at 7 p.m., August 10 at 7 p.m., August 12 at 7 p.m., and 8/15 at 7:30 p.m.

How can I find more information?

Stay up-to-date and informed by following @MassDOT on X, formerly known as Twitter, and Mass 511 for real-time updates, visiting the project website, or emailing us with any questions.

You can also sign up to receive project updates via email by clicking this link.

Project website: [Mass.gov/north-washington-street-bridge-replacement](https://www.mass.gov/north-washington-street-bridge-replacement)

Project email: NorthWashingtonStreet@dot.state.ma.us

News, Notes and Whatever

By Phil Orlandella

RUFF A
COMMUNITY ASSET

For many years, Responsible Urbanites For Fido (RUFF) has played a significant role to help keep the North End clean and healthy.

The group of pet owners are responsible for the community to have two dog parks, one in DeFilippo Playground and the other on Richmond Street.

The parks offer dog owners a place to curb and pick-up after their pets, avoiding the use of community sidewalks and public parks and playgrounds.

It's also a great place for dogs to run around and play with other pets, relieving some of the stress from being indoors.

The group has also participated in many community cleanups and there is no question RUFF plays a key role in helping to keep the community healthy and clean.

GERALDINE MAR-
SHALL SCHOLARSHIP
APPLICATIONS
AVAILABLE

For the 11th year, the North End Music and Performing Arts Center (NEMPAC) continues to provide the Geraldine Marshall Scholarship (a full year) for North End children and teens under 18 years old.

The scholarship provides enrollment in NEMPAC music lessons or an art enrichment of their choice.

Funds for the scholarship come from the annual Cornhole Classic held on the Greenway, and it honors State Representative Aaron Michlewitz's mother.

Marshall, a North End resident for five decades valued children and the arts. She passed away at the age of 68.

Applications are available by calling 857-239-9997.

Deadline is August 24 and scholarships will be given on September 3.

MANY COMMUNITY
EVENTS HELD
BY CARES

A series of community activities and events offered by North End Cares "Hot Summer Days and Cool North End Nights," were held in July and August and were enjoyed by many friends, neighbors and others.

It all started with the annual Alvaro Johnny Paolo Bocce Tournament, next was the annual Emily Pugliano/Bobby DeCristoforo Sunset Boat Cruise, followed by National Night Out at the Paul

Revere Mall (Prado).

A family Movie Night Under the Stars was held at the Nazza-ro Center Playground. This afternoon, August 7 a Fund Fest at the Mirabella Pool.

SIP, SAIL,
SUPPORT-FOCCP
SUNSET CRUISE

Friends of Christopher Columbus Park (FOCCP) annual Sunset Cruise Fundraiser on board the Odyssey set sail from Rowes Wharf this past Tuesday, August 5.

It was smooth sailing from 6 -8:30pm with friends, neighbors and FOCCP members who enjoyed great food, dancing and beverages while supporting FOC-CP's Fall Festival (Oct. 18).

Cruisers also bid on amazing silent auction items while having fun time traveling through Boston Harbor.

Prizes included a behind the scenes Franklin Park Zoo tour, restaurant gift certificates and more.

Every bid helped create a free community event that brings hundreds of families to the park for a fun afternoon.

Boston Harbor Cruises once again donated the use of the Odyssey.

JOHNNY PAOLO 18TH
BOCCE TOURNAMENT
WINNERS

The 18th Johnny Paolo Bocce Tournament, held at Langone Park was captured by Case Mac and Christopher Cross, Robyn Reed and Vito Aluia rolled their way into second place and third place was picked up by Alex Keating and George Ancede.

The annual event raised over \$ 3,800. Some of the proceeds will go toward purchasing new bocce sets for the courts on Commercial Street, with the rest going to this year's Charity of choice The Parkinson's Foundation.

COPPS HILL BURYING
GROUNDS AWARDED
ACHIEVEMENT
RECOGNITION

Once labeled the North End Burying Grounds located on the top of Charter Street overlooking Boston Harbor, Copps Hill Burying Ground has been recognized as a 2025 Preservation Achievement Award by the Boston Preservation Alliance.

The award recognizes the city's extensive efforts to restore the most visited site on the Freedom Trail. The site was built in 1650.

FOCCP FALL FESTIVAL

There is a great way for families to bring in the Fall by attending the always fun filled Friends of Christopher Columbus Park (FOCCP) annual Fall Festival scheduled for Saturday, October 18 at the park.

This is a very popular and well attended community activity that seems to get bigger and better each year, offering families a chance to enjoy fall arts and crafts, pumpkins and much more.

Children are encouraged to wear costumes.

THE PLAYWAY A
GUIDE TO FAMILY
DESTINATION
AND ACTIVITIES

The Playway a guide to family friendly destinations and programming to delight, engage and inspire visitors of all ages along Boston's iconic Rose Kennedy Greenway will be available on Friday, August 9 at the Greenway's Tractor and

Truck Day and at partnering local cultural destinations to the park on Monday, August 11.

Playway highlights the connectivity of many downtown Boston attractions including the Greenway.

The physical map and limited Playway stickers are also available.

Playway highlights free attractions and activities for the entire family.

BPD HOSTS SECOND
PUTTING FOR PARKS
GOLF TOURNAMENT

George Wright Golf Course in Hyde Park will be the site of the second Boston Parks and Recreation Department's fun filled and competitive Putting for Parks that usually finds many golfers teeing off for the fundraiser.

The event brings the community together for a day on the greens to benefit the many free youth sports and fitness programming offered by the department's recre-

ation division.

The tournament kicks off with registration at 8am, followed by a 9am shotgun start for an 18-hole contest.

Proceeds from the tournament will support free youth sports programs throughout the city, serving over 20,000 participants.

August 20 is the day of the tournament; registration closes September 28.

Visit www.boston.gov/putting-parks for more information about entrance fees.

NEMPAC TO PRESENT
TUITION ASSISTANCE
SCHOLARSHIPS

Now that the deadline has passed for applying for this year's North End Music and Performing Arts Center (NEMPAC) Tuition Assistance program, the awardees will be named soon.

Students of all ages and skills including adults, were eligible for NEMPAC's private lessons.

THE FRIENDS OF THE NORTH END
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THE 53RD ANNUAL REUNION WILL BE HELD ON SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2025 FROM 12 PM UNTIL 5 PM AT SPINELLI'S, 10 NEWBURY STREET, RTE. ONE SOUTH ON THE LYNNFIELD/PEABODY LINE.

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RESERVED TABLES TO ACCOMMODATE SEATING FOR A GROUP OF 10 WILL BE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST WITH PAYMENT IN FULL PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 13TH.

SAINT AGRIPPINA FEAST

The Saint Agrippina Feast honors Sant’Agrippina di Mineo who was a beautiful princess tortured to death by the Roman Emperor Valerian. She is the patron saint of thunderstorms, leprosy, and evil spirits. The Feast celebrates her with food, music, and festivities in the beginning of August.



Michael and Dan of the Firefighters Pipes and Drums perform at the Peroni Beer Garden.



The Peroni Beer Garden had a lot of fun going on.



Tourists watch the Saint Agrippina procession at Pizzeria Regina.



Paulie B celebrates with Jessica.



Joe Guarino enjoys a good laugh and cigar.



Brionna and Corey had a festive time at the Feast.



A staple character at many Feasts in Boston, “Captain” Anthony Fellano (right) with longtime friend Greg Jacobs.



Volunteers bring Saint Agrippina through the winding streets of the North End.



Volunteers bring Saint Agrippina through the winding streets of the North End.



Abby and Nicole help bring Saint Agrippina around the North End.



Ilaria Lorenzi and Giulia Lorenzi were visiting Boston from Italy and were reminded of home.



Volunteers bring Saint Agrippina through the winding streets of the North End.



William shows off the BBQ from Tropiero’s Grill Brazilian Steakhouse.



Instagram famous celebrity OG Benny with his human friends Lisa Settiane and Dana Gobbi.

SAINT AGRIPPINA FEAST

DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN PHOTOS



The Saint Agrippina Feast took up residence at the Commercial Street end of Hanover Street.



The Saint Agrippina procession marches up North Margin Street.



The Roma Band along with the Both End Marching Band provided music for the procession.



Nick from Pie Sons Pizza brings out a pizza that only took 2 minutes to bake in their wood fire oven.



Lynda Vecchiarello celebrates with Corbyn McCarthy on his prize winning throws.

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Youth Development Fund open for applications

Special to the Regional Review

The City of Boston will invest \$1.5 million into community-based youth programming; take steps to immediately provide engaging activities and spaces for Boston's young people

Mayor Michelle Wu and the City of Boston's Human Services Cabinet announced applications are now open for the 2026 Youth Development Fund (YDF), a \$1.5 million grant program included in Boston's fiscal 2026 annual operating budget to support non-profit organizations that provide high quality, engaging programming for youth and young adults ages 14-24. Funding will be prioritized for areas that are aligned with the Mayor's Connect, Learn, Explore commitment to youth. The goal of this grant is to increase the variety of free youth programming in the city and provide a positive outlet for young people when they're not in school. The application is open until 5:00 p.m. on August 26, 2025.

"We're working to make Boston a city where every young person has access to enriching

experiences outside of the classroom," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "By directing funds to initiatives that support youth programming we are not just investing in the futures of our young people, but in the future of our entire community. Thank you to our Office of Human Services for their work in launching this grant. I can't wait to see the programs that our partner organizations will offer and all the ways they will bring new and exciting experiences for our young people."

This year, the Youth Development Fund will support non-profit youth-serving organizations through two tracks of funding – one track for small, emerging organizations and another track for larger, established organizations. Those chosen for the emerging awards will be invited to participate in the Emerging Organization Learning Community, a series of free training and capacity-building workshops. This will be the third year that the Mayor's Office of Human Services has offered the Learning Community.

"Boston has a rich ecosystem of youth-serving organizations

that are focused on creating safe, welcoming spaces for our young people to grow and develop," said Human Services Chief José F. Massó. "I am excited to continue the City's partnership with many of these organizations."

The YDF Emerging Organization Grant will support organizations that have an annual operating budget of \$300,000 or less. All Emerging Organization Grants will come with technical assistance and capacity-building opportunities to help smaller organizations develop the skills needed to grow their programs. These grantees will also be partnered with a mentor organization that can provide coaching in non-profit leadership.

"The YDF Emerging Organization grant helped clarify our organization's values, vision, and gave us concrete next steps to move our organization forward while at the same time helping us build community and mutual support with other exciting nonprofits in Boston," said Evan Hershenson, Executive Officer and Treasurer of Dot Art, an FY25 grantee.

Larger organizations, those with a budget greater than

\$300,001 but less than \$5 million, are eligible for the YDF Established Organization track. This grant opportunity is available to medium-to-large-sized youth development organizations with a strong track record of engaging young people and achieving successful outcomes. Grant awards in this category can go up to \$30,000.

As in past years, the Youth Development Fund grants focus on categories of programming that align with Mayor Wu's Connect, Learn, Explore commitment to providing opportunities for youth to explore and discover their passions. Organizations that present programming in the following areas will be prioritized:

- Sports, including swimming and biking
- Gardening, urban farming, and culinary arts
- Arts, including both visual and performing arts
- Other youth development programming

In FY25, the YDF supported 99 grantees which provided out-of-school programming during the academic year, covering every

neighborhood of Boston. Programming spanned a variety of options including sports, arts, academic support, after school programming, and entrepreneurship. Collectively, the FY 2025 YDF grantees served approximately 7,500 youth across Boston.

The Human Services cabinet oversees six departments that provide direct services to Boston residents: Boston Centers for Youth & Families, Boston Public Library, Age Strong Commission, Office of Youth Engagement & Advancement, Office of Returning Citizens and the Office of Veterans' Services. The mission of the Human Services cabinet is to provide equitable access to high quality services, resources, and opportunities so that every Boston resident - especially those with the greatest needs - has what they need to thrive. In pursuit of this mission, the departments in the Human Services Cabinet meet residents where they are - in their homes, neighborhoods, and communities - to break down barriers to critical resources.

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'Putting for Parks' Golf Tournament returns Oct. 20

Special to the Regional Review

The Boston Parks and Recreation Department is excited to announce the return of the Putting for Parks Golf Tournament, taking place on Monday, October 20, 2025, at the George Wright Golf Course in Hyde Park.

Now in its second year, this fundraising event brings the community together for a day on the green, all to benefit free youth sports and fitness programming offered by the department's recreation division.

"Putting for Parks is a fun and meaningful way to support the free youth programs that strengthen our neighborhoods," said Mayor Michelle Wu. "We hope you'll join us at George Wright this October!"

The tournament kicks off with registration at 8:00 a.m., followed by a 9:00 a.m. shotgun start. Golfers will enjoy 18 holes of play, on-course contests, and a celebratory luncheon on the clubhouse patio. Participants can register as individuals for \$175 or in foursomes for \$700.

All proceeds will support free youth sports programs in the City

of Boston, which include youth sports leagues, clinics, Summer Sports Centers, and the beloved Mayor's Cup Tournaments in soccer, baseball, softball, basketball, cross country, ice hockey, street hockey, tennis, and more.

In 2024, the Recreation Division's free programs served over 20,000 Boston youth, providing access to physical activity, team building, and leadership development in neighborhoods across the city.

"Recreation is a vital part of our mission to support Boston's communities," said Interim Boston Parks and Recreation Commissioner Cathy Baker-Eclipse. "The Putting for Parks Tournament is not only a fun day on the green, but a meaningful way to invest in the health and well-being of the next generation."

Learn more and register at our Putting for Parks event page. Registration is now open and closes September 28, 2025.

The 2025 Putting for Parks Tournament will be supported by title sponsor, AFSCME Council 93.

"As the union representing the

dedicated parks workers in Boston, we know that providing our youth with a wide-range of recreational opportunities is an essential part of the effort to build their self-esteem, improve their health and help them make connections with other kids from around the city," said Mark Bernard, Executive Director of AFSCME Council 93. "Most importantly, it helps to steer them away from trouble. We're proud to support this important effort."

Businesses and organizations are encouraged to support the event by sponsoring a hole or selecting from other sponsorship packages. Sponsors must register by September 26, 2025 for logo inclusion in event materials. For details, contact Tiffany Clark at Tiffany.Clark@boston.gov or (617) 233-2305.

For more information, visit our event page. To stay up to date with news, events, and improvements in Boston parks visit boston.gov/parks, call (617) 635-4505, join our email list, and follow our social channels @bostonparksdept on X, Facebook, Instagram, and @parks.boston.gov on Bluesky.

Local municipal officials call for state action to keep food waste out of the trash

Staff Report

While residents across the Commonwealth have just experienced a record-breaking heatwave in some areas, municipal officials are acting on a less-often-discussed contributor to the climate crisis: food waste. Fifty-one municipal officials from 17 cities and towns across Massachusetts, including Revere, Boston, Everett, Lynn, and Chelsea, made that connection and urged the state to take action in a letter delivered this week to Governor Maura Healey and Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP) Commissioner Bonnie Heiple.

While landfill space in Massachusetts is rapidly filling up, food waste decomposing in landfills produces methane, a potent greenhouse gas. And according to EPA data, landfills are one of the largest sources of methane emissions in the Bay state. MassDEP estimates that food waste accounts for more than 25 percent of the waste

stream after recycling, or over 1 million tons per year.

"We ask the State to put in place concrete plans, funding and technical assistance to increase composting infrastructure, working in partnership with communities like ours to divert food waste and minimize the climate impact of discarded food," the letter states. "An expansion of sustainable waste management practices will benefit our residents and our economy. Communities like ours are ready to partner with the state to expand composting in (Massachusetts.)"

Local municipal officials who signed the letter include Revere City Councilors Juan Pablo Jaramillo, Marc Silvestri, Angela Guarino-Sawaya, Ira Novoselsky, Michelle Kelley, and Robert Haas, III; Chelsea City Councilors Kelly Garcia, Tanairi Garica, Roberto Jimenez-Rivera, and Melinda Vega; Boston City Councilors Henry Santana, Ruthzee Loui-jeune, Julia Mejia, Enrique Pepén,

and Gabriella Coletta-Zapata; Lynn City Councilors Natasha Megie-Maddrey and Nicole McClain; and Everett City Council President Stephanie Martins.

"Municipalities across the state are leading by building waste diversion programs that address the climate crisis effects of land-filling food waste," said Revere City Councilor Juan Pablo Jaramillo. "We need the resources to build out these programs into comprehensive municipal services that make it easier and affordable for working class communities and their residents to partake in reducing methane emissions and meeting out the Commonwealth's emissions goals." Amber Schmidt,

Zero Waste Organizer at Clean Water Action, who helped coordinate the letter, said diverting organic waste from landfills will prevent the unnecessary release of methane while providing numerous benefits such as compost for healthy soil and new green jobs.

"Keeping food waste out of our landfills is not just an environmental imperative, it's a moral one," said Chelsea City Councilor Kelly Garcia. "In Massachusetts alone, more than 1 million tons of food waste end up in our trash every year, contributing to methane emissions that are over 80 times more potent than carbon dioxide. By expanding composting infrastructure and supporting local

communities, we can cut these emissions, create healthy soils, and build a more sustainable future. I'm proud to join municipal leaders across the state in calling for this urgent action."

Massachusetts currently generates over six million tons of waste per year, with a growing percentage exported to other states. In 2024, Clean Water Action and MASSPIRG launched a campaign called Plate to Planet with a goal of reducing food waste and diverting all organics from disposal. To reach the goals in its 2030 Solid Waste Master Plan, the state must more than double its rate of food diversion from landfills and incinerators.

Bunker Hill Community College collaborates with Labcorp on new simulation lab in Chelsea

Bunker Hill Community College (BHCC), in collaboration with Labcorp, a global leader of innovative and comprehensive laboratory services, celebrated a new chapter in clinical education with the unveiling of a brand-new simulation lab on its Chelsea campus on May 13. The unique public-private collaboration enables BHCC students to acquire essential clinical phlebotomy skills through hands-on learning while creating a pathway to potential employment opportunities with Labcorp.

"Labcorp is dedicated to shaping the future of healthcare by investing in both education and experiential learning," said Bill Haas, Senior Vice President of Labcorp's Northeast Division. "The simulation lab empowers students to translate their academic knowledge into practical skills, preparing them to deliver exceptional care in real-world clinical settings."

BHCC offers four programs within the medical laboratory science industry, including the Phlebotomy Technician Certificate program. The course covers processes and procedures, safety protocols, quality assurance and

precautions, venipuncture skills, terminology, and related anatomy and physiology. Upon completing the training, students can then take their lab assessments and be assigned to their clinical placements on campus.

"We struggle to find clinical phlebotomy placements for our students, and the Labcorp simulation lab is a dream come true because our students get hands-on experience with a trusted provider of lab services right on campus," said Dean of Workforce and Economic Development Kristen McKenna.

With more than 50 years of academic excellence, Bunker Hill Community College (BHCC) is one of Massachusetts' largest community colleges, serving approximately 16,000 students annually. With campuses in Charlestown and Chelsea, BHCC offers a broad range of educational opportunities across Greater Boston. BHCC fosters a welcoming and supportive learning environment for students, providing associate degrees and certificates, early college and dual enrollment, community education, corporate training, and industry-specific programs.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING ON THE GREENWAY AUGUST 2025

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Jazz in the Park HOSTED BY NORTH END MUSIC & PERFORMING ARTS CENTER (NEMPAC)

August 7 | 6:30 to 8 p.m. | North End on The Greenway

This free, outdoor concert series welcomes all to enjoy the sounds of the world from the comfort of The Greenway.

Truck & Tractor Day POWERED BY EVERSOURCE

August 8 | 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. | Rings Fountain

Climb aboard and explore a variety of trucks, tractors, and other vehicles that are used around the city!

Free Carousel Day SPONSORED BY HIGHLAND STREET FOUNDATION

August 8 | 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. | The Greenway Carousel

As part of Highland Street Foundation's "August Adventures" series, the Greenway Carousel will offer free rides all day!

August Moon Festival HOSTED BY CHINESE CONSOLIDATED BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION OF NEW ENGLAND

August 10 | 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. | Auntie Kay & Uncle Chin Park

The August Moon Festival is also known as the Harvest Festival, a time of thanks for the harvest and good crops.

Come enjoy stage performances of Asian folk dance, lion dance, Chinese opera, and other entertainment. Plus, join us in celebrating Misa Chhan's "Year of the Snake" installation with a [cyanotype workshop](#) from 12 to 2 p.m.!

Off the Clock! On The Greenway

August 12, 14, and 19 | Times vary | Dewey Square on The Greenway

August 12: [Free LinkedIn Headshots](#) from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

August 14: [Healthy City: A Resource Fair at The Greenway](#) from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

August 19: [Petting Zoo](#) from 12 to 2 p.m.

Coolidge at The Greenway HOSTED BY COOLIDGE CORNER THEATER

August 13 | 8:30 p.m. (Sunset) | Wharf District (Between Milk St. and India St.)

Free outdoor screening of "The Blob" (1988) on 35 mm film!

Rain Date: August 14

Carousel of Curiosity

August 13, 20, and 27 | 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. | The Greenway Carousel

Join us at the Greenway Carousel for free, family-friendly programming that focuses on the themes of animals, art, and science!

Films At The Gate HOSTED BY ASIAN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (ACDC)

August 22-24 | 5 to 10 p.m. | Chinatown Gate

At this free, youth-led, Chinese-language film festival at the Chinatown Gate, enjoy live performances and iconic kung fu films under the stars!

Don't miss these other fun features on The Greenway!

- [Greenway Carousel at The Tiffany & Co. Foundation Grove](#)
- [Night Shift on The Greenway](#): Beer Garden on Dewey Square Plaza
- [Trillium Garden on The Greenway](#): Beer Garden at Atlantic Avenue and High Street
- [Greenway Food Truck Program](#): Daily schedule at rosekennedygreenway.org/food
- [FREE Fitness Classes](#): Accessible programs for all ages and skill levels
- [Greenway Artisan Market](#): Support local vendors at our weekend market in the Wharf District
- [Chin Park Play Sessions](#): Free play sessions every Thursday in Chinatown
- [Public Art on The Greenway](#): Unique installations from local and international artists



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Local couple marries at North Shore affair

Special to the Regional Review

In what is being hailed as one of New England's most elegant weddings of the year, two members of the local legal and business universe, Hailey Jenkins and Anthony D'Ambrosio, were married Saturday, July 19, in a private ceremony at the groom's parents historic Queen Ann Victorian home situated on four oceanfront acres in Beverly Farms.

The celebration blended old-world elegance with modern sophistication, and all played out in front of a sweeping vista of the Atlantic Ocean. Some 200 guests gathered on the home's manicured lawn, along the Cape Ann coast, enjoyed curated menus and other designer details throughout the evening.

Among the attendees were a

who's who of Massachusetts business, legal, and political powerbrokers. Guests included Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll; former Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court Justice David Lowey; former Massport CEO, Pfizer vice president, and gubernatorial chief of staff Virginia Buckingham; Massachusetts Trial Court Administrator and former Revere mayor and Chelsea city manager Thomas Ambrosino; LPL Financial founder Bill Dwyer; Constitution Capital Partners CEO Dan Cahill; Aptiv CEO Kevin Clark; Link Ventures CEO Dave Blundin, State Representative Jeffrey Turco; Revere Mayor Patrick Keefe, Everett Mayor Carlo DeMaria and other officials.

The groom's father, Gerry D'Ambrosio, is a prominent Boston attorney who provides counsel



Anthony and Hailey D'Ambrosio walk down the aisle as husband and wife.

on some of the largest, complex economic development projects in the Commonwealth and sits on numerous boards including the Governor's Judicial Nominating Commission.

The wedding site has a rich history dating back to the 19th Century. The home, a 9,000 square foot historical manor, was initially built on the promontory overlooking the ocean in 1845 as a summer residence for Boston investment banker and entrepreneur Henry C. Lee.

The wedding was officiated by Reverend Patrick O'Connor, formerly of St. John the Evangelist Parish in Winthrop, currently assigned to Our Lady of Providence Seminary in Rhode Island.

The former Miss Hailey Jenkins wore a show-stopping Italian Stretch Mikado, cat eye neckline, basque waist pleated and gathered ball gown with signature bow accents, from The Park View by Sareh Nouri. It was worn with a custom off-shoulder ceremony wrap, a cathedral length ribbon-trimmed veil with a blusher, diamond drop earrings and a pair of Christian Louboutin vintage Empira Lace booties. The groom's attire was by Frank's Custom Tailoring of Boston.

The wedding planner was Just a Girl Events, led by Charlene DeLuca, who has more than three decades of experience in Boston, Newport, and New York City.

The couple exchanged vows beneath a sculptural composition of hydrangeas of varying heights, up to six-plus feet, vary in height, that overlooked the ocean. The floral creations were by American Stems, a bespoke floral studio in Harwich Port.

The prominent floral designer Kelsey Harris continued the



Attorney Gerry and Michelle D'Ambrosio with the newlyweds, Anthony and Hailey D'Ambrosio.

hydrangea theme to a 50-foot aisle that led guests through a mass of blooms to the site of the ceremony. It was extended, also, to the head table, where a cascading meadow of flowers spilled from either end, and to the bars.

Guests were seated under a 45' by 84' sailcloth, tri-top tent with a complete flooring system, erected by Seacoast Tent Rentals of Plaistow, N.H. Much of the tented platform was elevated several feet from the ground, complete with railings, stairs, and ramps.

Cake Ann of Gloucester provided the massive three-tiered vanilla berry wedding cake with vanilla simple syrup.

Timothy S. Hopkins Catering of Essex created a menu featuring coastal New England and American favorites. Hors d'oeuvres included lobster rolls, crab cakes, yellowfin tuna, and a full raw bar. Entrees were halibut and filet of Angus beef, and the dessert station featured delectable petit confections, sable cookies, and chocolate-dipped strawberries. Hopkins additionally provided the wedding party and guests a late-night snack of black Angus sliders, fried chicken, and homemade potato

chips. Guests enjoyed three full open bars for the duration of the evening. There was an after-dinner cigar station as well.

The Fenway String Quartet performed the ceremonial music. A pre-recorded voice note from the bride to the groom was played over the string section as she walked down the aisle.

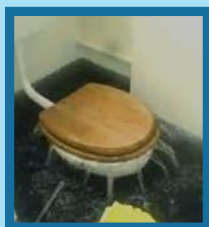
The wedding band was Hot Mess, a best of Boston, nine-piece ensemble with five lead vocalists, a horn section, and choreography complete with costume changes. The band incorporated traditional Italian music to reflect the heritage of the groom's family and also provided a surprise mash-up of Tim McGraw's "My Little Girl" and Krystal Keith's "Daddy Dance With Me" for the father-daughter dance. The bride's father, Jim Jenkins, loves both songs so much he couldn't choose just one. The music and wedding party concluded at 1AM.

The newlyweds reside on Revere Beach as Hailey departs the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office to start a new position with the Trial Court, and Anthony enters his first year at Harvard Business School.

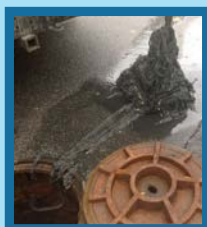
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 10
DENNIS TAYLOR
2:00-4:00 PM

RULE OF 3 EXPERIENCE
5:30-8:30 PM

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8

4:00 PM FESTIVAL OPENS
7:00 PM EXPOSITION OF THE IMAGE OF THE MADONNA AT 3 BATTERY ST. FOLLOWED BY A BLESSING AND SHORT PROCESSION
8:00 PM STEVE SMITH AND THE NAKEDS
10:30 PM GRAND RAFFLE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 9

12:00 PM FESTIVAL OPENS
8:00 PM ANGELENA AND THE UNIT

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10

11:00 AM HOLY MASS AT SAINT STEPHEN'S CHURCH ON HANOVER ST.
12:00 PM FESTIVAL OPENS
1:00 PM GRAND PROCESSION
2:00 PM DENNIS TAYLOR
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MBTA continues to make improvements to bus and subway service

The Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority (MBTA) today announced improvements this fall to subway and bus schedules, which go into effect on August 24. The MBTA typically adjusts service schedules quarterly to reflect the levels of service being delivered.

Among the changes, six more bus routes will begin operating every 15 minutes or better every day, and several routes will see routing improvements to better serve riders and communities, such as Route 62 now operating seven days a week for consistent service to the Bedford VA Hospital and Route 220 again serving the Hingham Ferry Terminal for improved multimodal connections as well as other upgrades.

Riders are strongly encouraged to check schedules in advance, which will be fully available soon, and use the MBTA's Trip Planner as well as the MBTA Go app to view live information.

Subway Frequency Improvements This Fall Beginning August 24:

Red Line frequency will improve every day with the number of weekday trips increasing by 3% and the time between trains during peak hours on weekdays decreasing by about 30 seconds.

Orange Line frequency will improve every day due to faster observed turnaround times with the new car fleet. The number of weekday trips will also increase by 9% with the time between trains during peak hours on weekdays decreased by about 30 seconds.

Blue Line frequency will improve slightly on weekdays.

Weekend Green Line schedules will adjust slightly to better reflect actual trip times, and Mattapan Line schedules will adjust to better reflect actual trip times every day.

More information will be available soon at mbta.com/ServiceChanges.

Bus Service Improvements This Fall

Beginning August 24, notable bus upgrades this fall include:

Route 1, 15, 22, 23, 28, 31: These six routes will become Frequent Bus Routes with service every 15 minutes or better all day, every day during operating hours.

Route 15: Service will extend past St. Peter's Square to Fields Corner Station for all trips.

Routes 62 and 76: Routes 62 and 76 will operate as separate routes with more frequent service (the combined Route 62/76 will be discontinued). Route 62 will run seven days a week, including on Sundays, which it did not previously, bringing consistent bus service to the Bedford VA Hospital as well as more direct service to Lexington, Arlington, Cambridge, and Red Line connections at Alewife. Route 76 will operate each weekday. Both routes will be more frequent at peak times.

Route 90: Pending roadway

changes from the City of Somerville, service will resume via Cross Street and Broadway. This will maintain service along Cross Street while the MBTA shares plans with the public about future changes to Route 88/90 service.

Route 220: Service will resume operating to the Hingham Ferry Terminal for improved connectivity to the Hingham Ferry and other retail destinations.

Routes 4, 92, and 93: Service will resume operating in the Congress Street bus lane near Haymarket due to the southbound roadway reopening after construction closures.

Route 716: The new seasonal Saturday service pilot connecting Mattapan to recreational opportunities at Houghton's Pond will continue through October 11.

Some bus routes will also shift trip times to improve service frequency and reliability. The full list of upcoming bus service changes will be available soon at mbta.com/buschanges and mbta.com/ServiceChanges.

2025 Ferry Schedule Changes

Hingham/Hull Ferry weekday service continues to operate year-round. Hingham/Hull Ferry weekend service will continue through October 12, 2025.

Charlestown Ferry weekday and weekend service continues to operate year-round.

East Boston Ferry will operate this season through November 30, 2025.

Lynn Ferry, Winthrop Ferry, and Quincy Ferry will operate this season on weekends through October 12, 2025, and on weekdays through November 26, 2025.

For more information, connect with the T on X @MBTA, Facebook /TheMBTA, Instagram @theMBTA, Threads @thembta, or TikTok @thembta.

BCBS offers riders \$31 Bluebikes credit for National Wellness Month in August

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts ("Blue Cross"), the title sponsor of Greater Boston's municipally owned bike-sharing system, is launching the program to encourage active transportation and support healthier lifestyles across Metro Boston.

How it works: Beginning Aug. 1, individuals can redeem the \$31 credit – equivalent to \$1 per day throughout National Wellness Month – by entering code BLUECROSSMARIDE in the "Rewards" section of the Bluebikes app, while supplies last.

The credit can be applied toward any combination of Bluebikes trips, whether used all at once or across multiple rides.

Credits can be used for pedal and ebikes across all 550 stations in 13 municipalities, including Arlington, Boston, Brookline, Cambridge, Chelsea, Everett, Malden, Medford, Newton, Revere, Salem, Somerville and Watertown.

Once redeemed, the credit will be added to the rider's account and remain valid for 12 months from the time of redemption.

Riders also are encouraged to share their wellness journeys using #WhyIBikeBlue on social media to inspire others throughout the month.

What they're saying: "At Blue Cross, we believe that small daily choices, like biking to work or tak-

ing a ride with friends, can have a powerful impact on health. We're proud to make it easier for our communities to get outside, get active and feel good, one ride at a time," said Jeff Bellows, vice president of corporate citizenship and public affairs at Blue Cross.

Biking's benefits: Regular physical activity, including biking, is associated with improved cardiovascular health, reduced stress, and enhanced mental wellbeing. According to the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), adults need at least 150 minutes of moderate-intensity physical activity each week, and even small amounts can deliver health benefits.

By the numbers: Since becoming title sponsor in 2018, Blue Cross has provided thousands of free and discounted rides to pro-

mote healthier lifestyles and access to biking, contributing to more than 22 million rides overall.

Operated by Lyft, Bluebikes is municipally owned by 13 cities and towns in eastern Massachusetts and jointly managed by the Cities of Boston, Cambridge, Everett and Somerville, and the Town of Brookline.

Bluebikes is public transportation by bike. The system is municipally owned by thirteen cities and towns in eastern Massachusetts, jointly managed by the Cities of Boston, Cambridge, Everett, and Somerville and the Town of Brookline, and operated under contract by Lyft. Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts is the system's title sponsor. Riders can find 550 stations and 5,300 bikes, including ebikes, across the thirteen municipalities: Arlington, Boston, Brookline, Cambridge, Chelsea,

Everett, Medford, Malden, Newton, Revere, Salem, Somerville, and Watertown. Since 2011, riders have taken more than 25 million trips on Bluebikes. For more information about Bluebikes, visit bluebikes.com.

Blue Cross Blue Shield of Massachusetts (bluecrossma.org) is a community-focused, tax-paying, not-for-profit health plan headquartered in Boston. We are committed to showing up for everyone like they're the only one and guiding our members to the exceptional health care they deserve – affordably, equitably and seamlessly. In keeping with our commitment, we are rated among the nation's best health plans for member satisfaction and quality. Connect with us on Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and LinkedIn.

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CITATION ON
PETITION FOR
CHANGE OF NAME
Docket No.
SU25C0383CA
In the matter of:
Denim Donnelle
Joyner
A Petition to Change Name of
Adult has been filed by Denim
Donnelle Joyner of Boston, MA
requesting that the court enter a
Decree changing their name to:
Denim Rickey McKinney
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 date of 08/27/2025.
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. Janine E. Rivers,
First Justice of this Court.
Date:
July 28, 2025
Stephanie L. Everett,
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CITATION ON
PETITION FOR
FORMAL
ADJUDICATION
Docket No.
SU25P1708EA
Estate of:
Eda M. Russell
Date of Death:
03/28/2025
To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Probate
of Will with Appointment of
Personal Representative has

been filed by Patricia K. Buiocchi
of Hampton, NH, requesting
that the Court enter a formal
Decree and Order and for such
other relief as requested in the
Petition.
The Petitioner requests that:
Patricia K. Buiocchi of Hampton,
NH, appointed as Personal
Representative(s) of said
estate to serve Without Surety
on the bond in unsupervised
administration.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a
copy of the Petition from the
Petitioner or at the Court. You
have a right to object to this
proceeding. To do so, you or
your attorney must file a written
appearance and objection at this
Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the
return day of 09/08/2025.
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a timely written appearance
and objection followed by an
affidavit of objections within
thirty days (30) days of the
return day, action may be taken
without further notice to you.
UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION
UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS
UNIFORM PROBATE CODE
(MUPC)
A Personal Representative
appointed under the MUPC in an
unsupervised ad ministration 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 distri-
bution of assets and expenses of
administration.
WITNESS, Hon. Janine D. Rivers,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 28, 2025
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and Family Court
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Boston, MA 02114

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CITATION ON
PETITION FOR
FORMAL
ADJUDICATION
Docket No.
SU25P1665EA
Estate of:
Hubert Dale
Geiger, III
Date of Death:
06/06/2025
To all interested persons:
A Petition for Formal Probate
of Will with Appointment of
Personal Representative has
been filed by Karen Geiger
Adametz of Virginia Beach, VA,
requesting that the Court enter a
formal Decree and Order and for
such other relief as requested in
the Petition.
The Petitioner requests that:
Karen Geiger Adametz of
Virginia Beach, VA, be appointed
as Personal Representative(s)
of said estate to serve Without
Surety on the bond in unsuper-
vised administration.
IMPORTANT NOTICE
You have the right to obtain a
copy of the Petition from the
Petitioner or at the Court. You
have a right to object to this
proceeding. To do so, you or
your attorney must file a written
appearance and objection at this
Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the
return day of 09/02/2025.
This is NOT a hearing date, but
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objection if you object to this
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(MUPC)
A Personal Representative
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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 distri-
bution of assets and expenses of
administration.
WITNESS, Hon. Janine D. Rivers,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 22, 2025

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LEGAL NOTICE
CITATION GIVING
NOTICE OF
PETITION FOR
APPOINTMENT OF
GUARDIAN FOR
INCAPACITATED
PERSON PURSUANT
TO G.L. c. 190B,
Section 5-304
Docket No.
SU25P1623GD
Commonwealth of
Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Suffolk Probate
and Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston MA, 02114
In the matter of: John Costarides
of: Boston, MA
RESPONDENT Alleged Incapaci-
tated Person
To the named Respondent and
all other interested persons,
a petition has been filed by
Mass. Dept. Of Mental Health of
Westborough, MA in the above
captioned matter alleging that
John Costarides is in need of a
Guardian and requesting that
(or some other suitable person)
be appointed as Guardian to
serve Without Surety on the
bond.
The petition asks the court to
determine that the Respondent is
incapacitated, that the appoint-
ment of a Guardian is necessary,
and that the proposed Guardian
is appropriate. The petition is
on file with this court and may
contain a request for certain
specific authority.
You have the right to object to
this proceeding. If you wish
to do so, you or your attorney
must file a written appearance
at this court on or before
10:00 AM on the return date of
08/19/2025. This day is NOT
a hearing date, but a deadline
date by which you have to file
the written appearance if you
object to the petition. If you fail
to file the written appearance by
the return date, action may be
taken in this matter without fur-
ther notice to you. In addition
to filing the written appearance,
you or your attorney must file
a written affidavit stating the
specific facts and grounds of
your objection within 30 days
after the return date.

IMPORTANT NOTICE
The outcome of this proceeding
may limit or completely take
away the above-named person’s
right to make decisions about
personal affairs or financial
affairs or both. The above-
named person has the right to
ask for a lawyer. Anyone may
make this request on behalf of
the above-named person. If the
above-named person cannot
afford a lawyer, one may be
appointed at State expense.
WITNESS, Hon. Janine D Rivers,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 22, 2025
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LEGAL NOTICE
COMMONWEALTH
OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE AND
FAMILY COURT

Suffolk Probate
And Family Court
24 New Chardon St.
Boston, MA 02114
CITATION GIVING
NOTICE OF
PETITION FOR
APPOINTMENT OF
CONSERVATOR OR
OTHER PROTECTIVE
ORDER PURSUANT
TO G.L. c. 190B,
§ 5-304 & § 5-405
Docket No.
SU25P1741PM
In the matter of:
Lauro Garcia
Davila
Of: Boston, MA
To the named Respondent and
all other interested persons,
a petition has been filed by
Massachusetts General Hospital
of Boston, MA in the above
captioned matter alleging that
Lauro Garcia Davila is in need of
a Conservator or other protective
order and requesting that (or
some other suitable person)
be appointed as Conservator
to serve Without Surety on the
bond.
The petition asks the court to
determine that the Respondent
is disabled, that a protective
order or appointment of a
Conservator is necessary, and
that the proposed conservator is
appropriate. The petition is on
file with this court.
You have the right to object to
this proceeding. If you wish to

do so, you or your attorney must
file a written appearance at this
court on or before 10:00 A.M. on
the return date of 08/28/2025.
This is NOT a hearing date, but a
deadline date by which you have
to file the written appearance
if you object to the petition.
If you fail to file the written
appearance by the return date,
action may be taken in this
matter without further notice
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ask for a lawyer. Anyone may
make this request on behalf of
the above-named person. If the
above-named person cannot
afford a lawyer, one may be
appointed at State expense.
WITNESS, Hon. Janine D. Rivers,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 31, 2025
Stephanie Everett,
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LEGAL NOTICE
Commonwealth of
Massachusetts
The Trial Court
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CITATION GIVING
NOTICE OF
PETITION FOR
APPOINTMENT OF
GUARDIAN FOR
INCAPACITATED
PERSON PURSUANT
TO G.L. C. 190B,
ss5-304
Docket No.
SU25P1740GD
Suffolk Probate and
Family Court
24 New Chardon Street
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 788-8300
In the matter of:
Lauro Garcia
Davila
Of: Boston, MA
RESPONDENT Alleged
Incapacitated Person
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ask for a lawyer. Anyone may
make this request on behalf of
the above-named person. If the
above-named person cannot
afford a lawyer, one may be
appointed at State expense.
WITNESS, Hon. Janine D. Rivers,
First Justice of this Court.
Date: July 31, 2025
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Do you need to place a Legal Notice?

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Councilor Coletta Zapata joins Mayor Wu at press conference to discuss Community Benefits Agreement agreement for proposed soccer stadium

By Cary Shuman

City Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata delivered powerful remarks at a press conference hosted by Mayor Michelle Wu to discuss the community benefits agreement negotiations with the Kraft Group for the proposed soccer stadium in Everett.

A rising star on the City Council whose dynamic speech and actions again demonstrated why she is being viewed as a strong contender for the 2026 Council presidency, Coletta stands in unity with Mayor Wu as the City of Boston seeks a mitigation package from the Kraft Group, who is planning to build a 25,000-seat professional soccer stadium on the Everett-Charlestown border across from the Encore Boston Harbor Resort/Casino.

Coletta began her remarks by crediting Wu's leadership on the issue.

"I want to be sure to express gratitude to our incredible mayor, Michelle Wu, who is exemplifying leadership here and is fighting on behalf of not just Charlestown but Bostonians every single day," said Coletta, who also represents East Boston and the North End on the City Council.

Coletta said she is firmly in accord with Charlestown's "community leaders and residents in calling for the Kraft Group to

provide and deliver this proud one square mile what he deserves – which is full transparency, serious mitigation, and transformative investment that meets the scale of this project and its impact."

Agreeing with Mayor Wu's statement that the Kraft Group's offer of \$750,000 in mitigation funds is not close to being sufficient, Coletta said, "It's not even two percent of the \$68 million [that Encore Boston Harbor paid in mitigation to the City of Boston] – to me that's not a partnership, quite frankly, it's an insult."

"Let's be honest about the stakes here," continued Coletta. "This stadium could bring in thousands of fans into our neighborhood every single week. It could strain our infrastructure, challenge public safety, bring noise that neighbors haven't asked for, impact air and water quality, and intensify congestion in an area that is already overwhelmed."

Coletta Zapata said the traffic on soccer game nights would have a severe impact on nearby Sullivan Square, already known for its snarls and congestion.

"We've all sat in traffic in Sullivan Square and over the North Washington Street Bridge when a nearby venue [TD Garden] has a concert or a game," said Coletta. "The reality is that without adequate planning and infrastructure



City Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata is pictured at the podium after delivering remarks at the press conference Monday in Charlestown.

improvements, it will only get worse. So the message is simple, we are not the parking lot, we are not the cut-through, we are not an afterthought – we are a proud community here in Charlestown. If the stadium is built, it must



Pictured at the press conference Monday at Ryan Playground in Charlestown are Boston City Councilor Gabriela Coletta Zapata, Boston Mayor Michelle Wu, Rep. Dan Ryan, and former city councilor Sal LaMattina.

come with real promises, not vague ones."

Interestingly, Coletta Zapata is a former high school scholar-athlete of note and Boston sports fan who knows that East Bostonians would relish the prospect of a short trip to Everett to view New England Revolution soccer games in a world-class venue. Mayor Wu also related that point, saying that she looks forward to the day when she and her children can enjoy

Revolution games and not have to make the long trek to Gillette Stadium in Foxborough, the longtime home field of the Revolution.

Following the press conference, Coletta Zapata was asked about the favorable mention she is garnering for council president. Coletta said while she was "honored" to be included in the early council presidency forecasts, her focus is squarely on the 2025 council election this fall.

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