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## Traffic nightmare continues, residents vow action

By John Lynds

One week it was a broken-down bus. Another week it was a stuck semi-truck. Then on Monday it was a car accident in the Sumner Tunnel and MassDOT road crews forgetting to install the cones to form the 'swing lane' during the rush hour commute.

It seems every week there's another issue at the mouth of the tunnel and each excuse has not been enough to quell the angry residents that have to sit in traffic for almost an hour every morning to get out of East Boston.

The residents are restless and now vowing to take action.

Already, flyers are being circulated in the community with the names, phone numbers and email addresses of elected officials, MassDOT officials and transportation officials. Residents are being asked on the the flyers to flood these offices with pictures and videos of Eastie's traffic

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Flanked by his wife, Trisha, and sons, Matthew and Jack, Matthew McDonough is sworn in as East Boston District Court's Chief Probation Officer by Chief Justice Paula Carey last Wednesday evening.

## ABCD, East Boston APAC kicks off annual Fuel Assistance program with help from Sen. Markey

By John Lynds

East Boston experienced its first cold snap of the season last week as temperatures plummeted into the teens.

However, there's relief from paying those high New England heating costs for hundreds of low-income residents in the neighborhood.

At the beginning of November, Action for Boston

Community Development (ABCD) kicked off the annual Fuel Assistance Program at ABCD's Meridian Street APAC office and workers say that the program is in full swing and are encouraging residents to sign up.

"Many people who never had to ask for help before are turning to ABCD," said President/CEO of ABCD John Drew. "Unemployment,

underemployment or disabilities make it impossible for too many families to handle basic needs and a harsh winter through the holiday season only adds to their struggles."

Drew said every year in Eastie, ABCD and APAC have older people choosing between heat and medicine and food as well as reports

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## New East Boston District Court Chief Probation Officer sworn in

By John Lynds

Matthew McDonough, who had been serving as the Chief Probation Officer at West Roxbury District Court before being tapped to head the probation department at East Boston District Court, was officially sworn in last Wednesday evening.

McDonough, a Dorchester native, replaces former Chief Probation Officer Thomas Tassinari who retired over the summer after 30-plus years

in probation both here and in Chelsea District Court.

"I'm glad he was chosen, excited he was chosen and excited about what the future brings because he's going to work collaboratively with a lot of the people invited here tonight," said East Boston District Court's First Chief Justice John McDonald. "He's going to work diligently to improve the qualities of life for the people of East Boston and Winthrop."

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## EASTIE VICTORIOUS IN 100TH ANNUAL SHOWDOWN



PHOTOS BY BOB MARRA

**GAME CLINCHER:** Kasey Vasquez drags a pair of South Boston defenders into the end zone to cap off a 28-yard touchdown run that put East Boston up 20-0 late in the game. In the 100<sup>th</sup> meeting of the two teams, Eastie High prevailed 22-6. Meanwhile, nearly 1,000 fans dressed as warmly as possible – including these two Eastie fans – piled into the East Boston Stadium for the historic 100<sup>th</sup> showdown. See more photos on Page 7.



## THE GREAT SAVIO REUNION II



PHOTO BY MARIANNE SALZA

Paul Travaglini, Class of 1973; Stephen Fielding, Class of 1972; Father Tony Luongo, Class of 1973; and John Ambrosino, Class of 1970; during the Nov. 24 Great Savio Reunion II at the Salesian Boys & Girls Club in East Boston. The reunion brought back scores of alumni from all over the area to re-connect and raise money for the Boys & Girls Club activities.

## ZBA approves several Eastie projects

By John Lynds

At a Boston Zoning Board of Appeals hearing earlier this month board members approved several development projects that have gone through the the community process.

The ZBA approved projects at 398 Bremen St., 135 Chelsea St., 113-115 Cottage St., as well as 30-32 Condor St.

At 398 Bremen St., the proposal by Volnay Capital is to demolish the existing single family dwelling, and replace it with a four-unit dwelling intended for home ownership. The project will be similar in size to other projects Volnay has presented to the neighbor-

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## CLIMATE CHANGE IS HAPPENING NOW

The report released last Friday by 13 U.S. government agencies concurring in an assessment that the effects of climate change will result in a 10 percent decline in the U.S. gross national product and the loss of \$1 trillion in real estate by the year 2100 is sobering -- if not depressing -- and should be a wake-up call to our elected officials to take action immediately to lead the world in reversing the effects of man-made contributions to climate change.

The U.S. report comes on the heels of a similar study released by the United Nations two months previously that essentially stated that we are reaching a point of no return with climate change -- that even if the goals set by the Paris accords (from which the U.S. withdrew) are met, they probably are not sufficient to halt the deterioration in our environment and the negative effects of climate change.

In addition, there were two big stories in the New York Times this weekend about climate issues.

The first story detailed the ever-increasing use of coal in third world countries such as Vietnam, India, and Pakistan to generate electricity. Coal production is a dying industry in the U.S. and other Western nations, but its low price and availability in third world countries, including China, has made it the fuel of choice in the undeveloped world.

Even those who refuse to accept the science of climate change will admit that coal plants contribute greatly to air and water pollution -- and the multitude of new plants in Asia will have effects on our country even from half a world away.

The second story pointed out that the palm oil industry is destroying the rain-forests in Indonesia -- with the result that 35 times more carbon is being released into the world's atmosphere than from all other sources combined.

We don't pretend to be experts on anything, but, to paraphrase Bob Dylan, we don't need a scientist to tell us which way our climate is heading.

The evidence of the past 12 years of unprecedented climate events: Superstorms Katrina, Sandy, Harvey, Maria, and Michael; the past few years of destructive wild fires in California; the loss of sea ice in the Arctic; and the destruction of coral reefs because of warming ocean temperatures -- is right in front of us and brought into our living rooms almost on a daily basis

Hopefully, the ubiquity of these catastrophic climate events is not numbing us into a sense of unreality such that we fail to see the big picture.

A report prepared by scientists hired by the oil industry in the 1960s predicted that carbon dioxide emissions would cause global warming with catastrophic effects -- and a study commissioned a decade later by none other than Exxon confirmed those findings.

In our view, climate change is happening faster than even the worst-case scenarios of the past and present have predicted -- and with the window to take action rapidly closing, we are not optimistic about the fate of our planet.

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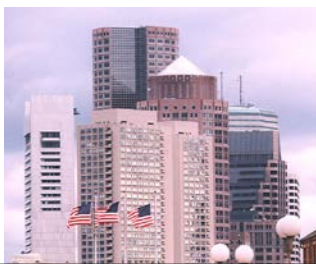
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# Forum



THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS BEGINS DEC. 2<sup>ND</sup>.

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hood that were met with community support.

The proposed Bremen Street project, which faces the Bremen Street Park and East Boston Library was met with a favorable response from the direct abutters during the abutters meeting. The developer will work closely with the abutter to the left, who raised concerns about construction. Neither Eagle Hill or Central Maverick claimed that this project was within its boundaries and did not vote on the proposal. This project is located in the 3F-2000 district and is surrounded by a mix of uses including multifamily, commercial and open space. The proposal for 135 Bremen St., which is owned by Paul and Anna Novielli in-

volves adding an addition to the existing single story retail, which will provide four units of housing while maintaining the existing commercial space.

As this property is located in the flood zone, residential use on the ground level will be challenging so the Novielli's decided to preserve the existing commercial space. This project is located on the corner of Chelsea and Visconti Road in the 3F-2000 district and would be similar in scale and height of the surrounding properties. The project was presented to the community on three occasions-- twice to the Maverick Central Community group and once as an abutters meeting. All meetings were favorable with Maver-

ick Central voting in support. The proposal at 113-115 Cottage St. involves the change of occupancy of an existing two-family dwelling and private club to a four-unit dwelling with a complete rehab and preservation of the exterior of the building. Eliminating the use of the private club was met with strong support from the neighborhood and abutters. The project was presented twice to Gove Street and once at an abutters meeting. Gove Street voted to support the proposal at their monthly meeting. The project at 30-32 Condor St. was deferred at the ZBA's Oct. 16 meeting but was back before the board this month to seek approval.

The proposal by PHD Homes is to demolish the

existing vacant two-family dwelling and replace it with a new six-unit dwelling with parking for seven vehicles. The project is intended for home ownership. The current structure is in poor condition and requires substantial rehab and upgrades for continued long-term habitability. This property was formerly owner occupied until its sale in late 2017. The developer held a total of three community meetings--one abutters meeting and two meetings at the Eagle Hill Civic Association. At each of the meetings the proposal was met with favorable responses from abutters and the neighborhood. Eagle Hill Civic Association members voted to support the project.

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nightmare.

Now there's talk of taking it to the streets like residents did here in the 1960s and 1970s with protests that blocked the tunnels, as well as well organized traffic 'slow downs'-where residents drive at a snail's pace around Logan Airport keeping the airport related traffic out of Eastie.

"The entire neighborhood is a gridlock today (Monday)," said resident Fabricio Paes. "Took me 25 minutes to drive to (my son's school) which is no more than a five minute drive. It's time to get an organized neighborhood movement going. Kids are late to school. People are late to work. All due to poor planning on this tunnel entrance." Paes said complaining on social media about the traffic is not going to solve anything for residents here.

"We need to come together as a neighborhood, get organized and force people to solve this," he said. "We need to show up in large numbers to whatever meetings we need

to. Let's start taking videos and sharing them. It's easy to brush this off as people exaggerating, but that is not the case here. Enough is enough. Our kids are late to school. Our community is late to work. We bear the burden for all trying to get downtown."

Another resident, Devon Marie, said she left her house at 6:40 a.m., which is five minutes away from the tunnel entrance to get to work and it took her 40 minutes to get into the tunnel.

"My commute to work, once I get through the tunnel, takes way less than that," she said. "Something needs to be done about this tunnel, it's absolutely absurd."

Pat Frangolini said he has lived in Eastie for over 50 years and has never seen the traffic this bad.

"Today it took me 44 minutes to get from Frankfort Street to the entrance to the tunnel," he said.

One of the major issues during Monday's commute was the lack of the 'swing

lane' that merges the two lanes of highway and airport related traffic into the tunnel's far left lane. This leaves the center lane closed so Eastie residents can easily maneuver into the tunnel without having to yield to oncoming highway traffic. With the addition of Boston Police traffic control officers directing cars at the mouth of the tunnel traffic has been somewhat calmer these past two weeks.

However, there was a big question in the neighborhood as to why the swing lane wasn't put in place Monday.

Sources say that MassDOT and Massport made the call to eliminate the swing lane because they feared traffic was going to be extra heavy at Logan on Monday with people returning from the holiday weekend. In fact, before the rush hour commute, traffic at Logan was backed up to Terminal E as an influx of cabs, Ubers and Lyfts all descended on the airport to pick up travelers.

District A-7 Captain Kelly

McCormick, who ordered a traffic detail each morning at the tunnel a few weeks back, confirmed that according to MassDOT, that the numbers the airport is seeing are roughly 68,000 Uber and Lyft trips in and out of Logan per day.

However, MassDOT maintains that a worker responsible for installing the cones for the swing lane each morning punched out and forgot to do so.

While an employee error is the official story, residents fear that if the former story is at all true it will be a slippery slope if MassDOT and Massport get to decide when the swing lane will be put into use.

The neighborhood, during design meetings for toll plaza reconfiguration, was adamant at having the swing lane in place every morning so residents can easily access the tunnel without having to yield to the onslaught of highway and airport traffic and the state agreed. If the state can just arbitrarily decide to eliminate the swing lane to favor airport related traffic over the community--residents say there's going to be big problems in the future.

"The Boston Transportation Department will continue to advocate to ensure that the swing lane is closed by MassDOT at agreed-upon times moving forward to ease the burden from regional traffic on the East Boston community," said BTDC's Tracey C. Ganiatsos in a statement.



A common scene when trying to get into the city. Without fail there is usually some incident causing a back up at the entrance of the Sumner Tunnel.







# THANKSGIVING DINNER HOSTED BY STATE REP. ADRIAN MADARO CHARITY STARTS AT HOME



This little girl enjoyed some salad before the turkey with all the trimmings arrived at her table.



Rep. Adrian Madaro talks with attendees during the annual event.



Rep. Adrian Madaro's sister, Lauren Owens, serves dinner.



This happy attendee gave two thumbs up on the food.



Meg Grady, with her son Milo, talks with Rep. Adrian Madaro's mom, Debra Cave.

Rep. Adrian Madaro again hosted East Boston's annual Thanksgiving Day charitable dinner that has made the holiday a little more cheerful for hundreds of low-income, homeless and elderly residents in the neighborhood.

Madaro and a group of friends, family and an army of volunteers from across the neighborhood provided a full Thanksgiving meal to over 400 residents that may otherwise go hungry at the Sacred Heart Church hall on Thanksgiving Day.

PHOTOS BY JOHN LYNDIS



Former State Rep. Carlo Basile, Rep. Adrian Madaro, Jamie Cholette and Joe Logrippo.



Old friends enjoy spending time together during the event.



Tiana Tassinari and Lola Dumitrescu.



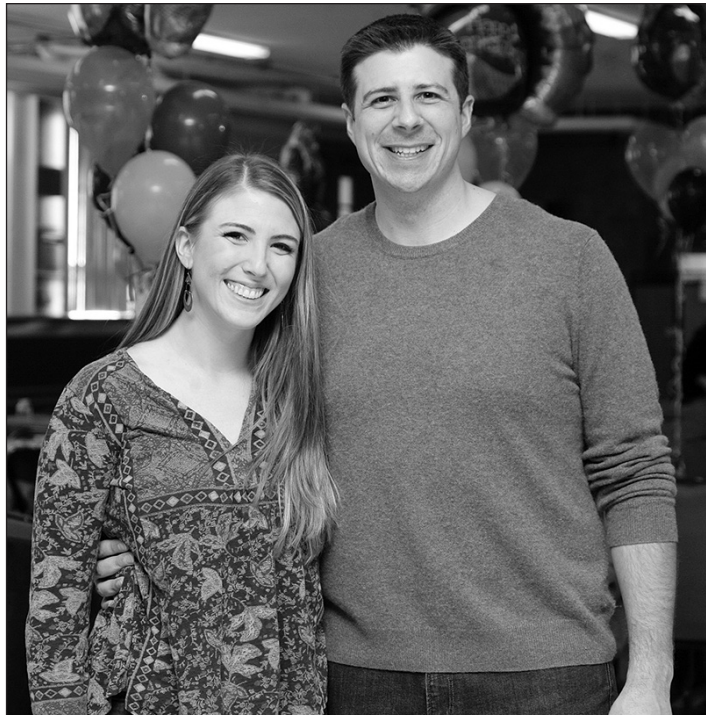
Volunteers were all smiles last Thursday.



Rep. Adrian Madaro's father, Jacopo, and lifelong friend, Dave Hallahan.



State Secretary of Veterans Affairs Francisco Urena was on hand to help serve dinner.



Rep. Adrian Madaro and his wife, Ariel.



## Public Meeting

# Suffolk Downs

**Tuesday, December 11**  
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The topic of this meeting will be next steps for the review process.

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12/17/2018



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Rep. Adrian Madaro is thanked by one of the 400 people who received a full Thanksgiving Day meal.



Jodi and David Cali with Nick Rose.



Volunteers fed over 400 people during the annual Madaro Family Thanksgiving Day event.



The event would not have been possible without the army of volunteers that work in the kitchen each year cooking the Thanksgiving Day feast.



Christina Lonardo, Liana LaMattina, John Bertoncini and Angel Rodriguez.



Rep. Adrian Madaro takes a break from serving food to pose with a family.



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Carlo Basile with Michael Triant, executive director of the Salesian Boys & Girls Club, with Wally Bowe's wife, Darlene, and daughters, Jillian and Janae.



Coach Bill Maradei, recipient of the Spartan Award, with sons, Mark and Billy, with Michael Triant, executive director of the Salesians Boys & Girls Club.



Michael Reedy, Class of 1986; Anthony Guerriero, Dom Savio Award recipient; Father Tony Luongo, Class of 1973; and Richard Ferrino, Class of 1980.



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Tara Kwiatkowski, Class of 2000, with her father, Rob Kwiatkowski, Class of 1973, and sister, Kristen Lewis, Class of 2003.



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PHOTOS AND STORY  
BY MARIANNE SALZA

An all-class Domenic Savio High School and Savio Preparatory High School reunion, in celebration of the school's 60th anniversary, was held on Nov. 24 at the Salesian Boys & Girls Club.

The Great Savio Reunion II included a live auction to benefit the Spartan Fund in support of the Salesian Boys & Girls Club, which serves 1,500 children, ages 6-18, in afterschool and summer programs.

"This is about giving the Boys & Girls Club the tools to teach the values that were instilled in us as students, and to continue to make kids believe in themselves and hard work," said Michael Triant, Class of 1997, and Salesian Boys & Girls Club executive director.

The late Wally Bowe, Salesian Boys Club staff member, Savio coach, and physical education teacher, was designated as an honorary alumnus and remembered for his service to the youth of East Boston. Former State Rep. Carlo Basile also announced the dedication of the intersection of Byron and Bennington streets as the Wally Bowe corner.

"I think Wally was the youngest man at the Salesian Boys Club at 15. He has done more for kids and people in the community than anyone I've known," said Basile, who thanked the Bowe Family for sharing Wally with the Savio community. "The guy was so selfless. He loved helping troubled kids. If we had more Wally Bowes, it'd be a better world for all of us."

Savio Spartans Anthony Guerriero, Lorene Schettino, and Coach Bill Maradei were also honored for their commitment and dedication to the community.



Former State Rep. Carlo Basile honoring the late Wally Bowe for his dedication to the youth of East Boston.



Savio Prep Award recipient, Lorene Schettino, with her brother, Vinny Schettino.



Michael Triant, executive director of the Salesians Boys & Girls Club and Class of 1997, and Kevin Adamson, Class of 1989.



Sports

THE 100<sup>TH</sup> THANKSGIVING GAME BETWEEN EASTIE AND SOUTHIE  
JETS 22, KNIGHTS 6

PHOTOS AND STORY BY BOB MARRA  
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Ten years ago, at the 90th Thanksgiving Day showdown between East Boston and South Boston, the Jets topped the Knights and pushed their overall series lead to 44 wins against Southie's 42.

Five times the teams have tied. Fast forward to 2018.

After the teams' 100th meeting, the Jets have widened the gap to 53-42-5 as they topped the Knights 22-6 at frigid East Boston Stadium Thursday morning, Nov. 24. Temperatures in the low teens and a biting northwest wind weren't enough to detour the Jets en route to their 10th straight holiday victory.

With the win, the Jets finished their season at 4-7 while South Boston dropped to 2-9.

While the weather certainly played a key role in the game, and the below-zero chill factor hampered any passing game by either team, the cold deterred neither team from bone-crunching hits and relatively mistake-free football. With about a thousand fans hunkered down and wrapped in every blanket, scarf, hat and coat they could carry, the teams scrummed through a 0-0 first quarter.

Eastie relied on the power running of senior Nate Mattera and sophomore Christian Feudo, while Southie placed its fortunes primarily in the hands of fleet senior Daniel Austin. Both defenses, though, were consistently stingy until late in the first half when Mattera plowed a yard on a fourth down play to put the Jets up 6-0.

Things stayed tight as neither team could muster much offense in the third quarter.

A Nathan Martin interception of a pass by East Boston's Dom Russo cut short an East Boston threat.

In the fourth quarter, though, East Boston senior Kasey Vasquez decided to take matters into his own hands. He intercepted a Nathan Martin pass in front of the East Boston bench and scampered to set the Jets at the Knights' 30-yard line. After a series of Mattera and Feudo runs, quarterback Russo took care of the final five yards with a keeper around right end. The two-point conversion put the Jets up 14-0.

Vasquez sealed the game with a 28-yard touchdown run, sprung loose midway by a Miguel Restrepo block and then dragging a couple of defenders into the end zone to make it 20-0. Johan Sifontes added the two-points to make it 22-0.

In a classic display of the rivalry, with the clock running down and mostly everyone dreaming of any place with heat, South Boston trudged on with an offensive effort - replete with timeouts that prolonged everyone's stay in the arctic air - determined to avoid the shutout out. They cashed in on the game's final play when Martin found junior wideout Tony DePina who made a nice catch on the South Boston sideline and scooted five yards into the end zone to make the 22-6 final.



FOLLOW THE BIG MAN: Christian Feudo (#44) follows the block of tackle Jose Alfaro (#73) as he picks up a few yards during the first quarter of East Boston's 22-6 Thanksgiving Day win over South Boston.



GROUND GAME: Gabe Mattera (#40) picks up a few yards on a drive that ended with Mattera's one-yard plunge that gave Eastie a 6-0 lead.



HAVE A SEAT: East Boston's Jose Reuben wrestles South Boston's Daniel Austin to the ground.



FLIPPED: East Boston's Josh Rivera (#15) sends South Boston's Myenzia Freeman (#10) on an unscheduled flight.



ICE PACK NEEDED: South Boston's Daniel Austin takes a bone-rattling hit from East Boston's Miguel Restrepo.



Eastie players were dressed for the cold, even during the "National Anthem." Game-time temperatures were 13 degrees.



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NEWS FROM AROUND THE REGION

NEW TAX RATE SET

CHELSEA –The Chelsea Council voted in the recommended tax rate and a residential exemption of 30 percent, sealing the deal for nominal increases to most residential owner-occupants and decreases for condo owner-occupants.

The lone increase that was notable over last year was for three-family homeowners, who will see a 9 percent increase – or \$449 over last year’s bills.

Notably, condo owners are the only property owners that will see a decrease in their tax bills. Condo owners’ tax bills will go down 13.3 percent from last year, a different of \$279 on the tax bill.

“This (tax rate) will result in a reduction of the average tax bill for owner-occupant condominiums, but an average tax increase of varying amounts to other owner-occupied parcels,” wrote City Manager Tom Ambrosino. “By selecting the 30 percent residential exemption amount, the City Council will have the opportunity to spread the benefit of the 35 percent exemption limit over future fiscal years.”

The new residential tax rate, passed with the annual maximum 175 percent shift to commercial properties, came in at \$14.26 per \$1,000 of value. The commercial/industrial rate will be \$29.15.

The values for industrial properties actually did not increase as greatly as residential values, a trend that has carried on for some time.

That, however, could change as industrial/commercial properties in the inner urban communities has become more desirable over the last 18 months. Ambrosino said the property values are from one year behind the market, so there could be some extra relief for residential owners if those industrial property values begin to climb – as some in the industry believe.

“An increase in industrial/commercial property values would be good for residential properties,” he said. “The values now are behind the market, and if values do increase going forward, it would offset some of the tax burden. We’ve made a concerted effort to maintain our industrial areas. We want to keep industrial uses in our industrial areas because there isn’t a lot of space available for these businesses and they are good taxpayers. We don’t want to lose them.”

The average tax bills for this coming year would be:

- Single-family - \$2,690 (1.4 percent increase)
- Condominiums - \$1,821 (13.3 percent decrease)
- Two-families - \$4,024 (6.4 percent increase)
- Three-families - \$5,563 (8.8 percent increase)
- Four-units - \$6,660 (7.3 percent increase)

OFFICIALS NEGOTIATE THREE AGREEMENTS WITH MARIJUANA OPERATORS

CHELSEA – City Manager Tom Ambrosino said that the City has negotiated three Host Community Agreements (HCA) with marijuana operators looking to establish dispensaries in the City.

Ambrosino said all three HCAs are identical and are really a formality for the dispensaries, which include the one at the former King Arthur’s, the one on Eastern Avenue and the one on Webster Avenue at Chelsea Commons. He said the City’s policy is they would negotiate an HCA with any entity that had gotten through the process and wanted to proceed to state approval.

“My guess is that it’s another year or so before any of them are set up,” he said. “It’s my understanding that all of the enterprises with HCAs here are not very close to be-

ing approved by the state Cannabis Control Commission (CCC).”

The HCAs are the next step after the community meeting, which all three have completed. To go before the CCC, an entity must have an HCA in place, and Ambrosino said the law is clear towards what can be in those agreements.

In Chelsea’s case, the City has asked for 3 percent of gross revenues from the sales of marijuana products. Those payments will come annually and will be in addition to the 3 percent local sales tax already approved. The first 3 percent mitigation payment would come 14 months after the dispensary opens.

A second monetary piece in the agreements includes two, \$30,000 payments over two years to the City’s non-profits that have an anti-drug focus.

An important aside, Ambrosino said, is that the HCA doesn’t mean the City has agreed to support the license of any entity.

“My signing off on these is not a substantive decision on them,” he said. “I’m just giving them the chance to move forward and you have to have these in place to move forward. We’ll make the substantive decisions on these proposals not behind closed doors in a negotiation, but rather at the Zoning Board and Planning Board in a public as part of a process.”

Before any of the three dispensaries could open their doors, they would need state approval from the CCC. Then they would have to come back to Chelsea and get a special permit after visiting the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) and the Planning Board. If that permit is achieved, they would then have to get a license to operate from the Chelsea License Commission.

Only then could an establishment open for business.

PLANNING BOARD APPROVES BREWERY SITE PLAN ON THE PARKWAY

EVERETT - Everett’s reputation as a haven for craft beer brewers - and lovers - will only grow with the recent Planning Board approval of the site plan for BearMoose Brewing Company at 1934 Revere Beach Parkway.

The Board approved the plan for the 5,500 square feet brewery and tasting room at its meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 13.

BearMoose Brewing will have seating for up to 120 people in the tasting room, and customers will be able to buy and take home growlers of the craft beer, but there will be no deliveries made from the business to other stores or restaurants, according to co-founder Jeff Wetzel.

“It’s an old machine shop that has been renovated a few times,” said Wetzel. “There are two other tenants in the building, and our access would be on the side.”

There will only be one parking spot on site, according to Wetzel. Due to the age of the building, zoning regulations do not require any dedicated parking spots on site.

Wetzel said there is street parking on Spring Street, as well as several public parking lots nearby.

However, Wetzel said there could be an opportunity for the brewery to add some parking if the used car lot currently on the property doesn’t renew its lease.

City Councilor Wayne Matewsky said he supported the brewery plan.

“The landlord is a responsible member of the community, and if he vouches for this tenant, that is good enough for me,” said Matewsky.

Adding the brewery on Revere Beach Parkway would only extend the type of positive development seen with

the opening of the other craft breweries in the city, he added.

The Police Department was in favor of the application, provided the brewery installs a video surveillance system for the property.

The City’s Transportation Department recommended the installation of up to a half-dozen bicycle parking spots on the property.

“We knew a lot about Everett because of the breweries that are already here and we loved the idea that Everett was very friendly to breweries,” said Wetzel in an earlier interview. “We know Everett has a great reputation for helping breweries along, but truthfully I never thought we would be able to afford anything in Everett. By chance, we came across this place and it was in our budget and had all the characteristics we wanted – exposed structures and wood beams. We always said it would be great to be in Everett. We found this place and started talking with the City and everything was positive. With all the other development going on and things going in, we just wanted to be a part of that whole scene.”

CITY COUNCIL VOTES AGAINST HOUSING INSPECTION CHANGE IN SECOND RULING

EVERETT - In a turnaround from the last Council meeting, the majority of councilors on Nov. 13 were opposed to an amendment offered by Councilor Mike Marchese during Tuesday evening’s Council Meeting regarding a change in the housing inspection ordinance.

Marchese’s change passed the Council during the last meeting, and involved changing the word ‘must’ to ‘may’ so that the inspections for an occupancy permit became voluntary. After the vote, City Departments and Fire Chief Tony Carli sounded off on the change, saying it created a dangerous situation.

The ordinance states that the owner must request a legal use of status from the Building Department of the City of Everett. Marchese proposed that property owners may allow inspection of a tenant’s unit as opposed to it being mandated.

While Councilor Anthony DiPierro expressed the desire to discuss the matter further, the vote proceeded without continued discussion, being defeated 3-7.

Councilors Mike Marchese, Wayne Matewsky, and Leo McKinnon were the only officials in favor of the amendment.

•Meanwhile, the City Council officially approved the \$2.5 million Chapter 70 funding on Tuesday evening, Nov 13, with a vote of 8-3.

The money has caused much debate since Sen. Sal DiDomenico’s efforts to obtain it in the State House came to fruition. Initially, Mayor Carlo DeMaria expressed wanting to use the funding to offset taxes throughout the city. In a previous School Committee meeting, Sen. Sal DiDomenico stressed the importance of allocating the money to the schools specifically in order to maintain a positive reputation going forward for Everett’s benefit in the State House.

Ultimately, Mayor DeMaria agreed that the money should be allotted to the school in order to hire teachers and staff to reduce the amount of students in overcrowded classrooms.

During the meeting, the vote proceeded swiftly without discussion.

In addition to opposition from Councilor Steve Simonelli, Councilors Fred Capone and Mike McLaughlin opposed the vote in favor of further discussing the matter on the floor.

ROTARY CLUB OF CHELSEA FRIENDSGIVING



PHOTO BY MARIANNE SALZA

Madelyn Garcia with Rotary Club of Chelsea members Joe Vinard, David Mindlin, Marilyn Garcia, Bory Jimenez, and Hourmat Abdul helped to hand out more than 200 turkeys to friends and neighbors on Saturday, Nov. 17, at the first Friendsgiving at Garcia’s new office on Washington Street. The new event brought many neighbors and volunteers to celebrate giving.

Councilor Rosa DiFlorio stressed that the matter has already been discussed extensively, and ultimately, the majority of the council agreed to approve the money.

MASSDOT ISSUES RFP FOR TRANSIT STUDY

LYNN – The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) announced that a Request for Proposals (RFP) has been issued for a Lynn Transit Action Plan Study, which will focus on strategies to enhance the quality, capacity, and reliability of public transportation for residents and local businesses in Lynn, Massachusetts. The Lynn legislative delegation including Sen. Brendan Crighton and State Reps. Dan Cahill, Lori Ehrlich, and Donald Wong successfully advocated for the inclusion of Lynn as a Priority Place in the Focus40 Plan.

In order for the MBTA’s Focus40 draft plan to move forward with concepts related to improved transit service in the Lynn area, specific and effective short-term, medium-term, and long-term strategies will be identified and reviewed within the Lynn Transit Action Plan Study. The Study is anticipated to begin early next year and will include opportunities to create and improve bike and pedestrian access to transit locations, possible ferry services, and existing public transportation routes.

“With collaboration at the federal, state, and local levels, the Transit Action Plan for Lynn will create an unprecedented opportunity to improve our local transportation system. It is important that all stakeholders have an opportunity to share their thoughts and we will work with MassDOT to make sure that public outreach is a priority during the study period,” said Sen. Brendan P. Crighton. “This action plan will result in clear priorities for transit improvements for the City of Lynn and surrounding communities, and that is the first step toward transformative change for the North Shore.”

“Residents of Lynn need better transit options to access jobs, healthcare and higher education. I am pleased that MassDOT has recognized our community as a priority and look forward to an engaging process that ultimately addresses both the challenges and opportunities regarding public transportation in Lynn,” stated Representative Dan Cahill.

“Access to high-quality, affordable, and reliable multi-modal transportation is vital to the revitalization and continued economic growth in the City of Lynn,” said City of Lynn Mayor Thomas M. McGee. “This study will

help us create a strategic plan to address the immediate and long term transportation needs of the city.”

The MBTA’s Focus40 draft plan identifies Lynn as a “Priority Place” within the existing transit network, which means it would benefit from and can support a higher quality of transit service. A stronger transit network is also a vital part of supporting the City’s lower income and immigrant communities. Many of Lynn’s 95,000 residents commute to Boston (approximately 12 miles away), or to other areas of the North Shore. A number of immigrant communities also comprise Lynn with about 50 percent of households speaking a language other than English at home. Financial burdens are also a reality for many of Lynn’s residents with 20 percent of households living below the poverty line and an average household income of \$50,000.

“The goal of the Lynn Transit Action Plan Study is to develop a list of options that potentially can improve travel opportunities for the people of Lynn and the surrounding area,” said MassDOT Secretary Stephanie Pollack. “The study results will provide the MBTA, the City of Lynn, residents, and stakeholders ideas to focus on, both what can be accomplished in the short term, and also provide ideas that are worthwhile to consider implementing in the long-term.”

The MBTA network currently serves Lynn mainly through the Commuter Rail and several bus routes. The Newburyport/Rockport Commuter Rail Line includes Lynn Station, which provides service to North Station in 20 minutes, with many of Lynn’s residents also living within walking distance of the commuter rail in Swampscott. Several bus routes operate within Lynn to Wonderland Station on the Blue Line (an approximately 15- to 30-minute bus ride), to other parts of the North Shore (including Salem and Marblehead), and via express service to Downtown Boston.

Lynn residents and riders experience a number of transportation issues and challenges. There is a high level of transit dependency with MBTA passenger survey data showing between 32 and 44 percent of bus riders living in a household without access to a personal vehicle. Through reliability data gathered in August and September 2018, it was also found that nearly all regular (non-express) bus routes serving Lynn operated below reliability targets of 75 percent. None of the MBTA’s fifteen high-frequency Key Bus Routes serve Lynn and data has shown there is a need for more service during off-peak hours.

The Lynn Transit Action

Plan Study will identify improvements to address these challenges and improve transit accessibility, including new services, operational changes, capital investments, and other tactics. The Study will assess the area’s existing and projected conditions in order to identify transportation challenges; identify and evaluate a comprehensive list of improvements; and produce a final set of recommendations. Lower-cost actions will be identified for short-term implementation. Larger, more long-term investments will also be identified, including assessing the appropriateness of major projects or improvements like the potential of rapid transit, commuter rail, or water transportation.

LICENSING COMMISSION SUSPENDS LICENSE

REVERE - The License Commission has suspended the liquor store license of D & L Discounts Liquors, 653 Broadway, for two days, Nov. 26 and Nov. 27. after a former employee was caught dealing drugs on the job.

According to store manager Magdy Ghaly, it was true that an employee he had for a short time of four weeks had been arrested and charged with dealing heroin and cocaine. The employee was arrested on Oct. 2 by the Revere Gang Unit

Ghaly said he knew nothing and hasn’t had a problem in the 20 years he’s owned his business.

“There’s no benefit at all for someone like him to work for me,” Ghaly said.

Commission Chairman Robert Selevitch noted that the business has been cited in the past for selling to underage patrons.

“It doesn’t sound like management is under control,” Selevitch said, even though the owner is on the premises and monitors his business via telephone.

Ghaly said a previous employee had recommended the employee and he did not conduct a background check thoroughly. Ghaly added that he even uses an identification scanner in the store.

“We want you to run a clean business for the city and yourself,” Selevitch said.

Commissioner Linda Guinasso said the business is in a residential area and in the area of two schools.

“This won’t be tolerated in this city,” Guinasso said.

In other commission business:

The commission was given updates in licenses held by D’Amelio’s Off the Boat Restaurant and the Revere





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HOLIDAY EDITION || LOOK FOR THE NEXT ISSUE PUBLISHED THE LAST WEEK OF THE MONTH

## Get into the Holiday spirit with Fido

### Boston Common Tree Lighting Ceremony & Skating Spectacular

**FREE | Thursday, Nov. 30, 2018  
5-8pm Boston Common, Boston**

Bundle up and bring your dog to Boston Common to enjoy the annual tree lighting ceremony. Get there by 5pm to take in an ice skating show at the Frog Pond, put on by The Skating Club of Boston. The event will conclude with a short pyrotechnic show, so if your dog hates fireworks, you may want to leave a bit early. Mayor Walsh will be there, Santa will be there, and you and your dog should be there too! It promises to be a night full of holiday cheer.

### Pet Photo Time! ol' Saint Nick is comin for your POOCH

**Sunday, Dec. 2, 2018 6:30- 9pm  
Northshore Mall, Peabody**

Head over to the Northshore Mall with your best 4-legged friend to meet the man behind the magic of Christmas. Santa will be available for photos with children earlier in the day until 6 pm. Dogs cannot enter the mall before 6:25 pm, so if you're looking to get them all done in one go, plan accordingly. For more information, visit [bit.ly/2JEaWzI](http://bit.ly/2JEaWzI)  
Standard photo package rates apply

### Barkhappy Boston: Ugly Sweater & Sip Social for Paws NE

**Saturday, Dec. 1, 2018 12-2pm  
Boston Wine School, Sharon**

Head out for a relaxing afternoon for you AND your dog! While you're sipping wine, your dog can relieve some holiday stress with a personal dog massage at Boston Wine School's private dog-friendly tasting room. Sample their wines and learn something new from Boston Wine School's Guest Speaker. Don't forget to wear your ugly sweater and earn an extra raffle ticket (dogs and humans)! For more information, visit <http://bit.ly/2ArT1rZ>

## Enjoying the Festivities

### FOOD SAFETY

It's hard to resist giving your pet a taste of the good stuff, especially around the holidays. There's nothing wrong with a couple bites, but some foods should be avoided: Poultry skins, gravy, rich cuts of meat — the high fat contents will cause upset stomachs, and potentially painful pancreas problems. Other treats to be avoided are chocolate, macademia nuts, raw bread or cookie dough, and artificial sweeteners.

### DECÓ DANGERS

Decorating and the holidays go hand in hand. Before you go decorating the tree, make sure dangerous ornaments are out of reach of your pets. Keep an eye on your pets to ensure they're not eating tinsel, or garland; these may seem like toys to them and can mean big trouble if swallowed. Double check your extension chords to ensure no frays or wearing away which your pet can get hurt on. And of course, watch for poisonous plants: mistletoe, poinsettias, lilies, holly

### Chocolate Poisoning in Dogs

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OBITUARIES

Assunta (Rosa) DiPietro

May 24, 1933 — November 26, 2018

Di Pietro, Prisca “Assunta” (Rosa), formerly of East Boston, passed away in Pisa, Italy on Monday November 26, 2018 at the age of 85.

Born in Mirabella Eclano, Italy, she was the beloved daughter of the late Gioconda (Moscato) Rosa and Antonio Rosa. Survived by her husband, Alfonso Di Pietro of East Boston.

Loving Mother of (Maddalen) Marisa Di Pietro of East Boston and Rita Di Pietro of Cenaia (Pisa) Italy. Dear sister of the late Pasquale “Pat” Rosa and wife Janet and the late Prisco “Joe” Rosa and his wife Mary, all of Revere.

Cherished grandmother of Lorenzo Lischi, of Cenaia



(Pisa), Italy.

Also survived by many cousins, nieces and nephews, both in the USA and Italy.

A seamstress by profession, while living in East Boston Assunta worked for many years with her brother Pat Rosa as a tailor at his then business, Frankie’s Cleaners in Maverick Square.

David Hoey

Of Winthrop, formerly of East Boston

David M. Hoey of Winthrop, formerly of East Boston, died on Nov. 19.

A U.S. Air Force veteran, he was the beloved son of Catherine (Lightbody) Hoey of Maryland and the late George J. Hoey Sr., brother of George J. Hoey Jr. and his wife, Julie of Lynnfield, Cheryl O’Sullivan and her husband, Charles Knopp of Maryland, Colleen

Bailey and her husband, Brian of Florida, Regina Beane of Stoneham, Sean Hoey and his wife, Barbara of Winthrop and Catherine Tierney and her husband, Matthew of Walpole.

He is also survived by his former wife, Lee Ropossi, son, Renato DeFietas and many nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by the Magrath Funeral Home, East Boston.

‘Sounds of Christmas’ Concert this Sunday in Revere

Food Pantry the day after the concert.

The tradition began in 1976 when North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra first came to play a holiday concert at Revere High School as part of the city’s celebration of the nation’s bicentennial. The concert moved to St. Anthony’s beautiful sanctuary the following year. “The concert was a tremendous success right from the start. Every year someone tells me how this concert has been part of their family tradition for so many years.”

Continuing a recent tradition, Revere High School senior Rebecca Villatoro will narrate an original essay as part of the concert program. “We started this four years ago,” said Marra. “(School committee member) Carol Tye and RHS Writing Director Allison Casper organized a competition to select a student’s original essay about the meaning of the holidays. It’s a chance to have a student’s voice city deliver a meaningful message. And it ties Revere High to the concert, something my father would appreciate.”

The concert is named in memory of violinist Robert A. Marra, a lifelong Revere resident and teacher at Revere

High School who was concertmaster of the Orchestra for over 50 years before his death in 2002. “He played his last ‘Sounds of Christmas’ in 2001, and, remember, that was the year of 9/11. The concert was part of the healing process for everyone, the beginning of the holidays after a very difficult year.”

Vocalist Susan Pepper will lend be the featured singer. “What’s Christmas music without singing?” Marra asked. “Susan has a wonderful voice and personality and the audience will enjoy her tremendously.” Ms. Pepper will sing several solos during the concert and lead the audience in the traditional “Sing-a-long”

The Revere audience that packs St. Anthony’s is as much a joy for the Orchestra as the concert is for the patrons. “At this time of year, musicians can be pretty busy, and it is demanding work, but they all love coming to Revere where the audience is so attentive and enthusiastic,” said North Shore Philharmonic Orchestra Music Director Robert Lehmann.

Marra expressed his deep appreciation to the concert sponsors Bocchino Insurance, Global Partners LP, Action Emergency Services, RCN,



Robert Lehmann

and Comcast. “No words can adequately convey the appreciation I have for the sponsors,” he said.

Listing the sponsors, Marra said “Dom Bocchino joined up with the concert in 2005 as a principal sponsor and has served as an invaluable concert co-chair. Global Partners LP has been with us now seven years. Revere’s Cable TV provider has been part of the concert from the very beginning, and until this year that always has been Comcast and its predecessors, and now that RCN has come to Revere, they have joined in this great tradition. Mike Zaccaria at Action became part of the tradition more recently, and he is always an enthusiastic supporter of events in Revere, and we are glad to have him as part of this tradition.”

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Lodge of the Local Order of Moose #1272. In both instances had a change in member and management and never contacted the License Commission about the changes.

“I find it troubling you haven’t been forth coming,” Selevitch said about D’Amelio’s. “And your last application to the commission was weak.”

Antonietta D’Amelio, manager, explained that they are waiting on refinancing and paying off \$14,000 in fees to the Department of Revenue.

The Moose Lodge, 470 Broadway, is also going through some changes that effect the liquor license. Commissioner Guinasso admitted she was a member of the Lodge and had been for 30 years, but she added, the situation before the commission had no bearing. Things got so bad for the club that Moose International had to be brought in to make sure operations were being properly conducted.

Kelly Freeman, the Moose clerk, admitted the bar has been running for nine months without a manager. The previous manager, Wesley Clemens, has moved to Florida. It was noted that the social club had lost half its members and the club was behind in lottery payments, city taxes and water and sewer charges.

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“That’s why Bob Haas and I put in the motion,” said the councillor, adding that he would like to see a commuter rail station constructed behind the Wonderland site.

COUNCIL APPROVES FINANCING FOR CBD

WINTHROP – Now that financing for the infrastructure work to take place in the Center Business District (CBD) has been approved by the Town Council, town officials are ready to take the next steps.

Last Tuesday, Nov. 13 the council, minus three recused councilors, approved \$4,931,500 for the purpose of financing the Town Center sewer and drainage system.

“Tonight is the first step in alleviating the flooding,” said Council President Ron Vecchia. “Every time we have a large rain event, it floods, and floods into about every business down there. Tonight is the first start, the starting place for the Center.”

Speaking at the meeting Chris Tsiotis said, “Right now constituents are very frustrated.” A lot people are concerned about the cost and the scope of the project.”

Councilors James Letterie, Peter Christopher and Mike Lucerto, all excused themselves because of personal and business connections to the Center.

This work would happen during two construction seasons and would include underground work and sprucing up of Frenchmen’s Square.

Town Manager Austin Faison was expected to form a Town Manager’s CBD Committee at the Fall Forum held Tuesday, Nov. 20. Within 90 days of appointment, the Committee is to obtain and publicize the following items concerning the CBD Infrastructure Project:

A construction phasing plan

A new peer review of the engineering work done to date,

Specifically, with a focus on climate change preparedness and modern engineering standards,

A value capture policy for the Town,

Integration of all surface work proposed by the landscape architect into the overall construction documents,

Develop an updated financing plan that accounts for the

additional work tasked to the Committee (e.g. additional peer review, surface work, etc.).

Once the Committee’s initial work is complete, the project will then be able to be bid out. All of the items in the charge must be accompanied by public meetings, as to add a level of transparency to the work of the Committee. This would put the Town in the position to bid the project in late February 2019.

The new assistant Town Manager, David Rodrigues, will work closely on this project so that business owners and residents have the opportunity to discuss the impacts of the project on their interests.

Water improvements will include approximately 4,000 linear feet of new eight-inch through 16-inch water mains are proposed on Woodside Avenue from Pauline Street to French Square, Somerset Avenue from Woodside Avenue to Pleasant Street, Cottage Park Road from Somerset Avenue to Pleasant Street, Bartlett Road from Woodside Avenue to Pleasant Street, Adams Street and Williams Street. The water main improvements will replace aging, unlined cast iron water mains with new cement lined ductile iron water mains, Faison said.

Sewer work will be done going deeper and sloped to maintain self-cleansing velocities to reduce maintenance. Sewer services will be replaced to the back of sidewalk for each property. Sewer improvements are proposed on Pauline Street from Woodside Avenue to Walden Street, Woodside Avenue from Pauline Street to Pleasant Street, Bartlett Road from Woodside Avenue to Pleasant Street, Adams Street, Williams Street, Cottage Park Road from Somerset Avenue to Pleasant Street and Somerset Avenue from Woodside Avenue to Pleasant Street.

Drainage work will include approximately 5,280 linear feet of new 12-inch through 60-inch HDPE drains to increase capacity.

SHIRLEY ST. PROPERTY ZONED SDOD

WINTHROP – For years, 413-415 Shirley St. has served as a home to a theater, a motor shop and an ambulance service, and now that the Town Council has given the prop-

erty the Special Development Overlay District (SDOD) designation. It will become housing or mixed-use.

Brothers and builders Mike and Paul Ferrara, M&P Realty, hope to build 10-20 condominiums on the 12,214 square-foot lot, with parking on the first level. The area is zoned RB – residential B.

Cipoletta said there are a couple of concerns from the Inspectional Services Department and M&P Realty is prepared to come and shore up the building.

“This is a commercial building in a residential area,” said the builder’s attorney James Cipoletta. “The SDOD was invented for this.”

The purpose of the SDOD to encourage and redevelop into reuse existing non-residential properties in a manner compatible with the surrounding neighborhoods and commercial areas to prevent deterioration of these non-residential buildings that have become obsolete, Cipoletta explained.

Although plans aren’t yet laid out, the builders do plan on condominiums.

Each floor will have a one bedroom and the other units on the floor will have two-bedrooms. There will be an elevator and up to four stories above the parking level. On average each unit will be about 1,200 square feet.

M&P Realty purchased the property for \$775,000.

Other SDODs in Winthrop include the old Winthrop Hospital which was turned into The Arbors, The old Dalrymple School, which became housing, the old Playmakers property on Hermon Street and an old nursing home on Pleasant Street turned into condos.

“Every one of those properties is like a feather in the cap for the town,” Cipoletta said.

The 413-415 Shirley St. proposal did go before the Planning Board last month and the board ended the discussion with a 3-3 tie vote.

“This zoning designation gives more control to the town than to the developer,” Cipoletta said. “The town gets to condition whatever project comes out. It’s a give and taken with a certain area for forgiveness in perhaps parking.”

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Amendment Application No. 486 filed by the Boston Redevelopment Authority d/b/a Boston Planning & Development Agency. Said application would amend Article 53, East Boston Neighborhood District, specifically with respect to the maximum building height and floor area ratio allowed within a Planned Development Area in the Suffolk Downs Economic Development Area. A copy of the petition may be viewed at the office of the Zoning Commission, Room 952, Boston City Hall, between 9 AM and 5 PM any day except Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays. For the Commission, Jeffrey M. Hampton Executive Secretary 11/28/18 EB

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McDonough made his first public appearance after being announced as Eastie new probation chief at Tassinari's retirement party earlier this month at the Beachmont VFW.

"He's a really good guy and he'll do a really good job in East Boston," said Tassinari. "He'll fit right in."

Tassinari pointed out that McDonough made a lateral move from West Roxbury to Eastie, showing just how respected and admired the East Boston Court and the municipal court system are.

"I just wanted to be here to congratulate the new chief and his family, as well because this is an exciting day for all of them," said Rep. Adrian Madaro. "We (Chief McDonough and I) got to exchange a few words at Tommy's (Tassinari) retirement party and I could tell imme-

diately from our conversation that he has the personality for this job but more importantly the temperament and compassion to come into a community like ours. The beautiful and special thing about this courthouse is that it is truly a community court--and Chief McDonough sees to that. I really look forward to working with him."

Sen. Joseph Boncore said he wanted to be on hand at the swearing in of McDonough to invite him into 'our family'.

"Before I was a senator I was a public defender in this court and some of the same court officers that were here 20 years ago are still here today so it truly is like a family," said Boncore. "He held the same position in West Roxbury so moving over to East Boston shows he really wanted to be here." Speaker of the House Robert



Chief Probation Officer Matthew McDonough (center) surrounded by family, elected officials and members of the court during last week's swearing in.

DeLeo said, McDonough is "perfect for this job, this court and this community," he added.

"This is really a truly a community court," said DeLeo, addressing McDonough directly. "Judge Joseph Ferrino started the process of really bringing the court into the community and the tradition has been continued for decades and continues under the leadership of Judge McDonald. It is one of the best-run courts in the state and I'm so proud to be here to welcome you to the court. From what I've heard about you I think you are the right man in the right time in the right place. I want to congratulate you and all the members of your family."

After being sworn in by Chief Justice Paula Carey of the Boston Municipal Trial Court, McDonough addressed the audience.

"I want to thank everyone for coming out tonight, it means a lot to me," said McDonough. "Today we are here to acknowledge the great work that is done at East Boston District Court under the leadership of First Justice Judge McDonald. For the past 20 years I have worked at courts that have covered half the city and during this time there have been a lot of changes--changes in probation administration, changes in our laws and there's been changes

in the use of assessment tools. Throughout my career I have witnessed the positive change the probation department can make in a community. I want you all to know I am committed to providing treatment ser-

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fice will always remain open to listen, share and assist so I challenge anyone to come in that needs assistance. You've already made me feel like I'm part of the family."



Chief Probation Officer Matthew McDonough (center) with former Chief Probation Officer Thomas Tassinari and Rep. Adrian Madaro.



East Boston District Court's First Chief Justice John McDonald and Speaker of the House Robert DeLeo during the swearing in ceremony of Chief Probation Officer Matthew McDonough.



Chief Probation Officer Matthew McDonough addresses the audience.



Chief Probation Officer Matthew McDonough listens to the kind words spoken about him by East Boston District Court's First Chief Justice John McDonald.



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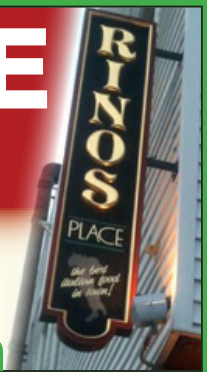
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