City holds community meeting for Herbal Power dispensary

Many residents oppose current location

By Lauren Bennett

A virtual, city-sponsored community meeting was held for the cannabis dispensary proposed for 329 Columbus Ave. in the South End on May 16. The dispensary, called Herbal Power, is being proposed by a team of Equity Program applicants, and the majority of the company’s ownership is women.

Desiree Franjul, co-owner and founder of Herbal Power, as well as Yomari Chavez, a member of the Herbal Power team, presented the proposal to more than 100 residents on Monday evening.

Franjul said that the proposed hours for the dispensary would be 9am to 10pm, seven days a week. The design for the store would be a “chic, boutique feel” with “warm, pastel colors” that would be “inclusive and welcoming.”

She also went over some of the traffic and parking details for the proposal, saying that an analysis was completed at the request of the city to determine potential traffic impacts.

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Rev. Taylor bids farewell to Old South Church

By Dan Murphy

Rev. Nancy S. Taylor will deliver her final sermon on Sunday, May 22, at Old South Church, bringing an end to her 17-year tenure as the church’s 20th Senior Minister, as well as her 40 years in the ministry.

Rev. Taylor earned degrees from Macalester College (B.A.), Yale Divinity School (M.Div.), and Chicago Theological Seminary (D. Min.) and previously served at churches in Idaho, Connecticut, and Maine. She also served as Minister and President of the Massachusetts Conference of the United Church of Christ (UCC) from 2001 to 2005 and was Moderator of the General Synod of the UCC (1999-2001) - the highest elected volunteer position in the denomination.

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The horrific and tragic mass shooting that occurred in Buffalo, New York, on a quiet Saturday afternoon in a supermarket in a predominantly Black community once again has highlighted how the intersection of racial hatred fomented by the internet and the easy availability of assault weapons of mass destruction are causing carnage in communities all across America.

The reality is this: There is no place in the United States that is free from the spectre of gun violence.

The small community of Winthrop is coming up on the one-year anniversary of the shooting death of two Black residents by a young white man armed with a high-capacity handgun on an early-Saturday afternoon on a peaceful residential street.

And, similar to the shooter in Buffalo, the white gunman in Winthrop espoused white supremacist views with Nazi emblems among his personal belongings and, it is believed, was en route to a nearby synagogue, though fortunately he was stopped by a Winthrop police sergeant who shot him dead just a few blocks away.

As usual, the aftermath of the tragedy in Buffalo brought calls for regulation of the internet to stop the spread of hate movements and for the regulation of the sale of the military-grade weaponry that makes such incidents possible.

But as usual, it’s all just a lot of talk. Meaningful gun control by Congress never will happen because of the stranglehold upon the Republican party (and some Democrats) by the gun lobby, despite overwhelming public support for such measures.

And the internet only grows more toxic day-by-day and lurks as a haven for white supremacists to spread their hateful messages on the Dark Web.

America is trapped in a recurring nightmare of a reality of our own creation that, no matter how many times we replay it, we are unable to change.

IF WOMEN WERE WORLD LEADERS, THERE WOULD BE NO MORE WARS

It’s well-known that men constitute most of the sociopaths among us. A sociopathy by definition lacks empathy, a person who has no conscience.

Although childhood trauma and abuse can alter a person’s brain, sociopaths for the most part are born, not made. High-tech imaging has shown that the part of the human brain that triggers an empathetic response in most people is non-functioning (or functions minimally) in sociopaths.

It is estimated that only one percent of humanity are sociopaths, but of those, 75-90% are men. And while there are women who are sociopaths, they tend not to be violent. Sociopathic women share the same traits -- pathological lying, for example -- as male sociopaths, but their goal generally manifests itself in financial gain.

The young Russian/German woman who conned New York society (depicted in the Netflix series, Inventing Anna) and Elizabeth Holmes, who fleeced investors in her blood analysis company of hundreds of millions of dollars, are examples of female sociopaths.

Sociopathic men also are con artists. Some psychologists have estimated that 10 percent of the men who work on Wall St. are sociopaths such as Bernie Madoff.

But sociopathic men almost exclusively are the serial killers in our society -- Ted Bundy and others like him -- whose crimes horrify us.

Sociopathic men also are the dictators who have wrought carnage on our planet. Hitler, Stalin, Kim Jong-un, and Vladimir Putin readily come to mind.

And when you combine a sociopathic personality with male testosterone, the result is what we see happening every day in Ukraine.

World events of the past two years have brought to the forefront the strong women who are the heads of their countries -- Jacinda Ardern of New Zealand, Kaja Kallas of Estonia, Sanna Marin of Finland -- and Angela Merkel was the top leader in Europe for 16 years until she recently stepped down.

We are not suggesting that women are better than men, or vice versa.

But in our opinion, it seems reasonable to believe that if all of our world leaders were women, there would be no more wars.

BUFFALO, LAGUNA WOODS, HOUSTON – THE WORLD GETS CRAZIER EVERY DAY

By Dr. Glenn Mollette

A good person did not enter a grocery store in Buffalo, New York, killing ten people and wounding multiple others. A good person did not enter a church in Laguna Woods, California wounding many and killing one person. A good person did not enter a Houston, Texas flea market killing two and wounding at least three more. These are evil people.

The police officer who heroically fought back in the Buffalo grocery store with a gun was a good person. He was trying to protect the other good people who were in the grocery store.

If America rounded up all the guns and used them for only police officers and the military, there would still be evil people. Evil plots, made irrational decisions and go to depraved levels to carry out their heinous acts.

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Evil people will find a way to carry out their evil schemes. They will find a way to get guns or use cars, planes, trucks, fire or whatever to hurt others. The people killing people in churches and grocery stores are not deer hunters. They aren’t wild turkey or rabbit hunters. They aren’t the average citizens who just want a gun for their bedside table for protection. The people perpetrating these crimes are deranged.

Our society must find a way to unarm those who are dis-playing outward signs of craziness or have any records of unlawful activity. Once again, it’s difficult to keep guns out of the hands of bad people because evil works very hard. However, we must continue to try.

GROCERY STORES, CHURCHES AND MOST BUSINESSES WILL EVENTUALLY HAVE LOCKED DOORS.

You will need a card to unlock the door much like hotels use today. You will need your name and information registered with the business or house of worship before you’ll be able to enter. Armed guards like airport security guards will check your identification when you come to the door. This still doesn’t protect the families playing in a city park or those gathering in an open-air sidewalk cafe. To some extent we will always be vulnerable, everywhere.

The world has felt crazier every day for the last two years. This past weekend proved again that it’s not getting better.

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TAYLOR (from pg. 1)

“The Marathon is so special to Boston because it’s the oldest, peaceful international athletic competition and something we’re happy to be a part of,” said Rev. Taylor. “A lot of runners aren’t running to win – they’re running to beat cancer or running for some other cause, or because they’ve overcome addiction.”

The inaugural “Blessing of the Athletes” in 2005 attracted less than a dozen runners, said Rev. Taylor, while in subsequent years, three services were typically held for the athletes on the day before the race, with each one filling the church’s sanctuary to its 850-person capacity.

“If we started in 2005, the Blessing of the Athletes just grew year by year with more and more athletes finding their way here by word of mouth,” said Rev. Taylor.

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The church’s “history of enslavement,” said Rev. Taylor, pointing to its website. “Everyone did them differently, but you know what they were wearing the scarves,” said Rev. Taylor. “And working with a variety of interreligious leaders – Christian, Jewish, and Islamic – we supported each other, and I think we helped calm people down.”

On April 18, 2013 – just days after the bombings - Rev. Taylor spoke during “Healing Our City: An Interfaith Service” at Cathedral of the Holy Cross in the South End. President Barack Obama was in attendance, along with federal, state and local officials. First responders, civic leaders from communities along the Marathon route, medical personnel, and victims and their families were there as well as volunteers from the Boston Athletic Association were also present.

“Having Christian and Jewish leaders show solidarity with their Muslim colleagues was an important symbol of our commitment to overcoming hate in all of its guises,” said Rev. Taylor.

Other milestones for Old South under Rev. Taylor’s leadership include the church’s recognition in 2011 as a UCC “Center for Excellence,” and she also helped oversee the church’s 350th anniversary in 2019. She tripled Old South’s weekly worship offerings by launching two additional services shortly after her arrival, and as CEO, she initiated the sale of one of the church’s Bay Psalm Books (which sold for $14.2 million in 2013) and launched Old South’s first Capital Campaign to ensure the church will continue its ministry well into the future.

During her tenure with Old South, Rev. Taylor’s ministry received countless awards, including City Mission’s Light to the City Award (2019), The Emma Willard School Distiguished Alumna Award (2019), The National Center foramel’s Medal of Honor (2018), The Andy Gustafson Generosity Award (2017), The Rabbi Murray I. Rothman Award for outstanding inter-religious leadership (2011); Yale Divinity School’s award for Distinction in Congregational Ministry (2009); and the Religious Coalition for the Freedom to Marry Building Bridges Award (2006).

She has also been awarded honorary degrees by Piedmont College (2015), New England School of Law (2010), and Albertson College of Idaho (1998).

In recognition of all that Rev. Taylor achieved with Old South, its Church Council has approved the creation of the Nancy S. Taylor Fellowship, which will be funded through an endowment and offered annually to a seminary student. The ‘Taylor Fellow’ is in addition to the seminarian Old South already supports, and will target seminary students in their third or final year,” according to the church’s website. “The Taylor Fellow will serve the church from 12-15 hours per week and have a selected area of focus to further advance and expand Old South’s diverse ministries and the Fellow’s gifts and skills.”

Rev. Taylor said, “Part of the motivation for launching Old South Church’s role as a teaching church. We identify the brightest and best of young ministers and seminarians, try to recruit them, mentor them, and send them out. There are extra-gifted ministers across the country that have been mentored at Old South Church in Boston.”

As for the significance of the Fellowship established in her name, Rev. Taylor said, “It means perpetuating the work of being a teaching church and endowing it. I’m so honored by this that I can hardly believe they did it.”

To learn more about the Nancy S. Taylor Leadership Fellowship, visit https://www.oldsouth.org/nancy-s-taylor-leadership-fellowship.html, or https://secure.givelively.org/donate/old-south-church-in-boston/taylor-leadership-fellowship-to-donate/.

Asked about Rev. Taylor and her most meaningful contributions to the church, Kate Silfen, a longtime member of Old South and its Church Historian, as well as the author of the recently published “The Really Useful Guide to the Senior Ministers of Old South Church in Boston,” wrote “Nancy’s leadership of Old South’s long tradition of having prophetic preachers who use the pulpit to promote human rights and racial justice.

“Nancy has taught us to revere the Old South Church’s long history of being at the forefront of promoting equality and social justice, and in doing so, she has helped us move boldly into the future. Under Nancy’s watch, Old South has joined the Sanctuary Movement for immigrants in danger of being deported. In 2015, Old South hosted the Boston Warm Day Center for the homeless after the abrupt closing of services on Long Island bridge. We now have a Climate Crisis Task Force that is seeking to address the existential threat of climate change.

“It is hard for us to envision Old South, Copley Square, and the City of Boston without Nancy’s prophetic voice at the helm,” added Silfen.

Rabbi Or Rose, who is a professor at Hebrew College in Newton Centre, where she’s based, as well as the Director of the Miller Center for Interereligious Leadership and Learning, wrote; “Nancy Taylor is a pioneering religious leader, who has worked tirelessly over the last 17 years to cultivate a vibrant, inclusive, and caring church in the heart of Boston. Her ministry has also led her to become a leader in the interreligious community of Greater Boston, playing a key role in bringing together people from different walks of life to work for the common good.”

Rabbi Rose added, “As a mid-career rabbi and educator, I have benefitted greatly from Nancy’s mentorship over the last decade or so. She possesses an unusual combination of pastoral and strategic skills grounded in an unerring commitment to helping people discern their unique callings as beings created in the Divine image.”

Although Rev. Taylor is leaving Old South, she will continue to co-chair the Dean’s Advisory Council at Yale Divinity School and serve as an independent trustee of Pax World Funds, as well as chair of the Funds’ Governance and Nomination Committee. She will also remain on the Advisory Boards of both the Miller Center for Interereligious Leadership (Hebrew College) and the Center for Religion and American Public Life (Boston College) and continue to serve as a member of the Board of Directors of Greater Boston Legal Services, and trustee emeritus of the Benjamin Franklin Cummings Institute of Technology.

After she delivers final sermon at Old South on Sunday, Rev. Taylor will hold the title of Senior Minister Emeritus, and she will continue to live locally, but don’t expect to see her around the church very often going forward.

“I will make myself scarce with respect for the church, and to encourage and allow new leadership to take root there,” she said.

Knowing that this Sunday’s sermon will close out her 40 years in the ministry has admittedly been both heart-warming and overwhelming for Rev. Taylor.

“The past few months have been full of emotion, exhilaration, pride, and some sadness and trepidation about the future,” she said. “The most dominant emotion is gratitude – gratitude for the churches where I’ve served, especially Old South Church, for the lay leaders who have expended so much thoughtful time, energy, and personal financial resources to fuel the ministry of churches like Old South Church.”

But in the end, Rev. Taylor said, “It’s the people that make us love what we do, and they make it happen because they care about God’s Will. They feel inspired to make the world a kinder, fairer, more beautiful, and safe place.”

To view Old South’s tribute to Rev. Taylor, including a timeline of her tenure with the church, visit https://www.oldsouth.org/nancy.
The Back Bay Architectural Commission (BBAC) on May 11 approved a slate of work proposed for the Ayer Mansion at 395 Commonwealth Ave, designed by Louis Comfort Tiffany.

Joe Cornish, Director of Design Review for the Boston Landmarks Commission, reported that the building is a “five story stone rowhouse” that was sold to its current owner along with 397 Commonwealth Ave. In March and April of this year, the “Commission approved a rear addition and rooftop addition as well as new landscaping at the front and rear yards.”

Architect Rob Clocker presented the proposal, saying that the “building is in very good shape,” and that there will be “no visual change to the facade” as part of this proposal. He said that he received a “number of complaints” about the two windows in the rear that “seem to be original to the facade,” and he presented the proposed to leave them as is or “put a bay into each of these to make them match.”

Clocker also talked about the proposed landscape plan, which includes the replacement of the iron fence. He said that there will be “low planting” like hedges, and the existing magnolia tree is in “good health” and will remain, and an Eastern Redbud tree is proposed for the rear.

“It’s such an important building,” said Commissioner Robert Weintraub. “You did an amazing job; this is a very impressive presentation. I’m not against anything you presented.”

Commissioner Zsuzsanna Gassar said that “I think it’s a lovely building, and you did a lovely job on it. And I especially like those two windows that you are healing this building with, so it’s going to do a lot of good for the neighborhood.”

During public comment, Sue Prindle from the Neighborhood Association of the Back Bay (NABB)’s Architecture Committee, said that “we were very impressed with this. I’m even more impressed with it tonight.” She did have some questions about the two windows in the rear, saying that the larger one “is slightly bowed,” while the other is “flat.” She said that “our sense was that they should both probably be the same.”

Jeanne Pelletier, who said she worked on this building for 23 years, said that “I do think that there was a great sense of adherence to the details of the building and I do appreciate that.”

She mentioned that the architect had said that the transoms on the first floor will be retained, “but those are currently plastic inserts where stained glass windows were. That center stained glass window is in existence and is in the house and should be restored and replaced.” She said the existing plastic inserts were approved as a “temporary measure.”

The team said that they know about the stained glass window that has been kept, and said that the Massachusetts Historical Commission will also provide feedback on the building. They also said that the building is “currently being marketed,” and the new owner will be responsible for that window.

Pelletier said that “that window was crated carefully” in 2006, and uncrated two years ago. She said it “was in phenomenal shape” and “needs just minor restoration work to be installed.”

**BBAC approves slate of work at Ayer Mansion**

**Herbal Power (from pg. 1)**

had been conducted by engineering consultant Fuss & O’Neill. It was found that the dispensary would have “no significant impact to existing conditions,” according to a slide presented, and there are also “numerous traffic trips within steps of our location,” including the MBTA Orange Line at Back Bay station, bus lines, two public parking garages, and street parking.

“The buffer zone conflict is located within a separate neighborhood,” the team said. Franjul also said that the analysis showed that most customers will visit the dispensary on foot, by bike, or by public transit.

Franjul also talked about security and nuisance and abatement plans, which include a Good Neighbor Agreement signed by all customers, and security plans by the Windwalker Group. She said that staff will “monitor the exterior to ensure there is no double parking.” She also said that “anti-diversion training will be provided for all employees,” and only those 21 and older will be allowed in the store. Identification will be verified before people are allowed in, and the dispensary “reserve[s] the right to deny sales to any individual.”

All products are also tracked through a system, she said.

Yomari Chavez then talked a little bit about community benefits, saying that the team is “working with MassHire to hire locally,” as well as donating to the South End Technology Center. She said that other benefits include the traffic analysis, “beautification and revitalization of vacant storefront,” and an increased security presence.

Franjul said that two private abutters meetings have been held, and the team has also previously met with the Ellis Neighborhood Association, City Council President Ed Flynn, and “individual abutters at their request.” She said the team is “happy to continue meeting and engaging with the community as we move forward.”

Many residents came out to comment on this proposal, with a large number of people saying they are opposed to the location of the dispensary itself. Some suggested it be located on Gray Street instead. People cited issues of traffic and parking on this stretch of Columbus Ave., as well as safety concerns for children.

Others were in support of the proposal, saying they support the minority and women-owned business and the local jobs it will provide, and some did not agree that it will cause any issues in the area.

Deb Lawrence, a Columbus Ave. resident, spoke up about issues with parking. “There is no parking at all in front of 329 Columbus,” she said, and believes that “people will park illegally,” so she thinks a different location would be more appropriate for the dispensary.

In the chat, Troy Williams, who lives on West Concord St., said he is “in support of Herbal Power.”

Also in support was Lilly Oca-sio, who said that her “family has been in this community for many generations…Black Latinos have been fighting to remain a part of the neighborhood. It’s time we start recognizing the diversity in this community and be inclusive to all.”

Jennifer Forsythe, who owns units two, four, and five at 329 Columbus, also said that she works directly above the unit. She said that when Codas, the restaurant that was in the space previously, cooked French fries, the “smell permeated the entire building.” She had concerns about odor from marijuana coming through, as well as issues with parking and cars in front of the building.

Lesley Delaney Hawkins, the attorney for Herbal Power, said that “we’re not manufacturing in any way on the site. All product will be sealed at all times.” She said that while “concerns with odor” are “certainly valid,” they “related more to cultivation and manufacturing.” She added that no testing will be done on the premises either.

Franjul added that there is a “seed to sale cannabis tracker that tracks all products. Our goal is to be a friendly neighbor.” All customers will be required to sign a “friendly neighbor agreement,” and if patrons are found opening or consuming products outside the store, they will be banned from making future purchases.

“If they want to be good neighbors they will not put it there,” said “Nessan’s iPhone” in the chat, speaking of the dispensary. “There are school buses that drop kids off in the afternoon, and this is exposed to this…There is a public park across the road that the local community uses that will be impacted by this.”

Paul Tellier said that he has a list of “over 120 residents in opposition,” and said that he has issues with “traffic, safety, and parking in an already dangerous intersection.”

Jessica Vazquez, a West Dedham St. resident, expressed her support for the dispensary in the chat. “I have lived in the South End for 41 years,” she wrote. “I would support this proposal. The applicants have ties to the community and I believe they should be supported as a women owned company.” She said that “I don’t believe this business will cause problems,” and she believes the owners will “give back to the residents by offering local jobs.”

Julie Hasse said she has issues with “parking” and “disruption,” and also takes issue with the fact that the City Year headquarters is nearby. She said that there are a “number of young adults who are coming there,” and is concerned about the “influence this could have on them.”

Others shared concerns for the safety of area children and school bus drop offs.

“We do care about this neigh- borhood and the kids in the community,” Franjul said, adding that this location would not have been proposed if it were within 500 feet of a school or child care center. “I do appreciate your feedback and we’re listening.”

The full meeting was recorded by Kim Cruccoli, the mayor’s liaison for the South End.
United South End Settlements Neighborhood Gala raises more than $450,000

United South End Settlements (USES) raised more than $450,000 as part of its annual Neighborhood Gala at SoWa in Boston’s South End last Thursday night, May 12, marking a triumphant in-person return for its signature fundraising event and surpassing the organization’s fundraising goal.

The event featured remarks from Chief Executive Officer Jerrell Cox, who was recently appointed to the role after serving as co-executive director for the past year, as well as outgoing Board Chair Julia Johannsen and incoming Board Chair Carmen Duarte.

“I am the grandson of Otis L. Day, a sharecropper and a sharecropper’s son who escaped the cotton fields of Georgia to Boston to raise his family,” said Cox in a speech that traced his longtime connection to USES from his time as a participant of Camp Hale, which the organization operates in New Hampshire, to running the nonprofit as it enters its 130th year. “As I stand here before you tonight, I am so proud to be the new CEO of USES, the organization that is responsible for helping the hopes and dreams of so many families like mine come true.”

The gala generates critical revenue for USES to continue its work, offering programs that holistically support low-income families in the South End and surrounding communities in achieving economic mobility. USES’ two-generational model offers programs ranging from early childhood education, after school programming, and the Camp Hale summer camp, to job training and placement with one-on-one coaching for parents and caregivers.

The Neighborhood Gala, the organization’s first in-person fundraising event since the pandemic, was attended by about 300 guests, including Boston City Council President Ed Flynn, Boston City Councilors At-Large Ruthzee Louijeune and Julia Mejia, State Representative Jon Santiago and King Boston Executive Director Imari Paris Jeffries.

Guests gathered outdoors at SoWa to enjoy food and cocktails from their many neighborhood partners, including South End and greater Boston favorites like Above and Beyond Catering, Flour Bakery + Café, Horizon Beverage Group, Jamaica Mi Hungry, Moyzilla, Riverwalk Brewing Co., Samuel Adams, Tito’s Handmade Vodka, and Zinneken’s and danced the night away to beats from DeeJay MoT.

The event was co-chaired by Duarte and Board Member Jennifer Coplon.

Pelletier said that she does not believe the proposed fence is appropriate for the property. "Quite frankly, I think it’s not in keeping with the caliber of the house," she said, and having a more "plain" fence is "far more preferable."

She also said that she likes the work proposed in the rear. Laurie Thomas of the Garden Club of the Back Bay said that "we are delighted to see the Eastern Redbud going in the back. It’s a very good choice of tree."

Tom High from backbayhouses.org said that the team has done an "excellent job" with this proposal, and agreed with Pelletier that "it is probably more appropriate to have a simpler fence, or possibly no fence at all."

Pelletier confirmed that a photo from when the house was first constructed shows no fence at all, and no handrail.

The Commission also discussed Prindle’s point about the windows on the back, settling on an agreement that the two windows should be different from each other.

The motion was to approve the proposed work with the provisos that those two windows differ, details like the front fencing and the handrail be remanded to staff, the stained glass transom will be “restored as appropriate,” and the other two that do not exist anymore should be replicated. The Commission voted unanimously to support the motion.
Mayor Michelle Wu’s Fenway Coffee Hour was held on May 18 in Ramler Park, and many neighbors and community supporters turned out to mingle with one another and enjoy fresh fruit from Star Market and coffee from Dunkin’.

“We are really trying to build a city for the future; a city that includes everyone and to do so on a scale in city government where we can demonstrate results every single day,” Wu said at the event. “I just think it’s so important for folks who don’t know to know that it wasn’t that long ago that the park you’re standing in today was a surface parking lot in Fenway—20 years ago… and when you look at this oasis that we’re in the midst of today, I think you really see exactly what it means for a civic community to come together and for people to invest time, energy, and love into the heart of the city,” said District 8 City Councilor Kenzie Bok.


Ishraq Boutaleb, a community organizer for the Fenway CDC, works on the community painting at the Mayor’s Fenway Coffee Hour in Ramler Park on May 18.

District 5 City Councilor and candidate for Suffolk County District Attorney Ricardo Arroyo.

Liz Barnes, Elizabeth Bertolozzi, and Brenda Velez.

State Sen. Will Brownsberger, Fenway CDC Board member Mia Jean-Sicard, and Fenway community activist and resident Kristen Mobilia.

Mayor Michelle Wu chats with a Fenway resident.

District 8 City Councilor Kenzie Bok chats with Ed Burke and Gerald Cooper.
SPRING CLEANUP AT PETERS PARK

A spring cleanup was held at Peters Park on May 15 from 9am to noon. The event brought out about 35 residents to weed, spread more than 3 cubic yards of mulch, and plant flowers in the park.

Several students from Cathedral High School pitched in to help with the work. Dunkin’ donated donuts and coffee in the morning, and pizzas were donated by Union Park Pizza at lunch time. Mulch was also donated by Landscape Express and the City of Boston, according to Friends of Peters Park board member Mary Chowdhury, who added that the Parks and Recreation Department and the Office of Civic Organizing also lent tools to the group.

“A good day at the park!” Chowdhury said.

Proof of Boston residency required.

We will not accept any waste from businesses.

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Thomas Mannion (Councilor Erin Murphy’s office), Sincere Tavares, Christian Rojas, Mike Longo, Cynthia Curtis, Asst. Athletic Director Mike Parham

Rick Jack cleaning up near the Shawmut side.

Janet Bath pulling out the weeds.

From left to right: Jonas Pena, 10th grade, Athletic Director Derrick Beasley, and Kyree Egerton, 11th grade, Jim Wayman

CITY OF BOSTON
HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

Saturday, May 21, 2022
9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
400 Frontage Road,
Boston Ma

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Photos courtesy of Mary Chowdhury
**News in Brief**

**Mayor's Neighborhood Coffee Hours**

Mayor Wu’s Neighborhood Coffee Hours are a unique opportunity to speak directly with the Mayor and staff from City departments about open space and their neighborhoods. Dunkin’ will be on-site to keep Bostonians runnin’ with freshly brewed and full of flavor Iced Coffee and assorted fan-favorite MUNCHKINS® donut hole treats. In addition, each family in attendance will receive a free flowering plant provided by the Boston Parks and Recreation Department, while supplies last. Dunkin’ will brew up even more event fun with Dunkin’-ized lawn games and gift card giveaways. Residents at each event will be eligible to win a raffle prize from Dunkin’. Fresh fruit will be provided by Star Market. Additional support by City Express.

The Back Bay/Beacon Hill neighborhood coffee hour will take place on May 25 from 9:30-10:30am on the Arlington St. section of the Commonwealth Avenue Mall.

The Bay Village/Chinatown neighborhood coffee hour will take place on June 2 from 9:30-10:30am in Elliot Norton Park—295 Tremont St.

The South End neighborhood coffee hour will take place on June 10 from 9:30-10:30am in Peters Park—230 Shawmut Ave.

**Party in the Park** *(from pg. 1)*

Karen Abbott, President and CEO of Boston Harbor Now who received the Liff Spirit Award, gave a moving speech about her career and meaning of the award to her. Janet Wu was the event emcee and David Lombardo was the auctioneer.

“Party in the Park, the Emerald Necklace Conservancy’s signature fundraising event, funds capital improvements and essential tree care in the parks,” noted Karen Mauney-Brodek, President of the Emerald Necklace Conservancy. “It also supports our education programs, free public programming, advocacy efforts and special initiatives. We are extremely proud of the work the Conservancy has done for nearly 25 years to maintain and improve the Emerald Necklace, and to connect our communities to these parks – your parks – which are such an important part of our city, and our collective efforts to manage climate change. In this year, as we mark the bicentennial of the Necklace’s creator, Frederick Law Olmsted, we are especially humbled by the power of these special places to heal, restore and bring us together.”

The luncheon also featured the presentation of the Liff Spirit Award to Kathy Abbott, President and CEO of Boston Harbor Now—a superior park advocate who has made an indelible impact on the preservation of waterfront parks and open space in Massachusetts. The award is named in honor of the late Boston Parks Commissioner Justine Mee Liff, who served from 1996 until her passing in 2002.

“Boston, the Commonwealth, our country and the world need exceptional parks... to help heal our wounds and lead us to a safer, healthier, and more fulfilling future,” shared Kathy Abbott, 2022 Liff Spirit Awardee.

**Sweet & Sour, LLC Community Meeting, Tuesday, May 31, 6PM**

- Join Zoom Meeting here.
- Meeting ID: 829 0038 2193
- Call-In Number: 301-715-8592

**National Bike to Work Day**

Boston’s National Bike to Work Day Festival will be on May 20, 2022 between 7 and 9 a.m. in Downtown Crossing. Register at boston.gov/bike-to-work-day.

**SoWa First Friday**

SoWa First Friday will be held on June 3 from 5 to 9 p.m. at 450 Harrison Ave., as will SoWa Sundays on June 5, 12, and 26, while Sunday June 19 will be a two-fer. The SoWa ArtWalk will return on Friday, June 17 from 5 to 9 p.m.; on Saturday, June 18, from noon to 8 p.m.; and on Sunday, June 19, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit http://sowaartists.com for more information.

*(News Briefs Pg. 9)*
Eric García joins Inquilinos Boricuas en Acción as the new Preschool Director

Inquilinos Boricuas en Acción (IBA) on May 9 announced the appointment of Eric García as Director of IBA Preschool. Eric touts more than 15 years of experience in stewarding family childcare center-based programs and extensive knowledge of early education administration. He has also demonstrated an astute dedication to sustaining and improving the educational quality of the programs he leads to achieve the highest level of excellence established by national and state standards.

“We are thrilled to welcome Eric García as IBA’s new Preschool Director,” said Dr. Vanessa Calderón-Rosado, CEO of IBA. “As our young children navigate an increasingly diverse and dynamic world, we are confident that Eric’s impressive track record in the early childhood education field, Spanish and English fluency, and commitment to bolstering programmatic success will positively shape our children’s lives and growth, as well as provide critical support and guidance to our educators.”

As IBA’s new Preschool Director, Eric will focus on ensuring IBA Preschool students are positioned to thrive in Kindergarten and beyond by helping them develop the bilingual, social, emotional and cognitive skills needed to excel. Eric takes this a step further by also supporting early childhood educators through strengthening their own abilities and professional growth. His collaborative approach to working with parents ensures that the school’s extensive programming is designed to meet the developmental needs of their children.

“I am deeply inspired by IBA’s devotion to ensuring the future success of the families and children that they serve,” said Eric García. “It is my hope that my lifelong commitment to early childhood education and the ment to bolstering programmatic success will positively shape our children’s lives and growth, as well as provide critical support and guidance to our educators.”

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Building on her campaign commitment to deliver a Green New Deal for Boston Public Schools (BPS), Mayor Michelle Wu on May 12 laid out a $2 billion plan to overhaul BPS facilities, including new construction and renovation projects, as well as district-wide upgrades. The plan will be kickstarted by a $605 million investment in the FY23-27 Capital Plan to launch major new projects, with new staffing and planning tools to deliver urgent improvements for BPS communities.

Mayor Wu made the announcement alongside Superintendent Brenda Cassellius and School Committee Chair Jeri Robinson, standing in front of the McKinley Elementary School and McKinley South End Academy—one of the highest needs school buildings in Boston, serving some of the city’s most marginalized students. The McKinley is one of several schools targeted for major investment, with a programing study proposed in the FY23-27 Capital Plan to bring students, families, and educators to the table to collaboratively assess the school’s needs and propose a vision for improvements.

“The Green New Deal for Boston Public Schools is a pledge to listen and rebuild trust with our communities,” said Mayor Michelle Wu. “This is a new, all hands on deck approach, with new financial resources, planning tools, and staff capacity to deliver urgent improvements to our school buildings. With students, families, and educators at the table, we’ll continue investing until every school can cultivate the healthy, nurturing environment our kids deserve.”

The projects reflected in the FY23-27 Capital Plan include 14 new school construction or major renovation projects, as well as significant upgrades to athletic facilities at White Stadium. Also included in the plan are district-wide capital investments that will bring facilities improvements to nearly every BPS community, including energy and water efficiency upgrades, the installation of solar panels, renovations to bathrooms and kitchens, school yard improvements, and the installation of air conditioners and drinking water fountains. These projects represent a significant increase in City funds for school facilities projects and an acceleration of major new projects. Only nine new schools were built in Boston in the last 40 years, leaving decades of deferred maintenance to address urgently.

“Every child deserves a modern, up-to-date and well-equipped learning environment that stimulates their creativity and fuels their excitement about learning,” said Dr. Brenda Cassellius, Superintendent of Boston Public Schools. “Creating high quality schools in every neighborhood was a goal of mine when I first came to Boston. The City’s commitment to creating 21st-century school buildings and classrooms across Boston is an important step forward for our students and families, and for the entire BPS community.”

“This is a once in a generation opportunity to modernize our school facilities while also investing in projects that will help ensure a healthier planet for all,” said Boston School Committee Chair Jeri Robinson. “The School Committee looks forward to working in partnership with students, families, teachers, and the entire BPS community to make this vision a reality for Boston’s young people.”

“The condition of our BPS facilities has long been a critical civic issue, and this historic investment is generations overdue,” said City Councilor Kendra LaRia. “With the looming climate crisis, Boston should be setting the standard for green infrastructure, and a Green New Deal for BPS sets a clear, bold vision that guides us in the right direction. I’m excited to partner with BPS students, families, and staff to deliver on that vision.”

For the first time, students, families, and educators can use a new Building Dashboard—built internally by the BPS Facilities team over the last year—for a comprehensive look at the data guiding the City’s capital project proposals. The Building Dashboard integrates data from across 30 different maintenance categories with the SY22 Opportunity Index, which assigns a score to schools that serve the highest concentrations of students in need based on a variety of factors. The Dashboard then assigns each BPS facility a Building Needs Score to assess facilities holistically across the entire district, and is updated by the BPS Facilities team as new information becomes available. By providing an objective assessment of relative need, the Dashboard informs the prioritization of school buildings targeted for renovations or other upgrades in the FY23-27 Capital Plan.

“The City is also investing in new tools to guide more transparent, data-based, effective decision-making on school facilities for future Capital Plans. Starting this spring, BPS is working with Bureau Veritas Technical Assessments, LLC to develop a Facilities Condition Assessment to independently validate the data in the Dashboard, provide an objective and detailed analysis of our school buildings’ needs, and make recommendations for renovations and upgrades. The full study will be completed in 18-24 months. In addition, the Public Facilities Department is working with DLR Group, Inc. to develop a School Design Study to work collaboratively with BPS community members to create programming and design guidelines for safe, sustainable, and inspiring school facilities. This study is intended to accelerate the programming and design phases of future projects, enabling the City of Boston to take on school facilities upgrades at an unprecedented pace. It will be completed in 12 to 18 months from when the project kicks off this summer.”

The new approach to school facilities management will be driven by a coordinated, interdepartmental team. To spearhead this new approach to BPS facilities planning, Mayor Wu has asked Dion Irish, Chief of Operations for the City of Boston, and Indira Alvarez, Chief Operations Officer for Boston Public Schools, to manage an interdepartmental team. Mayor Wu’s FY23 budget proposal includes 25 new staff positions to execute on school construction and renovation projects, including project managers, coordinators, and construction directors. This new staff capacity will be key to ensuring that this work is delivered efficiently, effectively, and on a clear timeline while minimizing disruption to school communities.

This announcement builds on Mayor Wu’s commitment to expanding opportunities for Boston’s youth including recent expansions of Early College and Innovation Pathways programming and the Summer Youth Jobs program and the launch of a partnership between the Public Works Department and Madison Park Technical Vocational High School to train high school students in electric vehicle maintenance.
# Real Estate Transfers

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**Attention to Detail**

**By Penny Cherubino**

**THIS WEEK’S ANSWER**

The corner windows in the last clue are on 921 Boylston Street built in 1997 and designed by architect Myron Miller. This is Berklee College of Music’s Genko Uchida building and contains the David Friend Recital Hall, ensemble spaces, private lesson rooms, plus percussion, keyboard, and guitar labs.

You’ll find the next clue in the Fenway.

Do you have a favorite building or detail you would like featured? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your suggestion.

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**THIS WEEK’S CLUE**

You’ll find the next clue in the Fenway.
274 Beacon Street, Residence 6F

2 Bedrooms | 2 Full Bathrooms | 1,890 Square Feet

Listed At $2,200,000

*Open House*
Sunday, May 22nd
12:00PM - 1:00PM

343 Commercial Street, Residence 114

4 Bedrooms | 2 Full 1 Half Bathrooms | 3,911 Square Feet

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