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## HARBOR HOUSE COLLECTIVE DISPENSARY CELEBRATES GRAND OPENING



Chelsea City Manager Thomas Ambrosino joins Chelsea elected officials and the Londono family, and the Harbor House Collective team on cutting the ribbon at the 80 Eastern Ave. dispensary and cannabis grow facility. See page 5 for more photos.

## City Council discusses doubling its pay

By Adam Swift

Whether it is to try to entice more people to run for public office, or to bring its salary up to a level with surrounding communities, the City Council has begun discussions on doubling the salary for its members.

Monday night, the council held a subcommittee meeting to consider a motion by Ward 1 Councillor Todd Taylor to double City Council salaries from \$14,000 to \$28,000 per year.

"I wanted to bring this issue to all of you, and I thought that it merited a

serious discussion," said Taylor. "The reason I'm bringing forward this increase in the annual salary of the City Council is as an incentive for more people to get involved and to try to entice more people into running. We have a lot of uncontested races where I don't think that is necessarily healthy; not very many people are willing to serve."

In addition, Taylor said surrounding communities with similar demographics have council salaries more in line with the \$28,000 than the \$14,000 Chelsea councillors currently earn.

Ward 6 Councillor

Giovanni Recupero said he would like to see a more modest salary increase for councillors, but added he would like to see health insurance offered for the council.

"Like everyone else gets healthcare, we should get healthcare for us," said Recupero. "We are supposedly employees of the city, but we don't get healthcare."

Councillor-At-Large Damali Vidot said that apart from the salary increase, there needs to be a larger discussion about civic participation in Chelsea.

"I don't have an opin-

ion," said Vidot. "I think it's very interesting, and

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## Upper Broadway project moves closer to breaking ground

By Adam Swift

A major reconstruction of the upper Broadway corridor is slated to get underway this summer.

But before the city can put the federally-funded project out to bid, the City Council must approve a series of temporary and permanent easements of private property that will allow the work to go forward.

Most of those easements are for relatively small slices of sidewalk that are privately owned, but have been used by the city dating back over a century.

"Every time you build a new road with federal money, and we are getting a lot of federal money to do this, you have to do a survey of the entire roadway and the sidewalks to make sure you actually own the land where the road and sidewalk exist," said City Manager Thomas Am-

broisino at a City Council subcommittee meeting on the project and easement requests last week.

After completing the survey, the city identified nine parcels where there's a need for the city to take a small portion of land to complete the project.

"There are unique circumstances where we have to acquire these little slivers with a permanent easement," said Ambrosino. He said that no one would likely realize that the small parcels aren't already owned by the city.

"So we have to take that by a permanent easement, and we have to pay the person for it; they are very tiny slivers for the most part," said Ambrosino.

For the project, the city will also need to pay for about 180 temporary easements, allowing contractors to work on small

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## COTTAGE STREET FIRE



PAUL KOOLLOIAN PHOTO

On Monday February 14, Chelsea Fire Department responded to 29 Cottage Street for a reported house fire. At 5:20 p.m. Chelsea 911 Dispatchers started receiving multiple calls reporting the fire. Upon arrival Chelsea Firefighters under the command of Deputy Chief Michael Massucci encountered heavy fire conditions from the rear porches on the first floor and rapidly extending to the second floor threatening neighboring homes. Deputy Massucci immediately ordered the working fire. First arriving fire companies from E2 and E3 stretched attack and backup lines through the front door to the first floor and second floors as L1's crews conducted a primary search and rescue for occupants on both floors. Crews from E1 and L2 positioned at the rear of the building on Chester Ave. to attack the fire and set up ventilation operations on the roof. Due to the heavy volume of fire Deputy Massucci ordered a 2nd Alarm struck at 5:27 p.m. bringing mutual aid from Revere, Everett, Boston and MassPort to the scene. The fire was knocked down within 40 minutes and companies began extensive overhauling checking for hotspots. All occupants of the building were safely evacuated. Utility crews from National Grid and Eversource responded to the scene to terminate the utilities to the building. Emergency Management Director Steve Staffier responded scene to provide assistance with shelter for the displaced occupants. Cataldo EMS personnel were also on scene with standby in the event of injuries and Boston Sparks President Paul Boudreau also responded with a crew to provide ReHab and refreshments. Fire Prevention Captain Joe Conlon arrived on scene to conduct the investigation into the cause of the fire.

## Ambrosino delivers State of the City address

By Adam Swift

As the specter of the Covid-19 pandemic continues to linger over Chelsea and the world, City Manager Thomas Ambrosino is looking forward to making sure the city gets back on track economically and helps those residents in need.

At Monday night's City Council meeting, Ambrosino gave the annual State of the City address, highlighting how the city has handled the pandemic over the past years and giving his major areas of focus for 2022. The City Manager said affordable housing, economic development, and mental and behavioral health services for city youth are among the areas of concentration



City Manager Thomas Ambrosino.

this year.

"I think when we were here a year ago, we were lamenting the very difficult 2020 we had been through and hoping 2021 was going to be a different kind of year," said Ambrosino. "Even though we did a tremendous job of vacci-

nating our residents, unfortunately, the pandemic did not go away."

As 2022 has already seen the rise and decline of the Omicron variant, Ambrosino said experts state that things are improving, but that people may have to live with some form of Covid-19 for years to come.

Even with that uncertainty, Ambrosino said Chelsea is in a much better place than it was a year ago, with the vaccination rate near 90 percent, and vaccine clinics and testing sites easily accessible in the city.

"What we need to focus on now is the recovery from Covid," said Ambrosino. "What I am

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# Looking at legal avenues to ease Voke funding

By Adam Swift

The City Council is asking City Manager Thomas Ambrosino to look into any legal action that can be taken in the wake of last month’s vote to fund the building of a new \$317 million Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational High School in Wakefield.

While the vote to fund the new school passed easily districtwide among the 12 member communities, Chelsea voters came out against the project. Councilors, School Committee members, and city and school officials stated the cost to Chelsea of nearly \$2 million per year to help fund the new school was inequitable and too high a price for the community.

Councillors Judith Garcia, Tanairi Garcia, Melinda Vega Maldonado, and Norieliz De Jesus introduced the request to have Ambrosino look at legal measures to reduce the cost of construction, make the debt service more equitable among the mem-

ber communities, and to improve the admissions process.

“We knew before that special election took place in January that we were not in favor of this expensive Northeast project,” said Judith Garcia. “It costs a lot for our city and it’s going to cause a predicament for our community for the next 30 years.”

If Ambrosino does find any legal avenues the city can take to address issues with the school, she said she hopes the council stands united to cosponsor and support any available actions.

“We don’t know what’s feasible and what is not, but the hope is that the City Manager can come to us with a legal understanding of what we are able to do here,” said Judith Garcia.

Maldonado said she’s received several calls from constituents stating it can be difficult to get their children admitted to the vocational high school if they do not have high grades.

“Being that this is a vocational school, we need to do better to ensure that students who can benefit from the technical programs they provide have the ability to go there,” said Vega Maldonado. “It’s extremely important that we are equitable in our admissions process, especially if we are going to pay for this school. We need to ensure that our youth who will benefit the most from going to the school will have the ability to get in.”

Councillor-At-Large Damali Vidot said she attended Northeast Vocational and that the admissions process was onerous then.

“We need to ensure an equitable admissions process,” she said. “We have so many people who come here from other countries who don’t really speak the language and can really benefit from the training where they would be working with their hands. It would be nice if all of our students had access to that.”

# PEOPLE OF CHELSEA

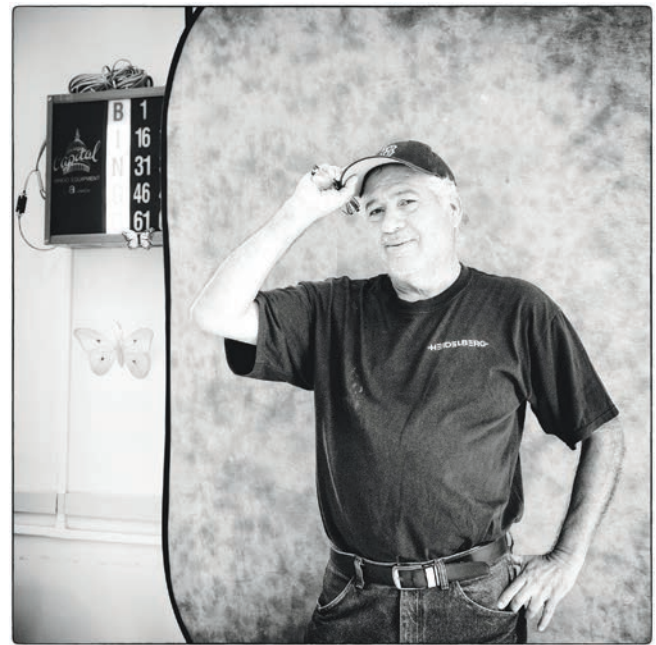
## Luis Monga - Chelsea Senior Center - 2019

*The following is one in a series of sneak peeks at the upcoming People of Chelsea additions by Chelsea Photographer Darlene DeVita. The new work will ultimately appear on the fence of the Chelsea Public Library (CPL) Spring of 2022 a collaboration between the People of Chelsea project and the CPL.)*

By Darlene DeVita

I came [to Chelsea] in 1974 to visit my sister for vacation, and I loved it here, and I decided to stay. I got married here to my first wife. I have two children. They’re already older than me! I ask my daughter sometimes; I don’t understand how you’re going to be 41 when I’m 45? No pop, you’re 65 now!

I love Chelsea. I’ve seen a lot of changes. Cultural changes. There used not to be many Latinos here, not too many Spanish-speak-



ing. It changed. Everybody is Latino in Chelsea now. It’s beautiful. I see many good things here. New Housing, new Projects, the Silver Line.

I’m retired now, but I was a butcher. My specialties were special meats for gourmet. I worked for many places. I was with the Ritz Carlton in Boston for 10 yrs. Then I moved ahead to different places.

My kids grew up here and still live here, and I have four grandkids. My daughter works for 911 in Chelsea.

The senior center helps me look for housing. I live on two floors, but I want to live on the 1st floor, so I came here looking for help, and they invited me to lunch. There are nice people here.

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I think potentially the increase in salary might bring more people in, but what happens when people don’t show up?”

Vidot noted that in the past, there has been a discrepancy between the amount of work some councillors have put into the office.

District 5 Councillor Judith Garcia said she was hesitant about moving forward with a large salary increase without knowing how it would impact the overall city budget.

“The reasons for doing this, I think, are many,” said Taylor. “It’s not just to get people interested, although that is the primary motivation for me. When I try to get people to run for City Council, the thing they say is that it’s not worth it and that it’s a lot of headaches for \$14,000 a year.”

Taylor added that Chelsea councillors are vastly underpaid compared to surrounding communities.

“I can’t speak for myself, but I know what I do

and there are many, many hours that I spend with constituents on the phone trying to solve problems, and in consultation with other councillors on different issues,” said Taylor. “A lot of time gets taken up with this job.”

Council President Roy Avellaneda said that he doesn’t believe a salary increase should be tied to increasing participation, but added that many surrounding communities pay their council significantly more than in Chelsea. He said Revere councillors make a little over \$30,000 per year, Everett councillors earn \$24,000, Lynn councillors earn \$25,000 with an additional \$2,000 for the president, and Quincy councillors make \$35,000.

“I think we should fairly compensate anyone sitting up here who takes this job,” said Avellaneda.

When unions come in to negotiate with the city, Avellaneda said one of the points they typically bring up is that they are underpaid compared to

surrounding communities.

“And we say that’s a fair argument,” said Avellaneda.

Avellaneda said a pay increase for the council is a difficult topic to talk about.

“I get the angst about what we deserve for pay, and it’s never the right time,” said Avellaneda. “Every time this is ever discussed, it’s never the right time. But I think our job is harder (than in other cities) because of the needs that this community has.”

Taylor said he wasn’t committed to the doubling of the salary, but said it was a discussion the council should be having.

“I think this just needs to be brought up and discussed among the City Council and the public and then we can see where we are,” said Taylor.

Vidot said the council should continue the discussion at a future council subcommittee on conference meeting.

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parcels that are typically at the end of a driveway or abutting a sidewalk.

The total cost of paying for all the easements is \$312,000, with about \$200,000 of that coming from leftover funds from previous capital projects, and \$112,000 from the city stabilization fund. The City Council will need to approve the spending and the easements.

A number of the property owners affected by the takings attended last week’s meeting, with several stating that they were unduly worried by the letters sent out by the city, believing that they were going to take a much more substantial amount of their property.

City Council President Roy Avellaneda apologized for the wording of the letter causing some potential stress and confusion for some residents.

Chelsea Housing and Community Development

Director Alex Train said the city has been pushing for federal funding for the Upper Broadway project for over three years, and has currently secured \$11.3 million for the project.

The main components of the project include the reconstruction of intersections at Broadway with Cary Avenue, Webster Street, Stockton Street, and Eastern Avenue, as well as the reconstruction of the roads and sidewalks between those intersections.

“The ultimate goal at the intersections is to install intelligent traffic signal systems that optimize traffic flow and ameliorate some of the chronic safety issues we have on the corridor,” said Train.

Train said the city is looking to put the project out to bid in March, with work beginning in the summer. Overall, Train said the project will take

about two years to complete.

In addition to the major road and sidewalk upgrades, Train said there will be aesthetic upgrades along the corridor, including new street trees, bust shelters, and pavement markings.

“The goal of this project is to make your neighborhood look better, and the goal is to upgrade Broadway and make it a nicer place,” said Ambrosino. “It is going to be two years of disruption and inconvenience, but when it is all over, it’s going to be a really pretty street with all new sidewalks, trees, and all new traffic signals. And then we’re going to do it all over again on downtown Broadway and we’ll have to go through the same process, but then we will have learned our lesson and will send out better notices.”

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talking about is getting us back to and regaining for the city the strong economic momentum we had prior to the onset of Covid, and I feel like we are in a really good position to do that.”

Despite spending \$12 million in direct pandemic relief to residents in the form of rental, food, and business assistance, Ambrosino still has over \$17 million in its general stabilization fund and expects to have about \$10 million certified in free cash. In addition, Ambrosino said the city has \$40 million in federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds.

“That is really a healthy financial balance sheet for a city the size of Chelsea,” said Ambrosino.

As to the ARPA funds, he said a community advisory committee will soon be making recommendations for how the city can best spend \$15 million of those funds. The remaining \$25 million will be earmarked for capital improvement projects in Chelsea.

“The capital improvement plan (CIP) document is probably the most robust and significant CIP that this city has seen in recent

history; it’s certainly the largest one I’ve ever submitted to the council, and it includes over \$24 million of direct spending in Fiscal Year ‘23, with \$12.3 million of that coming from ARPA funds,” said Ambrosino. “Projects in there that will benefit the community include things like the complete renovation of Highland Park with new turf, the redoing of all that open playground area at the Williams School, the full rehabilitation of Cary Avenue, the continued rehabilitation of the Garden Cemetery, and the complete rehabilitation of the E911 facility.”

Ambrosino said the CIP also includes a number of climate change and resiliency initiatives.

Looking ahead, Ambrosino said the first area he wants to focus on is affordable housing.

“The best way to address our housing crisis is to build more houses,” said Ambrosino. “It’s simple, but it’s the most effective method.”

He pointed to a number of housing developments in the city that will either begin construction or come online this year that will

include affordable housing units.

The development at the former Midas site at 1005 Broadway will include 38 new affordable units, at 25 Sixth St. there will be 62 additional affordable units, and the city is undertaking a project at the former Salvation Army building on Broadway that will include 28 affordable units.

In addition, a project at 361 Broadway will have a combination of 42 affordable and Workforce Development units, and the major Innes redevelopment project is breaking ground this year, with a mix of 330 affordable and Workforce Development units, and 96 new units for the city’s public housing tenants.

“I think we still have to do more, and there are two initiatives I’m going to present this year that I think will help chip away at the problem,” said Ambrosino. “Neither one is monumental, but both are small efforts that I think can help.”

Ambrosino said he hasn’t given up on his desire to have the City Council consider changes in the density requirements for the city.

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## WE ARE NUMB TO THE NUMBERS

With mask requirements being lifted just about everywhere around the country, there is a general sense that the COVID-19 pandemic is over.

But as we begin the third year of the pandemic, that is far from being true.

The death toll in the United States from COVID breached 900,000 last week. As this is being written, almost 2500 Americans are dying each and every day from a COVID-19 infection.

Even if the death rate slows down in the weeks ahead, the one million mark almost certainly will be reached within the next two months.

Although the worst-case scenarios at the start of the pandemic in February, 2020, suggested that up to 1.7 million Americans could die from the disease, none of us really thought that would be possible.

And when the vaccines miraculously came along at the end of 2020, we assumed then that life would be returning to normal soon enough.

But life does not always follow the plan.

The resistance of millions of Americans to getting vaccinated threw a monkey-wrench into the war against COVID-19, with the vast majority of COVID-19 deaths and hospitalizations attributable to the unvaccinated.

And although scientists all along have predicted that the virus would mutate, the speed with which the highly-transmissible Omicron variant swept through the world, even among the fully-vaccinated, caught everyone off-guard.

So where do we go from here?

Americans, as is the case with people across the globe, clearly have had it with restricting their lives because of COVID-19.

It seems that we're entering a new phase of the pandemic -- scientists refer to it now as an endemic disease, like the flu -- which could be summed up this way: People still are dying in great numbers, but we don't seem to care.

It's a modern day version of, "Damn the torpedoes, full speed ahead."

Or, in the words of the Cars' rock anthem, "Let the good times roll."

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### CHELSEA HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN MEETING FEB. 22

City of Chelsea residents and stakeholders are invited to participate in a public meeting about an update to the Chelsea Hazard Mitigation Plan. The virtual meeting is scheduled for next Tuesday, February 22, at 6:00 pm.

The Federal Disaster Mitigation Act, passed in 2000, requires that all municipalities that wish to continue to be eligible to receive FEMA funding for hazard mitigation grants must adopt a local multi-hazard mitigation plan and update this plan in five-year intervals.

Hazard mitigation planning is a proactive effort to identify actions that can be

taken to reduce the dangers to life and property from natural hazard events such as flooding, hurricanes, and winter storms. These are examples of hazards that can seriously impact Chelsea, its residents, and its small businesses.

The meeting will update participants on the current state of the plan and the issues it plans to address. Residents are encouraged to participate in the meeting to provide their input, make suggestions regarding the plan, and ask any questions that they may have.

Anyone interested in joining the meeting can contact the Director of Permitting and Land Use Planning John DePriest at [jdepriest@chelseama.gov](mailto:jdepriest@chelseama.gov).

## Mask advisory for vaccinated, unvaccinated residents

Effective February 15, 2022, a fully vaccinated individual should wear a mask indoors if you have a weakened immune system, or if you are at increased risk for severe disease because of your age or an underlying medical condition, or if someone in your household has a weakened immune system, is at increased risk for severe disease or is unvaccinated.

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Mask Requirements in Certain Locations

Effective May 29, 2021, masks continue to be required for both vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals at all times in the following locations, subject to the exemptions listed below:

On Public and Private Transportation, including on the MBTA, commuter rail, buses, ferries, and airplanes, and while in ride-shares (Uber and Lyft), taxis, and livery vehicles, as required by the Centers for Disease Control January 29, 2021 Order. Face coverings are also required at all times in transportation hubs, including train stations, bus stops, and airports. The requirement applies to riders and workers.

Healthcare facilities

licensed or operated by the Commonwealth and healthcare practice locations of any provider licensed by a professional board which sits within the Department of Public Health or the Division of Professional Licensure. These settings include nursing homes, rest homes, emergency medical services, hospitals, physician and other medical and dental offices, urgent care settings, community health centers, vaccination sites, behavioral health clinics, and Bureau of Substance and Addiction Services (BSAS) facilities. This requirement applies to patients, residents, staff, vendors and visitors.

Congregate care facilities or programs operated, licensed, certified, regulated, authorized, or funded by the Commonwealth. These settings include the common areas of assisted living residences, group homes, residential treatment programs, and facilities operated, licensed, certified, regulated, authorized, or funded by the Department of Children and Families (DCF), the Department of Youth Services (DYS), the Department of Mental Health (DMH), the Department of Public Health (DPH), the Department of Developmental Services (DDS),

### MASK MANDATE FOR PUBLIC MASSES TO BE LIFTED ON FEBRUARY 28

As of February 28, masks will no longer be required at public Masses in the Archdiocese of Boston.

Priests, Deacons, and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are no longer required to wear masks during the distribution of Communion, but the pastor may continue to require it if he wishes to do so.

Masks will also not be required in Parish Faith Formation programs as of February 28.

If a pastor decides that it is not yet time in his

community for a dropping of a mask requirement, based on his knowledge of the needs of his particular community, he may continue to require the wearing of masks in his parish.

If the local municipality continues to require the wearing of masks in public places, the parish must comply with those regulations.

Parishes are still required to maintain, mark, and communicate a portion of each worship space as being reserved for those who wish to wear masks and social distance.

Parishes are also encouraged to continue to exercise and encourage caution in all parish activities.

the Department of Veterans' Services (DVS), the Massachusetts Commission for the Blind (MCB), the Executive Office of Elder Affairs (EOEA) and the Massachusetts Rehabilitation Commission (MRC). This requirement applies to clients, residents, staff, vendors and visitors.

Emergency shelter programs, including individual and family homeless shelters, domestic violence and sexual assault shelters, veterans' shelters, and shelters funded by the Department of Housing and Community Development. This requirement applies to guests, staff, vendors and visitors.

Houses of Correction, Department of Correction prisons, jails, and other correctional facilities. This requirement applies to people who are detained or incarcerated, staff, vendors and visitors.

Health Care and Day Services and Programs operated, licensed, certified, regulated, or funded by the Commonwealth including the Executive Office of Health and Human Services or one of its agencies. These settings include adult day health, day habilitation, Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE), psychosocial rehabilitation club houses, brain injury

centers and clubhouses, day treatment, partial hospitalization and intensive outpatient programs, recovery support centers and center-based day support programs. This requirement applies to staff, visitors, vendors and consumers.

Home health care workers, including Personal Care Attendants (PCAs) and Home Health Aides in community and home-based settings where they are providing patient-facing care; provided, however, the requirement shall only apply to the worker providing care.

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HARBOR HOUSE COLLECTIVE DISPENSARY CELEBRATES GRAND OPENING

Photos by John Lynds

Harbor House Collective began selling a wide array of cannabis products produced from the dispensary's onsite grown facility at 80 Eastern Ave.

Last Friday Harbor House Collective, owned by the Londono family, joined elected officials

and community partners in cutting the ribbon on the new cannabis facility.

The event featured a food truck, music as well as the unveiling of some new cannabis products not yet on the menu.

The business is a vertically integrated cannabis business that grows all the products they sell.



Staff work the counter inside Harbor House Collective.



Inside the facility's cannabis cultivation area, a staff member works to cut clones from the mother plants.



Chelsea City Councillor Leo Robinson talks with Harbor House Collective staff.



Customers check out their purchase at Friday's ribbon cutting and special event.



Gabriel Londono gives guests a tour of the facility.



Harbor House Collective's nautical themed lobby.



Chelsea City Councillor Todd Taylor, Miguel Londono, City Manager Thomas Ambrosino and City Solicitor Cheryl Watson.



City Solicitor Cheryl Watson talks with Harbor House Collective General Manager Mike Kerwin.



A customer checks out.

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Special Schedule this February Vacation Week

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Feb 21 & 22, 11-3pm	Jordan Boys & Girls Club (30 Willow St)
Feb 21, 2-6pm	Chelsea Senior Center (10 Riley Way)
Feb 22 & 24, 3-7pm	La Colaborativa (318 Broadway)
Feb 25, 3-7pm	Chelsea Senior Center (10 Riley Way)
Feb 26, 9-12noon	La Colaborativa (318 Broadway)

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Feb 26, 9am-12pm	La Colaborativa (318 Broadway)



# City Council presents citations to the Chelsea Trailblazers

Special to the Record

The Chelsea City Council presented citations to this year’s recipients of the Chelsea Black Community’s “Chelsea Trailblazers” awards in recognition of their outstanding contributions to the health and wellness of the community.

Councillor-at-Large Leo Robinson led the presentation of the citations to Juan Gallego, Richelle Cromwell, Sara Arman, Loira Moore, Paul Smith, and Nicole McKoy.

“I would just like to congratulate all the recipients for their tireless work within our community, working to make our community a much better community,” said Robinson.

Councillors Judith Garcia and Damali Vidot also congratulated the recipients and recognized the leadership of CBC President Joan Cromwell and the work of the organization.

“I know that today we are celebrating Trailblazers and their accomplish-

ments, but I want to take a moment to really celebrate the Chelsea Black Community,” said Garcia. “You have been instrumental. You have given so much to Chelsea cultural wise, investment wise, but above all, you really did rise to the occasion when we really needed you during the pandemic. I have seen you run that vaccination site in a way that is remarkable, in a way that is respectable. I commend you for all you do.”

Vidot said, “I have seen

Joan Cromwell constantly advocating and pushing and making sure to talk about the real issues that are in this community. I just want to make sure that I tip my hat off to you. I appreciate you for how you show up in this world, for you create more leaders, how you empower people around you. You are everything.”

In coordination with the observance of Black History Month, the CBC will honor the Chelsea Trailblazers during a virtual celebration Feb. 24.



CAPIC Executive Director Richelle Cromwell, with her husband, Larry Elgart, and sister, CBC President Joan Cromwell.



Chelsea Trailblazer award recipient Paul Smith, with his daughter, Marcy Smith, and granddaughter, Liliana Smith, Councillor-at-Large Leo Robinson, and City Manager Thomas Ambrosino.



City Manager Thomas Ambrosino is pictured with members of the Cromwell family, at the City Council meeting Monday night, From left, are John Martin, Beverly Martin-Ross, Richelle Cromwell, City Manager Thomas Ambrosino, Paula Cromwell, and CBC President Joan Cromwell.



The Chelsea City Council presented citations to the Chelsea Black Community’s “Chelsea Trailblazers” at its Council meeting Monday night at City Hall. Front row, from left, are Councillor-at-Large Damali Vidot, award recipient Sara Arman, award recipient Paul Smith, Councillor-at-Large Leo Robinson, award recipient Loira Moore, award recipient Nicole McKoy, award recipient Richelle Cromwell, award recipient Juan Gallego, City Councillor Melinda Vega Maldonado, City Councillor Judith Garcia, and CBC President Joan Cromwell. Back row, from left, are City Councillor Giovanni Recupero, City Councillor Todd Taylor, Council President Roy Avellaneda, City Councillor Enio Lopez, City Councillor Calvin Brown, and City Councillor Norielez DeJesus.



GreenRoots Executive Director Roseann Bongiovanni and Associate Executive Director Maria Belen Power joined CBC President Joan Cromwell in congratulating award recipient Sara Arman of GreenRoots and members of her proud family at the City Council meeting Monday night.



From left, Sara Arman, Paul Smith, Councillor-at-Large Leo Robinson, Nicole McKoy, CBC President Joan Cromwell, Richelle Cromwell, Loira Moore, and Juan Gallego.

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CHS RED DEVILS BOYS BASKETBALL FALL TO EVERETT 79-68

Last Friday night the CHS Varsity Boys Basketball Team traveled to EHS to take on the Crimson Tide, in a closely fought matchup the Red Devils lost by 11 points.



Head Coach Judah Jackson talks things over with the team at a time out.



Eldon Bonitto was a big part of the CHS offense.



James Davis was part of many scoring plays for the Red Devils.

CHS ROUNDUP

CHS BOYS FINISH THIRD AT GBL MEET; SET TWO CHS RECORDS

The Chelsea High boys indoor track and field team turned in a strong performance at last Friday’s Greater Boston League (GBL) Meet that was held at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center in Roxbury. Coach Cesar Hernandez’s Red Devils finished in third place in the team standings among the eight GBL schools. Hernandez’s crew compiled 66.75 points, behind only Revere (101.75) and Somerville (100.75).

Among the highlights of the meet for Chelsea was the setting of two new school records.

Emmanuel Simon set a new CHS mark in the 55 meter dash when he sprinted to the finish line in a time of 6.93 seconds in the preliminary heat, topping the former mark of 6.99 that had been held by Nick Ieng.

Emmanuel ended up taking home a fourth-place medal with a time of 7.06 in the final.

Jeffrey Ponce’s toss of 43’-2.75” in the shot-put broke the previous school mark of 42’-7” that had been held by Adriel Rodriguez. Jeffrey was the highest-individual finisher for Chelsea on the day, earning a second-place ribbon.

Both Jeffrey and Emmanuel have qualified for the upcoming Division 2 State Meet.

Other point-scorers for Chelsea in their individual events were: Ali Warsame with a fifth place in the 300 dash in 39.59; Nate Nadow with a third in the 600 (1:34.22); Austin Freeman with a fifth in the 600 (1:37.45); Sebastian Rendon with a third in the 1000 (3:06.97); Ruben Padilla with a fifth in the 1000 (3:10.78); Alex Estrada with a fourth in the mile (5:16.64); Alejandro Zepeda with a fifth in the mile (5:28.57); Ian Padilla with a fourth in the two mile (11:39.52); Johnny Maldonado with a sixth in the two-mile (12:12.41); Markland Richards, who

was tied for fourth in the high jump (5’-2”); and Simon with a third in the long jump (18’-1”).

The Chelsea 4 x 800 relay quartet of Alex Estrada, Jose Olivar, Ruben Padilla, and Nate Nadow won their race with a clocking of 9:38.43.

In the 4 x 200, the CHS foursome of Carlos Jimenez, Markland Richards, Ali Warsame, and Emmanuel Simon finished fourth in 1:44.12.

The 4 x 400 relay team of Alejandro Zepeda, Austin Freeman, Sebastian Rendon, and Johnny Maldonado also took fourth spot in 4:02.95.

CHS GIRLS FINISH FOURTH AT GBL MEET; RODRIGUEZ SETS CHS MARK

The Chelsea High girls indoor track and field team turned in a fine performance at Friday’s Greater Boston League (GBL) Meet that was held at the Reggie Lewis Track and Field Center.

The Lady Red Devils finished in fourth place among the eight GBL schools with 56 points, behind Revere (76 points), Medford (72), and Lynn English (66), and just

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Despite the loss, center Wil Jean-Baptiste had a great game on both ends of the court.



Wil Jean-Baptiste looks to make a play while closely guarded.



Senior James Davis with a huge blocked shot gave life to the CHS defense.



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# OBITUARIES

## Santos Ulloa

February 24, 1976 – February 8, 20

Santos E. Ulloa, 45, passed away at the Beth Israel Hospital in Boston after a brief illness.

Born and raised in Juticalpa, Honduras, he was a son of the late Plutarco Ulloa and Marta Mejia.

Santos was a resident of Chelsea for the past 19 years and was employed at Garden Fresh Salad Co. in Chelsea.

In his spare time, Santos was an avid movie enthusiast who most enjoyed action and comedy movies. He loved his time with family and was a keen card player. He also enjoyed watching soccer games and would proudly represent his home country when Honduras would play.

Our hearts are deeply saddened and we have no words to describe the pain left by his sudden departure, but his presence will always live on in our hearts and everyone else whose heart he managed to touch.

He is survived by his loving children; Eily Ulloa and Gregory Alejandro Ulloa, both of Chelsea and Carlos Edilberto Ulloa and Jose Ulloa, both at home in Honduras. He was the cherished grandfather of Kiara and Raul Ulloa and dear brother of; Santiago Ulloa and Edie Ulloa, both of Chelsea and Marie Ulloa, Juan DeDios Ulloa and Ilsi Ulloa, all in Honduras.

Visiting hours were held at the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea on Tuesday. Services will conclude with Santos being laid to rest in Arimis, Honduras.

A los 45 años de edad, Santos falleció en el Hospital Beth Israel de Boston después de una breve enfermedad. Nacido y criado en Juticalpa, Honduras, era hijo del fallecido Plutarco Ulloa y Marta Mejía.

Santos fue residente de Chelsea durante los últimos 19 años. Santos fue empleado en Garden Fresh Salad Co. en Chelsea.

En su tiempo libre, San-



tos era un ávido entusiasta del cine y disfrutaba más de las películas de acción y comedia. Amaba su tiempo con la familia y era un entusiasta jugador de cartas. También disfrutaba viendo partidos de fútbol y representaba con orgullo a su país de origen cuando Honduras jugaba.

Nuestros corazones están profundamente entristecidos, y no tenemos palabras para describir el dolor dejado por su repentina partida, pero su presencia siempre vivirá en nuestros corazones y en todos los demás cuyo corazón logró tocar.

Le sobreviven sus amorous hijos; Eily Ulloa y Gregory Alejandro Ulloa ambos del Chelsea, Carlos Edilberto Ulloa y José Ulloa ambos en casa en Honduras. Fue el querido abuelo de Kiara y Raul Ulloa y querido hermano de; Santiago Ulloa y Edie Ulloa ambos de Chelsea Marie Ulloa, Juan DeDios Ulloa e Ilsi Ulloa todos en Honduras.

Los familiares y amigos están muy amablemente invitados a asistir a las horas de visita en la Funeraria Welsh, 718 Broadway, Chelsea el martes 15 de febrero de 4:00 p.M. a 8:00 p.M. Por orden de la Junta de Salud de Chelsea, todos los visitantes deben usar máscaras faciales mientras están en la funeraria. Los servicios concluirán con santos siendo enterrado en Arimis, Honduras.

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## Dr. Richard Incerto, Sr.

Retired Superintendent of Melrose Schools  
loved and admired by many

Dr. Richard A. “Dick” Incerto Sr. of Chelsea passed away peacefully on February 9.

The beloved husband of 70 years to the late Nicoletta L. (Griffo)

Incerto, he was the loving father of Roni M Melisi of Sandwich and the late Richard A. Incerto Jr. and his wife, Theresa of Hamilton; cherished grandfather of Corey Fealtman and her husband, James of Beverly, Christine Urann and her husband, William of Hanover and Mark Melisi and his wife, Nicola of Walpole; proud great grandfather of Nicoletta, Stella, Victoria, James, Benjamin, Jacob and Raymond.

Dick was born in East Boston on November 15, 1930 to the late Antonio and Cristina (DeLeone) Incerto. Out of High School, he joined the United States Coast Guard, proudly served his country and was honorably discharged. After service in the Coast Guard, he worked various jobs before he ultimately became Superintendent of Melrose Schools. He was very active in his community and enjoyed spending time with his family and friends.

Dick had a passion for



life and learning. He went to Boston University and then studied at Harvard. He was a skilled woodworker among many other talents. Even in his 90’s, Dick always made sure to keep up with technology. He learned how to use Alexa, facetime with his grandchildren and read books on his kindle. Dick was loved and admired by many.

A funeral service was held for both Richard and Nicoletta on Monday, February 14 at the Woodlawn Cemetery Chapel, 302 Elm St. Everett. Burial which included Military Honors for Dick, a US Coast Guard Korean War Veteran, followed at Woodlawn.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association. 300 5th Ave, Waltham, MA 02451 or at [www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org). To send a message of condolence please visit [www.gatelyfh.com](http://www.gatelyfh.com).

## Nicoletta Incerto

Loving caretaker and talented cook known  
for her lasagna

Nicoletta L. (Griffo) Incerto of Chelsea passed away peacefully at the age of 90 surrounded by family on February 10.

The beloved wife of 70 years to the late Dr. Richard A. Incerto Sr., she was the loving mother of Roni M Melisi of Sandwich and the late Richard A. Incerto Jr. and his wife, Theresa of Hamilton; cherished grandmother of Corey Fealtman and her husband, James of Beverly, Christine Urann and her husband, William of Hanover and Mark Melisi and his wife, Nicola of Walpole; proud great grandmother of Nicoletta, Stella, Victoria, James, Benjamin, Jacob and Raymond and loving sister of the late Frances Gargano and Guy Griffo.

Nicoletta was born in Chelsea on January 11, 1932 to the late Gabriel and Lucia (Capone) Griffo and Nicoletta and her late husband, Dick settled in Chelsea to raise their two children, living here for over fifty years. She was a talented cook known for her lasagna and a loving caretaker. Nicoletta enjoyed spending time with her family and drinking



wine. She loved the quiet comfort of her own home where she enjoyed reading and caring for her plants. When she was younger, she loved to go out dancing with Dick and spend time at the beach. She also cherished her shopping trips with her sister, Frances.

A funeral service was held for both Richard and Nicoletta on Monday, February 14 at the Woodlawn Cemetery Chapel, 302 Elm St. Everett and burial folled at Woodlawn.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 300 5th Ave, Waltham, MA 02451 or at [www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org). To send a message of condolence please visit [www.gatelyfh.com](http://www.gatelyfh.com).

## Harold Reid

December 13, 1927 - February 13, 2022

At 94 years of age, Harold W. Reid passed away on Sunday, February 13, while at the Melrose-Wakefield Hospital in Melrose after a short decline of health.

Born and raised in Chelsea, he was one of six children of the late William R. and Annie M. (Delaney) Reid. Harold attended local schools and graduated from Chelsea High School. He enlisted in the US Army, served honorably during the closing years of WW II and was discharged a disabled veteran. Harold worked as a cutter/stacker for many years at Forbes Lithograph in Chelsea.

He was married to Diane “Gidget” Lee (Snow) Wodzinski-Reid for the past 36 years and together resided in Saugus.

He was a longtime member of the Polish Falcons Nest 485 in Chelsea, the DAV

Chapter 10, the Malden Moose Club, The Beachmont VFW, held dual membership with the Saugus and Winthrop Lodge of Elks, The Fox Hill Yacht Club in Saugus, and the Star of Bethlehem Lodge A.F.& A.M. In his lifetime he was loyal to all his clubs and fraternal associations rarely missing a meeting or social gathering. He is fondly remembered for his devotion to his wife and is remembered for his warm cordial demeanor and exceptional gentlemanly personality.

In addition to his parents, Harold was predeceased by his first wife, Loretta (Wojciechowski) Reid, his sisters and brothers, the late Phyllis Antonelli, Lilian Tirro, Robert D., and John Reid. He is survived by his beloved wife, Diane “Gidget” Lee (Snow) Wodzinski-Reid of Saugus and a brother,



Joseph Reid of

Chelsea. He is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews extended family members and friends.

Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend his visiting hours in the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea today, Thursday, February 17 from 4 to 8 p.m. A Masonic Service will be held in the Funeral Home at 7:30 p.m.

Per order of the Chelsea Board of Health, all visitors are required to wear face masks while in the Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be held from the Welsh Funeral Home on Friday at 10 a.m. Services will conclude with interment and Military Honors at Woodlawn Cemetery, Everett. After the services, the family will gather again to honor his life at the Fox Hill Yacht Club, 114 Ballard St., Saugus.

Should friends desire, contributions in his memory may be made to a favorite charity of their choice. Arrangements were given to the care and direction of the Welsh Funeral Home.

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## Ann Luciano

September 11, 1930 - February 13, 2022

Ann M. (Tennerini) Luciano passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, February 13 in the peaceful surroundings of her home in Saugus. She was 91 years of age.

Born in Chelsea and raised in East Boston, she was one of eight children of the late Giuseppe and Maria (Barbetta) Tennerini. She graduated High School in East Boston.

Ann was married to Vincent Luciano for 57 years and together they raised three daughters from their home on Columbus Street in Chelsea. She was a resident of Chelsea for most of her life and moved to Saugus to reside with her daughter seven years ago.

Ann was passionately devoted to home and family. She also worked as an IRA Supervisor for Metro Credit Union for over 20 years, retiring in 1998. A devout Catholic, she was an active parishioner at Our Lady of Grace Parish for many years. In her lifetime, Ann enjoyed the excitement of visiting local casinos and traveling to Las Vegas. She loved gardening and hosting weekly Saturday night dinners and holidays in her home. She looked forward to decorating for the holidays and one Christmas she was awarded for having the best decorated house in Chelsea.

In addition to her parents, Ann was also predeceased by her husband, Vincent J. Luciano in 2016 and her siblings, Cecilia Borden, Sabina Cioto, Viola LaMarco, Louise Lyon, Theresa Paterna, Edmund Tennerini and Joseph Tennerini, Jr.

She is survived by her beloved daughters and their spouses: Joan M. Federico and her husband, Pasquale “Pat” of Sau-



gus, Janet Luciano and her husband, Steve Stoddard of Tewksbury and Judith Luciano and her husband, Brian Seigel of No. Andover. She was the cherished grandmother of Frank Federico of Saugus and Dr. Domenic Martinnello and his wife, Natalie of Las Vegas. She is also survived by many nieces, nephews, extended family members and friends.

Relatives and friends are most kindly invited to attend her visiting hours from the Welsh Funeral Home, 718 Broadway, Chelsea on Friday, February 18 from 4 to 8 p.m. Per order of the Chelsea Board of Health, all visitors are required to wear face masks while in the Funeral Home. Funeral from the Welsh Funeral Home on Saturday at 9 a.m. immediately followed by a Funeral Mass at Our Lady of Grace Church, 59 Nichols Street, Malden.

Services will conclude with entombment at Holy Cross Mausoleum, Malden.

Should friends desire, contributions in Ann’s name may be made to MGH Avon Breast Cancer Investigation Fund, 125 Nashua St., Suite 540, Boston, MA 02114-1101.

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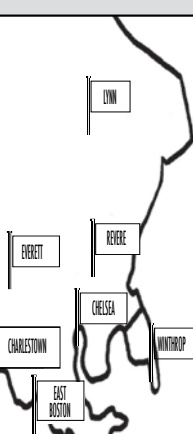
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## Roberto Jiménez-Rivera secures first organizational endorsement from national group Run For Something

Chelsea School Committee member Roberto Jiménez-Rivera, who last month launched his campaign for State Representative in the newly-created 11th Suffolk district, has secured his first endorsement from the national organization Run For Something. Run for Something recruits and supports young, diverse progressives to run for down-ballot races. The 11th Suffolk includes all of Chelsea and one precinct in Everett, and is one of the new districts of opportunity, where racial or linguistic



Roberto Jiménez-Rivera.

Chelsea and Everett authentic representation in the House of Representatives. Building the leadership pipeline is crucial in our fight for justice and equity, and RFS has been doing the work for years. I look forward to our continued partnership.”

Roberto Jiménez-Rivera lives in Chelsea with his wife Sarah and his 18-month old son Robi.

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# Massachusetts House passes legislation that establishes additional protections for veterans

Chelsea Soldier’s Home to be included in the bill

Special to the Journal

In an effort to ensure greater accountability on behalf of our veterans and their families, the Massachusetts House of Representatives passed legislation last Thursday that makes key reforms to the governance structure of the veterans’ homes, ensures that both homes are federally licensed as health care facilities, mandates increased state management, and provides independent oversight and accountability of veterans’ homes management.

“Today, with the best interests of our veterans and their families in mind, the House took action to ensure greater accountability and oversight for veterans’ homes in Massachusetts,” said House Speaker Ronald J. Mariano (D-Quincy). “This legislation takes significant steps to change how our veterans’ homes are governed and managed, and establishes protocols that are designed to

identify and correct any examples of mismanagement or inadequate care as quickly as possible. I thank Chair McMurtry and Chair Michlewitz for the work they did to advance this critical legislation.”

“I’m honored to have been entrusted by Speaker Mariano to advance this important legislation,” said Representative Paul McMurtry (D-Dedham), House Chair of the Joint Committee on Veterans and Federal Affairs. “I believe this comprehensive bill takes the necessary steps to protect deserving Massachusetts veterans.”

"I am so excited for this important legislation to be enacted," said State Representative Jessica Giannino (D-Revere). "Our veterans selflessly served to protect the values, lives, and rights of our great country. Now it is our time to serve our veterans by giving them the best services and treatment available."

"We as a Commonwealth and a country have

not greater duty than to take care of our veterans. The passage of this important legislation will allow the Commonwealth to improve the delivery of services to veterans most in need. I am proud to have supported this effort," said State Representative Jeffrey Rosario Turco (D-Winthrop).

“This legislation will build a foundation for consistent statewide expectations at the Commonwealth’s Soldiers’ Homes. The men and women who have served our nation in uniform deserve top level quality care. These measures will go a long way toward ensuring that care as we begin a new chapter in a soon to open Chelsea Home thanks to the continued commitment of Speaker Mariano, Chairman McMurty, the entire legislature and Governor Baker.” said State Representative Dan Ryan (D-Charlestown)

“An Act relative to the governance, structure and care of veterans at the Commonwealth veterans’ homes” (H.4441):

- Requires home super-

- intendents to be licensed as nursing home administrators and either be a veteran or someone with experience managing veterans in a nursing home or long term-care facility.
- Establishes a 17-member statewide Veterans’ Homes Council to manage and control the veterans’ homes, promulgate regulations to the local boards, and confirm and remove superintendents.
- Preserves local, 5-member boards of trustees for the veterans’ homes in Chelsea and Holyoke with the authority to nominate candidates for superintendents of their respective veterans’ homes.
- Establishes the Office of the Veteran Advocate, an independent office that will be led by a Veteran Advocate appointed by the Governor, Attorney General and State Auditor.
- Requires the Veteran Advocate to submit an annual report, which will be made public, to the Governor and the Legislature with an analysis of the delivery of services to veter-

ans and recommendations for changes in agency procedures.

- Establishes the position of ombudsperson for each veterans’ home to advocate on behalf of the residents and staff at the home.
- Requires the Department of Public Health (DPH) to conduct and report on inspections of veterans’ homes twice a year, or as often as they see fit, and establishes a maximum time of 30 days for a veterans’ home to correct any violation that DPH identifies.
- Requires that all state-operated veterans’ homes adhere to the guidelines for trauma-informed care as outlined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and be certified by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.
- Requires the Office of Veterans’ Homes and Housing to submit an annual report including findings but not limited to the quality of care provided at the homes and an analysis of activities of the Office

and of the Veterans’ Homes Council.

Following the tragedy at the Holyoke Veterans’ Home in 2020, which resulted in the COVID-19 related deaths of 77 veterans, the Legislature established the Special Joint Oversight Committee on the veterans’ Home in Holyoke COVID-19 Outbreak to investigate and make legislative recommendations.

In May 2021, the House approved a \$600 million bond authorization — with \$400 million for the construction of an updated Holyoke Veterans’ Home facility and \$200 million to increase geographic equity and accessibility for veterans not primarily served by the veterans’ Home in Chelsea or Holyoke.

“An Act relative to the governance, structure and care of veterans at the Commonwealth veterans’ homes” passed the House of Representatives with a 156-1 vote. It now goes to the Senate.

## Encore presents plans for lower Broadway project

By Stephen Quigley

Officials from the Encore Boston appeared before the Massachusetts Gaming Commission (MGC) last Thursday morning to present revised plans for a new development across from the casino on lower Broadway.

Chris Gordon, President of Wynn Resorts Development, which is seeking to have the development not be subject to the same MGC oversight as the casino, explained his company’s plans for the four-block site that will include a parking garage for 2,900 cars, 20,000 square feet of retail space, two to three hotels, and an event center that will seat up to 999 people, which has been reduced in the last month from the original plan for 1,900 seats.

“Broadway is getting better and better,” Gordon said.

All facilities, to be owned by East Properties LLC, will be run by independent vendors other than Wynn Resorts, which holds the gaming license. Also included in the project is an elevated pedestrian bridge that will rise above the present six-lane highway. The highway could be widened to 10 lanes of traffic, bus lanes, and bicycle lanes.

The garage and event center are expected to be in the first phase of the project, with the garage acting to screen the power plant. The street design will include significant green space on the front. The time frame for the full build-out of the project is anticipated to take 10 years.

The Encore officials traced the history of the site for the commissioners to show why the new development, which they said is separate from the casino, should not come under the purview of the MGC.

Attorney Samuel Starr of Mintz Levin laid out the criteria that would exclude the site and the pedestrian bridge from MGC purview.

He noted that Wynn will not have any ownership in the buildings and that all leases will be done by East Properties LLC.

“The hotels and restaurants do not enhance the gaming area of Encore, as they lie across the highway,” Starr said. “Common ownership is not the case here. Once construction is completed, all buildings will be leased to independent entities.”

The footbridge, termed a “non-traditional structure,” seemed to be the area of contention for commissioners, who were concerned that the people who use the bridge, including children, could accidentally gain access to the gaming floor at Encore by using an exit or the elevator as they seek to leave or get onto the walk-



Artist rendering of an aerial view of the bridge and complex.

way.

Earlier in the meeting, Gordon had stated that presently it is estimated that 30% of the capacity of the roadway is being lost because of the use of signal buttons by pedestrians in order to cross lower Broadway. He noted that the bridge will be clean and safe with stairs, escalators, and elevators. “This structure has nothing to do with Wynn,” he said.

However, Commissioner Bradford Hill noted that “the bridge ends at Encore

on the second floor and people could accidentally get on the gaming floor.”

Gordon noted that there will be two exits for pedestrians that are well before they reach the interior of Encore and that security officers would stop anyone who does not have a pass to enter the gaming floor. He further noted that the “exits can be anywhere you want.”

Hill also had a question about the security of the parking garage. Another Wynn official responded

that “there will be security in the garage and it will be a safe place.” He added, “This will not be used primarily by visitors to Encore Boston Harbor.”

The next step in the process for this proposal before the MGC will be held on February 28 when public input will be taken. Written comments can be submitted by February 25.

Encore officials are expected to be back before the MGC at the March meeting.

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Estate of: David J. Meaney  
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Please contact Attorney Sheila Grant with any inquiries at (781)396.9494 or [sheila@grantlawoffices.com](mailto:sheila@grantlawoffices.com), DMS Trinity, LLC.  
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CITY OF CHELSEA  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL  
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The City of Chelsea, Massachusetts, through its Chief Procurement Officer, is seeking Proposals for marked “Mass Appraisal Services for Assessment of Mixed-Use Properties”. Request for Proposals will be available on or after February 17, 2022 by contacting Dragic Ivanis, Chief Procurement Officer at [divanis@chelseama.gov](mailto:divanis@chelseama.gov) or by visiting the City’s website at <http://www.chelseama.gov/purchasing/pages/current-bids-solicitations>. Proposals must be sealed and clearly marked “Mass Appraisal Services for Assessment of Mixed-Use Properties” and submitted to the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer no later than 11:00 AM on March 03, 2022.  
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Chelsea Kiwanis Club members brave single-digit wind chill temperatures to collect drop-offs of diapers in the Kayem Food parking lot. Pictured (L-R) Carolyn Boumilla-Vega, Cassandra Thompson, Joe Carreiro, Gerry McCue, Tricia Williams, Veronica Dyer-Medina.

CHELSEA KIWANIS DONATES DIAPERS

The Kiwanis Club of Chelsea recently conducted a Diaper Drive as a Service Project for the month of January, though the snowstorm pushed in-person drop-offs of diapers to February 5th. Folks from throughout the region helped in three ways: (1) donating money for diaper purchases through the Kiwanis Club’s website; (2) purchasing diapers online and shipping them; or (3) dropping diapers off in person. Kayem Foods kindly served as both the ship-to address and the in-person drop off site. All told, the Chelsea Kiwanis Club was able to distribute \$2,000 or worth of diapers—56 boxes--to three worthy Chelsea organizations: Chelsea Community Connections, HarborCOV, and La Colaborativa. This assisted dozens of Chelsea families in need. Thank you to all who donated! If you would like to join the Chelsea Kiwanis Club in their work for the children of Chelsea and the world, please get in touch at chelseakiwanisclub@gmail.com.

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## BRUINS Beat

by Bob Morello

# Bruins road trip winding down



Another road game in the books, the second of four on this trip, Tuesday night’s 2-1 shootout loss to the New York Rangers proved to be an interesting battle of goalies. Igo Shesterkin provided the challenge in the Rangers net, and Boston’s Jeremy Swayman nearly matched him save for save. For New York, it was their first game back on ice in two weeks, showing obvious rust in the first period when Charlie Coyle put the puck behind Shesterkin at 3:39 to open the scoring. The second period had the Rangers storming Swayman and the Boston net to even up the shots on net at 17-17, after the locals had only allowed two New York shots on net in the first period. The Bruins were able to ride Coyle’s lone goal into the third period with a 1-0 lead. A rebound goal by Ranger Filip Chytil at 6:45 of the third period enabled New York to take the game into overtime. This was not a game without some weird moments, most notable was the removal of Shesterkin with 41 seconds remaining in the overtime, due to a call from NHL headquarters citing concussion protocol. Replaced in net by backup goalie Alexander Georgiev, New York was able to hold off the Bs who could not get a single shot on Georgiev, who came in cold to the game, to close out the overtime. An almost laser-like return saw Shesterkin having completed the concussion protocol in the team’s dressing room, and return to the ice in time for the start of the shootout. The shootout was a marathon of sorts, going nine rounds before K’Andre Miller taking his first ever shootout attempt, hit the back of the net behind Swayman, giving the Rangers the hard-fought 2-1 win. The contest featured many highlights by both goal-tenders, none bigger than

one of the hottest teams in the NHL, the Colorado Avalanche – who have a record of 34-9-4 – to lead the Central Division, and hold the top spot in the NHL. The Avalanche, at press time were 8-1-1 in their last ten games, and their current road record is 13-6-2 – along with an excellent home ice record of 21-3-2.

Bruins Defenseman Brandon Carlo Leads Boston Bruins 15th Annual PJ Drive

The Boston Bruins and the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners teamed up with Bruins defenseman Brandon Carlo, Cradles to Crayons and Wonderfund Massachusetts, to present the 15th Annual PJ Drive, which will run until March 31. The PJ Drive benefits Massachusetts’s children in need by providing new, unused pajamas to babies, children and teens in communities across the state. Both Cradles to Crayons and Wonderfund Massachusetts are non-profits committed to ensuring positive living conditions for children in need. Carlo will lead this year’s PJ Drive for the first time since former Bruin, P.J. Axelsson, and his wife Siw started the initiative during the 2007-08 season. Since then, over 120,000 Massachusetts children have received PJs through the Bruins PJ Drive. The Bruins will also host an in-game PJ collection on Thursday, March 10, when Boston hosts the Chicago Blackhawks at 7 p.m. at TD Garden. Fans who donate new, unused PJs or \$10 at this game will be entered in a raffle to win Bruins autographed prizes. Fans can register their own organization to be a PJ Drive donation site. The top three organizations with the most donations will receive Bruins prizes. Fans can learn more about the PJ Drive by visiting BostonBruins.com/PJDrive.

Shesterkin’s glove save on Taylor Hall’s breakaway a 8:42 of the third period.

The Bruins were looking to carry over their momentum of Swayman’s 2-0 win over the Ottawa Senators last Saturday, and actually had a somewhat decent game, when you consider that they were still lacking the presence of captain Patrice Bergeron due to a head injury, (possible return tonight vs. Islanders), and sniper Brad Marchand, in the midst of his six-game suspension. The return of Matt Grzelcyk to the blue line was a lift, but not enough to hold off the Rangers who are having an impressive season with a 31-13-4 record to date, good enough to hold the third spot in the Metropolitan Division, just four points back of the division-leading Pittsburgh Penguins, and holding two games in hand. Bruins upcoming road schedule has two games remaining on the road, and will have some tests in store. Tonight’s (Thursday, 7:30pm) matchup features the New York Islanders with former Bs captain Zdeno Chara currently out of a playoff spot (7:30pm); Saturday night the Bruins will be hosted by the Ottawa Senators (7:00pm) – the Sens are in seventh place in the Atlantic Division, and will be seeking to avenge their 2-0 beat down by Boston a week ago.

With their road trip in the rear headlights, the Bruins will return home on Monday (1:00pm), enjoy some home cooking, then prepare to take on

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