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## COMMITTEE HEARING NOTICE - Virtual Hearing

February 9, 2022

The Boston City Council's Committee on Public Safety and Criminal Justice will hold a public hearing on Thursday, February 17, 2022 at 12:00 PM. This hearing will be held virtually via Zoom. The subjects of the hearing are:

**Docket #0159, message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Twenty-Four Million One Hundred Fifty Four Thousand Five Hundred Eighteen Dollars and Eighty Five Cents (\$24,154,518.85) in the form of a grant, for the Federal FY2020 Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grant, awarded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund training for a class of 85 recruits at the BFD Training Academy and reimbursement for their salaries for 36 months.**

**Docket #0161, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$2,500,000.00) in the form of a grant for the FY2021 National Sexual Assault Kit Initiative, awarded by the United States Department of Justice to be administered by the Police Department.**

**Docket #0162, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Five Hundred Twenty Seven Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Six Dollars (527,586.00) in the form of grant, for the FY21 Connected and Protect, awarded by the United States Department of Justice to be administered by the Boston Police Department. The grant will fund clinicians-directed project coordinator, community partnerships for translation and outreach and staff cost for Section 12 activities carried out by the Boston Emergency Services Team in partnership with the BPD Street Outreach Unit.**

**Docket #0163, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Four Hundred Ninety One Thousand Three Hundred Sixteen Dollar (491,316.00) in the form of a grant, for First Responders-Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act Cooperative Agreement, awarded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services to be administered by the Fire Department. The grant will fund a collaborative effort between the Boston Fire Department First Responders, the Mayor's Office of Recovery Services, the Boston Public Health Commission and community-based organizations to improve the City's response to opioid overdoses. Year 4 of 4 year grant.**



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**Docket #0164, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of Two Hundred Seventy Two Thousand Thirteen Dollars (\$272,013.00) in the form of a grant for FY2021 DNA Capacity Enhancement and Backlog Reduction Program, awarded by the United States Department of Justice to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund two Criminalist positions, overtime, lab supplies and continuing education expenses.**

**Docket #0166, Message and order authorizing the City of Boston to accept and expend the amount of One Hundred Twenty Five Thousand Dollars (\$125,000.00) in the form of a grant for the Federal FY21 Violence Against Women Act Stop grant, awarded by the United States Department of Justice, passed through the MA Executive Office of Public Safety & Security, to be administered by the Police Department. The grant will fund a Civilian Violence Advocate who provides services for victims in Jamaica Plain, East Boston, Charlestown and overtime for all Domestic Violence Advocates.**

These dockets were sponsored by Mayor Wu and were referred to the Committee on January 26, 2022.

NOTICE: The Boston City Council may have a quorum participating due to standing committees of the City Council consisting of both voting and non-voting members. However, members participating in this duly posted meeting are participating and deliberating only in conjunction with the business of the standing committee.

**Attendance** In accordance with Chapter 20 of the Acts of 2021 modifying certain requirements of the Open Meeting Law and relieving public bodies of certain requirements, including the requirement that public bodies conduct its meetings in a public place that is open and physically accessible to the public, the City Council will be conducting this hearing virtually. This enables the City Council to carry out its responsibilities while adhering to public health accommodations and ensuring public access to its deliberations through adequate, alternative means. The public may watch this meeting live on Xfinity 8/RCN 82/Verizon 964 and via live stream at [www.boston.gov/city-council-tv](http://www.boston.gov/city-council-tv). It will also be re-broadcasted at a later date.

**Public Testimony** Written comments may be sent to the Committee or staff email (below) and will be made a part of the record and available to all Councilors. Members of the public wishing to testify virtually via videoconference should email the staff contact for a link and instructions to do so.

For the Committee:



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