



The organizers of the Boston Common No Kings Protest estimated more than 150,000 people showed up to make their voices heard.

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## Tens of thousands march on the Boston Common Boston hosts third No Kings

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

The third Boston No Kings protest hit the Boston Common on Saturday with full force as tens of thousands of protesters gathered round the city's green.

Organizers estimated about 150,000 to 180,000 people came to the protest throughout the afternoon. The day featured a host of speakers from various outlets, as well as performances from buskers and the Dropkick Murphys.

"You make us proud to be from here, that's for damn sure,"

singer Ken Casey said. "There's been a lot of talk so we'll bring more rock and less talk."

The band played an acoustic set, and Casey lamented the lack of percussion.

"Every time you see us at one of these, they never let us bring our drums," he said. "They take too long to set up, but one of these days we'll play one loud and electric."

Casey said they recently played a protest/memorial at the site where Alex Pretti was killed. The band dedicated its new song, "Don't Call Us a F%#@in' Terrorist" to the situation in Minnesota.

Boston comic Jimmy Tingle

also spoke during the day, focusing on the current armed conflict with Iran. He said he felt that defense funding could be spent elsewhere more effectively.

"How about housing as a form of national defense?" he said. "Do you know how many houses we could build with \$1 trillion? That's like three houses in Newton! Two condos in Cambridge! Or a parking space on Beacon Hill! How about healthcare as a form of national defense? Because of Obamacare, Americans are living longer and healthier lives than before. They say 60 is the new 40, 80 is the

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Councilor Miniard Culpepper (L) and Chief of Operations Don Irish discuss MBWE contracts.

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## March 16 Council hearing on White Stadium budget Opponents get emotional

**Richard Heath**  
Staff Reporter

On January 28 City Councilor Ben Weber filed an order "to review construction costs associated with White Stadium." This was nine days before Mayor Wu announced at a Feb. 6 press conference that the cost for the city's east grandstand half of the stadium was \$135 million.

According to The Boston Herald, a contract and a building permit were awarded to Bond Construction on Jan. 8. Construction alone, according to the March 2 Herald, is \$79 million.

A second-term councilor, Weber represents District 6 that includes Jamaica Plain that arguably will take the brunt of the Legacy women's soccer games, especially Egleston Square.

The hearing of the Post Audit Committee on March 16 was not well-advertised; The Bulletin heard about it by chance from a South End source the night before. It was chaired by City Councilor John Fitzgerald and committee co-chair Sharon Durkan.

Committee member Julia Mejia seemingly wanted to control the hearing because she invited five panelists – all opponents – to testify. But Ricky Thompson, chair of the Franklin Park Coalition, which supports the White Stadium partnership, appeared and was given a seat at the table.

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## "No Kings" rally at the WR rotary WR makes itself heard

**Susan Kryczka**  
Staff Reporter

About 550 residents gathered at the West Roxbury rotary as part of the March 28 No Kings rally, joining an estimated 3,200 similar world-wide events to protest the Trump administration's policies. Organized by Progressive West Roxbury / Roslindale (PWRR), the rally featured a welcoming atmosphere and a variety of signs, from simple handwritten messages on a paper bag to professionally designed posters with art deco graphics. Both the inner and outer areas of the rotary were filled with sign holders, some dressed in costumes.

When asked what brought them out to the rally, answers were readily forthcoming. Lynn Girton, who has attended No Kings rallies in the past, said, "I would say my top one is wanting to state publicly this is not the country I want to live in as currently constituted. As a gay woman who feels strongly about women's rights, I also feel strongly about im-



West Roxbury residents came out to the Holy Name Rotary on Saturday for the third No Kings Protest during the second term of the Trump Administration.

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# Brighton Corrib raising funds for the arts

## Live music rings through the neighborhood



Dozens of community members came by the Brighton Corrib to raise money for local artists in the community.

**Paulina Duarte**  
Staff Reporter

The Corrib Pub on Market St. in Brighton hosted a community fundraiser on Sunday, March 29. The pub was filled with a silent art auction, live music, and 35 community members as they gathered to support local artists and community organizations that encourage people to explore different kinds of art in supportive, welcoming environments.

One organization located on Academy Hill, Road – The Corner Art Room – is a nonprofit organization that has “a mission to be creative together,” according to their website. The studio organizes events and holds classes for different art mediums, including drawing, writing, and fiber arts, such as knitting. “We offer poetry, a book club, and fiction workshops,” noted Chris Parisi, a mem-

ber of the board of directors. “There are not too many [community] art studios out there. This space lets people do stuff together; you can talk about your interests and explore your muses in a safe environment.”

“It’s an important third space,” added organizer Silvia Beier, who was at the event to represent another organization at the fundraiser, the Beantown Music School, within The Corner Art Room. “We encourage people to take a class. But when the class is over, where’s the community?” she asked. “Both The Corner Art Room and Beantown Music School are places for shy people to do things,” added Parisi.

Beantown Music School inspires students to “discover your inner performer,” such as D.J. Talvot of Brighton, who’s a first-time guitar player. “I went to the Brighton Common performance last summer... and I just picked

it up over the past six months.” Talvot performed in front of a small crowd at Beantown’s acoustic night. She noted she was nervous performing for the first time, but she felt support from her small class of three-to-four people.

There was a lineup of artists who shared their music with the crowd, and they played songs using their preferred instruments. Douglas Appleman played songs that inspired his love of music and that he has been performing since childhood, including “Where Do they Make Balloons” by They Might Be Giants, and “Ah, France,” by Martin Mull. Appleman used to take lessons at School of Rock in Watertown before moving to Beantown Music School more recently.

“Beantown Music School gives me the guidance to play of-

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# B’nai B’rith hosts neighborhood improvement meeting

## Looking to build coalition

**Jeff Sullivan**  
Staff Reporter

Representatives from B’nai B’rith Housing met with about 20 residents recently at the Boston Centers for Youth and Families Roslindale Community Center to discuss possible improvements to the area around its proposed development at 4259-4267 Washington St.

The building has been approved by the Boston Planning and Development Agency Board and, because of the newly implemented Square+Streets (S+S) zoning is zoning compliant, but B’nai B’rith Housing Development Director Kevin Maguire said the company wants to help deal with the issues the development will create for neighbors, specifically the Cohasset Street and Birch Street neighborhood.

The 40 units proposed at 4259-4267 Washington St. are indeed approved, but there are future plans as well. Maguire and B’nai B’rith said the company is looking to build Phase 2 of the project in the next five years or so, and that would take the current spot of the Boston Thrift Store.

B’nai B’rith has offered to rehouse the thrift store, and representative Chris Roth said that discussions are continuing. However, in his public comment to the Boston Planning Department last year on the project, Thrift Store Board President Dan Singleton expressed concerns about not being rehoused in the same size space as they have now.

“This proposed Washington St. parcel looks like a thoughtful space,” he wrote. However, our organization is looking at a future with a whole lot less square footage at a greater financial cost. We do not want the community to assume that The Thrift Shop of Boston moving into this space is a fore-

gone conclusion at this juncture.”

For Singleton’s full comment, go to <https://gvimes.link/bnaicommments>

Roth said the Boston Thrift Store has about five years left on its lease.

“We’re hoping to stay in Roslindale and we’re gathering information still,” he said.

Maguire said they only have control over their own property and will basically be looking to build a coalition with residents to pitch changes to the city. Basically, B’nai B’rith Housing is not the Boston Transportation Department (BTD) or the Public Improvement Commission (PIC).

“We are looking to articulate the issues we can think of and try to generate some ideas,” he said. “This isn’t us projecting to you guys.”

The main divide became apparent. While there was seemingly productive conversation about the issues facing neighbors, the scope of those issues was the main argument. Phase 2 is not yet planned, proposed, or, according to Maguire, even conceived of. One resident pressed him for at least stating how many units the company is looking at, and after several attempts, Maguire seemed to shrug his shoulders and just give out a number: 80 units.

But the argument became clear: what mitigation should there be for something planned to start construction imminently and something five years from now? Several residents seemed to think the whole plan should be taken into consideration, but then that hampers the developer to stick to the plan, even if it no longer makes sense in the five-year interim, lest they need to go back to the community and hammer out a new deal.

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Weber opened the hearing. "I filed the docket to hear about the cost of the stadium," he said. "Why is it costing so much? The price tag is a lot, no question about it."

Four senior administration staff involved with White Stadium followed the community panelists: Chief of Operations Dion Irish, Deputy Chief of Urban Design Diana Fernandez Bibeau, Public Facilities Executive Director Carleton Jones, and BPS Deputy Superintendent of Operations Samuel De Pina.

They shed a little more detail on the budget, construction costs and community benefits, but the public testimony was a twice-told tale only more shrill: 12 testified in opposition.

Mejia set the stage immediately.

"I do not support the renovation of White Stadium that's going to do it on the backs of black and brown children," she said, "I don't see suburbanites walking down to Egleston Square."

Laurie Radwin of Roslindale swooped in and equated White Stadium with Squares+Streets (S+S) zoning revisions, quoting Martin Luther King's "injustice everywhere" statement.

But Fernandez Bibeau, in her customary measured manner, repeated what she has said for nearly three years, "This is decades in the making." She continued while showing an elevation drawing of the East Stadium and floor plans, "The project is really complex."

She explained the variety of interior spaces and uses. "How to get creative to build a truly city-wide athletic facility... no one has taken this on because it's been difficult to achieve."

"Investing \$135 million for BPS students is worth every dollar," she said.

Mejia shot back. "For the record, the renderings have no people of color in the renderings. Is that intentional?" she asked. "Black students will not be there? I'm not being petty. I'm standing up for my people."

Moody Nolan are the designers of the East Stadium and boast being the largest Black-owned architectural firm in the country.

Amateur architect Alan Ihrer of Williams Street maintained in his testimony that, "Ninety percent of the seats are on top of the track" and cannot see the track. "This is diabolical, a piece of junk."

Fernandez Bibeau said this wasn't true and showed a plan of the full stadium on the screen share to illustrate it.

Priscilla Andrade, one of Mejia's invitees, turned up the volume. "This partnership is power hoarding," she said, "It's white supremacist culture."

Janelle Graham said she lived in Jamaica Plain. "I'm appalled that this is happening. How much is going to bribes, to payouts? This is offensive. Talking out of three tongues," Graham said.

Reggie Stewart said that White Stadium is a "continuation of racist government" alongside parcel P3, Madison



A rendering showing the elevation of the East Stadium – the city's half.

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Park and Blue Hill Avenue [busway].

Freshman City Councilor Miniard Culpepper of District 7 brought the hearing down to earth. "I'm worried about impediments to minority contractors," he said to Irish. "These have historically been left out."

Irish assured Culpepper that those contractors would be hired. "In the last fiscal year, \$227,000 in contracts have been awarded with 12 percent going to minority- and women-owned business."

On the screen share Irish showed a slide: "\$102 million in total contracts have been awarded across both sides of the project including \$43 million committed to MBWE firms."

"\$10 million upcoming contract opportunities for interested MWBE and local firms," Irish said.

Jones added that Bond "is contracting with suppliers di-

rectly. We're tracking the investment for MBWE contractors."

Irish added that "a lot has been learned from White Stadium contractor experience."

A few supporters snuck into the hearing including Marvin Mathelier of Egleston Square and Robby Ficker of South Boston.

"The opposition is exclusively reactionary," Flicker said, "using students as a political prop. There's no better way to be spending my tax dollars than the White Stadium for women's sports."

The hearing went on for four hours with often redundant histrionics: "Wu is supported by her rubber-stamping puppets and hyperbole" with "no concerns for the disproportionate environmental burden on the majority Black community around White Stadium."

It was difficult to learn what was achieved, especially since

White Stadium construction is well underway. What seems certain is that the constituency for Franklin Park is permanently polarized.

Committee co-chair Sharon Durkan [Fitzgerald had already left the building] called for a concluding statement from Weber.

"There's lot of opposition and a lot of support," he said. "White Stadium hasn't been usable for a long time. I join my neighbors in uplifting women's sports." But he cautioned, "We will have to clearly monitor contingency spending since it can push above what is currently budgeted."



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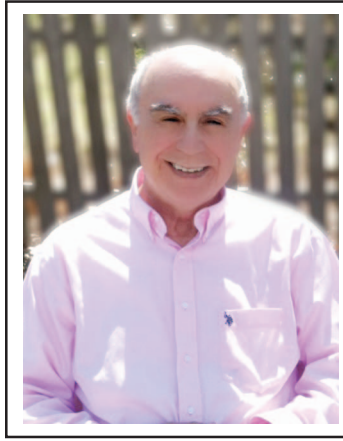


# No April Fools' tricks there

Easter Sunday (except for Greek Orthodox Christians) in 1945 fell on April Fools' Day. But for thousands of American soldiers timorously landing that day on Okinawa, the largest of the Ryuku Islands and the last stop before the Japanese mainland, the celebration of Easter and the antics of April Fools' Day – mostly a day for children but also one for accommodating adults – were not to be marked together. It is not that common for these two days, one religious and the other secular, to coincide.

The last instance of this was 2018 and the one prior to this was 62 years before in 1945. Easter is celebrated on the first Sunday after the first full moon occurring on or after the spring equinox (around March 20th), with April Fools' Day always celebrated on the first day of that month. (Since 1900 the day of the Resurrection and the day of pranks have occurred on the same date only 5 times, with the next confluence being in 2029.)

Participating in the largest amphibious landing in the Pacific Theater, the soldiers landing on Okinawa Island between the East China Sea and the Philippine Sea must have thought that the enemy was pranking them: there was no opposition to greet them as there had been on countless other landings on various atolls during their island hopping. The response of the enemy was very muted, if at all.



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It was not until April 6, five days after the landing, that heavy gunfire was exchanged between the competing sides. The conquest was completed on June 22, 1945, with 12,000 Americans, 100,000 Japanese, and 100,000 civilians dead.

May there never again be the loss of so many lives – and the concomitant injuries – on any calendar date, regardless of whether it's Easter or April Fools'. On this Easter Sunday at whatever church we attend, let us remember the accomplishments and valor of so many on this Pacific Island thousands of miles away from their loving homes waiting either for the return of their loved ones in uniform or to meet with them again on Judgment Day when, according to the stirring, prophetic hymn I Am the Bread of Life, "and I will raise you up on the Last Day."

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# Letters to the Editor

## WHAT'S WIN-WIN AT CRANE LEDGE?

Thank you for The Bulletin's continued reporting on Crane Ledge Woods and on the issues that shape our neighborhoods. At a time when accurate, community-based journalism is essential, your coverage is both needed and appreciated.

With that in mind, we want to offer clarity on a question that understandably arises often: What would the full conservation "win-win" acquisition of Crane Ledge Woods actually cost? This came up in your report on the Longfellow Area Neighborhood Association meeting in March, and it is a reasonable question for residents to ask.

Over the years, a wide range of numbers have circulated—from as low as \$2 million to as high as \$100 million. None of these should be taken as realistic. As Councilor Pepén noted at the meeting, the actual acquisition price would be determined by an independent appraisal, as is standard practice. Every parcel is unique, and valuation must be based on real data, not speculation.

Fortunately, we have recent, local examples to guide expectations. Community-led parkland acquisitions at 108 Walter Street (Roslindale Wetlands), 0 Dale Street (Sherrin Woods), and Sprague Pond on Lakeside Avenue averaged roughly \$12 per square foot. Each of these sites, like Crane Ledge Woods, consisted of natural land with a housing proposal pending. In all cases, the City's costs were reduced by state grants that covered 50 percent of the purchase price.

Applying those same metrics, the Crane Ledge Woods parcel would likely fall in the range of \$10 million-\$12 million—an amount well within Boston's capital budget capacity, supported by its AAA bond rating and by dedicated Community Preservation Act funds.

Just as important, any acquisition offer to Jubilee Church and its development partner must be fair, respectful, and presented as an option they may choose only if it aligns with their best interests. That is the essence of the "win-win" outcome the community has long envisioned.

Crane Ledge Woods represents a once-in-a-generation opportunity for a historic, positive transformation—one that benefits the neighborhood, the city, and future generations.

*José C. Massó III, on behalf of the Crane Ledge Woods Coalition (CLWC)*

## CONGRATS E-5

As I read that recent news story on a recent meeting of the West Roxbury Civic Improvement

Association (WRCIA discusses car thefts, new E-5 Captain), I couldn't help but chuckle a bit about residents who park their cars facing the wrong direction. Why do people even do this? Why are so many neighbors so upset over this? Over here in East Boston, we have all sorts of issues we are dealing with. I wish that having cars parked facing the wrong direction would be the least of my concerns.

Over here we have parking issues where too many motorists are parking on our streets; and they are not East Boston residents. Those 'East Boston Residents Only' parking signs have so many loopholes. Why do commercial-plated vehicles get neighborhood parking stickers?

Just because the driver of these vehicles lives in the neighborhood doesn't mean the car is registered to that person. Commercial registration is normally registered to a business, corporation or company. These vehicles shouldn't be sporting parking stickers issued by the city. Parking over here in East Boston is hell. Remember over here we rarely see a driveway. Alright 'nuff said on this pet peeve of mine.

Moving on to more positive things. I wanted to congratulate the brand new police captain of E-5 Nicole McMullin. News of her new assignment was announced shortly after Sunday, March 8 which was International Women's Day. I was a member of the Boston Metro Area DMH police for 28 years and retired less than two weeks after the Boston Marathon bombing back on April 15, 2013.

When I first joined the force, I believe that there were only two, maybe, three female officers in the whole department. By the time I retired, that number had grown but when it came to moving up the ranks, it still seems like a man's world. Things have been getting much better, slowly for sure, since I retired. I was also glad to see BPD Superintendent Nora Baston attended that meeting with the new E-5 captain. I've known Nora for almost 20 years. Met her the first time over at Fuller Mental Health Center in the South End when I was the sergeant on duty the day she came in for a meeting. Someday I suspect she might become a future police commissioner too.

Once again congrats to Captain Nicole McMullin. Folks from West Roxbury and Roslindale have a good leader at the helm. I think President Jimmy Carter must have had someone like McMullin on his mind when he designated March 2-8, 1980 as National Women's History Week.

*Sal Giarratani East Boston*

# 1702 HP Ave. post-approval project expansion draws pushback

## 1702 HP Ave. post-approval project expansion draws pushback

**Matt MacDonald**  
Staff Reporter

On Wednesday, March 25, the Boston Planning Department held its second virtual community meeting this month regarding a proposal to increase the size of a previously approved project application for 1702 Hyde Park Ave, near Wolcott Square in the Readville section of Hyde Park.

The first, held on March 3, had been marred by technical difficulties, leading to the do-over.

At issue was a project change – filed by local developer Thomas Geraghty in January – proposing to add two stories and 24 residential condominium units to a design that had been approved by the Boston Planning and Development

Agency (BPDA) Board back in August 2023.

The project change, if successful, would increase the size of 1702 Hyde Park Ave. to seven stories and 68 units, while reducing its parking by one spot – to 34 garage spaces.

The proposed expansion is based on the fact that project applications abutting 1702 on either side (1690-1700 and 1740 Hyde Park Ave.) were subsequently approved at a greater height and scale, and on the reasoning that the change would bring the design more in line with them aesthetically.

The proposed reduction in parking spaces – despite the increase of units by more than half – is based on the fact that the site is a short walk from the Readville commuter station and a couple of bus routes, thus

making it a transit-oriented development (TOD). The low per-unit parking ratio is also a reflection of Mayor Michelle Wu's policy of decreasing car dependency in the city.

That noted, the site – a junk and scrap yard – is in an industrial section of Hyde Park Avenue and is removed from most neighborhood amenities.

The lack of onsite parking was at the center of the pushback during the meeting's Q&A.

Although there are no direct residential abutters to the four approved developments (1717-1725 Hyde Park Ave. is across the street from 1702), there are residential areas close by the outer sides of the three rail lines (Fairmount Line, Franklin Line

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Performers came through to help raise the volume and funds for the arts.

PHOTO BY PAULINA DUARTE

ten and try other genres,” Appleman explained. “Today, we have a wide age range and families, and I’m playing comedy or silly songs,” he noted, to entertain a bigger crowd than what he’s used to playing for.

The Corner Art Room and Beantown Music School’s reach extends beyond the Allston-Brighton area. The Beantown Music School, for example, teaches students north of the city in Reading, and one of the performers – Hannah MacNeil – hailed from the North Shore, in Salem.

“I’ve been doing music since graduating [from Salem State University] in 2021,” she explained. MacNeil initially devel-

oped a love for singing when she was 6 years old but later learned to play the piano and acoustic guitar as she expanded her talents.

MacNeil, who previously played in front of 200 people at Carnegie Hall in 2017, appreciated the “homey, family-like and cozy atmosphere” of The Corrib Pub.

“This is my first time playing [at this fundraiser],” she explained. “Silvia gave me an opportunity to perform after I had a two-month gap, and I took it.” MacNeil was happy she had the chance to perform for this smaller crowd, which included her fiancée.

In addition to the silent auc-

tion and live music, Parisi sold raffle tickets to raise money for the organization. At the end of the event, Parisi and Beier drew raffle tickets and one of the buyers, Kathy Mikk of Swampscott, won five prizes in all.

“My son is at Beantown as a vocalist and keyboard player,” she noted. “This is a great turnout, and I loved seeing new and familiar people here. It’s pretty cool.” One of the prizes included a drawing instruction book, which Mikk plans to gift to her daughter, who loves art.

Learn more about The Corner Art Room at <https://www.thecornerartroom.com/>

And Beantown Music School at <https://www.beantownmusicschool.org/>

# West Roxbury was pretty peaceful

WR Hist. Society details peaceful past of the neighborhood



More than 50 residents came out for the most recent WRHS meeting at the West Roxbury Branch of the Boston Public Library.

PHOTO BY DILANI YOGARATNAM

**Dilani Yogaratnam**  
Staff Reporter

On a crisp windy spring day, about 50 people huddled inside the warm lecture room of the West Roxbury Branch of the Boston Public Library to listen to a history of the neighborhood from West Roxbury Historical Society (WRHS) President Sandra Serkess.

While it might have felt more like an intimate one-sided conversation on West Roxbury’s origin story, it was also a reminder that this is West Roxbury’s 175th birthday where many fun upcoming events will take place throughout the year. From walk-

ing tours to trivia nights to a slogan contest, there is a big slate of events coming together which can be found at <https://gvimelink.com/wr175>

Serkess gave a special shout out to Roche Brothers for providing gift card prizes for the winners of the contest.

Prior to the talk, Serkess reminded the crowd that the historical society is a volunteer group and as such requires funding, jokingly referring to her “glorious donation jar.” This yearly lecture is one of the ways the organization raises funds to help its mission of preserving

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# River East, River West: A Reading and Q&A with Aube Rey Lescure

Monday, May 11 at 6:30 PM (Doors open at 6:00 PM)  
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Join the Friends of the West Roxbury Library for a special evening with Aube Rey Lescure, author of River East, River West, a Massachusetts Book Awards Fiction Honors title. Aube will share about her background and inspiration for the novel before reading select passages. The evening will conclude with a Q&A and book signing.

An inversion of the traditional East-to-West immigrant narrative, River East, River West examines the pursuit of the American dream through the eyes of Alva, a mixed-race teenager living in Shanghai with her American expat mother, and Lu Fang, her mother's landlord and lover, who harbors his own complicated fascination with American culture. Through their alternating perspectives, an intimate portrait of Alva's enigmatic mother, Sloan, gradually takes shape.

This program is sponsored by the Mass Book Awards Speakers Bureau and is presented in collaboration with the Massachusetts Center for the Book.

AUBE REY LESCURE is a French-Chinese-American writer and Editor-in-Chief of Off Assignment. Her debut novel, River East, River West, was a Massachusetts Book Awards Fiction Honors title and shortlisted for the Women's Prize for Fiction 2024. Her fiction and creative nonfiction have appeared in The New York Times Magazine, Granta, Guernica, LitHub, and elsewhere. She grew up between Provence, northern China, and Shanghai, and now lives in Massachusetts.

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migrants' rights... here there's such a spirit of being friendly to each other and understanding why other people are here."

Steven Faulkner and Glynis Thomas shared their fears about Trump's policies. "I would say, currently foremost, the war in Iran and secondly, the unequal distribution of power among the administration, legislation, and judicial system ... I think everything's a little bit slanted now, hence No King. Getting out to a rally shows that there are more people who feel the same way," said Faulkner.

Thomas worked in the corporate sector before retirement and feels it is her duty to get out to show opposition. "I think the overwhelming thing for me is the corruption that we see. I grew up in a time when Russia was the enemy for very good reason, and it feels to me like our government is now nothing more than a Russian tool."

Some chose other ways to make their opinions stand out. Karen Taylor Soiles was dressed in a red and white clown outfit with a red beanie and stood next to a person holding a sign that read "No Clowns. No Crowns." Soiles planned to attend other rallies later in the day.

"My mother is 90 years old and

she's following what's happening here in our country for the past 10 years, and she's just really, really upset and concerned." Soile's mother is writing postcards, watching the news and voting, but also wanted to go to a No Kings protest. "So, we're going to go to one this afternoon in Attleboro, MA, which is small, like this one." Soiles' aunt and uncle will also be joining them. "It's a real joy to participate as a family." She also shared a chant that she especially likes, "Love, not hate, makes America great!"

District 6 City Councilor Ben Weber was also on hand and attended all the previous rallies in West Roxbury and was on his way to a few more later in the day.

Asked what strikes him about the March 28 demonstrations, he said, "I think what stands out, you know, looking back over the last year, is just how many outrageous things happen that, we check in a month later and we've moved on from, depriving people of food stamps to now, honestly, bombing a country, starting a war that's impacted the entire world without any real clear reason. That is the most concerning thing."

Weber, like many others, said he is surprised by how much worse

things have gotten. "We keep thinking we've seen the most outrageous thing a president can do. But you know, he's outdone himself in Iran."

At the end of the rally Rachel Poliner, PWRR leader, said she was happy with the turnout and many of the people she met.

"I think one of the important things was how many people today were first-time protesters of many different ages."

She said regular protesters invited friends who had never come out before, and others decided it was time to show up in person. She said there is a threshold for when enough of the people say no, the authoritarian rule will stop.

"Historians say it's 3.5 percent of the population. They are trying to get to 12 million... 12 million involved in different modes of protest, different modes of boycotts, different modes of calling their legislators."

For Poliner, March 28, 2026, was a good day. "The big piece today was multi-generational. There were a lot of first-time people, whether they had a sign or not, people were just here to be counted, to be standing up in community."

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**Project Description:** Boston – CANA Tunnel and Vent Building Rehabilitation  
Project File No. 606859

A Public Informational Meeting will be held by MassDOT to discuss the proposed project in Boston, MA.

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**WHEN:** Monday, April 13, 2026 @ 6:00 pm

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# WFH hears from Eversource

## Council budgets on the docket

Diya Bhandari  
Staff Reporter

On Monday, March 23, the West Fairmount Hill (WFH) Community Group, led by Marcia Kimm-Jackson, held its regular community meeting through Zoom to discuss recent crime reports, community announcements, and updates from city officials and the mayor's office.

Eversource representatives

came by, outlining a new initiative involving the addition of a new substation in southern Dorchester, two new transmission lines in the Hyde Park and Baker Street substations, as well as general distribution line upgrades throughout the area.

"This work is needed to address capacity concerns for our customers throughout Dorchester, Mattapan, Jamaica Plain, Hyde Park and West Roxbury," said Diehl.

"The goal is simple: keep the electric system reliable and resilient for customers in these communities. That means meeting the electric demand of our customers and strengthening the grid to minimize the impacts of extreme weather."

Although representatives Cody Diehl, Vincenza Dimaio, and Sue Scarcella clarified that construction is not projected to begin until 2028 – with full operation anticipated around 2032 – the community input is highly valued throughout the process for the project's success.

Further updates will be shared by Eversource at the next community meeting on Monday April 27, but in the meantime, residents can reach out to [vincenza.dimaio@eversource.com](mailto:vincenza.dimaio@eversource.com) and [cody.diehl@eversource.com](mailto:cody.diehl@eversource.com) with any questions, or view the project website at [www.eversource.com/yourvoice](http://www.eversource.com/yourvoice).

The Boston Police Department District E-18 also stopped by to discuss recent police reports.

Captain Joseph Boyle reviewed the latest events, including an incident of vandalism on March 3, a shots-fired incident on the same day, as well as a domestic assault on March 18. However, Captain Boyle indicated his overall satisfaction with the overall low crime rate in the area.

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The history of West Roxbury includes the history of its neighbors, Roxbury and Jamaica Plain, which all branched off from the original town over 100 years ago.

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West Roxbury history.

Serkess started off by taking the crowd to millions of years ago when volcanoes dominated the land, to the ice age to the melt-down that left behind mostly rocks which led to the name. Those glacial deposits led to the name of neighborhood: Roxbury.

By the early 1600s, when the Pilgrims and Puritans came over, they were on land not built for farming. In fact Native Americans only came by during the summer for fishing and shellfishing and left by the fall and thus no conflicts took place as there was not much to fight over, Serkess said. One of the earliest settlers were the Puritans, led by John Winthrop. Serkess described these people as insufferable perfectionists who were almost opposite to more humane Pilgrims. She then showed a 1632 map of Boston which she admitted she is not very comfortable with and referred all map questions to a volunteer at the library. William Pynchon and his wife were responsible for the settlement of Roxbury and he served as a treasurer. In those days, mainly churches served as local government and people would pay tithes as a form of taxation.

Due to the geological history from volcanoes and ice, the soil was very rocky and springs were abundant, thus the name Spring Street. West Roxbury took a longer time than the rest of Boston to get settled because of this. Serkess said drumlins (high points) and low points were very common. The water tower on Bellevue Hill is one of the highest points in Boston and then she referred to Billings Field (near the Parkway YMCA), a low point. One could not make a living as a farmer, although people did farming for their families. Having a large plot of land was a given as one needed chickens, cows and barns for survival.

While the poor quality of land made agriculture difficult, it made for a peaceful place to live, Serkess said.

"Every night you could go to sleep knowing you wouldn't be attacked in bed." She also cleared up why West Roxbury was known as Upper Roxbury, despite being in the southwest. The "upper" simply referred to the hills.

Serkess credited the Weld family for settling West Roxbury and referred to some well-known Welds including former governor William Weld and actress Tuesday Weld who are cousins. Joseph Weld was the one who

settled West Roxbury by negotiation with the Native Americans after much fighting; his brother Daniel was a teacher at Roxbury Latin. Many of his family made contributions toward the settling of West Roxbury and the expansion of its community. The Welds played a significant role in the Arnold Arboretum. The prominent Welds are the descendants of Joseph Weld.

Describing with affection William Blackstone, Serkess spoke of another type of personality altogether who had no ambitions of expansions or making a name for himself. A minister from England, Blackstone sought solitude and peace among cows and sheep. And so he enjoyed this for a time until the Puritans came in on all their ships. This drove Blackstone to ship out, Serkess said, chuckling.

Serkess weaved in and out of different time periods to a rapt crowd who had many questions for her in the end. Ralph McCarthy, a longtime resident of West Roxbury said he loved the lecture and found Serkess fascinating and even presented her with a letter from the historical society to his grandmother from 1976 which Serkess read with interest. He said he can't wait to attend more lectures detailing facts about his hometown.

Serkess brought up how immigration influenced the town with more cultures and people competing to establish themselves. The invention of the steam engine and subsequent locomotives was a game-changer for West Roxbury and made it more accessible to immigrants who could have a day job and travel to and from the city into West Roxbury. Also since not many people resided in West Roxbury, competition was low.

Serkess showed pictures of Mother Brook in Dedham and the Billings' house. She said the pictures of the family were incredible and the people felt approachable. One of the Billings married someone from the Dana family, who she described as influential and the namesake of Dana Farber.

Another prominent family, the Drapers, who apparently had two branches, contributed greatly to the community and were the first to be buried in Westerly Burial Ground, a place for a walking tour this summer. The other side of the Draper family loaned their house to the war efforts. After the American Revolution, many lost their fortunes as no one got paid during war time; it was simply a duty.

Serkess then described how for a time West Roxbury gained independence from Boston and the population doubled. What they needed was schools, as West Roxbury has always prioritized education, and so residents built them themselves, with each person contributing resources. She described the difficult realities of fire stations of the time and how they either needed to go slow to avoid hitting children but as a result would miss putting out the fire.

"Everything was experiment," she said. Centre Street needed to be widened, and she describes this street as the main source of business in West Roxbury. When West Roxbury returned to Boston as a way to preserve the town's character and "avoid exploitation from certain officials," West Roxbury became one of the biggest voting blocs. But today, only 20 percent vote, Serkess said. "Even if you hate all the candidates, write in Mickey Mouse. Voting is a privilege."

Serkess is openly passionate about West Roxbury and her decision to be a lifelong resident. For those with questions on the town or on upcoming event during this 175th anniversary, Serkess encouraged people to email her at sandraserkess17@gmail.com.

## Neighbors again oppose 94 Rockland Street project

### Changes make no difference

Susan Kryczka  
Staff Reporter

Despite significant changes made to the original plans for a condo development proposed for 94 Rockland Street, neighbors attending the West Roxbury Neighborhood Council (WRNC) meeting on March 24 remained opposed to the project. Even with a reduction from the original six units to three units, concerns were raised about parking, lot flooding, and the building design not fitting into the rest of the neighborhood.

James Guerrier, the developer, stated that while he initially proposed six units at the WRNC in September 2025, and later aimed for four after two meetings with neighbors, consensus couldn't be reached. "We see it's down to three units. That's our proposal. It's one building now," he said. The new proposal is for three townhouse-style units in one building, featuring a mansard roof to minimize visual impact. The roof peaks at 28 feet 10 inches, below the maximum 35 feet, and each unit will have three bedrooms and two parking spaces, more parking than zoning requires."

WRNC member Rob Corley asked, "James, what are the current violations you are now facing with the revised plan?" Guerrier responded that the front yard setback is 18 feet (required is 20 feet), left yard setback is 7 feet (required is 12 feet; there are 16 feet on the right side), the FAR (floor area ratio) is .44 with .4 required. Minimum required open space per unit is 1,627 with 1,800 required. There are no height or parking violations. Corley noted that while there are a lot of violations that were triggered, they are close. When asked about single family residences, which the neighborhood would favor, Guerrier said, "We wouldn't be able to build two or three single-family homes because we can't subdivide the land." The units are for owner occupancy if required. Other building options were not financially viable.

Some at the meeting insisted that a three-family was never agreed to by the neighborhood.

"Excuse me, but what neighbors agreed with that building? Because that was our debate from the word go," said one neighbor. Another added, "We said the building could not be built because it's going to change our whole neighborhood."

Guerrier said he remembered that an agreement was made for a three-family that would be acceptable to the neighbors.

"Tony (Saroufim) and I and a lot of people, we wanted you to go back to the drawing board, and that's what you did, and I commend you for it," said Stephen Smith, WRNC member to Guerrier. "You said from the beginning these were not going to

WRNC

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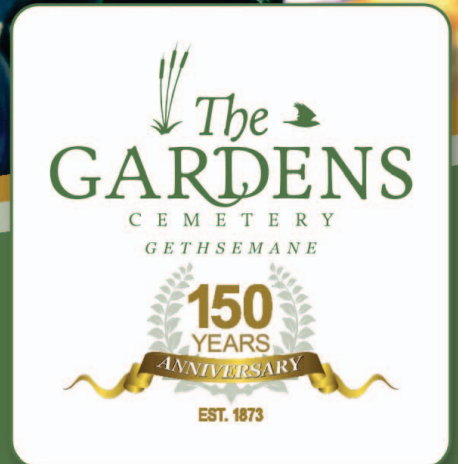
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new 60, and 100 is the new 80. I love that! And death, is the new assisted living. So we have that to look forward to, brothers and sisters.”

Tingle added he doesn't believe the Republican plan to replace the Affordable Care Act with savings accounts will do the trick.

“So we can save up for a medical emergency?” he said. “Jimmy! You going to the Cape next summer for vacation? ‘Jeez, I’d love to go, but I’m saving up for a stroke!’”

Milford teen Marcelo Gomes Da Silva, who was detained by ICE last year, also spoke.

“I truly believe that you can’t make America great again by scaring the next generation,” he said. “You can’t create leaders by forcing kids into hiding. That’s not strength, that’s not leadership. Real leadership creates stability, trust and allows people to live, learn and grow without constantly looking over their shoulder. Freedom isn’t just a word on paper, it’s feeling safe enough for people to live their lives.”

Congresswoman Ayanna Pressley also spoke during the protest and said that protests work, because the opposition wants those it’s trying to oppress to feel powerless.

“The occupant of the White House and his co-conspirators,



The protest went strong for more than three hours.

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they want us to be overwhelmed, they want us to go quietly into the night, they are working to dismantle every corner of our government, they are coming after our reproductive freedoms, they are attacking our healthcare system, our right to quality education while rolling back climate actions,” she said. “What they want, is a people indifferent to the suffering of its neighbors. This playbook is as old as sin, pitting hard-working people against one another. This moment may feel unprecedented, you may believe this is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to stand up, but this is actually a fight that

we have waged and weathered against for generations. And this is a fight that we will, and we must, continue.”

Senator Elizabeth Warren also spoke during the event, and pointed out that there have been several wins in that category this year.

“For a year now, the people across this country who have run elections based on supporting our democracy, and reigning in Donald Trump, have won time after time after time,” she said. “Your hard work, your rallies, your phone calls, your knocking on doors have brought new fighters into the

race. It’s brought a new generation of people running for office right now, so they can go to Washington and fight Donald Trump and the Republicans.”

Resident Steve Downie said he came out because of his strong belief in democracy.

“We are a democracy, not a dictatorship,” he said. “We do not follow kings, especially narcissistic kings who cause senseless wars. We are here to say no, no to the regime, and no to this fascist empire.”

Residents Eric Lovewell and Shannon Dowd said they came out to support the end of the war in Iran and the abolish-

ment of ICE, and the pair said they were glad to see they weren’t the only ones.

“I’m definitely impressed, there are a ton of people here,” said Lovewell. “It was a nightmare getting out; you just had to pick your path of least resistance.”

“We were right in the middle of it and almost couldn’t get out,” said Dowd. “It’s crazy.”

“We’re hopeful though, I can definitely see there are a lot of people out here for the cause,” Lovewell said.

Resident Courtney McGowan said she came out because she wanted to protest the decline of the United States over the last generation.

“We’re just sick of everything that’s been developing for the last 20 years, and it’s reached a point where it needs to stop,” she said.

Resident Rufus Moffett and Joanna Davin said they wanted to show their disapproval over the actions of the administration, both domestically and internationally.

“If we don’t speak up now, what are we going to do?” Moffett said.

“Can you imagine telling your children or grandchildren that you stayed at home during all this?” Davin said.

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be single family homes... we asked you to go back and you did that with the three units.”

Smith said the WRNC has also always been consistent.

“We have to be honest here; something is going to go there. I’m just being realistic with people here and that’s pretty much what Tony was saying to all of you at the last meeting.”

Another attendee responded, “We know something’s going to go there ... but we don’t want units. We have a unique little neighborhood with different houses, with apex roofs.”

A single-family zoning aspect was raised, but that has not been flagged as a violation. Others said more parking was needed and that their own housing values would go down.

“So, I agree wholeheartedly with Stephen about the dramatic shift that you’ve made from what was originally proposed here, which was, you know, dead on arrival,” Corley said to Guerrier. He noted that going from six units to three was a 50 percent reduction and the original square footage was 1,700-1,800 SF and now 1,400 SF.

Corley asked the group what the other issues were. Concerns over lot flooding were raised and Corley said that would be addressed when applying for the building permit.

“He has to manage water on site... he can’t do anything otherwise if he wants a permit.” Corley went on to say the mansard roof was a costly concession and suggested that the

neighbors ask for tree plantings that would screen the property to buffer the view. Corley said that at a selling price of \$800,000 each, no one’s property values would go down.

Corley also explained that the role of the WRNC was to give opinions on whether to grant the zoning variances, but theirs is not the deciding factor. The city does not have to accept their opinions. He recommended that the neighbors attend the zoning board meeting to voice their concerns.

The WRNC voted 7 to 1 to recommend approval to the Zoning Board of Appeal (ZBA).



The WRNC met with residents last week and discussed several projects in the neighborhood.

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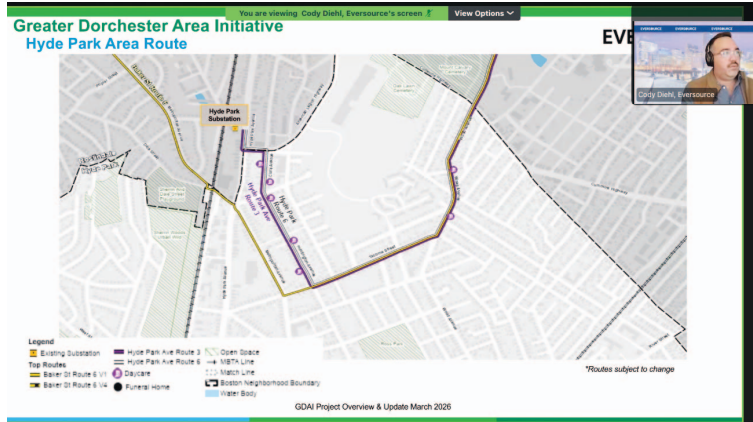
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Eversource reps detailed new infrastructure that is aimed at keeping Hyde Park electrical.

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start,” he said. “Part 1 crime is down to 34 percent for District 18, Hyde Park in general, so things are going well.”

Following the police update, the meeting shifted to updates by Eddie Conley from the District 5 City Councilor Enrique Pepén’s office, who reminded attendees about the city budget project which is planned to start in April, emphasizing that meetings will be held to gather community feedback on the budget.

“We’re nearing the beginning of April which means the city budget process will begin, so there’s going to be a few opportunities for public testimony,” Conley said.

“One thing councilor Pepén is looking forward to this budget season is ensuring that the land safety and infrastructure improvements continue to remain on course,” he added. “He’s really going to be looking at the public works and transportation department budgets to be making sure that they are in a fashion that is still serving the needs of the community.”

Conley also mentioned that Pepén’s office is working with

District 6 City Councilor Benjamin Weber to hear from the neighborhood to see what they are looking for in the budget, adding that Weber is meeting with District 5 through Zoom on Tuesday, April 7th at 6:30 p.m. Additionally, as school safety has become an especially major priority for the district in light of the tragic accident involving 5-year-old Lens Arthur Joseph who was killed by a school bus operator, the city is seeking to make transportation safety reforms.

As the case progresses, both Conley and Hyde Park Liaison Zoe Petty highly urged residents to attend safe school zones hearings hosted by the city and share any input they might have.

With that, Zoe Petty also reminded attendees of ongoing community events and volunteer opportunities, stressing that community members can keep up with current cleanups – and even create their own cleanups – through Keep Hyde Park Beautiful and Love your Block Cleanups by visiting <https://www.keepphbeautiful.org/>.

# Billings Field renovations: spring update sees progress

## Snow delay no big delay



A map showing what the brand new Billings is set to offer.

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**Ariane Komyati**  
Staff Reporter

After a brutal and seemingly never-ending winter, spring is finally here. The snow has melted and renovations at West Roxbury’s Billings Field have resumed.

With no snow on the ground, one can view the construction vehicles hard at work in the park and catch glimpses of the splash pad, in-line hockey rink, accessibility ramp, entry plazas, and new scoreboards.

Earlier this year, a Boston Parks and Recreation spokesperson told The Bulletin that winter weather had already been factored into the construction timeline, and the contractor was well-equipped to handle any snowy or icy obstacles.

“Construction at Billings Field has continued through the winter with some delays due to the heavy snow events,” a Parks spokesperson stated

last week.

The Parks Department explained that the blizzards and melting snow made access to Billings and some construction work more difficult.

“Crews have adjusted workflows to maintain overall progress,” the spokesperson said.

Boston recorded nearly 61 inches of snow this winter, making it the ninth snowiest season on record. According to the National Weather Service, a typical winter in Boston totals about 38 inches of snow. The major snowstorms this winter caused the City to deploy over 900 plows and salt spreaders, which left little room to store the snow. This led to an abundance of space savers and hundreds of unshoveled sidewalk reports via 311. The 2025-2026 winter was also bitterly cold, marking Boston’s coldest season since 2015. Multiple days of sub-freezing temperatures created dangerous icy condi-

tions.

Last year, crews encountered persistent high groundwater in the playing fields after heavy rain. The melting snow raised concerns about groundwater levels at Billings Field. While this has affected equipment movement across the site, it has not significantly slowed progress, according to officials.

Boston Parks and Recreation initially projected that the Billings Field project would be completed by late summer 2026. The timeline has since shifted, with construction now slated for completion this November. The sports fields are expected to fully reopen in spring 2027, once the turf has been established.

“Weather-related impacts, expanded project scope – including major park accessibility improvements – contributed to this revised timeline,” the spokesperson explained. “The project remains on track for completion in November 2026.”

Parks added that any major changes to the timeline will be communicated to the public through the project website and community outreach channels.

Last fall, several renovations were implemented, such as an ADA-accessible ramp, a new staircase and street hockey rink, and a rebuilt retention wall. In November, crews made minor playground upgrades, removing boulders and raised mounds, re-surfacing the play area, and installing a new spinning structure. New picnic tables and perimeter fencing will be installed in the upcoming weeks.

For additional details about the Billings Field Improvement project or to subscribe for updates, visit <https://gvimes.link/billings>

You can also contact Project Manager Kevin Bogle at [kevin.bogle@boston.gov](mailto:kevin.bogle@boston.gov).

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# 1702 HP Ave

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and the Providence Stoughton Line) between which that end of Hyde Park Avenue runs. A fifth development (36-40 Sprague St.) – near the tracks about a half mile from those four – also recently came online.

These new projects would – if the 1702 change is approved – result in about 750 new units.

Consequently, the concern was that those anticipated incoming residents – many of whom, it was argued, will keep their cars because of the realities of getting around in that part of the city – would park on those residential side streets because of the lack of onsite development parking.

“The City has to recognize this isn’t the downtown core,” said Readville Watch Coordinator Roberta Johnnene after relating her slow trip home from Logan using public transit on a Sunday night. “We’re not somewhere where there is an Orange Line, or a Red Line, or a Green Line that runs continuously. So the transit-oriented development has to be metered with enough parking, and enough recess [parking], and enough access for people who need to get to these facilities that are the furthest away from Boston that you can get and still say that you’re a city resident.”

Johnnene also alluded to the development’s proximity to Route 128 and I-95 and to the fact that local residents often commute out of the city and so need their cars to get to their destinations.

“But would you buy a place that had no parking if you worked in Rhode Island?” project attorney John Pulgini asked after she had brought up her commute to Woonsocket.

“No, but you know what? Maybe I would because if that’s where my family was, and that’s where other factors were that I needed to be, then yes, maybe I would,” she came back.

Project impact advisory group (IAG) member Craig Martin also commented on the residential streets likely being used as parking areas for people moving into the developments. “Yes, they will park a distance to go to a side street,” he put forward, referring to his own parking methods from his time living and working in downtown Boston. “Especially if it’s your kind of person that’s going to be taking the train every day, and they just want the car for the weekends to visit grammy, or whatever else,” he added before describing it as a worst-case parking scenario.

In his comments and responses during the Q&A, Project Manager Stephen

Harvey also shed light on City Hall’s inward-looking TOD policy approach and goals. “Commuter rail is not rapid transit,” he acknowledged. “But it is transit that gets you from this location to the city through Dorchester, through Hyde Park, and different parts of the city, so it does provide a mode of transportation – along with the vehicles and along with the bike accommodations [1702 will have one-to-one bicycle parking, as well as 14 visitor bike spots] – that are provided with this proposal.”

Underlying all of this, however, was the fact that 1702 is already approved for 44 units and 35 parking spaces, and that – in the filing to expand it to 68 units and 34 spaces – the developer, as Johnnene put it, is “asking for another bite at the apple, and it doesn’t matter that they were last.”

During the Q&A, Johnnene had touched on community-friendly elements of neighboring projects that had been quietly taken away – post-approvals – to further benefit their developers. This informed her last statement, which she addressed to Harvey but aimed at the Planning Department as a whole. “If you guys keep giving in to them, it’s never going to change.”

For project information, or to comment, visit – <https://gvimes.link/1702hpave>

The comment period closes on Friday, April 3. Comments may also be submitted to Stephen Harvey by emailing him at [Stephen.J.Harvey@Boston.gov](mailto:Stephen.J.Harvey@Boston.gov).

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On the other hand, residents pointed out that this project hasn’t had a regular traffic study, as Maguire said it is too small – and will have seniors capped at 60 percent area median income (AMI) for the affordable housing development and who will be unlikely to have a car. One resident said he felt the whole idea was to split the development up so it wouldn’t meet the threshold, even if in essence, the final product may have needed one. Stretching this argument out to its logical conclusion, a developer could propose a condo building by proposing each individual unit, one-by-one, one on top of the other, and not need a traffic study for each one as it goes through the development process.

This is likely an engineering, architectural, developmental and construction impossibility, but it illustrates the point.

All that being said, residents at the meeting agreed with B’nai B’rith Housing on most of the mitigation and improvements discussed during the two-hour meeting. Howard Stein Hudson Traffic Engineer Ian McKinnon read out what

had been stated.

The issues that were discussed included switching the direction of the one-way at either Birch or Cohasset to create a better feeder for the neighborhood and the daycare therein; conducting a traffic study of just the cut-through traffic at the parking lot (several residents admitted to using the parking lot from Washington to Cohasset to avoid the Adams Park Loop); and making just the entrance of Cohasset two-way until the development to alleviate neighborhood cut-through and traffic in the Square is achieved.

Maguire said they are looking at coming back in May to discuss the feasibility of those options and prioritize them with residents. The basic idea is that with community buy-in – including that of District 5 City Councilor Enrique Pepén, who lives in the neighborhood – the proposal would have more weight at BTB and the PIC than other proposals would.

For more information on the proposal, go to <https://gvimes.link/bnaibrith>

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**WITNESS, Hon. Janine D Rivers, First Justice of this Court.**  
 Date: March 31, 2026  
 Stephanie L Everett, Esq.,  
 Register of Probate



Burton "Burt" F. of West Roxbury, passed away on March 23, 2026. Beloved husband of Marilyn A. "Mimi" (McInerney) Cushing. Devoted father of Paula Nocca and her partner Sara Curran of NY, Laurel Kadlick and her husband Richard "Richie" of Norwood, John Cushing and his wife Ann of Roslindale, Michael Nocca and his wife Yvonne of FL, Jim Cushing and his partner Lynne Bakuzonis of Mansfield, William Cushing and his wife Kristy of WY, and the late Steven Cushing and his late wife JoAnne. Dear brother of Shirley Parenteau of Stoughton and predeceased by 6 other siblings. Loving grandfa-

ther of 10 grandchildren: Beth Cushing, Jennifer Sprissler, Kelli Larrubia, Ryan Kadlick, Sean Cushing, Dan Cushing, Cameron Nocca, Brenden Nocca, Patrick Cushing, and Matthew Cushing and 6 great grandchildren: Jasmine, Abby, Savannah, Tessa, Emerson, and Jackson. Also survived by many nieces and nephews.

He was born in Boston, raised in Stoughton and lived in West Roxbury for the past 54 years. He served in the U.S. Army for 8 1/2 years where he traveled to places as close as New Jersey to as far as Germany and Iwo Jima. He was a very patriotic and proud American.

Burt was a member of the Easton Rod and Gun Club where he served as the President. He was also a member of the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) in West Roxbury.

He was an avid Boston Sports fan, his favorite being the New England Patriots. He loved music (especially Johnny Cash), dancing, fishing and traveling. He looked forward to his annual vacation with Mimi to the Merriweather Resort in Fort Lauderdale for the past 30 years. He

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was a hard working man and lived a beautiful life for almost 91 years. His most prized possessions were his wife and his family.

Funeral and visitation services provided by the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St., West Roxbury. A Funeral Mass was held at the St. John Chrysostom Church. Interment Private.

In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Burt may be made to the Tunnel to Towers Foundation, 2361 Hylan Boulevard, Staten Island, NY 10306 or <https://t2t.org/>. For guest book please visit [www.gormleyfuneral.com](http://www.gormleyfuneral.com)

### INGEMI



Francis "Frank" J., of West Roxbury passed away on March 28, 2026. He was 96 years old.

Frank was born and raised in Boston's South End. After proudly serving in the United States Air Force for 8 years, he became a skilled mechanic and co-owner of the Automotive Depot of Roslindale. Prior to his retirement in 1995, Frank finished his career working for Amtrak for 19 years.

#### Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

*(Never known to fail!)*

Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech thee from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (three times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (three times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted to you. —K.R.

#### Miracle Prayer

Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus, I have asked You for many favours. But I plead for this one. (mention favour). Take it, place it in your open broken Heart. And when the eternal Father sees it, covered with the mantle of his most precious Blood, He cannot refuse it. For then it is your prayer, not mine. Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place my trust in thee. Amen.

Say three times for three days, promise publication and favour will be granted. —R.C.

Frank was the dear and devoted husband of Patricia (Seekins), his best friend and love of his life. Easter Sunday would be their 70th wedding anniversary. He was the loving father of Anthony Ingemi of Taunton and his late wife Marie, Maria Leggett and her husband Stephen of West Roxbury, Frank Ingemi and his wife Ellen of Hyde Park, and Mark Ingemi and his wife Rachel of Dedham. Dear father-in-law of Lisa Desmond and dear brother-in-law of Bella Cady. Dear brother of the late Anthony Ingemi and Joseph Ingemi. Cherished "Papa" of 12 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

Frank's Funeral Service was held at the Community Mausoleum at St. Michael Cemetery, 500 Canterbury St. in Roslindale. Visitation services were provided by the Kfoury Keefe Funeral Home, 8 Spring Street.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Frank's memory may be made to the Fisher House, 1400 VFW Parkway, West Roxbury, MA 02132 <https://fisherhouseboston.org/donate/>.

### MORAN



Kayellen (KLN) 56, of West Roxbury, Massachusetts, passed away peacefully on March 22, 2026. Born on January 8, 1970, in Malden, MA, she was the cherished daughter of the late John and Ruth Moran. Lovingly named for her aunts Kay and Ellen, she was raised in the Malden community with her siblings Debra, John, Kevin, Janet and Jennifer, and her brother-in-law Tom.

In 1978, Kayellen experienced the joy of becoming an aunt herself for the first time when her niece Kristen was born. Soon after, nephews and nieces Tommy, Tara, Kelsey, Greg, Victoria, Katie, and Sarah all arrived. Kayellen constantly showered all of her nieces and nephews with love and affection, letting each of them know how uniquely special they were to her. Auntie Kayellen was known for always going above and beyond for them in so many ways, and she was a loving role model to them all.

Kayellen was the heart and soul of her family. As a daughter, sister, aunt, cousin, in-law, niece and friend, she brought joy and light to everyone around her. She was the one everyone gravitated to at every gathering because of her extraordinary ability to make people laugh with her storytelling and humor. Whether organizing family gatherings or simply sharing time together, her sparkling personality made every moment special. Kayellen enjoyed an especially close relationship with her cousins, with whom she spent countless hours

laughing and sharing company with on holidays and other spontaneous gatherings. As much as Kayellen loved to carry the conversation, she was always there to listen, and her thoughtful consideration touched and inspired everyone who knew her.

Kayellen was blessed with a dedicated circle of friends who remained devoted companions throughout her entire life. Whether it was Kathy and Raquel, The Bakers, The Girls, The UMASS Crew, The UNH Girls, The Parkway Moms or the Bad News Babes softball team, Kayellen surrounded herself always with fun-loving and supportive friends who she could count on through good times and bad. Kayellen created countless memories with dear friends who brought laughter, adventure and joy to every chapter of her life. She especially enjoyed traveling with family and friends, creating memories that would later be recounted with laughter and warmth. Her adventures were filled with hilarious tales that showcased her zest for life and ability to find joy in every experience.

A graduate of Pope John XXIII High School in Everett, Kayellen proudly pursued higher education at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst, before earning a graduate degree from Emerson College. She built a successful and accomplished career as a producer of commercials, where her talent, creativity and dedication left an indelible mark on all who collaborated with her. Kayellen's self-assured confidence and assertive nature were well-suited for the field of film production, and as her success grew, she traveled extensively throughout the world forging strong connections with industry professionals, notable athletes and celebrities alike. The humble pride Kayellen had for her professional adventures was often crafted into amusing tales for family and friends. Throughout her career, Kayellen established meaningful friendships with colleagues who became lifelong confidants and brought joy and support to both her professional and personal life.

In 2002, Kayellen moved to West Roxbury, where she partnered with her sister Jennifer, along with her husband Joseph, in the purchase of a two-family home. Kayellen and Jennifer always shared a profound closeness as they navigated their lives. Very nearly "Irish Twins" they were always closely intertwined as they supported one another through life's joys and challenges. Kayellen used her creative touch to tastefully decorate her home and excelled at making everyone feel welcome. Most especially welcome were her downstairs neighbors Ruth, Brendan, Jack and Vivienne. Kayellen adored each of them, and constantly showered them with unending love, praise, guidance and support. Filling the role as a second mom, Kayellen was known to them simply as Auntie, and her enduring love has been a blessing to them all.

Kayellen's life was a beautiful testament to her deep faith, love for family, and vibrant spirit. A devout Catholic, her faith served as the foundation of her life and provided her always with strength and joy. Kayellen learned the teaching of her faith

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from her parents and family members, including uncle Rev. Richard Moran and aunt Sister Theresa Moran. She discovered profound meaning in her recent pilgrimages to the Holy Land and to Medjugorje, where she hiked Apparition Hill with her sisters and experienced a deep connection to the Virgin Mary. Her steadfast belief brought her comfort and hope throughout her life and especially during her difficult final days as she persevered with grace, courage and humor. Kayellen was a proud parishioner at St. Joseph's Church in Malden and later at Holy Name Church in West Roxbury. Kayellen also found friendship and comfort attending healing services at Mission Church and Sunday Mass at St. Cecelia Church, where the compassionate presence of her ISP Group, Father Dabney and Father Unni brought Kayellen profound peace and strength.

Kayellen is survived by her beloved siblings: Debra Targonski, John Moran (Diane), Kevin Moran, Janet Bonica (Robert), and Jennifer Norton (Joseph). She was a devoted aunt to Kristen Richardson (Chris, Sam, Ben, Sarah, Maya), Tom Targonski (Jill, Lucy, Julian, Millie), Tara Perry (Jay, Kaylah), Kelsey Moran (Ben, Odin), Victoria Moran, Greg Bonica, Katie Bonica, Sarah Bonica (Ike, baby Kayellen), and a very special Auntie to Ruth, Brendan, Jack and Vivienne Norton.

She was predeceased by her parents John and Ruth Moran, as well as her brother-in-law Tom Targonski.

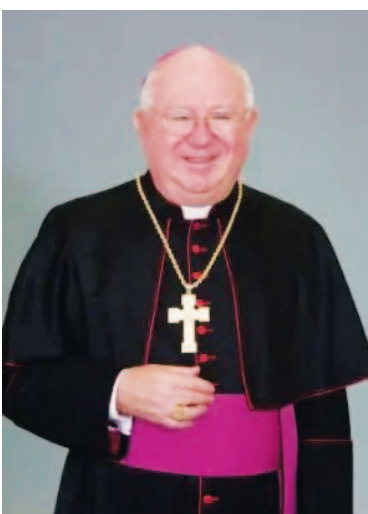
While we celebrate Kayellen's transition to heaven, we also know her loss leaves an indelible hole in the hearts of all that were blessed to have known her. Before her passing, Kayellen specifically wanted to thank the amazing staff at Dana Faber (Boston and Chestnut Hill) and Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

Kayellen's legacy is one of love, laughter, faith, beauty and devotion to those she held dear. Throughout her life, and right through to her final days, Kayellen always gave far more than she received, and her memory will forever be cherished by all who were fortunate enough to know her. May she rest in eternal peace surrounded by the grace she so deeply believed in.

Visitation and funeral services provided by Gormley Funeral Home at 2055 Centre Street in West Roxbury. A Funeral Mass was held at Holy Name Parish in West Roxbury.

In Lieu of flowers, donations in Kayellen's memory may be made to Dana-Farber, 450 Brookline Avenue, Boston, MA 02215.

## MURPHY



The Most Reverend William Francis Murphy, D.D., S.T.D. Bishop-Emeritus, Diocese of Rockville Centre. William Francis

Murphy was born May 14, 1940 in West Roxbury, MA to Cornelius and Norma Murphy. He attended Boston Public Schools, including Boston Latin School and Harvard College, and pursued studies for the priesthood at St. John's (Major) Seminary in Boston and the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome, where he earned a doctorate in Sacred Theology. He was ordained a priest of the Archdiocese of Boston at Saint Peter's Basilica, Vatican City, on December 16, 1964. Father Murphy returned to Boston after his ordination. Over the next ten years there he served as an assistant pastor in Groveland, Winchester and East Boston while also teaching at Emmanuel College and Pope John XXIII Seminary.

In 1974, Father Murphy was called back to Rome where he became a member of the Pontifical Commission *Jusititia et Pax*. He was appointed Under Secretary in 1980, a position he would hold for seven years. He authored various publications for the commission, including "Person, Nation and State" in 1982 and "True Dimensions of Development Today" a year later. While in Rome, Father Murphy was also a lecturer in Theology at the Pontifical Gregorian University and the Pontifical University of Saint Thomas. Father Murphy returned to the Boston Archdiocese in 1987 to serve in several capacities, including Secretary of Community Relations, Director of the Office of Social Justice, Director of Pope John XXIII Seminary, and Administrator of Sacred Heart Parish, Lexington, MA.

Father Murphy was named Chaplain of Honor to His Holiness in 1979, with the title of Monsignor and elevated to the rank of Prelate of Honor in 1987 by Pope John Paul II. In 1993, Monsignor Murphy was named Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia for the Archdiocese of Boston. He was appointed Auxiliary Bishop of Boston and Titular Bishop of Saia Maggiore on November 21, 1995 and consecrated a month later on December 27, 1995. Pope John Paul II appointed Bishop Murphy to succeed the late Bishop James T. McHugh to head the Diocese of Rockville Centre, NY on June 26, 2001. He was installed as the Fourth Bishop of Rockville Centre on September 5, 2001. Bishop Murphy served as the fourth Bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre until his retirement was accepted by Pope Francis on December 9, 2016 with the naming of the Most Reverend John O. Barres, Bishop of the Diocese of Allentown as the Fifth Bishop of the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

Bishop Murphy continued to serve as Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Rockville Centre until the January 31, 2017 installation of Bishop Barres. Bishop Murphy has served several times as a member of a Holy See Delegation for United Nations conferences, and as a member of the Third United Nations Special Session on Disarmament in 1988. He has been a member of three Presidential Delegations to Haiti (1987, 1990 and 1991), and was appointed to the U.S. Commission on International Religious Freedom by President George W. Bush in 2001. His service to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) included a position on the Board of Directors, as well as a member of the Com-

mittee on Latin America, Ad Hoc Committee on Health Care Issues and an adjunct to the Committee on the Catechism of the Catholic Church and the USCCB Committee on Migration.

He most recently served as member of the Committee on International Justice and Peace. He has served as a representative to the Orthodox Union and the Orthodox Rabbis of the RCA. Bishop Murphy served as Chairman of the USCCB Committee on Domestic Justice, Peace and Human Development. In addition, Bishop Murphy served on the USCCB Committee on Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs, and the Committee on International Policy. He has served as a member of the Administrative Committee as well as the Committee on Priorities and Plans. He is a member of the Board of the Catholic Near East Welfare Association. In 2007, Pope Benedict XVI appointed Bishop Murphy to serve as a member of the Pontifical Council for Interreligious Dialogue. In 2008, Bishop Murphy was appointed a consultant of the Commission for Religious Relations with Jews of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity. He is a participant in the National Council of Synagogues-USCCB Dialogue. Bishop Murphy is fluent in English, Italian, French and Spanish, and had a program called "Catholic Perspectives" on Telecare, the diocesan television station. Bishop Murphy was awarded a Doctor of Theology, *Honoris Causa*, from Assumption College in Worcester, MA in 1999, and a Doctor of Humane Letters, *Honoris Causa*, from Salem State College, also in Massachusetts, in 1999.

He received the Rabin Peacemaker Award from Merrimack College in Massachusetts in 2002 as well as a Doctor of Laws from St. John's University in New York in 2002. Bishop Murphy served as a member of the Board of Trustees of The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC and was a Trustee Emeritus of the Board of Trustees of The Catholic University of America. Bishop Murphy was a Knight Commander with Star of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem, Ecclesiastical Commander of Grace in the Sacred Military Constantinian Order of St. George, and was invested as Assistant Chaplain of the American Association of the Sovereign Order of Malta in 2002.

Viewing Monday, April 6, 2026 from 2:00-6:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Agnes, 29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY 11570.

Mass of Transferral: Monday, April 6, 2026 from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at Cathedral of Saint Agnes, 29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY 11570.

Viewing: Tuesday, April 7, 2026 from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at Cathedral of Saint Agnes, 29

Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY 11570.

Mass of Christian Burial: Tuesday, April 7, 2026 from 2:00-3:00 p.m. at Cathedral of Saint Agnes, 29 Quealy Place, Rockville Centre, NY 11570.

Interment: Tuesday, April 7, 2026 from 4:00-4:30 p.m. at Queen of Peace Cemetery, 16 Powells Lane, Old Westbury, NY 11568.

## SHEA



Mary Susan Gussenhoven passed away gently in her sleep at age 88, after a difficult struggle with epilepsy. Sue was born in Havre, Montana on May 22, 1937; she was the second of eight children born to Eugene W. Gussenhoven and Mary Dickinson Gussenhoven.

The family moved to Lewiston, Idaho during the war years. After she graduated from Lewiston High School in 1955, Sue attended Mount Holyoke College and received her BA in Physics in 1959. She earned her Master of Science in Physics from the University of Minnesota, and taught secondary science for two years in Kingston, Jamaica as a Catholic volunteer.

She enjoyed teaching, but loved the exploration of scientific research. This passion led her as she entered the Space Physics doctoral program at Boston College, and culminated in a Doctor of Philosophy degree in 1971. Her graduate research in near-Earth magnetospheric environments led her to a career at the Geophysics Laboratory at Hanscom Air Force Base (HAFB) in Bedford, MA. Here, she headed up the Combined Release and Radiation Effects Satellite (CRRES) International Science Team, which was a joint NASA and Department of Defense (DoD) mission. During this time, she married Dr. Francis "Frank" X. Shea, who was an academician, writer, and administrator at Boston, Saint Scholastica, and Antioch Colleges. They were much loved and greatly admired, both individually and as a couple. Their life together ended abruptly

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## Miracle Prayer

Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus, I have asked You for many favours. But I plead for this one. (mention favour). Take it, place it in your open broken Heart. And when the eternal Father sees it, covered with the mantle of his most precious Blood, He cannot refuse it. For then it is your prayer, not mine. Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place my trust in thee. Amen.

*Say three times for three days, promise publication and favour will be granted.*

—R.C.

when Frank died unexpectedly of a massive coronary in 1977, three years after they had wed. Sue returned to Boston and continued her research (see Scopus for citations) at HAFB until her retirement in 2000. For her outstanding research contributions in space particle physics, she received the Guenter Loesser Memorial Award in 1993 and was honored as an Air Force Science and Technology Fellow in 2000. She retired to Corinth, Vermont where she continued her passion for renovating houses and rescuing Old English Sheepdogs.

Sue was kind, gracious, and generous, and she had a wonderful sense of humor. Sue remained dedicated to Frank throughout her life and saw to it that one of his non-fiction books, *The Shadowbrook Fire*, was published after his death. She also donated 80 acres in his name to the town of Corinth, VT for a Town Forest. She loved her Vermont community and entertain-

# Deaths continued from page 13

ing family, especially her many nieces and nephews who adored her. After she was diagnosed with epilepsy, Sue came home to Idaho to live with family, who were continually impressed by her resilience, joy in living, and exploration of Earth's natural wonders (she never met a rock she didn't like). She passed away on October 31, 2025 in Hayden, Idaho while under the care of hospice.

Sue was predeceased by her husband, parents, grandparents, and four siblings: David, Rosalind (Della Maggiora), Peter, and William Gussenhoven. She is survived by her brothers, Frank and Paul; and sister, Cora "Jo" Gussenhoven; in addition to multiple Gussenhoven, Della Maggiora, Shea, and Hogan nieces and nephews.

A funeral Mass was held in her honor at Saint Pius X Catholic Church, 625 E. Haycraft Ave.

Coeur d'Alene, Idaho on November 22, 2025. Her burial will follow this year at St. Joseph Cemetery on Saturday April 4, 2026 in West Roxbury, MA at 10:30 a.m. A memorial will take place in Corinth, Vermont.

**STEIN**



Kate V., a beloved wife, mother, daughter, sister, and

friend, passed away peacefully at her home in Ashland, MA, on March 27, 2026, at the age of 58. Born in Moscow, USSR, Kate was known for her infectious laughter, sharp wit, generous spirit, and deep compassion.

Kate is survived by her devoted husband, Mamia; her cherished children, Misha and Alexei; her former husband and the father of her children, Paul; her loving mother, Ludmila; and her sister, Yelena. Her radiant inner and outer beauty will forever be remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Kate will be deeply missed, but her memory will live on in the hearts of her loved ones. She was a true light in this world, and her legacy of kindness, empathy, and joy will continue to inspire all who were touched by her life.

A celebration of Kate's was held at P.E. Murray-F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Fu-

neral Home, 2000 Centre St., West Roxbury, MA followed by interment in Puritan Mount Sinai Cemetery, 776 Baker Street, West Roxbury.

**VIVERO**



Isolda, of Roslindale passed away on March 11, 2026. Beloved daughter of the late Alfredo and Francisca (Rueda) Vivero. Devoted sister of Francisca Vivero of Roslindale and Maria Magdalena Verez of Spain. Dear aunt of Malena, Lourdes, Rosa, and Lucia all of Spain.

A Funeral Mass was held at St. John Chrysostom Church, 4750 Washington St., West Roxbury. Interment at Fairview Cemetery, Hyde Park.

## Legals

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
Department**

**Docket No. SU25P2608GD**

**CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304 §**

**In the matter of:  
Franly Regalado Rosario  
Of: Boston, MA**

**RESPONDENT  
Alleged Incapacitated Person**

**Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon Street  
Boston, MA 02114**

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by

**Francisco A. Regalado Roque of Boston, MA**

in the above captioned matter alleging that **Franly Regalado Rosario** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that

**Francisco A. Regalado Roque of Boston, MA**

(or some other suitable person) to be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of a Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

**You have the right to object to this proceeding.** If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00 A.M. on the return date of **04/09/2026**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**  
The outcome of this proceeding may limit or completely take away the above-named person's right to make decisions about personal affairs or financial affairs or both. The above-named person has the right to ask for a lawyer. Anyone may make this request on behalf of the above-named person. If the above-named person cannot afford a lawyer, one may be appointed at State expense.

**Witness, Hon. Janine D. Rivers,  
First Justice of this Court.**  
Date: March 11, 2026  
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq.,  
Register of Probate

*Hyde Park Bulletin:  
04/02/2026*

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
Department**

**Docket No. SU26P0505GD**

**CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304**

**In the matter of: Jose Scott  
Of: West Roxbury, MA**

**RESPONDENT  
Alleged Incapacitated Person**

**Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon Street  
Boston, MA 02114**

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by

**Care Village at Parkway of West Roxbury, MA**

in the above captioned matter alleging that **Jose Scott** is in need of a Guardian and requesting that

**Sara A. Vazquez of Fitchburg, MA**

(or some other suitable person) be appointed as Guardian to serve **Without Surety** on the bond.

The petition asks the Court to determine that the Respondent is incapacitated, that the appointment of Guardian is necessary, and that the proposed Guardian is appropriate. The petition is on file with this court and may contain a request for certain specific authority.

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**Witness, Hon. Janine D. Rivers,  
First Justice of this Court.**  
Date: March 23, 2026  
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq.,  
Register of Probate

*West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin:  
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**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
Department**

**Docket No. SU21P2200GD**

**SUFFOLK Division**

**CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR RESIGNATION OF A GUARDIAN OF AN INCAPACITATED PERSON**

**In the Interests of: Jose Scott  
Of: West Roxbury, MA**

**RESPONDENT  
Incapacitated Person/Protected Person**

**Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon Street  
Boston, MA 02114**

To the named Respondent and all other interested persons, a petition has been filed by

**Velma J. Brinson of Hyde Park, MA**

in the above captioned matter requesting that the court:

**Accept the Resignation of the Guardian of the Respondent.**

The petition asks the Court to make a determination that the Guardian and/or Conservator should be allowed to resign; or should be removed for good cause; or the Guardianship and/or Conservatorship is no longer necessary and therefore should be terminated. The original petition is on file with the court.

**You have the right to object to this proceeding.** If you wish to do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance at this court on or before 10:00A.M. on the return date of **04/16/2026**. This day is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline date by which you have to file the written appearance if you object to the petition. If you fail to file the written appearance by the return date, action may be taken in this matter without further notice to you. In addition to filing the written appearance, you or your attorney must file a written affidavit stating the specific facts and grounds of your objection within 30 days after the return date.

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**WITNESS, Hon. Janine D. Rivers,  
First Justice of this Court.**  
Date: March 18, 2026  
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq.,  
Register of Probate

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**Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
The Trial Court  
Probate and Family Court  
Department**

**Docket No. SU26P0505GD**

**CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION FOR APPOINTMENT OF GUARDIAN FOR INCAPACITATED PERSON PURSUANT TO G.L. c. 190B, §5-304**

**In the matter of: Jose Scott  
Of: West Roxbury, MA**

**RESPONDENT  
Alleged Incapacitated Person**

**Suffolk Probate and Family Court  
24 New Chardon Street  
Boston, MA 02114**

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**Witness, Hon. Janine D. Rivers,  
First Justice of this Court.**  
Date: March 23, 2026  
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq.,  
Register of Probate

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**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

**LAND COURT  
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT**

**26 SM 000933**

**ORDER OF NOTICE**

TO:

Belkis P. Diaz; Gislhaine S. Bonbon a/k/a Ghislaine S. Bonbon; Jovahni E. Hilaire a/k/a Jovahni E. Hilarie; Andraw A. Mangra

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act: 50 U.S.C. c. 50 § 3901 (et seq):

Freedom Mortgage Corporation

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Roxbury (Boston), numbered 1 Copeland Place, given by Jovahni E. Hilaire, Belkis P. Diaz, Gislhaine S. Bonbon and Andraw A. Mangra to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for Cardinal Financial Company, dated July 25, 2022, and recorded at Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 67995, Page 293, as affected by a Loan Modification Agreement dated October 24, 2025 and recorded at said Registry in Book 72054, Page 217 and now held by the plaintiff by assignment, has/ have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/ Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at **Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108** on or before **May 4, 2026** or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the grounds of noncompliance with the Act.

**Witness, GORDON H. PIPER,  
Chief Justice of said Court**  
on March 20, 2026.  
Attest:  
Deborah J. Patterson,  
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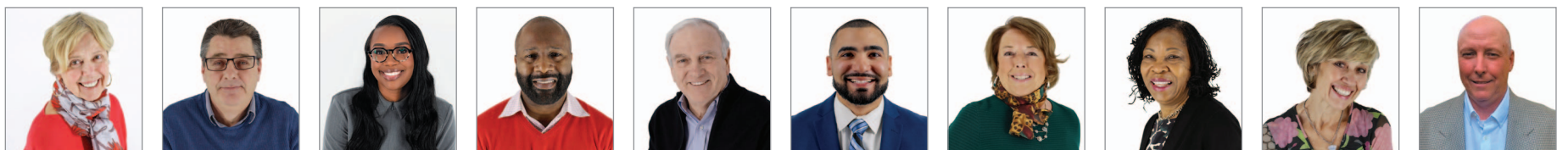
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