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## FESTIVAL BETANCES



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A wrestler going by the name of Firestorm on Plaza Betances must've been experiencing a firestorm of his own considering the extremely hot and humid weather on Saturday - and the fact his costume probably doesn't breathe well. It was all part of the fun of Festival Betances last weekend, which featured an amazing lineup of female musical talent, and a wonderful Parade on Saturday.

## WSANA neighbors at their breaking point for addiction, homelessness issues

By Seth Daniel

In what has become the worst summer in decades for issues regarding homelessness and drug addictions on the streets of the Worcester Square neighborhood, residents reported they had hit a breaking point, and in a meeting Tuesday night, they pressed City leaders for answers.

While the area has long been the epicenter for the opiate epidemic, and the quality-of-life issues that come with that, this year has seen the advent of encampments on the sidewalk and far more people congregating in the area than ever before, according to neighbors.

In a two-hour, intense meeting, the Worcester Square Area Neighborhood Association (WSANA) had a packed house to address the street encampment and opiate issues with new Special Mayoral Advisor Buddy Christopher,

Jen Tracy of the Office of Recovery Services, Deputy Police Supt. Michael Stratton, and City Homeless Advocate Jim Greene - as well as BMC's Chief of Security Connie Packard.

Right off the bat, the crowd was irritated, and in no mood for explanations or excuses.

They wanted numbers, and that was the first question from President George Stergios, who said he believes that there are just a lot of new, troubled people that have migrated into the neighborhood - as opposed to a shifting of the population from another part of the city.

"Yes there are some people we didn't expect when we opened the Engagement Center," said Tracy. "It was a place focused on Recovery at the time. Now we're seeing three populations, those with sub-

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## Urban tree nonprofit urges people to pay attention to street trees with mapping initiative

By Lauren Bennett

Street trees—you walk by them everyday on your way to work or out to lunch with a friend. But do you ever think about why they might be there? Aside from looking nice, they provide essential health benefits to both people and the planet.

David Mesholaum, Executive Director and Co-Founder of Speak for the Trees, is on a mission to map every street tree in Boston and spread the word about the importance of trees. Speak for the Trees is an urban tree nonprofit that focuses on and cares for the trees in Boston. "We think trees are critically important for public health," Mesholaum said. "We also think that they provide people with a lot of joy and meaning in life."

Mesholaum said he came up with the idea for the nonprofit while teaching high school science.

"I became disillusioned with the limitations of the classroom and wanted to connect people with science in a way that felt more meaningful," he said. "Trees became a metaphor for that."

"I felt like people had stopped talking to each other," Msheolaum said. "A tree is a place I think is public—people can gather, share stories, share time together."

He researched other cities who were doing work in the field to create an organization in Boston that could address what he calls an "environmental justice issue."

Early on in his research and work, Mesholaum and his team focused early in "environmental injustice neighborhoods," which he said are ones with "less economic mobility or opportunity," and therefore more inequity in the tree canopy. These are typically areas where immigrants or non-native English speakers live, he said, and also areas where the city and

state recognizes as spaces where people are most likely to struggle with effects of climate change. Working in the neighborhoods of Mattapan and Dorchester, Mesholaum and his team did a tree planting and giveaway.

Now, he wants to go one step further and map every street tree, starting in Dorchester and Roxbury and working up through the city to East Boston. Working with Boston Youth Engagement and Employment, Mesholaum will teach youth about trees and how to map them.

On July 24, Mesholaum and his team trained employees of the John Hancock Company at their offices in downtown Boston, where they met at Copley for a tour and inventoried trees right by the Boston Public Library.

At their training sessions, Speak For Trees teaches people how to

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## Former BCAE officials facing charges for diverting funds

Staff Report

As part of her Office's ongoing efforts to ensure the public's confidence in public institutions, DA Rachael Rollins announced this

week charges against multiple employees of the Boston Center for Adult Education (BCAE) nonprofit organization, located in Bay Village.

"I am committed to holding individuals accountable who abuse their power and betray the public's

trust," DA Rollins said. "Their selfish and criminal actions depleted resources that were intended for the improvement of our communities, but more critically depleted the public's confidence in our institutions. The charges brought

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## Brady-inspired fitness facility to open on Boylston

By Lauren Bennett

A new place to work out is coming to the Back Bay, replacing the closed Boston Sports Club. The TB12 Sports Therapy Center, created by New England Patriots Quarterback Tom Brady, will have a soft opening at 699 Boylston St. in mid-August, John Burns, CEO of TB12, told the Sun.

The new Boston facility, which also has a location in Foxborough, will be the flagship location, Burns said. "Tom wanted to give back to the city and fans that have supported him through his career, so it was a natural choice to have the flagship open in Boston," he said. The facility will be seeking locations in

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## 'GHOSTS OF WFNX' EXHIBIT



PHOTO BY DEREK KOUYOUMJIAN

Julie Kramer, former deejay at WFNX radio, poses with her classic image of Elvis Costello during her photo show 'Ghosts of FNX' at the Boston Center for Adult Education (BCAE) in Bay Village. An opening reception for the show, featuring more than 100 iconic images of rock stars from the day, took place on Saturday evening, July 20. The show will be on display until Dec. 20.

# EDITORIAL

## OVERUSE OF ANTIBIOTICS THREATENS ALL OF US

The discovery and widespread use of antibiotics in the middle of the last century ranks as one of the greatest achievements of modern science.

Until the 20th century, infections that we now consider straightforward to treat – such as pneumonia and diarrhea – that are caused by bacteria, were the number one cause of human death in the developed world.

However, during World War II, the widespread use of penicillin is credited not only with saving the lives of thousands of American soldiers, but also with paving the way for the development of many other forms of antibiotics that we take for granted today for the treatment of everything from ear infections in our children to more serious bacterial infections in those with compromised immune systems.

However, as with everything else in life, too much of a good thing can lead to bad consequences. Antibiotics not only are prescribed for illnesses for which they are often not needed in humans, but are in widespread use in the production of livestock. More than half of the antibiotics produced in the United States are used for agricultural purposes. If you are a consumer of beef, pork, chicken, farm-raised fish, and dairy products -- which is to say, just about all of us -- then you have been ingesting antibiotics with every meal you have eaten for decades.

The result of this mass use of antibiotics has resulted in the evolution of antibiotic-resistant germs. Recent news articles have highlighted the inability of even the top-rated hospitals throughout the world to fight these super-bugs. Individuals who go into the hospital for routine procedures now are subject to contracting a super-bug that modern science is powerless to fight.

Epidemiologists tell us that the greatest health threat world-wide is a super-bug that is resistant to all of the antibiotic weapons currently existing in our treatment arsenal and that the only way to prevent such an occurrence is to stop the overuse of antibiotics.

However, with the drug and agriculture lobbies firmly in control of Congress, it is not likely that anything will be done to change our present practices, thereby placing all of us at risk for becoming the victims of a super-bug that we will be powerless to stop.

## Crite Park fundraising effort is in full swing

The effort to revive Crite Park on Columbus Avenue is in full swing with a partnership between abutters and the Ellis South End Neighborhood Association. The Park was dedicated to the famous South End painter Allan Rohan Crite, but it has fallen into disrepair lately and isn't well designed by today's standards.

Cheryl Dickinson has helped to lead the effort, and she said they have 30 percent of their fundraising goal and pre-construction costs raised. The goal is to have it fully funded by next June. They hope to compete for a Community Preservation grant in September 2020.

Abutter Paul Wilcox said he was really glad to join the effort.

"It's suffered a lot of neglect over the years," he said. "It's great there is an interest in reviving it."

Last Friday, a group from the Ellis and Wilcox unveiled a new banner on Crite Park to draw attention to the fundraising efforts to those passing by. Pictured are: (standing) Paul Wilcox and Cheryl Dickinson; and (sitting) Betsy Hall and Regina Pyle.

The project was initiated within the Ellis by Dickinson and Ellis members, forming the basis of the current committee, which now includes abutting neighbors as well. The Crite Park website is on the Ellis website and the Ellis fundraiser was focused on the Crite Park project.

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stance abuse disorders, those who are homeless and those with significant mental health issues...It's not a simple answer whether there are more people. For EMS transfers citywide, we're up about 100 people per week from this time last year, but that's not specific to the South End."

But residents wanted the question answered as to whether or not more people were swarming into their neighborhood, and they didn't want estimations.

"You knew we were talking about this area," said Helaine Simmonds. "I don't know why you came here and didn't have that information. You weren't prepared."

One resident relayed a story about someone who on July 5 scaled her 6-foot-tall privacy fence, went into her backyard and shot up with heroin – all while she and her toddler were inside the home.

"I really appreciate the police because they are on the front lines, but we get a response in a case like mine that they are harmless and probably looking for food or water," she said. "I have a 10-month-old and that's not an acceptable answer."

Added another neighbor, "Where is the line where we stop trying to accommodate the homeless and we start to push back?"

Others relayed that they are prisoners in their homes this summer, fearful to walk outside through the large numbers of people gathered on their stairs – sometimes shooting up and dealing drugs in plain sight.

Stratton said there is a lot of undercover work going on that residents don't see, but it is happening. They are trying to divert people to programs and to arrest those dealing drugs. He said the complication is that Fentanyl has changed everything because it's so potent, and it means people will hang around getting high over and over and over.

"When the problem was only heroin, we would have people using and shooting up three to five times a day," he said. "With Fentanyl, people are shooting up 16 times a day. That means more people are going to be hanging around. You're going to see more activity. The more potency, the more activity."

However, it was the fact that the neighborhood – long known for

trying to support recovery efforts and display compassion for those that mistreat their streets – is on the verge of turning against the City's efforts that was of particular note.

Peter Sanborn, who has lived right at the epicenter on Harrison Avenue since 1980, said it is worse than ever – and he considered moving for the first time in his adult life.

"It has never been this bad," he said. "We're not here to talk about the South End, but we're here to talk about the four or five blocks around here. I dare say Chandler and Clarendon do not have this level of problem we have because I dare say the residents of Chandler or Clarendon or Beacon Hill would not tolerate this. I understand the complexity, but it's intolerable. For the first time ever, I wondered this year if I really wanted to stay in this house. It's causing me – and I think I am a compassionate person – to start to get hardened by it. That's a troubling thing. The City needs to do more."

David Stone, president of Blackstone/Franklin Neighborhood Association, and Toni Crothall, also of Blackstone, said they have had much greater activity in their neighborhood and the two Squares – Blackstone and Franklin.

"Our side streets for the first time ever are starting to see the kind of activity and quality of life issues that our neighbors in Worcester Square have been seeing for many years," he said.

Steve Fox, moderator of the South End Forum, said one difference he has seen is the lack of visibility by the police bicycle division.

That was duly noted, and Stratton said they are spending a lot of time in the D-4 area, but they are now often pulled over to the Fens or Copley Square – where similar issues are beginning to sprout there as well.

One of the highlights of the meeting was a standing ovation given to Officer Richie Litto and Sgt. James Freeman, both of the local D-4 unit. Both recently on their free time reported to Harrison Avenue and removed an awning that was acting as a shelter for those in the encampments – seemingly making the problem worse. The removal of that awning from the vacant Subway restaurant and a few other tweaks by D-4 Capt. Steven Sweeney have made

a difference.

Resident Robert George said he feels like the tactical improvements like that seem to help more than any other thing with the folks that do not want to go into the shelters or recovery services.

"The neighborhood is losing empathy with the issue," he said. "It's going to be a big problem when the neighborhood is against you...What I see that's highly effective in this neighborhood is the tactical things because they make a difference. Things like removing the awning, or putting a squad car on the corner – these strategic and tactical things do help...Long-term plans mean long time. We need more done in the short term."

That was followed up in the same vein by Desi Murphy, who said the City needs to get better at putting out more information and data. Tracy said they are working on that, but it is a constant battle.

Christopher made his first appearance at a WSANA meeting, and explained that he was moved from Director of ISD to the special assistant role – directly charged with tackling the issues in Mass/Cass. He said he has been doing a lot of listening, and he is compiling a list of resources and services in the area with a goal of producing a first report next month.

Many residents asked him, Tracy and Stratton what there was to look forward to, why they should believe it's going to get better.

"All the partners are communicating more than they ever have," said Stratton. "I think you will see some changes. If we weren't doing what we are doing now, it would be much worse here if you can believe that...If we keep communicating and looking to collaborate, I'd say there is room to be optimistic. We'll get it done."

In a closing moment, Fox advanced the idea of getting many of the major hospitals, universities and industry leaders – he used the example of John Fish of Suffolk Construction – to play a role in helping to find a solution to the problem.

"When you have John Fish on the phone asking what he can do, you need to be ready to tell him exactly what he can do that will help to solve this issue," said Fox.

Christopher said he felt that was possible.

"I think we will get that partnership," he said.



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against each of these defendants reflect my Office's commitment to ensuring the integrity of our public agencies and nonprofit organizations."

Two former executives of the BCAE were arraigned in Suffolk Superior Court Wednesday for alleged thefts from the nonprofit learning center. On July 12, a Suffolk County grand jury returned a total of 25 indictments alleging various offenses against BCAE's former comptroller Mark Mitchell and former executive director Susan B. Brown. The grand jury also indicted Brown's partner, Karen Kalfian, for her role in the thefts.

Mitchell, 49, of Saugus, is charged with: Making false entries in corporate books; Publishing of false or exaggerated statements; Common law forgery; Common law uttering; Three counts of forgery; Three counts of uttering, and Four counts of larceny by scheme. Mitchell serves as a Selectman for the Town of Saugus and has been charged in connection with the misuse of campaign funds as well.

Brown, 66, of Marblehead, is charged with: Making false entries in corporate books; Publishing of false or exaggerated statements;

Common law forgery; Common law uttering; Forgery; Uttering; and Larceny by scheme.

Kalfian, 62, of Marblehead, faces a single charge of: Receiving stolen property by scheme.

All three were released on personal recognizance after their arraignment. The will return to court on Sept. 27.

Brown, who served as the nonprofit's Executive Director from 2009 until September, 2018, allegedly authorized a series of checks to Kalfian totaling \$565,586 between 2011 and last year. Those checks were purportedly payments for marketing services. Kalfian briefly worked for the nonprofit in 2005 but did not perform any marketing services for the organization in the years since, prosecutors allege.

Mitchell joined the organization as comptroller in 2011, and his alleged thefts from the nonprofit began that same year. Between September 2011 and September 2018, the defendant allegedly issued unauthorized checks to himself and to a BCAE instructor, whose signature the defendant forged in order to deposit the checks into his own account. He allegedly embez-

zled upwards of \$970,000 through this scheme.

The defendant is also accused of making payments from the nonprofit to an elite youth baseball league he owned and operated. In addition, Mitchell allegedly used his employer's account to make unauthorized payments for personal expenses and those of the youth team. These expenses totaled \$242,749 and included the cost of the defendant's participation in golf tournaments and sending youth baseball players to out-of-state baseball camps.

In their attempts to cover up the thefts, Mitchell and Brown allegedly falsified the nonprofit's records. The defendants are also accused of producing false reports to be filed with the IRS in an effort to renew the nonprofit's tax exempt status that they had allowed to lapse. They subsequently presented the organization's Board of Directors with a forged letter purportedly from the IRS stating that the nonprofit's status had been reinstated, prosecutors said.

The Board of Directors launched an investigation and hired a forensic accounting firm to review the organization's finances in 2018.

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identify and measure trees, and for the tree mapping initiative, people will walk up and down city blocks and learn how to use their smartphone to pinpoint exactly where every street tree is. They will then write down what type of tree it is, how big it is, what type of material it's planted in, if there is tape around the tree, etc. People will "get a sense of how the tree is doing and whether we have adequate diversity of our tree canopy," Mesholaum said.

"There are some streets that are beautifully canopied," he continued. But others have trees few and far between—these are known as tree deserts. In some cases, there are blocks and blocks where there is not a single street tree, he said. "Some of them don't even have pits to grow in," it's just concrete everywhere.

Carol Blair, President of the Chester Square Neighbors, participated in one of Mesholaum's training sessions and has applied her newfound knowledge to her neighborhood and beyond. She spent an afternoon walking the Chester Square area of the South End logging what kinds of trees are there, their diameters, and their positions, as well as "any special things we should know about it," Blair said. Going out with the intent of mapping trees helps people "get to know the tree in a way

you didn't know before," she said, and "figure out how to care for it."

Since then, she's tried to engage the neighborhood in learning more about trees and taking inventory. She worked with some students at Northeastern University who did some inventory as well.

"I've become involved working with the city on a proposal to rebuild Melnea Cass Boulevard," she added. In 2011, the city went out to the community with a portal for bus lanes, which wiped out a lot of the street trees. Over the past year, the design for the project has changed, Blair said. "Even though they haven't really accomplished a lot with the design, it's not good for pedestrians and bicyclists," she said.

Blair said they city has said they will put back more trees than they take out, but the trees they will plant small trees with a low survival rate. "The new trees are not going to do well," Blair said.

"The Melnea Cass Boulevard is the biggest heat island the city has," Blair said. She said if things are going to be changed, trees and green space needs to be improved as part of the project in order to address issues of climate change. There is a deadline of late September for a contractor, and if the deadline is not met, the money for the project goes back into a larger pot.

Mesholaum believes that teaching people how to map trees is a

"really great way" to engage people in learning about their trees. "It's really critical that we start making people aware," he said, as "people have plant blindness." He hopes this project will help people understand why trees are important and will also help Speak for Trees determine where in the city trees need to go.

"For the city, we hope it's a tool for them to help them manage their urban forest," he said. "They can have a snapshot of where the urban forest is." While there are catalogues of trees in parks along the Emerald Necklace, they don't typically include all of the street trees located throughout the city.

Mesholaum said they will probably map up to 6,000 trees this summer, and then finish the map next year. That wasn't the original goal, but they are going to recalibrate and decide whether to expand the program or extend the amount of time it takes to map the trees.

"I always acknowledge that we are so lucky in Boston," Mesholaum said. "We have an amazing park system and green space throughout the city," and he said he is proud that the city has taken care of its historic green space.

However, there are still spaces that are "under cared for and under-engaged," when it comes to trees and plant life he said, and "it's those spaces that need more attention."

**The Oyster Club at the Heritage to open Saturday in Park Square**

By Dan Murphy

The latest addition to the city's ever-growing restaurant scene, The Oyster Club at the Heritage is slated to open Saturday in Park Square.

Owner and Executive Chef Chris Parsons, who also opened Steel & Rye in Milton, as well as Catch and Parsons Table, both formerly of Winchester, is bringing his latest concept focusing on regional seafood to the former home of Doretta Taverna and Raw Bar at 79 Park Plaza.

Besides its spin on classic offerings like the lobster roll and Lobster Thermidor, Parsons said the restaurant will also feature non-seafood fare, such as chicken under a brick.

The restaurant's inviting layout, which was designed by Brook-



Dan Chrusciel, bartender at The Oyster Club at the Heritage.

line-based Sousa Design Architects, includes a 28-seat barn and a 19-seat oyster bar, as well as an outdoor patio with seating for 70.

"Our goal is to be a welcoming neighborhood restaurant...with tasty food," Parsons said.

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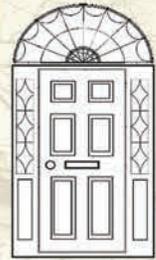
New York, Miami, Chicago, Los Angeles, and San Francisco, as well as abroad in London and Toronto, after the Boston opening, Burns said.

With the number of gyms and places to work out in the downtown Boston area, Burns said that what sets TB12 apart from other gyms is a "holistic methodology" that will focus on personalized services from "Body Coaches mirroring Tom's personal approach," Burns said. "We focus on not only performance, but recovery, with forward-thinking concepts in muscle pliability, hydration, nutrition, functional strength & conditioning as well as cognitive health. TB12 is committed to promoting athletic longevity, and enabling people to do what they love longer."

The Boston location will offer injury assessment and prevention, deep force muscle pliability work, sport performance training, nutrition and recovery, and small group fitness classes, Burns said. "Our cutting-edge fitness services and

equipment including metabolic testing, anti-gravity treadmills, and optical systems for gait and jump analysis," he added. The facility will also feature an "interactive retail experience," a smoothie bar offering plant-based protein, VIP client services, corporate wellness events, and a speaker series to spread the TB12 philosophy across the city, Burns said.

"Everything that is done at TB12 is inspired by Tom and how he lives his life, focused on prevention, recovery and performance so he can get back on the field," said Burns. "The facility in the Back Bay gives consumers the inside look at this lifestyle and ultimately makes it accessible. In late July, people will be able to sign up for one-on-one Body Coach appointments, as well as group fitness classes, Burns said. "We're excited to bring our holistic approach to health and wellness to athletes across all ages and fitness levels, and to give TB12 roots in the city of Boston."



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# UNION PARK SUMMER CONCERT

Photos by Mike Mejia

Friends and family gathered in beautiful Union Park for an afternoon of fun and music from the Carl Eisman Group on July 14 during the Union Park Summer Party. The Union Park Neighborhood Association (UPNA) provided food and light refreshments for everyone to enjoy. The next concert at Union Park will be held on Sunday, Aug. 11.



Roger Kraus, John Natalb, Bobby Avila, Craig Robins, and Diana De Socio listen to the concert from across the street on a stoop.



Joanna Kuang, Meghan Hastings, Shaun Kleber, Peter Rozanski, and Marcella Rizzuti.



Jane Lu, Tricia Grippio, and Regan Ejascome.



John Meier swings his daughter, Maeve, round and round Union Park.



Luke Marchen and his son, Liam.



Henry, 8, Maia, 10, Hilja Viidemann, and Aaron Dokmo.



UPNA board members Barry Rock and Sue Fox, and UPNA Vice President Jamie Fox. Shown to the left, Arash and Tamara Vedaie with their dog, Puffin.



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# NEWS BRIEFS

## SOUTH END LIBRARY ANNOUNCES CLOSING PLANS

The Friends of the South End Library announced closing plans for the library branch this fall in preparation for a partial renovation of the downstairs.

The library will close on Friday, Oct. 25, at 5 p.m., and work will begin on the children and adult areas. The upgrade includes new flooring, a fresh coat of paint, a few additional electrical outlets, a reorganization of the space, new furniture and seating arrangements, as well as a ceiling-mounted movie projector and roll-down screen in the upstairs community room.

The upgrades are paid for by a \$132,000 budget allocation and \$50,000 raised by the Friends. The library is expected to re-open in February 2020. A larger renovation of the library is in the works, with a 2020 Programming Study determining the scope of that renovation.

## ARREST MADE IN NORTHEASTERN ASSAULT

Kennedy Colson, 29, a resident of one of the City's shelters, was arraigned Tuesday in Roxbury Municipal Court on charges of assault with intent to rape, kidnapping, open and gross lewdness, assault and battery, and trespassing. The charges stem from an incident shortly before 1 p.m.

## REP. SANTIAGO ENDORSES ST. GUILLEN



Council Candidate Alejandra St. Guillen announced during Festival Betances in the South End on Saturday that State Rep. Jon Santiago had endorsed her candidacy.

"From the holidays she spent helping her father work with homeless youth in the neighborhood, to her time as a teacher at the McKinley School and her many years of outreach and engagement in Villa Victoria, Alejandra has been and remains deeply connected to the South End. I am thrilled to endorse her candidacy for Boston City Council At-large and excited to knock on doors with her throughout our diverse and vibrant community," said Santiago.

"I am delighted to have earned Jon's endorsement," said St. Guillen, who held a cook-out and canvassing session after the festival.

on Thursday, July 18, when the defendant allegedly assaulted the victim at a building located on the campus of Northeastern University. At the request of prosecutors, the defendant was ordered held without bail pending the outcome of a dangerousness hearing. That hearing is scheduled to take place on Friday, July 26. The defendant was also arraigned Tuesday in West Roxbury Municipal Court on charges of open and gross lewdness and failure to register

as a sex offender. The defendant is accused of exposing himself on an Orange Line train in the area of Forest Hills station while making lewd comments to a female passenger shortly after 1 p.m. that same Thursday, July 18.

Bail was set in the amount of \$5,000.

## COMMUNITY PRESERVATION MEETING IN BAY VILLAGE

There will be a Community Preservation conversation in Bay Village on July 25 at 6 p.m. Join Community Preservation Committee members for a community conversation around the Community Preservation Act, and how residents can use funds to improve the neighborhood. Officials will walk everyone through what the Community Preservation Act is, the application process, the timeline, potential projects, and what's

already been funded.

It will be held in the South Cove Plaza, 230 Stuart St.

## PARISIAN CHILDREN'S CHOIR PERFORMS AT CATHEDRAL

Le Choeur d'Enfants d'Île-de-France ("The Children's Choir of Greater Paris") will perform a unique and free summer concert at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross on Thursday, July 25 at 7 p.m.

Under the director of conductors Francis Bardot and Raphaëlle Boutillier, and accompanied by pianist Laurent Jochum, the choir will perform selections by Bach, De-libes, Fauré, Franck, Mendelssohn, Offenbach, Pergolesi, Pulenc, Rameau, and Saint-Saëns. Free admission. Donations will be gratefully accepted to benefit the Jeune Choeur d'Île-de-France and the Cathedral Organ Restoration Fund.

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## Real Estate Transfers

BUYER 1	SELLER 1	ADDRESS	PRICE
<b>BACK BAY</b>			
Henshall, Cynthia	Eugene F Barnes	191 Beacon St #2	\$2,100,000
Spriggs, Katherine	Epstein, Brian A	285 Clarendon St #3	\$1,497,500
L3 139 Newbury St LLC	Gove Co Inc	278 Dartmouth St	\$40,000,000
Krausser, Kevin R	Larson, Jenna E	106 Marlborough St #6	\$985,000
L3 139 Newbury St LLC	Gove Co Inc	149-155 Newbury St	\$40,000,000
<b>BEACON HILL</b>			
Donoho, Richard	George, Lawrence C	1-3 Chestnut St #2	\$2,125,000
<b>SOUTH END/KENMORE/BAY VILLAGE</b>			
Jacquillat, Alexandre	Chandler Street NT	144 Chandler St #1	\$1,149,000
Roberts, William	Hamzaogullari, Aziz V	285 Columbus Ave #706	\$1,501,000
Patel, Minesh	Hillard, Matthew	24 Holyoke St #4	\$1,000,000
Sirkis, Jeff	Richard, Cristina M	211 W Newton St #3	\$835,000
Okutgen, Okan	Bashour, Joseph	13 Albemarle St #1	\$1,200,000
169 O Street LLC	160 Bolton Street LLC	41-43 Edgerly Rd	\$5,316,000
Hillard, Matthew	Macculloch, Brad	29 Greenwich Park #2	\$1,950,000
15 Keswick Street LLC	Shackleton, Marissa	15 Keswick St #3	\$509,000
Geiman, J Robert	Succop, Meg P	24 Rutland Sq #2	\$4,700,000
Comerchero, Elijah	Kate Madden RET	476 Shawmut Ave #4	\$885,000
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# FESTIVAL BETANCES IN THE SOUTH END

Photos by Derek Kouyoumjian

The South End was abuzz with Festival Betances last weekend. Named after Ramón Emeterio Betances, a doctor who is considered to be the father of the Puerto Rican Independence Movement from the days when it was a Spanish colony, the festival is a celebration of the Puerto Rican community and Latinx culture. A parade around the Villa Victoria neighborhood

officially began the festival on Saturday and, despite the unpleasantly hot weather, many got to witness the Puerto Rican culture on display.

Mayor Martin Walsh attended Saturday's kick-off and noted Boston's role as a city of immigrants, the challenges in Puerto Rico as well as here in the U.S., and reminding everyone that there's strength in keeping together as a community and not to tear each other apart.



Beauty queens of the Puerto Rican Festival of Massachusetts: Orellys Padro, Trinity Hoffman, Alyieha Morales, Jennavecia Acosta, Milania Napier, and Nayelie Fernandez pose by a 1957 Bel Aire owned by neighbor, Andrew Gonzalez (not in picture).



Maria, Isa, Melanies, and Ester Mircado are dressed for classic Latinx cultural celebration while neighbor, Roman Lopez, has a more casual and contemporary approach.



IBA CEO Vanessa Calderon-Rosado, Councilor Ed Flynn, and Pedro Miranda, IBA Board Member and long-time resident of Villa Victoria, in front of the iconic mural of the community.



Maria Ocasio prepares her daughter, Tatiana (far right), for her parade appearance, while friend and fellow Fueraz Internacional member Darielys Cruz (center) watches.

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# FESTIVAL BETANCES IN THE SOUTH END



Carlos Cabrera holds a black-and-white version of the flag of Puerto Rico as a symbol of resistance. Protesters sought to draw attention during Festival Betances to the turmoil on the island with the governor, and the continued struggle of residents affected by Hurricane Maria two years ago. Carlos Cabrera also noted that the two political parties in the U.S. are blue for the Democrats and red for the Republicans and that a colorless flag also represents removal from a political process that hasn't resolved the status of Puerto Rico.



Alex Molina is proud of his daughter, Azyahlise and her Puerto Rican spirit.



Councilor At-Large Anmissa Essaibi George.



Sisters Yaya and Nannie (far right) Rivera with their aunt, Zayda Rosado (center).



U.S. Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley addressed the parade attendees, noting the troubles facing the Latino community, and that "Joy is an act of defiance" as the community holds its parade in spite of these troubles.



State Rep. Jon Santiago, Council candidate Alejandra St. Guillen, and Mayor Martin Walsh.



The Roberto Clemente Dancers march down Tremont Street.



Junior members of the Estrellas Tropicales dance troupe ready themselves for their parade march.



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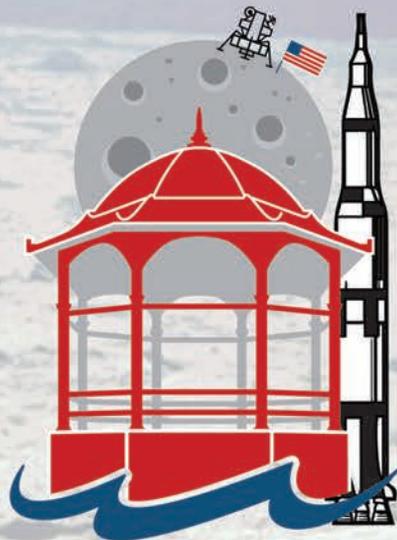
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# GHOSTS OF WFNX EXHIBIT AT BCAE

Photos by Derek Kouyoumjian

Famed DJ of WFNX Julie Kramer has met a rock star or two in her career. She never missed an opportunity to capture those personalities with her camera many years ago, and those pictures are now part of an exhibit of her

portraits that is on view at the Boston Center for Adult Education (BCAE) in Bay Village. Iggy Pop, Joe Strummer, Elvis Costello, Nirvana, Bjork, and other famed musicians were on display.

“We’re thrilled to have Julie’s photographs ‘take over’ the walls here at Boston Center for Adult Education,” said Director of Edu-

cation and Community Engagement Tom Formicola. “This exhibition will show over twice as many and new images since her popular exhibition held in Lynn last year. We’re glad to offer this special collection to our BCAE community and the public this year.”



Julie Kramer’s husband, Jimi Simmons (center), with Rosie Schuman and Joolz O’Brien.



Amy and Erik Taros with Alli Marshall.



Boston City Council candidate Kristin Mobilia (center) views some photos climbing the stairs with friends Lael Stanzak and Sarah McDougall.



To the left, top: Mike Gioscia, John Ryan, and Bruce McDonald. Below: Boston rockers of the band The Gala: Emily Doran, Chris Kenneally, Justin Perilli, and Rebecca Frank.

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Julie Kramer (second from left) with her old roommates from her college days Stephanie Bass, Maria Mobilia, and Tony Vieira.

# NEWS BRIEFS

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The concert will be at the newly restored Cathedral of the Holy Cross, 1400 Washington St., South End.

## FREE WALKING TOURS OF THE PUBLIC GARDEN

Join the Friends of the Public Garden for Untold Stories of the Public Garden, free walking tours of the first public botanical garden in the United States. Led by a pair of expert volunteer guides, learn about the history, sculpture, and horticulture of the Garden on a tour through this treasured oasis. Tours head out Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays at 4 p.m. and Wednesday mornings at 10 a.m. through Labor Day, weather permitting. They run about an hour, and start at the Make Way For Ducklings Statue.

## ISABELLA STEWART GARDNER MUSEUM NEIGHBORHOOD NIGHTS THIS SUMMER

The Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum is pleased to announce its summer season of the Neighborhood Nights series. On select Thursday evenings (Aug. 1, and Aug. 22 from 5-9 p.m.), the Museum will offer free admission, available on a first come-first served basis. This summer’s series invites visitors to explore themes drawn from the Museum’s new special exhibition Big Plans: Picturing Social Reform, considering historical landscape architecture, and envisioning their own alternative “counter-maps” today. Each Neighborhood Night will feature performances, hands-on art-making, food trucks, a cash bar, and gallery games. Bring friends and family for an engaging, interactive summer evening in the Museum’s beautiful galleries and gardens. For more information about each night, visit [gardnermuseum.org](http://gardnermuseum.org).

## BACK BAY HAPPENINGS

- There will be no NABB Green Committee meetings in August.
- Newbury Street will be closed to traffic and become a pedestrian-only walkway from Arlington Street to Massachusetts Avenue on Aug. 25 and Sept. 15 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. for Open Newbury Street.

## SOUTH END DATES

• SoWa FIRST FRIDAY  
The artists of SoWa Artists Guild invite you to visit SoWa First Friday, free and open to the public! More than 80 artists’ studios at 450 Harrison Avenue in the SoWa Art + Design District in the

South End of Boston will be open from 5 – 9 p.m. You’ll meet artists and experience a wide variety of original contemporary art that is available for you to browse and buy. MBTA Orange line to New England Medical Center, then Silver line outbound to Union Park Street. Parking is available. For more information, please visit <http://www.sowaartists.com> and <http://facebook.com/SoWaArtistsGuild>.

• The East Berkeley Neighborhood Association (EBNA) has ended its spring meetings. The EBNA has changed its meeting time for the fall, now meeting on the first Tuesday of the month instead of the third Tuesday. They will meet next on Sept. 3.

• An abutters’ meeting has been scheduled for next Wednesday, July 31 in connection with the property at 592 Tremont St. The owner proposes to renew a lapsed license for a 20-occupant lodging house to be located above the House of Siam on the corner of Upton and Tremont streets. The proposal requires approval from the City of Boston’s Licensing Board. The meeting will take place in front of 592 Tremont St. at 5:45 p.m. on July 31. Please direct all questions and concerns regarding this proposal and the upcoming meeting to Faisa Sharif, South End/Bay Village Liaison for Mayor Walsh, at 617-635-4517 or [faisa.sharif@boston.gov](mailto:faisa.sharif@boston.gov).

## FENWAY TIMES

• The Peterborough Senior Center holds bingo at 12:30 p.m. and a Tech Café at 11 a.m. every Wednesday. Come play bingo and meet new people, or can get help with your phone or tablet/computer.

• Summer Fitness Series at Symphony Park

Free, age-strong fitness classes at Symphony Park, located at 39 Edgerly Road in the Fenway.

**RED SOX HOME GAMES:**

- 7/25 vs. Yankees at 7:10pm
- 7/26 vs. Yankees at 7:10pm
- 7/27 vs. Yankees at 4:05pm
- 7/28 vs. Yankees at 7:08pm
- 7/30 vs. Rays at 7:10pm
- 7/31 vs. Rays at 7:10pm

# NABB strongly opposes requested variances for 28 Exeter St. project

By Lauren Bennett

An abutters meeting was held on July 15 at the Copley branch of the Boston Public Library regarding the proposed project at 28 Exeter St., which sits on the corner of Newbury and Exeter streets. Martyn Roetter, Chairman of The Neighborhood Association of the Back Bay (NABB) told the Sun that NABB has several concerns with the project, chiefly that it will set a precedent for other projects on Newbury Street.

The building at 28 Exeter St. currently consists of 96 rental units, but the proposal does not include adding any more units, Roetter said. At the meeting, the project proponents proposed several amenities, including a swimming pool and a roof deck. “[The proponents] argued that they could not be competitive if they could not provide those amenities,” Roetter said.

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“We also pointed out that if you provide certain services within the building, people would be less likely to go and acquire services on Newbury St, which is not good for those businesses either,” he continued.

In order to bring these amenities to the building, the proponent is requesting variances in height and Floor Area Ratio (FAR), which Roetter said NABB is vehemently opposing. “That particular building already exceeds the zoning height and FAR for a reason that at the time was defensible—it benefited from a tax program because the building included affordable housing, he said.

However, the building is now all market-rate housing and Roetter said that NABB does not support these variances because there’s a “difference between want and need” in this proposal, and NABB does not feel that these amenities are necessary for people to live in

that building.

Roetter said that while granting the variances to this particular building “wouldn’t dramatically change Newbury St., it would open the flood gates to all kinds of people coming along” thinking they too should be granted a variance.

For example, another project NABB is eyeing is the purchase of the parking lot on the corner of Newbury and Dartmouth St.s for \$14 million. Real Estate Investment Firm L3 Capital has not yet made a proposal for the lot, but Roetter said that NABB “hopes to be in touch” with the new owners. “Given the amount of money they just paid for the land, I wonder if they’ll propose something within the zoning code,” Roetter said. “We don’t object to the idea that this parking lot should be converted to something else but we’ll see whether it makes sense” within the “zoning code and aesthetics and fitting in with the environment on New-

bury St.” Having buildings of over 90 feet (which is what is proposed for 28 Exeter) is “a complete violation of the zoning code,” Roetter said. The zoning code on Newbury St. was established to keep the scale and streetscape that’s there now. “Newbury St. is special and that’s what attracts people to it,” he said. “There’s a risk that Newbury St. could become Boylston St.”

Roetter said the meeting was “packed” with concerned residents, including those who currently live at 28 Exeter St. “It was overwhelmingly against the project in the room,” he said. “[State Rep.] Jay Livingstone spoke against the variance,” as did several District 8 City Council Candidates. “I assume that there are some sources of support for the current proposal as it was made,” he said, but he didn’t see much evidence of that at the meeting. Roetter also said that the question of how much the rents would be increased with the new amenities, but the pro-

ponents did not provide a specific answer to the question.

Since an abutters meeting was held, the proponents now have a choice to either come up with a modified proposal, withdraw the entire thing, or request a hearing at the Zoning Board of Appeal.

“We are waiting to see what happens,” Roetter said. “From NABB’s perspective, we were quite encouraged that it will be possible to hold the line. The zoning code has been around for a long time and no variances have been granted. We see no justification for granting a variance now.”

Roetter said that he does not believe the Back Bay needs “more expensive residential housing units,” but rather units that can be afforded by people who work for and in the city of Boston. “We hope that the city itself will oppose [the project] when they see the strength of the opposition to the idea,” Roetter said.

## ~ OUTDOOR SUMMER ACTIVITIES ~

### CONCERT SERIES

#### TITUS SPARROW CONCERT SERIES

The Friends of Titus Sparrow Park have a fabulous lineup of concerts throughout the summer on Wednesday evenings and Tuesday mornings (for children). The Wednesday concerts are at 6:30 p.m. and include:

- July 31, Booty Vortex
- Aug. 7, Slim Jim and the Mad Cows
- Aug. 14, Pan Neubean Steel
- Aug. 21 (6:15 p.m.), Eva Dav-  
enport

Children’s Concerts, Tuesdays, 10 a.m.:

- July 30, Kira Helper
- Aug. 6, Wayne Potash
- Free Summer Concert Series returns to Prudential Center: Summer Tunes with the Berklee College of Music

#### SUNSET CONCERTS AT SYMPHONY PARK

Sunset Concerts at Symphony Park feature Berklee musicians in one of Boston’s most charming outdoor spaces, located between Berklee College of Music and Symphony Hall. Concerts will be held, weather permitting, on Tuesdays from July 9 through July 30, starting at 5:30 p.m. This series is brought to you by Berklee College of Music, the Friends of Symphony Park, the Fenway Civic Association, and Boston Parks and Recreation.

•Tuesday, July 30, Natalie Castro - Natalie Castro is a 19-year-old Canadian singer and Berklee College of Music student who

began singing at age 4 and hasn’t stopped. Training with vocal coaches such as Paula Griffith, Castro wins over audiences with charisma and humility.

#### TITO PUENTE CONCERT SERIES

Taking place Thursdays in July and August at 7 p.m. in outdoor locations across Boston (mostly in the South End though), the six-concert Tito Puente Latin Music Series—coproduced by Berklee, City of Boston Parks and Recreation Department, and IBA Boston—presents a soundscape of live Latin music with a strong salsa influence in parks around the city. Performers include Berklee faculty, students, alumni, and world-renowned artists.

•Thursday, July 25, Alex Avar and Mango Blue@ Mozart Park, JP - Alex Alvear and Mango Blue blend an exciting mixture of musical styles to create a refreshing Afro-Latin and world music sound, featuring songs of celebration and social conscience.

•Thursday, Aug. 1, 3nity@ O’Day Park, South End - 3nity, the first all-female Latin band in Boston, Massachusetts, performs music shaped by three cultures: Latin, American, and African.

•Thursday, Aug. 8, Alea@ Mission Hill Playground, 1545 Tremont St. - Colombian artist Alea is a progressive and pioneering artist whose music arrests you with authenticity and honesty. Alongside brilliant performers such as Sinuhé Padilla-Isunza, Franco Pinna, and Juan Ruiz, she delivers a high-energy performance that

traces the musical heritage of many Latin American countries.

•Thursday, Aug. 15, En Tall featuring Sheila del Bosque@ LoPresti Park (33 Sumner St., East Boston) - With a different sonority and an unusual format, En Talla displays influences from Latin jazz, Afro-Cuban, and traditional Cuban music.

#### CITY OF BOSTON NEIGHBORHOOD CONCERT SERIES

•Thursday, July 25, 7 p.m. @ Blackstone Square, South End - Soul City Band.

•Friday, July 26, 7 p.m. @Clifford Park, Newmarket - Magnum Sound.

•Sunday, Aug. 4, 5 p.m. @Highland Park, Fort Hill Roxbury - Jazz at the Fort featuring The Fred Woodard Collective.

#### CITY OF BOSTON FITNESS SERIES (THROUGH SEPT. 2.)

•Salsa Dancing (SITP) in Blackstone Square (South End), every Monday, 6 p.m. A free and popular outdoor summer series for all ages, backgrounds and abilities, SITP is an innovative community engagement project in partnership with Boston Centers for Youth & Families (BCYF) Blackstone Community Center that transforms public space for public benefit through music, dance and education. A public health initiative, featuring movement as a key to wellness, it draws hundreds of people from all walks of life.

•Chair Yoga at Symphony Park

(Fenway), every Tuesday, 10 a.m.

•Cardio Dance at McLaughlin Playground (Mission Hill), every Tuesday, 6 p.m.

•QiGong in Eliot Norton Park (Bay Village), every Wednesday, 10 a.m.

•Tai Chi (through July 26) in Symphony Park (Fenway), every Thursday, 10 a.m.

•Yoga on Boston Common, every Thursday, 6 p.m.

### MOVIE NIGHTS

#### SUNSET CINEMA AT THE MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

With the return of summer comes the next wave of Sunset Cinema! The free outdoor film series features a varied lineup of recent hits, perfect for viewing under the stars.

Remaining films include:  
Aug. 15 at 6:30—2001: A Space Odyssey

Sept. 12 at 6 p.m.—Us

All screenings take place on the Huntington Avenue Lawn, and are preceded by art making and lawn games starting 90 minutes before the film begins. No ticket is required. Bring a blanket or low chair (maximum 3 feet high), a picnic supper, and nonalcoholic beverages to enjoy during the film. Beer, wine, and snacks are available for purchase.

#### PRUDENTIAL CENTER ANNOUNCES FREE FAMILY FILM FESTIVAL LINE-UP

With free, family-friendly mov-

ies shown under the stars, the Prudential Center Family Film Festival is a great summer night out. Entertainment, children’s activities and giveaways will start at 6 p.m.. All movies will start every Saturday at sundown. Rain dates will be held the following Tuesday.

#### 2019 Movie Schedule

July 27: Ralph Breaks the Internet  
Aug. 3: How to Train Your Dragon: The Hidden World

Aug. 10: Smallfoot

Aug. 17: Alice in Wonderland (1951)

Come in early and grab dinner or snacks to enjoy during the movie! Picnic blankets and beach chairs are welcome. Spend just \$10 and receive discounted parking in the Prudential Center Garage (restrictions apply).

*Closed captioning will be provided for all movies.*

#### JAZZ AND BLUES AT LIBRARY PARK, HOSTED BY PAT LOOMIS

Saxophonist Pat Loomis has booked special guests to play four outdoor jazz and blues concerts in Library Park (South End) on Tuesdays, July 23, July 30, August 20 and August 27 at 6:30 p.m. The schedule is as follows.

•JULY 30: New York-based pianist/composer Kevin Harris

•AUGUST 20: vocalists Nephrok and the Motown Masterpiece Orchestra

•AUGUST 27: The A-Beez, A Boston-based music collective with its roots in soul, funk, and R&B.

D - 4 POLICE NEWS

**FAMILY FEUD**

On Thursday, July 18, at about 12:05 a.m., plainclothes officers in an unmarked car responded to radio call for a fight at the Marriot Hotel at 110 Huntington Ave.

Upon arrival, the officers, who had their badges clearly displayed on their outermost garments, observed two men and a woman fighting in the middle of the street.

A security guard from the Prudential Center was with the female, who was crying and appeared to be under the influence of alcohol. She said that her father and boyfriend had been fighting before her boyfriend took off running down Huntington Avenue.

Police stopped the woman's boyfriends outside of 111 Huntington Ave. and after speaking with him, determined they he too was under the influence of alcohol. The man, who was described as "agitated" and "argumentative," ignored multiple attempts by police to interview him and attempted to walk away from the scene.

Police then attempted to put the man in handcuffs, but he resisted, twisting his body while yelling obscenities at officers. Officers then took the suspect to the ground and asked him for identification, but the suspect cursed at one of the officers before kicking him in the back of his right calf. After police were able to secure the sus-

pect, they transported him to District 4 headquarters for booking on charges of assault and battery and assault and battery on a police officer by means of a dangerous weapon.

Meanwhile, police spoke to the woman's gather at the Marriot and observed that his shirt has ripped, as if he had been involved in a physical altercation. He told officers that her daughter's boyfriend "had too much to brink and became very angry" at him. At this time, the woman's father said her boyfriend grabbed him and threw him to the ground before attempting to punch him. The woman then tried to intervene by jumping on her boyfriend before he fled the

area.

Paramedics arrived at the scene to evaluate the man, who injured his right thumb when he fell to the ground, but he refused medical treatment.

**OFF ON THE WRONG FOOT**

On Thursday, July 18, at approximately 3:02 a.m., an individual came into the police station and reported that he was the victim of a carjacking.

The victim said he was in his 2019 Subaru Outback at a stop light at Shawmut Avenue and Marginal Street at about 2:50 a.m., when two male suspects

approached the victim's car and asked him for a ride. The suspects then opened the door of the victim's car before both pointed handguns at him. The suspects then got in the victim's car and ordered him to drive.

When the victim reached St. James and Alpine streets in Roxbury, the suspects told him to get out of the car or they would shoot him. The suspects also took the victim's wallet and cellphone. As the suspects drove away, they ran over the victim's foot.

Paramedics responded to the scene, but the victim declined medical attention at that time.

The Stolen Car Unit was also notified of the matter.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

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**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS**  
Taxi Pool Café, Food and Beverage Service Concession Agreement  
The Massachusetts Port Authority (the "Authority"), owner and operator of Boston - Logan International Airport (the "Airport") is issuing a Request for Proposals (the "RFP") from established and responsible business entities that have demonstrated expertise in the execution and management of vending machine

concession programs. The Selected Respondent(s) shall have the non-exclusive rights, privileges and duties of a concessionaire at the Logan Airport Taxi Pool Café Food and Beverage Service Concession as further defined in this RFP and the Agreement and shall be responsible for the operations and maintenance of the Taxi Pool café facility. The Term of the Agreement shall be for a period of three (3) years, plus two (2), one (1) options, commencing on or about November 6, 2019. The Authority will conduct a Pre-Submission Conference on Friday, August 2, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. Eastern Time

at the Massachusetts Port Authority, Terminal C Briefing Room, 2nd Floor Old Tower, Boston-Logan International Airport, East Boston, Massachusetts 02128-2909. To confirm attendance at the Pre-Submission Conference please complete the RSVP form located on the Massport website at [www.massport.com](http://www.massport.com) as early as possible and no later than 2:00 pm Eastern Time on Tuesday, July 30, 2019. For any questions related to the RFP, please call (617) 561-1662 or email Mr. Dan Geleta at [dgeleta@massport.com](mailto:dgeleta@massport.com). Proposals must be received by the Authority at or prior to 2:00 pm Eastern Time on

Thursday, August 22, 2019 at the office of Mr. Michael Grieco, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, Massachusetts Port Authority, Logan Office Center, One Harborside Drive, Suite 200S, East Boston, MA 02128-2909. The Authority is soliciting competitive proposals pursuant to a determination that such a process best serves the interests of the Authority and the general public and not because of any legal requirement to do so. The Authority reserves right to accept or to reject any or all proposals, for any reason, to withdraw or amend the RFP at any time, to initiate negotiations with one or

more Respondents, to modify or amend with the consent of the Respondent any proposal prior to acceptance, to waive any informality and to effect any agreement otherwise, to re-issue this RFP without change or modification thereto, to issue a subsequent RFP with terms and conditions that are substantially different than those set forth in the RFP, or to cancel the RFP without issuing another RFP, all as the Authority, in its sole judgment, may deem to be in its best interest. Copies of the RFP may be obtained on the Authority's website at [www.massport.com](http://www.massport.com).  
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**LEGAL NOTICE**

**Notice of Self Storage Sale**  
Please take notice Prime Storage - Boston Southampton St. located at 100 Southampton St., Boston, MA 02118 intends to hold an auction to sell the goods stored by the following tenants at the storage facility. The sale will occur as an online auction via [www.storage-treasures.com](http://www.storage-treasures.com) on 8/12/2019 at 12:00 PM. Unless stated otherwise the description of the contents are household goods and furnishings. Walter Davis unit #4037; Javier Diaz Cardona

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**For the Record**

**From the July 25 Public Improvements Commission, City Hall Rm. 714, 10 a.m.:**

- 771 & 775 Beacon Street, Maitland Street; Boston Proper – Widening & Relocation, Specific Repairs – On a set of joint petitions by Fenway Center Owner 1-2 LLC and BCH 819 Beacon Street LLC.

**CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ON PLANNING, DEVELOPMENT, AND TRANSPORTATION HEARING:**

A July 29, 5 p.m., hearing on the proposed North-South Rail Link. The Chair of the Committee is Councilor Michelle Wu, and the Sponsor is Councilor Annissa Essaibi-George. City Hall, Council Chambers.

**From the July 31 Inspectional Services Department Hearing, 1010 Mass. Ave., 4th Floor, 10 a.m.:**

- 370-380 Harrison Ave. - 180 Vehicles 3,600 gallons of gas in the tanks of vehicles. Southend 10, LLC.

**From the Aug. 1 Tree Removal Hearing, 1010 Mass. Ave., 3rd floor, 11:30 a.m.:**

- Bay Village - the request is for the removal of five locust trees measuring between 12 and 14 inches dbh (diameter at breast height), one locust tree measuring 20 inches dbh, and one little leaf linden tree measuring 14 inches dbh due to construction of the 212 Stuart St. Residences in Bay Village.
- Back Bay - the request is for the removal of two honey locust trees measuring 6 and 8 inches dbh (diameter at breast height) due to renovations planned for the Taj Hotel at 15 Arlington St.

**From the Aug. 6 South End Landmarks meeting, City Hall Rm. 709, 5:30 p.m.:**  
**VIOLATIONS**

- 275 Shawmut Ave. Violation: (Continued from 06/04/2019 & 07/02/2019) Ratification of unapproved commercial exhaust at rear of structure that rises above the gutter line.

**DESIGN REVIEW**

- 4-18 Clarendon St. & 70-80 Warren Ave. Proposed Work: Rebuild large sections of masonry façades.
- 720 Harrison Ave. Proposed Work: At front entrance install canopy.
- 76 Chandler St.: Proposed Work: At front facade levels 1 & 2, replace 6 original windows with two 2 over 2 wood windows and two one over one wood windows.
- 435 Columbus Ave. Proposed Work: (Continued From 07/02/2019) At front façade commercial storefront, replace non-historic storefront window with an entryway.
- 715-725 Tremont St. Proposed Work: At front entrance install canopy.
- 818-840 Harrison Avenue: Maintain Double Acorn Light.
- 57 Newland Street: Single Acorn Light, to Double.
- 640 Harrison Avenue: Single Acorn Light to Double.
- E. Newton Street: Single Acorn Light to Double.
- 312-314 Shawmut Ave.: Single Acorn Light to Double. Proposed Work: Install cell phone tower and equipment on existing acorn light pole.
- 1 Taylor St.: Proposed Work: At rear el facing a public way, remove and re-place existing roof deck.
- 24 Union Park Proposed Work: Remove rear chimney (See Additional Items in Administrative Review).
- 30-34 East Concord St. Proposed Work: At penthouse, replace existing roof decks in kind.
- 31 Worcester St. Proposed Work: At rear yard facing a public way, rebuild privacy wall and install new door to rear yard (See additional items under administrative review).
- 16 Appleton St. Proposed Work: Replace existing garden fence (See additional items under administrative review).
- 531 Massachusetts Ave. Proposed Work: At front and rear facades, add two skylights (per side).
- 95 Berkeley St. Proposed Work: At roof install additional mechanical equipment with screening.

# BACK BAY LUXURY



**30 MARLBOROUGH ST #3**  
 3 Beds | 2.5 Baths | 1,920 SQFT  
 \$3,499,000

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**35 COMM AVE PH**  
 3 Beds | 4.5 Baths | 5,885 SQFT  
 \$15,550,000



**201 W BROOKLINE ST #204**  
 3 Beds | 3.5 Baths | 2,756 SQFT  
 \$4,050,000



**250 BEACON ST #17/19**  
 3 Beds | 4f 2h Baths | 4,150 SQFT  
 \$6,900,000



**23 MARLBOROUGH ST #3**  
 4 Beds | 3.5 Baths | 3,636 SQFT  
 \$7,900,000

