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# Chelsea Recreation & Cultural Affairs held Chelsea All Skate on February 25 at Cronin Rink. See Page 4 for more photos.

### FREE ICE SKATING FOR CHELSEA RESIDENTS

Over 250 residents attended the Chelsea Recreation & Cultural Affairs free Chelsea All Skate event on February 25 at Cronin Skating Rink. Family and friends – many of whom were ice skating for the first time -- glided on the ice, some joining hands, and others holding each other's waists in a conga line. While the ice was resurfaced, little ones waved at a zamboni that beeped its horn to greet them as it passed by, and others relaxed over a cup of hot chocolate.



### Construction to begin on Forsyth Park project next week

Special to the Record

Construction is slated to begin on Monday on a new pocket park in the Forsyth neighborhood.

The new park is at the corner of Lafayette Avenue and Sturgis Street, and will enhance the safety, functionality, and

aesthetics of the existing community open space in the Powder Horn Hill area while beautifying the neighborhood as part of the ARPA-funded Strategies for the Open Space Community Investments. The city's contractor for this project is JJ Phelan Construction.

Construction work will start on Monday, March 4, with possible mobilization of equipment beginning on Friday, March 1, according to city officials. Construction hours will be from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Bi-directional traffic around the construction

site will be maintained at all times, and police details will be present during construction hours. Pedestrian detours are expected to happen around the construction site.

The first two weeks of the construction schedule

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### DiDomenico bills advance through key legislative committees

This month, almost every bill in the State Legislature received a favorable or unfavorable determination from their committee. Due to advocacy from Senator Sal DiDomenico and countless coalition advocates, many of the Senator's legislative priorities advanced favorably and are moving on to the next committee. These bills tackle a wide range





Senator Sal DiDomenico speaking at a rally in the State House in advocating for one of his many proposals.

of issues from supporting working families in need, to providing the best education for our youngest generation, to making our government work better

for people regardless of their background or spoken language.

"I am excited by the amount of progress we are seeing on my policy priorities that will improve the well-being of children and people in need across the Commonwealth," said Senator Sal DiDomenico.

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## Voters to go to polls on **Tuesday**

By Adam Swift

Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, March 5 for the presidential primary.

Early voting for the primaries in the Democratic, Republican, and Libertarian parties began last Saturday, and will continue at Revere City Hall this Thursday. Voting will be open in the City Clerk's office Chambers on Thursday from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Friday from 8 a.m. to noon.

On the Democratic ballot, President Joe Biden is expected to cruise to victory, although Dean Phillips and Marianne Williamson remain on the ballot in Massachusetts.

Brian Corr is running

unopposed for State Committee Man on the Democratic ballot, while there is a three-way race for State Committee Woman between Danielle Susan Allen, Henrietta Jane Davis, and Olivia Anne Walsh.

The Republican presidential ballot has more candidates challenging former President Donald Trump, but only former South Carolina Governor Nikki Haley has been actively campaigning. Also on the ballot are Chris Christie, Ryan Binkley, Vivek Ramaswamy, Asa Hutchinson, and Ron De-

City Councilor Todd Taylor is running for reelection as State Commit-

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### Chelsea recruit graduates from Firefighting Academy

Special to the Record

Chelsea firefighter cruit Thom graduated from the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy on Monday.

Reyes began his probationary period on Tuesday with in-house training and will be assigned to the line in about one month, according to Chelsea Fire Chief Leonard Albanese.

Reyes was one of 35 firefighters to graduate from the 50-day Career Recruit Firefighting Training Program.

"Massachusetts fighters are on the frontlines protecting communities every day, and today's graduates are needed now more than ever," said State Fire Mar-



Chelsea firefighting recruit Thomas Reyes, who graduated from the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy on Monday.

shal Davine. "The hundreds of hours of foundational training they've received will provide them with the physical, mental,

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### POETRY NIGHT TO CELEBRATE **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**



Last week the members of Chelsea Black Community gathered with friends and family to celebrate Black History Month with a night of poetry, read by members of the audience. Maureen Lee reads one of the selections of the evening. See Page 6 for more photos.

For the latest news in Chelsea that you need to know, check chelsearecord.com

### Chelsea Record

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### **TUESDAY IS THE** PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY **ELECTION**

This Tuesday, March 5, is the quadrennial Presidential Primary Election Day when Democrats and Republicans (as well as the members of the Libertarian Party) will have an opportunity to choose their candidates for

In addition, although those who are registered as Democrats, Republicans, or Libertarians must vote in their own party's primary, those who are registered as Unenrolled (also known as Independents) may choose to vote in any party primary.

On the Democratic side, the candidates are President Joe Biden, Marianne Wlliamson, and Dean Phillips. For the Republicans, the only remaining announced candidates, Donald Trump and Nikki Haley, will be on the

We would note that there also is a separate line on the ballot for "No Preference." Although the consensus is that the selections of the major party candidates, Joe Biden for the Democrats and Donald Trump for the Republicans, are a foregone conclusion, voters still have the opportunity to express their overall regard for those candidates by filling in the oval for "No Preference." Nikki Haley recently was on the Republican ballot in Nevada (Trump was not) and she actually lost to the choice for "None of the above" -- truly a harbinger for her candidacy.

Tuesday's primary also serves as the election for the candidates for the State Committees (male and female) and the local city and town committee members for each party. The Presidential Primary serves as the once-every-four-years opportunity for party voters to choose the future direction of their party with the election of their state and local party committee members.

Early voting for the primary already is underway. We urge all of our readers either to vote early or on March 5. Every election has consequences and only by voting at every possible opportunity can we express our preferences to our elected and party leaders.

### THANK YOU, MAURA SWEENEY DOYLE

We wish to take a moment to offer our sincere thanks to Maura Sweeney Doyle, a native of Winthrop, who announced last week that she will not be seeking re-election to the office of Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court (SJC) for Suffolk County, a post she has held for the past

Although the clerk's job is elected only by the voters of Suffolk County, the clerk serves the entire state in two important areas. The first is that the office handles all petitions to a single justice of the SJC from throughout the state. Requests for injunctions and other emergency relief, including all petitions for which there is no specific statutory authorization to another court, are handled through the office of the SJC Clerk for Suffolk County.

The other is that the office handles applications for the Massachusetts Bar (every lawyer in Massachusetts is sworn-in by the Clerk of the SJC for Suffolk County, who signs every bar admission certificate) as well as all bar disciplinary proceedings.

Generally speaking, both of these functions are what are referred to as under-the-radar in terms of the public's perception (although SJC single justices have handled many high-profile matters over the years), and only when there is a mishap do they receive public scrutiny.

However, during Maura's 28-year tenure as the clerk, there never was even a suggestion of anything improper, which is another way of saying that she performed her job with the utmost degree of professionalism and integrity.

During an era when public service is viewed under a microscope and criticized for everything imaginable (whether fairly or unfairly), Maura Sweeney Doyle epitomized the ideal of a public servant who went about her job day-in and day-out without fanfare and with a deep commitment to serving the public interest.

We know we join with all of our fellow citizens of the Commonwealth in thanking Maura for her three decades of exemplary service and wishing her the best in her retirement years.

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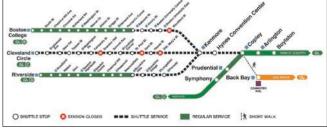
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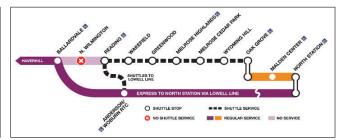
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## Forum





### March service changes: MBTA continues repair work to improve reliability across the system

The MBTA announced service changes in March on the Green, Red, Orange, Kingston, Middleborough, Greenbush, Framingham/ Worcester, Haverhill, and Newburyport/Rockport lines. The MBTA will continue working to maintain its infrastructure and improve reliability across the system for riders.

Riders can find more information on service changes through in-station signage, in-station public announcements, and at Transit mbta.com/alerts. Ambassadors and MBTA staff will be available onsite to offer information and assistance during these service changes. Riders are encouraged to subscribe to T-Alerts or to follow the MBTA on X (the site formerly known as Twitter) @MBTA, @MBTA\_CR, and @MBTA\_CR\_Alerts for up-to-date service information.

### On the Green Line:

· As previously announced, Green Line service on the B branch between Copley and Babcock Street, on the C branch between Copley and Cleveland Circle, and on the D branch between Copley and Brookline Hills will be suspended all day from start to end of service for 18 days from February 20-March 8.

A page with dedicated information for riders is available at mbta.com/ GreenLine.

B Branch: Free and accessible shuttle buses will operate between Babcock Street and Copley stations.

§ Riders should note shuttle bus service not be available at Blandford Street station in both directions and should instead utilize shuttle bus service at the next nearest stop.

§ Outbound B branch riders will not be charged a fare at Babcock Street (outbound/westbound

§ There will be free fares at Copley Station with the fare gates open.

§ Riders can also utilize free Route 57 bus service for alternate travel between Kenmore and Packard's Corner.

C Branch: Free and accessible shuttle buses will operate between Cleveland Circle and Copley stations.

§ Riders should note that shuttle bus service

will not be available at Saint Mary's Street, Kent Street, or Brandon Hall in both directions and should instead utilize shuttle bus service at the next nearest § There will be free fares

at Copley Station with the fare gates open. D Branch: Free and accessible shuttle buses will

operate between Brookline Hills and Copley stations. § Riders are encouraged to consider walking 5-10 minutes from Brookline Hills and Brookline Vil-

on the E branch for Green Line train service. § Outbound D branch riders will not be charged a fare at Brookline Hills (outbound/westbound only).

lage to Riverway station

§ There will be free fares at Copley Station with the fare gates open.

The Commuter Rail will be fare-free between South Station, Back Bay, and Lansdowne stations during this Green Line service change. Riders should note that regular fares should be purchased beyond Lans-

As a result of this service change, riders traveling on Green Line trains between Government Center and Copley are encouraged to plan extra time and should anticipate longer waits.

§ Riders are strongly encouraged to utilize the Orange Line in the downtown area as a service alternative, especially during morning and evening peak travel periods as there will be fewer Green Line trains in the downtown core. The fare gates at Back Bay will be open to riders, allowing free fares for riders who choose to utilize the Orange Line during this service change.

Riders should also note that this service change overlaps with a planned weekend closure on the Red Line between Harvard and Broadway from February 24-25[CN1] and between Park Street and JFK/UMass on March 2-3. Additional details are available at mbta.com/ RedLine.

previously As nounced, this service change is in place as part of the MBTA's Track Improvement Program. To improve safety, reliability, and the customer experience, crews will perform track and tie replacement work; infrastructure upgrades; station amenity upgrades like new lighting, painting, tiling, and power washing; and more. On the Red Line:

· Red Line service will be suspended between Park Street and JFK/UMass stations all day from start to end of service during the weekend of March 2-3.

Free and accessible shuttle buses will make all stops between Park Street and JFK/UMass.

There will be free fares at Park Street and JFK/ UMass stations with the fare gates open.

The Commuter Rail will be fare-free between JFK/ UMass and South Station during this Red Line service change. Riders should note that regular fares should be purchased beyond JFK/UMass.

This service change is in place to allow crews to perform necessary inspections of Red Line tunnel infrastructure. Crews will also maximize the unencumbered access to the work area by performing power and signal work along the Red Line as well as station amenity upgrades like new lighting, painting, tiling, and power washing.

· Accessible shuttle bus service will replace Red Line trains between Broadway and Ashmont Stations on the Ashmont Branch and between Broadway and North Quincy Stations on the Braintree Branch all day from start to end of service during the weekend of March 23-24.

Free and accessible shuttle buses will make all stops between Broadway and Ashmont / North Quincy.

There will be free fares at Broadway and North Quincy stations with the fare gates open. Riders boarding Mattapan Line trollevs at Ashmont also do not have to pay a fare.

The Commuter Rail will be fare-free between Braintree, Quincy Center, JFK/UMass, and South Station during this Red Line service change. Riders should note that regular fares should be purchased beyond Braintree.

This service change is in place to allow crews to perform necessary work as part of the Dorchester Avenue Bridge Replacement Project. Originally built in 1925 and last rehabilitated in 1975, the bridge will be replaced to protect its structural integrity and ensure reliable service. When complete, this project will result in safer, more reliable Red Line service. [CN2]

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### On the Orange Line:

Orange Line service

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Forsyth Park // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 will include setting up a fayette Avenue.

construction perimeter fence, a demo of the sidewalk and staircase, and excavating for retaining wall

footings Community Preservation Act funds are being used to fund a portion of the project, which will include a seating area, bike rack, shade trees, and green infrastructure. The triangular parcel is located uphill from Carter Heights Apartments where Forsyth

Street becomes Sturgis

Street and extends to La-

In related construction news, construction has been completed regarding the historic staircase at Franklin Avenue and Spruce Street, connecting Franklin Avenue to Lafayette Avenue, and the lighting was connected to power last week. There are still a few outstanding pieces to finalize for the city to announce its full completion and remove the temporary fencing in

the staircase area.

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### Davis announces her candidacy for **Democratic State Committee Woman**

Henrietta Davis has announced her candidacy for State Committee Woman. The following is her state-

"I'm Henrietta Davis, former Cambridge Mayor, asking for votes for Democratic State Committee Woman on March 5, the Presidential primary. If elected, I will first (and foremost) galvanize Democrats to elect a Democratic president. Second – and also important-I will link my State Senate district to the Democratic party.

I'm running in Senator Sal DiDomenico's district and I am proud to have his endorsement!

Many people have asked me --"What is a Democratic State Committee Woman"? I'm running to be one of 40 women across the state-one for each State Senate district-- who will be elected by Democratic voters on March 5 to join the large State Committee. In all there are over 400 members of that Committee. elected various ways to serve. Each Senate district also has a Male Committee member. This term, the very able Brian Corr, with whom I hope to serve, is running unopposed.

As members of the large Democratic State Committee, women and men have the opportunity to be links to grassroots wards and precincts, informing the state committee of local issues and influencing the positions party members and elected officials take on such issues as climate, gun control, housing and the MBTA. We also set the priorities for the party on political goals. This year that goal is obvious. We absolutely must elect a Democratic president and get behind Joe Biden! Please see my website henriettadavis.org more information."

### Advance // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1 come from diverse back-

"We could not achieve this success on so many life-changing proposals without the many advocates, community leaders, and residents who have stood up and used their voice to demand change from our government and I am grateful for all of their support. I also want to thank Senate President Spilka and all the Committee Chairs for advancing so many of my priorities with a favorable

report." Below is a list of a few DiDomenico priority bills that have moved forward in the Legislature:

- · Lifting kids out of deep poverty (S.75): increase cash assistance to families below 50% of the poverty line.
- Healthy Youth Act (S.268): require that when sex and relationship education is taught in school, it must be medically accurate, cover healthy consenting relationships, and be inclusive of all identi-
- The SUPER Act (S.160): empower more people to become behavioral health professionals, especially those who

By Tracy Nowicki

Director of Elder Services

Ageism, part 2

Thank you to those

who expressed their view-

points in response to last

week's column. I genu-

inely value the feedback.

Again, this column aims

to initiate thoughts and

feelings about our aging

community. The goal is

to encourage everyone to

reflect on the challenges

we encounter as we grow

older, as well as what

friends and family might

experience. With a bit of

luck, lots of black coffee

and a carefree spirit, we

might have a chance of

aging gracefully, as our

very own 103-year-old

I'd like to share some

of the feedback I received

regarding last week's col-

umn, as follows: One

Helen Ann Keith.

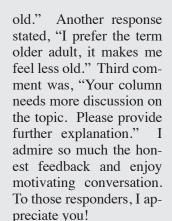
grounds with a wide variety of experiences.

- Feeding our neighbors (S.76): restore state funded SNAP benefits to Massachusetts residents regardless of where they came from.
- Promote high-quality comprehensive literacy instruction (S.263): starts a conversation about how to improve reading and writing outcomes for our children.
- Establish a Massachusetts children's cabinet (S.79): This legislation would create a Children's Cabinet comprised of executive office Secretaries and Commissioners serving children to ensure our youngest generation is prioritized.
- · Language access and inclusion (S.1990): expand the availability of non-English language applications and interpretation services at the state's public-facing state agencies, such as MassHealth, the Department of Children and Families, and the Department of Unemployment Assistance.
- Expand access to pediatric palliative care

(S.1359): increases the funding and age of eligibility for pediatric palliative care services to 22 years of age so young people most in need of care won't ever be turned away.

- Reduce waste and recycling costs (S.471): require that manufacturers of packaging materials create systems for recycling those materials after being used which will reduce fossil fuel emissions and waste.
- Allow partial payment of driver's license fines (S.2229): allow people to pay fines in partial payments so they can get back on the road safely (regardless of their income) and the state can collect more fines.
- Compensation for work-related scarring (S.1159): eliminate the requirement that compensation can only be given to employees when work-related scarring is exclusively on the workers' face, hands, or neck and allow workers to access more comprehensive compensation.





Why does the term "old" trigger fear or negativity? Is it the shifts in health, the rise of wrinkles, aches, pains, memory delays, illnesses, and loss; unwelcome changes that everyone hopes to avoid but inevitably happens. It is worth noting that these undesired changes can occur well before what is traditionally considered "old age." Nonetheless, I can empathize with how the term "old" might convey a sense of not measuring up

to one's best self. The piece also sparked intimate discussions with individuals over the age of 60. According to the sentiments shared by those in this age bracket, the term "senior" or "elder" were favored choices over "old" and "elderly." One individual expressed, "It gives us a sense of being above all, even with our ailments." I actually love that and find it quite

The important lesson

revolves

endearing!

I've learned

reader mentioned, "hi tracy I read your column and it was alright but with all due respect your not old! so please

keep in mind that older

people hate being called

Another response more around society's treatment of aging individuals, using phrases like "you're too old to do..." or "they don't get needs more discussion on it they're elderly" those belief systems embody Ageism. The issue might not solely lie in the terms "old" and "elderly" itself, but rather in the negative portrayal and mistreatment of older individuals using those labels.

> For staff at the senior center, we feel a sense of responsibility towards our elder community to ensure that when speaking to or referencing aging individuals or groups, to consider a balanced perspective recognizing both the physical disabilities and cognitive changes while also appreciating their long life. rich experiences, and profound wisdom. This balanced perspective aims to emphasize their valuable qualities over focusing solely on their disabilities, cognitive changes, or physical appearance. Maybe a shift towards

using only the terms "senior" or "elder" is in order, perceiving them not only as a position of authority but also as a recognition of the natural and inevitable processes of aging woven into the fabric of life.

> More to unravel.... Feel free to contact us

at Tnowicki@chelseama gov or 617-466-4377.



The Boston waterfront.

### WINTER HARBOR CRUISE SET FOR SATURDAY

How has Boston's waterfront changed? What types of commerce continues? What challenges do we face along the waterfront?

On Saturday, March 2 at 10 a.m. join the Friends of the Boston Harborwalk (FBHW) for a 2 ½ hour cruise around Boston's inner harbor on a multi-deck, heated vessel. FBHW

tour guides will discuss the history of the city, its harbor, and how much the waterfront neighborhoods and the harbor continue to evolve – nearly 400 years after the city's founding.

The tour departs from and returns to Long Wharf on a Boston Harbor City Cruises' marine vessel. We will begin boarding at 9:45 AM and will depart

at 10:00 AM (sharp) - returning at approximately 12:15 PM. Specific dock location and boarding information will be sent out days prior to the tour.

Cost \$20. Register in advance at

https://www.eventbrite. com/e/friends-of-the-harborwalk-winter-harborcruise-tickets.

### Chelsea High Class of 1964 60th reunion set for Sept. 14

The Chelsea High School Class of 1964 will hold its 60th Reunion on Saturday, Sept. 14, 2024 at the Springhill Suites By Marriott Hotel in Revere.

Former Chelsea High basketball great Stephen Karll said the reunion will be

Classmates may contact Stephen Karll at stephenkarll@yahoo.com.

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### VOTE Danielle Allen

### Democratic State Committee

"Over the past few years, I have traveled across the Commonwealth to discuss the challenges that our democracy faces. It is abundantly clear that Mass Dems must embrace policies that increase inclusion, engagement, and healthy competition within our party. I humbly ask for your vote on or before March 5th, 2024."



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Putting "democracy" back in Democrat

### **NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION**

### **ZBA SUBCOMMITTEE** APPROVES TWO **PROJECTS**

EAST BOSTON - Two projects in the neighborhood — one on Horace Street and the other on Monmouth Street — were approved during a Zoning Board of Appeal (ZBA) subcommittee hearing last

The first project up for discussion during the subcommittee meeting was at 68 Horace Street, which includes an attic renovation and the replacement of a roof at an existing two-family home.

Jonathan Ginnis, the project architect, explained that when they submitted for a permit, the project was rejected due to a violation of East Boston's Interim Planning Overlay District (IPOD).

"Of the three issues in IPOD, basically there was no issue with adding 1,000 feet or expanding the front — we changed the roof line in the back,' said Ginnis.

"It was a flat cornice line that wrapped the corner to what is now a raked cornice line. It meets zoning in every other requirement, and the houses to either side are bigger than this," he later added.

When the presentation was open to questions from the board, Hansy Better Barraza had asked about the height from floor to ceiling in the attic, which Ginnis said was about nine feet to the ridge

Barraza also had asked about the height of the majority of the habitable bedroom — on average to which Ginnis explained was seven and a half feet. She also had asked a clarifying question regarding windows in a bedroom

There were no other questions from the board, and Conor Newman with the Mayor's Office of Neighborhood Services not only deferred to the judgment of the board but also provided some background on the project's community process.

He explained an abutters meeting was held in December with one abutter present who did not comment and that the Harbor View Neighborhood Association Board "reviewed the plans and did not think the work being done in the plans needed to go in front of the whole civic group, so they declined to have them come meet," per Newman.

There were no other public comments following Newman's testimony, and the board unanimously supported a motion to approve the project with a proviso that it has no building code violations.

The next project up for discussion was at 49 Monmouth Street. The purpose of the project is to change the building from a one-family to a two-fami-

ly and include a rear deck. Specifically, the project proponent sought relief for the side and rear yards setbacks and the floor area

Joie Mara, the owner of the building, presented and expanded on the portion of the project concerning the deck, explain-

ing that it would be bi-lev-

el and serve as an egress.

Mara also mentioned that an updated drawing was provided to resolve the sideyard setbacks. "Both sides are now no longer in violation of the code, so it's just the back side that is less than 30 feet," he said.

Barraza had asked some questions about the proposed deck, which revealed that it extends 10.2 feet from the existing property and that the new rear setback with the deck would be 19.5 feet. She also asked some questions about a drawing shown during the presentation, and there were no other questions from the board.

Again, Newman deferred to the judgment of the board and provided background on the community engagement of the project. There was an abutters meeting held in September, in which no abutters were present, and support was received from the Eagle Hill Civic Association in November.

There were no other public comments, and the board unanimously supported a motion to approve the project with the proviso that it go through Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) design review.

Per a description of the hearing on the city's You-Tube channel - where the hearing recording can be found — "The Zoning Board will hold a vote on whether to approve or reject the Subcommittee recommendations at its next full-Board hearing."

The next ZBA hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, February 27th, according to the ZBA webpage on the city's website.

### **COUNCIL VOTES** FOR SFRC

EVERETT - The City Council unanimously approved a motion by Ward 3 Councilor Anthony DiPierro at its Feb. 12 meeting to re-establish the School Finance Review Commission (SFRC) as a collaborative effort among three segments of city govern-

The 13-member Commission would consist of representatives from Mayor Carlo DeMario's Office, the City Council, and the School Committee.

"This is not a Commission that I have just created, it's something that's been on the books here since 2012," said DiPierro in introducing his motion. "It [SFRC) hadn't met for a while. It was picked up in 2018 and it served its purpose."

DiPierro clarified that it was not his intention to "come from a place of oversight (for the Commission)."

"It's more to come from a place of collaboration," said DiPierro. "I think it only serves us all well if city government, this body in particular, works hand in hand with the School Department. This isn't just about school financing and budgeting. It's tasked with reviewing enrollment, School Department-related expenditures to include overcrowding, and the need for new space. I think this is a great opportunity for us to communicate more

regularly in regard to the School Department's needs, rather than only during budget season."

Councilor-at-Large Katy Rogers asked if it were possible "to expand the Commission to include a school space element, because space is an issue in our schools that is so directly related to finances."

"I think that is a great point," said DiPierro in response to Rogers' suggestion. "However, I'm just looking to revive this [Commission] at this moment. I'm just asking the Mayor to get together with Council President [Robert] Van Campen, School Committee Chair [Jeanne] Cristiano, and at least get the appointees together, and those topics can certainly be brought up at the meetings by whoever is appointed."

Ward 4 Councilor Holly Garcia asked how the membership of the Commission would be constituted.

Van Campen said it was his belief that he, as council president, would appoint the four members of the City Council to the Commission.

"I'm certainly happy to entertain any letters of interest from [Council] members," said Van Campen.

### COUNCIL LOOKS TO COSTS AND **FUNDING OPTIONS** FOR BUILDING HIGH SCHOOL

REVERE - The City Council approved several motions related to the funding and costs associated with the building of a new high school on the Wonderland property at its meeting last week.

Ward 5 Councillor An-Guarino-Sawaya introduced a motion requesting the mayor establish a program in which residents, developers, and corporations can purchase engraved walkway pavers for the purpose of raising funds to be deposited into the Revere High School Stabilization Fund.

The councillor said the idea for the motion was brought forward by one of her constituents in response to conversations about how to ease the tax burden of the high school building project. Guarino-Sawaya said the program could offer pavers in assorted colors and materials to coincide with a tiered donation level (i.e. red \$100, white \$250, blue \$500, gold \$1,000, glass \$5,000, metal \$10,000).

"I'm very excited about this motion, as I feel it can bring in a couple of million dollars and be inclusive to all while taking some of the burden off taxpayers," Guarino-Sawaya said.

High school students could also be involved with the design of the pavers to highlight the diversity of the school and the community, she said.

"I'm certain that graduates from Revere High School will come back and be honored to purchase a brick to help build the new school, and all proceeds from the bricks shall be put into the high school stabilization fund," she said.

Guarino-Sawaya also introduced a motion asking that all revenue generated from the parking lot leases at Wonderland also go into the high school

stabilization trust fund. "This would help alle-

viate the burden on tax-

### PROSPECT HOUSE RESIDENTS PHOTO DISPLAY OPENING AT REVERE CITY HALL



Pictured at the grand opening of the Prospect House's Photovoice exhibition at Revere City Hall are, from left, School Committee Member Anthony Caggiano, John Davidson, Ward 5 Councillor Angela Guarino-Sawaya, Mayor Patrick Keefe, Betty Snell, Anthony Crawford, Sharon Gellis, Kathleen Taussig, Councillor-At-Large Juan Jaramillo, School Committee Member John Kingston, and School Committee Member Aisha Milbury-Ellis.

payers by leveraging alternate revenue streams," she said. "The community can fund essential projects without resorting to increased taxes and promote financial stability and equitable distribution of financial resources."

The council also approved a motion introduced by Ward 1 Councillor Joanne McKenna and Council President Anthony Cogliandro related to the environmental testing of the Wonderland site. The motion requests the mayor hire an independent environmental assessment company for the purpose of conducting a full and complete environmental assessment and thorough geotechnical testing of the proposed high school site at Wonderland to ensure that there are no hidden site development costs associated with the existence of soil conditions, hazardous materials, wetlands, and other environmentally sensitive considerations.

Cogliandro stated that the motion would essentially allow a third-party consultant to conclude the ANRAD (Abbreviated Notice of Resource Area Delineation) wetlands testing that was halted at the Wonderland site.

"My concern is that we need to restart that process so we know where we can and cannot build on that property," said Cogliandro. "I ask that we get on top of the conservation on this property so we can really start getting into the finances, which is the number one concern for some of us up here."

### COUNCIL **CONTINUES** DISCUSSION OF **MBTA 3A ZONING**

WINTHROP The state's Section 3A zoning requirements continue to be a hot topic of discussion at Town Council. By the end of the year,

the town will be expected to present an approved multi-family zoning district to the state as an adjacent MBTA community under Section 3A of the state's Zoning Act. The purpose of Section

3A is to encourage the production of multi-family housing by requiring MBTA communities to adopt zoning districts where multi-family housing is allowed as of right,

and that meet other requirements set forth in the

Tuesday night, town

Planning and Community Development Director Rachel Kelly addressed some of the questions raised by councilors about the 3A zoning over the past several weeks.

Councilors and residents who spoke on Tuesday night continued to state that the zoning change, which calls for zones with the potential of building at least 882 multi-family housing units, puts an unfair burden on a town which has a small area and is already densely populated.

Several councilors also spoke out against the pressure the state is putting on Winthrop and other communities in the state to change their zoning against their will.

Council President Jim Letterie said he was ready to vote against approving any Section 3A zoning changes for the town.

"I'll state again, I'm a no, I'm a no at 800 units, I'm a no at one unit," said Letterie. "Not because of the number of units, but because we are being told what to do with our town."

Letterie noted that there already substantial growth in Winthrop without the MBTA zoning in

"We are going to make this number, not because they tell us to, but that is what we are doing," he said. "That's the way the CBD (Central Business District), that's creating x amount of units. We just shouldn't be told, I think it is unconstitutional and I am a no."

Precinct 2 Councilor John Munson said the town has to look at the best way to fight back and address the pressure being put on the town by the state. "There is no way we

would be able to afford a new school and all the public safety we would need if we were forced to comply, there's just no way," said Munson. "We are at 105 percent capacity now, we would have to build a new school. Where is that \$85 million going to come from? "It doesn't make sense

to be forced into this."

Several councilors said the town needs more information about the penalties it faces if it does not comply with the zoning. Councilor-at-Large Max Tassinari said the council should meet in executive session with the town attorney to discuss its legal options.

Town Manager Tony

Marino said it will be difficult for the town to comply with the 3A guidelines, which is one reason why the town drafted a letter to Governor Maura Healey asking for relief from the

guidelines. "If you're going to comply, you need to be at a minimum (classified) as an adjacent small town, or you are going to push back and go the other route," said Marino. "But that is really the only way it is going to work is if we all push back. Town managers, when I was in my prior town three years ago when this first came out, we all wrote letters and

pushed back. "This one size fits all

doesn't work." Kelly addressed some of the questions about the timeline for the zoning changes, as well as the potential penalties the town faces if it doesn't comply with the state.

According to information provided by Kelly, MBTA communities which do not comply with Section 3A would not be eligible for funds from the state's Housing Choice Initiative, the Local Capital Projects Fund, and the Massworks Infrastructure Program. In addition, the communities would risk liability under state and

Also, compliance with the law may be taken into consideration when applying for a number of planning and land use grants through the state.

federal fair housing laws.

Kelly noted that there is currently not a way to apply for a variance from the state, and that communities that fail to comply with the multi-family housing districts are subject to civil enforcement action.

Councilors also raised questions about whether the town needs to use the zoning districts drawn up in a previously completed study. Kelly stated that work done in 2023 was a small-scale grant used to collect baseline data and create a starting point for Winthrop's 3A efforts, and that the zones were not set in stone. In her presentation,

Kelly stated that existing multi-family units in the town would not count towards compliance in any of the proposed districts. She stated that the town must have zoning that allows the required units to exist within the chosen 3A districts, regardless of how many units exist there currently.

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### U.S. Attorney's office hosts fraud and abuse prevention seminars for seniors

The United States Attorney's Office partnered with the Winchester and Waltham Police Departments to host financial fraud awareness seminars for older adults at the Winchester Senior Community Center and the Waltham Council on Aging.

The seminars provided education and awareness to local seniors about financial fraud and featured a number of presentations from seasoned professionals, including Acting United States Attorney Joshua S. Levy; Deputy U.S. Attorney Mary Murrane; and the U.S. Attorney's Office's Elder Justice Coordinator, with assistance from members of the Internal Revenue Service and United States Postal Service. Topics covered included common scams directed at older adults; ways to avoid being victimized; what to do if victimized; and available local, state and federal resources. This week's events were in support of the Department of Justice's ongoing commitment to fighting for justice for oldabuse and financial fraud by actively promoting public awareness.

According to the FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center 2022 report, victims over 60 experienced an 84% increase in loss from 2021. The total loss reported was over \$3 billion, including nearly 5,500 victims who lost over \$100,000. Millions of older Americans fall prey to various financial scams, including tech support schemes; romance scams; and sweepstakes scams just to name a few. Perpetrators establish trust through online, phone, or mail communication, as well as indirectly through TV and radio. The financial exploitation of older adults often leads to a diminished quality of life through the potential loss of independence, declined health and psychological or emotional distress caused by the victimization.

"Protecting seniors from abuse and exploitation is one of my top priorities. Outreach activities like this are essential to raise awareness and educate communities about potential threats, how to report them, steps people can take to protect themselves from being victimized and available resources," said Acting U.S. Attorney Levy. "Scams targeting seniors are not just about the money lost – they also rob victims of their dignity and self-confidence. Our office would much rather prevent criminal conduct than prosecute it. Nonetheless we are committed to continue our will strong track record of prosecuting individuals who prey on vulnerable members of our communi-

"Preventing the perpetration of fraud against our elderly community is a top priority of IRS CI," said Harry Chavis, Special Agent in Charge of the Internal Revenue Service, Criminal Investigation, Boston. "This week's seminars mark a key milestone in our efforts to educate the community and provide them with the tools they need to identify fraud schemes before they are victimized. We appreciate the opportunity to partner with our local, state, and

federal law enforcement partners for this awareness seminar and we will continue that collaboration as we investigate financial fraud schemes that prey on our most vulnerable populations."

"The U.S. Postal Inspection Service is committed to protecting one of our nation's most vulnerable populations, our senior citizens. We know that many elderly Americans are specifically targeted by scammers who aim to steal pensions and life savings through deceptive and manipulative tactics. The U.S. Postal Inspection Service takes every opportunity to conduct public outreach and educate seniors on the various ways they can safeguard themselves from becoming a scammer's next target. We are proud to partner with our federal and local law enforcement partners on the topic of elder fraud and abuse prevention to continue this important work of protecting American seniors" said Ketty Larco-Ward, Inspector in Charge of the U.S.

Boston Division.

"Protecting our seniors is one of our highest priorities and something we take very seriously. Bringing awareness to these scams is essential to reducing victimization. One way we accomplish this is through partnerships. We are pleased to partner with the U.S. Attorney's Office and look forward to future collaborations that will enhance the lives and safety of all Waltham residents" said Waltham Police Chief

Daniel O'Connell. "Since 2020, the Winchester Police Department has seen a rise in "grandchildren in need" scams, IRS fraud claims, contracting scams and fraudulent "government official" phone scams. It is through educational programs like this, that we can help prevent and protect our vulnerable residents from theft," said Sergeant Michael DeRosa, Community Resource Officer of the Winchester Police Depart-

To learn more about common elder fraud schemes and ways to protect your-

self, please visit: https:// www.fbi.gov/how-we-canhelp-you/scams-and-safety/common-scams-andcrimes/elder-fraud. A free brochure with this information can be accessed here: https://www.justice. gov/file/1523236/download. You can also visithttps://www.justice.gov/ file/1172351/download to learn more about warning signs of elder abuse and reporting resources in Massachusetts. For more information and resources from the Department of Justice's Elder Justice Initiative. please visit https://www. justice.gov/elderjustice. If you need assistance

If you need assistance or to report elder abuse, please contact your local adult protective services agency through the Eldercare Locator or by call the helpline at 1-800-677-1116 Monday – Friday 9am – 8pm EST. To report elder fraud, please visit the FBI's IC3 Elder Fraud Complaint Center or contact the dedicated National Elder Fraud Hotline at 833–FRAUD–11 or 833–372–8311 Monday – Friday, 10am – 6pm EST.

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Free and accessible shuttle buses will make all stops between Forest Hills and Ruggles.

The Commuter Rail will be fare-free between Forest Hills, Ruggles, Back Bay, and South Station. Riders should note that regular fares should be purchased beyond Forest Hills.

This service change is in place for crews to perform critical signal improvement work.

· As previously announced, Orange Line service will be suspended between Jackson Square and North Station all day from start to end of service for four days from March

Free and accessible shuttle buses will make all stops between Jackson Square and Back Bay. From Back Bay, riders can travel less than a quarter mile (about a 5-minute walk) to Copley Station on the Green Line for continued service to the downtown area and North

Station.

There will be free fares at Jackson Square and Back Bay stations with the fare gates open. There will also be free fares at Copley station inbound/eastbound

on the Green Line with the fare gates.

The Commuter Rail will be fare-free between Forest Hills, Ruggles, Back Bay, and South Station. Riders should note that regular fares should be purchased beyond Forest Hills.

This service change is in place as part of the MB-TA's Track Improvement Program. Crews will perform track and tie replacement work; infrastructure upgrades; station amenity upgrades like new lighting, painting, tiling, and power washing; and more

## On the Kingston, Middleborough, and Greenbush Commuter Rail

The Kingston, Middle-borough, and Greenbush Commuter Rail lines, which run adjacent to the Red Line, will also experience service changes due to work on the Dorchester Avenue Bridge Replacement Project. Accessible shuttle bus service will replace all trains between South Station and Braintree during the following times and dates:

Beginning at approximately 8:45 PM through the end of service on Friday, March 22, and continuing all day from start to end of service during the weekend of March 23-24.

Beginning at approximately 8:45 PM through

the end of service on Friday, March 29, and continuing all day from start to end of service during the weekend of March 30-31.

Accessible express shuttle bus service will operate directly between South Station and Braintree Station.

Passengers should note that bicycles are not allowed on shuttle buses, and regular Commuter Rail fares will be collected between Kingston, Middleborough, Greenbush, and Braintree Stations.

Keolis Customer Service Agents, MBTA staff, and Transit Ambassadors will be on-site at impacted stations to support riders.

The diversion schedule will be available online at mbta.com/CommuterRail.

### On the Framingham/ Worcester Commuter Rail Line:

· Framingham/Worcester Commuter Rail Line service will be suspended between South Station and Framingham stations from start to end of service on March 2.

A dedicated diversion schedule will be in effect and available on mbta.com soon.

Free and accessible shuttle buses will replace service between South Station and Framingham.

Passengers are expected to purchase a regular sub-

way fare and/or Commuter Rail interzone fare.

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This service change allows crews to perform Automatic Train Control (ATC) work. ATC is a federally mandated safety system that sends signals to trains about potentially unsafe conditions, automatically slowing and stopping a train if needed.

### On the Haverhill Commuter Rail Line:

· Accessible shuttle buses are replacing Haverhill Line trains between Ballardvale and North Station during the weekends of March 9-10, March 23-24, and March 30-31. This service change allows crews perform Automatic Train Control (ATC) work. ATC is a federally mandated safety system that sends signals to trains about potentially unsafe conditions, automatically slowing and stopping a train if needed.

Shuttle buses will replace train service between Reading and Oak Grove where passengers can connect to Orange Line sub-

A shuttle bus will also provide service between Reading and Anderson/ Woburn for connections to the Lowell Line and Haverhill Line.

The shuttle service between Reading and Oak Grove will stop in Wakefield, Greenwood, Melrose Highlands, Melrose Cedar Park, Wyoming Hill, and Oak Grove.

North Wilmington Station will not have shuttle bus service with passengers encouraged to utilize Lowell Commuter Rail Line service at Wilmington Station instead.

Train service for pas-

sengers between Ballard-vale and Haverhill will be re-routed along the Lowell Line after Ballardvale, making one additional stop at Anderson/Woburn and then running express to North Station. Riders desiring service to or from Reading and Oak Grove should disembark at Anderson/Woburn and board the shuttle bus service.

A dedicated diversion schedule will be in effect and is available on mbta.

### On the Newburyport/ Rockport Commuter Rail Line:

• The entire Newbury-port/Rockport Commuter Rail Line on both branches will be suspended between North Station and Newburyport and North Station and Rockport from start to end of service during the weekend of March 23-24. Service between North Station and Swampscott will also be suspended on the weekends of March 30 and March 30 31

9-10 and March 30-31. A dedicated diversion and available on mbta.com soon.

This service change al-

schedule will be in effect

This service change allows for station improvement work at Beverly Depot station and for crews to perform Positive Train Control (PTC) / Automatic Train Control (ATC) work. PTC/ATC is a federally mandated safety system that sends signals to trains about potentially unsafe conditions, automatically slowing and stopping a

train if needed.

The MBTA previously announced service changes in February. More information is available here.

The MBTA understands how these service changes affect riders' daily travels during this period, but we are committed to improving your travels long term with more reliable, timely, and safe service. We thank riders for their patience as we deliver this important work and for continuing to

ride our system.

For more information, visit mbta.com or connect with the T on X (the site formerly known as Twitter) @MBTA and @MBTA\_CR, Facebook / TheMBTA, Instagram @theMBTA, Threads @thembta, or TikTok @thembta.

### **LOCAL STUDENT**EARNS ACADEMIC HONORS

### SANCHEZ NAMED TO HOLY CROSS' DEAN'S LIST

Bertha Sanchez of Chelsea was named to the College of the Holy Cross Fall 2023 Dean's List. A member of the Class

of 2027, Sanchez was named to the Dean's List for outstanding academic achievement during the fall semester of the 2023-24 academic year.

To qualify, students

must pass four or more letter-graded courses with no failing grades during the semester and earn a GPA of 3.5 or higher. The College of the

Holy Cross, in Worcester, Mass., is among the nation's leading liberal arts institutions. A highly selective, four-year, exclusively undergraduate college of 3,100 students, Holy Cross is renowned

for offering a rigorous, personalized education in the Jesuit, Catholic tradition. Since its founding in 1843, Holy Cross has made a positive impact in society by graduating students who distinguish themselves as thoughtful leaders in business, professional and civic life.

## SHANG EARNS DEAN'S LIST FOR FALL 2023

**SEMESTER** 

Emerson College student Jonathan Shang from Chelsea, is named to the College's Dean's List for the Fall 2023 semester. The requirement to make Dean's List is a grade point average of 3.7 or

higher for that semester.

Shang is majoring in Media Arts Production and is a member of the Class of 2025.

### FAMILY SUPPORT IS THERE FOR MIT BASKETBALL COACH LUCIA ROBINSON-GRIGGS



Lucia Robinson-Griggs, who is in her third season as the head coach of the MIT women's basketball team, has guided the Engineers to a 19-8 record this season. A former Pope John XXIII High School sports great and Dean's List student at Bentley University, Robinson-Griggs has received outstanding support throughout her career from her family, including her parents, Councilor-at-Large Leo Robinson and Linda Alioto-Robinson, who are pictured above with other LRG supporters at a recent game at the prestigious school in Cambridge.

### FREE ICE SKATING FOR CHELSEA RESIDENTS

Over 250 residents attended the Chelsea Recreation & Cultural Affairs

free Chelsea All Skate event on February 25 at Cronin Skating Rink.



Marcos Jadiel Reyes, Sonya Lenore Reyes, and their mother, Lenore Moni.



Colin Sheehan and his son, Graham, 2, waving to the Zam-



Christian, Jacob, Jaci, and Ashley Flores.



Friends, Melissa Scarbarough, 9, and Victoria Rosado, 10.



**Recreation & Cultural Affairs.** 



The Toloza Family receiving free hot chocolate tickets at the welcome desk.



Cataleya Hernandez, 8, and Anayeli Benitez, 9.



Friends forming a conga line on Cronin Rink during Chelsea All Skate on February 25.



Yerassyl Bekibay, 3, having the laces of his ice skates tightened by his father, Abe.

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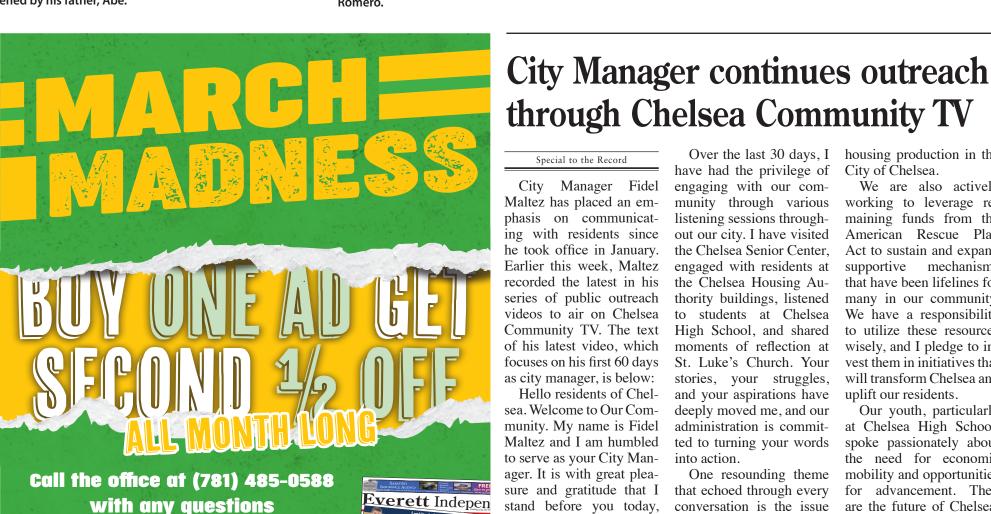
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Friends, Cataleya Hernandez, 8, and Anayeli Benitez, 9.



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### Special to the Record City Manager Fidel Maltez has placed an emphasis on communicating with residents since he took office in January. Earlier this week, Maltez recorded the latest in his series of public outreach videos to air on Chelsea Community TV. The text of his latest video, which focuses on his first 60 days as city manager, is below: Hello residents of Chelsea. Welcome to Our Community. My name is Fidel Maltez and I am humbled to serve as your City Manager. It is with great pleasure and gratitude that I stand before you today, marking 60 days since East Boston assuming the role of City Manager of our beloved Community. These past two months have been a whirlwind of learning, listening, and getting to know the heartbeat of our community. I want to extend my deepest thanks to all of you who have welcomed me with open arms, shared your stories, and entrusted me with the responsibility of leading our

city forward.

### Over the last 30 days, I have had the privilege of engaging with our community through various listening sessions throughout our city. I have visited the Chelsea Senior Center, engaged with residents at the Chelsea Housing Authority buildings, listened to students at Chelsea

High School, and shared moments of reflection at St. Luke's Church. Your stories, your struggles, and your aspirations have deeply moved me, and our administration is commit-

ted to turning your words into action. One resounding theme

that echoed through every conversation is the issue of housing insecurity. Far too many of our residents face inadequate housing conditions, threatening their sense of stability and security. It is clear that we must prioritize addressing this pressing concern and work tirelessly to ensure that every member of our community has access to safe and affordable housing. We will work with our

non-profit partners, our

State Delegation, and the

private sector to increase

housing production in the

City of Chelsea. We are also actively working to leverage remaining funds from the American Rescue Plan Act to sustain and expand supportive mechanisms that have been lifelines for many in our community. We have a responsibility to utilize these resources wisely, and I pledge to invest them in initiatives that will transform Chelsea and uplift our residents. Our youth, particularly

at Chelsea High School, spoke passionately about the need for economic mobility and opportunities for advancement. They are the future of Chelsea. Our administration, working closely with Chelsea Public Schools and our Superintendent, will focus on providing our youth the resources and support their need to thrive. We must create spaces where our young people can flourish, where their talents are nurtured, and where their aspirations are realized. Our administration will

establish a Youth Center

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### COMMUNITY CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH WITH A POETRY NIGHT

Last week the members of Chelsea Black Community gathered with friends and family to celebrate Black History Month with a night of poetry, read by members of the audience, entitled the "Spoken Word". Chelsea Black Community President Joan Cromwell and the board did a great organizing Poetry Night, part of a series of events in observance of Black History Month.



Amanda Arsenault, Nova Corona and Toni May Corona had front row seats.



Celeste Williams passes out some of the reading material for the evening.



Looking over Black History Month information, is Glendy Alvarez.



President of Chelsea Black Community, Joan Cromwell adds some atmosphere during the readings.



President of the CBC Joan Cromwell, Councillor Lisa Santagate, and City Manager Fidel Maltez.



Enjoying the evening with friends, Sharon Caufield, Bee Cravatta, and Grace McKinnon.



Celeste Williams, Theresa Okoken, Maureen Lee and Marlene Tyler.



Chelsea City Manager Fidel Maltez (second from left) joined in at CBC, shown with Maureen Lee, Charlie Martin, Careliz Figueroa, Adonis Brody, Abriela Zapata, Beverly Martin

### $Outreach \ /\!\!/ \ {\it continued from page 6}$

Taskforce composed of diverse individuals dedicated to realizing the vision of a youth center in Chelsea. This initiative aims to provide our young people with a safe and nurturing environment where they can learn, grow, and thrive.

Our seniors, the pillars of our community, emphasized their desire to remain active participants in our city. They do not want to be sidelined; they want to be seen, heard, and prioritized. Let us ensure that our seniors are not just a part of our community but are integral to its fabric, contributing their unique perspectives and insights to our collective journey forward.

Public safety remains a top priority for all of us. Every member of our community deserves to feel safe and secure in their homes and neighborhoods. We must work collaboratively to address the root causes of crime and violence, fostering a sense of trust and cooperation. Our Police Chief and I are committed to being out in our community, engaging with all residents, and

continuing to build a safer

Chelsea for all of us. As your City Manager, I am deeply committed to serving each and every one of you with integrity, compassion, and dedication. I promise to continue listening, learning, and leading with your best interests at heart. Together, let us write the next chapter of Chelsea's story-a story centered on resiliency and inclusivity - and let us work together to build a more prosperous future for all of us who call Chelsea home.

See you next time on Our Community.

Thank you and May God bless the City of Chelsea.







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veloping lately that has all

### **BRUINS** Beat by Bob Morello

### Bruins fit to be tied

the signs of a problem that was somewhat confirmed when the Bruins went into 1924 overtime for the sixth consecutive game, and lost in a shootout to Seattle's Kraken on Monday, 4-3, and marked a three-game losing streak. Add to this dilemma the fact that the locals once again let a third-period lead get away. Should this be a concern at this point, or should they just be satisfied with the fact that maybe this was a combination of not having a single practice session on the lengthy road trip due to scheduling? With a series of consequences occurring in several areas, one has to wonder about...penalty killing, lack of a good power play, and the inability to score in shootouts. Are cracks developing in the stellar goaltending tandem that had provided the solid foundation in the Bruins' record last season, and also at the beginning of this season? Along with several games in which play in the third period seemed to have Boston lacking the energy they Brett Howden, William had showed in the previ-Carrier, and Pavel Dorofeous 40 minutes, and the yev. Eichel, a lower body ability to close out games, injury and the other four not only in regulation, but with upper body injuries. also in overtime. Highlight to digest, David Pas-

and 47 assists - 85 points. The Bruins have 22 games left before the playoffs begin, but in those six weeks they need to come up with winning formulas for the multiple issues listed above. Tonight (Thursday 7:00pm), the Bruins will host the current defending Stanley Cup champions, the Vegas Golden Knights led by former Bruins coach Bruce Cassidy.

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magical but sometimes magic can be dark." - TimeOut New York

trnak with scoring num-

bers that include 38 goals

This will be a stiff test despite the Knights lack of consistency lately, which pushed them further down in the NHL standings. Saturday (7:30pm), the Bruins will start a brief two game road trip, beginning with the New York Islanders, and ending with a stop in Toronto on Monday (7:00pm) to face the streaking Maple Leafs, currently 8-2-0 in their last ten games. A return to TD Garden ice on Tuesday (7:30pm) to compete with Connor McDavid's Edmonton Oilers, before again facing the Maple Leafs, this time on Garden ice, Thursday (7:00pm), all part of Boston's fourgame homestand. Bruins absentees include Hampus Lindholm (lower body), Matthew Poitras and Milan Lucic out for the season. The Golden Knights will be without Mark Stone, Jack Eichel,

Grand Opening of Boston Bruins Heritage Hall

The Boston Bruins will host a ribbon cutting ceremony for Boston Bruins Heritage Hall, a new fan experience located on level two of TD Garden, on Tuesday, March 5 beginning at 2:30 p.m. Unveiled as part of the club's Centennial Year initiatives, Boston Bruins Heritage Hall is a permanent, educational, interactive and immersive venue that brings the most remarkable moments of the incredible and storied Bruins franchise to life. Equipped with the latest technologies, state-ofthe-art exhibits, and over 65 artifacts and pieces of memorabilia, Boston Bruins Heritage Hall provides fans of all ages with an opportunity to engage with and immerse themselves in the team's rich 100-year his-

To create and operate

Boston Bruins Heritage

Hall, the Bruins have

partnered with The Sports

Museum, a non-profit organization housed within TD Garden that regularly provides museum tours involving a half-mile exhibit on the legends and championship legacy of Boston sports. Beginning March 6, Boston Bruins Heritage Hall will be open to the public during normal business hours of The Sports Museum as a self-guided experience concluding tours. Additionally, select-ticketed fans can gain access to Boston Bruins Heritage Hall on nights of Bruins home game. The entrance of Boston Bruins Heritage Hall features a wall of 1,690 pucks illustrating a "1924" design in the Fan Foyer, symbolic of the year the Boston Bruins were established as the first National Hockey League hockey team in the United States. Inside Heritage Hall, fans will find the Alumni Theater, a space that highlights 1,055 all-time roster names and immerses viewers in the legendary history of the Bruins through a signature film on a 30-foot-wide screen. Visitors can explore the Black & Gold gallery, an exhibit that highlights players and moments that reflect the four core values of the team: Tradition. Grit, Passion, and Heart, with the use of interactive OLED screen technology. Fans can additionally take a deep dive into the team's most memorable moments since its inception in 1924 at The One Hundred gallery, culminated by six replica Stanley Cup® trophies by the official Stanley Cup® engraver, Louise St-Jacques. More information can be obtained regarding Boston Bruins Heritage Hall by visiting BostonBruins. com/HeritageHall.

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Shown (left to right) are Malik Howshan, Officer of Innovation, Access & Opportunity, Adele Lubarsky, Zonta Club member, Dr. Almi G. Abeyta, Superintendent of Chelsea

### ZONTA MAKES DONATION TO PROGRAM

The Zonta Club of Chelsea & North Shore recently made a donation to help support the Girl's on the Run afterschool program at the Mary C. Burke Elementary School Complex. Girls on the Run is a national non-profit organization that strength-

ens 3rd-8th grade girls' social, emotional, physical and behavioral skills to successfully navigate life experiences. The program's intentional curriculum places an emphasis on developing competence, confidence, connection, character, caring, and

contribution in young girls through lessons that incorporate running and other physical activities. The life skills curriculum is delivered by caring and competent coaches who are trained to teach lessons as intended.

### CHS Roundup

### JOSEPH-SEALE, **DAVIS WIN MEDALS AT MIAA MEET OF CHAMPIONS**

A trio of members of the Chelsea High boys and girls indoor track and field teams competed at last Saturday's MIAA Meet of Champions, which features all of the division winners and others who comprise the top-25 competitors in each event in the state, that was held last Saturday at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center in Boston.

The highlight performance for Chelsea was turned in by Lady Red Devil Lamari Davis, who won a sixth-place medal in the weight throw event with a toss of 41'-'0.75." (Athletes throw a metal ball, 16 lbs. for men, 8.8 lbs. for women, that is attached to a grip by a steel wire no longer than four inches while remaining inside a seven-foot diameter circle.)

"This was almost nine feet better than Lamari's previous best and set a new school record," said CHS head coach Cesar Hernandez. "She was seeded 13th on the performance list, but finished sixth overall because of her massive personal record (PR)."

On the boys' side, Theo Joseph-Seale also competed in the weight throw

and likewise finished sixth overall with his throw of

"It wasn't what we wanted as an end result, but it was a solid throw," noted Hernandez. "We expect a PR when Theo competes in the emerging division at the Nike Indoor Nationals."

Red Devil Ariel Aracena finished 11th overall in the shot-put with a toss of 49'-

"Although this wasn't a PR, it was still a very good throw and a great way to end his first indoor season," noted Hernandez. "We are really excited for Ariel's outdoor season where we expect his growth to continue.'

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### Primary // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

tee Man against John David Olds. Regina Taylor is running unopposed for reelection as Republican State Committee Woman. On the Libertarian bal-

lot, Jacob Hornberger, Michael Rectenwald, Chase Oliver, Michael Ter Maat, and Lars Mapstead are candidates for president. Polling locations for

Tuesday's presidential primary are:

District 1 Voting Locations:

Ward 4 Precinct 2 Public Safety Building Sagamore Avenue &

Cheever Street Ward 4 Precinct 3

Public Safety Building Sagamore Avenue & Cheever Street

District 2 Voting Locations:

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Foley Hoag Foundation, Paul and Edith Babson Foundation,
Issea Community Found, & the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State and Local Fiscal Recovery Pri
through the City of Chelsea's Department of Housing & Community Development.

### Academy // CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Firemutual aid."

The graduating firefighters of Class #318 represent the fire departments of Andover, Bellingham, Chelsea, Clinton, Dracut, Everett, Fitchburg, Fox-Framingham. Manchester, Milford, North Attleboro, Orange, Orleans, Sudbury, Uxbridge, Walpole, Wayland, and Wrentham.

Students receive classroom training in all basic firefighter skills. They practice first under nonfire conditions and then during controlled fire conditions. To graduate, stu-

dents must demonstrate proficiency in life safety, search and rescue, ladder operations, water supply, pump operation, and fire attack. Fire attack operations range from mailbox fires to multiple-floor or multiple-room structural fires. Upon successful completion of the Career Recruit Program, all students have met the national standards of NFPA 1001. Standard for Fire Fighter Professional Qualifications, and are certified to the levels of Firefighter I/II and Hazardous Materials First Responder Operations by the Massachusetts Fire Training Council, which is accredited by the National Board on Fire Service Professional Oualifications.

### **Today's Firefighters** Do Much More than **Fight Fires**

Modern firefighters train for and respond to all types of hazards and emergencies. They are the first ones called to respond to chemical and environmental emergencies, ranging from the suspected presence of carbon monoxide to gas leaks to industrial chemical spills. They may be called to rescue a child who has fallen

through the ice, an office worker stuck in an elevator, or a motorist trapped in a crashed vehicle. They test and maintain their equipment, including self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), hydrants, hoses, power tools, and apparatus.

At the Massachusetts Firefighting Academy, recruits learn all these skills and more, including the latest science of fire behavior and suppression tactics, from certified fire instructors. They also receive training in public fire education, hazardous material incident mitigation, flammable liquids, stress management, and self-rescue techniques. The intensive, 10-week program involves classroom instruction, physical fitness training, firefighter skills training, and live firefighting practice.

The MFA provides recruit and in-service training for career, call, and volunteer firefighters at every level of experience, from recruit to chief officer, at campuses in Stow, Springfield, and Bridgewater.

### **OBITUARIES**

### **Marilyn Lewin**

NE Tel and Tel Retiree, A Caring and Generous Person and

Relatives and friends gathered to honor Marilyn F. Lewin on Wednesday, February 28th in the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea, immediately followed by a Funeral Mass in Our Lady of Grace Church, 59 Nichols St., Chelsea and interment at Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett.

Marilyn passed away after a brief decline in health on Thursday, February 22nd at the Atrium at Veronica Drive in Danvers. She was 87 years of age.

Born and raised in Chelsea, she was one of six children and a beloved daughter of the late Clarence W. and Catherine F.

Chelsea, she attended St. Rose Parochial School and graduated from St. Rose High School.

As a young lady, she worked in sales at a concession stand in J.J. Newberry's before beginning her 30 year career with New England Tel & Tel. where she became an Office Manager working in Boston and other phone company offices before retiring to care for her par-

Marilyn was passionately devoted to home and was a devoted family caregiver. As one of the eldest children, she was both the big sister and second mother to her younger

In her lifetime, Marilyn enjoyed traveling across the country and abroad. A



former member of the St. Rose Adult Choir and St. Rose Women's Club, and the Telephone Pioneers of America. She also served on the Board of Directors at the Youville Hospital Charitable Foundation. She was a caring and generous person who Individually supported many charities in her lifetime.

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her only sister, Patricia A. Lewin, and brothers, John J. Lewin, and William E. Lewin.

She is lovingly survived by her two younger brothers and their wives, Robert G. Lewin and his wife, Terry of Chelsea and Kevin F. Lewin and his wife, Karen of Saugus and her cherished nephew, Brian Patrick Lewin and his wife, Nicola of East Wal-

Should friends desire, contributions in honor of Marilyn may be made to a worthy charity of their

For directions or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit www.Welsh-FH.com.



**OBITUARIES** 

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(Tumulty) Lewin.

A lifelong resident of

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### **Paul Chafe**

Of Saugus, formerly of Chelsea

Paul G. Chafe of Saugus, formerly of Chelsea, passed away on February 22 after a three year battle with cancer.

Born on May 19, 1961 to the late George "Russ" Chafe and Elizabeth "Betty" Chafe, he was the brother of the late Lynda McConaghy and Frederick Chafe and is survived by his brother, Russell Chafe of Chelsea and sister, Bettyanne Mecheski and her husband, Tim of Henniker, NH and his nieces, Erin Selvitella of Lynnfield and Candace St. John of New Hampshire.

Services will be private

### Donna Crespo

A Special Soul

Donna Crespo passed away shortly after being diagnosed with a terminal illness at age 64 on February 24, 2024. She was born and raised

in Chelsea and was the beloved first born daughter to Marie (Padova) Hibbard and late Gaetano Crespo. She was the cherished sister to Renee Hibbard, Linda Green and her late husband, Richard "Muskie" Green and Richard Crespo. She was extremely loved by her nephews: Tyler "TJ" Hibbard, Richard, Joshua, Ethan and Evan Crespo and her beautiful niece Alexandria Lancaster, her husband, Wendall and her great-nephew, Hutchinson. Donna was loved by all her amazing aunts, uncles, cousins, many friends and the wonderful staff members of Bay Cove, far too many people to name, who assisted in making every day special for her; they are also our family, and we thank them.

Donna was a special soul, kind to all that knew her, people and animals, her favorites were Luca Brasi and Hank who were there to comfort her. It didn't matter if she was in pain or sad, if you asked her how she was she would respond, "I'm fine how are YOU?" She is described by everyone she knew as



gentle, kind, sweet with a beaming smile. When they say a smile that could brighten a room, they meant her. With her smile, she could brighten up the darkest of nights.

Donna passed peacefully, surrounded by her loving family, never alone until her last breath and her beautiful eyes closed for the last time.

She was a teacher to all and the lessons we learned were patience, kindness, love and respect. Donna will be missed more than words can express. We invite our friends and family to share in the light of Donna at the services list-

ed below. Services will be held at Buonfiglio Funeral Home, 128 Revere Street, Revere on Saturday, March 2 from 1 to 4 p.m. with a prayer service at 4 p.m.

To place a memoriam in the Chelsea Record please call 781-485-0588

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and technical skills to perform their jobs effectively and safely." "Massachusetts

fighting Academy instructors draw on decades of experience in the fire service to train new recruits," said Massachusetts Firefighting Academy Director Eric Littmann. "Through consistent classroom instruction and practical exercises, today's graduates have developed the tools they'll need to work seamlessly with veteran firefighters in their home departments and in neighboring communities as

borough, Hopedale,

**Basic Firefighter Skills** 

**James Pasquale** Retired Boston Police Officer At 79 years of age,

James R. Pasquale passed away Saturday, February 10th while receiving supportive care with the VA-Healthcare System in Brockton.

Born and raised Lynn, he was the beloved youngest son of the late Louise (La-

Bonte) Pasquale-Ross and Louis Pasquale. James attended Lynn public schools and as a young man worked for the Lynn Fire Department with his father. He enlisted in the US Army and served during the Vietnam War as an MP stationed in Vietnam. He was honorably discharged in 1968 and returned home to Lynn. He became a Police Officer with the Boston Police Department and retired several years ago. He settled in Chelsea and was a resident of Chelsea for many years.

In his lifetime, Jimmy was a very private gentleman, extremely well organized, and a good neighbor who enjoyed watching old westerns and cowboy



and watching various videos on YouTube.

In addition to his parents, Jimmy was predeceased by his siblings; Robert and Joseph Ross, Anita Dingee and Angelica Ross.

He is lovingly survived by his dear friends and longtime neighbors: Iris Rivera of Chelsea, her son, Ronnie Bastian and his wife, Leisha Crespo of Swampscott.

James was placed to rest following Military Honors at the Massachusetts National Cemetery in Bourne. For directions or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit www.WelshFH.com.



### Joseph Montesanti

Chelsea Soldiers Home Resident

Relatives

friends

most kindly invited to gather and attend a Funeral Mass honoring the life of Joseph K. Montesanti today, Thursday, February 29th at St. Michael the Archangel Chapel, 91 Crest Ave, Chelsea beginning at 9:30 a.m. The gathering will be followed by his Mass at 10:30 a.m. Following Military Honors at the chapel, Joseph will be placed to rest at the Mas-

and

tery in Bourne. At 70 years of age, Joseph passed away after a brief illness on Wednesday February 21st the Mass. General Hospital in

sachusetts National Ceme-

Born and raised in East Boston, Joseph was one of five children of the late Joseph Montesanti and Josephine (Petrillia) Montesanti-Villa.

Joseph attended Boston

Public Schools and resided in East Boston for most of his life. He enlisted in the US Navy during the Vietnam War and served aboard the USS Halakala as a radio operator. He

was honorably discharged in 1976.

After returning home to East Boston, he held various jobs, and during the Third Harbor Tunnel project he worked as a mail clerk for the Mass. Dept. of Transportation.

He was resident at the Chelsea Soldiers Home for the past 20 years. In his lifetime, Joseph enjoyed a good game of chess with friends or watching Star Trek episodes and movies along with other Sci-Fi movies, listening to music, collecting coins and stamps.

Joseph is lovingly survived by his twin sister, Mary Montesanti of Nashua, and sister Dolores Villa of New Hampshire and his brothers, William Villa of Chicago and Peter Montesanti of Georgia. He is also survived by four nephews, three nieces and one grandnephew.

For directions or to send expressions of sympathy, please visit www.Welsh-FH.com.



### Fresh and Local

### Switch it up!

By Penny & Ed Cherubino

Those of us who cook have a roster of dishes we make more often than others. When you dine in or have takeout from a favorite restaurant, you probably have a few dishes you usually order. If you or vour eaters find the love for a long-time favorite fading, it may be time to switch it up.

### **Salad Revision**

We often add a favorite arugula and grilled shrimp salad to our order at Piattini on Newbury Street. Penny has made it at home several times, but it has yet to measure up to the original. She just can't duplicate the restaurant's great balsamic salad dressing. However, she made an excellent replacement salad by switching things up.

Penny replaced the shrimp with grilled sweet chili salmon, the dried cranberries with unsweetened dried cherries, and candied pecans with roasted pecans. Finally, she

created a salad dressing from the remains of the sweet chili glaze from the salmon.

It was not just delicious but seasonal with winter fruits and nuts. It was healthier, with less sugar and higher omega-3 fatty acids. It was not as expensive since it used less costly fish and pantry ingredients. We're already talking about switching up this salad for spring, summer, and fall using seasonal ingredients and seafood from farmers' markets.

Another way to change a salad like this is to take your inspiration from a different culture or food preference. It could become Asian and vegan with grilled tofu, shiitake mushrooms, crispy shallots, and a ginger sesame vinaigrette.

### **How Restaurants Do It** Some items stay, with-

out change, on restaurant menus forever and are sorely missed when they disappear, such as the legendary Hamersley's roast

MAILING OF

**UTILITY BILLS** 

Massachusetts, through

Officer, is seeking sealed

its Chief Procurement

bids for "Printing and

Mailing of Utility Bills".

Invitation for Bids will

after February 29, 2024

website at https://www.

chelseama.gov/depart-

Bids must be sealed and

clearly marked "Printing

and Mailing of Utility

Bills" and submitted to

the Office of the Chief

Procurement Officer no

later than 10:00AM on

The City of Chelsea re-

serves the right to accept

any proposal, to reject

any or all proposals and

to waive minor irregulari-

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it deems to be in the best

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This Invitation for Bids is

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Thursday, March 21,

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The City of Chelsea,

chicken. However, many chefs find ways to freshen their menus with seasonal flourishes.

For example, one of our neighborhood hangouts, Little Whale, keeps Ed's favorites, swordfish, and haddock, on the menu. However, as the seasons change, the sauces and sides offered with these standbys are adapted to use seasonal ingredients. This winter, a side of marble potatoes and roasted fennel, sauced with a country mustard beurre blanc, has Penny ordering swordfish and wishing that side was offered by itself.

Another option for home cooks and restaurant chefs is to change their regular menu to include seasonal ingredients intentionally. The local asparagus season is so short that we will incorporate it into our meals many times a week. We might roast it along with some chicken on a sheet pan. Sometimes, we peel it into ribbons to create a fennel and asparagus salad that

**PUBLIC HEARING** 

CAPITAL

IMPROVEMENT

PLAN (CIP)

FY2025-2029

tion 5-4 (c) of the Charter

of the City of Chelsea, no-

tice is hereby given that

a Public Hearing will be

held on Monday, March

Council Chambers, Third

Floor, Chelsea City Hall,

500 Broadway, Chelsea,

Massachusetts 02150

at 7:00 P.M. regarding

the proposed Capital Im-

provement Plan (CIP) for

Fiscal Years 2025-2029.

**Examples of CIP Projects** 

include major building

and roadway projects,

efforts and open space

Copies of the CIP are

available for public

review and inspection in

City Hall, 500 Broadway,

during City Hall business

President, Chelsea City

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2/22/24, 2/29/24

the City Clerk's Office,

Room #709. Chelsea

Chelsea, MA 02150

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Council

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18, 2024 in the City

In accordance with Sec-

we only eat in spring. In winter, we surround that chicken with roasted root vegetables.

Change something as routine as "Taco Tuesday" by brainstorming for other fillings. The taco is just the carrier for the meal. You could choose an Italian sausage, pepper, and onion taco or a pizza taco. Consider ordering from a different taco shop if your tacos are take-out. There

for review at:

City Clerk's Office during

normal business hours:

Thursday 8 a.m. to 4

p.m. - Tuesday,

8 a.m. to noon

Monday, Wednesday and

8 a.m. - 7 p.m. - Friday,

**LEGAL NOTICE** 

LEGAL NOTICE

CITY OF CHELSEA

DEPARTMENT OF

**PUBLIC WORKS** 

NOTICE OF

**PUBLIC HEARING** 

Public Works will conduct

Tuesday, March 19, 2024

at 6:00pm at City Hall

3rd floor in the DPW

Conference room.

Proposed Work and

Purpose: Petition of

ExteNet Systems Inc. for

the following petition:

ExteNet Systems, Inc.,

Pkwy., Suite 600, Frisco,

install small cell wireless

facilities on an existing

utility pole at the follow-

ing location in Chelsea:

This facility will include

and an equipment box

119 Hawthorne St.

an antenna, cabling

containing multiple

radios. The pole may

or may not need to be

replaced depending on

the structural condition

be accepted during the

Written comments are ac-

cepted by email to cfox@

chelseama.gov until

12:00pm on 3/19/24.

The public is invited to

of the pole. Public comments will

meeting.

attend.

Cate Fox Lent

Commissioner

TX 75034, respectfully

seeks permission to

5844 John Hickman

The Department of

a Public Hearing on

2/29/24, 3/7/24

are dozens of discussions online about the best of any food category in the area.

### **Photos Are Reminders**

One good thing about taking photos of our food is that we can check back at what we ate at home and when dining out this time of year. A glance at your pictures from the fall and winter could remind you of a great truffle ravioli

On or about March 12,

2024 the City of Chelsea

will submit a request to

the U.S Department of

Housing and Urban De-

of Community Project

velopment for the release

you had in the past.

Check your photos for meals you've enjoyed. Look at current restaurant menus that use local food well and be inspired to try a new take on an old favorite.

Do you have a question or topic for Fresh & Local? Send an email to Penny@BostonZest.com with your suggestion.

If you object to this



Our spicy grilled salmon, dried cherry, and pecan version of an arugula salad is a favorite busy-day meal.

### **LEGAL NOTICES**

**LEGAL NOTICE** 

Re Aguilar Corp d/b/a Bar La Cueva 802 Broadway, Chelsea MA Chelsea Licensing Commission, March 21, 2024 Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held by the Chelsea Licensing Commission on Thursday, March 21 2024 at 6:00 p.m. at the City Council Chambers, 500 Broadway, Chelsea, MA. For a Change of Hours of an All Kinds of Alcoholic Beverages (On Premise) License application for Aguilar Corp. d/b/a Bar la Cueva at 802 Broadway Chelsea MA. CHELSEA LICENSING COMMISSION Naomi Libran

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

RESCHEDULED

Licensing Administrator

2/22/24, 2/29/24



NOTICE OF HEARING Case No. 2024-02 Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Massachusetts Zoning Act, Chapter 40A that a Regular Meeting of the Chelsea Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 Chelsea City Hall - 500 Broadway - City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor 6:00 p.m. With reference to the application of: Jose M. Sanchez, Pastor,

Ministerio Internacional Cristo Vive Church For Special Permit seeking approval to establish a church at the address below and to create and establish additional parking at 19 Clyde Street, a property held in common ownership and within 300 feet of the church. The petition fails to meet the requirements of the City of Chelsea Zoning Ordinance for

being within five (5) feet from a side or rear property line nor in the required front yard setback. Additionally, the proposed outdoor additional parking locations fail to meet all of the aforementioned requirements and the interior parking spaces do not meet zoning requirements, as the ordinance does not recognize tandem parking. In addition, the proposed parking plan does not contain the required 24 foot access width at all aisles at the premises

10 Wesley Street A copy of the application and petition is available for review at: City Clerk's Office during normal business hours:

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Tuesday, 8 a.m. - 7 p.m. - Friday, 8 a.m. to noon 2/22/24, 2/29/24

### **LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE**



**CHELSEA** INVITATION FOR BIDS PRINTING AND



**LEGAL NOTICE** CITY OF CHELSEA NOTICE FOR

RESCHEDULED NOTICE OF HEARING Case No. 2024-01 Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Massachusetts Zoning Act, Chapter 40A that a Regular Meeting of the Chelsea Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 Chelsea City Hall - 500 Broadway - City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor 6:00 p.m. With reference to the application of: Alcino Gaspar Neto and Catherine Reis For Special Permit seeking approval for off street parking which does not meet the requirement of being within five (5) feet from the side yard property line nor in the required front yard setback at the premises known as: **65 Harvard Street** A copy of the application and petition is available for review at: City Clerk's Office during

normal business hours:

Monday, Wednesday and

8 a.m. - 7 p.m. - Friday,

2/22/24, 2/29/24

Thursday 8 a.m. to 4

p.m. - Tuesday,

8 a.m. to noon

### **LEGAL NOTICE**



HEARING

Case No. 2024-03 Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Massachusetts Zoning Act, Chapter 40A that a

Regular Meeting of the Chelsea Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on: Tuesday, March 12, 2024 Chelsea City Hall - 500 Broadway - City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor 6:00 p.m. With reference to the

application of: Sergio St Laurent For Special Permit and Variance seeking approval to establish additional living space by constructing basement habitable space, relocating a rear egress addition, building a second floor addition and porch, and extending an existing driveway which does not meet the minimum requirements for combined side yard setback, minimum rear yard setback, and proposed parking extension within 5 feet of side yard property line and within 5 feet of a wall contain-

ing windows and also tandem parking spaces are subject to Special Permit approval at the premises known as: 63 Harvard Street A copy of the application and petition is available for review at: City Clerk's Office during normal business hours:

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Tuesday, 8 a.m. – 7 p.m. – Friday, 8 a.m. to noon 2/22/24, 2/29/24

### **LEGAL NOTICE**



Case No. 2024-04 Notice is hereby given in accordance with the Massachusetts Zoning Act, Chapter 40A that a Regular Meeting of the Chelsea Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on: Tuesday, April 9, 2024 Chelsea City Hall - 500 Broadway - City Council Chambers, 3rd Floor 6:00 p.m. With reference to the application of: Digna Fernandez For Special Permit seek-

ing approval to establish

a Barbershop and Beauty

A copy of the application

and petition is available

Salon at the premises

known as:

688 Broadway

### **LEGAL NOTICE**

2/29/24, 3/7/24



certifies to HUD that John DePriest in his capacity NOTICE OF as Director of the De-FINDING OF partment of Permitting NO SIGNFICANT and Land Use Planning IMPACT AND consents to accept the NOTICE OF jurisdiction of the Federal INTENT TO Courts if an action is REQUEST RELEASE OF brought to enforce re-**FUNDS** sponsibilities in relation February 22, 2024 to the environmental City of Chelsea review process and that 500 Broadway, Room 101 these responsibilities Chelsea, MA, 02150 have been satisfied. 617-466-4197 HUD's approval of the These notices shall satisfy certification satisfies its two separate but related responsibilities under procedural requirements NEPA and related laws for activities to be and authorities and

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OF FUNDS

**OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE** 

Funding funds under Title I of the Consolidated Appropriations Action, 2023, as amended, to undertake a project known as Downtown Broadway **Utility Reconstruction** Project for the purpose of replacing obsolete water, sewer, and drainage infrastructure along Broadway, between City Hall Ave. and Williams St.; City Hall Ave., between Broadway and Washington Ave.; and Washington Ave., between City Hall Ave., and Broadway. FINDING OF NO SIGNIFI-CANT IMPACT The City of Chelsea has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National **Environmental Policy** Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR) on file at Chelsea City Hall, Department of **Housing and Community** Development, 500 Broadway, Chelsea, MA 02150 and may be examined or copied Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 8AM to 4PM, Tuesdays 8AM to 7PM and Fridays 8AM to 12PM PUBLIC COMMENTS Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Department of Housing and Community Development. All comments received by March 12, 2024 will be considered by the City of Chelsea prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing. ENVIRONMENTAL CERTI-**FICATION** The City of Chelsea

Chelsea's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the City of Chelsea; (b) the City of Chelsea has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD's administration office at 10 Causeway Street, 3rd Floor. Boston, MA 02222-1092. Potential objectors should contact HUD to verify the actual last day of the objection period. John DePriest, Director of

HUD will accept

objections to its release

of fund and the City of

Land Use Planning 2/22/24, 2/29/24

**LEGAL NOTICE** COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT

PROBATE AND FAMILY COURT Suffolk Probate **And Family Court** 24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300 CITATION G.L. c. 210, ? 6 Docket No. SU24A0032AD In the matter of: Genesis Samantha Mejia De La Cruz To: Jiuver Mejia Last Known of: Chelsea, MA any unnamed or unknown parent and persons interested in a petition for the adoption of said child and to the Department of Children and Families of said Commonwealth. A petition has been presented to said court by: Elvi Manuela Ramirez Solano of Chelsea, MA

and Gustavo Contreras

Vasquez of Chelsea, MA

requesting for leave to

adopt said child

adoption you are entitled to the appointment of an attorney if you are an indigent person. An indigent person is defined by SJC Rule 3:10. The definition includes but is not limited to persons receiving TAFDC, EACDC, poverty related veteran's benefits, Medicaid, and SSI. The Court will determine if you are indigent. Contact an Assistant Judicial Case Manager or Adoption Clerk of the Court on or before the date listed below to obtain the necessary forms. IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT: Woburn ON OR BEFORE TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 A.M.) ON: 04/25/2024 WIINESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court. Date: February 1, 2024 Stephanie L. Everett

Register of Probate 2/15/24, 2/22/24, 2/29/24 **LEGAL NOTICE** COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE TRIAL COURT PROBATE AND **FAMILY COURT** Suffolk Probate **And Family Court** 

24 New Chardon St. Boston, MA 02114 (617)788-8300 CITATION ON PETITION FOR **CHANGE OF NAME** Docket No. SU24C0017CA In the matter of: Stephanie Lauren O'Malley A Petition to Change Name of Adult has been filed by Stephanie Lauren O'Malley of Chelsea, MA requesting that the court enter a Decree changing their name to: Stephanie Lauren Williams IMPORTANT NOTICE Any person may appear for purposes of objecting to the petition by filing an appearance at:Suffolk Probate and Family Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 03/15/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance if you object to this proceeding. WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.

Date: February 16, 2024

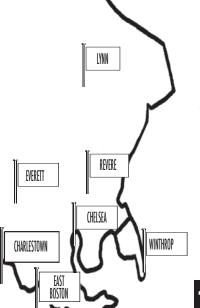
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### **CHELSEA HOUSING AUTHORITY** OFFICE COORDINATOR

**GENERAL DESCRIPTION:** Performs the function of a receptionist along with performing general clerical duties for the housing authority departments and staff. Working under the direct supervision of the Occupancy Manager and Admissions.

### **DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- · Answers incoming calls and takes messages for the department staff. · Receives and directs visitors and notifies the appropriate staff.
- Sorts and distributes department mail and Authority notices.
- Receive and process all public housing and section 8 applications.  $\bullet \ \text{Responsible for ordering office supplies and coordinating services for office equipment.}$
- Responsible for distributing temporary parking pass
- Performs other routine and clerical assignments including filing, copying, faxing, and typing
- · Responsible for coordinating conference room schedule and upkeep.
- Assists in maintaining Leased Housing department Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) databases and application input.
- Responsible for the updating and distributing employee directory.
- Performs other related duties as required.

MIMIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE: A High School Diploma or GED required. Previous work experience in an office setting, preferably a public agency. Should be familiar with general office work and the more common office terminology and office machines. Applicant must also exercise ethical judgment in maintaining the confidentiality and integrity of sensitive information. Strong technology skills with experience with word processing applications is required, spreadsheet program experience is preferred. Strong oral and written communication skills with bilingual (Spanish) preferred.

Applicants must successfully pass a CORI test.

STARTING SALARY RANGE: \$50,000 to \$55,000 annually (Based on Experience)

Interested candidates may submit resumes by email at employment@chelseaha.com, (subject line OC2024) or mail (address below) by March 14, 2024, or until the position is filled.

> The Chelsea Housing Authority is an equal opportunity employer. Chelsea Housing Authority Human Resource Department (OC2024) 54 Locke Street, Chelsea, MA 02150

### CHELSEA HOUSING AUTHORITY **DEPUTY DIRECTOR** Knowledge, Skills, and Abilities:

### About CHA and Deputy Director:

The Chelsea Housing Authority, an innovative housing authority on the cutting edge of housing in the Greater Boston region, is looking for a new Deputy Director to help guide us into a new era. Over the past several years our previous director level employees have gone on to leadership positions both internal and at other housing authorities. The CHA is in the midst of a major public private partnership develop-

ment at Innes, launching a pilot wifi program that is being replicated statewide and is in the planning stages for much larger and exciting projects. We pride ourselves on a work culture that leads to high staff retention rates while meeting and exceeding goals, most recently CHA was designated a High Performer in the latest round of announcements by HUD. Our team is looking for a Deputy Director that has the day-to-day aspects of housing down but is also able to adapt with us during these exciting times to help us achieve the ambitious goals of our board and community.

This is a highly responsible managerial position charged with implementing and overseeing all aspects of the public housing, capital and leased housing programs at a large housing authority. The Deputy Director in this position consults with and advises the Executive Director on all aspects of Finance, public housing, leased housing and capital programs. Work is performed with considerable independence of judgment and decision within the constraints of regulations, finances and housing authority policies and procedures. Will also serve in the absence of the Executive Director as and if needed and act, always, in the best interest of the housing authority. to attain the same. Supervision is conducted in such a way as to provide leadership and to motivate staff properly

### Principal Duties:

Establishes goals and objectives for the supervisors and managers under their supervision.

Supervises, reviews, evaluates, and monitors the performance of work force to meet goals and objectives. · Conducts periodic management staff meetings, designed

to effectively communicate with others and to evaluate program progress. Reviews instructions and written procedures published by

Federal/State governmental agencies and interpret same to Responsible for ensuring compliance with all applicable

state and federal activities undertaken by the housing Determines and arranges appropriate training for depart

ment employees. Conducts on-going and annual performance evaluations

of managers/supervisors for whom s/he bears direct Interviews candidates for employment in responsible

May act for, and in the absence of, the Executive Director Prepares long and short-range plans in consultation with the Executive Director.

Reviews equipment requests and makes recommendations to Executive Director. Performs other related duties of the class, as required.

- Knowledge of management theory and practices
- Ability to supervise other managers and supervisors. Knowledge of community resources
- Ability to recruit and obtain the cooperation of groups and individuals in furthering the goals of the programs. · Ability to make independent decisions · Ability to communicate with others effectively, both orally
- and in writing. • Ability to establish and maintain favorable business
- relationships. · Ability to organize and plan work
- Knowledge of the economics of housing Knowledge and understanding of both federal and state procurement laws and regulations Ability to motivate others toward common goals/object
- Ability to analyze complex situations and problems, and to arrive at resolution of same.

Ability to work effectively with top management personnel

### Required Qualifications:

Pass CORI Background check

 Ideal candidate will possess a Bachelor's Degree in Business/Public Administration, human services, economics or related course of study · Minimum of four (4) years of supervisory experience of a

staff of no less than five Knowledge in areas of federal and state public housing and modernization/capital programs; landlord/tenant law; bud-

gets; personnel development, leadership and law; Section 8 HCV and other leased housing programs Knowledge of property management practices Current MCPPO certification a plus. Valid Massachusetts

Driver's License and access to reliable transportation is

### Supervision:

The Deputy Director works under the broad supervision of the Executive Director. A great deal of supervision is conducted through management meetings occurring periodically, and by the review of reports submitted by the Deputy Director. The Executive Director is consulted on unusual and sensitive situations, and on matters that require top management interpretation of policy.

The Deputy Director provides general supervision to Authority's Directors, Managers and Supervisors, and others working with them in the development of goals and objectives, and of the implementation of work programs designed.

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100% AMI	\$347,400	2
2 BR - 3 persons		

### Maximum Income per Household Size

Household Size	80% AMI	100% AMI
1	\$83,150	\$103,900
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3	\$106,900	\$133,600
4	\$118,750	\$148,400
5	\$128,250	\$160,300
6	\$137,800	\$172,200

\* 2023 Area Median Incomes for the Boston MA MSA.



### **Informational Meetings**

at 4 Gerrish Ave, Chelsea, MA:

- Monday, February 26, 2024, at 7:00 pm
- Wednesday, March 6, 2024, at 7:00 pm **Lottery date:**
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