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Victory Programs scraps plan to lease Roundhouse for shelter

By Seth Daniel

Victory Programs announced to stakeholders on Wednesday that they would no longer be pursuing a lease at the Roundhouse building on Mass/Cass for a 14 to 35 bed transitional, low-threshold shelter at the former hotel just a block from the

Atkinson Street Comfort Station.

The announcement by Sarah Porter, executive director of Victory Programs, came after a very contentious stakeholder meeting online last Friday afternoon – one where elected officials and residents decidedly opposed the

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Following successful first year, WATERGOAT trash net launched for a second season

By Lauren Bennett

The Muddy Water Initiative launched the WATERGOAT trash net for a second season on August 1, at an action-packed event offering live music, ice cream from the Boston Police ice cream truck, and even live goats. Many volunteers came out to help clean the river banks by the Ipswich Street Bridge, as well as helped empty the WATERGOAT.

More than 70 pounds of trash was removed from the river and

the surrounding area as part of the event, according to Muddy Water Initiative Volunteer Coordinator Danielle Ibrahim.

According to a press release from the Muddy Water Initiative, the WATERGOAT received a Boston Planning and Development Agency Boston Red Sox Fenway Park Demonstration Project Community Benefits grant for the second year in a row, and volunteers will clean

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Bob Palmer and Lilianna Palmer work together to remove a pair of pants from the Muddy River area, while Marco DeMelo and Juliette Palmer keep hunting for more trash.

KELLEHER ROSE GARDEN IS IN BLOOM



PHOTOS BY SETH DANIEL

A beautiful Queen Elizabeth rose bursts in bloom at the Kelleher Rose Garden in the Fenway last month, with the magnificent fountain in the background. Roses such as this don't continue to bloom throughout the summer without the help of volunteers who do the painstaking pruning, or deadheading, of the plants in the weekly 'Tuesday with the Roses' activity. Here, Fenway volunteer John Gill chats with other volunteers in the Kelleher recently as they weed and deadhead the rose bushes. See photos and story on Pages 4 and 5.



Mayoral candidates tackle issue of homelessness

By Lauren Bennett

The Boston Coalition for Homeless Individuals, which consists of Boston Health Care for the Homeless, Pine Street Inn, Project Place, and St. Francis

House, hosted a virtual mayoral forum on July 28.

Called "Pathways Out of Homelessness," the forum was moderated by Boston Globe columnist Marcela Garcia and attended by candidates John Bar-

ros, Andrea Campbell, Annissa Essaibi George, Kim Janey, and Michelle Wu.

The forum focused on questions relating to issues surround-

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Janey says there are 'no current plans' for requiring proof of vaccination in Boston

By Lauren Bennett

Following an announcement from New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio that proof of vaccination will be required for many indoor activities such as gyms,

theaters, and restaurants, Acting Mayor Kim Janey was asked Tuesday if she would follow suit in Boston. What came next was the latest controversy in the summer edition of this year's mayoral race.

In a video on WCVB's website, Janey responded by saying that showing proof of vaccination is "difficult to enforce," and stated on Twitter that "...there are no

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EDITORIAL

NOT ALL PARENTS KNOW

WHAT'S BEST FOR THEIR KIDS

The executive order signed last week by Gov. Ron DeSantis of Florida banning local school boards from requiring students to wear masks in schools in that state rates as one of the most reprehensible actions of any public official since the pandemic began.

Thanks to DeSantis's lack of leadership and nutty pronouncements throughout the course of the pandemic, Florida now rates as one of the biggest hotspots for the coronavirus in the world, accounting alone for almost 20% of the daily infections in the U.S. and recently breaking its own one-day record for infections.

Predictably, the state's healthcare system is being swamped by COVID-19 patients, who are dying at a rate that is 10 times greater than New York City's.

DeSantis's order fails to recognize two basic facts:

First, although the rate of serious illness among children who catch COVID remains low, more than 19,000 children have been hospitalized with coronavirus in 24 states and New York City as of July 22, according to a database from the American Academy of Pediatrics and the Children's Hospital Association.

That is a large number and it surely will spike when children return to school indoors.

Second, DeSantis's order fails to acknowledge that while masks afford some protection to the mask-wearer, the primary benefit accrues to everyone else who is around the mask-wearer, whose aerosols are contained within the mask, rather than being spread around a room unimpeded where they linger to be inhaled by another person.

Maskless students needlessly risk infecting their teachers, classmates, and staff members, as well as the family members and everyone else who comes into contact with anyone who is at those schools.

In short, the reopening of schools without adherence to the COVID-19 precautions that we're all familiar with will become a superspreader event in every community in Florida, even among the vaccinated, thanks to the highly-contagious Delta variant.

However, it is the basic false premise of DeSantis's executive order -- that parents know what is best for their children's health -- that is the most harmful aspect of his reasoning.

Typical parents are not the best caregivers for their children's health for the simple reason that they are not medical experts, especially when it comes to COVID-19.

While we will concede that most parents love their children, it also is undeniable that parents who are not following the guidelines set forth by the CDC and the American Society of Pediatricians (which are recommending mask-wearing in schools) are sacrificing their children's health on the altar of their political views.

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SAND SCULPTING FESTIVAL

This weekend marks the return of the 16th annual Revere Beach International Sand Sculpting Festival, featuring master sand sculptors who have come from all over the globe to compete in one of the largest sand sculpting festivals in the world.

The festival will be held on Friday from 10 a.m.-10 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m.-10 p.m., and Sunday from 10 a.m.- 8 p.m. A grand fireworks display will be held Saturday evening at 9:00 p.m.

In 2019, the event drew an estimated one million attendees, drawn not only by the wonderful sculptures, but also by food trucks, food vendors, exhibitors, and much more, so it is advisable that attendees from out of town plan on taking the T to Revere Beach station.

This year's festival also will be a celebration of the 125th anniversary of Revere Beach, America's first public beach.

All in all, the 2021 Sand Sculpting Festival promises to be a memorable event for all members of the family.

GUEST OP-ED

Have You Heard?

By Alison Barnet

When President Joe Biden's infrastructure bill finally gets passed, do you know the first thing on his agenda? He'll be flying to the South End where he'll proceed at once to rip up our brick sidewalks and replace them with smooth slabs of pavement safe to walk on. Hordes of people, many on canes and walkers, who wouldn't dare walk on the sidewalks, will cheer him from the street.

Of course, the president wasn't alone in pulling up the bricks. A large contingent of congressmen and women did much of the work, piling up bricks to be taken away by truckloads of masons.

We'll hear the president complaining, "Whoever put these sidewalks down apparently didn't know a thing about trees." That's right," the people watching from the street will chime in. But one guy, apparently drunk,

kept yelling, "These sidewalks are 100 years old" as though that were something to be proud of, and, when the president corrected him: "They were put down 1979-1980," the guy told him he didn't know anything and kept yelling, "These sidewalks are 100 years old," jabbing angrily at the ground. A group from the nearby neighborhood association applauded him, furious that their beloved bond with historic Beacon Hill had been questioned. No longer could they claim that the South End is just as old, and they vowed to sell their condos ASAP.

Arriving the day after a rain storm, Biden was shocked to see a lake covering the intersection of many South End streets, an infrastructure problem he somehow hadn't foreseen. One was directly across the street from a hospital—shocking! Getting his legs and feet wet, he crossed the street to the hospital only to

find himself on a particularly bad stretch of sidewalk with many loose bricks and deep holes. "Is the hospital drumming up business?" he wondered. Noticing a bus stop at the corner, he wondered how anyone could manage to run for the bus without harm.

Nearly finished with pulling up bricks on all the South End streets, Biden, standing on a piece of the old sidewalk, didn't notice a hole where bricks used to be and tripped and fell. Each of the congressional committee had already fallen, one breaking her glasses, another who didn't notice big, long lumps in the sidewalk. That was nothing compared to what happened to another team member who went flying after he tripped over a dog's leash and had to be taken away by ambulance.

Alison Barnet is a South End resident and former editor of the South End News.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

TAKES ISSUE WITH BPL STAFF DECISIONS

Dear Editor,

By what measures (consumer satisfaction, program development, community involvement) did the BPL decide to terminate Librarian Anne Smart and (another South End branch librarian)? Because by the measures noted above, they get a grade of "excellent" on all of them. This is an ill-conceived and quite frankly, moronic, decision on the part of the BPL. Is there an hidden agenda here to which none of us is privy? Otherwise, it makes no sense at all. In any case, what the BPL has done is detrimental to our community. Please, for the good of the South End community, reinstate these two valuable BPL employees.

Carol & Frank Feldman
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SUPPORTING MICHELLE WU

Dear Editor,

Boston City Councilor Michelle Wu is the only candidate running for Mayor that has

a plan to create a renewable energy future, revitalize the economy, create thousands of jobs and save our planet through a Boston Green New Deal. She knows we need transformative environmental policy not only now but also to build a sustainable future.

That's why I'm proud to support Michelle for Mayor. It's no surprise that she has earned the endorsement of many respected environmental groups like the Boston Sunrise Movement, Environmental League of Massachusetts and Massachusetts Sierra Club. Through bold leadership alongside community organizers and activists, Michelle will continue putting the environment front and center, while reversing

harmful policies.

As a resident and practicing physician in Boston, I see the health effects of climate change regularly. We need to move forward with the level of urgency that the climate crisis demands -- failure on the environment has led to widespread negative health impacts, disproportionately affecting communities of color. It is heartening to see the issues we face on climate change have never stopped being a priority for Michelle. Michelle has earned my vote because she has shown that she is more than ready to tackle these issues fully.

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NABB License and Building Use Committee hears application for Harvard Club permanent patio

By Dan Murphy

Representatives for the Harvard Club outlined their proposal to create a permanent patio on the private front lawn of its 374 Commonwealth Ave. location during the Aug. 2 meeting of the Neighborhood Association of the Back Bay License and Building Use Committee, which was held virtually.

The proposed patio would consist of two sections, each measuring 20-by-40-feet on either side of the walkway to the building's main entrance, said Nancy Sadecki, a project

architect with Meyer and Meyer Architects, while offering seating for 40 patrons.

Plantings and "lush greenery" designed by Newton landscape architectural firm, Pressley and Associates, would be added to accentuate the building's historic façade, said Sadecki, while the patio would comprise stone pavers. Swing gates, which would be installed in the wrought-iron fence, "flanking the entrance" and providing access to both sides of the patio, she added, and spindles and other details of the fence would be matched exactly

whenever possible.

The patio would also be set 6 inches above the sidewalk, said Sadecki, so an ADA-accessible ramp would be built to provide access to it.

Patio furniture, along with the portable heaters, would be stored inside the Harvard Club during the winter, said Sadecki, and there are no plans to provide patio service when it's snowing or during otherwise inclement weather.

Like the Harvard Club's existing dining room and lounge, admission to the patio would be limited to its members and guests, as well as those staying overnight in one of the guestrooms, said Stephen Miller, an attorney for the applicant.

The patio is expected to be open from April 1 through

November "at the latest," said Miller, and its proposed hours of operation would likely "mirror" Deuxave at 371 Commonwealth Ave., which currently go to 9 p.m. on Sunday and Tuesday through Friday and to 9:30 p.m. on Saturday.

"Now, guests have to be at their tables by 9, so you figure it takes them 90 minutes tops, which takes it to 10:30 p.m.," said Miller, who added that alcohol wouldn't be served without food on the patio, "and we get very few reservations for 9 p.m.; it's a much earlier crowd."

Seven tables that the Harvard Club currently has set up on the sidewalk would be eliminated, he said, if the patio proposal comes to pass.

NABB Chair, Elliott Laffer, expressed some concern put a

restaurant use in an "insulated corner" of an otherwise residential neighborhood.

Miller said that the applicant has yet to file with the city's Licensing Board for this proposal, which would then go before the state's Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission, in anticipation of opening next spring.

In another matter, Gene Richard, an attorney for Ramsay's Kitchen, the restaurant that celebrity chef, Gordon Ramsay, intends to open in the former Bar Boulud space in the Mandarin Hotel, returned to the commission to provide more information on the proposed patio.

In response to feedback from last meeting, the patio's proposed capacity has been reduced from

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in this country of people needing to show their papers, whether we're talking about this from the standpoint of, you know, as a way to after, during slavery, post slavery, as recently as, you know, what the immigrant population has to go through here."

She continued, "we heard Trump with the birth certificate nonsense. Here, we want to make sure that we are not doing anything that would further create a barrier for residents of Boston or disproportionately impact BIPOC communities."

Janey said that her intention is to work with community organizations to get the vaccine out to all residents.

Despite not having plans to mandate proof of vaccination at the city level, Janey said that "as it relates to people who want to encourage their workforce to get vaccinated, we certainly support that."

Right now, about 66 percent of Bostonians are fully vaccinated, she said. "We're inching closer and closer to 70 percent having at least one shot," Janey added. "That is good progress. We have much more work to do to make sure that everyone can get the vaccine and we'll continue to focus on that."

Other mayoral candidates have issued statements in response to Janey's comments, including City Councilors Andrea Campbell and Michelle Wu, who did not agree with Janey's remarks.

"When we are combating a deadly virus and vaccine hesitancy, this kind of rhetoric is dangerous," Campbell said. "There is already too much misinfor-

mation directed at our residents about this pandemic, particularly Black and brown residents, and it is incumbent upon us as leaders not to give these conspiracies any more oxygen. Showing proof of vaccination is not slavery or birtherism. We are too close to give ground to COVID. It's pretty simple — Vax up and mask up."

Wu said, "At the level of government closest to Bostonians, City Hall must ensure our communities get the protection they need so we can end this pandemic. Vaccination should be mandatory for city workers, and our leaders should build trust in vaccines. I also support requiring proof of vaccination to protect people at restaurants, shops, theaters, and other indoor venues, and will work to strengthen our public health infrastructure so the burden does not fall on our small businesses and workers as we work to close the vaccination gap across every neighborhood."

Annissa Essaibi George's campaign also weighed in on the matter, saying that she feels the most important thing for the city to do is place emphasis on vaccinating everyone quickly.

Her campaign issued the following statement to the Sun: "Annissa believes the only thing we should be focusing on is getting shots in arms, which is critical to ending this pandemic. We should all be able to agree on that. We need to stop making this a politically-charged issue."

John Barros' campaign did not respond to a request for comment by press time.



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TUESDAY WITH THE ROSES:

At the Kelleher Rose Garden, it's the volunteers that make it bloom

By Seth Daniel

Taking a stroll in the Fenway's Kelleher Rose Garden is a special experience with dozens upon dozens of varieties of roses bursting in bloom seemingly all summer long.

It's a special respite, and one that dazzles the sense of smell and sight.

But while most enjoy the Garden, it is a dedicated group of volunteers that help keep it at its tip-top beauty all summer long.

Once a week, and sponsored by the Emerald Necklace Conservancy, a group of volunteers known as Tuesday with the

Roses, gets together to weed the rose beds and conduct the all-important technique of "deadheading" the different varieties of roses. Deadheading is the special process of pruning a flowering plant to encourage it to keep blooming even outside of its normal peak.

On a recent Tuesday, about 12 volunteers from around the city showed up to spend Tuesday with the Roses. Some had been coming regularly for years and like the camaraderie, while others had only recently started coming for the mere fact that they adored roses.

Richard Stroshane, the vol-

unteer leader for the group, said people volunteers really enjoy the activity once they learn the technique – and many continue to come back.

"It tends to be a very contemplative activity as people chat about things and meet new people," he said. "At the same time they are doing something encouraging for others. It's a wonderful and casual activity. There are no expectations...There's also some judgment involved, which I think is appealing to people. It's kind of like the reason why people in Japan are said to enjoy the mazes they have there. They love mazes because they get to figure it out.

They get to decide. It's not determined by an edict. With this you get to make some decisions on deadheading the plants. There's also an aspect where you are using your technique to make the Garden beautiful and you know that people appreciate it. You may not be there or see them appreciate it, but you know as you're doing it that happens."

Joelle Boyle, Conservancy coordinator of Land Stewardship, said they are very happy to have the volunteers return this year for Tuesday with the Roses, as they weren't allowed in during the 2020 pandemic. She said that along with "Eddie" from the

Parks Department, the volunteers help keep the Garden looking like the showpiece that it is.

"There is more work here than one man can do, even someone as great as Eddie," she said. "We really want to thank the volunteers. Volunteers know how much work goes into a garden like this. We are just now able to get our volunteers back. I'm excited to have volunteers back out doing this work...For a lot of volunteers, it's a great way to get to know their neighbors, get their hands dirty and be stewards of the Emerald Necklace."

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42 to 26, with two patrons each at 13 tables, said Richard, while the patio would have the same footprint and dimensions as the one for Bar Boulud.

A railing, along with trees at the curbs and patio enclosures, he said, would surround the perimeter of the patio.

The patio would be open

from April 1 to November, said Richard, and close at 10 p.m. in accordance with a recommendation from Laffer, who suggested that would be an appropriate time for the patio, given its close proximity to nearby residences.

The LBU Committee also heard from Romel Sanday, a certified personal trainer, who

is proposing to open a fitness center at 247 Newbury St in the retail space formerly occupied by an iFixYouri, an iPhone repair shop.

The proposed hours of operation for the business are 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., said Sanday, and most of his clients are expected to live in or work in Back Bay.

In another matter, Trish Farnsworth, the attorney for Krasi, a Greek restaurant at 48 Gloucester St., which currently has a beer-and-wine license, said the establishment is now seeking

an all-alcohol license to serve a "small selection of Greek-inspired cocktails."

The liquor license would be transferred from the now-shuttered Lincoln Bar and Grill in Brighton, said Farnsworth, and the applicant is seeking a 1 a.m. liquor license, which would allow them to serve patrons up until midnight or 12:15 a.m., while the kitchen now closes at 11 p.m.

"We have 14 seats at bar and 12 tables in the restaurant," she said, "so we're not looking for

volume of any sort."

LBU Chair, Conrad Armstrong, requested that the restaurant close its windows by 10:30 p.m., which would likely be included as a proviso for the applicant's liquor license.

The LBU Committee also heard applications for 191 Commonwealth Ave. to legalize five-dwelling basement units, which have been there since the building was a hotel and now serve as staff apartments, as well as for Lobstah on a Roll at 254 Newbury St. to transfer the name of manager on the restaurant's existing beer-and-wine license (which was determined to be beyond the purview of the committee).

Armstrong told the applicants that he would inform them of the LBU Committee's determinations like by Friday, Aug. 13.

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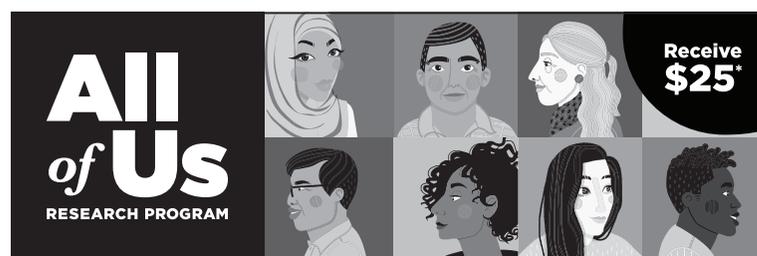
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ROSE GARDEN (from pg. 4)

Melanie Dennis has been volunteering with the roses for a number of years, and said Tuesdays are “a respite from busy urban life and having the fountain behind them is a pleasant background sound.”

John Gill, of the Fenway, said he got his start with the roses through community gardening.



One of the varieties of roses in full bloom at the Kelleher, with the Prudential Tower and One Dalton in the background. For many, the Kelleher is a place to volunteer and also get some respite from urban life.

“I come here to appreciate the roses and doing this gives me an even greater insight on how to appreciate them,” he said. “Maybe one day I’ll have a garden of my own and do this for myself. I got into this from community gardening – hearing about it from other people. When you learn from older people and more experienced people, you learn much more than you could ever take from a video or a book or a website. It’s also just satisfying to do.”

Part of the magic the volunteers work is knowing just the right technique to prune, or deadhead, the roses so they will continue to bloom through the warm months. Stroshane said it’s a process of going from plant to plant, amongst the hundreds of varieties, and finding parts of the plant that have died off, and taking off leaves at just the right spot.

“There is a special technique that has to be done to encourage roses to bloom,” he said, noting that without the volunteers, such hand-s-on painstaking care would



Bharathi Anand, known to her friends as the ‘Queen of Roses,’ loves to volunteer at the Kelleher because she simply loves roses. She said she has 47 varieties planted at her own home garden.

probably not be done. “Normally they hit their peak in June and die, but if you trim them by deadheading, it coerces them into another round of blooming.”

And so it is that the magic of the Fenway roses continues to delight and dazzle residents, tourists and gardening gurus every summer. Anyone who would like to volunteer can inquire with Boyle by e-mailing volunteer@emeraldnecklace.org.



Joelle Boyle, Emerald Necklace Conservancy Coordinator of Land Stewardship, and Tuesday with the Roses Volunteer Leader Richard Stroshane.



Long-time volunteer Melanie Dennis teaches first-time volunteer Janet Washington the proper deadheading technique on the roses.



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Shown above, the WATERGOAT trash net sits ready to be pulled to shore for volunteers to clean the trash it has collected.

Shown to the left, State Senator Will Brownsberger and Caroline Reeves of the Muddy Water Initiative. Shown right, Cassandra Mondazzi of Enchanted Animal Parties poses with a baby goat, who was very popular with Birch Sieger and his mom, Lucy Bullock-Sieger.



Cory Azmon, Rep. Jon Santiago, Jackie Royce of the Muddy Water Initiative, and her son Ethan Royce were all smiles at the WaterGoat launch event. Azmon and Santiago were presented with "Goat Medal Certificates" from the Muddy Water Initiative for their work on making the WATERGOAT a reality for the Muddy River for the first time last year.

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out the net biweekly.

Caroline Reeves of the Muddy Water Initiative said that several groups are already lined up to help clean the river this year, including the Temple Israel Riverway Project for 20s & 30s, the Taiwanese American Profession-

als-Boston, Tzu Chi, and groups from MIT and Boston University, as well as plenty of resident volunteers.

"Following on last year's roaring success with over 160 volunteers deployed and more than 700 pounds of trash removed

from the river and its banks, The WATERGOAT Season II promises even more good fun cleaning up our threatened urban waterways," the Muddy Water Initiative said in the release.

Many volunteers, community members, and elected officials

came out to the event on Sunday, including Rep. Jon Santiago, Rep. Jay Livingstone and his family, Senator Will Brownsberger, and Emerald Necklace Conservancy President Karen Mauney-Brodek.

Preston Musoke, a volunteer who also helped out last year for his community service hours at school, said he enjoys helping clean the Muddy River and contribute to his community.

"It was pretty fun to be honest," he said of the experience last year. "When we go to the other side of the river, we get to clean it. I feel like it's better than just letting all the trash flow into the Charles River..." he said, adding that he likes being able to help make that happen.

Musoke said that last year, a bed frame and a bike were pulled out of the river, and seeing those removed really stood out to him.

"I think that the beauty of the WATERGOAT is that it allows people to see that they can make a difference in our environment with their own two hands, Reeves said. "Our volunteers come back two or three times, and that's only in our first season because they love the experience so much."

Reeves also said that next year, the goal is to clean the water itself.

"We are going to be deploying another boom across the Muddy

River in the same area as the WATERGOAT," she said. The boom will feature sacks filled with activated charcoal called bio-char. "This is the material that's used in wastewater treatment and in fishtanks," she said.

"We are betting that the Muddy River, because it's so stagnant, will react very well to this kind of filtration system and we think that we will see a significant reduction in phosphorus, nitrogen, hydrocarbon s, and E. coli."

This activated charcoal will help to absorb toxins from the water without using chemicals, which Reeves said is an "environmentally positive method of water purification."

The Muddy River Initiative is always looking for new volunteers to come help with the clean-ups, and more information can be found at muddywaterinitiative.org.

"In 2019, 2.9 million people crossed the Muddy River to get to a home game for the Red Sox," Reeves said. "I could almost guarantee you that three quarters of those people did not stop to think about the Muddy River and the importance of quality in our urban waterways."

The next WATERGOAT cleanup will take place on August 15 from 10-11:30am across from 50 Charlesgate East. If interested, a waiver must be filled out.

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The Anchor seen as a national model for outdoor activation, programming

By Seth Daniel

Sometimes special places don't seem entirely unique when they're in one's backyard.

That just might be the case for The Anchor venue in the Navy Yard, which this summer is gaining accolades from near and far – even as far away as sunny Miami.

Fresh off being named a 2021 Best of Boston beer and wine garden this week, Owner Chris Sinclair said they have also gotten attention beyond Boston, with him having been invited earlier this summer to share the successes of the Anchor with the Greater Miami Festival and Events Association.

Sinclair said they reached out to him and invited him to speak at their gathering in June regarding how The Anchor has combined food, beverage, creative placemaking and tremendous amounts of community programming.

"I've never thought of it this way, but we've created a model here with the BPDA that at least Florida wants to re-create," he said. "If the Miami area thinks this is great, I'm sure Los Angeles, New York and San Francisco also think that...It's such a different feel and space and business model. They wanted to know about it. Boston has a global appeal. Cities really do look to the way we do things here...The Anchor is not a beer garden or a restaurant or an events space. It's all of them mixed together and they were interested in the model we created with the extensive community programming."

That programming has been very prolific since the beginning of The Anchor, but it took on a new and bigger role last year when they hosted more than 400 events

from opening to New Year's Eve. Sinclair said the group in Florida wanted to know how Boston pulled that off, and what it takes to make it happen elsewhere.

"It is fascinating in retrospect a lot of the things we did during COVID-19," he said. "We held nearly 400 events and they wanted to know what we did to host so many things, even in the pandemic. We explained it takes thousands of man hours and the business isn't for everyone if they don't have the time. If they do have the time and the team, then maybe what we've done can be re-created. I did share our business plan also."

Another key interest they had was the fact that The Anchor is a public-private partnership. The Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) owns the land they operate on and licenses the establishment – with the goal of activating the area and bringing more people into the Navy Yard from Charlestown and citywide. Many in Florida also wanted to copy that idea of using public outdoor space in a better way.

"They had never seen anything like The Anchor," he said. "They've seen placemaking and they've seen beer gardens, but to combine them with the community to produce so many events – they'd never seen that...If we're a national model, it has to be predicated on the fact this is so community driven."

A final key to the model was something The Anchor is known for – always being open virtually in any kind of weather. Even with July being one of the rainiest months on record, they opened every day. He said for a model like The Anchor, no matter where, there has to be consistency.

"A lot of operators will close early or skip days," he said. "We'll have \$100 days in the year, but we stay open so there is consistency because over time the public understands you are

there and you are open – that they can come down and find us open if it's 90 degrees or 30 degrees – wet or dry...It's a long-term game. It's not a quarter by quarter, or month by month

approach."

The Anchor is located in Shipyard Park in Charlestown's Navy Yard. The hours are Monday to Thursday, 4-11 p.m., and Friday to Sunday, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m.

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2021 Open Newbury Street dates

Staff Report

Acting Mayor Kim Janey announced Open Newbury Street will turn Newbury Street into a pedestrian-only walkway for three Sundays in August: August 15, 22 and 29 from 10am to 8pm. As Boston emerges from the COVID-19 pandemic, Open Newbury Street provides exciting new opportunities for businesses to engage their customers on repurposed street space, and allow pedestrians to enjoy the full width of this famous Boston street.

"I'm especially excited to kick-off Open Newbury Street as we look for ways to hold space for

collective joy and imagination," said Mayor Janey. "We look forward to supporting businesses by providing space for them to engage customers in creative ways. I hope residents and visitors will be able to experience all that Open Newbury Street has to offer."

Newbury Street will be open to pedestrians and closed to motor vehicles from 10am to 8pm from Berkeley Street to Massachusetts Avenue. Parking will be restricted on Newbury Street and adjacent streets with enforcement beginning at 5:00 a.m.; signs will be posted informing drivers of the change.



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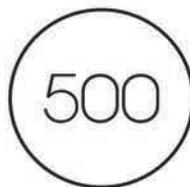
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HOMELESSNESS (from pg. 4)

ing homelessness in Boston, such as creating housing and services for individuals and families experiencing homelessness.

Candidates were first asked how they would increase “deeply affordable housing” in the city and “what goal” they could commit to for building new units.

Essaibi George said that the process for searching for housing needs to be made “less burdensome,” and people need better access to the system.

“As we work to build and streamline the process...we have to make sure there are entry points along the continuum of housing search for our city’s residents who are experiencing housing instability and homelessness,” she said. She added that she has worked on this as a city councilor, and would continue if elected mayor.

Acting Mayor Janey said that “we have done a lot already in my tenure over the last four months under my administration,” including investing \$50 million in the Rental Relief Fund. “We need to get into the thousands of units. We have to recognize that it’s not just individuals, that it’s families that need supportive housing,” she said.

Wu said that “we have fallen far short in terms of growing our city in a way that matches the accessibility at the income levels of what’s needed as well as the type of occupancy that’s needed.” She said that city resources should be used, and added that she has “committed to...analyzing every single city owned building” for opportunities to create supportive housing within her first 100 days as mayor, should she be elected.

“I’ve always led from an intersectional lens,” Campbell said. Campbell began the Vacant Lot Initiative, which she said she

would remain committed to if elected. She said she would activate 100 city owned lots within her first 100 days as mayor. “Workforce development also has to be a part of this conversation,” she added.

Barros said he is the “only candidate in this race that has actually built housing; built deeply affordable housing; built transitional supportive housing for homeless” in partnership with organizations.

“I’m proud to have been part of the Walsh administration that has housed over 15,000 un-housed people since 2014, including 1000 chronically homeless people and 1300 homeless veterans,” he said. “As mayor, I would promise to double that within the first four years.” Barros also said that services for mental health, safety, and food are also important.

Some questions were aimed at particular candidates, such as one for Janey and Campbell asking how they would “invest in workforce development training and incentivize employers to see individuals experiencing homelessness and returning to the community from incarceration as a solution to the workforce needs that employers are currently facing.”

Janey said that she would introduce a Chief of Labor and Workforce Development, which would be a cabinet-level position. She said that working to employ those with CORI, as well as working with labor unions and the Suffolk County Sheriff are things she would tackle.

“If we want people to be successful, we’ve got to set them up for success,” she said. She added that partnering with and expanding nonprofits who already do this type of work is a goal of hers, to help people with inter-

view and resume skills.

“Workforce development in general is near and dear to me,” Campbell said. She said that employees at City Hall need to be diversified, and providing jobs to those with CORI and disabilities at the city level. She also said that the “digital divide” needs to be closed.

In a question directed at Wu, Barros, and Essaibi George, candidates were asked if they would support supervised consumption facilities in the city.

“We need to take every possible step to save lives,” Wu said. “The data is clear.” She said that medical experts have said that these sites are life saving for many. “This is a moment where we have to follow the recommendations of our providers and experts in this area,” she said, and “work hand-in-hand with community partners and stakeholders...not just at Mass and Cass, but across all neighborhoods and regionally.”

Barros said he supports supervised consumption sites “that are planned and part of a continuum of care” and “created in tandem with additional wraparound services.” He said that to implement these sites in Boston, a “thorough community process” would have to be held, and the sites would have to be able to be accessed equitably.

Essaibi George said she has visited safe consumption sites in Toronto and Vancouver. She said that it is “important to note” that these sites are “illegal by federal standards and federal law” in the United States, so “...licensed healthcare providers will not be able to participate in their operation.”

She said that for these sites to “work effectively and appropriately,” there would have to be many sites “located in close proximity to one another,” as people will not travel very far to go to one. “That investment will cost millions of dollars,” she said, adding that she would rather spend the money on “long-term recovery services.”

There was also a “lightning round” question, where candidates were asked whether or not they support the development of permanent supportive housing in the Shattuck Campus site, an issue that has caused a divide in the communities surrounding Franklin Park where the hospital site is located. While many residents support the state’s plan to build supportive housing and

services on the site, others feel that the land should be returned to Franklin Park and these services should be sited elsewhere, such as at the Arborway Yard in Jamaica Plain.

Barros said yes, he supports the construction of supportive housing on the site. Wu said “we need to have a full conversation with the state in terms of all the parcels.” She said that she does “support and will commit to urgently increasing the number of supportive housing units on city owned land and public land,” but there needs to be “one conversation about all the parcels at play here.”

Janey said, “I support more supportive housing, indeed,” adding that she also calls for “a much more comprehensive approach in terms of how we get at that number.”

Essaibi George said she does support supportive housing on that site, but she said that at the same time, the city, stakeholders, and residents “can continue to have those conversations around other parcels of land.”

Campbell said she also supports the housing on that site. “I have received a lot of correspondence on this issue,” she said, adding that many residents have expressed support for the housing and services as a way to tackle the opioid crisis in the city. She added that there are also “ways in which to have a conversation about the other concerns related to that parcel.”

All candidates were asked how they would “respond to NIMBYism and community pushback, and actually get permanent supportive housing built.”

Essaibi George said that it’s imperative to ensure that when supportive housing is built, that it truly is permanent supportive housing. “We need to work in direct partnership with our non-profit organizations,” she said, and the City has to be a leader.

“We have the power to create a streamlined process and making sure we’re pushing that through,” Wi said. She called for zoning code updates, as “...we are in a broken system where every single new development has to go through unknown, unspecified numbers of meetings and conversations and negotiations because there is no clear sense of what the rules are.” She also said she would “transform and empower the Boston Housing Authority.”

Campbell said that “closing the gaps in terms of economic opportunities, safe neighborhoods, schools, health disparities,” as well as “dealing with and addressing the public safety crisis” at Mass and Cass” are priorities of hers. She said that everyone has a responsibility including city employees, the business community, health professionals, and those who work in supportive housing, to be a leader on this front.

“Segregating affordable housing or concentrating poverty into a few areas in the city” is not fair, Barros said. He said conversations need to be had about “equity and access” and “equity in resources.” He said he has been having these conversations in the community about where supportive housing should be built, and this process should be done in a way that promotes equity citywide.

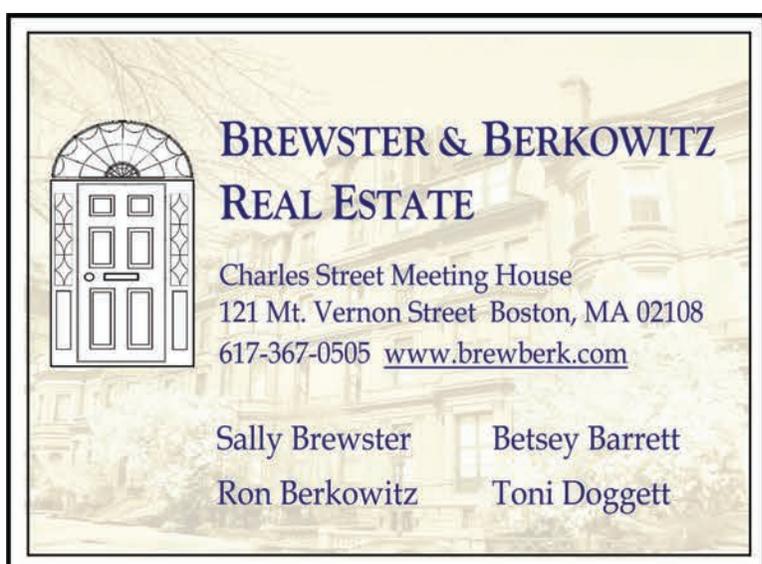
Janey said that aside from the \$50 million invested in the Rental Relief Fund, her administration is also working to prevent the displacement of people from their homes. She said that this “doesn’t even include the hundreds of millions of dollars in federal support. That money is going to a number of things, including how we’re dealing with public housing in our city.” She said many existing units are “in desperate need of upgrades,” and there is a need for additional units of supportive housing as well.

Candidates were also asked about “innovative ideas” they have for tackling homelessness in the city, as well as increasing access to water, bathrooms, and places to do laundry for those experiencing homelessness.

The full recording of the forum can be found on Pine Street Inn’s YouTube channel or on its website.

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VICTORY PROGRAMS (from pg. 1)

project.

“Victory Programs is no longer seeking to rent 891 Massachusetts Avenue as a location for 14 to 35 transitional beds,” said Porter in the letter. “The plan will not move forward at that site. We thank the City of Boston, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the many individuals who supported this effort. But in the end, the outcry of opposition to this plan at this location was loud and forceful, including from elected officials who had originally supported the idea.

“We will stop, regroup, and continue to explore other options,” she continued. “We will count on elected officials and community members who have expressed their commitment to helping both this effort and other similar move forward.”

The program was to be leased for only a portion of the Roundhouse, a former Best Western that was used by Pine Street Inn from last summer to July 1 as emergency shelter overflow. The Victory Programs planned to use part of the Roundhouse for an encampment to housing program – where people living on the streets in Mass/Cass would be provided a room at the Roundhouse. There were no definitive plans for the remaining rooms, though the City was offering

Victory financial help to lease the building and some City officials had previously said it would be “immoral” to let the rest of the rooms sit vacant.

That led to many in the community becoming worried that the City might try to establish a third City-run shelter at the Roundhouse, to go with nearby Woods-Mullen and Southampton.

South End Forum Moderator Steve Fox said, upon hearing the news that Victory wouldn’t pursue the lease, it was quite a relief due strictly to the location.

“We’re really pleased that Victory Programs and the City have listened to neighbors and neighborhoods and understand our continuing desire to make decentralization a reality,” he said. “While the program is a good one and one we actually embraced in the Mass/Cass Task Force, the location selection made it a non-starter. We’re looking forward to Victory Programs finding an alternative location and beginning the outreach to those in need.”

Long-time decentralization advocate George Stergios, president of the Worcester Square Area Neighborhood Association (WSANA), said they were happy to hear of the change, and that there were no hard feelings despite the emotional meeting last Friday. He said that Health

Chief Marty Martinez, has lost the trust of WSANA.

“It’s great news,” he said. “We have no hard feelings towards Victory Programs. Although we believe that the location was a bad one for its clients, it sincerely did not, and it, like all the social service providers, thinks of its clients before it thinks about the other stakeholders. The city, on the other hand, has a responsibility to all the stakeholders. Marty Martinez’s machinations in seeking to build another shelter at this location has cost the Janey Administration our trust.”

Porter’s letter followed that contentious stakeholders meeting on Friday, and preceded what was believed to be another difficult meeting with Roxbury stakeholders this month – not to mention other informal meetings being proposed by neighborhood leaders in the South End and Roxbury.

The Friday meeting featured a lot of information sharing, but some frustration from Porter, residents and elected officials.

Councilor Ed Flynn and Councilor Frank Baker both said they couldn’t support the idea.

“It is difficult to support a project when the community process is flawed,” said Flynn. “The residents of the South End and Roxbury deserve to have their voices heard and respected. That did not happen.”

Amanda Curley, of Baker’s office, said the councilor did not support the lease.

“Councilor Baker is not supportive of this based on its location,” she wrote. “There are not enough details and it seems as though it can grow. He supports a program like this, but does not believe that this is going to be a good program that benefits anyone, at this location.”

State Rep. Jon Santiago said it was a non-starter completely.

“From my perspective, this proposal is a non-starter,” he said on the Friday call. “I think it’s best for you to go back to the drawing board and talk to the community. This amount of opposition from the neighbors and elected officials shows that the pathway to success for this is really improbable... This is not the place for it.”

He also said he opposed the idea as a health professional who works with this population every day, noting that he didn’t think it was healthy to locate such a facility so near a troubled area.

Others on the call that objected to the plan included Council candidate Domingos Darosa, and representatives from the offices of Councilor Michelle Wu and Councilor Andrea Campbell.

In her letter, Porter said she believes the program would have worked, but there is too much

of a call for decentralization in the area. She said conducting the process the community has called for will result in losing more lives at Mass/Cass.

“The proposed transitional beds would have allowed already identified individuals to exit the street immediately, connect to services, and ultimately move into stable housing quicker under those principles,” she wrote. “Luckily, those beds are only one component of a larger project to move individuals from Mass & Cass into permanent housing throughout Suffolk County. While we continue to pursue other options for the transitional beds, the other components continue and we eagerly anticipate handing individuals keys to their new units very soon.

“Stakeholders, representing the Mass/Cass area and adjoining neighborhoods, made it clear that the City of Boston and the State must first move forward with a plan to decentralize services,” she continued. “They called for additional formal processes. They suggested alternatives like locked facilities, ferries, bussing individuals to Sudbury or Quincy. But, the devil is in the details.....and these details can take a very long time to work out. We will gladly engage in each conversation going forward while mourning the lives that will be lost during the process.”

For the Record

From the Aug. 3 Boston Civic Design Commission meeting, online:
REPORT FROM DESIGN COMMITTEE

•220 Huntington Avenue, Back Bay
PRESENTATION TO THE COMMISSION
•Fenway Development, Fenway
•380 Stuart Street, Back Bay

From the Aug. 4 License Board meeting, online:

•Miyuki, Inc.
Doing business as: Mr. Tea; 266 Newbury St., Back Bay.

Has applied for a Common Victualer License to be exercised on the above – First floor space with seating, serving bubble tea, coffee, and muffins.

Manager: Jing Feng. Hours of Operation: 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.

From the Aug. 4 Public Facilities Commission, online:

•Order of Taking: Various property interests located in Boston for the Fenway Multi-Use Path (Phase 1) Construction Project. 819 Beacon St. and Overland Street.

From the Aug. 4 School Committee meeting, online:

•The Boston School Committee will immediately adjourn to an executive session for the purpose of conducting a strategy session related to collective bargaining with the Boston Teachers Union.

•Suspension of the Maximum Age Policy, School Year 2021-2022

•Preparing for School Year 2021-2022

•Wellness Policy Update

From the Aug. 4 Conservation

Commission meeting, online:

•Notice of Intent from SOLitude Lake Management on behalf of the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation Lakes and Ponds Program for the creation of an Aquatic Management Program at the Charles River to control nuisance and non-native plant and algae growth utilizing treatment with USEP/MA State registered aquatic herbicides, algaecides, and other BMPs.

From the Public Improvement Commission meeting, Aug. 5, 10 a.m., online and in-person:

•On a petition by the City of Boston Public Works Department for the making of Specific Repairs within the following public ways in Boston Proper, consisting of curb realignment, sidewalk reconstruction, as well as new and relocated pedestrian ramps, specialty pavement, traffic signal infrastructure, street lighting infrastructure, street trees, storm drain infrastructure, and bike racks:

Boylston Street – on its northwesterly side, between Fairfield Street and Gloucester Street; Fairfield Street – on its southwesterly side, northwest of Boylston Street; and Gloucester Street – on its northeasterly side, northwest of Boylston Street.

•On a petition by TC Systems Inc. for a Grant of Location with lead company status and no participants to install new telecommunication conduit with City shadow within Commonwealth Avenue (public way), Boston Proper, located generally at address nos. 609-685, generally between Granby Street and Silber Way.

From the Aug. 5 License Commission meeting, 10 a.m., online:

•JSM 636 Group, Inc. d/b/a BB.Q Chicken, 636 Beacon St, Back Bay. First

floor, approx. 1968 sq. ft. one small room in the back for prep, separate kitchen, and separate dining room. One entrance/3 emergency exits; 40 seats. Outdoor (annual weather permitting) patio on private property with 20 seats the same hours as the restaurant. Wei Zheng as manager of record. Hours of operation: 11 AM – 10 PM.

From the Aug. 9, 1 p.m., City Council Committee on Government Operations and Committee on Arts, Culture, and special events: Order for a hearing regarding the Creation of a Boston-Cambridge Tourism Marketing District. This matter was sponsored by Councilors Lydia Edwards and Frank Baker and was referred to the Committees on June 30.

From the Aug. 10 Bay Village Historic Commission, 4 p.m., online via Zoom (HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/82824291103):

DESIGN REVIEW
•27 Isabella Street: At roof install pergola and shade canopy.

•25 Isabella Street: Convert former church structure into condominium units. Work includes a rooftop and rear addition, removing the front entry steps, and redesigning the front entrance.

From the Aug. 11 Zoning Commission meeting, 9 a.m., online:

•First Amendment to the Development Plan for Planned Development Area No. 106: 1000 Washington Street and 321 Harrison Avenue, South End. Said First Amendment amends the Development Plan to establish a review process for any proposed Research and Development Use on the site which would operate at BioSafety Level 3, as established by the U.S. Department of Health and Human

Services.

From the Aug. 11 Air Pollution Control Commission, 1 p.m., online via Zoom (HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/86329377111)

•Application for a Modified Downtown Boston Parking Freeze Permit from Animal Rescue League of Boston for 25 exempt parking spaces located at 425 Tremont St. This permit is to add 15 exempt parking spaces to be shared between the public, lessees, employees, patrons, customers, clients and guests. Issuance of the permit would have no effect on the Downtown parking freeze bank. * Continued from the July 14, 2021 hearing.

•Application for a Modified Downtown Boston Parking Freeze Permit from Animal Rescue League of Boston for 20 exempt parking spaces located at 7 Appleton St. This permit is to add 4 exempt parking spaces to be shared between the public, lessees, employees, patrons, customers, clients and guests. Issuance of the permit would have no effect on the Downtown parking freeze bank. * Continued from the July 14, 2021 hearing.

From the Back Bay Architectural Commission, 5 p.m., online via Zoom (HTTPS://US02WEB.ZOOM.US/J/82715251801):

DESIGN REVIEW

•52 Hereford Street (a/k/a) 303 Newbury Street: At roof remove two stealth flue pipes and add one stealth chimney enclosure. Replace telecommunication equipment.

•116 Beacon Street: Install canopy at entrance.

•234 Beacon Street: At rear garage addition extend roof deck to footprint of previous deck prior to 2017 reconstruc-

tion of addition.

ADVISORY REVIEW

•40 Newbury Street: Renovation of former Brooks Brothers building. Proposed work includes: installation of roof deck, awnings, signage, and exterior lighting.

•97 Newbury Street: Renovation of existing building and construction of roof-top and rear additions.

REPORTING WORKPLACE SAFETY CONCERNS

Workers in any size organization have options if they feel they are being pressured into an unsafe situation. Attorney General Maura Healey has created re-sources for workers to report safety concerns during reopening. They include an online form at the Attorney General’s website and a dedicated Fair Labor hotline at 617-727-3465. People can also find those resources by calling 311.

HOW TO REPORT A PROBLEM PROPERTY

Since taking office in 2014, Mayor Walsh has made fixing quality of life issues a priority in his administration. From investing in Public Works to making sure community policing is a staple in every neighborhood, we are making sure every neighborhood is clean, safe and a great place to live and work in. Unfortunately some properties in Boston need more help than others, and that’s why we are here. If you know of a property that fits one of the following criteria: multiple calls to 911, one that’s blighted or just a general concern, we encourage you to reach out to your neighborhood liaison.

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Kim, Julie	Fulp, Carol	54 Commonwealth Ave #1	\$2,550,000
Spring, Jennifer	Bartol David Est	15 Dartmouth Pl #3	\$1,165,000
Wang, Elvire	Helian, Yizhou	79 Saint Botolph St #3	\$1,298,000
Kim, Julie	Fulp, Carol	54 Commonwealth Ave #1	\$2,550,000
Wang, Elvire	Helian, Yizhou	79 Saint Botolph St #3	\$1,298,000
BEACON HILL			
Johnston, Leslie E	Hodges, Stephen W	34 Beacon St	\$650,000
Daniel R Brownell RET	Golden, Rickie J	34-1/2 Beacon St #3	\$1,525,000
John E Ryder Jr T	Canyon NT	36 Beacon St #2	\$1,560,000
Simmons, Douglas C	52 Beacon St Dev LLC	52 Beacon St #3	\$4,200,000
5A-70-72 Mt Vernon St RT	Burke, Theodore D	27 Chestnut St #27	\$9,800,000
Aguiar, Kathleen	Wong, Jason	20 Gloucester St #B	\$608,000
Balmforth, Sharon D	Morgan, Amy K	2 Hawthorne Pl #5G	\$485,000
Piemonte, Thomas C	Edward J Higham RET	35 Pinckney St #3	\$1,685,000
Casavant, Timothy	Butler, Elena	19 Revere St #8	\$628,000
Toker, Tunc	Cheng, Matthew H	9 Temple St #3	\$1,275,000
S&Y Investments 1 Ltd	Sharma, Rajeev	6 Whittier Pl #11R	\$565,000
BAY VILLAGE/SOUTH END/KENMORE			
Greenberg, Steven	Becker-Judd LT	150 Appleton St #3B	\$1,400,000
Okeefe, Julia	Hammond, Megan R	5 Appleton St #4A	\$645,000
Myer, Bennett P	Myers, Ardith	50 Chandler St #4	\$1,690,000
Ahn, Kihong	Sullivan, Brian D	53 Chandler St #4	\$850,465
Khan, Haroon	Green RT	37 Lawrence St #11	\$525,000
Hoffstein, Jeffrey	Pastore, Fabio	120 Norway St #12	\$900,000
505 Tremont Street 210 RT	Bourne, Ira R	505 Tremont St #205	\$1,900,000
Baker, Joshua	Mcparland, Stephen	7 Warren Ave #6	\$1,900,000
Bell, Madeline	Rosmarin, Daniel	76 Warren Ave #76	\$1,000,000
San-Woo, Sophia S	636 Beacon Unit 606 LLC	636-638 Beacon St #606	\$720,000
Astero Boston LLC	Tricerri-Burbank LLC	75 Burbank St #101	\$575,000
Murdock, Angie	Tonti, Samantha	234 Causeway St #802	\$655,000
Myer, Bennett P	Myers, Ardith	50 Chandler St #4	\$1,690,000
WATERFRONT/DOWNTOWN			
772 LW RT	Carlson, John H	28-32 Atlantic Ave #336	\$3,700,000
Impact Vent Prop I LLC	Michael B Mccaskey RET	2 Avery St #37A	\$965,000
Averin, Nikolai	Sarkytbayev, Marat	3 Avery St #505	\$720,000
Hulse, Timothy	Bredariol, Nicole E	17-R Clark St #5	\$690,000
Brownstone RT	Berger, Brandon	102 Commercial St #4	\$770,500
Keenan, Erin	Fanale 2016 T	120 Commercial St #2-1	\$606,000
150 Commercial LLC	150 Commercial Street	150-152 Commercial St	\$3,750,000
Leishman, David	Prinn, Michael D	343 Commercial St #104	\$1,299,000
Buxhaku, Joana	Meagher, Denise L	357 Commercial St #321	\$600,000
Chandarana, Keval	Geraghty, Anne C	65 E India Row #37F	\$1,342,500
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BY PENNY CHERUBINO

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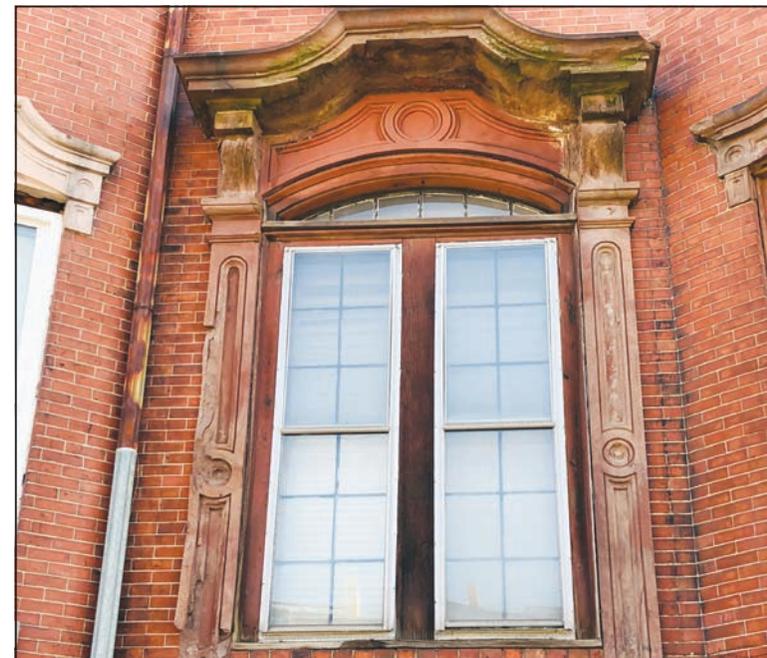


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THIS WEEK'S CLUE



Fenway Studios unveils fence mesh mural beautification

Special to the Sun

A stunning 500-foot mural showcasing work from Fenway Studios artists, as well as featuring a variety of Fenway community attractions, has been installed on Ipswich Street.

More than a year in the making, the mesh mural panels have been installed on the chain-link fence along Ipswich Street across from

Fenway Studios. Fenway Studios alumnus artist, Denise Lindquist, designed the uplifting mural. Through the Boston Planning and Development Agency's (BPDA) Red Sox, 'Beautification Program,' Friends of Fenway Studios (FOFS) founding president, Lynda McNally, wrote the approved grant which provided funding for this collaborative project. The FOFS board served

as fiduciary holder of the funds. Essential to the mural installation was the removal and replacement of the existing dilapidated chain link fence. The MBTA and Keolis Commuter Services were immediate in their response and authorized our request. Additionally, demonstrating the epitome of collaboration, Keolis Commuter Service Supervisor Brian Walsh, assigned members of his work crew to assist Fenway Studios artists during the actual installation of the fence mesh mural. Working in harmonious collaboration with all the agencies resulted in an impressive outdoor art installation which will bring joy to all who see it.

"We are extremely grateful to the BPDA, the Red Sox Organization, the MBTA, Keolis Commuter Services, Friends of Fenway Studios along with the Fenway Studios artists for bringing our magnificent mural to life," said FOFS and Fenway Studios.



A 500-foot mural now decorates what was an uninspiring chain-link fence on Ipswich Street in front of the Fenway Studios. The mural, which features work from the artists at Fenway Studios, was unveiled last month to great accolade.

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4 BEDS | 6.5 BATHS | 6,836 SQFT
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2 BEDS | 2.5 BATHS | 2,275 SQFT
\$4,425,000



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2 BEDS | 2.5 BATHS | 1,516 SQFT
\$1,450,000



2 AVERY STREET #29EH
7 BEDS | 6F 2H BATHS | 7,216 SQFT
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