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PHOTOS BY JEFF SULLIVAN AND SHAMROCK SHOOTOUT PRESIDENT MICHAEL O'BRIEN

# Shamrock Shootout finally returns to the cheers of thousands

Jeff Sullivan

Staff Reporter

The long-celebrated annual Shamrock Shootout returned to Temple Street in West Roxbury on Saturday, April 30, to the delight of thousands.

Organizer Mike O'Brien said more than 500 children signed up to participate, and they were joined by coaches, refs, parents and onlookers. O'Brien said they weren't sure this year they were going to be able to pull off the shootout because of the pandemic, but 25 days before the date he and his volunteer corps got to work and made it happen in less than a month.

We've got a great group of volunteers

we've had in the past and now we've got a great group of new volunteers who are going to move it forward," he said. "The city has been very helpful and very, very receptive. We've got the Sheriff's Department out here, we've got the Boston Fire Department, the Boston Police Department, the Public Works Department, and everybody has played a role.

O'Brien said it was a relief to make this happen again. "We needed this, we all needed this," he said. "We need to get back outside and the kids are having fun. There's 500 kids here, and what's interesting is every coach and every ref were kids who had played when they were younger. They're 15, 16 or 17 years old."

O'Brien added the PA system was also donated. "We lined the streets with Caprone Sound, so no matter where you're standing you can hear everything that's going on," he said.

State Rep. Edward Coppinger was amazed O'Brien was able to bring back the neighborhood mainstay in such a short time. "No one thought they were going to be able to bring it back because of the tremendous amount of work involved and the fact that Mike's kids are older," he said. "But it's turned out to be an awesome event and we really lucked out with the weather.'

Coppinger said this is a day many in the Parkway community look forward to every year. "People look forward to this all year round," he said. "It's one of those things where when it ends people want to know the date for next year."

Resident Stephenie Moussalli said she came to see her daughter Emma play and this wasn't her first time. "My oldest kids came out for the very first Shamrock Shootout so we've been coming for many many years," she said. "It makes me feel proud to be a part of this and that my kids get to come out and enjoy it and all of our classmates, cousins and new friends are all here. Mike O'Brien does this all for the kids.

"They were able to continue with a short

Shamrock

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# CIB re-imagines Hyde Park with residents

Jeff Sullivan

Staff Reporter

The Community Input Board (CIB) of Hyde Park met with about 40 residents on Saturday, April 30 at 9 a.m. at the Hyde Park Municipal Building to discuss how residents can look to reshape the neighborhood rather than letting development and other stressors take their

The group, headed by Marcia Kimm, Marlon Solomon and Lokita Jackson, spoke for about an hour about what the board is hoping to accomplish and then broke out into smaller groups to tackle

specific areas of concern.

Kimm said the session was to collaborate with residents to come up with specific end goals, then provide a forum to spell out what they need from the city and the community, and finally to summarize and synthesize that information and encourage residents to connect with

"All of us have a stake in Hyde Park," Jackson said. "All of our voices are important and need to be expressed, heard and heeded so we can contribute to what Hyde Park is and what Hyde Park could

**CIB Forum** 

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# P cannabis farm gets community support Benefits debated

Matthew MacDonald

Staff Reporter

On April 19, the City of Boston's Office of Neighborhood Services (ONS) held its only community meeting regarding a proposed wholesale marijuana cultivation site that – if approved by the Boston Cannabis Board (BCB) and the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) – would be located in 48-54 Walter St. in Hyde Park.

The building that would house the business is at the dead end of an industrial zoned block of a residential backstreet neighborhood bordered by Fairmount Avenue and River Street. As proposed, the indoor farm would use up to 20,000 square feet of space to grow cannabis from seed to bud for wholesale business-to-business distribution.

The application is being brought by Lowkey Cultivation, a branch of Lowkey Dispensary (571B Washington St.), and the farm would supply that Dorchester shop, another one proposed for West Roxbury (5252-5270 Washington St.), and

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# Emilio Dorcely, CEO of Urban Edge, discusses the future

**Richard Heath** 

Staff Reporter

Emilio Dorcely has been the CEO of Urban Edge since September 2019 and he said one of the things he really worries about is the housing dichotomy.

"There is a dire need for affordable housing for the 30 percent to 40 percent area median income (AMI), but that's only part of the solution," he told The Bulletin in a 90-minute conversation at Urban Edge on April 26.

"There should be affordable homeownership too," he said. "Homeownership goes back to the fundamental fact that this builds wealth in the community, it increases the opportunity to build wealth for people of color."

Dorcely recognizes that for many people affordable rental at 30 percent and affordable homeownership for those earning 60 percent to 70 percent are a dichotomy.

"Affordable homeownership and affordable rental should not be either-or it should be an AND."

Dorcely believes that affordable rental housing and affordable homeownership both build stability in a community.

"Neighborhood stability is crucial," he said. "But what if I rent and I want to own and I can't afford that in my own community? There should be [rental and ownership] affordable units in every building not just in one building."

"When I first came here the vast majority of [low income affordable] units were in the center area."

Dorcely said he agrees with the phrase 'islands among the gentrification' but also understands why.

"I know that many times when I talk to community members their biggest fear is mixed-income housing," Dorcely said.

"They believe that mixed-income housing is the beginning of the push-out. Higher income means that it's not for people of color. It's not unreasonable but it doesn't have to be that way."

Dorcely came to Boston from Brooklyn where he was CEO of Bridge Street Development Corporation, a faith-based social housing organization founded in 1995 by the Bridge Street African Wesleyan Methodist Episcopal Church. He said it was there he worked to bridge the gap between affordable rental housing and promoting affordable home ownership.

He said he's focused on three Urban Edge projects. One is the completion of Holtzer Park at 137 Amory Street, 62 units of fully affordable rental apartments on the six-acre 125 Amory Street campus.

Work began in December of 2019 shortly after Dorcely began at Urban Edge. "And we expect move-ins in June," he said. "We're closing on construction for 1599 Columbus Avenue," he said ticking off number two. "It's 65 units of fully affordable rental."

Approved by the BPDA in December 2019 and the Boston Zoning Board of Appeals in January 2020, Dorcely said it was delayed by staff capacity.



Emilio Dorcely CEO of Urban Edge.

"We hope to break ground later this year."

The third project was the refinancing and major renovation of the 78-unit, two-building Bragdon-Dixwell apartments.

Funded at \$38.3 million from MassHousing, the two buildings at opposite ends of Egleston Square were among the first multi-family preservation projects for Urban Edge in 1984.

Between 1981 and 1983 Urban Edge shifted its housing edge and its office for first time homebuyers at its 379 Centre St. storefront to Egleston Square, that was back then dotted with abandoned, Federal Office of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)-foreclosed apartment buildings.

Dorcely thinks that the next edge is at the Roxbury-Jamaica Plain crossroads with more affordable homeownership opportunities for people who want to move up but not move out because they can't afford the mortgage.

Dorcely sees Mildred Hailey Apartments as an apotheosis of this new edge. As reported by The Bulletin, Urban Edge is in partnership with The Community Builders (TCB) and the Jamaica Plain Neighborhood Community Development Corporation (JPNDC) to completely redesign and rebuild Mildred Hailey Apartments over the next decade. While not includ-

ing homeownership, it does focus on mixed-income that Dorcely thinks is the ideal.

"We're going to build replacement housing for 250 low-income residents. The vast majority will be affordable."

Dorcely

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Growing up in the 50s, I learned to ride a Columbia 26-inch bike (only one speed) up and down Forest Hills Street and all throughout Franklin Park (there were no gates there and hence no admission to the zoo area). Never owning a Red Sox cap, I probably wore any cap to thwart sunshine on hot summer days, but not to prevent head injury. I'm not sure whether bicycle helmets were even invented then. Even if they were, Mom probably did not know about them and never mentioned or mandated them to/for me, nor did any other mothers in the teeming triple-deckers that characterized the neighborhood of my youth. Head injuries were something that were not talked about because we did not

# A trait of great motherhood

one, nor had we read in The Boston Traveler or Record-American about anybody who ever received one. Arch McDonald on television's Channel 4 news never did a story on such an injury as far as we knew. All of which brings me to today's mothers during the weekend that recognizes their sacrifices and contributions: if you are a mother who imposes the wearing of a bike helmet on your children no matter how much they squawk about it — that

know anybody who ever sustained

are a GREAT mother! You know of the terrible tragedies that can result from head injuries, whether sustained by riding a bike, skateboard, all-terrain vehicle, skis, snowboard, or horse. You are a mother who is thinking about your children's future capability to think, walk, and do so many other things that the brain controls. Hang in there and don't relinquish your stand, no matter how much resistance you encounter from your young 'uns.

Thirty years ago, I remember visiting my ailing and aged mother in Brighton's St. John of God Hospital, where she was recovering from a terrible car crash. A few rooms down was a guy in the prime of his life who as a motorcyclist had been involved in a terrible accident also; he was unable to process anything intellectually because, un-helmeted, he had sustained severe head injuries. It was at that time that I first realized the fragility of the skull.

In addition to cyclists, I notice that skiers, snowboarders, skate-boarders, off-road racers, and numerous equestrians now frequently wear protective helmets. I'm curious as to whether they are available for renting at where these activists ride. True, they don't look too fashionable when compared to ski hats, baseball caps, and cowboy/cowgirl hats but .

.. And, lastly, while I'm finished delineating just a small part of what makes for a great mother, I should give credit to fathers also for imposing helmets on their children: you, too, are GREAT! If you believe in-

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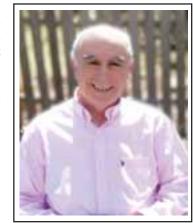


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Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be.



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controvertibly in the efficacy of helmets for protecting your loved ones, so do I. Happy Mother's Day to all you (over)protective mothers!

## Shamrock

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hiccup during COVID with our regular hockey, but we really missed this when COVID happened," she said. "The community really looks forward to it, to reconnect with people and you're outside having a great time. What's not to love about that?"

Resident Keith Craig said this was the first time he'd seen the event.

"It's a great way to get the kids together on a beautiful spring day," he said.

Resident Erin Cashen said this was also her first time. "We heard of the shootout, this is our first time playing in it, and I've never seen anything like it before," she said.

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## Community backs Everett St. condos

Jeff Sullivan Staff Reporter

New England Development hosted a Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA) meeting recently discussing the addition of a Building E to the Allston Yards project, directly south of the Boston Landing MBTA Commuter Rail stop.

The new building will be adding 40 homeownership units (110 will be moved from other buildings in the complete Allston Yards project) to the 868-residential unit proposal first approved by the BPDA in 2019. It will also have

But it will also include mixed-

income units built by TCB; of the

673 apartments to be built over the

next decade 423 will be mixed-

income. Urban Edge will also

build new buildings at 275-297

Centre St. and 966-964 Parker

fordable. Sixty units, and will in-

new tenants."

construction.

clude housing for existing and

application in the fall but it will

be a few years before we start

home ownership in a couple

years," Dorcely said, "largely

due to the level of subsidies and

the availability of funds for

homeownership. This has

changed with the new Com-

monwealth Builders program, an

"These will be completely af-

"We plan to submit funding

"Urban Edge hasn't done

Dorcely continued from page 3

ton."

2,000 square feet of ground-floor retail and be 12 stories in height. The Allston Yards will also include 350,000 square feet of office space, 117,000 square feet of retail space and a one-acre commu-

New England Development Executive Vice President John Twohig said the acquisition of the site at 52 Everett St. will allow for further homeownership development in Allston (which has about 12 percent homeownership, one of the lowest in the city) and also allow for more public improvement to the local traffic infrastructure.

Twohig also gave an update

This is dedicated to finding af-

fordable homeownership in Bos-

ported, 10 Stonley Rd. is being

redeveloped as fully affordable

homeownership by its new de-

veloper JPNDC with Common-

ally, I'm concerned with build-

ing community," Dorcely told The

Bulletin. "Affordable housing is

key. It brings stability to the life

and affordable homeownership

are not mutually exclusive to

Dorcely. "Housing is the first

step towards stability in the neighborhood," Dorcely said.

"How can I move up to

homeownership and still stay in

my neighborhood? Build credit.

Affordable rental housing

of the community."

"Personally and profession-

wealth Builders financing.)

(As The Bulletin has re-

on the Allston Brighton Homeowner Fund, which was created by this project. He said \$4 million has been committed to the fund which is now five months old. He said 10 buyers have been approved, and five have closed in that time with an average assistance of about \$50,000.

New England Development's Mark Jackson said 16 percent of the 150 units on the site at 52 Everett will be designated as affordable and have their household incomes restricted as per the city's **Inclusionary Development Policy** 

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to college?"

Dorcely seems to believe that the new edge for Urban Edge is to create that opportunity.

"Homeownership – affordable home ownership- is extraordinarily challenging, "he said. "There's great need for people who can no longer afford to live in the city."

That challenge now might be lighter for Dorcely and Urban Edge. As he talked with The Bulletin, Mayor Michelle Wu spoke at a press conference in Dorchester announcing \$106 million - \$60 million in federal funds - for first-time homebuyers through the Mayor's Office of Housing to support down payment assistance and One+Boston an income-restricted mortgage

Echoing what Emilio Dorcely told The Bulletin, Wu said, "Homeownership is crucial to building generational wealth and long-term stability for families."



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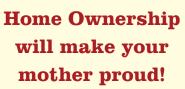
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a yet to be determined downtown site. It would also sell wholesale cannabis to non-competitive businesses.

Lowkey is minority owned, and founder and CEO Jeff Similien is a Hyde Park resident. COO Robert Nichols lives in Milton. Both are real estate brokers and founding members of the Boston Trust Realty Group, which has offices in Dorchester and Mattapan.

The meeting, held virtually on Webex, ran two hours. According to ONS Hyde Park Liaison Denyel Fonseca – who hosted – it drew 48 unseen attendees, including abutters.

The first part of the meeting consisted of a half hour presentation, during which Similien, Nichols, Mike Brais (vice president of wholesale operations), and project security consultant Mark Conrad (WesCon Security) all spoke.

Brais stated that hours of operation will be 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, but that the third shift would be a skeleton crew of cleaners, a security guard, and a cultivation specialist. He anticipated up to 60 job openings, and possibly more - which the Lowkev team reiterated would be for Hyde Park residents – but he did not expect a sustained traffic increase, due to the fact that it is not a retail business. He also confirmed that the site would be using an air filtration system to eliminate external cannabis odors.

The product delivery system will utilize vans. During a call after the meeting, Brais described

them as unarmored E2500 or E3500 models, fitted with caged and padlocked cargo areas, and a standard door lock system for an unarmed transport crew. He acknowledged the site's lone access road – and the recent gun violence nearby – and said that random delivery routes, times, and days would be scheduled as a security precaution.

The theme of the meeting was community improvement, and Nichols described his and Similien's ongoing real estate work as a platform to empower "people who look like us," and portrayed the cannabis industry as one offering similar opportunities at a larger scale.

Building on that, Nichols continued. "Our business experience really is what allowed us to be able to transition from just being in real estate, and to diversify and do something positive with this industry that has plagued the black community and the community of color for many years in the city of Boston." Responding to a caller, he proposed that – as the cannabis market matures, the illicit drug trade will conversely decline and be eliminated. "That's really where I think we have an opportunity to turn a negative into a positive, and just take one [more] thing off the streets that is creating all types of carnage and issues that, I think – all of us who grew up in Boston - we know all about it."

He also confirmed that Lowkey had pledged \$250,000 – in \$50,000 annual increments over five years – for local improve-

ment, and that it would be setting up a community board to interact with Hyde Park civic groups to determine how to allocate those funds.

Conrad commented on security and – drawing on his career in law enforcement – said that the area would be "much more on the map" in terms of police awareness

One skeptical abutter who described himself as a concerned parent responded. "There were, like... 50 gunshots on my street, right outside my house," he said of a recent shooting incident. "I hear what you're saying: that you're going to bring more police eyes on the community, but we don't want that. We just want to live." He went on, bemused frustration in his voice. "Kids just want to ride their bikes and be normal."

In response, Nichols suggested that Lowkey would shed more light on local criminal activity. "If something does happen [at Lowkey], this is going to be a priority for them [the police] to get over there to ensure it's not escalating, so I think that's the benefit."

"I hope so, brother," The caller responded with some uncertainty. "I really do."

The Lowkey application will now go to the BCB and to the ZBA. For information, contact Denyel Fonseca at 617-635-4830 or email her at denyel.fonseca@boston.gov. To contact Jeff Similien, call 617-894-2266, or email him at jeff@lowkeydispensary.com.

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"We've voluntarily made all our three-bedroom units affordable and we're going to have it mixed with our market units," he said.

He added the building will be all-electric in heat and cooking with solar panels on the roof.

IBI Landscape's Chris Jones discussed the landscaping and public realm improvements proposed. He said both the Guest Street side and Everett Street side of the site will have wider sidewalks for more street trees and pedestrian access. He said there will also be bike lanes on Guest Street.

VHB Traffic Engineer Patrick Dunford said for the entire Allston Yards project, they did extensive traffic studies including looking at 27 intersections within a half-mile of the site, as well as roadway safety audits where eight locations on the site were analyzed and slated for improvements.

"Just to capture what was going on in the area," he said. "And those improvements are needed independent of this project and they will happen in the near fu-

Dunford said for 52 Everett, the project would generate about 19 and 24 vehicle trips during the a.m. and p.m. peak hours. He said mitigation for the project includes traffic infrastructure improvements to the Guest Street/Everett Street intersection (traffic signal) and multi-modal improvements.

He said the biggest change on the intersection will be how Everett Street interacts with the surrounding residential streets. Looking at a map of Everett Street, it is apparent that the installation of the Mass Pike divided the street. De-



A rendering of the new building design on Everett Street.

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signers put in a raised bridge for Everett, but the not-raised, old Everett Street still exists and ends at the Pike. The old street can be accessed by basically performing a U-turn after passing the current Guest Street entrance (which is basically just the entrance to the Stop & Shop parking lot now before this project is completed).

'It's not a great condition that exists today," he said. "What we're planning on doing is taking the intersection, creating a new Guest Street, and we're going to take the old Everett Street and bring it in opposite Guest Street so you have a more standard four-way intersection, but most importantly it's under signal control."

Residents were mostly positive, however some had concerns regarding power generation. Resident Eileen Howben said, "For the moment our electricity is not as reliable as it could be, and that can cause lots of problems," she said. "We have lots of brownouts and lots of blackouts, at least in my neighborhood."

Howben asked about power

generation from the solar panels on the building. Twohig said it would probably be pretty low, somewhere in the single digits. Jackson pointed out however that they will be replacing all the duct work and electric infrastructure, meaning hopefully the system's overall reliability will go up in the neighborhood.

For more information on this project and the entire Allston Yards project, go to https://bit.ly/3s6d5Mf.

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### **DEATHS**

Bridie (MacDonald) of Roslindale, passed away on April 26, 2022. Beloved wife of the late Lawrence Herman. Devoted mother of Lawrence Herman and Francine of Westwood, and Robin Laoui and Mostafa of West Roxbury. Loving nana of Norah Laoui. Sister of John Robert MacDonald of Quincy, and the late Frances White, Mary Kitner, Mabel Keller, Florence O'Malley, Huena Deagle, Maylo MacDonald, and the late Edward MacDonald. Bridie was a longtime employee of the Recuperative Center, Roslindale. Services were private. Burial at Canton Corner Cemetery, Canton. The Herman family wishes to thank the staff at the John Scott House for their dedicated care of Bridie. Arrangements by P.E. Murray -F.J. Higgins, George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, West Roxbury.

#### HUSSEY

 $Margaret\,M.\, `Peggy'' passed away peacefully on April\, 26, 2022, at the age of 80.\, Peggy, formerly of Bourne, MA$ and South Boston, MA, was always up for fun, travel, a good conversation, and spending time with her many friends and family. Peggy was predeceased by her father John "Jack" and mother Nora (Baker); along with her three sisters and three brothers-in-law, Nora and Andrew (Dee)

Delaney, formerly of Revere, MA, Julie and Jake Perrier, formerly of Milton, MA, Jo and Jim Walsh formerly of Nashua, New Hampshire; and her niece Donna Delaney. Peggy is survived by her 3 nieces and nephews, Deb Hartigan and her husband Jay of Andover, MA, Cheryl Delaney of Revere, MA, and John and his wife Amy of Saugus, MA. Her grandnieces and grandnephews will always cherish the time they spent with her. Peggy was a graduate of Fitton High School. For many years she worked at the telephone company and after her "early" retirement worked for the City of Boston. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Monday, May 9, 2022, at 11:00 am in The Holy Name Church, West Roxbury. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. Visiting Hour in the Robert J. Lawler & Crosby Funeral Home, 1803 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY, on Monday morning, May 9, from 9:30 to 10:30 am. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the charity of one's choice in honor of Peggy, and her life well-lived.

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be."

At the end of the discussion, group leaders got up and summarized what their groups had discussed. The groups were divided by subjects which included starting a master plan for development in the neighborhood, open space, neighborhood food access and youth issues. Resident Quiana Agbai started discussing the master plan and said the thing they most talked about was controlling development, as the neighborhood is seeing more than 1,000 housing units being built in Hyde Park in the next few years.

"We wanted to understand the larger forces at work here, and we also wanted to consider healthy foods and access, looking at Burger King and what's planned, and looking at healthy foods and what are those other ways to access opportunities for neighbors," she said. "We also want to look at character retention, so that when builders come in we make sure they're honoring the architectural history of our community and we also wanted to look at engaging community members with business owners to make sure it's a collaborative process. And how do we take the path of economic improvement for our neighbors, from just renting to opportunities to home ownership."

To Agbai's point of healthy food access and economic opportunity, resident and Afrimerican Culture Initiative organizer Marlon Solomon said those two can often go hand-inhand, though they are probably not directly linked. During the Burger King fight in the neighborhood, where many residents said they felt blindsided by the installation of a new BK restaurant at the Shops at Riverwood off of River Street, the issues of healthy food access and placing unhealthy food in Black or historically disadvantaged neighborhoods came to the forefront. Solomon said he looked at this closely.

"I did a lot of research look-

ing at the proximity of fast food to our schools, and found that we are two-to-three times more likely to have them in communities of color and multi-cultural communities," he said. "And, in fact, it's spreading into communities coming this way. So we reached out to some friends in Somerville and some students at Northeastern University and we had some students look over what we need to do as a community."

The full report from the study that resulted from those collaborations can be found at https:// bit.ly/3vwFI77.

Resident Ric Henry then spoke for the group focused on neighborhood health. He said his organization, the Neighborhood Food Access Collaboration, distributes to families in need and discussed having more community backing to make food access easier in the neighborhood.

"One of the ideas we came up with was maybe having a community kitchen where folks can come out and learn to make dishes," he said. "We could also have a restaurant there for people interested in learning to cook and then go work for a restaurant. We talked about setting up a community garden as well"

Resident Jeff Hamilton reported on the youth group. He said they looked at programs the Riverside Theater Works has been doing and they want to expand that, as well as look at more art grants for local youth in the community.

"One of our members, Barbara, has a mentorship program she would like to get off the ground that would work with local businesses and high schoolage kids a couple hours a week to connect them with the businesses and create a certificate program around that," he said.

Next up was Southwest Boston Community Development Corporation (SWBCDC) Board member and Assistant Deputy Director of the Mayor's Office of Financial Empowerment Mimi Turchinetz who discussed

the problems with open space in the neighborhood. She said there needs to be an inventory of open space for Hyde Park, as much of it is owned by different agencies throughout the city. For example, the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation owns Stony Brook, Harvard owns the Arnold Arboretum and the City of Boston owns Billings Field.

"We need to understand that DCR owns 75 percent of the open space while the City of Boston owns 25 percent of it," she said.

This means that residents have to go to their State Representatives and State Senators for advocacy for improvements, and that the process for improvements might not be so quick, as many such projects may need broad support from the entire legislature. Add on top of that the state has been consistently lowering the budget of DCR for years (16 percent since 2009 [https://bit.ly/3MD6Iro]) and lowering its staff that it uses to oversee the 500,000 acres of land it manages, it can be difficult for residents of one specific community to get anything done.

Turchinetz said they wanted to focus specifically on local land ownership and the open space known as Urban Wilds, which are parcels the City of Boston owns, and how those lands could be further expanded, like for instance the Crane Ledge Woods issue that has been recently cropping up (condos in a privatelyowned woodland at 990 American Legion Hwy [https://bit.ly/ 3LDVOBQ]).

"We also need to address the issue of connecting people to what we have now in terms of open space," she said. "We know a lot of people don't know now what's available in terms of open space, and so we need to market the options of parks and greenspace."

She added that utilization of open space – athletic activities, games, music performances etc. should also be explored.

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Michael D. Sr. of Foxborough, formerly of West Roxbury, April 16, 2022. Dear and devoted husband of the late Jody (Janjigian). Loving father of Michael D. Metcalf, Jr. and Julia Metcalf, both of Foxborough. Dear son of the late Charles and Lorraine (Cole). Son-in-law of Paul Janjigian, Sr. of West Roxbury. Dear brother-in-law of Dawn Janjigian of Dedham, and Paul and Maryann Janjigian of Dedham. Also survived by his loving cat, Shrimpy. Contributions in Michael's memory may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105, stjude.org or to the MSPCA-Angell, Attn: Donations, 350 South Huntington Ave., Boston, MA 02130. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. Guestbook and other information at www.kfouryfuneral.com

#### **MURPHY**

Diane M. of Hyde Park, passed into eternity on April 22, 2022 surrounded by the immense love of her family. She leaves behind her mother, Marjorie (Mitchell) Murphy; her brother Stephen (Bridget) of Hyde Park; sister Kathleen of Centerville; brother Michael (Tamara) of Frisco, Texas; cherished goddaughter Mikaela; and nephew Connor Murphy from Easton. Diane's passion for life and love for her family and friends was endless, she was a true giver. She had a huge soft spot in her heart for animals and loved her kitty-cats, Teddie and Matti, very much. Her time on this earth was too short but those blessed to have known Diane will carry a part of her until we see her again in Heaven. A Celebration of Life is scheduled for Diane's family and close friends on Saturday, May 7th. The family would like to express our sincere thanks for your thoughts, prayers, and condolences. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Angel Animal Med Ctr. in Diane's name, she would love this.

#### O'ROURKE

Maureen (Flaherty) of Brighton, formerly of Leitir Móir,

Connemara, passed away in Ireland April 27, 2022. Maureen will be sadly missed and remembered with love by her family, her beloved husband Frank; daughter Susan; son Paul; daughter-in-law Kerry; son-in-law Peter; grandchildren Roisín, Ronan and Erin; brothers Gerard, Ciaran, Christopher and Colman; sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews, and other relatives. Visiting Hours at the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY, Friday, May 6th from 4-7pm. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at St. Columbkille Church, 321 Market St., Brighton, on Saturday, May 7th at 10:30am. Relatives and friends invited. Interment Evergreen Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123. For direcguestbook, and tions gormleyfuneral.com William J. Gormley Funeral Service 617-323-8600.

#### **PALTER**

Barbara Barbara (Leverant) Palter, age 94, passed away peacefully at home on Thursday, April 21, 2022. Beloved wife of the late Samuel Palter. Devoted mother of Mona, Gary, the late Susan Palter, and Lisa Krosnick and her late husband Steven. Cherished grandmother of Rebecca and Sarah Krosnick. Loving daughter of the late Sarah (Ritwe) and Joseph Leverant. Barbara loved her family, friends, reading, and all animals, especially dogs. Thank you to Dr. Leah Taffel of Boston Medical Center, all the nurses and staff of Hebrew SeniorLife Hospice, and the staff of Keren ZMHome Care for their support, compassion, and care. Special thank you to Sandra Avery for her many years of love, devotion, and care. Services and shiva will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations in Barbara's memory may be made to Hebrew SeniorLife Hospice Care, 80 Newbridge Way, Dedham, MA02026 Stanetsky Memorial Chapel 1668 Beacon Street, Brookline, MA.

#### **TUOHY**

Patricia A. of West Roxbury, passed away on April 27, 2022. Loving daughter of the late Michael Tuohy and Rose Agnes (McDermott) Tuohy. Sheis survived by cousins and many friends. Patsy graduated from Aquinas Junior College and became a legal secretary at the Law firm of Brown Rudnick Freed & Gesmer, where she worked for 40 years. She loved to travel to Ireland to visit her relatives and made countless trips overthe years to County Fermanagh and County Roscommon. Patsy was a longtime member of the Irish Social Club of Boston, the Irish Music Club, The Roscommon Association and the Irish Pastoral Society. Funeral from the William J. Gormley Funeral Home, 2055 Centre St., WEST ROXBURY. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery, West Roxbury. For directions and guestbook: gormleyfuneral.comWilliamJ.Gormlev Funeral Service 617-323-8600.



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At this time, the BPDA is continuing to host public meetings in a virtual setting for the health, safety, and accessibility of Boston residents. For more information and updates, visit bostonplans.org.

The information at this meeting is crucial to you as a Boston resident, and stakeholder. Interpreting services are available at no cost. If you require translation services, please contact quinn.w.valcich@ boston.gov. The meeting is scheduled for 05/19/2022. Please request interpreting services no later

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INFORMAL PROBATE SU22P0801EA PUBLICATION NOTICE

Estate of: Robert V. Sullivan **Suffolk Division** 

Date of Death: 12/13/2021

To all persons interested in the above captioned estate, by Petition of

Petitioner Shauna Sullivan Reilly of Darien, CT

Shauna Sullivan Reilly of Darien, CT

has been informally appointed as the Personal Representative of the estate to serve without surety on the bond.

The estate is being administered under informal procedure by the Personal Representative under the Massachusetts Uniform Probate Code without supervision by the Court. Inventory and accounts are not required to be filed with the Court, but interested parties are entitled to notice regarding the administration from the Personal Representative and can petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including distribution of assets and expenses of administration. Interested parties are entitled to petition the Court to institute formal proceedings and to obtain orders terminating or restricting the powers of Personal Representatives appointed under informal procedure. A copy of the Petition and Will, if any, can be obtained from the Petitioner.

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CITATION GIVING NOTICE OF PETITION TO EXPAND THE POWERS OF A GUARDIAN

DOCKET No. SU21P1805GD RESPONDENT **Incapacitated Person/Protected Person** 

In the Interests of: Thomas Wright of Allston, MA

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

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

Public Guardian Services, LLC of Braintree, MA

in the above captioned matter requesting that the court:

Expand the powers of a Guardian of the Respondent

The petition asks the court to make a determination that the powers of the Guardian and/or Conservator should be expanded, modified, or limited since the time of appointment. The original petition is on file with the court.

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#### IMPORTANT NOTICE

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Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court

Date: April 21, 2022

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate

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CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION

DOCKET SU22P0734EA

**Estate of: Kimberly Kim Eaton** Also known as: Kimberly K. Eaton Date of Death: 08/15/2021

**Suffolk Probate and Family Court** 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA. 02114 617-788-8300

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal **Representative** has been filed by

James N. Nunan of South Pasadena, CA

e and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that:

James N. Nunan of South Pasadena, CA

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 05/18/2022. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court

Date: April 27, 2022

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The Trial Court – Probate and Family Court Department

DIVORCE SUMMONS BY PUBLICATION AND MAILING Sophal Soth vs. Tharath Chea

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

Docket No. SU19D0620DR

To the Defendant: Tharath Chea

SUFFOLK Division

The Plaintiff has filed a Complaint for Divorce requesting that the Court grant a divorce for Irretrievable Breakdown of the Marriage.

The Complaint is on file at the Court.

An Automatic Restraining Order has been entered in this matter preventing you from taking any action which would negatively impact the current financial status of either party. SEE Supplemental Probate Court Rule 411.

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon: Thomas Stylianos, Jr., Law Office of Thomas Stylianos, 287 Appleton Street, #205, Lowell, MA 01852, your answer, if any, on or before 05/19/2022. If you fail to do so, the court will proceed to the hearing and adjudication of this action. You are also required to file a copy of your answer, if any, in the office of the Register of this Court.

Witness, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court March 1, 2022

Felix D. Arroyo, Register of Probate West Roxbury/Roslindale Bulletin: 05/05/2022

Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR SALE OF REAL ESTATE BY A

DOCKET No. SU19P1119EA

PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE

Suffolk Probate and Family Court Estate of: Marie Simmons

Date of Death: 06/27/2018

24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA. 02114 617-788-8300

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Sale of Real Estate has been filed by:

Lionel Pierre of Ocoee, FL

Requesting that the court authorize the Personal Representative to sell the decedent's real estate at public auction.

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court

Date: April 21, 2022

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts The Trial Court Probate and Family Court

CITATION ON PETITION FOR

DOCKET No. SU22P0032EA FORMAL ADJUDICATION

Estate of: Alice G. Jones Also known as: Alice Jones **Suffolk Probate and Family Court** 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 617-788-8300

Date of Death: 10/26/2020 To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by

Helena Tonge of Hyde Park, MA

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that:

Helena Tonge of Hyde Park, MA

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in an unsupervised administration.

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DOCKET No. SU22P0598EA

Date of Death: 02/03/2022

**Suffolk Probate and Family Court** 24 New Chardon Street Boston, MA 02114 (617) 788-8300

To all interested persons:

A Petition for Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative has been filed by

Paul A. Sullivan of Hudson, NH

requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that:

Paul A. Sullivan of Hudson, NH

be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before: 10:00 A.M on the return day of 06/09/2022. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an Affidavit of Objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you

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WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court

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