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>> HEY, COUNCILORS, SO IS TIM IS  
THE CAPTIONS SET?

TIM ARE YOU ALL SET?

>> I DOESN'T HAVE A MIC ON.

LOOKS LIKE HE'S IN THE ROOM AT  
LEAST.

>> OKAY, PERFECT.

>> TIM IS THE CAPTIONS TODAY.  
SO TIM ARE YOU ALL SET?

>> YES, THE CAPTIONER IS ALL  
SET.

CANDACE, THAT JUST PLAYED BACK  
TO ME.

JUST TRYING TO MAKE SURE THAT  
WE'RE LIVE.

CANDACE CAN YOU HEAR ME LIVE  
RIGHT NOW?

>> I CAN.

THE YOUTUBE WAS UP AND RUNNING  
BUT IT

TEST

TEST

LOOKS LIKE WE'RE ALL SET  
TO GO NOW.

>> OKAY WE ARE?

>> I THINK THAT'S WHY IT BOUNCED  
BACK IS BECAUSE OF THE YOUTUBE.  
IT SHOULD BE ALL SET NOW.

>> OKAY, PERFECT, WONDERFUL SO  
WE'RE READY TO GO THEN?

>> YES.

>> OKAY, GIVE ME ONE SECOND,  
JUST WANT TO MAKE A NOTE OF  
EVERYONE WHO'S JOINED US SO FAR.

OKAY GREAT, WE'RE READY TO GO.

I'M GOING TO GAVEL US IN.

[ GAVEL STRIKE ] CALLING THIS  
MEETING OF THE WAYS AND MEANS  
COMMITTEE OF THE BOSTON CITY  
COUNCIL TO ORDER FOR THE RECORD,  
MY NAME IS KENZIE BOCK, I'M THE  
DISTRICT 8 CITY COUNCILOR AND  
THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE.

I'M JOINED BY MY COLLEAGUES,  
JULIA MELISSA JONES, AT LARGE,  
ED FLINL DISTRICT 2, COUNCILOR  
KIM JANEY AND COUNCILOR ANNISSA  
ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

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1964.

SO THE COUNCIL'S BUDGETS REVIEW  
PROCESS THIS YEAR IS COMPRISED  
OF A COMBINATION COMBINATION OF  
PUBLIC HEARINGS AND COUNCILOR  
WORKING SESSIONS.

THESE COUNCILOR WORKING SESSIONS  
DO NOT HAVE A PUBLIC HEARING  
PROCESS.

A SET OF QUESTIONS FOR THE  
ADMINISTRATION SO WE CAN HAVE A  
MORE PRODUCTIVE OF CONVERSATION  
WHEN WE GET TO THE HEARING  
ITSELF.

BUT WE DEFINITELY ENCOURAGE  
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO TESTIFY  
IN OTHER WAYS SO CAN YOU USE A  
NUMBER OF OTHER WAYS.

ONE IS TEN OF OUR VIRTUAL  
HEARINGS, WE'LL TAKE THE  
TESTIMONY AT THE END OF THE  
HEARING AND WHEN YOU ARE CALLED  
WE ASK YOU TO STATE YOUR NAME  
AND AFFILIATION AND LIMITED YOUR  
COMMENTS TO A COUPLE OF MINUTES.  
YOU CAN FIND A ZOOM LINK IN THE  
PUBLIC NOTICES.

WE ALSO HAVE A DEDICATED PUBLIC  
HEARING THIS EVENING AT 6 P.M.  
WHERE WE'LL BE TAKING PUBLIC  
COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS ON THE  
BUDGET, TO HELP INFORM OUR  
SCRUTINY PROJECTS PROCESS OVER  
THE NEXT FEW MONTHS.

WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO ATTEND THAT.  
ALSO ON THE CITY COUNCIL WEBSITE  
A PAGE DEDICATED TO THE BUDGET  
AND HOW TO TESTIFY.

WE ENCOURAGE PEOPLE TO LOOK AT  
THAT.

OR CAN YOU E-MAIL  
CCC.WM@BOSTON.GOV.

VIDEOS SUBMITTED SUFFICIENTLY  
FAR IN ADVANCE WILL PLAY AT THE  
END OF THE PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR  
WHICH THEY'RE DESIGNATED.

THIS IS SOMETHING WE ANNOUNCED  
IN THE COUNCIL MEETING  
YESTERDAY, BUT THROUGHOUT THE  
SESSION, THE COUNCIL IS COMIPTED  
TO GETTING ANOTHER LANGUAGE,  
TRANSLATED INTO ENGLISH.

IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO DO THAT  
YOU'RE ABLE TO SPEAK IN YOUR OWN

LANGUAGE AND WE'LL MAKE A TRANSLATION HAPPEN.  
SO WE VERY MUCH HOPE FOR ALL OF YOUR VOICES IN THIS PROCESS.  
YOU CAN GO TO THE CITY COUNCIL'S BUDGET WEBSITE AT BOSTON.GOV/COUNCIL/FY 21 BUDGET.  
YOU EXAMINE TWEET US AT BOS BUDGET AS WELL.  
DOCKETS 0588 TO 0590, ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS, FOR POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS.  
0591 TO 0592, DOCKETS 0593 TO 0596, WHICH ARE ORDERS FOR THE CAPITAL BUDGET, INCLUDING LOAN ORDERS AND LEASE PURCHASE AGREEMENTS.  
TODAY WE'LL ACTUALLY BE FOCUSED MAINLY ON THE CAPITAL BUDGET WHICH IS THE SUBJECT OF OUR PUBLIC HEARING NEXT WEEK AND ALSO, TON PUBLIC FACILITIES DEPARTMENT WHICH CARRIES OUT MANY OF THOSE CAPITAL PROJECTS.  
AND THEN ON A HANDFUL OF MISCELLANEOUS REVOLVING FUNDS, TO ART AND CULTURE SPACE.  
BUT I THINK THE LION'S SHARE OF OUR FOCUS WILL BE ON THE CAPITAL BUDGET TODAY.  
FOR COUNCILORS TO KNOW.  
SO THE PLAN FOR THIS WORKING SESSION IS SORT OF AS FOLLOWS.  
WE'RE GOING TO START WITH PEOPLE'S QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS, THINGS THAT THEY WANT TO RAISE WITH THE ADMINISTRATION NEXT WEEK, ON THE CAPITAL BUDGET IN GENERAL AND SORT OF CITYWIDE CAPITAL ISSUES.  
AND THEN, ONCE WE DO A CYCLE OF THOSE, OF KINDS OF THE CITYWIDE THINGS, WE'LL THEN GO TO DISTRICT-SPECIFIC THINGS.  
BECAUSE I THINK THERE'S A BUNCH OF DISTRICT-SPECIFIC CAPITAL CONCERNS THAT COUNCILORS WANT TO RAISE.  
SO JUST IN ORDER TO KIND OF HELP HAVE THE GENERAL CONVERSATION BE A CONVERSATION THAT WE CAN ALL KIND OF PARTICIPATE IN, WE'LL START WITH THOSE ISSUES THAT YOU

WANT TO RAISE THAT ARE KIND OF  
EITHER IN AN ACROSS THE BOARD  
INVESTMENT QUESTION OR ABOUT HOW  
THE CAPITAL BUDGET ITSELF  
OPERATES.

THEN SO THAT'S KIND OF -- AND WE  
WILL -- AND THEN AFTER WE DO  
SORT OF GENERAL CAPITAL  
CONCERNS, DISTRICT LEVEL CAPITAL  
CONCERNS, WE'LL DO OTHE FFD  
DEPARTMENT AND THEN THE  
REVOLVING FUNDS.

AND I KNOW THAT SOME COUNCILORS  
WON'T BE ABLE TO STAY FOR THE  
WHOLE DURATION BUT OUR HOPE HERE  
IS TO MAKE SURE WE GET  
EVERYBODY'S QUESTIONS ON THE  
RECORD.

CENTRAL STAFF IS TAKING NOTES  
AND WE'RE DEFINITELY PLANNING TO  
USE THIS SESSION TO CREATE A  
FORMAL DOCUMENT THAT WE SEND  
OVER TO THE ADMINISTRATION AT  
THE END OF THE DAY.

SO WITH THAT, I THOUGHT THAT I  
WOULD START OUT WITH A FEW  
GENERAL CAPITAL QUESTIONS.  
AND THEN I'LL RECOGNIZE  
COLLEAGUES IN ORDER OF ARRIVAL  
ON THAT FRONT.

SO IN MY CAPACITY AS WAYS AND  
MEANS CHAIR ONE OF THE THINGS  
I'M PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN  
THIS YEAR, VIA VEE THE CAPITAL  
BUDGET IS THAT I MEAN WE PRETTY  
MUCH, WE KNOW RIGHT THAT WE ARE  
OURSELVES IN A RECESSION, AND  
THERE IS A LOT THE CITY LEVEL  
CAN'T DO ABOUT THAT.

THERE IS A LOT OF THE SORT OF  
BIG PICTURE STIMULUS THAT NEEDS  
TO COME FROM THE FEDERAL AND  
STATE LEVEL.

BUT OUR CAPITAL PROGRAM IS ONE  
CONCRETE WAY THAT WE CAN BOTH  
KEEP PROVIDING CRITICAL THINGS  
TO THE CITY OF BOSTON AND ALSO  
CREATE JOBS, CREATE ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT AND HELP IN A KIND  
OF COUNTERCYCLICAL WAY IF WE  
FIND OURSELVES IN A RECESSIONARY  
SITUATION.

SO I'M GLAD THAT THE  
ADMINISTRATION WHEN THEY WERE

REDUCING THE BUDGETS OVER THE LAST FEW WEEKS DID NOT REDUCE THE CAPITAL BUDGET AND THAT IT IS PROJECTED TO GO VERY CLOSE TO THAT 7% POLICY LINE WHICH FOR THOSE WATCHING AT HOME, THE CITY HAS A POLICY LIMIT OF TRYING TO MAKE SURE THAT DEBT SERVICE WHICH IS THE INTEREST THAT WE PAY ON THE DEBT THAT WE BORROW TO DO BIG CAPITAL PROJECTS DOESN'T GO ABOVE 7% OF THE OPERATING BUDGET BECAUSE WE DON'T WANT IT TO CROWD OUT LOTS OF OTHER THINGS.

BUT IT MAKES SENSE IN THIS CASE TO HAVE A BIG CAPITAL BUDGET WHICH MEANS YOU WANT TO GET AS CLOSE TO THAT LINE AS YOU POSSIBLY CAN.

MY QUESTION FOR THE ADMINISTRATION IS FIRSTLY HOW CLOSELY HAS OUR ACTUAL YEAR BY YEAR CAPITAL BUDGET TRACKED THE BUDGET OVER THE PAST FEW YEARS, I MEAN THAT SPECIFICALLY OVERALL DOLLARS SPENT.

ONE OF THE THINGS I'M WONDERING I KNOW IT'S HARD TO GET MONEY OUT OF THE DOOR AND THAT MAY BE ESPECIALLY TRUE IN THIS ECONOMY AND IT'S ALSO ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT TO DO IT QUICKLY IF WE WANT TO HAVE THAT COUNTERCYCLICAL EFFECT.

I WANT TO KNOW WHAT STEPS THE ADMINISTRATION IS THINKING ON THAT STEP, DO WE OBVIOUSLY THE CITY COUNCIL IS GIVING THE ADMINISTRATION BORROWING AUTHORIZATION WHERE WE VOTE ON THE CAPITAL BUDGET IN JUNE.

BUT JUST WANT TO UNDERSTAND WHAT THE -- HOW CLOSE TO THE ACTUAL START OF PROJECTS THAT DETECTIVE GETS ENGAGED AND HOW WE SHOULD THINK ABOUT THE FACT THAT THINGS AREN'T GETTING BUILT RIGHT NOW. AND THERE COULD BE MONTHS OF FY 21 WHEN WE'RE NOT REALLY BUILDING.

SO HOW IS THAT GOING TO AFFECT OUR CAPITAL DOLLARS SPENT AND THEREFORE THE DEBT SERVICE.

SHOULD WE BE APPROVING MORE ABOVE THE POLICY LIMIT, IS THERE A CERTAIN PERCENTAGE THAT IS NOT GOING TO HAPPEN SO JUST WOULD REALLY LIKE TO UNDERSTAND THAT. AND I'M ALSO INTERESTED IN SORT OF A BUNCH OF OUR CAPITAL PROJECTS ARE DEPENDENT ON STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDS. WOULD BE INTERESTED IN A BREAKDOWN OF WHAT PORTION OF THOSE FUNDS ARE SORT OF FIRMLY COMMITTED AND WHAT PORTION OF THOSE FUNDS ARE WE WORRIED ABOUT BEING VULNERABLE IN THIS MOMENT. SO THAT'S THE SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY, OTHER FEDERAL AND STATE PROGRAMS. AND SIMILARLY IN TERMS OF MONEY COMING FROM OUR TRANSPORTATION, INFRASTRUCTURE ENHANCEMENT FUND WHICH IS BASED ON RIDE SHARE APP FEES, TO WHAT EXTENT ARE THOSE -- IS THAT LOOKING BACKWARDS OR HOW IS THAT GOING TO BE IMPACTED BY THE STEEP DROP IN RIDES DO DURN QUARANTINE? SO THOSE ARE SOME STRUCTURAL QUESTIONS FROM ME. ON A FEW CITYWIDE SPECIFIC THINGS. IF RENEW BOSTON TRUST AND THE ESCO I JUST REALLY WANT TO ASK HOW WE'RE STRUCTURING THOSE AND MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE STRUCTURING THEM IN WAYS THAT HELP THE CITY SAVE MONEY REGARDLESS THE CHANGE IN THE ENERGY MARKET. I PREVIOUSLY WORKED AT THE HOUSING AUTHORITY AND THE HOUSING AUTHORITY HAD A SERIES OF ESCOS AND DID NOT ANTICIPATE THAT WE WOULD START FRACKING IN THIS COUNTRY AND NATURAL GAS AVAILABILITY WOULD REALLY RISE AND PRICES WOULD PLUMMET SO THE ES CROMPLET WAS NOT WELL STRUCTURED FOR THAT. I THINK IN OTHER WAYS WE ARE SEEING UNANTICIPATED ECONOMIC SITUATION RIGHT NOW. SO JUST WANTED TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE STRUCTURING OUR ESCOS IN WAYS THAT LEARN FROM THE FIRST

GENERATION OF THOSE AND MAKE SURE THAT THE CITY WILL REALLY REALIZE FINANCIAL SAVINGS FROM ENERGY SAVINGS REGARDLESS OF THE WAY THE WAYS THE ENERGY MARKETS MOVE.

AND THEN THRILLED TO SEE THE INVESTMENT CITYWIDE IN STREET TREES.

AND URBAN FORESTRY ALL THE OPERATIONAL ASPECTS THERE.

WOULD LIKE TO UNDERSTAND WHEN THAT DOUBLING IS REALLY GOING TO HIT, IS THAT SOMETHING THAT CAN GET ROLLED OUT IN THE FALL.

WILL THAT OPEN -- LEAD TO OPENING A NUMBER OF STREET TREE PITS?

WILL THE BUILD BPS RESERVE THE MONEY THAT HASN'T BEEN ALLOCATED YET, I'D JUST LIKE TO

UNDERSTAND, THIS IS A QUESTION I'M HAPPY TO HAVE DEFERRED TO THE BUILD B.P.S. HEARING BUT WHAT THE TIME LINE ON THAT IS, BECAUSE I KNOW CERTAINLY IN MY DISTRICT THERE ARE PROJECTS WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN HAVING IN THAT MIX.

SO UNDERSTAND WHAT'S THE BUILD B.P.S. SORT OF RESERVE DECISION MAKING LOOK LIKE BETWEEN THE CITY BUDGET DEPARTMENT AND THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT AND AT WHAT POINT CAN COUNCILORS PROCLAIM THAT CONVERSATION.

SO THOSE ARE A SERIES OF GENERAL BUDGET QUESTIONS.

GENERAL CAPITAL BUDGET QUESTIONS FROM ME.

I NEXT WANT TO RECOGNIZE IF I CAN FIND MY -- FIRST I KNOW WHO IS FIRST?

I WANT TO RECOGNIZE COUNCILOR MELISSA JONES FOR ANY -- WELL COUNCILOR MEJIA IS AT LARGE, ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CAPITAL BUDGET STRUCTURALLY OR KIND OF CITYWIDE QUESTIONS.

AND SIMILAR TO THE DISTRICT COUNCILORS, I'LL ASK THE AT LARGE COUNCILORS IF YOUR QUESTION IS SUPERSPECIFIC, YOU HAVE A PROJECT IN A GIVEN PLACE

TO SAVE THAT FOR THE SECOND ROUND.

SO COUNCILOR MEJIA.

>> YES, THANK YOU CHAIRWOMAN BOCK.

I AM STILL HAVING SOME TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES SO CAN YOU COME BACK TO ME PLEASE BECAUSE I NEED TO LOG ON ON MY COMPUTER NOT ON MY PHONE.

>> YES, ABSOLUTELY, WE'LL COME BACK TO YOU.

CAN COIRNLD MICHAEL FLAHERTY, ALSO AT LARGE.

>> PARTLY SPECIFIC AS IT PERTAINS TO THE EAST EAGLE SHORELINE, ONE SPECIFIC WANT SOME SPECIFICS ON THE SHORELINE STABILIZATION AND CITY HALL PLAZA WANT TO KNOW WHEN PHASE 4 WILL BEGIN, AND OPERATIONS CENTER, AND ASK THROUGH THE CHAIR IF IT'S POSSIBLE WHERE FOLKS CAN MAYBE BRING IN LIKE A SCHEMATIC OR THEY CAN PUT SOMETHING UP ON THE SCREEN, TO BE ABLE TO JUST IN CASE, PARTICULARLY MORE FOR OUR DISTRICT COLLEAGUES, IF A DISTRICT COUNCILOR HAS A VERY SPECIFIC QUESTION AS TO SORT OF HEY LIKE FOR EXAMPLE, EAST EAGLE STREET SHORELINE, YOU KNOW WHAT DOES SHORELINE STABILIZATION MEAN, CAN THEY SHOW US A PICTURE OF WHAT THEY'RE LOOKING TO DO, THAT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL. BUT AGAIN THAT MIGHT BE MORE OF ASKING MY DISTRICT COLLEAGUES IF THEY HAVE ANY PROJECT IN THEIR COMMUNITY THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO SORT OF SEE A SCHEMATIC, HAVE FOLKS PUT IT UP ON THE SCREEN. OTHER THAN THAT, THOSE ARE SORT OF THE THREE SORT OF BASIC QUESTIONS I HAVE WITH RESPECT TO CAPITAL.

AND WHEN YOU AND I MET I'M HERE TO SUPPORT MY DISTRICT COLLEAGUES IF THERE'S A CAPITAL PROJECT IN THEIR COMMUNITY THAT THEY'RE FIGHTING FOR, CONSIDER ME AN ALLY.

>> GREAT, THANK YOU COUNCILOR



FLAHERTY.

ONE OF THE BENEFITS DOING THIS AHEAD SHOULD BE THAT IF PEOPLE HAVE PARTICULAR QUESTIONS THAT THE ADMINISTRATION IS ABLE TO BRING THE KIND OF BACKING AND INFORMATION TO ANSWER THEM SPECIFICALLY, AND I'LL SAY THAT LIKE THAT MY OFFICE SORT OF OPERATING ON BEHALF OF THE COMMITTEE, WHILE WE'LL BE COMFORTABLE WITH THE IDEA THAT THERE MAY BE A FEW OF THESE QUESTIONS THAT COME UP IN CAPITAL THAT ARE BETTER ADDRESSED IN CERTAIN DEPARTMENTAL HEARINGS, FOR INSTANCE IF MY STREET TREES QUESTION NEEDS TO BE ADDRESSED BY ENVIRONMENT OR PARKS, BUT IT'S GOING TO BE REALLY IMPORTANT TO US THAT THEY ALL GET ADDRESSED AND IF THEY'RE NOT ANSWERED IN THE CAPITAL HEARING THAT THERE IS A SPECIFIC TIME WHEN THEY WILL BE ADDRESSED IN THE HEARING.

THANK YOU OF COUNCILOR FLAHERTY.  
COUNCILOR BREADON.

>> GOOD MORNING.

I HAD -- I HAVE A RANGE OF QUESTIONS.

WE HAVE HAD AN EXTENSIVE COMMUNITY PROCESS WITH REGARD TO ALSTON BRIGHTON MOBILITY STUDY, LOOKING AT PEDESTRIAN BICYCLE STRUCTURE.

I WAS WONDERING HOW THE CAPITAL PLAN WILL REFLECT SOME OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THAT ALSTON BRIGHTON MOBILITY STUDY WHICH HAS BEEN ONGOING FOR 18 MONTHS. AND LET'S SEE, WHAT ELSE.

AGAIN, I'M PROBABLY GOING TO HAVE SOME QUESTIONS AROUND THE SPECIFIC PLANS IN RELATION TO THE JACKSON-MANN SCHOOL STUDY AND THE HORACE MANN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.

HOW THAT PROCESS, WHEN IT WILL START AND WHAT SORT OF LEVEL OF COMMUNITY INPUT WILL THERE BE INTO THAT PROCESS.

HAD ALSO, WONDERING IF THERE

WILL BE ANY IMPACTS ON THE PLAN TO NATHANIEL BRANCH LIBRARY. THESE ARE REALLY SPECIFIC TO THE DISTRICTS.

YOU KNOW WITH THE CHANGE IN ECONOMIC SITUATION, WILL A PLAN THAT HAS BEEN PUT ON THE TICKET FROM LAST YEAR, LIKE THE FANEUIL BRANCH LIBRARY IMPROVEMENTS, WILL THAT STILL HOLD AND IS THAT FINANCIAL COMMITMENT STILL THERE?

THAT MIGHT BE ALL FOR ME RIGHT NOW.

I'M SURE I'LL HAVE MORE QUESTIONS AS WE GO THROUGH.

>> GREAT, THANK YOU, COUNCILOR BREADON.

I JUST WANTED TO RUN THROUGH JUST GENERAL CITYWIDE QUESTIONS FIRST HERE.

BUT AS SOON AS WE GET THROUGH THAT WE'LL BE GOING BACK TO THE SPECIFIC ONES.

SO I PROMISE YOU PEOPLE WE ARE GETTING THERE ASAP.

>> NO WORRIES.

>> ALL RIGHT.

.COUNSELOR FLYNN.

>> THANK YOU, THANK YOU, COUNCILOR BOK.

APPRECIATE YOUR LEADERSHIP ON THIS HEARING AND AS WAYS AND MEANS CHAIR.

I KNOW THIS FIRST SESSION IS MORE ON CITYWIDE, BUDGET RELATED ISSUES.

SO I'LL KEEP MY SPECIFIC COMMENTS FOR THE NEXT SESSION. BUT ONE QUESTION I'D LIKE TO ASK IS, YOU KNOW, WHAT IMPACT THE -- THIS PANDEMIC HAS ON OUR CAPITAL BUDGET, ESPECIALLY OUR CAPITAL BUDGET AS WE GO NEXT YEAR AND THE YEAR AFTER.

REVENUE IS NOT GOING TO BE COMING IN.

ARE WE PROJECTING WHAT OUR REVENUE STREAM IS AND WHAT DECLINE THAT WILL BE IS AND IF THE IT'S A CERTAIN PERCENTAGE OF A DECLINE, WHAT IMPACT DOES THAT HAVE ON CAPITAL PROJECTS ALREADY SCHEDULED IN THE PIPELINE, OR

JUST PROJECTS THAT MIGHT START  
THIS FISCAL YEAR?

THAT'S ONE ONE QUESTION.

AND IF THAT IS THE CASE, WROTE  
THERE BE SERVICES THAT WOULD BE  
CUT -- WOULD THERE BE SERVICES  
THAT WOULD BE CUT TO SHIFT THAT  
FUNDS -- SHIFT THOSE FUNDS OVER  
TO ANOTHER SECTION OF THE  
BUDGET, TO THE CAPITAL BUDGET,  
OR WHAT ELSE IS THERE TO DO,  
WHAT ELSE COULD WE DO AS A CITY  
TO MAKE SURE THAT THOSE FUNDS  
THAT ARE ALLOCATED TO THE  
CAPITAL BUDGET REMAIN THERE, YOU  
KNOW ARE WE LOOKING AT DIFFERENT  
REVENUE STREAMS THAT THE CITY  
COULD CONSIDER?

I KNOW SOME OF IT WOULD HAVE TO  
BE APPROVED AT THE STATE LEVEL.  
BUT IS THAT SOMETHING THEE ARE  
CONSIDERING?

-- WE ARE CONSIDERING?

I ALSO WOULD LIKE TO KNOW AS  
THIS RECESSION CONTINUES, WHAT  
IMPACT DOES THAT HAVE ON THE  
COMPANIES IN BOSTON THAT ARE  
LAYING OFF WORKERS THAT MAY HAVE  
HAD A TAX BREAK OR TAX NERVE  
FROM THE STATE OR CITY -- TAX  
INCENTIVE FROM THE CITY IF THEY  
WERE TO DOWNSIZE OR LEAVE, WHAT  
IMPACT WOULD THAT HAVE ON OUR  
CAPITAL BUDGET, ON OUR CITY  
BUDGET AND ARE WE ENCOURAGING  
COMPANIES NOW, KNOWING THAT  
THEY'RE A KEY PART OF THE FUTURE  
OF BOSTON, ARE WE ENCOURAGE  
OINGS THEM TO BE MORE SUPPORTIVE  
OF THE CITY, MAYBE IN TERMS OF  
REVENUE?

SO THAT WE CAN CONTINUE TO HAVE  
AN EDUCATED WORKFORCE COMING  
FROM THE B.P.S, SO THEY CAN GET  
THESE JOBS, ABOUT THE WHAT ROLE  
WOULD THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY  
HAVE IN HELPING US GOING FORWARD  
ON CAPITAL PROJECT THAT WOULD BE  
BENEFICIAL TO THEIR COMPANY BUT  
ALSO TO THE RESIDENTS OF BOSTON?  
SO LIKE COUNCILOR BREADON, MY  
QUESTIONS REALLY REVOLVE AROUND  
THE RECESSION WE'RE IN, WHAT  
IMPACT WILL THAT HAVE ON THE

CAPITAL BUDGET, ON THE CITY  
BUDGET?

I THINK IT'S CRITICAL TO KNOW  
THOSE ANSWERS AS WE GO FORWARD.  
AND LIKE YOU, COUNCILOR BOK, I  
KNOW YOU KNOW PUBLIC EDUCATION,  
THERE'S NOT A PUBLIC SCHOOL  
YOU'VE HIGHLIGHTED, THERE'S NOT  
A PUBLIC SCHOOL IN YOUR  
DISTRICT, THAT'S A CRITICAL  
ISSUE THAT I CERTAINLY -- WOULD  
CERTAINLY SUPPORT.

I KNOW OUR DISTRICTS BORDER EACH  
OTHER.

BUT ALSO, FOR OTHER  
NEIGHBORHOODS THAT DON'T HAVE  
THE CITY RESOURCES IN THEM SUCH  
AS THE DOWNTOWN AREA, THE SOUTH  
BOSTON WATER FRONT, AREAS OF THE  
SOUTH END OR ROXBURY, YOU KNOW,  
WHAT TYPE OF CAPITAL PROJECTS  
ASK CAN WE INVEST IN SUCH AS WE  
DON'T HAVE A POLICE STATION OR  
FIRE STATION EMC DOWN THE SOUTH  
BOSTON WATERFRONT.

THOSE ARE THE TYPE OF PROJECTS  
I'M ALSO INTERESTED IN LEARNING  
MORE ABOUT AS WE GO FORBID.  
SO THANK YOU, COUNCILOR BOK.

>> GREAT, THANK YOU, COUNSELOR  
FLYNN.

COUNCILOR JANEY.

MADAM COUNCIL PRESIDENTIAL ARE  
YOU THERE?

>> HOW ARE YOU?

THANK YOU CHAIRWOMAN BOK.  
I'M ALSO INTERESTED IN THE CAN  
IMPACT OF COVID AND HOW THAT  
IMPACTS THE CAPITAL BUDGET, AS  
WELL AS TIME LINE.

AND I'M WONDERING, TOO, HOW THIS  
IMPACTS THE FEDERAL MONEY COMING  
IN FROM THE STATE, THROUGH THE  
STATE, HOW ALL OF THAT TIES  
TOGETHER.

SO THOSE ARE MY GENERAL  
QUESTIONS.

OBVIOUSLY, I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS  
RELATED TO SOME SPECIFIC  
PROJECTS.

BUT I GET THE SENSE YOU WANT TO  
HOLD OFF AND WAIT OFTEN THOSE.

>> YES, WE'RE JUST DOING GENERAL  
QUESTIONS AND THEN WE'LL GO

STRAIGHT TO PROJECTS.

>> I WOULD BE INTERESTED IN KNOWING HOW THE COVID ISSUE IS IMPACTING THE PROJECTS AS WELL AS THE ACTUAL BUDGET.

OARE WE SEEING -- DO WE HAVE TO DEDICATE LESS MONEY FROM THE CITY, SINCE WE ARE GETTING FEDERAL RESOURCES AND WHAT IS HAPPENING, HOW ALL THE PIECES ARE COMING TOGETHER.

SO THOSE OARE KIND OF MY GENERAL QUESTIONS, JUST UNDERSTANDING THE IMPACT ON THE CAPITAL BUDGET IN TERMS OF DOLLARS AND TIME LINE AND WHAT THIS ALL MEANS IN TERMS OF THE FEDERAL OR STATE RESOURCES.

ACCOMMODATION INTO THE CITY. THANK YOU -- COMING INTO THE CITY.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH.

COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

>> THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR.

THIS IS AN INTERESTING WAY TO DO THIS AND HOPEFULLY IT IS HELPFUL FOR THE HEARINGS GOING FORWARD. SO A LOT OF MY INTERESTS ARE, I'M GOING TO TRY TO KEEP THEM TO A VERY SPECIFIC CITYWIDE IMPACT. BUT PLACES AND THINGS THAT I'LL HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT THROUGH THE CAPITAL PROJECT WILL EITHER COME I THINK THROUGH TOMORROW'S HEARING, OR THE -- I'M SORRY NEXT WEEK'S HEARING ON THE CAPITAL BUDGET OR MAY BE DEFERRED I THINK FOR SPECIFIC DEPARTMENTS.

DEVELOPING A FEASIBILITY STUDY AROUND NEW CRIME LAB FOR BPD WHICH CERTAINLY HAS A CITYWIDE IMPACT.

I THINK I'D LIKE TO HEAR ABOUT THAT.

I DON'T KNOW WHETHER THAT'S BETTER PLACED IN THE CONVERSATION WITH BOSTON POLICE AND THEIR BUDGET.

I CERTAINLY HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT BUILD B.P.S, THAT I BROUGHT UP THE OTHER DAY DURING ONE OF THE TWO B.P.S. HEARINGS AROUND A -- NOT A PHASE 2 OF THE CURRENT CAN

BUILD B.P.S. BUT FUTURE  
INVESTMENT AND REBUILDING AND  
BUILDING OUR SCHOOL DISTRICT.  
THE LONG ISLAND BRIDGE AND THE  
WORK AROUND A RECOVERY CAMPUS,  
WHERE DOES THAT STAND, BOTH IN  
THE PERMANENT PROCESS AND I  
THINK WE MAY HEAR ABOUT THAT  
TOMORROW.  
BUT THE PERMANENT PROCESS AND  
OUR ABILITY TO INVEST IN THAT  
FOR THE LONG TERM.  
AGAIN, CERTAINLY HAS NOT JUST A  
CITYWIDE IMPACT BUT A REGIONAL  
IMPACT BEYOND -- BEYOND THE  
CITY'S BORDERS.  
AND RELATED TO THAT, ALTHOUGH  
NOT EXCLUSIVELY, OUR WORK AROUND  
OUR INVESTMENTS IN THE HOMELESS  
SHELTERS, BOTH WOODS MULLEN FOR  
WOMEN AND THE SHELTER FOR MEN.  
INVESTMENT IN WHAT'S HAPPENING  
THERE OPERATIONALLY.  
AND WOULD THERE BE OR COULD  
THERE ANY DOLLARS DO INVEST  
IN BOTH OF THOSE SHELTERS IN  
PARTICULAR, ALTHOUGH WE KNOW  
SOME FEDERAL AND STATE FUNDS  
HAVE BEEN INVESTED IN SOME OF  
THE PRIVATELY OPERATED SHELTERS,  
COULD THERE BE DESTINY  
OPPORTUNITY FOR REAL CAPITAL  
IMPROVEMENT IN THOSE SHELTERS  
THAT WAY.  
THERE'S ALSO SOME QUESTIONS  
AROUND ALSO PROBABLY ONE OF THE  
PUBLIC SAFETY OR THE FIRE  
HEARING AROUND SOME OF THE  
INVESTMENT CITYWIDE TO OUR FIRE  
DEPARTMENT, AND SOME OF SORT OF  
THE LONGER STANDING OR LARGER  
REACHING INVESTMENTS IN SOME OF  
OUR COASTLINE PROTECTIONS.  
COUNCILOR FLAHERTY BROUGHT UP I  
THINK A PORTION OF EAST BOSTON  
BUT REALLY HOW ARE WE LOOKING AT  
THE ENTIRE COASTLINE BUT ALSO  
WHERE OUR INVESTMENT'S GOING TO  
HAPPEN, AND I THINK THAT THEY'RE  
CERTAINLY THROUGH THE CAPITAL  
BUDGET WHEREBY ALL THOSE HAPPEN  
ACROSS THE CITY.  
BECAUSE WE KNOW THROUGH  
COUNCILOR WU'S WORK AND

COUNCILOR O'MALLEY'S WORK, THERE IS SOME OPPORTUNITY THERE FOR SOME SIGNIFICANT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS THERE.

BUT GENERALLY I THINK HOW WE ALL FEEL AND A GREAT DEAL OF OUR QUESTIONS WILL BE RELATED TO THE IMPACT OF COVID-19, ON OUR CITY AND WHETHER OR NOT THIS PANDEMIC, WHAT IS THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PANDEMIC ON LONGER TERM PLANNING AND INVESTMENT IN OUR CITY.

SO I THINK THAT THAT'S SORT OF GENERAL ENOUGH.

ALTHOUGH IT'S NOT THE LIMIT TO THE QUESTIONS I'D HAVE FOR THAT HEARING.

BUT MORE TO COME, FOR SURE. AND I'LL WRAP UP FOR ME NOW. THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

>> GREAT, THANK YOU SO MUCH COUNCILOR.

AND OBVIOUSLY WHEN WE DO THE NEXT ROUND AT LARGE COUNCILORS CAN RAISE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS. COUNCILOR BAKER FROM DISTRICT 3, ARE COUNCILOR O'MALLEY, WE'RE BASICALLY JUST DOING A QUICK ROUND OF QUESTIONS THAT PEOPLE HAVE THAT ARE RELEVANT TO EITHER THE STRUCTURE OF THE CAPITAL BUDGET OR SORT OF CITYWIDE ISSUES AND THEN AS SOON AS WE'RE DONE WITH THAT WE'LL CIRCLE BACK AND START DOING THE KIND OF PROJECT RELATED SPECIFIC QUESTIONS THAT PEOPLE WANT TO RAISE TO THE ADMINISTRATION. SO IN THIS FIRST ROUND, IF YOU CAN SAY FOCUSED ON THE GENERAL OVERALL STUFF THAT WOULD BE GREAT.

COUNCILOR BAKER.

>> THANK YOU, CHAIRWOMAN.

SIMILAR TO COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE, I THINK I'D LIKE TO HEAR ON THE DISCUSSION OF WHAT'S GOING ON WITH LONG ISLAND.

HOW FAR OUT DOES THIS PANDEMIC, HOW DOES THIS PANDEMIC AFFECTING TIME LINE ON THAT, BECAUSE AS WE ALL KNOW, IT'S CRUCIAL IN

HELPING TO HEAL OUR POPULATIONS  
IN BOSTON.

I'D ALSO LIKE TO JUST KIND OF  
GET A SENSE OF WHERE THE  
ADMINISTRATION IS IN THE CAPITAL  
BUDGET.

THESE CAPITAL PLANS THAT ARE --  
THESE PROJECTS THAT ARE  
HAPPENING NOW GETTING READY TO  
FINISH OR ARE ALREADY IN THE  
GROUND, WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN  
WITH THE PROJECTS THAT ARE THREE  
YEARS OUT THAT ARE SLATED TO  
START IN THREE YEARS?

DOES THAT MEAN LIKE SAY IN  
DISTRICT 3 IF SOMETHING'S  
GETTING READY TO START IN TWO  
AND A HALF YEARS OR THREE YEARS,  
DO I NOW EXPECT THAT TO BE FOUR  
YEARS, FIVE YEARS, IF WE COULD  
KIND OF GET A SENSE AROUND THAT.  
AND LIKE MOST OTHER PEOPLE, IT'S  
JUST TO SEE HOW OUR BUDGET'S  
GOING TO REACT WITH THE COVID  
PANDEMIC HAPPENING.

THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

>> GREAT, THANK YOU SO MUCH  
COUNCILOR.

COUNCILOR MATT O'MALLEY.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

I WANT TO ECHO WHAT EVERYONE  
SAYS, AS WE KNOW THE CAPITAL  
BUDGET IS OFTEN OVER A FIVE YEAR  
PERIOD SO MANY OF THESE PROJECTS  
BEGIN AS A STUDY OR AS SOME  
PRELIMINARY WORK AND THEN AS THE  
YEARS PROGRESS, MORE MONEY IS  
ALLOCATED.

OBVIOUSLY I THINK THE BIGGEST  
CONCERN THAT WE ALL HAVE AS HAS  
BEEN ARTICULATED ALMOST TO A  
PERSON, IS THAT WHAT IS GOING TO  
HAPPEN IF WE'VE GOT A MORE  
ROBUST BUDGET, WITH INCREASE IDED  
RESOURCES THIS YEAR AND GIVEN  
LIKELY FINANCIAL IMPACTS  
DRAMATICALLY IMPACTFUL, THE  
BUDGET IMPACTS GOING FORWARD  
OWHAT THAT MEANS FOR A PROJECT  
THAT MAY BEGIN IN FISCAL YEAR 21  
OR 22 AND GOING ON FORWARD.  
SO THAT'S IT.

SIMILARLY I WANT TO ECHO THE  
ISSUES RAISED BUY NUMBER OF



COUNCILORS PARTICULARLY ANNISSA AND FRANK AS IT RELATES TO LONG ISLAND BRIDGE.  
WHILE IT'S A CAPITAL PROJECT IT IS ALSO A CITY ONE.  
ALSO THE CAPITAL PROJECTS OFTEN ARE THE MOST -- THE MOST VIGOROUSLY DEBATE PORTIONS OF THE BUDGETARY.  
OTHER THAN BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS BUDGET IT IS TYPICALLY WHERE WE HEAR THE MOST FROM OUR CONSTITUENTS.  
SO HOW DO WE BOTH BALANCE, YOU KNOW, WHAT THE CHANGING ECONOMIC LANDSCAPE IS GOING TO LOOK LIKE WHILE AT THE SAME TIME RECOGNIZING THAT WE HAVE TO, OBVIOUSLY, ALL INVEST IN PARKS PLAYGROUNDS LIBRARIES ET CETERA. I WOULD ASK IF I COULD MAKE ONE QUICK PITCH.  
I'M GOING TO TRY TO GO TO E - 13 SHORTLY IN MY DISTRICT WHERE THE DRIVE BY FOR OFFICER RAMIREZ HAPPENED.  
DID I COULD MAKE ONE PITCH, I KNOW SOME OF MY COLLEAGUES WILL TOO, MY CHIEF PRIORITY -- SORRY ABOUT THAT MY PHONE JUST RANG, WEST ROXBURY, I'M GOING TO RECOGNIZE THE FACT THAT IT'S A LOCATION THAT HAS BEEN, IS WELL USED CONSTANTLY.  
WE HAVE NOT SEEN A FULL RENOVATION.  
IT IS SOMETHING THAT I WILL CONTINUE TO PUSH FOR AND IS REALITY THE LARGEST FOCUS OF CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR ME -- OF CAPITAL PROJECTS FOR ME THIS BUDGET CYCLE, WEST ROXBURY, KIDS FROM SOUTH BOSTON UTILIZE IT. THE NUMBER OF SPORTS LEAGUES ARE THERE.  
WE'VE SEEN SO MANY VOLUNTEERS REALLY ADOPT IT, BUT IT IS HIGH TIME THAT WE FOLLOW WHAT SO MANY OTHER FIELDS HAVE, A FULL RENOVATION.  
AN EMBRACE IT.  
I BELIEVE MOST OF US ARE FAMILIAR WITH THE TALKS ABOUT HOW POPULATIONS HAVE CHANGED IN

THE CITY OF BOSTON.

YOU HAVEN'T SEEN TOO MANY,  
INCREASE IN 6% INCREASE, IN WEST  
ROXBURY THERE'S BEEN A 16%  
INCREASE.

WE LEAD THE CITY BY A DRAMATIC  
NUMBER SO WE REALLY NEED TO  
INVEST IN BILLINGS FIELD, IT IS  
MY NUMBER ONE PRIORITY AND HOPE  
THAT WE CAN ALL SUPPORT IT  
AGAIN.

IT'S IN DISTRICT 6 BUT CHILDREN  
AND YOUNG PEOPLE FROM ALL OVER  
THE CITY USE IT.

IT IS HIGH TIME WE INVEST ON IT  
PROPERLY.

THANK YOU FOR ALLOWING ME TO GO  
OFF TOPIC MADAM CHAIR.

>> THANK YOU COUNCILOR FOR THAT.  
IF YOU AND YOUR STAFF WANT TO  
SEND FURTHER QUESTIONS ALONG  
ABOUT DISTRICT 6, IF YOU HAVE TO  
GO WE'RE HAPPY TO ADD IT TO THE  
WORKING LIST.

>> I'LL BE HAPPY TO DO THAT,  
MADAM CHAIR.

>> THANKS, COUNCILOR MICHELLE WU  
AND THIN JULIA MEJIA AND THEN  
BACK AT THE TOP.

>> I'M SORRY I POPPED IN A  
LITTLE BIT LATE SO I'M SURE SOME  
OF THIS HAS ALREADY BEEN  
ADDRESSED.

I THINK I CAME IN TOWARDS THE  
INDEPENDENT OF ANNISSA'S  
COMMENTS ABOUT AND ECHO A LOT OF  
THE SAME QUESTIONS ON HOW THE --  
ACTUALLY MAYBE -- ANYWAY I CAN'T  
REMEMBER WHERE I CAME IN.

BUT I AGREE THAT TO UNDERSTAND  
HOW COVID IMPACTS, THE ECONOMIC  
IMPACTS OF COVID, THEN MOVE INTO  
THE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMMING.

I DON'T WANT TO GIVE UP OUR  
CLIMATE SORT OF INTERSECTION  
ABOUT HOW WE'RE THINKING ABOUT  
NEW BUILDINGS, HOW ENERGY  
EFFICIENT THEY MAY BE.

THE CITY'S PUSH TO MOVE TOWARDS  
100% RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCING  
JUST ON OUR MUNICIPAL FOOTPRINT,  
WHERE ARE THE PLANS FOR THAT THAT.  
WE HAD GOT AN COUPLE OF COST  
ESTIMATES ON A HEARING THAT

MICHAEL AND NAT AND I HOSTED, IT MUST HAVE BEEN A YEAR, TWO YEARS AGO, WHERE THE ADMINISTRATION GAVE SPECIFIC NUMBERS FOR WHAT IT WOULD COST TO MOVE TO 100% RENEWABLES THROUGH CREDITS VERSUS INSTALLING SOME SOLAR PANELS THROUGH GOING TO ALL IN SORT OF A MORE SCALED UP VERSION AND JUST WANT TO KNOW HOW THAT FITS WITH THIS ESPECIALLY SINCE WE ARE SEEING THAT OUR EMISSION IS TARGETS OF HITTING THOSE GOALS ARE DIRECTLY IMPACTING PEOPLE'S SUSCEPTIBILITY TO COVID AND HOW HARD IT IS HITTING THEM. WE WOULD WANT TO KNOW ABOUT HOW OUR BUILD B.P.S. PLAN IS NOW ON TRACK OR NOT ON TRACK, WHAT'S THE LATEST IN TERMS OF FACILITIES ON THAT END, AND WHETHER THERE ARE MORE BUILDINGS BEING ADDED TO IT.

AGAIN GIVEN HOW URGENT THE LEGALITY IMPACTS ARE AND THE HEALTH AND SAFETY CONDITIONS IN EACH OF OUR BUILDINGS WHERE SO MANY YOUNG PEOPLE AND OUR STAFF ARE SPENDING ALL OF THEIR TIME. AND JUST IN GENERAL IT WOULD BE GOOD TO GET BACK TO BASICS ON THE CAPITAL BUDGET OF HOW OFTEN ARE WE PLANNING PA MAINTENANCE, AT WHAT LEVELS TO ALL OF OUR BUILDINGS TO ENSURE THAT WE'RE NOT JUST CONSTANTLY CYCLING THROUGH.

ARE WE THINKING ABOUT SWING SPACE FOR NEW PROJECTS AND RENOVATIONS, WHAT'S THE PLAN WITH COURT STREET, I THINK THERE ARE SOME LINGERING BIG PICTURE QUESTIONS THAT WOULD BE GOOD TO GET INTO THE BASELINE PRESENTATION AS WELL.

THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIRWOMAN.

>> GREAT, THANK YOU SO MUCH COUNCILOR.

NEXT UP COUNCILOR JULIA MEJIA THEN NECK COUNCILOR RICARDO ARROYO.

WE ARE DOING QUESTIONS THAT ARE ABOUT THE CITYWIDE CAPITAL BUDGET, HOW IT OPERATES OR IS

PLANNED FOR COVID IMPACTS OR  
LIKE A CITYWIDE CAPITAL  
INVESTMENT AND THEN AS SOON AS  
WE FINISH THIS ROUND WE'RE GOING  
TO GO BACK UP TO THE TOP AND DO  
SPECIFIC DISTRICT LEVEL TYPE  
PROJECTS.

SO NOW I'LL RECOGNIZE COUNCILOR  
MEJIA.

YOU ARE MUTED.

THERE WE GO.

>> THANK YOU, CHAIRWOMAN BOK.

OKAY.

SO I HAVE A FEW QUESTIONS.

JUST CURIOUS.

WHERE THERE ANY PROJECTS THAT  
WERE SELECTED THIS YEAR, THAT  
WERE ALSO SELECTED LAST YEAR, I  
JUST WANT TO KIND OF SEE WHAT  
THAT PATTERN LOOKS LIKE.

I'M ALSO CURIOUS ABOUT AMONG THE  
PROJECTS THAT WERE CHOSEN HOW  
MANY OF THE PROJECTS WERE GIVEN  
DO MINORITY AND WOMEN BUSINESS  
OIND.

I AM ALSO CURIOUS ABOUT THE  
BREAKDOWN OF THESE PROJECTS BY  
NEIGHBORHOOD.

HOW MANY, YOU KNOW, IN TERMS OF  
THE CITYWIDE LIKE JUST WOULD  
LIKE TO SEE WHAT THAT LOOKS  
LIKE.

AND I AM ALSO VERY CURIOUS AS MY  
COLLEAGUE COUNCILOR BREADON  
ASKED IN REGARDS TO THE  
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PIECE ABOUT  
JUST ON A CITYWIDE, I'M REALLY  
CURIOUS ABOUT THE WAY WE GO  
ABOUT PLANNING, AND ENGAGING  
COMMUNITIES IN THESE  
CONVERSATIONS.

WHAT BUDGET IS BEING SET ASIDE  
TO INCREASE THE LEVEL OF  
ENGAGEMENT IN COMMUNITIES, SO  
THAT WE CAN HAVE A SAY IN SOME  
OF THESE DECISION MAKING  
PROCESSES.

AND THEN I HEAR THAT THE  
BREAKDOWN WAS ALREADY IN MY  
PACKETS.

THANK YOU FRANK BAKER FOR THAT  
LITTLE FYI.

I APPRECIATE IT.

AND I'M -- I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS

SPECIFICALLY TO B.P.S, AND I  
GUESS I'LL JUST WAIT FOR THOSE  
IS TO BREAK THEM DOWN FURTHER  
WHEN WE GET TO THAT POINT.  
THANK YOU.

>> GREAT, THANK YOU SO MUCH,  
COUNCILOR MEJIA.  
COUNCILOR ARROYO.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR BOK.  
I HAVE HEARD THE WHOLE HEARING,  
I HAVE QUESTIONS ON THE CITYWIDE  
CAPITAL BUDGET, THE IMPACT ON  
COVID MOVING FORWARD TO THE  
CAPITAL BUDGET.

AND SPECIFIC THINGS, WE CAN  
DRILL DOWN LATER ON THAT.  
WHAT I HAVE IS WHAT IMPACTS WILL  
THE COVID HAVE, IS IT GOING TO  
BE RATIOED OUT BY NEIGHBORHOOD,  
ARE CERTAIN NEIGHBORHOODS GOING  
TO BE GIVEN PRIORITY?  
THAT'S IT FOR NOW.

I'LL DRILL DOWN ON THE SECOND  
ROUND.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH, COUNCILOR  
AROYO.

WE HAVE ALSO BEEN JUST JOINED BY  
COUNCILOR LYDIA EDWARDS.  
COUNCILOR EDWARDS IS NOW WITH  
US.

SO COUNCILOR EDWARDS, THIS WOULD  
BE -- WE'RE JUST FINISHING  
YOU'RE NOW THE LAST PERSON IN  
THIS ROUND OF INITIALING  
QUESTIONS ABOUT THE CAPITAL  
BUDGET OVERALL, AND CITYWIDE  
PROJECTS.

SO AS SOON AS WE FINISH THIS, WE  
WILL GO BACK TO THE TOP AND DO  
DISTRICT-SPECIFIC QUESTIONS.  
BUT IF YOU'VE GOT QUESTIONS  
AROUND ANYTHING CITYWIDE, OR  
ABOUT THE STRUCTURE OF THE  
CAPITAL BUDGET, NOW WOULD BE THE  
TIME TO RAISE THEM.

SO I'LL RECOGNIZE COUNCILOR  
EDWARDS.

>> SO IT WAS PERFECT TIMING.  
THANK YOU, I APOLOGIZE FOR BEING  
LATE, I HAD A FAMILY MATTER, TO  
DEEM WITH, IT'S BEEN RESOLVED.  
I'LL MAKE SURE AND I'LL REVIEW  
THE MAJORITY OF THE  
PRESENTATION.

MOST OF MY QUESTIONS ARE DISTRICT-SPECIFIC HOWEVER. AND I BELIEVE A LOT OF THE OTHER QUESTIONS ABOUT THE FUNDING WILL BE RESOLVED OR DISCUSSED IN THE SUBSEQUENT HEARING WE'RE HAVING ON THE PROPERTY TAX OR THE DELAYED PROPERTY TAX IMPLEMENTATION.

I'M GOING TO DELAY MY QUESTIONS FOR DISTRICT-SPECIFIC.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

>> GREAT, THANK YOU SO MUCH, COUNCILOR EDWARDS.

NOW WE'LL GO BACK UP TO THE TOP.

I'M GOING TO DEFER MINE JUST BECAUSE I KNOW SOME PEOPLE HAVE TIME CONSTRAINTS AND I AM OOOBL HERE FOR THE ENTIRE HEARING.

SO I WILL NEXT RECOGNIZE

COUNCILOR FLAHERTY.

COUNCILOR NOW WE'RE GETTING INTO THE NITTY-GRITTY IF YOU HAVE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS YOU WOULD LIKE THE ADMINISTRATION TO ADDRESS.

>> EAST ARE STREET SHORELINE CAPITAL, VERY SPECIFIC SAYING IT'S FOR SHORELINE STABILIZATION SO WOULD REALLY LIKE TO GET THE SPECIFICS, REQUEST OVER THERE TO KIND OF DIVE IN AND FIND OUT A LITTLE MORE ABOUT THE EAST EAGLE STREET SHORELINE, OVER IN EAST EAGLE.

THAT'S WHY I WOULD SUGGEST A SCHEMATIC OR SOME TYPE OF GRAPHIC IT MIGHT BE HELPFUL.

CLEARLY THE SAME WITH CITY HALL PLAZA, WHEN WILL PHASE 1 BEGIN?

I REPRESENTED THIS COUNCIL WHEN I JOINED THE COUNCIL BACK IN 2000 ON THE CITY HALL PLAZA TASK FORCE.

SO TIMELY GLAD 20 YEARS LATER SOMETHING IS GOING TO HAPPEN THERE.

I KNOW THERE'S SOME CONCERNS ABOUT WHEN IT WILL START AND WHO, IF ANY, IMPACTS IT WILL HAVE SORT OF ON THE DAY-TO-DAY OPERATION, PARTICULARLY WHEN IT COMES TO RENOVATIONS ON OUR SIDE OF THE BUILDING IF YOU WILL,

WHEN WE'RE IN SESSION.

SO WE NEED TO MAKE SURE THAT  
FOLKS THAT ARE DOING IT ARE  
COGNIZANT OF OUR MEETING  
SCHEDULES.

SO THAT THERE'S 92 DISRUPTION.

AND -- THERE'S NO DISRUPTION.

AND OBVIOUSLY THE RECREATION  
CENTER IS ONE THAT HAS BEEN IN  
THE CAPITAL BUT IT GOT PAUSED  
BECAUSE OF CLIMATE RESILIENCY  
ISSUES AND QUESTIONS.

SO THEY'VE I BELIEVE ADDRESSED  
SOME OF THOSE CONCERNS AND/OR  
MAYBE INCLUDING SOME OF THE  
RESILIENCY PLANS AND MAYBE A  
REVISED CAPITAL FOR CURLY  
RECREATION.

I KNOW CAN COUNSELOR FLYNN AND I  
HAVE BEEN WORKING ALONG WITH  
STATE LEADERS AS WELL AS OUR  
CONGRESSMEN TO MAKE SURE THE  
FUNDS THERE ARE AND THE  
COMMUNITY IS INVOLVED IN THE  
PROCESS.

CURRENTLY THE BUILDING IS CLOSED  
BECAUSE OF THE COVID-19  
RESPONSE.

MAY BE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR FOLKS  
TO GET IN THERE VAND TO DO SOME  
OF THE PRELIMINARY STUFF IF THAT  
MAKES ANY SENSE.

BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY WE WANT TO  
MAKE SURE THAT THE PROJECT MOVES  
FORWARD AND THOSE CLIMATE  
RESILIENCY FINDINGS THAT WILL  
NOW BE INCLUDED, WILL HAVE TO BE  
INCLUDED IN THE FINAL CAPITAL  
THAT THOSE NUMBERS WILL BE  
ADJUSTED TO REFLECT THE CLIMATE  
RESILIENCY AND WON'T TAKE AWAY  
FROM THE OTHER COMMITMENTS MADE  
TO THE COMMUNITY.

THAT'S IT.

AND OBVIOUSLY TO DOUBLE DOWN ON  
COUNCILOR BAKER AND ARE  
COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE'S ARE  
ARE INTEREST IN THE LONG ISLAND  
BRIDGE.

WANT TO GET A SENSE WHERE THAT'S  
SITUATED.

SO THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH COUNCILOR  
FLAHERTY.

COUNCILOR BREADON, DISTRICT 9  
STUFF.

>> DISTRICT 9, I HAVE A LIST,  
PROBABLY NOT A COMPLETE LITS.  
WE'VE HAD A -- I ALREADY  
MENTIONED THE ARE ALSTON BRIGHT  
ONSTABILITY STUDY HAS BEEN GOING  
ON FOR 18 MONTHS.

WILL RECOMMEND MANY SMALL BUDGET  
IMPROVEMENTS TO PEDESTRIAN  
SAFETY AND BIKE LANES AND SUCH  
LIKE THAT.

WILL THERE BE ANY ALLOCATION OF  
FUNDS TO SUPPORT THAT PROCESS?

THE BCYF JACKSON COMMUNITY  
CENTER IS SLATED, THAT BUILDING  
IS SLATED TO CLOSE NEXT JULY.

IS THERE A FUNDING 2 PLAN FOR  
PLANNING AND PRAIPTION WORK FOR  
THE CLOSURE OF THAT SITE?

AND ARE THERE -- IS THERE  
FUNDING ALLOCATED TO IDENTIFY  
AND PREPARE PREPARE SWING SPACE  
IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD TO REPLACE  
THAT COMMUNITY CENTER, BCYF  
COMMUNITY CENTER, THE ONLY  
COMMUNITY CENTER IN OUR NAKED OF  
70,000 PEOPLE.

ALSO WITH REGARD TO THE PUBLIC  
HEALTH COMMISSION, THERE WAS  
SOME DISCUSSION ABOUT RELOCATING  
OUR EMC STATION IN ALSTON  
BRIGHTON TO A POSSIBLE SITE AT  
ST. ELIZABETH HOSPITAL.

I WOULD LIKE AN UPDATE ON THE  
PROGRESS ON THAT INITIATIVE.

AND THEIR FUNDING IMPLICATIONS.

THE NEIGHBORHOOD DEVELOPMENT  
CAPITAL BUDGET REALLY JUST TO  
GET AN UPPED ON EXPENDITURE OF  
SPENDING FOR AFFORDABLE HOUSING,  
ELDERS IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD, WE  
NEED TO ADDRESS THE LACK OF --  
THE NEED FOR MORE AFFORDABLE  
HOUSING FOR FAMILIES IN OUR  
NEIGHBORHOOD.

OFTEN THE CLIMATE READY BOSTON  
INITIATIVE, THERE IS A LOT OF  
DISCUSSION ABOUT THE IMPACTS OF  
CLIMATE CHANGE AND SEA LEVEL  
CHANGE ALONG THE COAST BUT  
FURTHER INLAND IN ALSTON  
BRIGHTON, HEAT ISLAND EFFECTS,  
I'D LIKE TO HAVE DISCUSSION OF



IMPROVEMENT IN SCHOOLS, HVAC, IF THEY ARE ABLE TO HANDLE EXTENDED HEAT WAVES THAT ARE OUTSIDE THE SCHOOL YEAR LIKE MAY AND SEPTEMBER.

ALSO OUR TREE CANOPY AND OTHER MITIGATION IS APPROACHES THAT WE CAN TAKE TO DIMINISH THE IMPACT OF HEAT ISLAND EFFECT IN ALSTON BRIGHTON.

WE WILL BE IMPACTED BY CLIMATE CHANGE.

THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, WE HAVE A GROWING POPULATION IN ALSTON BRIGHTON. ABOUT I WANTED TO KNOW IF THERE IS A STUDY FOR INCREASED FIRE SAFETY AND EMC CAPACITY IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, WITH OUR INCREASED POPULATION. AND THAT'S ALL I HAVE FOR NOW. AND I'LL WRITE THESE, I'M WRITING THEM DOWN SO I'LL SEND THEM TO YOU.

>> WE HAVE CENTRAL STAFF ONLINE WHO IS TAKING NOTES ON ALL COUNCILORS QUESTIONS.

YOU DON'T NEED TO TYPE THEM UP.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR BREADON. COUNSELOR FLYNN, DISTRICT 2.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR BOK AND THANK YOU ALSO TO CENTRAL STAFF FOR THE GREAT WORK YOU'RE DOING AS WELL.

SOME OF THE SPECIFIC ISSUES I HAD AS RELTED TO THE CAPITAL BUDGET, CERTAINLY LONG ISLAND BRIDGE IS A CRITICAL CITYWIDE ISSUE AND I'D LIKE TO GET AN UPDATE ON LONG ISLAND BRIDGE. AS A PROBATION OFFICER I WORKED OVER THERE FOR TEN YEARS VISITING MY CLIENTS ON PROBATION.

SO THAT'S AN IMPORTANT ISSUE FOR ME.

AND FOR THE CITY AS WELL AND FOR MY COLLEAGUES.

COUNCILOR FLAHERTY MENTIONED THE CITY HALL PLAZA PROJECT, WHICH IS ALSO -- WHICH IS ALSO IMPORTANT.

I HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW A LOT OF THE STUDIES, AND TALKED

TO THE ADMINISTRATION STAFF ON THAT.

WHAT IS ALSO IMPORTANT TO ME ON THE THE CITY HALL PLAZA, RENOVATIONS, IS ENSURING THAT, YOU KNOW, WE HAVE ONE OF THE MOST OPEN AND ACCESSIBLE PROJECTS LEADING INTO OUR CITY GOVERNMENT, ESPECIALLY FOR OUR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES, IS CRITICAL.

THAT'S THE WELCOMING BUILDING FOR OUR CITY AND WE WANT TO MAKE SURE IT'S VERY FRIENDLY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.

THE CURLY RECREATION CENTER IN SOUTH BOSTON IS AN ISSUE COUNCILOR FLAHERTY FLAGGED EARLIER, WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH THE ADMINISTRATION AND WITH STATE OFFICIALS AS WELL.

I'D LIKE TO GET AN UPDATE ON THAT PROJECT.

THERE'S SOME CAPITAL PROJECTS THAT I WOULD LIKE TO CONTINUE TO WORK WITH THE CITY ON, AND I'VE BEEN IN DISCUSSIONS WITH THEM. AND ONE OF THEM, OF COURSE, IS THE BUILDING OF A NEW SCHOOL IN CHINATOWN, WHICH IS THE JOSIAH QUINCY SCHOOL.

THAT SEEMS LIKE IT'S GOING WELL, IT'S ON TRACK.

I'M WORKING WITH THE ADMINISTRATION AND WITH THE COMMUNITY.

ON THAT ISSUE.

ON THAT PROJECT.

LOOKING AT THE VARIOUS LOCATIONS IN THE SOUTH END, ESPECIALLY OUR AREA IN AND AROUND THE VILLA VICTORIA, THAT HAS A DESPERATE NEED FOR SIDEWALK PLEER.

-- SIDEWALK REPAIR, IT'S BEEN FLAGGED MANY TIMES FOR OUR PERSONS WITH DISABILITY.

ACHANCE TO CAN TALK TO REP JOHN SANTIAGO, WHO WORKS WITH THE AREA, WE DID A WALKING TOUR SEVERAL MONTHS AGO AND THAT IS ONE OF THE ISSUES WE ARE FOCUSED ON IS CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS IN AN AROUND THAT AREA OF VILLA VICTORIA ON THE SOUTH

INDEPENDENT.

THERE'S ALSO ONE OF THE MAJOR ISSUES I'D LIKE TO FOCUS ON, TOO, IN THE CAPITAL BUDGETS, IS -- BUDGET IS SIDEWALK REPAIR.

AND IT'S A CRITICAL ISSUE THROUGHOUT THE CITY.

IT'S A CRITICAL ISSUE IN MY DISTRICT, AS WELL.

BUT MANY OF THE SIDEWALKS NEED TO BE FIXED.

ESPECIALLY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES AND OUR SENIORS.

AND I NOTICE SOME OF THE, EVEN SOME OF THE UTILITY POLES ARE KIND OF MOVED IN THE -- ALMOST SOMEWHAT IN THE CENTER OF THE SIDEWALK, NOT NECESSARILY THE CENTER, BUT WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL OF OUR SIDEWALKS ARE ACCESSIBLE FOR OUR SENIORS.

THERE ARE OTHER CITYWIDE ISSUES, AND ALTHOUGH THIS IS AN ISSUE THAT FOCUSES ON THE SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT, BUT THE CRITICAL NEED FOR BASIC CITY SERVICES, INFRASTRUCTURE, IN THE SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT, WE NEED DESPERATELY.

WE NEED AN EMC LOCATION IN THE SOUTH BOSTON -- EMS LOCATION IN THE SOUTH BOSTON WATER FRONT.

THERE IS AN ONGOING STUDY, I'D LIKE TO GET AN UPDATE ON THAT ISSUE.

WE DON'T HAVE A POLICE PRESENCE THERE.

WE DON'T HAVE A FIRE PRESENCE THERE, AND WE DESPERATELY NEED -- WE DESPERATELY NEED MINERAL MEDICAL SERVICES AND A FIRE PRESENCE IN THE SOUTH BOSTON WATERFRONT.

THE CURRENT -- THE NEAREST LOCATION RATHER IS K STREET IN SOUTH BOSTON OR D STREET IN SOUTH BOSTON AND SURROUNDED BY HYDE STREET AND UP IN OLIVER PEARL STREET AREA.

BUT IF THERE WAS AN EMERGENCY SITUATION IN THE WATERFRONT, WITH THE ONGOING TRAFFIC BACKUPS, WE DESPERATELY NEED A FIRE PRESENCE AND AN EMS

PRESENCE THERE AS WELL.  
AGAIN, WANT TO SEE WHAT THE  
LATEST PLANS ARE FOR THE  
BLACKSTONE SCHOOL.  
IN THE SOUTH  
END A: SOUTH  
END AS WELL.  
IT NEEDS WORK.  
I'VE HAD A TOUR RECENTLY, MET  
WITH THE PRINCIPAL AND WAS THERE  
SEVERAL WEEKS AGO.  
I'M GOING TO HOLD OFF AND NOT  
CONTINUE.  
I'LL LET SOMEONE ELSE TAKE THE  
OPPORTUNITY TO TALK, BUT THERE'S  
SOME MORE QUESTIONS I HAVE BUT I  
CAN FORWARD THOSE ON TO YOU,  
COUNCILOR, AS WELL.  
>> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR FLYNN.  
THANK YOU FOR THOSE AND ALSO,  
YES, IF YOU FORWARD THOSE  
QUESTIONS ALONG TO ME,  
COLLEAGUES IN GENERAL SHOULD  
KNOW THAT IF YOU SEND THOSE  
IDEALLY IT WOULD BE GREAT TO GET  
EVERYTHING BY THE END OF THE  
DAY, SO THAT BY TOMORROW WE CAN  
PULL TOGETHER THE FORMAL SET OF  
QUESTIONS THAT WE'RE SENDING  
OVER TO THE ADMINISTRATION.  
SO YES, BUT THANK YOU SO MUCH,  
COUNCILOR FLYNN.  
>> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR BOK.  
>> NEXT UP IS COUNCILOR JANEY.  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT JANEY WITH ,  
ARE YOU THERE?  
ALL RIGHT.  
I DON'T SEE HER.  
WELL, I SEE HER BUT I DON'T SEE  
HER.  
I WILL SKIP HER FOR NOW.  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT, WE'LL COME  
BACK TO YOU.  
COUNCILOR FRANK BAKER, DISTRICT  
3.  
>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.  
JUST A COUPLE THINGS.  
I WOULD LIKE TO UNDERSTAND  
PROJECTS LIKE MOBLEY PARK  
BECAUSE THAT TIES IN TO OTHER  
MAJOR PROJECTS THAT ARE  
HAPPENING AROUND THERE,  
SPECIFICALLY THE CIRCLE AND  
MARCY BOULEVARD, STATE PRC(4éUáy

I WOULD LIKE TO GET AN UPDATE ON WHERE WE ARE WITH PLANNING ON THOSE THINGS.

MOBLEY PARK, PART OF THAT WAS I THINK WE GOT A MILLION DOLLARS IN FEDERAL FUNDS TO PLAN FOR RESILIENCY, WHICH WE TIED IN TO OTHER PROJECTS.

SO JUST KIND OF AN UPDATE ON THAT.

IF WE ARE STILL IN CONTACT FOR, I'M HOPING THAT WE'RE STILL IN CONTACT WITH THE STATE ON THESE, BUT HOW FAR ALONG ARE WE IN PLANNING?

IS THAT SOMETHING THAT WE JUST PLAN ON PICKING BACK UP IN OCTOBER?

AND ALSO TO ECHO COUNCILOR FLYNN 3, WILL OUR SIDEWALK BUDGET BE AFFECTED BY THIS?

SO THERE'S A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF SIDEWALKS THAT ARE ALREADY SLATED TO BE DONE AND CAN WE PLAN ON THOSE STILL HAPPENING? OR IS THAT SOMETHING THAT WILL BE AFFECTED?

THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU SO MUCH, COUNCILOR BAKER.

COUNCILOR JANEY, BACK TO YOU, DISTRICT 7.

>> HELLO?

ARE YOU THERE?

I'M SO SORRY.

THERE WE GO.

SORRY ON.

I HAD SOME SPECIFIC QUESTIONS.

THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, SPECIFIC TO MY DISTRICT, DIFFERENT CAPITAL PROJECTS THAT ARE UNDERWAY.

ONE, THE DUDLEY BRANCH LIBRARY THAT LOOKS INCREDIBLY AMAZING. WANT TO UNDERSTAND WHERE WE ARE IN THAT PROJECT.

I KNOW IT WAS A MULTI-YEAR PROJECT AND IT'S ALMOST DONE.

MADISON PARK HIGH SCHOOL, YOU KNOW, THERE ARE A LOT OF FOLKS WHO HAVE BEEN ADVOCATING FOR A NEW FACILITY IN THE INTERIM THEY HAVE A LOT OF DEFERRED

MAINTENANCE ISSUES AND PROJECTS THAT NEED ATTENTION.

I BELIEVE THE ELECTRICAL WORK IS ALREADY PLANNED IN THIS BUDGET, BUT THERE ARE SOME OTHER ISSUES. I WANT TO GET A CLEAR FUND THEY ALSO PLAN ON DEALING WITH, CLEAR UNDERSTANDING IF THEY ARE ALSO PLANNING ON DEALING WITH THE ROOF.

THERE WERE ISSUES THERE. I THINK IN TERMS OF A LARGER RENO PROJECT, I WOULD BE INTERESTED IN THAT AND NOT THIS PIECEMEAL TACKLING OF SMALLER PROJECTS AND HOW WE DO THAT IN A THOUGHTFUL WAY THAT ENGAGES THE COMMUNITY, NOT JUST THE MADISON COMMUNITY, BUT THE BROADER COMMUNITY AND WHAT IT MEANS TO HAVE THE ONLY VOC-T-C SCHOOL, TO KEEP THE SITE THERE, DO IT WHILE THE STUDENTS WERE PRESENT. SO THEN THERE ARE SOME ISSUES ALSO AT O'BRYANT, WHICH IS RIGHT NEXT-DOOR.

I WANT TO UNDERSTAND WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH THE FRANKLIN PARK

YARD.

LET'S SEE.

I THINK THAT IS IT FOR ME FOR

NOW.

THANK YOU.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU, COUNCIL PRESIDENT.

NEXT UP, COUNCILOR ARROYO.

>> THANK YOU.

SO TO DIVE IN TO THE SPECIFICS THAT I'M GOING TO BE LOOKING AT, WE HAVE SOME MAJOR TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS IN THE DISTRICT, CUMMINS HIGHWAY, MATTAPAN SQUARE, I BELIEVE THERE'S SOME WORK, SOME DESIGN WORK BEING DONE ON HYDE PARK AVENUE.

I DON'T THINK THERE'S BUDGET MONEY IN THE CAPITAL BUDGET FOR IT BUT I WANT TO TALK ABOUT WHETHER WE CAN MAKE THAT HAPPEN. SO FROM MY STANDPOINT A LOT OF MY MAJOR QUESTIONS ARE ABOUT 4

THAT EITHER WERE ALREADY UNDERWAY, HAVE STUDIES UNDERWAY, AND JUST I KNOW SOME OF THAT IS BEING FUNDED BY THE STATE AS WELL.

SO THE WAY IN WHICH THOSE THINGS ARE: NOT TO WORK MOVING FORWARD, BECAUSE I BELIEVE WE HAVE SOME PROJECTS ON THE CAPITAL PLAN THAT ARE ALREADY UNDER CONSTRUCTION, BUT THOSE ONES HAVE BEEN HEAVILY PLANNED AND I DON'T BELIEVE THEY BROKE GROUND ON A LOT OF THOSE IMPROVEMENTS YET.

SO JUST GETTING AN UPDATE ON THAT AND HOW THAT WILL BE IMPACTED.

THEN BEYOND THAT ALL OF OUR COMMUNITY CENTERS WERE ESSENTIALLY HAD SOME FORM OF WORK PLANNED FOR THEM FOR THE MOST PART.

THE BCFY COMMUNITY CENTER, ANOTHER COMMUNITY CENTER, MAKING SURE THE PROJECTS ARE ON TASK AS WE TRY TO MAKE SURE MOVING FORWARD IN AED COVID-19 FUTURE WHERE PEOPLE MAY NEED RESOURCES EVEN MORE THAN THEY DID BEFORE. SO THOSE ARE MAJOR QUESTIONS FOR ME THAT ARE A SPECIFIC.

IN SOME SENSES THEY'RE CITY WIDE SPECIFIC BECAUSE WE HAVE THE CAPITAL PLANS FOR TRAFFIC LIGHTS AND THINGS LIKE THAT AND I WANT TO SEE WHERE ALL THOSE THINGS ARE.

BUT SPECIFICALLY IN MY DISTRICT I DON'T, I CAN'T SPEAK FOR OTHERS BUT I KNOW WE HAVE SOME MAJOR TRANSPORTATION PLANS THAT I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE SURE STAY ON TRACK.

THAT'S GOING TO BE A FOCUS OF MINE.

YOU KNOW, AS I GET MORE QUESTIONS I'LL MAKE SURE TO SEND THEM IN TO YOU BY TONIGHT.

IS THAT BASICALLY WHAT WOULD BE BEST CASE?

>> YES, THAT WOULD BE IDEAL. SO THE IDEAL THING IS THAT THE

CENTRAL STAFF IS TAKING NOTES ON ALL THESE QUESTIONS RIGHT NOW. AFTER WE FINISH THE WORKING SESSION COULD SEND US ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS BY THE END OF THE DAY TODAY.

THAT WAY TOMORROW WE CAN SEND THEM OVER TO THE ADMINISTRATION IN ADVANCE OF NEXT WEEK'S HEARING.

>> GREAT.

SO IN THAT SENSE I'M NOT SURE IF IT COMES OUT OF CAPITAL TO BE HONEST.

THERE'S CERTAIN THINGS THAT WE GET ASKED ALL THE TIME AS DISTRICT COUNCILORS REGARDING SPEED BUMPS, TRAFFIC CALMING. IN THE TRANSPORTATION QUESTION WILL BE WHERE WILL THE FUNDING BE?

WILL WE KEEP HAVING THAT MOVING FORWARD?

I KNOW IT'S SOMETHING THAT EVEN IN A VERY SHORT AMOUNT OF TIME HAS BEEN HEAVILY REQUESTED IN MY DISTRICT.

SO MAKING SURE THAT TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS ARE ON TRACK AND FROM A CITY WIDE PERSPECTIVE WHERE THE TRANSPORTATION BUDGET IS AS IT RELATES TO SAFETY MEASURES AND STREETLIGHTS AND THINGS LIKE THAT.

THAT'S IT HERE.

I'LL SEND IN EVERYTHING ELSE.

I ECHO OTHER PEOPLE WHO BROUGHT UPP=

BRIDGE.

THOSE KINDS OF THINGS ARE AN ISSUE FOR ME AS WELL.

BUT MORE DISTRICT SPECIFIC.

THANK YOU.

>> GREAT. !I

COUNCILOR EDWARDS, DISTRICT 1.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

I HAVE SEVERAL QUESTIONS, BUT I Wó?

STILL GOING ON IN TERMS OF ASSURING THAT WE HAVE FRESH FOOD STARTING, IF AND WHEN WE DO START SCHOOL THIS FALL.

AND YES, THE POLICE STATION THAT



WE DID, WE ALL WERE THERE FOR  
THE GROUND BREAKING.

I'M CURIOUS WHAT THIS DOES TO  
THE DEADLINE AND TIMING AROUND  
THAT TIME SPECIFICALLY.

IN THAT SAME AREA IN EAST BOSTON  
WE HAVE AN ISSUE WITH FLOODING,  
WE HAVE AN ISSUE WITH TRAFFIC.

I DO KNOW THERE WERE ISSUES OF  
OUTRIGHT SAFETY, PEOPLE GETTING  
HIT WITH A LOCAL COMPANY.

THERE'S BEEN START AND TOP  
CONVERSATIONS ABOUT THE CITY  
ACTUALLY ACQUIRING THAT LAND,  
START AND STOP CONVERSATIONS, IN  
EAST BOSTON AND WANTING TO SEE  
IF THAT'S GOING TO BE ANY PART  
OF INCREASE IN INCREASING THE  
LAND FOR THE CITY OF BOSTON FOR  
SAFETY REASONS.

I THINK I'LL LEAVE IT AT THAT.

ANY SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ON  
PLAYGROUNDS, OPEN SPACE,  
COMMITMENTS THE CITY HAS MADE,  
FOR DOHERTY, EDWARDS PLAYGROUND  
AND THE GREENWAY IN EAST BOSTON.  
AND THE FOSTER STREET PLAYGROUND  
AS WELL IN THE NORTH END.

I BELIEVE THE CENTER FINALLY IS  
SUPPOSED TO BE ITS DESIGN OR BE  
MOOCHING -- MOVING IN THAT AREA  
AS WELL.

I WANT TO MAKE SURE WE'RE MOVING  
IN TIME FOR THAT.

>> GREAT.

IS THAT ALL?

>> NOPE, BUT I'LL E-MAIL YOU THE  
REST SOUNDS GOOD.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

COUNCILOR MEJIA.

>> THANK YOU.

SO I DO HAVE SOME QUESTIONS.

YOU KNOW, KENZIE BOK, YOU'LL LET  
ME KNOW WHETHER OR NOT THEY  
BELONG IN THIS BUCKET OR  
SOMEWHERE ELSE.

I'LL ASK QUESTIONS THAT I THINK  
FALL IN THIS CATEGORY.

SO I'M CURIOUS, LIKE COUNCILOR  
JANEY MENTIONED, I'M ALSO  
CURIOUS ABOUT SOME OF THE WORK  
WITH MADISON PARK REPAIRS, SUCH  
AS THE LEAKY ROOF, OTHER ISSUES  
THAT ARE CHRONICALLY BEING

DISREGARDED AT MADISON PARK.  
I'M ALSO, LIKE COUNCILOR FLYNN,  
LOOKING TO ADVOCATE FOR THE  
SIDEWALK REPAIRS.

I KNOW THEY'RE ALREADY IN THE  
BUDGET BUT HOW ARE WE ADDRESSING  
SPECIFIC NEIGHBORHOODS WITH HIGH  
NEEDS IS SOMETHING I'M VERY  
CURIOUS ABOUT.

AND THEN THIS IS SOMETHING THAT  
COUNCILOR BOK, AS THE CHAIR OF  
THIS, OF WAYS AND MEANS, YOU  
MIGHT BE ABLE TO LET ME KNOW IF  
THIS LIVES SOMEWHERE ELSE, BUT  
I'M REALLY CURIOUS ABOUT HOW  
THEY'RE PLANNING IN TERMS OF  
POST COVID-19 WITH PARKS, ARE  
THEY CONSIDERING ADDING HAND  
SANITIZERS, MAKING SURE THAT THE  
PARKS ARE READY TO RECEIVE  
FAMILIES POST THE COVID-19 ERA?  
WANTED TO KNOW IF THAT FALLS  
WITHIN THE PURVIEW.

IF IT DOES, PLEASE ADD.

THE LAST THING, I DON'T KNOW  
WHERE THIS FALLS, BUT IN TERMS  
OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND ISSUES OF  
CLIMATE, I KNOW THAT IN  
COMMUNITIES WHERE WE SEE A HIGH  
PEAK OF VIOLENCE DURING THE  
SUMMER, I MEAN ASIDE FROM KID  
BEING OUT OF SCHOOL, I DO KNOW  
BASED ON SOME OF THE THINGS I  
HAVE LEARNED ALONG THE WAY  
AROUND CLIMATE IS THAT HAD JUST  
THINKING ABOUT THE HEAT, THE  
HEAT WAVES WITH IN CERTAIN  
NEIGHBORHOODS, I'M WONDERING IF  
THERE'S GOING TO BE ANY MONEY  
PUT ASIDE FOR MORE TREES IN  
CERTAIN NEIGHBORHOODS TO KIND OF  
HELP COOL THINGS DOWN A LITTLE  
BIT, IF YOU WILL.

AND JUST KIND OF FIGURING OUT  
WHAT THAT LOOKS LIKE AND IF THIS  
FALLS WITHIN THIS CONVERSATION,  
THENS THIS SOMETHING I'M  
DEFINITELY GOING WANT TO HEAR  
ABOUT WHAT THE ROLL OUT LOOKS  
LIKE AND WHAT NEIGHBORHOODS ARE  
WE PLANNING TO TARGET AS RELATES  
TO MORE TREES IN CERTAIN  
NEIGHBORHOODS.

BECAUSE AS WE KNOW, HIGH RATES

OF ASTHMA, VIOLENCE, ALL OF THOSE THINGS ARE INTERCONNECTED. SO I WANT TO MAKE SURE WE WORK WITH THAT.

DOES THAT BELONG IN THIS PLACE?

>> YES, THANK YOU, COUNCILOR MEJIA, YES, THE ADMINISTRATION HAS PUT A DOUBLING OF FUNDING FOR NEW STREET TREES IN THE BUDGET FOR JSJ:SM

AND ALSO HAS INCREASED MONEY FOR AN URBAN FORESTRY PLAN AND FOR KIND OF THE OPERATIONS OF MAINTAINING THE TREES.

SO I THINK THE SPECIFIC, THE DOUBLING IS IN THIS CAPITAL BUDGET AND I THINK I MENTIONED AT THE TOP I THINK THE COUNCIL SORT OF ASKING ABOUT WHAT IS THE ROLL OUT OF THAT LOOK LIKE AND LIKE YOU SAY, WHERE ARE THOSE GOING TO GET PLANTED I THINK IS THE THING WE SHOULD DEFINITELY TAKE UP IN THIS HEARING.

AND THEN THE QUESTION ABOUT HOW TO HANDLE THE PARKS IN LIGHT OF THE PANDEMIC, I SUSPECT MIGHT GET PUSHED TO PARKS AND REC TO THE HEARING DEDICATED ON THEM. BUT I THINK JUST FOR FOLKS REFERENCE, I THINK WE'LL PUT, WE'RE GOING TO SEND ALL THE QUESTIONS.

>> WAIT, I DO HAVE ONE, SORRY.

>> GO AHEAD.

>> ONE MORE.

I KNOW OUR PRESIDENT IS ALL ABOUT HER DISTRICT 7, ANY TIME YOU EVEN STEP FOOT, EVEN A PINKY TOE IN THERE, SHE IS LET MEETING KNOW YOU'RE IN HER DISTRICT.

SO I KNOW THIS IS IN HER DISTRICT AND I'M CURIOUS ABOUT HOWELLS, A PARK, A CIVIL RIGHTS MEMORIAL.

I KNOW, I DON'T HAVE ALL OF THE DETAILS IN TERMS OF WHERE THAT PROJECT STANDS, BUT I AM CURIOUS ABOUT OUR SUPPORT FOR THAT PARTICULAR PARK.

AND THIS IS SOMETHING, IT'S IN ROXBURY, I KNOW THAT FOR SURE. I'M CURIOUS AS TO IF WE'RE GOING TO BE MAKING SOME INVESTMENTS

THERE.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, COUNCILOR.

AND I'LL JUST SAY WHAT I WAS SAYING IS THAT WE WILL, WE'LL SEND ALL THE QUESTIONS OVER TO THE ADMINISTRATION AND IT MAY BE THAT SOME OF THEM GET EXPLICITLY BUMPED TO A DIFFERENT HEARING IF IT FEELS LIKE THE PERSON WHO REALLY CAN SPEAK TO THAT IS GOING TO BE IN A DIFFERENT HEARING.

WE'LL ASK THE ADMINISTRATION TO FLAG WHICH ARE GETTING BUMPED AND MAKE SURE THEY'RE GETTING ADDRESSED IN A DIFFERENT HEARING SO THEY ARE NOT FORGOTTEN IN GENERAL.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

NOW I'LL RECOGNIZE COUNCILOR  
ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

>> THANKS.

THANKS, COUNCILOR BOK.

I JUST JUMPED BACK IN TO THE MEETING SO I DON'T HAVE ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS.

I'LL WATCH TO MAKE SURE THAT MY QUESTIONS WERE ASKED AND IF THEY WEREN'T I'LL SEND THEM OVER.

THANK YOU.

>> FANTASTIC.

THANK YOU, COUNCILOR.

DEFINITELY.

THIS WAS THE ROUND OF SORT OF SPECIFIC PROJECT LEVEL QUESTIONS, SO WE'RE TRYING --

>> LIKE ACTUALLY LET ME JUST, IF YOU DON'T MIND THEN, I WILL TAKE A QUICK MINUTE.

>> I SUSPECTED YOU MIGHT HAVE A LIST IN FRONT OF YOU.

>> YOU DO KNOW THAT I DO HAVE A LIST.

BUT I WILL, I WILL REVIEW THE TAPE AND TRY, I KNOW JEFF, MY CHIEF OF STAFF HAS THEM TUNED IN SO I WILL DOUBLE CHECK WITH HER AND CIRCLE BACK IN THE NEXT ROUND JUST IN CASE.

I WILL SAY SINCE I HAVE THE MICROPHONE UNMUTED THAT MOMENT, I DID STEP OUT TO ATTEND THE

PROCESSION FOR A POLICE OFFICER  
THAT WE LOST THIS WEEK FROM  
COVID-19.  
IT WAS JUST A REALLY MOVING  
TRIBUTE TO HIM AND TO HIS  
SERVICE TO OUR CITY.  
JUST WANTED TO SHARE THAT.  
I KNOW COUNCILOR O'MALLEY JUMPED  
OFF AS WELL.  
>> THANK YOU.  
THANK YOU, COUNCILOR, FOR  
SHARING THAT.  
I WILL NOW DO MY DISTRICT 8  
QUESTIONS.  
I HAVE A NUMBER BUT I'LL TRY TO  
RUN THROUGH THEM QUICKLY.  
SO FOR DISTRICT 8, THE WEST END  
LIBRARY, THE STUDY FOR THAT  
LIBRARY IS IN THE TO BE  
SCHEDULED BUCKET.  
PREVIOUS CONVERSATIONS THAT I  
HAVE HAD HAVE STIPULATED THAT IT  
WAS GOING TO HAPPEN THIS YEAR.  
I THINK IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT  
THAT IT HAPPEN THIS YEAR.  
ALSO WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT OUR  
RFP FOR THAT IS CALLING FOR A  
STUDY.  
THERE'S INTEREST AMONG THE  
FRIENDS GROUP AND THE OUTDOOR  
SPACE ALSO BEING PROGRAMMED AND  
THIS IS THE LIBRARY IS A REAL  
SITE FOR HOUSING ASSETS AND A  
BUNCH OF NEIGHBORS ON BEACON  
HILL AND WEST END.  
I KNOW IT'S A LIBRARY FACILITY  
STUDY AND WE WANT IT TO BE A  
STATE OF THE ART LIBRARY.  
WE ALSO WANT TO THINK ABOUT THE  
MASSING AND WHAT CAN GO ABOVE  
THAT.  
IT'S A SITE WITH A DEFINITE  
POTENTIAL FOR SOME HEIGHT TO  
HELP HOUSE OUR NEIGHBORS.  
AND ALSO I WOULD SAY REAL  
INTEREST IN COMMUNITY  
CENTER-TYPE OPPORTUNITIES,  
INFUSION WITH THE LIBRARY.  
THIS IS A LIBRARY ALREADY, ONE  
OF THE MOST UTILIZED BRANCH  
LIBRARIES IN THE CITY, A LIBRARY  
THAT ALREADY IN NORMAL TIMES  
HOST AS ABCD FOOD PANTRY THAT IS  
CLOSED RIGHT NOW.

WE REALLY NOTICE THE LACK OF IT.  
SOMETHING A LOT OF PEOPLE RELY  
UPON.

THEY WERE LOOKING AT GETTING A  
COMMERCIAL REFRIGERATOR THERE  
BECAUSE THEY DON'T HAVE ALL THE  
STUFF THEY NEED FOR THE FOOD  
PANTRY.

IF WE'RE TALKING ABOUT  
REBUILDING THIS LIBRARY FROM THE  
GROUND UP THINKING ABOUT DO WE  
PUT A KITCHEN FACILITY IN, WHAT  
ARE THE OTHER COMMUNITY CENTER  
TYPE FUNCTIONS.

I JUST REALLY THINK THIS IS A  
CHANCE TO BE ANALOGOUS TO THE  
BIG COLLABORATION OVER IN  
CHINATOWN, AROUND A SITE FOR A  
LIBRARY THAT COULD HAVE  
AFFORDABLE HOUSING, COULD BE A  
GREAT PUBLIC SITE IN A HOST OF  
WAYS.

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE THAT HAPPEN  
AND DON'T WANT TO SEE THE  
PLANNING GET DELAYED.

RAISING THAT.

I THINK THE SIDEWALK REPAIR,  
THERE IS ADDITIONAL MONEY IN  
THIS YEAR'S CAPITAL BUDGET FOR  
SIDEWALK REPAIR.

I THINK ECHOING A FEW OTHER  
COLLEAGUES, UNDERSTANDING BETTER  
HOW THAT'S GOING TO BE ALLOCATED  
AND WHAT OUR SORT OF PLAN FOR  
ACCELERATING THE RATE AT WHICH  
WE GET UP TO GOOD REPAIR ON  
SIDEWALKS IS.

I THINK AS WE THINK ABOUT AN  
EXPANDING CAPITAL BUDGET THAT'S  
REALLY IMPORTANT.

ALSO REAL INTEREST IN MY  
DISTRICT IN SORT OF REPLACING  
LARGER SWATHS OF SIDEWALK AT  
ONCE BECAUSE JUST PATCHING BEING  
A PROBLEM AND ALSO PARTICULARLY  
WITH BRICKS IN TERMS OF HAVING  
BRICK-LAYING THAT REALLY SERVES  
OUR DISABILITY COMMUNITY WELL  
AND IS ACCESSIBLE, BETTER TO PUT  
DOWN A WHOLE BUNCH ALL AT ONCE.

SO FOR INSTANCE, THE DARTMOUTH  
STREET MALL, THE CITY DID GREAT  
PATCH REPAIR A COUPLE MONTHS  
AGO.

BUT THAT'S THIS SORT OF SUPER WIDE SIDEWALK THAT A TON OF PEOPLE USE TO WALK FROM NEWBURY STREET TO THE MALL AND IT'S STILL GOT A BUNCH OF ACCESSIBILITY CHALLENGE, LIKE A WHOLE RUN OF BRICK BE REPLACED BEFORE, LIKE ON BLOCKS ON THE STREET, INTERESTED IN THAT. THRILLED ABOUT THE INVESTMENT IN THE KEN MOORE SQUARE BLOCK OF THE COMMONWEALTH MALL SPACE IN A MARK THAT'S USED BY A LOT OF ELDERLY, LOW INCOME FOLKS WHO LIVE IN THE BUILDING ACROSS THE STREET.

JUST CONCERNED ABOUT THE MBTA I THINK IS SIGNIFICANTLY ON THE HOOK FOR PART OF THE INVESTMENT IN THAT PARK.

JUST WANT TO UNDERSTAND HOW THAT'S GOING TO GO FORWARD GIVEN THE HOLE THAT'S BEEN BLOWN IN THE BUDGET.

KEEP AN EYE ON THAT.

REALLY IMPORTANT PROJECT TO MY DISTRICT.

WANT TO BETTER UNDERSTAND THE BLOSSOM STREET PROJECT BECAUSE THERE'S SPECIFIC SAFETY CONCERNS.

I'M HAPPY TO HAVE THAT CONVERSATION OUTSIDE OF THE HEARING.

SIMILARLY WITH THE BOILSTON STREET CHANGES.

I THINK BACK ON THE THING I SAID ABOUT THE KENMORE SQUARE BLOCK, BOSTON COMMON MASTER PLAN AND THE MUDDY RIVER PROJECT ARE BOTH HEAVILY DEPENDENT ON GRANTS AND EXTERNAL FUNDING SO UNDERSTANDING THE SECURITY OF THOSE SOURCES IN ADDITION TO THE CITY MONEY.

AND WE -- THIS IS NOT A DISTRICT 8 PROJECT BUT I FORGOT TO MENTION IT UP TOP.

UNDERSTANDING THE BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY MONEY, REALLY EXCITED TO SEE THAT, THINKING ABOUT THE FACT THAT IF WE DO HAVE TROUBLE GETTING SOME CAPITAL PROJECTS OR UNDERWAY IN TIME TO GET THE

MONEY OUT THE DOOR THIS YEAR  
THAT THERE IS SORT OF AN  
UNENDING LIST OF RENOVATION  
PROJECTS THAT ARE A LITTLE BIT  
DIFFERENT FROM THE CERTAIN BIG  
REDEVELOPMENT PROJECTS THAT  
INVOLVE A LOT OF ADVANCED  
PLANNING AND PERMIT PULLING AND  
SUCH.

I WONDER IF THERE'S AN  
OPPORTUNITY TO PUT MORE PIPELINE  
IN TO THE CAPITAL BUDGET AT  
SHORT NOTICE IF WE FIND THAT  
WE'RE NOT ABLE TO SPEND ALL THE  
MONEY THIS YEAR EASILY.

THEN I WANT TO RAISE, I RAISED  
ALREADY STREET TREES AND THE  
QUESTION OF THEM OPENING UP PITS  
THAT HAVE BEEN ASPHALTED OVER IS  
A BIG ISSUE IN MY NEIGHBORHOODS.  
THERE'S A REAL LACK OF STREET  
TREES TAKING A HOLD IN MISSION  
HILL.

YOU THINK THE MONEY THAT'S  
LOOKING AT URBAN FORESTRY, AN  
OVERALL PLAN IS REALLY IMPORTANT  
TO COUNCILOR MEJIA'S POINT ABOUT  
EQUITY AND HOW WE MAKE SURE THAT  
WE'RE REALLY, THAT WE'RE PUTTING  
TREES IN AND THEN NURTURING  
TREES IN PARTICULAR IN PLACE  
WHERE OUR TREE CANOPY IS REALLY  
THIN.

I'M PULLING UP ONE OTHER SET OF  
NOTES.

THRILLED TO SEE THE INVESTMENT  
IN THE BACK BAY PATH, MAKING THE  
WHOLE AREA, IF WE CAN MAKE THE  
BACK BAY FENCE PATH AND BOYLSTON  
STREET BOTH ACCESSIBLE TO  
PEDESTRIANS AND MAKE IT SAFER  
FOR BIKES AND WE COULD REALLY  
CHANGE THE CAPACITY FOR ALL  
BOSTONIANS TO ENJOY THAT AREA  
BECAUSE RIGHT NOW SO MUCH OF THE  
PATH ARE HARD FOR PEOPLE WITH  
ANY MOBILITY CHALLENGES TO  
ACCESS AND THEY'RE SO  
LIFE-GIVING TO PEOPLE WHO LIVE  
IN THE NEIGHBORHOODS.

I WANT TO LIFT UP THAT PROJECT  
AS REALLY EXCITING TO ME AND MY  
DISTRICT.

AS IS THE PUBLIC GARDEN LAGOON,



ROBERT SHAW MEMORIAL WORK,  
THERE'S A LOT OF GREAT THINGS IN  
THIS BUDGET.

SO I THINK I'LL JUST LAND BACK  
ON THE OVERALL POINT THAT I  
THINK MANY OF US HAVE RAISED OF  
JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND HOW WE  
PRESERVE THE ROBUST CAPITAL  
BUDGET THAT'S BEING PROPOSED  
HERE.

AND REALLY SORT OF TWO PIECES:  
MAKE SURE THAT STAYS ROBUST IN  
THE YEARS GOING FORWARD,  
UNDERSTANDING HOW THAT INTERACTS  
WITH OUR OVERALL BUDGET  
PROJECTIONS; AND THEN REALLY  
MAKING SURE THAT WE CAN GET THE  
MONEY OUT THE DOOR AND DO THE  
CAPITAL WORK IN THE MONTHS AHEAD  
TO HELP, BOTH TO HELP GET THESE  
PROJECTS DONE AND TO SUPPORT OUR  
CITY ECONOMY.

THAT'S GOING TO BE REALLY  
IMPORTANT.

AND THEN I GUESS, SORRY, I  
FORGOT ONE, VERY SPECIFIC  
QUESTION WHICH IS WHERE THE  
MISSION HILL PLAYGROUND IS A  
THREE-LEVEL SPACE AND PEOPLE ARE  
WONDERING EXACTLY WHAT ASPECT  
ARE GOING TO GET IMPROVED.

SO I THINK THOSE ARE MY DISTRICT  
8 SPECIFIC ONES.

I NOW SEE I'VE GOT A HAND UP  
FROM COUNCILOR MICHAEL  
FLAHERTY, COUNCILOR FLAHERTY,  
I'LL RECOGNIZE YOU.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.  
A COUPLE QUESTIONS FOR THE  
CHAIR.

ARE THERE ANY DEADLINES WITH  
RESPECT TO SPENDING THE GRANT  
MONEY FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS?  
I GUESS THAT WOULD BE A QUESTION  
FROM US TO THE ADMINISTRATION.  
I NEED MY MEMORY REFRESHED BUT I  
THINK THAT'S IMPORTANT TO  
DISTINGUISH IF THERE'S ANY  
DEADLINES THAT ARE ASSOCIATED  
WITH THE GRANT MONEY,  
PARTICULARLY GIVEN THAT  
INSTRUCTION PROJECTS, UNLESS  
THEY'RE EMERGENCY IN NATURE HAVE  
BEEN SUSPENDED.

I GUESS MY QUESTION IS WHETHER OR NOT THAT THREATENS ANY OF THAT FUNDING.

ON THE SAME NOTE SORT OF IN THE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY RELIABLE STREETS REALM, I GUESS WE SEE, LOOKING AT THE BUDGET HERE, THERE'S A SIZABLE AMOUNT OF FUNDING IS COMING FROM STATE REVENUE FISCAL YEAR 21.

SO I GUESS THE NEXT QUESTION IS ARE WE ANTICIPATING FUNDING DECLINE IF WE READ TODAY'S PAPER AND YOU SEE WHAT'S GOING ON UP AT BEACON HILL WITH REVENUES, ET CETERA, DOES THAT THREATEN ANY OF THESE CAPITAL PROJECTS THAT ARE GOING TO BE FUNDED IN PART OR SIGNIFICANTLY BY STATE FUNDS? AND SORT OF FOLLOWING THE LINE, I KNOW COUNCILOR FLYNN HAS DONE A LOT OF WORK AROUND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY BUT AS THE WARMER WEATHER MONTHS ARE HERE WE HAVE THE ABILITY TO START STRIPING AND TAKE A RIDE AROUND THE CROSSWALKS, MARKINGS FOR VEHICULAR AND BIKE TRAVEL ARE ATROCIOUS.

SO IF WE WANT TO TALK ABOUT PEDESTRIAN SAFETY AND VISION ZERO WE NEED TO TALK ABOUT INCREASING OUR CAPACITY TO HAVE OUR CROSSWALKS AND OUR LANES OF TRAVEL CLEARLY VISIBLE ALONG WITH MAYBE A REVIEW OF OUR SIGNAGE AND SIGNALING.

I KNOW THAT WE HAVE SOME HOT SPOTS IN THE CITY WITH RESPECT TO THE SIGNALLING AS WELL ASSIGNAGE.

AN OVERALL OR MAYBE APPOINTED TASK FORCE TO SIT WITH EACH OF OUR COUNCIL COLLEAGUES TO LEARN ABOUT WHERE THE AREAS, TO DO SOME TYPE OF AUDIT.

THAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE VISION ZERO OR SOME OF OUR

TRANSPORTATION.

>> HELLO?

>> I KIND OF LOST YOU THERE, KENZIE.

>> THE ASK FOR THE ADMINISTRATION AND THE STATE, ARE WE EXPECTING TO SEE A DECREASE IN SOME OF THOSE COMMITMENTS. ALSO WHETHER OR NOT THE GRANTS HAVE TIME LINES BECAUSE OF THE HALT IN CONSTRUCTION, PARTICULARLY ROAD CONSTRUCTION, NON-EMERGENCY STUFF. I APPRECIATE YOUR TIME AGAIN, MADAM CHAIR.

>> GREAT. THANK YOU SO MUCH, COUNCILOR FLAHERTY. AND ARE THERE ANY OTHER FOLLOW UPS?

YES, I SEE COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

>> THANK YOU. I HAD A MOMENT TO CONNECT WITH JESS, WHO HAS BEEN FOLLOWING THIS SESSION ALONG. AND ONE QUESTION THAT WASN'T ASKED THAT I KNOW HAS COME UP IN THE PAST IS THERE WAS A YOUTH PROJECT ROUND AND YOUTH ACROSS THE CITY HAD BEEN ASKED OR I'M NOT SURE IF THIS CAME FROM THE MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL OR NOT BURKS THEY WERE ASKED TO CREATE, THEY WERE ASKED TO CREATE A CAPITAL YOUTH BUDGET USING PARTICIPATORY FUNDING.

I'M CURIOUS IF THIS WOULD BE, I WOULD LIKE THIS TO BE INCLUDED OR AT LEAST SOME REMARKS INCLUDED ABOUT A YOUTH BUDGET AND THE PROCESS OF ENGAGING YOUTH AND DETERMINING THAT BUDGET.

IF THIS IS GOING TO BE DIFFERENT THAN AN OPERATING BUDGET ASK. I THINK THE MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL HAS OFFERED A MILLION DOLLAR BUDGET AND THEY GO THROUGH SOME PROCESS TO DETERMINE HOW THAT MONEY WOULD BE SPENT, WHETHER THERE'S A COMPARABLE CAPITAL BUDGET INVESTMENT THE SAME WAY. I THINK THAT'S THE ONLY QUESTION THAT MAYBE WASN'T ASKED IN MY ABSENCE.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU SO MUCH, COUNCILOR.  
IF ANY OTHER COUNCILOR HAS  
FOLLOWS UPS AND WANTS TO RAISE  
THEIR BLUE HAND, I WILL CALL ON  
YOU.

OTHERWISE, I'LL JUST ADD A  
COUPLE MORE THAT I NEGLECTED.  
I SEE COUNCILOR MEJIA.  
I'LL RECOGNIZE YOU AND THEN ADD  
MINE.

GO AHEAD.

YOU'RE MUTED.

>> I'M GOOD?

>> AND MY FRIEND JANEY WITH IS  
ON DECK TOO, I THINK SHE WANTS A  
QUESTION.

SO I'M CURIOUS AND I'M NOT SURE  
AGAIN, YOU LET ME KNOW,  
COUNCILOR BOK, I'M ALSO CURIOUS  
IN TERMS OF THE CAPITAL BUDGET  
AS WE'RE LOOKING AT TWO AREAS OF  
INTEREST.

ONE IS SENIOR HOUSING AND  
LOOKING AT WHERE WE IN TERMS,  
WHERE ARE WE IN TERMS OF SENIOR  
HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS AS WELL AS  
I'M CURIOUS ABOUT STUDENTS,  
SPECIFICALLY YOUNG PEOPLE AGING  
OUT OF FOSTER CARE.

I WONDER WHAT CAPITAL  
INVESTMENTS ARE WE LOOKING AT IN  
TERMS OF HOUSING FOR THE  
STUDENTS WHO ARE AGING OUT OF  
FOSTER CARE HIM I'M NOT SURE,  
AGAIN, I'M LOOK AT THIS AS A  
CAPITAL BUDGET AND IT MAY BE IN  
THE HOUSING, I DON'T KNOW.

I'M JUST THROWING IT OUT THERE  
AS TWO DIFFERENT VULNERABLE  
POPULATIONS THAT I WANT TO MAKE  
SURE WE TALK ABOUT CAPITAL  
INVESTMENTS AND BUILDING HERE IN  
THE CITY OF BOSTON THAT WE'RE  
NOT LOSING SIGHT OF THESE TWO  
VERY VULNERABLE POPULATIONS.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU, COUNCILOR MEJIA.  
I'LL JUST ADD ON THAT THAT I  
THINK, I KNOW THERE'S A  
COMMITMENT TO SOME MORE MONEY  
AROUND YOUTH HOMELESSNESS AND  
MAYBE IT'S SOMETHING TO DISCUSS  
WITH END AND UNFORTUNATELY A LOT

OF OUR FOSTER KID GET CAUGHT IN  
YOUTH HOMELESSNESS BUT I ALSO  
THINK THAT RAISING IT TO SEE IF  
THERE'S ANY CAPITAL PLANS ON  
THAT FRONT IS WORTHWHILE.  
ALSO ON THE SENIOR HOUSING I  
KNOW THE 5 MILLION THEY PUT IN  
THE BUDGET FOR THIS YEAR FOR BHA  
ASSISTANCE IS FOR SENIOR HOUSING  
BUT I THINK AS I ALLUDED TO  
BEFORE, THERE'S KIND OF AN  
ENDLESS SET OF SENIOR HOUSING  
THAT NEEDS ADDITIONAL CAPITAL  
INVESTMENT.  
I THINK THAT'S SOMETHING MORE TO  
TALK ABOUT.  
COUNCILOR JANEY.

>> HELLO.

THANK YOU FOR TAKING ME BACK IN.  
I JUST WANTED TO FOLLOW UP ON, I  
THINK IT WAS COUNCILOR FLAHERTY  
WHO WAS TALKING ABOUT VISION  
ZERO AND THE NUMBER OF COMPLETE  
STREET PROJECTS.

I'M SURE THROUGHOUT THE CITY,  
CERTAINLY IN MY DISTRICT, THERE  
ARE A NUMBER OF THEM.  
WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE HAVE  
SOME DISCUSSION ON THAT AS WELL.  
THANK YOU.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU.

AND NOW I'LL JUST ADD MY  
ADDITIONAL NOTES ARE CERTAINLY I  
SAW IN THIS BUDGET FUNDING FOR  
SOME MORE OF THOSE NEIGHBORHOOD  
STREETS PROJECTS.

I KNOW THAT IN MY DISTRICT  
IRONICALLY BECAUSE THERE ARE NO  
SCHOOLS IN MY DISTRICT ALMOST  
WITH THE EXCEPTION OF TOBIN IN  
MISSION HILL, MOST OF THE  
NEIGHBORHOODS IN MY DISTRICT ARE  
NOT ELIGIBLE FOR EVEN  
CONSIDERATION BY THE STREETS  
PROGRAM BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT  
CLOSE TO A SCHOOL.

AND SO I THINK, I KNOW THAT ONE  
OF THE THINGS THAT'S BEEN  
DISCUSSED IS TRYING TO MAKE SOME  
MORE OF THOSE COMMON SENSE  
TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES  
AVAILABLE IN LESS OF A SORT OF  
FULL-ON, COMPLETE NEIGHBORHOOD

SLOW STREETS WAY, BUT BEING ABLE TO ADD MORE TACTICALLY SPEED BUMPS HERE, PEDESTRIAN ACTIVATED LIGHTS THERE AND I WOULD LIKE TO UNDERSTAND WHAT FUNDING, IF ANY, IS IN THE BUDGET TO WRAP IT UP THAT WAY.

I ALSO SAW FUNDING IN THE CAPITAL BUDGET THIS YEAR RELATED TO COUNCILOR FLAHERTY'S COMMENTS ABOUT STRIPING TO REALLY GET OUR CROSSWALKS UP TO BEING RE-STRIPED AT LEAST ONCE EVERY THREE YEARS.

WE HAVE GOT AREAS CERTAINLY ESPECIALLY I WOULD SAY IN THE EAST AND WEST PARTS OF MY DISTRICT WHERE THE ABSENCE OF CROSSWALK STRIPING IS RALLY DANGEROUS.

SO REALLY WANT TO UNDERSTAND HOW QUICKLY WE'RE GOING, HOW QUICKLY, REALISTICALLY WE CAN MOVE IN TO THAT THREE-YEAR CYCLE.

AND WHETHER THAT MEANS THAT WE CAN EXPECT THOSE WHO WANT TO GET RE-STRIPED THIS YEAR.

PEDESTRIAN RAMPS, REFERENCE TO GETTING PEDESTRIAN RAMPS IN TO A GOOD STATE BY 2030.

I WANT TO UNDERSTAND IF IT'S GETTING OUR CURRENT RAMPS THAT WAY OR COMPLETELY PLACE WHERE'S WE NEED TO ADD RAMPS OR BOTH.

AND ALSO SAY THAT IN BEACON HILL WHERE WE HAVE ADDED A BUNCH OF PEDESTRIAN RAMPS RECENTLY, THERE'S BEEN LONGSTANDING UNDERSTANDING THAT THERE WAS GOING TO BE SOME REAL WORK ON STREET REPAVING IN CONJUNCTION WITH THAT, WHICH HADN'T HAPPENED YET.

WANT TO HAVE THAT CONVERSATION. EXCITED ABOUT THE COMMITMENT TO DO 7 NEW DEDICATED BUS LANES IN THE CAPITAL BUDGET, WOULD LOVE TO KNOW WHERE THEY'RE SLATED TO BE, IF THEY'RE SLATED YETO THE STREETLIGHTING ASSESSMENT, JUST TO UNDERSTAND HOW WE THINK ABOUT, THERE ARE A FEW PLACES IN MY DISTRICT WHERE WE HAVE A

BUNCH OF ELDERS WHO HAVE A HARD TIME SEEING AND COULD REALLY USE BRIGHTER LIGHTS OUTSIDE AND JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND IF ANY OF THAT FACTORS IN OR IT'S MUCH MORE BROAD-BRUSHED AND ALSO KNOW THAT IN WE HAVE SOME SORT OF QUESTIONS ABOUT CONSISTENCY OF STREETLIGHTING GOING IN WITH LOTS OF DIFFERENT FIXTURES. SO THOSE ARE A FEW MORE, SORRY, DISTRICT 8 QUESTIONS THAT OCCURRED TO ME. ANYONE ELSE, IF NOT, WE'RE GOING THE JUMP QUICKLY IN TO ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE PUBLIC FACILITIES DEPARTMENT BUDGET, WHICH IS VERY SPECIFIC. I HAVE A COUPLE, BUT I WANT TO CHECK ONE MORE TIME IF YOU RAISE YOUR BLUE HAND IF YOU HAVE ANY CAPITAL PROJECT RELATED

QUESTIONS.

I DON'T SEE ANYBODY.

SO ALL RIGHT.

GREAT.

WONDERFUL.

WE WILL NOW MOVE ON TO QUICKLY ADDRESSING THE PFD DEPARTMENT AND REVOLVING FUNDS.

PEOPLE HAVE MATERIALS FROM THAT IN CENTRAL STAFF IN YOUR E-MAILS.

OBVIOUSLY IF YOU HAVEN'T HAD A CHANCE TO REVIEW THEM THERE WILL STILL BE AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASK ABOUT THEM ABOUT THE HEARING, A WAY TO GET QUESTIONS OUT ON THE TABLE.

SO I'LL LEAD OFF JUST BY SAYING THAT MY BIGGEST CONCERN ABOUT THE PUBLIC FACILITIES DEPARTMENT CONNECTS TO WHAT WE HAVE ALL BEEN ASKING ABOUT, WHICH IS HOW WE MAKE SURE WE STILL HAVE A ROBUST CAPITAL BUDGET IN FY '21 AND ACTUALLY SPEND CAPITAL MONEY BECAUSE THE PUBLIC FACILITIES DEPARTMENT DOESN'T HAVE A DIRECTOR RIGHT NOW, AS A RESULT HASN'T HIRED SOME SENIOR STAFF POSITIONS AND I JUST WORRY IS UNDERSTAFFED OR EXECUTING ON

SOME OF THE CAPITAL PROJECTS  
THAT IT IS CHARGED WITH  
EXECUTING ON.

SO JUST REALLY WOULD LIKE THE  
ADMINISTRATION TO ADDRESS THAT  
CONCERN.

AND ESPECIALLY TO THINK ABOUT  
WHETHER THERE'S SOMETHING WE  
NEED TO DO THAT'S DIFFERENT IN  
TERMS OF ADDING, YOU KNOW, SORT  
OF LIKE ACCELERATED HIRING OR  
MOVE, SHIFTING SOME PEOPLE OVER,  
PUTTING SOME PEOPLE IN OTHER  
DEPARTMENTS IN CHARGE OF KIND OF  
CAPITAL PROJECTS IN THEIR  
DEPARTMENTS FOR THE NEAR TERM.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS, BUT IT  
FEELS TO ME AS THOUGH IT WOULD  
BE A HUGE MISTAKE IF WE APPROVED  
A ROBUST CAPITAL BUDGET BECAUSE  
WE WANTED TO HAVE THESE  
COUNTERCLIQUEKLE --  
COUNTERCYCLEAL EFFECTS AND  
RELATED, BOTH RELATED  
SPECIFICALLY TO THEIR KIND OF  
PROJECTS, SIGNATURE PROJECT,  
LIKE CITY HALL PROJECT AND COURT  
STREET, THINGS LIKE MY LIBRARY  
STUDY, WEST END.

BUT THEN ALSO JUST THIS  
PORTFOLIO MORE GENERALLY.  
THAT'S MY BIG QUESTION  
ABOUT PFD.

DOES ANYBODY ELSE HAVE ANY  
QUESTIONS ABOUT PUBLIC FACILITY  
DEPARTMENT AND ITS BUDGET?

>> YES.

>> COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.  
NO P. SORRY, I'M GOING TO CALL  
ON COUNCILOR MEJIA FIRST THEN  
COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

>> YES.

I DO HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT  
FACILITIES.

GIVEN THE COVID-19 SCENARIO,  
WONDERING WHETHER OR NOT WE'RE  
LOOKING AT ADDING A BIGGER  
BUDGET LINE ITEM FOR DEEP DIVE  
CLEANING IN NOT JUST BOSTON  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS, BUT LOOKING AT  
THE BOSTON PUBLIC HEALTH  
COMMISSION, 1010 MASS AVENUE, A  
LOT OF CITY BUILDINGS.  
I'M WONDERING IN MATERIALS OF A



DEEPER DIVE, WHAT IS THAT BUDGET IS GOING TO LOOK LIKE.

I DON'T JUST MEAN WIPING DOWN WITH A SPRAY BOTTLE AND A LITTLE NAPKIN SITUATION.

I'M TALKING ABOUT REAL DEEP CLEANING SO THAT WHEN WE TRANSITION BACK IN TO THESE BUILDINGS, THAT WE'RE WELL-PREPARED TO RECEIVE PEOPLE.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU SO MUCH, COUNCILOR MEJIA.

COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

>> THANK YOU.

I THINK THAT SOME OF MY QUESTIONS IN CAPITAL WILL TRANSLATE OVER TO SOME OF THE FACILITIES HEARING.

BUT I DO WONDER, I THINK IN LINE WITH COUNCILOR MEJIA'S QUESTION AROUND CLEANING, THAT IS WHEN WE'RE LOOKING AT ANY UPGRADES, RENOVATIONS, WHETHER SMALL OR LARGE, THAT CONSIDERING THE WAY THAT WE MAY CHANGE HUMAN BEHAVIOR AND THE WAY WE INTERACT WITH THE PUBLIC AT MANY PUBLIC FACILITIES, I WONDER IF WE'LL SEE A CHANGE IN ANY OF THOSE RENOVATIONS.

ANYTHING THAT'S CURRENTLY UNDERWAY, ARE WE GOING TO SORT OF ADJUST SOME OF THOSE PLANS GOING FORWARD, WHETHER IT'S THROUGH DESIGN ELEMENTS OR I THINK YOU SORT OF GET WHAT I MIGHT BE ASKING.

ALTHOUGH I'M DOING IT IN A ROUND-ABOUT WAY.

YOU THINK IT WILL IMPACT SOME OF OUR WORK GOING FORWARD.

JUST CURIOUS ABOUT THAT.

I CAN ASK IT AT THE HEARING AND PERHAPS THEY WILL HAVE THAT TO OFFER FROM THE DEPARTMENT.

THAT'S IT FOR ME.

>> GREAT.

EXCELLENT.

THANK YOU SO MUCH, COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

ANY OTHER QUESTIONS ON THE PUBLIC FACILITIES DEPARTMENT BUDGET SPECIFICALLY?

>> YES, I HAVE ONE MORE QUESTION.

>> COUNCILOR MEJIA.

>> I'M HAVING TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES.

>> YOU'RE BACK.

>> YES, I'M JUST CURIOUS IN TERMS OF, AGAIN, THIS MIGHT BE A POST-AUDIT SITUATION HERE, BUT I'M CURIOUS BECAUSE WE DIDN'T SPEND A LOT OF MONEY ON THE SNOW REMOVAL AND ISSUES LIKE THAT, IN SALT.

WONDERING IF THERE'S ANY LEFT OVER MONEY IN THAT BUCKET AND HOW IS THAT GOING TO THEN BE REALLOCATED TO HELP WITH POST-COVID-19 EFFORTS, JUST WONDERING IF THERE'S ANY WIGGLE ROOM AROUND THAT AND IF THEY COULD SPEAK TO THAT AND WHAT THAT LOOKS LIKE.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILOR MEJIA. YES, SO MY UNDERSTANDING IS SO THERE IS A HEARING ORDER THAT'S BEEN FILED BY COUNCILOR FLAHERTY IN THE POST-AUDIT COMMITTEE RELATED TO SNOW REMOVAL AND OTHER MONEYS UNSPENT FROM LAST YEAR FOR FY '20.

MY IMPRESSION THAT IS UNFORTUNATELY, WE'RE OBVIOUSLY STILL IN FY '20 RIGHT NOW.

THE STOPPAGE IN ECONOMIC ACTIVITY IS BLOWING A HOLE IN OUR EXCISE TAXES.

SO ALL THOSE THINGS THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT FOR NEXT YEAR, ASKING HOW MUCH THEY WILL GO DOWN, THEY HAVE GONE DOWN DRAMATICALLY IN THE LAST MONTH.

SO, YOU KNOW, THINGS LIKE HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS AND ALL THAT, OF COURSE LIKE OUR PERMITTING AND FEES, THERE'S A BUNCH OF THINGS THAT HAVE GONE DOWN.

MY IMPRESSION IS THAT THERE IS SIGNIFICANT HOLE BEING BLOWN RIGHT NOW IN THE BUDGET THAT THIS BODY APPROVED LAST YEAR AND THAT UNFORTUNATELY ARE SORT, OUR EXTRA MONEYS IN THE BUDGET LIKE SNOW REMOVAL AND SORT OF RESERVES AND STUFF ARE MORE

LIKELY TO GO TO FILLING THAT HOLE THAN THEY ARE TO BEING LEFT OVER.

BUT I THINK IT'S APPROPRIATE QUESTION FOR POST-AUDIT TO ASK.

>> AND THEN I HAVE ANOTHER QUESTION IN TERMS OF EQUITY AND CONSTRUCTION SUPPLIES.

I'M WONDERING, ARE WE RESOURCING OUR CAPITAL MATERIALS FROM MINORITY WOMEN AND BUSINESS OWNERS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON? WONDERING WHAT THAT LOOKS LIKE IN THAT SPACE.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU.

>> ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS ON THE PUBLIC FACILITIES DEPARTMENT?

ALL RIGHT.

SEEING NONE, MOVE QUICKLY TO -- SORRY, ALL.

I WILL MOVE QUICKLY TO THE REVOLVING FUNDS.

SO WHAT WE HAVE FOR PEOPLE'S REFERENCE WATCHING AT HOME, THE CITY HAS A SERIES OF REVOLVING FUNDS AND THESE ARE FUNDS WHERE A CITY DEPARTMENT TAKES IN MONEY FOR SOME SEGREGATED SPECIFIC PURPOSE AND THEN EXPENDS THAT MONEY ON THAT PURPOSE.

SO AN EXAMPLE OF THAT IS THE POLICE DEPARTMENT HAS A GYM, MEMBERS PAY FEES TO THE GYM AND THEN THOSE FEES GO TO HELPING GYM, FUND GYM OPERATIONS.

SAME THING WITH RENTAL FEES FOR THE STRAND THEATER, WHICH IS ONE OF THE DOCKETS THAT WILL BE BEFORE US NEXT THURSDAY.

SAME THING WITH, THERE'S ONE FOR THE CITY HALL CHILD CARE, PARENTS ARE PAYING TUITION AND THEN THAT TUITION IS GOING IN TO FUNDING THE OPERATION OF THE CHILD CARE CENTER.

THESE ARE NOT GENERALLY HUGE ITEMS AND SO WE BUNDLED THEM THIS YEAR TOGETHER WITH THEIR DEPARTMENTS BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT KIND OF THE BIGGEST BUDGET ITEMS THAT REQUIRE INTENSE COUNCIL SCRUTINY.

BUT BECAUSE THEY'RE SEPARATELY

CONSTITUTED, APART FROM THE GENERAL CITY BUDGET, THEY DO REQUIRE, LIKE THEIR OWN SORT OF THEIR OWN APPROVALS EVERY YEAR. SO WHAT THE COUNCIL DOES, THE COUNCIL ACTUALLY APPROVES A MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT CAN SIT IN THAT REVOLVING FUND SO THAT THEY CAN'T, THEY'RE MEANT TO REVOLVE TO ACTUALLY SPEND THAT MONEY DOWN FAIRLY REGULARLY.

SO THE ONES THAT WE WILL BE, SO IN GENERAL WE DISCUSSING THOSE WITH THEIR DEPARTMENTS?

BUT THERE ARE A FEW THAT BELONG TO DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE NOT COMING IN FOR A DEDICATED HEARING AND SO THOSE ARE THE ONES THAT WILL JUST BE LOOKING AT, WE'LL JUST BE LOOKING AT BRIEFLY NEXT WEEK AND THE FUND THAT WE'LL LOOK AT ARE, THERE'S ONE FOR THE STRAND THEATER WHICH I JUST REFERENCED, WHICH SERVES TO BASICALLY HELP FUND THE OPERATIONS OF THAT CITY-OWNED THEATER AND TAKES IN RENTAL FEES THAT ARE PAID FOR ITS USAGE.

THERE'S ANOTHER ONE THAT BELONGS TO THE LAW DEPARTMENT, WHICH IS BASICALLY ABOUT ACTIVITY TO RECOVER MONEY FOR THIRD PARTY PROPERTY DAMAGES, IF SOMEONE DAMAGES CITY PROPERTY AND THEN THE CITY BRINGS LEGAL ACTION AND RECOVERS MONEY FOR THAT PROPERTY DAMAGE.

SO THAT'S THE LAW DEPARTMENT'S REVOLVING FUND, FUNDED UP TO HALF A MILLION DOLLARS.

AND THEN THERE'S ONE FOR CITY HALL PLAZA, WHICH IS PEOPLE RENT CITY HALL PLAZA AND THEN WE COLLECT FEES AND HELPS GO TO THE UPKEEP OF CITY HALL PLAZA.

SO THERE'S INFORMATION ABOUT THIS IN EVERYBODY'S PACKET. PERHAPS THE ONE THAT MIGHT BE OF GREATEST COUNCIL INTEREST IS THERE IS ONE FOR PUBLIC ART, WHICH TAKES IN MONEY FROM EASEMENTS WITHIN THE PUBLIC WAY GRANTED BY THE PUBLIC

IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION.

SO THAT ONE IS SORT OF  
EXCEPTIONAL BECAUSE IT'S NOT,  
YOU KNOW, THE OTHER ONES HAVE  
THAT NATURAL RENTAL TYPE  
RELATIONSHIP.

THIS IS MORE ONE SOURCE THAT  
NEEDS ANOTHER.

WHEN THE PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT  
COMMISSION GIVES PERMISSION FOR  
SOMEONE TO GET AN EASEMENT ON A  
PUBLIC WAY, THEY COLLECT THESE  
FEES AND THOSE FEES GO TO  
FUNDING PUBLIC ART.

SO I THINK THE PUBLIC ART ONE,  
THE STRAND ONE, THE LAW ONE AND  
CITY HALL PLAZA ARE THE ONES  
THAT WE WILL BE CONSIDERING AND  
MISCELLANEOUS ONES NEXT WEEK.

AND SO EVERYONE HAS MORE DETAIL  
ON THAT IN THEIR PACKETS BUT I  
JUST WANTED TO SEE IF THERE ARE  
ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THOSE THAT  
FOLKS WANT TO RAISE FOR THE  
ADMINISTRATION IN ADVANCE.

I SEE YOU, COUNCILOR EDWARD.  
COUNCILOR EDWARDS HAS THE FLOOR.

>> I WANT THE CLARIFY FOR THE  
LEGAL FUND HOW YOU DESCRIBED IT  
BEING A REVOLVING FUND.

THIS IS BASED OFF OF LOSS IT IS  
CITY IS INITIATING AND RECEIVING  
FUNDS BACK?

>> SO THIS IS BASED ON, NO, IT'S  
SPECIFICALLY -- I'M CHECKING  
THIS.

I THINK ---ER THE FY '20  
RECEIPTS, SAYS IN THE REPORT,  
INCLUDE REVENUE FROM INSURERS  
FOR DAMAGES TO CITY PROPERTY,  
PRIMARILY, STREET SIGNALS, AND  
THEN EXPENDITURES INCLUDE GOODS  
AND SERVICES FOR REPAIRS.

SO IT SOUND LIKE, SO IT'S NOT,  
SOUND LIKE BASICALLY THE LAW  
DEPARTMENT BRINGS PROPERTY  
DAMAGE SUITS.

>> SEEMS LIKE THEY'RE A  
FACILITATOR, NOT ACTUAL BASED  
OFF OF LEGAL SERVICES PROVIDED  
OR LEGAL DEFENSE IS DONE.

>> YES.

>> SO MY QUESTIONS I THINK AND  
YOU CAN HELP ME UNDERSTAND

WHAT'S THE BEST HEARING TO SPECIFICALLY TARGET THE LAW DEPARTMENT BUDGET IN TERMS OF HOW MUCH THEY'RE PAYING OUTSIDE COUNSEL.

ALSO HOW MUCH THEY'RE PAYING TO DEFEND DISCRIMINATION LAWSUITS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY.

I'M CURIOUS AND A BREAK DOWN BY DEPARTMENT.

SO AS IN WHICH DEPARTMENT OR WHICH AGENCY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON IS COSTING US A LOT OF MONEY IN TERMS OF THE WAY THAT THEY HAVE BEEN TREATING OR HAVE BEEN DEALING WITH THEIR WORKERS. AS A RESULT US HAVING TO THEN DEFEND LAWSUITS FROM THOSE WORKERS FOR DISCRIMINATION FOR SEXUAL HARASSMENT AND SO ON, SO FORTH.

I THINK IT'S WORTH ASKING, SEEING THE COST AND SEEING IT BACKWARD IN TERMS OF WE HAVE HAD TO DEFEND THE LAWSUIT.

LET'S FIGURE OUT WHY WE HAVE THE LAWSUITS TO BEGIN, WITH WHO IS COSTING US THE MONEY.

I'M CURIOUS WHAT WOULD BE THE BEST VEHICLE TO DEAL WITH THAT.

I DON'T KNOW THAT THE LAW DEPARTMENT SPECIFICALLY COMINGS UP WITH THEIR BUDGET ON A HEARING DATE, BUT THOSE ARE QUESTIONS I CERTAINLY HAVE.

I THINK IT'S A MATTER OF TRANSPARENCY AND CONSIDERING ALSO THAT THERE WAS SUCH PUSH-BACK ON MY COLLEAGUES IDEA FOR A IG FOR AN INTERNAL AUDIT OR INSPECTOR GENERAL THAT I THINK IT'S WORTH THEM ALSO JUSTIFYING WHY THEY ARE STILL GOING TO OUTSIDE COUNSEL AND WHY THEY WOULD THEN, INSTEAD OF HAVING A IG CURRENTLY IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

>> GREAT.

SO I THINK THAT WHAT WOULD PROBABLY MAKE THE MOST SENSE, WE SEND, THE COUNCIL SENDS A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION THAT'S KIND OF A LITTLE MORE SPECIFIC THAN THE BUDGET BOOKS PROVIDE TO

EVERY DEPARTMENT INCLUDING THE ONES THAT WE DON'T HAVE COME IN NECESSARILY FOR ANNUAL HEARINGS. SO I THINK WHAT WE SHOULD DO IS HAVE CENTRAL STAFF TAKE DOWN THOSE QUESTIONS AND SEND THEM TO THE LAW DEPARTMENT IN ADDITION TO OUR RFI REQUEST AND ASK FOR THOSE MATERIALS AS PART OF THE BUDGET PROCESS.

THEN IF WHAT WE GET BACK IS SATISFACTORY, GREAT.

OTHERWISE THERE'S THE POSSIBILITY OF ADDING THAT TO THE CONVERSATION LATER IN MAY, WE INTENTIONALLY HOLD SOME TIME IN ORD TO MAKE SURE WE GET ALL OUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED AND IF SOMETHING COMES UP THAT WE NEED TO SCRUTINIZE MORE, HAVE PEOPLE IN, WE HAVE THAT OPTION.

I THINK THAT'S PROBABLY, I THINK WE SHOULD TAKE THOSE QUESTIONS FROM TODAY'S HEARING AND ADD THEM TO OUR RFI FOR THE LAW DEPARTMENT.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU.

>> THANKS SO MUCH, COUNCILOR EDWARDS.

ARE THERE ANY OTHER SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ON THE REVOLVING FUNDS THAT WE'LL TALK ABOUT NEXT WEEK? COUNCILOR MEJIA.

COUNCILOR MEJIA, YOU'RE MUTED.

>> CAN YOU HEAR ME AND SEE ME NOW?

>> YES.

>> SO I'M JUST CURIOUS ABOUT TRAVEL, EXCUSE ME, TOURISM, IN TERMS OF DOES THIS ALLOCATION OF FUNDS FOR CITY WIDE TOURISM? OR IS IT JUST ENCOURAGING TOURISM TO SPECIFIC

NEIGHBORHOODS?

>> WELL, I THINK THAT IT'S ACTUALLY MUCH NARROWER THAN THAT.

SO IT'S SORT OF UNDER THE MAYOR'S OFFICE OF TOURISM BUT IT'S REALLY SPECIFICALLY ABOUT CITY HALL PLAZA.

SO IT'S ABOUT BASICALLY CITY

HALL PLAZA BEING RENTED TO GROUPS AND THEN THEY COLLECT THE MONEY.

IT SAYS HERE THAT THE RECEIPTS INCLUDE PAYMENTS FROM THE RENTAL OF CITY HALL PLAZA AND EXPENDITURES INCLUDE PAYMENTS AND EQUIPMENT PURCHASES RELATED TO PERFORMANCE HELD AT CITY HALL PLAZA AND PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS AS WELL AS SPENDING RELATED TO THE RELOCATION OF CITY HALL PLAZA EVENTS, WHICH IS SOMETHING THAT WILL HAPPEN AS WE GO THROUGH THE RENOVATION.

SO BASICALLY PEOPLE PAY THEIR RENTAL FEES, SOME OF THAT WE HAVE TO SPEND ON THE EVENTS THEMSELVES TO, SO THAT'S LIKE WHEN YOU AS AN AT THE SCOOPER BOWL OR A CONCERT OR WHATEVER. THEY PAY THE RENTAL FEES. WE USE SOME OF THAT FOR THE HOOKUPS AND EVERYTHING WE MANAGE WHEN WE HAVE AN EVENT LIKE THAT. SOME GOES IN TO THINGS LIKE THE CHAIRS THAT WE PUT OUT AND KIND OF LIKE VARIOUS FESTIVE EVENTS, PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS ON CITY HALL PLAZA.

SO YES, I THINK IT'S IN THE OFFICE OF TOURISM BUT IT'S NOT, THIS ISN'T A BROADLY CONSTITUTED TOURISM BUDGET.

>> OKAY, GREAT.

THANK YOU FOR THAT.

AND I'M CURIOUS, TALKING ABOUT PROPERTY DAMAGE NOW, WHAT KINDS OF PROPERTY DAMAGE SUITS DOES THE LAW DEPARTMENT FILE WITH THIS FUND?

ARE WE TALKING ABOUT A ROCK THROWN THROUGH A WINDOW? OR A MAJOR PROPERTY DAMAGE? WHAT IS THE THRESHOLD IS THE QUESTION THAT I HAVE.

AND YOU HAVE ALREADY ANSWERED THE QUESTION AROUND THE TRAVELING TOURISM.

I'M WONDERING WHAT ABOUT OPPORTUNITIES, IF ANY EXIST, FOR THIS FUND TO HELP INCREASE TOURISM IN CERTAIN NEIGHBORHOODS, SO IT'S NOT JUST,



EVERYBODY GOES TO NATHANIEL  
HALL, FREEDOM WALK TRAIL.  
IT'S LIKE THESE BIG TICKET ITEMS  
EVERYBODY COMES TO BOSTON TO DO.

I'M WONDERING WHAT  
OPPORTUNITIES, IF ANY, WITH THIS  
PARTICULAR FUND EXIST TO HAVE  
SOME TOURISM IN NEIGHBORHOODS  
THAT HAVE BEEN HISTORICALLY NOT  
-- I THINK ABOUT DORCHESTER,  
THERE'S A BIG, I THINK IT'S IN  
THE DISTRICT, I DON'T KNOW THE  
NAME OF THE CHURCH, BUT IT'S  
LIKE BOLDEN SQUARE AREA, BIG  
WHITE CHURCH.

>> FIRST PARISH CHURCH.

>> THANK YOU, ESSAIBI-GEORGE.  
YES, SO I'M JUST CURIOUS, WHAT,  
IF ANY, OPPORTUNITIES EXIST TO  
USE SOME OF THAT FUND TO HELP  
DRIVE TRAFFIC TO OTHER PARTS OF  
THE CITY THAT ARE NOT SO WELL  
TRAFFICKED, I GUESS.

>> AND I THINK THAT MIGHT BE A  
QUESTION THAT WE SHOULD DIRECT  
TO MAYBE EVEN THE ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT HEARING, JUST  
BECAUSE I THINK THIS FUND IS  
JUST 150,000 DOLLARS.

I THINK TO REALLY PUT A DENTED  
IN WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT WE  
WOULD NEED TO LOOK AT LARGER  
SOURCES, SO I THINK TALKING  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ABOUT WHAT  
ITS CITY WIDE NEIGHBORHOOD BASED  
TOURISM PLAN IS WOULD MAKE WITH  
A LOT OF SENSE.

>> SO BASICALLY IT DOESN'T FALL  
UNDER THIS?

>> WELL, THIS SPECIFIC REVOLVING  
FUND IS JUST REALLY, JUST REALLY  
NARROW.

AND THE STATE, AND THE THING,  
I'M NOT A LAWYER SO I SHOULDN'T  
EVEN -- MY UNDERSTANDING ABOUT  
REVOLVING FUNDS IS THAT THEY'RE  
TYPICALLY MEANT TO HAVE A PRETTY  
TIGHT RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE  
THING THAT THE FEES ARE PAID FOR  
AND THE THING THAT THE MONEY IS  
SPENT ON, BECAUSE IN MUNICIPAL  
FINANCE THE CITY IS DISCOURAGED  
FROM HAVING LOTS OF REVOLVING  
FUNDS THAT ARE KIND OF LIKE POTS

OF MONEY FOR REVENUE LIKE USAGE  
BECAUSE THAT'S MEANT TO BE ALL  
GENERAL FUND.

I THINK THIS, IT'S MORE LIKE  
THIS KIND OF PAY FOR THE GYM,  
FUND THE GYM.

PAY FOR THE CHILD CARE, FUND THE  
CHILD CARE.

PAY FOR THE PLAZA, FUND THE  
PLAZA, MEANT TO BE MORE TIGHTLY  
TIED LIKE THAT.

BUT IT'S A VERY SMALL PORTION OF  
OUR CITY WIDE BUDGET THAT'S TIED  
UP IN THE REVOLVING FUND SO I  
THINK WE SHOULD RAISE YOUR  
QUESTION TO BE A GENERAL ONE.

>> AND AGAIN, TELL ME IF THIS  
DOESN'T BELONG HERE, BUT I'M  
JUST CURIOUS AS TO WHO, ARE  
THERE PEOPLE WHO GET ELECTED TO  
SIT ON THE COMMISSION, TO SIT  
ON THE COMMISSION TO DETERMINE,  
LIKE WHO IS ADMINISTRATING THIS  
FUND?

WHO IS THE WIZARD BEHIND THE  
DECISION MAKING PROCESS AS TO  
WHO GETS HOW THIS MONEY IS  
SPENT?

>> GREAT.

I THINK THAT'S A GREAT QUESTION.  
I THINK WE SHOULD ASK ABOUT THE  
DECISION MAKING ON ALL THESE  
REVOLVING FUNDS.

>> OKAY, SO ADD THAT QUESTION.  
AND SO THIS IS JUST A WORKING  
SESSION FOR US TO PREPARE.

>> YES, EXACTLY.

THE IDEA THIS IS GENERATES  
QUESTIONS THAT WE'RE THEN  
SENDING OVER TO THEM AND THEN  
WE'LL HAVE THE HEARING WHERE  
OBVIOUSLY THE ADMINISTRATION  
WILL ACTUALLY BE HERE TO ANSWER  
THE QUESTIONS.

>> AND IN TERMS OF OUR PROCESS  
HERE, I'M JUST CURIOUS, WILL WE  
KNOW IF OUR QUESTIONS THAT WE  
HAVE ASKED YOU IN THIS SESSION,  
WILL WE KNOW WHETHER OR NOT OUR  
QUESTIONS MADE IT TO THE FINAL  
ROUND?

AND WHETHER OR NOT THOSE  
QUESTIONS ARE GOING TO BE ASKED?  
DO WE ASK THOSE QUESTIONS OR ARE

YOU GOING TO ASK ALL THOSE  
QUESTIONS?

HELP ME UNDERSTAND THE PROCESS  
REAL QUICK.

>> SURE, ABSOLUTELY.

SO THIS IS OUR PLAN.

SO FIRST, I'M NOT SELECTING  
QUESTIONS.

WE'RE JUST GOING TO THE CENTRAL  
STAFF HAS BEEN TAKING NOTE OF  
QUESTIONS AND WE'RE GOING TO  
COE -- COLLATE ALL OF THEM.

WE'LL HAVE A BIG SET OF  
QUESTIONS THAT WE SEND TO THE  
ADMINISTRATION, RIGHT?  
THAT WILL BE A MATTER OF PUBLIC  
RECORD.

WE'LL ALSO ATTACH THAT SET OF  
QUESTIONS AND THE VIDEO OF THIS  
WORKING SESSION TO THE PUBLIC  
NOTICE FOR THE HEARING.

AND IT MEANS THAT WE GET TO GO  
IN TO OUR HEARING WITH LIKE, YOU  
KNOW, SOME MORE THINGS ON THE  
AGENDA.

NOW, WHAT I IMAGINE WILL HAPPEN,  
VIS-A-VIS THOSE QUESTIONS, IS  
THAT THERE WILL BE A SET OF THE  
QUESTIONS THAT WE HAVE ASKED  
TODAY THAT GET ADDRESSED IN THE  
HEARING BY THE ADMINISTRATION IN  
THEIR PRESENTATION.

THERE WILL BE A SET OF THOSE  
QUESTIONS WHERE THEY SAY  
ACTUALLY COULD WE SEND THAT  
QUESTION TO THE PARKS HEARING OR  
COULD WE SEND IT TO THE LIBRARY  
HEARING BECAUSE THAT'S WHERE THE  
PERSON WHO REALLY KNOWS ABOUT IT  
IS GOING TO BE.

THERE MIGHT BE A FEW OF THESE  
QUESTIONS THAT CAN BE ANSWERED  
BY THE ADMINISTRATION WRITING  
BACK TO US IN ADVANCE AND SAYING  
OH, YOU CAN FIND THAT ON THIS  
PAGE OF THE BUDGET BOOK OR  
WHATEVER, RIGHT?

THERE MIGHT BE A FEW LIKE THAT.  
AND THEN, YOU KNOW, PART OF THE  
PURPOSE OF THE HEARING IS TO  
ALLOW COUNCILORS TO THEN ASK  
FOLLOW UPS IF THEY FEEL LIKE  
THEIR QUESTIONS WERE NOT  
ANSWERED OR OTHER ONES OCCURRED

IN THE MEANTIME OR THE ANSWER  
RAISES ANOTHER QUESTION, RIGHT?  
SO WE'RE STILL, THE HEARINGS ARE  
STILL AN OPPORTUNITY TO ASK  
QUESTIONS OF THE ADMINISTRATION.  
IT'S JUST THAT THIS IS A WAY OF  
GETTING A BUNCH OF THE THINGS  
THAT ARE SORT OF MOST IMPORTANT  
TO COUNCILORS OUT ON THE TABLE  
AND TRYING TO PUT OURSELVES IN A  
POSITION TO HAVE A MORE ROBUST  
CONVERSATION NEXT WEEK THAT  
ISN'T, THAT ISN'T MAINLY OH,  
LET'S GO FIND OTHER INFORMATION  
AND GET BACK TO YOU LATER.  
THAT'S PART OF THE IDEA: IS THAT  
HELPFUL?

>> YES, VERY MUCH SO.

THANK YOU.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU.

HI.

THAT WAS DELIGHTFUL.

>> OKAY.

ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS, WHETHER  
ON REVOLVING FUNDS, ON THE  
PUBLIC FACILITIES DEPARTMENT  
BUDGET?

I SEE COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.  
COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE, YOU'RE  
RECOGNIZED.

>> I HAVE A QUICK QUESTION ON  
HOW THE CITY DECIDES TO DEVELOP  
A REVOLVING FUND AND I WOULD  
LOVE A REVOLVING FUND IN BPS.  
I DON'T KNOW WHETHER THIS WILL  
BE THE BPS REVOLVING FUND  
HEARING OR IS THAT SEPARATE?  
I'M NOT LOOKING AT THE SCHEDULE,  
I APOLOGIZE.

MY QUESTION SPECIFICALLY TO BPS  
IS WE HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY, WE  
HAVE EXERCISED IT ON OCCASION,  
TO COLLECT FUNDS FROM INVOICES  
WE SEND FUNDS FROM  
FAMILIES STARTING THE RESIDENCY  
REQUIREMENTS.

IF WE FIND A FAMILY IS  
INAPPROPRIATELY -- BPS.

THEN WHEN WE REMOVE THAT STUDENT  
FROM OUR ROLLS WE HAVE THE  
OPPORTUNITY TO BILL FAMILIES FOR  
THAT THEFT OF SERVICES.

WE SEE THAT IN THE EXAM SCHOOLS,

APPLICATION SCHOOLS.

SOME OF OUR SCHOOLS WITH  
SPECIALTY PROGRAMS.

IT'S OFTEN.

I HAVE HOSTED A NUMBER OF  
HEARINGS ON THIS.

IT'S OFTEN FAM HOSES WITH  
SIGNIFICANT NEEDS THAT STEAL  
FROM THE SYSTEM.

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE A REVOLVEING  
FUND CREATED FOR THOSE AMOUNTS  
RATHER THAN GO TO THE TEN RAL  
FUND.

GO INTO A REVOLVEING FUND TO  
SUPPORT THE OFFICE.

THAT'S MY QUESTION.

I DON'T KNOW IF IT'S APPROPRIATE  
TO NEXT WEEK'S HEARING OR  
SPECIFIC BPS ONE.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR.

WE WILL RECORD THAT QUESTION AND  
PROBABLY DEFER IT.

ON MAY 19th AT 1:00 P.M. WE  
HAVE A BPS HEARING WHERE  
REVOLVEING FUNDS ARE ON THE  
DOCKET POOR BPS.

WE'RE ALSO TALKING ABOUT SCHOOL  
ADMISSION AND ASSIGNMENT SYSTEM.  
SEEMS LIKE THE RIGHT HEARING.

>> THANK YOU, APPRECIATE IT.

>> THANK YOU.

>> ALRIGHT ANY FURTHER  
QUESTIONS?

ANYONE WHO WANTS TO SPEAK SHOULD  
RAISE THEIR BLUE HAND.

OTHERWISE ...

OKAY SEEING NONE.

IT'S 10:1.

I WILL GAVEL THIS WORKING  
SESSION TO A CHOSE.

BEFORE I DO SO I WILL REMIND  
COUNSELORS THAT IF YOU CAN GET  
US ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS YOU  
WOULD LIKE TO HAVE INCLUDED BY  
THE END OF THE DAY THAT WOULD BE  
GREAT TO GET THEM OUT TOMORROW  
TO THE ADMINISTRATION.

WE WILL HAVE THE HEARING  
CONNECTED TO THIS WORKING  
SESSION NEXT WEEK ON THURSDAY  
THE 23rd.

AGAIN I WOULD JUST REMIND  
MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC, WATCHING  
AT HOME, YOU CAN FIND THE WHOLE

PROPOSED BUDGET AT BUDGET@BOSTON  
DOT DOVE.  
YOU CAN READ MORE ABOUT OUR  
PROCESS AND FIND LINKS TO  
TESTIFY.  
IN PERSON, BY VIDEO, BY E-MAIL.  
WE DEFINITELY LOOK FORWARD  
HEARING FROM YOU THROUGH THIS  
PROCESS.  
THANK YOU, THANK YOU TO MY  
COLLEAGUES.  
WITH THAT THIS WORKING SESSION  
IS ADJOURNED.  
THANK YOU, BYE.  
>> THANK YOU.  
>> BYE.  
>> THANK YOU.