



WHARF DISTRICT  
COUNCIL  
B O S T O N

# AUGUST 18, 2020 (5-7 PM)

## Wharf District Council Meeting

### BOSTON POLICE DEPARTMENT A-1 UPDATE

#### SERGEANT STEVEN MOY AND CAPTAIN ROBERT CICCULO

Boston Police Department (BPD) Sergeant Steven Moy provided a police report for the August 2020 Meeting. Neighborhood incidents are as follows:

#### **LARCENY: JULY 27TH 3PM, 126 STATE STREET**

Victim reported two Amazon packages valued at \$40 containing an assortment of computer equipment stolen.

#### **BIKE THEFTS: AUGUST 15TH AND 17TH, 85 EAST INDIA ROW**

On August 15 at 85 East India Row a bicycle was reported stolen. Subsequently, building security began maintaining surveillance around the bike rack. Two days later, on August 17 at 2pm, another bicycle theft occurred. Upon viewing the surveillance footage, security was able to observe the suspect coming back onto the property and attempting to fiddle with a bike lock. Police were called and upon arriving on scene consulted with the security manager who provided footage. Suspect was arrested and on booking inventory was found to possess an assortment of stolen items including four credit cards.

#### **VEHICULAR BREAKING AND ENTERING: AUGUST 1ST 9PM, 70 EAST INDIA ROW**

Two individuals were attempting to exit the Harbor Garage on 70 East India Row at around 9pm. Both individuals spotted the suspects, two males who were acting suspiciously. One individual began engaging with the suspects and an altercation ensued, during which time security was called. The two suspects fled the area, but a picture of the license plate was captured and shared with police. Detectives are currently investigating.

#### **VEHICULAR BREAKING AND ENTERING: AUGUST 8TH 8PM, 70 EAST INDIA ROW**

The victim, a nurse, upon returning to her vehicle found that the passenger side window had been broken into

and a black bag containing medical equipment had been stolen. Currently under investigation.

#### **ASSAULT AND DISORDERLY CONDUCT: AUGUST 7TH 12:30AM, MILK STREET**

Officers responded to a reported assault occurring on Milk Street. Officers arrived on scene and the suspect began yelling profanities, stating that she'd been drinking all day and was off her medication. Shortly after being taken into custody, EMS was called and suspect was transferred to Tufts Medical Center for evaluation.

#### **DRINKING IN PUBLIC, DISTURBING THE PEACE, CARRYING A DANGEROUS WEAPON: AUGUST 8TH 5:40PM, 255 STATE STREET**

Officers were flagged down. Suspect had been spotted openly drinking in a public area—seated on a bench outside the New England Aquarium. Suspect was approached and a bottle of vodka was seized. Initially let off with a warning, the suspect began acting belligerent, lunging at some families, yelling profanities, and racial slurs. Suspect later engaged officers in a small foot chase before being apprehended and placed under arrest for drinking alcohol in public and disturbing the peace. A large knife was found in the suspect's boot, resulting in an additional charge.

#### **DISTURBING THE PEACE AND OUTSTANDING WARRANTS: AUGUST 12TH 9PM, CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS PARK**

Officers responded to a report of a half-naked individual laying on the grass. Suspect was sleeping and upon waking began behaving erratically. Suspect was arrested upon discovery of two outstanding warrants.

## NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES UPDATE

### JOHN ROMANO SR, MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS LIAISON FOR MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (MASSDOT)

John Romano Sr, Municipal Affairs Liaison for Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) reported on the ongoing crosswalk construction work in the Wharf District. Schedules for both overnight work cycles are listed below.

#### PROPOSED MILLING TIMELINE

*Subject to change based on rate of work. All work is being done overnight. Crews will attempt to not impact outdoor restaurant areas until after 11 p.m.*

- August 16: Broad St. & Surface Rd. intersection
- August 16: High St. & Surface Rd. intersection
- August 16: Oliver & Purchase St. intersection
- August 17: Clinton St. & Surface Rd. intersection
- August 17: Crosswalk area near Carousel on Surface Rd.
- August 17: State St. & Surface Rd. intersection
- August 18: Milk St. & Central St. at Surface Rd. intersection
- August 18: India St. & Surface Rd. intersection
- August 19: India St. at Atlantic Ave. & Surface Rd. intersections
- August 19: Milk St. & Central St. at Atlantic Ave. intersections
- August 20: State St. & Atlantic Ave. intersection
- August 20: Crosswalk area near Carousel on Atlantic Ave.
- August 20: Crosswalk area on Cross St.

#### PROPOSED PAVING TIMELINE

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- August 23: High St. & Atlantic Ave. intersection
- August 24: India St. & Atlantic Ave. intersection
- August 25: Milk St. & Central St. at Atlantic Ave. intersections
- August 26: State St. & Atlantic Ave. intersection
- August 26: Crosswalk area near Carousel on Atlantic Ave.
- August 26: Crosswalk area on Cross St.
- August 27: Clinton St. & Surface Rd. intersection
- August 27: Crosswalk areas near Carousel on Surface Rd.
- August 31: State St. & Surface Rd. intersection
- September 1: Milk St. & Central St. at Surface Rd. intersections
- September 2: India St. & Surface Rd. intersection
- September 2: Broad St. & Surface Rd. intersection
- September 3: High St. & Surface Rd. intersection
- September 3: Oliver & Purchase St. intersection

## CHIOFARO COMPANY UPDATE

### ROB CARIDAD, THE CHIOFARO COMPANY

Rob Caridad from the Chiofaro Company discussed the Harbor Garage Project. With no firm dates in place for future meetings, Caridad instead opted to provide a general outline and some informational updates. The Chiofaro Company filed its Environmental Notification Form (ENF) with the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act office. This comes following the filing of the Project Notification Form in January.

Caridad stated the next meeting will likely be a virtualization of the town hall style meeting convened in February during the week of August 31st or September 7th. An Impact Advisory Group (IAG) meeting will likely take place in early September as well.. Virtual open house style meetings are also in the works for a potential mid-September debut, and would be centered around an introductory theme with breakout rooms to discuss specific details on tower design, transportation, resiliency, and more with project members. Caridad will report back to the WDC with official meeting dates as soon as they're finalized.

## PREPARING FOR EMERGENCIES

### BOSTON'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.

Debuting the Wharf District Council's Emergency Preparedness Initiative, board member Sheila Willard introduced Kyron Owens, Director of Communications for the City of Boston's Department of Emergency Management (OEM), and Joe Christo, Senior Resilience and Waterfront Planner at the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA).

Owens and Christo discussed their roles within the OEM and BPDA and offered a number of observations and best practices for keeping well-informed and suitably prepared in uncertain times. The WDC will continue to work with OEM and BPDA on emergency preparedness and community awareness of procedures for the Wharf District.

For more information, please visit <https://www.boston.gov/departments/emergency-management>

## CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS PARK UPDATE

### JOANNE HAYES RINES, PRESIDENT, FOCCP

Joanne-Hayes Rines from the Friends of Christopher Columbus Park (FOCCP) provided an update. The Friends were awarded the Golden Trowel Award from the City of Boston Parks Department for the Garden of Hope with its beautiful flowers and plantings.

## ROSE KENNEDY GREENWAY UPDATE

### RACHEL LAKE

Rachel Lake from The Greenway announced that the augmented reality art exhibit will be coming to a close at the end of August.

## STATE STREET RENOVATION PROJECT UPDATE

### ASHLEY BIGGINS

Ashley Biggins, Project Manager for the State Street Renovation Project, discussed the progress on the work being done on the Healthy Streets project, the construction work and the addition of the bike lane. Please visit [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lm1\\_KG4QVfY&feature=youtu.be](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lm1_KG4QVfY&feature=youtu.be) for more information and to take the survey.



## VOTING 2020

Members were reminded about the State Primary Election taking place on September 1st and the Presidential Election on November 3rd

### 2020 VOTING AND CANDIDATE INFORMATION: MASSACHUSETTS VOTING DATES

**Primary Voting:** September 1, 2020 | **Election Voting:** November 3, 2020

### BOSTON ELECTED OFFICES AND CANDIDATES

City of Boston Elected Officials. All Boston Elected Offices are not up for election in 2020

- Mayor – Marty Walsh
- District 2 City Councilor – Edward Flynn
- 4 At Large City Councilors – Michael Flaherty, Annissa Essaibi George, Julia Mejia, Michele Wu,

### PRIMARY CANDIDATES IN 2020

#### DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATES FOR NOMINATION

##### SENATOR IN CONGRESS

- EDWARD J. MARKEY (current office holder)
- JOSEPH P. KENNEDY, (candidate, challenger)

##### REPRESENTATIVES IN CONGRESS for the EIGHTH DISTRICT

- STEPHEN F. LYNCH, (current office holder)
- ROBBIE H. GOLDSTEIN, (candidate, challenger)

##### SENATOR IN GENERAL COURT FIRST SUFFOLK & MIDDLESEX DISTRICT

JOSEPH A. BONCORE, (current office holder)

##### REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT THIRD SUFFOLK DISTRICT

AARON M. MICHLEWITZ, (current office holder)

#### REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES FOR NOMINATION

##### SENATOR IN CONGRESS

- SHIVA AYYADURAI
- KEVIN O'CONNOR

#### GENERAL ELECTION CANDIDATES

##### SENATOR IN CONGRESS

- ANDRE GRAY (Green Party)
- FREDERICK MAYOCK (Independent)

## CLIMATE READY BOSTON

The Climate Ready Boston Project team will present their latest findings at the September meeting. View the full September meeting [by clicking here](#). Use password: q+Hq7S?A

*\*Credit to Steve Vilkas for meeting minute content*

THE NEXT WHARF DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING  
WILL TAKE PLACE ON SEPTEMBER 15, 2020