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>> GOOD MORNING.  
>> HOW ARE YOU DOING?  
>> HANGING IN THIS.  
I HAVE TO TAKE A CALL AT 10 PAST  
11:00 O'CLOCK.  
I WILL COME BACK.  
I TRY TO KEEP THE POPULATION  
STABLE.  
KEEP THE PEOPLE THERE, YOU KNOW.  
>> YES, YES.  
>> I REMEMBER YEARS AGO WHEN I  
WAS -- THE END OF AUGUST, THE  
SUMMER WAS OVER.  
PEOPLE WERE SAD.  
THE BUS WAS LEAVING WITH 30  
YOUNG PEOPLE.  
LEAVING.  
>> KWA.  
>> THEY WERE LEAVING AND NOT  
COMING BACK, THERE WAS NO  
ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY THERE FOR  
THEM, YOU KNOW.  
>> YES.  
>> ALRIGHT.  
I THINK WE WILL GET STARTED.  
>> OKAY.  
>> MAKING SURE I HAVE THE LIST  
OF EVERYBODY.  
>> GAVELING THIS MEETING OF THE  
BOSTON CITY COUNCIL WAYS AND  
MEANS COMMITTEE CALL TO ORDER.  
THIS IS A WORKING SESSION.  
I'M KENZI BOK CHAIR OF THE WAYS  
AND MEANS COMMITTEE.  
I'M JOINED BY MY COLLEAGUES  
TODAY.  
THIS WORKING SESSION IS BEING  
RECORDED IN LIVE STREAM.  
IT WILL BE REBROADCAST.  
THE COUNCIL'S BUDGET REVIEW  
PROCESS THIS IS A SET OF  
HEARINGS AND WORKING SESSIONS.  
THE WORKING SESSIONS ARE FOR  
COUNSELORS TO GENERATE COMMENTS  
AND QUESTIONS FOR THE UPCOMING  
HEARINGS.  
SO AS SUCH WE DON'T TAKE PUBLIC  
TESTIMONY AT THE WORKING

SESSIONS.

YOU CAN TESTIFY AT THE BUDGET  
PROCESS IN ONE OF A NUMBER OF  
WAYS.

WHEN WE HAVE HEARINGS THAT ARE  
FREQUENT.

THERE WILL BE MORE IN THE COME  
CAN WEEKS YOU CAN GO TO THE  
PUBLIC IN THE ON-LINE AND JOIN  
THE ZOOM LINK.

AT THE END OF THE HEARING GIVE A  
COMMENT IN PERSON OVER ZOOM.  
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO WAIT FOR  
THAT METHOD YOU CAN SEND US.  
GO TO BOSTON.GOV.

YOU CAN READ ABOUT OUR PROCESS  
AND THE TESTIMONY, PROCEDURES  
AND SUBMIT A 2 MINUTE VIDEO OF  
YOURSELF TESTIFYING, U E-MAIL  
WRITTEN COMMENTS, WE WILL TAKE  
COMMENTS IN SPOKEN OR WRITTEN IN  
ANY LANGUAGE YOU SPEAK AND  
TRANSLATE POOR THE COUNCIL.  
WE WILL HAVE AT THE END OF THE  
DEPARTMENTAL HEARINGS TWO  
DEDICATED PUBLIC TESTIMONY  
HEARINGS.

ONE MAY 26th AT 6:00 P.M.

YOU CAN ALSO INFORMALLY TWEET US  
YOUR QUESTIONS.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING FROM  
YOU.

THESE DOCKETS, ORDER FOR THE  
FY21 OPERATING BUDGET ...

SO, OUR FOCUS TODAY WILL BE THE  
SET OF DEPARTMENTAL HEARINGS  
THAT WE HAVE UPCOMING.

BECAUSE OF THE ON GOING COVID 19  
EMERGENCY WE HAVE COMBINED SOME  
HEARINGS.

THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS  
AND BOSTON PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION  
DEPARTMENT WILL COME IN TOGETHER  
BEFORE THE COUNCIL.

WE WILL TALK ABOUT THOSE TODAY.

BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY AND THE  
BOSTON CENTER ORE YOUTH AND  
FAMILIES, AND YEE THE YOUTH  
ENGAGEMENT AND EMPLOYMENT OFFICE  
AS WELL.

WE WILL IT TAKE ALL OF THOSE  
TODAY.

MY PROPOSAL, I ALSO WANT TO  
WELCOME COUNSELORS ED FLYNN,

LYDIA EDWARDS AND MATT O'MALLEY  
OF DISTRICTS 2, 1, 6  
RESPECTFULLY.  
THEY HAVE JOINED US AS WELL.  
THANK YOU, FRIENDS.  
GREAT THIS ARE A LOT OF  
DEPARTMENTS 0 DAY.  
I SHOULD NOTE ESPECIALLY FOR  
TRANSPORTATION AND PUBLIC WORKS  
WE HAVE PORDED OVER A WHOLE  
BUNCH OF QUESTIONS AGAIN RATED  
HAD THE CAPITOL BUDGET, WORKING  
SESSION.  
SO IF YOUR QUESTION WAS NOT  
ANSWERED IN THE CAPITOL BUDGET  
HEARING WE HAVE, WE ARE RACKING  
ALL UNANSWERED QUESTIONS.  
WE HAVE ACTIVELY FORWARDED TOES  
OVER.  
I THINK WHAT WE SHOULD DO IS RUN  
THROUGH, WE WILL RUN THROUGH  
TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC WORKS,  
AND LIBRARY IN THE FIRST ROUND.  
THEN ACTUALLY MONTH  
TRANSPORTATION, PUBLIC WORKS  
TOGETHER IN THE FUSSER ROUND.  
THEN LIBRARY, BYCS, NYEE IF THE  
SECOND ROUND.  
MAKE IT SO WE DON'T SRUPBT V. TO  
HAVE QUESTIONS FOR ALL FIVE  
DEPARTMENTS AT ONCE.  
>> CAN YOU REPEAT AT THAT AGAIN  
MADAM CHAIR.  
>> YES OUR FIRST ROUND WE WILL  
POKE US ON THE STREETS HEARING.  
NEWING HA PEOPLE HAVEN'T ALREADY  
RAISED IN THE CAPITOL HEARINGS.  
I SAY THAT KNOWING THAT A HOT OF  
THINGS CAME UP IN THE CAPITOL  
HEARING.  
ALL OF THOSE ARE INCLUDED IN THE  
UNFOE REQUEST ALREADY MANY  
PEOPLE CAN FEEL PRO TO REPEAT.  
DON'T FEEL YOU FEED TO.  
WE WILL DO A QUICK RUN THROUGH  
STREETS AND THEN BACK UP TO THE  
TOP AND DO BPL AND BCYS  
TOGETHER.  
DOES THAT WORK?  
ALRIGHT.  
>> YES.  
>> GREAT.  
WE WILL GO WITH THAT.  
SO, I'LL PUT IT IN THE COMMENTS.

I WILL RECOGNIZE PEOPLE IN ORDER OF ARRIVAL.

I FOE COUNSELOR -- HAS TO STEP OUT TORE A SECOND.

I WILL REARED THE ORDER.

THAT WILL BE COUNSELOR FLAHERTY, COUNCIL, COUNSELOR BAKER, COUNSELOR JANEY ...

EXCELLENT.

GREAT.

ALRIGHT.

COUNSELOR FLAHERTY, IF YOU WANT TO START WITH.

I KNOW YOU HAVE RAISED SOME STREETS AND SIDEWALK ISSUES ALREADY.

P YOU WANT TO START WITH ANYTHING ELSE YOU WANT TO MAKE SURE WHEN WE HAVE BPB AND -- BEFORE US.

>> JUST AN OVER ALL UPDATE ON THE STREETS, CONDITIONS OF THE STREETS.

AN AUDIT TAKEN PERTAINING TO CROSS WALKS.

OUR HOT SPOTS AND MAKE SURE WE'RE ON TRACK FOR SAFE STREETS AND DOING OUR PART TO MAKE OUR ROAD SAFE.

LOOKING FOR AN UPDATE ON SOME OF OUR BRIDGES AND PARTICULARLY THE NORTHERN AVENUE BRIDGE.

INTERESTED ON AN UPDATE TO WHERE WE ARE WITH THAT.

OTHER THAN THAT I'M GOOD ON STREETS.

>> GREAT.

I WILL NOTE THEY ALSO TOLD US WE GET A BIT MORE DETAIL ON THE LONG ISLAND BRIDGE IN THE STAOETS YOU ASKED ABOUT BEFORE. I HAVE YOUR QUESTION ABOUT THE VISION ZERO SIDE OF THINGS TOO.

>> YES, THANK YOU.

THANK YOU.

>> OKAY.

WE WILL SWING BACK, NOW TO COUNSELOR FRANK BAKER.

>> LIZ IS THIS.

LIZ, GO.

>> OKAY.

>> I AM QUICKLY TO SAY WE HAD A MOBILITY STUDY AND AFTER 18 MONTHS IT COST \$500,000 TO DO.

IT'S AT THE STAGE OF PRECEPTING  
RECOMMENDATION.  
I'M VERY CONCERNED WE NEED TO  
MACH SURE THE RECOMMENDATIONS  
ARE ACTED UPON AND THAT THIS ARE  
MANY LOW HANGING FRUIT ITEMS  
LIKE IMPROVEMENTS TO CROSS  
WALKS, TRAFFIC CAM'ing,  
PEDESTRIAN SAFETY MEASURES UNDER  
THE PREVIEW OF STREETS.

I HOPE WE CAN WORK WITH FOLKS  
FROM THE PBDA AND SRAOETS TO  
IMPLEMENT SOME RECOMMENDATIONS  
IN THE SHORT-TERM SO WE CAN GET  
STARTED ON, ON SHOWING SOME  
FRUIT FROM THAT VERY LONG PUBLIC  
PROCESS.

THANK YOU.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU SO MUCH, COUNSELOR.  
COUNSELOR BAKER.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

I AM LOOKING FOR UPDATES ON SLOW  
STREET INITIATIVES.

PARTICULARLY DISTRICT THREE.  
UPDATES ON LONG ISLAND, AND YOU  
KNOW IN A SENSE I HAVE QUITE A  
FEW REQUESTS FOR SIDEWALKS AND  
SPEED BUMPS AND THOSE SORTS OF  
THINGS.

ALSO I WOULDN'T MIND HEARING  
FROM PUBLIC WORKS ON WHERE THEY  
ARE WITH, WITH THEIR PLANNING OR  
THOUGHT AROUND ORGANICS AND  
COMPOSTING IF WE CAN BUILD  
INFRASTRUCTURE AS A CITY AND  
ALSO A CHECK IN ON THE LIGHTING  
DEPARTMENT.

HOW THEY'RE DOING AND HOW THE  
NEW SPACE IS.

WHERE IT IS AND THAT SORT OF  
STUFF.

THANK YOU.

>> GREAT.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH.

>> OKAY.

NEXT UP IS COUNSELOR PRESIDENT  
JANEY AND COUNSELOR ESSAIBI  
STKPWOERPBLG AND COUNSELOR  
ARROYO.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR, SO  
MUCH.

IN TERMS OF, I WILL TRY TO GET  
ALL OF MY QUESTIONS OUT.

I KNOW YOU HAVE THE DIFFERENT  
ROUNDS BUT IF I CAN GET THEM ALL  
OUT I DON'T HAVE TO BE HERE FOR  
THE SECOND ROUND.  
FOR THE PUBLIC WORKS A LOT OF  
THAT WAS ALREADY WE TALKED ABOUT  
THAT ON THE CAPITOL SIDE.  
WON'T REPEAT THAT STUFF.  
IF FOR, FOR OUR LIBRARIES I'M  
ESPECIALLY INTERESTED IN THE  
ROXBURY BRANCH.  
I UNDERSTAND THERE IS ADDITIONAL  
STAFF COMING, INTERESTED IN HOW  
MANY AND WHAT THE TOTAL WOULD BE  
ONCE IT'S FULLY STAFFED.  
THE BREAKDOWN OF LIBRARIANS  
VERSUS CUSTODIALIANS.  
IF THERE IS MONEY AROUND THE  
PROGRAMMING THERE FOR BCYS LAKE  
APLG ACCESS COORDINATORS WHERE  
THEY WILL BE LOCATED.  
I'M REALLY INTERESTED ESPECIALLY  
THE PLANS FOR THOSE IN MY  
DISTRICT.  
WONDERING ABOUT SOME OF THE  
GRANTS GOING OUT TO THESE FOLKS.  
YOUTH EMPLOYMENT.  
YOU KNOW IF WE'RE ABLE TO  
ASSUMING THAT WE CAN HAVE FOLKS  
GOING OUT INTO, YOU KNOW, IN  
SUMMER JOBS.  
THAT WOULD BE IMPORTANT IF WE'RE  
IN THAT POSITION WONDERING THE  
PLANS THERE.  
THE POSITIONS WE'RE TALKING  
ABOUT.  
HOW COVID IS IMPACTING THAT.  
THEN I HAD GENERAL QUESTIONS  
AROUND PROCESS.  
AS WE TALKING ABOUT SOME OF  
THIS, I WONDER HOW THE PUBLIC  
WILL BE ENGAGED AND WHETHER  
FOLKS ARE TAKING THE OPPORTUNITY  
WITH REMOTE, WHETHER ZOOM OR  
ANOTHER KIND OF APP TO CONNECT  
TO THE PUBLIC.  
I'M NOT SPEAKING ABOUT OUR WAYS  
AND MEANS HEARING.  
I STHEUFRPBG YOU DESIGNED A VERY  
ROBUST PROCESS MADAM CHAIR.  
WHETHER IT'S PARKS DEPARTMENT OR  
SOME OTHER DEPARTMENT.  
THEY'RE ENGAGING THE PUBLIC,  
WONDERING WHAT THE PLANS ARE FOR

THAT.  
THAT IS IT FOR NOW.  
I WILL TRY TO HOLD FOR THE  
SECOND ROUND.  
THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.  
>> THANK YOU, SO MUCH, MADAM  
PRESIDENT.  
COUNSELOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE THEN  
COUNSELOR ARROYO AND COUNSELOR  
FLYNN.  
>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.  
THE TOPIC I HAVE A INTEREST IN,  
I WANT TO ECHO COUNSELOR BAKER  
COMMENTS ABOUT LONG ISLAND  
BRIDGE.  
I WANT TO KNOW IF WE'RE ON TRACK  
TO MEET OUR GOAL.  
I KNOW THAT CAME UP IN CAPITOL.  
SAFE NEEDLE DISPOSAL.  
THAT'S BOSTON PUBLIC HEALTH  
COMMISSION.  
WE DO KNOW THAT THERE IS A LOT  
OF CONVERSATION OVER THE LAST  
TWO YEARS AROUND EMPLOYEE  
TRAINING, AROUND SAFE SHARP  
DISPOSAL.  
SO I'M CURIOUS ABOUT AN UPDATE  
ON THE TRAINING FOR PUBLIC WORKS  
PARTICULARLY.  
TO UNDERSTAND SORT OF OUR  
EFFORTS ACROSS THE CITY TO  
CREATE BETTER OPTIONS.  
BETTER OPTIONS FOR DISPOSAL AND  
FOR PICK UP ON NEEDLES.  
ALSO I'M A BIG PROPONENT AND  
CONTINUE TO CALL FOR INCREASING  
THE USE OF RAISED CROP BOXES.  
SCHOOLS, ELDERLY BUILDINGS AND  
MAY GROUNDS.  
I'M CURIOUS HOW MANY WE HAVE IN  
THE CITY AND HOW THE AREAS WERE  
SELECTED.  
I AM PARTICULARLY CURIOUS ABOUT  
RAISED CROSS WALKS.  
AN UPDATE ON THE NORTHERN AVENUE  
BRIDGE WHERE WE ARE IN THE  
DESIGN PLANS FOR THE BRIDGE.  
I THINK THAT THIS CAME UP IN THE  
OVER VIEW, WHERE CAPITOL  
PERHAPS.  
IF WE COULD HAVE A DEEPER DIVE  
INTO THE NORTHERN AVENUE BRIDGE.  
CURIOUS ABOUT PROJECT OSCAR.  
AROUND COMPOSTING.

I THINK SOMEONE ELSE BROUGHT THAT UP IN A PREVIOUS MEETING SO WE COULD HAVE INFORMATION ON THAT.

THE SUCCESS.

HOW MUCH HAS BEEN COLLECTED. WHERE THE ADDITIONAL SITES ARE GOING.

THEN I THINK, I THINK A NUMBER OF COLLEAGUES HAVE BROUGHT UP THE PEDESTRIAN RAMP ACROSS THE CITY.

MAKING SURE THEY'RE IN COMPLIANCE, WHERE WE ARE ON THAT.

I THINK THAT CAME UP IN AN OVER VIEW HEARING.

HOPEFUL TO GET DEEPER INTO THE WEEDS OF THAT.

I'M SURE A COLLEAGUE WILL ASK GO ELECTRIC VEHICLES.

THAT'S IMPORTANT TO HAVE, TO MAKE SURE OUR FLEET IS MORE AND MORE ELECTRIC.

HOW WE'RE MOVING FORWARD TO HOPEFULLY A FULLY ELECTRIC FLEET.

THOSE IT FOR MY QUESTIONS FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

I WILL SAVE THE REST FOR THE NEXT ROUND.

I THINK I HAVE TAKEN A LITTLE TIME.

CAN I JUST SAY TRANSPORTATION QUICKLY.

SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL, BIG PROPONENT OF MAKING SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL.

PUBLIC SAFETY AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY.

MAKING SURE WE'RE STILL IN TRAFFIC, RAISED CROSS WALKS.

MAKING SURE WE IMPLEMENT SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL.

WHEN KIDS ARE NOT IN SCHOOL NOW I HOPE THE PLANNING IS STILL HAPPENING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BPS.

CERTAINLY APPLAUD THE EFFORTS AROUND VISION ZERO, LOOKING FORWARD TO HAVING AN INCREASE IN THE WORK AROUND, INCREASE FOR THE WORK AROUND VISION ZERO. I HAD LEAVE THE REST TO MY, TO



OUR COLLEAGUES, IF ANYTHING  
ISN'T BROUGHT UP FROM THE REST  
OF THEM I WILL MAKE SURE TO  
REVIEW IT AND COME BACK NEXT  
ROUND.

THANK YOU, CHAIR.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU SO MUCH, COUNSELOR  
ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

NEXT UP COUNSELOR A ROY A.  
THEN COUNSELOR FLYNN AND  
COUNSELOR EDWARDS.

I KNOW TRANS POOR STATION IS A  
BIG FOCUS FOR YOU, COUNSELOR  
ARROYO INK YES AND PUBLIC WORKS  
AS WELL.

>> YES.

>> THE FIRST IS THE PUBLIC WORKS  
DEPARTMENT.

WHAT PLANS DO THEY HAVE FOR  
CONTRACT DIVERSITY.

AT THE MOMENT -- WITH MINORITY  
OR WOMEN OWNED BUSINESSES.

WHAT IS THE MAN TO INCREASE  
OUTREACH FOR A DIVERSE POOL.

MANY CONTRACTS EXPIRE

JUNE 30th THIS YEAR.

FOR FISCAL YEAR 20, THIS IS FOR  
PUBLIC WORKS AND TRANSPORTATION  
DEPARTMENT.

PUBLIC WORKS HAS ABOUT  
15 MILLION PLUS AVAILABLE IN THE  
BUDGET.

BCD HAS ABOUT 9.

WHAT IS THE MAN FOR THAT.

WHAT HAPPENED HAPPENS WITH THAT.

FOR THE BOSTON TRANSPORTATION  
DEPARTMENT SPECIFICALLY ANY MOVE  
FOR TRAFFIC -- SPEED BUMPS, THIS  
IS ONE OF THE BIGGEST THUBGZ IN  
DISTRICT FIVE.

ANY PLANS FOR NEIGHBORHOOD --  
STREETS.

IF SO WHERE.

UPDATE LOCAL TRANSPORTATION  
PROJECT JUST BROUGHT UP.

HOW THEY'RE FUNDING MAYBE  
EFFECTED.

THE OTHER ONES ARE HOW ARE YOU  
WORKING WITH THE COMMUNITIES FOR  
COVID AND THE CONSTRUCTION  
PROJECTS.

ANY MANS FOR INVESTMENT.

ARE THEIR PLANS THROUGHOUT THE

DISTRICT FOR OTHER BIKE LANES IN THE DISTRICT.

AMERICAN LEGION IS A HOT SPOT. MY PLANS FOR INVESTMENT -- ON THE DESIGN STUDY FUNDED BY THE MDA.

RECRUITING ENGINEERS DURING THIS TIME AND WHAT IS THE BUDGET FOR. THAT LET'S SEE SIMILARLY TO BCD TO THE PUBLIC WORKS, SIMILAR TO THEM BCD HAS FIVE OF 1 OWNED CONTRACT TO MINORITY AND WOMEN OWNED BUSINESS MESSES. HOW WILL THEY IMPROVE REPRESENTATION.

WHAT VISION ZERO IS ALLOCATED TO DISTRICT FIVE.

WHAT ARE THEY DOING FOR OUR DISTRICT.

A RUN DOWN ON IMPACT FOR ALL DIFFERENT RAOEUBGTS.

DO THEY HAVE ANY DATA AVAILABLE -- WHAT IS THE DATA. THAT IS, OH, TECHNICALLY THE TREES, ARBORISTS AND THINGS LIKE THAT.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE STANCE IS NOW.

>> GREAT.

ALL SET.

>> YES.

>> THANK YOU.

>> YES, I NOTED MAJOR COMMITMENT IN THE BUDGET AS IT CURRENTLY STANDS TO DOUBLE TREE PHAPBTING AND INCREASE THE OPERATING SIDE THE ARBORIST SUPPORT AND A YOU ARE PAN FORESTRY PLAN.

IN THE BUDGET WE'RE REVIEWING NOW THERE IS A MAJOR COMMITMENT ON THAT FRONT.

I'M EXCITED ABOUT THAT.

COUNSELOR FLYNN AND COUNSELOR EDWARDS AND THEN COUNSELOR O'MALLEY.

COUNSELOR FLYNN.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR BOK.

I WANT TO HIGHLIGHT THE CONDITIONS OF THE SIDEWALKS. MY DISTRICT NEEDS SIGNIFICANT WORK.

ESPECIALLY IN THE SOUTHBEND, VILLA VICTORIA, THE SIDEWALKS ARE IN ROUGH SHAPE.

I WOULD LIKE TO GET AN UPDATE ON WHAT WE'RE DOING IN TERMS OF SIDEWALK AND MAKING SURE THEY'RE ADA COMPLIANT. SIDEWALKS THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT AND MAKING SURE THAT THE CROSS WALKS ALIGN WITH THE RAMPS OR ADA COMPLIANCE. A LOT ARE NOT ALIGNED PROPERLY WHICH SHOULD MAKE IT DIFFICULT FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES TO NAVIGATE THE CROSS WALK AND THE RAMP.

I WANT A UPDATE ON THAT. VISION ZERO OF COURSE, PEDESTRIAN SAFETY. SLING DOWN THE TRAFFIC IS ALSO CRITICAL.

I WOULD LIKE AN UPDATE ON SPEED BUMPS IN MY DISTRICT. THE, THE STREET TRAFFIC, THE STREET LIGHTING AS WELL. MAKING SURE IT'S WORKING PROPERLY.

I JUST, I JUST THINK WE'RE ALSO WORKING WITH COUNSELOR BAKER. WE WILL HAVE TO HAVE A SERIOUS CONVERSATION ABOUT THE LIMITS HAPPENING IN OUR CITY.

I HAVE SAID IT A HUNDRED TIMES THE SPEED LIMITS ARE TOO FAST. YOU KNOW WHEN SOMEONE, WHEN A CHILD DIES IN YOUR DISTRICT, YOU KNOW YOU HAVE TO GO BACK TO THE DRAWING BOARD AND FIGURE OUT WHAT IS WORKING AND WHAT IS NOT WORKING.

WE'RE SEEING SO MANY CARS SPEEDING THROUGHOUT OUR NEIGHBORHOOD. EVEN DURING THIS TIME WITH NO TRAFFIC.

PEOPLE ARE GOING 50 MILES AN HOUR THROUGH THE STREETS OF BOSTON.

UNACCEPTABLE.

VISION ZERO, TRANSPORTATION, BIKE PATHS ALONG SUMMER STREET IS A ISSUE I HAVE BEEN FOCUSED ON AS WELL.

THAT'S ALL I HAVE FOR RIGHT NOW, COUNSELOR BOK.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR.  
>> COUNSELOR EDWARDS.  
THEN COUNSELOR O'MALLEY AND  
COUNSELOR MAJIA.  
>> I'M HERE.  
CAN YOU HEAR ME.  
OKAY.  
EXCELLENT.  
I WANTED TO HIGHLIGHT FIRST OF  
ALL A BUNCH OF THANK YOUS FOR  
THE HARD WORK OF FOLKS IN PUBLIC  
WORKS.  
I WANT TO LIST OF WORKS.  
THANK YOU FOR ALL THE WORK THAT  
YOU HAVE DONE THROUGHOUT EVEN  
THOUGH WE HAD RAY SLOW WINTER.  
THOSE ARE THE PEOPLE WE HAVE  
TURNED TO CONSISTENTLY IN  
DISTRICT ONE.  
I HAVE A LOT OF QUESTIONS IN THE  
WORKING SESSION.  
A QUICK REMINDER.  
THE BRIDGES.  
BIGGEST BEING THE NORTH  
WASHINGTON BRIDGE.  
WE HAVE AN EAST BOSTON TASK  
FORCE, TRAFFIC TASK FORCE  
SPECIFICALLY WONDERING WHERE  
THAT IS GOING ON.  
THE PLANS IF ANY.  
HOW THAT'S YOU MEANMENTED.  
BENINGTON STREET IS A PRIORITY.  
HOW DO WE MAKE SURE THE  
SIDEWALKS ARE ADA COMPLIANT.  
I KNOW THERE WAS A BIG PROJECT,  
BECAUSE OF THE BARRELS, NUMBER  
ONE ASKS OF OUR COMMUNITY IN THE  
NORTH END ALSO IN EAST BOSTON.  
A MUN MUM EVERY SINGLE CITY LOT  
SHOULD HAVE A BARREL THAT PEOPLE  
CAN THOUGH IN THEIR TRASH.  
ALSO WE HE'D TO CONSIDER HAVING  
A DOGGY WASTE BARREL AS WELL  
ATTACHED TO OR NEAR THAT WITH  
BAGS ON THEM.  
DOWN THE GREEN WAY AND DOWN ON  
ANY PUBLIC BARREL WE HAVE  
ASSUMING PEOPLE ARE WALKING  
THERE, WITH PETS AROUND THERE.  
I WANT TO MAKE SURE WE WERE  
TALKING ABOUT, EXCUSE ME,  
INFRASTRUCTURE WITH REGARDS TO  
NOT JUST TRASH BUT TOURIST  
IMPACT IN OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

ESPECIALLY, THE NORTH END.  
I KNOW WE ALLOCATE BASED OFF  
POPULATION.  
NORTH END GETS TWO MILLION  
PEOPLE A YEAR.  
THAT'S LOOKING AT THE HOURS AND  
PLANNING, INCREASE OR DECREASE.  
ALSO CONCERN IS ABOUT THE TIMING  
FOR THE STREET WORK, ESPECIALLY  
THE NORTH END.  
THROUGHOUT, IT SEEMS WITH FEWER  
CARS ON THE ROAD WE COULD BE  
MORE AGGRESSIVE GETTING THE  
INFRASTRUCTURE DONE.  
I DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S POSSIBLE.  
SO, FINALLY MAKING SURE -- I  
WILL COME BACK.  
I HAVE A LOT OF STREET SPECIFICS  
THAT I DON'T NEED TO DO RIGHT  
NOW.  
THANK YOU.

>> OKAY.  
EITHER COME BACK.  
IF YOU WANT TO SEND THOSE ALONG  
WE WILL PUT THEM IN THE FORMAL  
DOCUMENT TOO.  
WE'RE HAPPY TO DO THAT.  
>> I DON'T KNOW WHAT IS MORE  
EFFICIENT.  
MAYBE A FORMAL DOCUMENT.  
I KNOW THERE ARE A HOT OF  
QUESTIONS AND WE'RE ALREADY AT  
11:30.

I WILL RESPECT THAT TIME AND  
SEND IT.

>> SEND IT OVER WE WILL PUT IT  
RIGHT IN.

>> COUNSELOR O'MALLEY AND  
COUNSELOR MAJIA.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.  
-- COMBINING THE OF THE AROUND  
LONG ISLAND.

THAT'S ONE I WOULD HOPE MORE  
INCREASED FOCUS AND DISCUSSION  
ON.

THE CAPITOL PROJECTS CENTER  
STREET AND CENTER PLANE, WEST  
ROXBURY SEEING ALLOCATIONS.  
AS IT RELATES TO VISION ZERO  
DELIGHTED TO SEE THE INCREASE.  
WANT TO DRILL DOWN MORE IN THE  
FUNDING, THE ACT TO USE CRASH  
DATA FOR DECISIONS AND ECHO THE  
DISTRIBUTION OF PROJECTS.

THERE IS A STATE PROJECT WITH A CITY COMPONENT BETWEEN MY DISTRICT AND COUNSELOR JANEY'S DISTRICT.

COLUMBUS AVENUE DEDICATED BUS LANE.

STATE DOT PROJECT.

THERE IS A TALK ABOUT BIKE CONNECTION BETWEEN DISTRICT SIX AND SEVEN TO ENCOURAGE BETTER USAGE OF THE SOUTHWEST CORRIDOR. WE HAVE TALKED ABOUT THAT AT LENGTH.

A LITTLE MORE SPECIFICITY ON THAT AS IT'S NOT IN THE CAPITOL BUDGET.

SIMILARLY DELIGHTED TO SEE THIS NETWORK INCREASE.

I WANT TO TALK ABOUT HOW WE'RE, WE'RE UTILIZING THAT AND WHAT IT LOOKS HIKE.

NOT ONLY DISTRICT SIX BUT THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE CITY.

FINALLY I THINK MUCH OF MY DISCUSSION, MUCH OF THE FOCUS ON DTD IN THE BUDGET PROCESS IS HOW WE CAN WORK WITH SORT OF THE NEW REALITY WE'RE LOOKING AT.

WE WILL HAVE FEWER PEOPLE LIKELY -- MTBA WANT TO MAKE SURE WE HAVE INFRASTRUCTURE FOR BICYCLES AND.

MANY PEOPLE KNOW I HAVE WORKED ON THIS ISSUE FOR QUITE SOME TIME.

-- PUBLIC WORKS AS WELL.

THERE WAS TALK ABOUT HIGHLIGHTING A PROGRAM THAT WE HAVE ACTUALLY SLOWED DOWN.

THIS IS SOMETHING THAT SHOULD BE PART OF OUR CONVERSATION.

HOW WE USE THE PHOEPBLT AND USING IT WELL.

THEN FINALLY SWITCHING GEARS TO DPW.

APPRECIATE THE COMMENTS ABOUT WASTE AND SUSTAINABILITY.

AFTER MANY, MANY YEARS OF FIGHTING WE ARE ABLE TO SECURE PILOTING COMPOSTING AND TEXTILE PICK UP IN LAST YEAR'S BUDGET.

BOTH PUT OUT TO BID.

THIS HAS BEEN A MOVE TO TO PAY THAT NEEDS TO FOCUS ON GOING FORWARD.

WE NEED TO HAVE THE DIFFICULT DISCUSSION AS IT RELATES TO MOVING AWAY FROM SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING TO MULTIPLE STREAM RECYCLING.

AS YOU KNOW I'M A BROKEN RECORD ON THIS, IT BEARS REPEATING, THE COST FOR RECYCLING IS SIGNIFICANTLY MORE THAN TRADITIONAL TRASH PICK UP. WHEN I BEGAN WE GENERATED REVENUE AND NOW WE'RE PAYING \$120 PER TON AND WE WERE PAID 3 TO \$5 PER TON.

THIS IS ENVIRONMENTALLY IMPORTANT AND OUR JOB AS STEWARDS FOR STACKS PAIR MONEY FOR THE BEST DEAL.

LIBRARIES WE ALL CARE ABOUT AS WELL.

RENOVATIONS IN THE BUDGET I WANT TO DRILL ON THAT AS WELL.

THANK YOU MADAM CHAIR.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU SO MUCH.

THANK YOU, COUNSELOR O'MALLEY.

COUNSELOR MAJIA.

>> YES, THANK YOU CHAIR WOMAN BOK.

SO, MY QUESTIONS ARE FOR PUBLIC WORKS.

I SEE ONE OF THE GOALS IN FY21 WAS A RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN FOR ENGINEER AND SKILLED LABORS.

I'M CURIOUS ON THE PROPOSAL RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGNS LOOK LIKE AND WHAT THE CAMPAIGN WILL CONDUCT SPECIFICALLY.

OUTREACH FOR ENGINEERS AND SKILLED LABOR.

PEOPLE OF COLOR, I WANT TO GET A BETTER SENSE OF THE CAMPAIGN IS LOOKING LIKE.

TO FOLLOW-UP ON COUNSELOR ARROYO'S QUESTION I WOULD LIKE TO HEAR ABOUT THE FY11 GOALS FOR PROCUREMENT POLICIES.

WHO ARE THEY LOOKING TO EXPANDED AND IMPROVE IN THE POOL.

RESPONDENTS TO INCLUDE, I'M CURIOUS ON THAT PROCESS AND WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE.

THE BUDGET NARRATIVE.

IT SAYS THE PWD HAS SO FAR SPENT

1.3 MILLION IN OVERTIME.  
HOWEVER IN THE PWD SUMMARIZED  
PORTION IT SAYS THEY, SAYS THEY  
HAVE SPENT 3.2 MILLION IN  
OVERTIME.  
WHY A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO  
NUMBERS.  
JUST CURIOUS ABOUT THAT.  
IN REGARDS TO I WOULD LOVE TO  
KNOW HOW CITY SIDEWALKS ARE  
DETERMINED, WHAT ARE FIXED AND  
THE TOMB LINE.  
DOES IT GO THROUGH 311.  
I GET, I AM GETTING CALLS ON  
SIDEWALK ISSUES.  
I'M JUST TRYING TO FIGURE OUT  
HOW THEY PRIORITIZE THE CALLS.  
THAT'S NOT SO MUCH A MONEY  
QUESTION, MORE OF A PROCESS.  
I THINK THE PROCESS IS EQUALLY  
AS IMPORTANT AS THE TIME OUT  
COME.  
I AM CURIOUS HOW THEY ALLOCATE  
THE RESOURCES.  
IN TERMS OF BOSTON  
TRANSPORTATION ONE OF THE STATED  
GOALS IS TO ENCOURAGE ACTIVE  
TRANSPORTATION INCLUDING NEW  
BLUE BIKE STATIONS FOR BETTER  
BIKE CORRIDORS.  
FROM EXPERIENCE IN MY  
NEIGHBORHOOD JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE  
BUILDING SOMETHING DOESN'T MEAN  
PEOPLE USE IT WHAT FUNDING IS  
AVAILABLE TO ACTIVELY ENCOURAGE  
PEOPLE OUT OF CARS AND ONTO  
BIKES.  
AGAIN HAVING THE BLUE BIKES  
THERE IN CERTAIN NEIGHBORHOODS  
ISN'T GETTING PEOPLE TO USE  
THEM.  
WONDERING IF THEY PLAN TO USE A  
PUBLIC CAMPAIGN OR SOMETHING TO  
GET PEOPLE OUT OF THEIR CARS.  
I ASK THE SAME QUESTIONS OF THE  
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT.  
IS THERE A PLAN FOR RECRUITMENT  
CAMPAIGN FOR HARD TO FILL  
POSITIONS.  
WHERE ARE THEY RECRUITING FROM.  
DOES THIS CAMPAIGN REACH OUT TO  
SKILLED EMPLOYEES OF COLOR.  
WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT THE  
LIBRARIES NOW ARE WE?



>> NO, NEXT ROUND.

>> SO THEN JUST THESE TWO DEPARTMENTS I GUESS.

I'M ALSO WONDERING, I KNOW THAT CERTAIN NEIGHBORHOODS HAVE MORE GARBAGE CANS, IS IT YOU WILL.

I'M CURIOUS ABOUT THE PROCESS OF HOW DO WE DECIDE HOW MANY GARBAGE CANS ARE WE SPREAD AGO CROSS THE CITY.

DO THEY HAVE, DO THEY DO A STUDY TO SEE HOW MUCH GARBAGE IS IN A PARTICULAR NEIGHBORHOOD AND THEY PUT A GARBAGE CAN THERE.

I'M CURIOUS HOW THAT'S DECIDED. AND ALSO I'M CURIOUS ABOUT THE TIME THE GARBAGE IS PICKED UP.

I'M NOT SURE IF CERTAIN NEIGHBORHOODS GET MORE. SOMETHING TO KNOW MORE ABOUT, THE GARBAGE PICK UP SCHEDULE SOMEWHERE

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU SO MUCH, COUNSELOR. ALRIGHT I WILL QUICKLY SAY ON MY END I HAVE A BUNCH OF STREET RELATED QUESTIONS IN THE CAPITOL HEARING.

I WILL BECOMING BACK TO.

I WANT TO THANKING THEM IN THEI WANT TO THANKING THEM AS WELL.

I THINK THE SPECIFIC QUESTIONS I ASKED, ONE QUESTION I HAVE FOR BTD IS I FEEL THERE IS A GAP BETWEEN OUR VISION ZERO COMMITMENT AND OUR SIGNALIZATION POLICY IN THE CITY.

IT'S A QUESTION HOW MANY SECONDS WE GIVE PEDESTRIANS TO CROSS.

HOW WE TIME THE LIGHTS IN GENERAL.

I THINK WE NEED, WE NEED TO THINK SYSTEMATICALLY MOVING THROUGH THE LIGHTS, ALL OVER THE CITY ABOUT HOW WE PRIORITIZE VULNERABLE USERS IN THE SIGNAL.

I WANT TO UNDERSTAND THE MAN FOR THAT.

I KNOW TO SOME EXTENT WE RETHINK SIGNALIZATION IN A GIVEN INTERSECTION.

THIS SHOULDN'T HAVE TO WAIT ON THE PHYSICAL REDOING OF A INTERSECTION.

I WOULD LIKE TO UNDERSTAND THE

GAME PLAN THERE.  
I DON'T THINK WE HAVE MOVED AS  
QUICKLY AS WE NEED TO.  
YOU FEEL THE DIFFERENT DIFFERENCE IN THE  
TIME A PEDESTRIAN HAS TO CROSS A  
STREET.  
I WANT TO RAISE THOSE ISSUES.  
I KNOW I HAVE SEEN, I DON'T KNOW  
WHETHER IT'S RELATED TO COVID OR  
NOT.  
A BUNCH OF THE PEDESTRIAN  
BUTTONS THAT PEOPLE PRESS TO GET  
THE LIGHT ALONG COM AVE HAVE  
BEEN REMOVED.  
IT MAKES SENSE, THOSE LIGHTS ARE  
AUTOMATED SOMEWHERE I WOULD LOVE  
TO UNDERSTAND THE EXTENT TO  
WHICH WE ACTUALLY MAYBE SHOULD  
DO THAT CITY WIDE.  
ESPECIALLY SO MANY OF OUR  
PEDESTRIAN BUTTONS DO NOT DO  
ANYTHING TO TRIGGER A LIGHT.  
CONVERSELY I THINK THERE ARE A  
BUNCH OF PLACES WE APPRECIATE  
PUTTING IN PEDESTRIAN ACTIVATED  
LIGHTS AND CROSSING.  
THEY CAN BE USE PULL FOR  
NEIGHBORHOODS AND SLOWING DOWN  
TRAFFIC.  
WOULD LOVE TO UNDERSTAND MORE  
ABOUT THE POLICY ON ROLLING OUT  
MORE OF THOSE.  
THEN I THINK JUST IN GENERAL I  
DO WANT TO ASK A QUESTION ABOUT  
HOW TO, HOW TO THINK ABOUT THIS  
SHIFT EVEN IF IT'S TEMPORARY IN  
USAGE OF THE STREETS AND HOW WE  
MAKE MORE STREETS AVAILABLE FOR  
PEDESTRIANS, BICYCLES, ETCETERA.  
FOR ME TO DO IT, TO DO IT WELL  
TO SOCIALLY DISTANCE AND WALK  
AROUND THE CITY WITHOUT IN SENT  
INCENTIVES YOU HAVE AT THE DO A  
WIDER SET OF PLACES.  
BEACON H +\*EUPB HILL HAS A LONG  
TRADITION OF INFORMAL SHARED  
STREETS.  
PEOPLE WALK IN THE STREETS  
UNLESS A CAR IS COMING.  
DRIVERS LEARN TO KNOW THAT.  
I'M CURIOUS IF THERE ARE WAYS IN  
COVID WITHOUT BLOCKING A STREET  
WE COULD, YOU KNOW, PUT UP, PUT  
UP THE ROLLING LIGHTS OR

SOMETHING THAT SAYS, BE AWARE OF PEDESTRIANS IN THE STREET AND TRY TO EXPERIMENT WITH MAKE SOMETHING OF OUR STREETS MORE LIKE DOWNTOWN CROSSING WHERE A CAR KNOWS ROLLING THROUGH THE LOWEST PRIORITY.

I THINK WE'RE IN A WEIRD MOMENT. IT MIGHT BE A CHANCES TO THINK ABOUT WHAT IT MEANS FOR THE SPACE OF THE CITY TO BELONG A BIT MORE TO PEDESTRIANS AND BICYCLISTS AND STROLLERS IN OUR DENSIST NEIGHBORHOODS.

SO THOSE ARE SOME OF THE QUESTIONS FOR BPD.

I HAVE A TON OF SPECIFIC ONES THAT I HAVE FORWARDED OVER TO THEM.

ON THE PUBLIC WORKS SIDE I WANT TO UNDERSTAND THE COMPOSTING THING.

A TON OF PEOPLE IN MY DISTRICT ARE YEARNING FOR IT UNDERSTAND THE ROLL OUT AND EXTENSION OF THE PILOT AND WHAT IT MEANS FOR SOMEONE ACTIVELY INTERESTED IN CONNECTING TO THE SYSTEM.

WHAT TO TELL OUR CONSTITUENTS.

I WANT TO ECHO COUNSELOR ARROYO AND MAJIA ON PROCUREMENT FOR BOTH OF THE DEPARTMENTS.

THERE IS AN ENORMOUS OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO DO A HUGELY INCREASED AMOUNT OF STREET WORK BECAUSE OF THE DECREASE IN TRAFFIC RIGHT NOW.

ALSO I THINK IN A MOMENT WHERE WE, WHERE WE ARE TRYING TO HAVE A ROBUST COOPERATE OL BUDGETS.

YOU KNOW WE'RE IN A POSITION TO BORROW MONEY ON THE CAPITOL SIDE.

MANY WAYS THAT'S MORE AVAILABLE IN THE COMING YEAR THAN PERHAPS OPERATING DOLLARS.

IF THAT'S A WAY OUR CITY IS SPENDING MONEY WE HAVE GOT TO BE DOING MORE THAN, MORE THAN THE PILOTS WE'RE PLANNING BEFORE.

MORE THAN A 5 YEAR TRAJECTORY OF GETTING MORE DIVERSITY IN THE BID.

WE HAVE TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO

INTERVENE NOW.  
MONEY OUT THE DOOR FOR FY21 IS  
GOING OUT TO A MORE DIVERSE  
SEGMENT OF THE POPULATION THAT  
IS HURTING SO MUCH.  
SO, YES REALLY WANT TO ECHO  
THOSE THINGS.  
GREAT.  
NOW WE WILL GO BACK UP TO THE  
TOP AND WE WILL DO THE LIBRARY  
AND THE BCYS AND YE TOGETHER.  
SO I WILL GO BACK UP TO  
COUNSELOR FLAHERTY.  
>> THANK YOU.  
I SEE COUNSELOR BRADEN IS HERE.  
TECHNICALLY SHE'S BEFORE ME.  
IF HE'S READY I WILL WAIT --  
>> A MAN OF PROCEDURE: YES IT'S  
TRUE.  
COUNSELOR, IF YOU WANT TO GO  
AHEAD YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.  
YOU'RE MUTED AT THE MOMENT.  
>> UNMUTE MYSELF.  
ARE WE ON BCYS?  
>> AND THE LIBRARY.  
>> MY CONCERN WITH THE BYYS IS A  
WANT TO SEE A ROBUST PROCESS TO  
MAKE PLANS FOR THE THE COMMUNITY  
CENTER.  
IT'S SLATED TO CLOSE NEXT  
JULY 2021.  
IT'S IMPORTANT.  
THIS IS THE ONLY B SKR-RBGS YS  
COMMUNITY CENTER WE HAVE IN OUR  
DISTRICT.  
IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT WE PLAN  
AHEAD AND INSURE A SMOOTH  
TRANSITION.  
WE CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THE  
SERVICES THAT THE JACKSON MAN  
COMMUNITY CENTER PROVIDES RIGHT  
NOW.  
A SMOOTH TRANSITION TO THAT  
INTERIM PERIOD IS REALLY  
IMPORTANT.  
THE LIBRARY, THE SAMUEL BRANCH  
LIBRARY IS PLANNED FOR  
RENOVATION TO BEGIN, ACCORDING  
TO MY RECENT DISCUSSIONS, IT  
WILL BEGIN IN DECEMBER OF THIS  
YEAR.  
I WOULD LIKE TO SEE SOME  
PROVISION MADE TO PROVIDE SOME  
LIKELY SERVICES IN THE INTERIM

GIVEN THAT WE WILL BE LOSING OUR  
BCYS CENTER AT THE SAME TIME AS  
LOSING A LIBRARY.  
I FEEL THERE MAYBE POTENTIAL TO  
PROVIDE SOME ON GOING  
PROGRAMMING, LIBRARY PROGRAMMING  
IN A COMMUNITY SPACE THAT IS  
AVAILABLE TO BRIDGE, BRIDGE THAT  
TIME WHEN THE LIBRARY IS CLOSED.  
ALSO WHEN THE BCYS CENTER IS  
CLOSED.  
THOSE ARE TWO THINGS I WOULD  
LIKE TO LOOK AT.  
THAT'S ALL FOR NOW.  
THANK YOU.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU.

NOW COUNSELOR FLAHERTY.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

WITH BCYS WE HAVE VERY EXCITING  
NEWS WITH RESPECT TO CAPITOL  
PROJECTS IN THE PIPELINE.

I THINK FOLKS THERE ACROSS THE  
CITY AND VARIOUS NEIGHBORHOODS  
WILL BE, WILL BE PUMPED ABOUT  
SOME OF OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY  
CENTERS GETTING A INFUSION OF  
INVESTMENTS AND UPGRADES.

THAT'S ON THE GOOD NEWS FRONT.  
MY CONCERN IS GIVEN THE COVID 1  
RESPONSE AND SHUT DOWN IF YOU  
WILL, WHERE DO WE STAND WITH OUR  
YOUTH.

WHAT IS THE PLAN MOVING FORWARD  
AS OUR CHILDREN ARE TRYING TO  
LEARN AT HOME.

WHAT IS THE SUMMER GOING TO LOOK  
LIKE.

THAT'S A BIG QUESTION I.

HAVE I LIKE TO HEAR FROM NON  
PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS ACROSS THE  
CITY.

PARTICULARLY THE YOUTH  
ORGANIZATIONS FOR CONCERNS ON  
THE PLAN, WHAT IS THE  
PROGRAMMING GOING TO LOOK LIKE.  
WHAT ARE THE HOURS OF OPERATION  
TO BE.

A LOT OF UNCERTAINTY AROUND  
THAT.

QUITE FRANKLY THERE ISN'T A  
CLEAR PICTURE.

HOPEFULLY THE WHEELS ARE  
SPINNING AT BCYS.

THEY'RE THINKING ABOUT ENGAGING  
OUR YOUTH INDEPENDENT OF THE  
PANDEMIC WE HAVE VIOLENT CRIME  
THAT CONTINUES TO DOG OUR CITY  
AS DOES THE OPIOID CRISIS.  
WE KNOW WE HAVE TO KEEP OUR KIDS  
ACTIVE AND ENGAGED OFF THE  
STREETS WITH MEANINGFUL  
OPPORTUNITIES.  
SO THEY FEEL THEY HAVE GREAT  
LEARNING EXPERIENCES WITH THE  
JOB OPPORTUNITIES.  
WHAT THE SUMMER JOB PLAN.  
THAT'S A BIG CONCERN.  
WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR WHAT THE  
VISION IS IN LIGHT OF THE COVID  
19 SHUT DOWN.  
WHAT PRESSURE THAT PUTS ON THEM.  
HOW WE AS A BODY AND OUR OTHER  
LOCAL PARTNERS CAN ASSIST THEM  
IN THEIR EFFORTS AS WELL.  
ALSO WITH LIBRARIES THE PROGRAMS  
THAT LIBRARIES CAN OFFER AND  
THEIR HOURS OF OPERATION IN  
LIGHT OF WHAT IS GOING ON.  
IN ADDITION, COUNSELOR BAKER I  
KNOW HE HAD A GREAT IDEA A FEW  
YEARS AGO IN TAKING A LOOK AT.  
THAT WE DISCUSS IT DID BRIEFLY  
DURING THE CAPITOL PROCESS.  
IDENTIFYING COMMUNITY CENTERS,  
LIBRARIES AND OTHER MUNICIPAL  
OWNED PROPERTIES FOR SENIOR OR  
VETERAN HOUSING AND/OR EXPANDED  
CAPACITY AND CREATIVE  
PARTNERSHIPS WITH LOCAL  
BUSINESSES WHERE THE CITY  
CONTINUES TO OWN THE PROPERTY.  
WE WOULD GET RENT.  
TAKE A LOOK, DRIVE BY,  
TREMENDOUS SPACE ABOVE, NEXT  
DOOR, BEHIND.  
SOME OF THE OUR PRECIOUS  
RESOURCES WE MAYBE ABLE TO  
ACTIVATE ON THE REAL ESTATE  
FRONT TO PROVIDE MORE  
OPPORTUNITY FOR THE CITY.  
THAT'S WHAT I ASK PERTAINING TO  
THE COMMUNITY CENTERS AND WHAT  
POTENTIAL CAPITOL PLANS DOWN THE  
ROAD CAN WE ENVISION TO INCREASE  
OUR HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES.  
INCREASE OUR SMALL BUSINESS  
OPPORTUNITIES AND INCREASE LOCAL

PARKING OPPORTUNITIES FOR RESIDENTS IN DENSELY POPULATED NEIGHBORHOODS OR BUSINESS DISTRICTS THAT COULD USE ADDITIONAL PARKING TO ATTRACT BUSINESS.

I APPRECIATE YOUR ATTENTION HERE TO DETAIL AND LOOK FORWARD TO RESPONSES FROM THE APPROPRIATE PARTIES OF THE HEARING.

>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR FLAHERTY.

COUNSELOR BAKER.

COUNSELOR ESSAIBI GEORGE.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

UPDATE ON ADAMS LIBRARY.

WHAT WE CAN EXPECT.

WHAT IS THE TIME LINE WHEN WE'RE ABLE TO GET BACK TO WORK.

UPDATE ON -- LIBRARY, WHERE THAT DISCUSSION IS.

ALSO LIKE COUNCIL FLAHERTY MENTIONED WHERE ARE WE ON THE DISCUSSION WITH THE LIBRARIES.

THINK THE WEST END WAS THE

LIBRARY IDENTIFIED AS

POTENTIALLY A SITE TO DO

SOMETHING LIKE.

THAT WHERE IS THE DISCUSSION.

FOR BCYS I TALKED ABOUT IT FOR A COUPLE OF YEARS.

HAVEN'T MADE MUCH HEADWAY ON IT.

-- DOING GREAT WORK THERE.

AND WHEN THEY'RE CLOSED OR THE WEEKENDS OR WHATEVER THE KIDS ARE RUNNING AROUND PARKING LOTS, THEY'RE.

LOOKING TO SEE IF B SKR-RBGS YS HAS A PLAN AROUND A STAND ALONE COMMUNITY CENTER THAT WOULD BE, WOULD BE A MIX FOR TEENS, TODDLERS AND FOR US IN THIS AREA.

THAT'S ABOUT IT.

THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU SO MUCH COUNSELOR BAKER.

I WILL ALSO ASK THE WEST END LIBRARY.

COUNSELOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

>> THANK YOU, CHAIR OVER THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS THROUGH THE LIKE RAREYS WE HAVE SEEN SOME

EFFORTS, SUPPORT INDIVIDUALS DEALING WITH AND EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS. MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE DISORDERS. I WOULD LOVE TO HEAR WORK IN THE CENTRAL LIBRARY. I KNOW THEY CONVENED THE LAST COUPLE OF YEARS A WORKING GROUP THAT PUT TOGETHER A RESOURCE GUIDE THAT INCORPORATED EFFORTS TO CONNECT VISITORS TO THE LIBRARY WITH SOCIAL WORKERS. I'M CURIOUS ABOUT THE WORK THAT CONTINUES. ESPECIALLY THE CENTRAL LIBRARY. HOW HAS THAT BEEN SUPPORTING AND ROLLED OUT TO EFFORTS IN OUR BRANCH LIBRARY. THEN THE, A PARTICULAR RELATIONSHIP AND RELATIONSHIP WITH PINE STREET INN. WONDERING HOW THAT IS WORKING OUT. IF WE WILL EXPANDED THAT AS WELL. THROUGH THE LIBRARY WE KNOW A LOT OF RESIDENTS CAN ACCESS HOUSING SEARCH, CASEWORK PARTICULARLY. CURIOUS HOW SUCCESSFUL THAT PROGRAM HAS BEEN AND IF IT HAS CONTINUED. THE -- THROUGH THE WORK THEY HAVE DONE MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID TRAINING, DEESCALATION TRAINING AND CHANGING THE WORK THAT SOME OF OUR LIBRARIANS AND LIBRARY STAFF DO. CURIOUS ABOUT THAT AND THE WORK THAT CONTINUES THERE. ALSO THROUGH OUR CENTRAL LIBRARY THERE IS A GREAT RESOURCE TO SUPPORT SMALL BUSINESSES. IT'S REALLY A GREAT ASSET. I WONDER IF WE SEE THAT ROLL OUT TO BRANCH LIBRARIES. ESPECIALLY WITH THE EFFECTS OF COVID 19 ON SMALL BUSINESSES AND THE SHOPPING CENTERS THROUGHOUT THE CITY AND MAIN STREETS, MAIN STREET PROGRAMS FORMALLY. I THINK OUR BRANCH LIBRARIES PLAY -- WE KNOW THE IMPORTANT



ROLL THEY PLAY FOR OUR FAMILIES  
AND OUR YOUTH.  
THEY PLAY A CRITICAL YOUTH.  
MORE IMPORTANT ROLL FOR OUR  
SMALL BUSINESSES IN OUR MINI  
ECONOMIC REGIMENT OF THE CITY.  
COULD WE SEE HA WORK HAPPENING  
IN THE CENTRAL BRANCH THROUGH  
SMALL BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT IN OUR  
BRANCHES.  
I WOULD LOVE TO SEE THAT  
HAPPENING.  
THEN YOU KNOW COVID 19 HAS THIS  
PANDEMIC HAS EXPOSED SOME OF OUR  
WEAKNESSES.  
OUR LIBRARIES INITIALLY WERE NOT  
CLOSED.  
THEY WERE A PLACE A LOT OF  
RESIDENTS ACCESSED RESOURCES.  
THOSE RESOURCES INCLUDED NOT  
JUST THE PLACE TO BE, A PLACE TO  
DO WORK, INTERNET AND TECHNOLOGY  
ESPECIALLY FOR OUR STUDENTS.  
I THINK WE NEED TO LOOK AT THE  
BONES OF OUR LIBRARY SYSTEM FOR  
THE FUTURE.  
BECAUSE IF WE COULD OF  
MAINTAINED THEM OPEN LONGER AND  
THROUGH THIS PANDEMIC A LOT OF  
OUR RESIDENTS EXPERIENCING  
ISOLATION WITHOUT ACCESS TO FOOD  
SERVICES OR MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES  
OR THE INTERNET AND WE THINK  
ABOUT OUR KIDS.  
WISH WE COULD OF MAINTAINED AND  
KEPT THEM OPEN LONGER.  
THAT WOULD OF BEEN HELPFUL.  
ON BCYS I THINK WE'RE ALL  
INTERESTED IN THE ROLL OF SUMMER  
PROGRAMMING.  
OKAY BCYS NOW RIGHT.  
>> YES.  
>> PERFECT.  
AGAIN IF WE CAN LEARN FROM THIS,  
THIS EXPERIENCE WITH COVID 19  
THE BCYS, YOUTH CENTERS, FAMILY  
CENTERS REALLY COULD BE A  
RESOURCE AND AN ASSET SOMEWHERE  
WE HAVE SEEN THEM USED FOR FOOD  
DISTRIBUTION AND THINGS LIKE.  
THAT THEY, REALLY THE MORE WE  
CAN DO OUT OF THOSE PLACES.  
THOSE CENTERS OF OUR

COMMUNITIES, THE MORE RESOURCES WE CAN GET TO OUR FAMILIES AND RESIDENTS ACROSS THE CITY.

SO CURIOUS ABOUT SUMMER JOBS, CURIOUS ABOUT THE ROLL THEY WILL PLAY YOU THIS THE SUMMER IF WE CONTINUE TO DISTRIBUTE MEALS AND OTHER THINGS.

ACROSS THE CITY AND THE SUMMER.

THEN IN SORT OF SPECIFICALLY THINGS THAT ARE HAPPENING OUR STREET OUTREACH.

COMING THROUGH BCYS CURIOUS ABOUT THE WORK THAT IS HAPPENING THERE AND THEN SOME GENERAL PROGRAMMING.

YOU KNOW WHAT IS THE MANNING HAPPENING GOING FORWARD TO REINCORPORATE OUR FAMILIES AND ACTIVITIES.

WHETHER IT'S PHYSICAL, COOKING, IN A DIG TO THE SUMMER CAP CAMP STUFF.

THAT'S IT FOR ME THIS ROUND.

THANK YOU.

>> GREAT.

THANK YOU SO MUCH COUNSELOR. COUNSELOR RICARDO ARROYO AND THEN COUNSELOR FLYNN.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR.

FOR THE BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY A QUESTION IS THE NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS -- PEARLY HALF I'M ASSUMING THAT MAY HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH COVID 19 IN THE FACILITIES.

IF THAT'S NOT THE CASE I WOULD LIKE TO KNOW.

IF IT IS THE CASE THEN HOW CAN WE ADAPT THE PROGRAM FOR HOME USE.

VIA THE COMPUTER.

SIMILARLY THEIR PLAN FOR THE LIBBY APP.

I'M A FAN OF THE LIBBY APP AND ACCESS FOR ELECTRONIC BOOKS. THERE IS USUALLY A NUMBER AND SOMETIMES YOU HAVE TO WAIT MONTHS FOR NEWER E BOOKS.

IN LIGHT OF COVID 19 WHAT ARE THE PLANS TO CHANGE THE ON-LINE SERVICE.

WHAT IS THE PROGRAMMING THEY'RE THINKING ABOUT DOING FOR YOUTH

AND FOLKS LIKE THAT.  
SIMILAR TO PUBLIC WORKS AND  
TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT.  
1 BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY  
CONTRACTS ONE TO A WOMAN OWNED  
BUSINESS.  
NONE TO PEOPLE OF COLOR.  
WHAT IS BEING DONE TO IMPROVE  
REPRESENTATION.  
MANY CONTRACT ARE HE CAN PIRING  
ON JUNE 30th.  
WHEN WE GET TO.  
THIS MIGHT BE, I THINK WE  
COVERED SOME OF THIS -- JOBS AT  
HIGH PARK LIBRARY.  
THE HIGH PARK LIBRARY HAS A  
ISSUE IN THE BASEMENT THAT WAS  
SLATED FOR A CONSTRUCTION FIX.  
JUST MAKING SURE THAT'S ON  
TRACK.  
WHAT THE FUTURE PLANS ARE FOR  
THE HIGH PARK LIBRARY.  
THE OTHER THING BRIEFLY ON THAT  
PART IS I HAVE SPOKEN TO BPL  
BECAUSE OUR LIBRARIES ARE ALL  
CLOSED WE WERE HAVING A ISSUE OF  
FOLKS GETTING BOOKS ON HOLD.  
WE WERE TALKING ABOUT A MACHINE  
SIMILAR TO A VENDING MACHINE FOR  
BOOKS SO FOLKS TO GET NEW BOOKS.  
THERE WAS A INTEREST IN THAT.  
NOW POST COVID CHECKING WHERE WE  
ARE ON THAT.  
FOR BCYS WHAT ARE THE PLANS FOR  
THE SPORTS AND FITNESS PROGRAMS  
CONSIDERING COVID 19.  
HOW ARE THEY TAKING INTO ACCOUNT  
THE IMPACT OF COVID 19 PLANNING  
FOR THE BUDGET.  
HOW WILL THEY ADAPT THEIR  
PROGRAMMING IN THE LIKELY EVENT  
THAT SOCIAL DISTANCING  
CONTINUES.  
LET'S SEE, WHAT IS BYCS PLANS TO  
ASSIGN CONTRACT TO FOLKS OF  
COLOR AND WOMEN.  
SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT HOW IS  
THAT REFLECTED IN THE PROGRAM?  
THE BUDGET.  
WHAT ARE THE PLANS THERE.  
ON THE BCYS RESOLVING FUND WHAT  
EFFECT OF ANY HAS COVID 19 HAD.  
THAT'S IT FOR NOW.  
ANYTHING ELSE THAT COMES UP I

WILL SEND IT IN.  
SO, WE WILL GO FROM THERE.  
>> GREAT.  
THANK YOU, COUNSELOR.  
>> APPRECIATE IT.  
>> THANK YOU, COUNSELOR BOK.  
AS IT RELATES TO THE PUBLIC  
LIBRARIES WE, THE CITY INVESTED  
MONEY RECENTLY IN THE SOUTH END  
BRANCH.  
ACTUALLY THE SOUTH END BRANCH IS  
IN THE MIDDLE, THE BORDER OF  
MINE AND KIM JANEY'S DISTRICT.  
WE BOTH TAKE GREAT PRIDE IN THE  
SOUTH END LIBRARY.  
WE WANT TO MAKE SURE IT  
CONTINUES TO BE AN OUTSTANDING  
LIBRARY.  
I WANT TO SIGH THE STAFF THERE  
IS EXCELLENT.  
I WANT TO SEE THE OUTREACH IN  
SERVICES WE WILL DO FOR THE  
NEARBY VILLA VICTORIA RESIDENTS.  
MANY OF THEM ARE PUERTO RICAN.  
I WOULD LIKE TO EXPAND OUR  
ACCESS TO SERVICES FOR SPANISH  
SPEAKING RESIDENTS IN AND AROUND  
THE SOUTH END ESPECIALLY.  
THE WEST END LIBRARY.  
IT'S SOMETHING I'M ALSO  
CONCERNED WITH.  
I HAVE A LOT OF CONSTITUENTS  
THAT USE.  
THAT I CERTAINLY SUPPORT YOU ON  
AND THE OTHERS IN MAKING SURE  
THAT IS AN EXCELLENT LIBRARY AS  
WELL.  
THE SOUTH BOSTON BRANCH IS ONE  
OF THE OLDEST PUBLIC, ONE OF THE  
OLDEST BRANCHES WE HAVE IN THE  
CITY.  
IT FEEDS A LOT OF WORK.  
EVENTUALLY WOULD I LOVE TO SEE A  
BRAND NEW LIBRARY AS COUNSELOR  
FLAHERTY MENTIONED HAVING SENIOR  
HOUSING ABOVE IT.  
AGAIN THE STAFF DID DO A  
TREMENDOUS JOB.  
I WANT TO SEE MORE SERVICES FOR  
CHILDREN.  
WE HAVE A LOT OF MOTHER GROUPS,  
A LOT OF CHILDREN WITH MOTHERS  
THAT GO UP THERE, NANNIES DURING  
THE DAY AS WELL.

I WANT TO SEE WHAT KIND OF SERVICES WE CAN EXPANDED.  
THE CHINA TOWN BRANCH LIBRARY IS IN PROGRESS.  
I THINK IT'S DOING WELL.  
THE PLANNING PHASE IS DOING WELL.  
I WOULD LIKE TO GET A BRIEFING ON.  
THAT BE THE FIRST TIME WE HAVE HAD A PUBLIC LIBRARY IN CHINA TOWN  
SO IT'S DESPERATELY NEEDED, WANT TO THANK MAYOR WALSH.  
AND WITH THE CENTRAL LIBRARY IS IN MY DISTRICT, AN EXCEPTIONAL LIBRARY.  
I WANT TO SEE WHAT SERVICES WE CAN CONTINUE TO HAVE, FOR OUR SENIORS.  
THAT GO INTO THAT LIBRARY FREQUENTLY, WHAT SERVICES WE HAVE SPECIFICALLY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN THAT LIBRARY, AS WELL AS SPANISH-SPEAKING RESIDENTS AND RESIDENTS THAT SPEAK OTHER LANGUAGES, AS WELL.  
AND THAT'S PROBABLY IT FOR LIBRARIES, COUNCILOR BOK, AS IT RELATES TO BCYF, PROGRAMMING IS ALWAYS A CONCERN.  
THE TINAN AND THE CONDON IN SOUTH BOSTON, I WOULD LIKE TO SEE IT EXPAND THE PROGRAMMING.  
WE'RE WORKING WITH THE MAYOR'S OFFICE ON THE L STREET BATHHOUSE WHICH IS THE CURLY RECREATION CENTER, RENOVATION PROJECT.  
GOING INTO THE SOUTH END, THE BLACKSTONE, BCYF FACILITY, IT NEEDS WORK.  
STRUCTURAL WORK.  
I HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT RECENTLY, AND I'D LIKE TO SEE MORE OF AN INVESTMENT INTO THE BCYF, AT BLACKSTONE THEY HAVE A SWIMMING POOL THERE AS WELL.  
I WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THE HOURS OF THE SWIMMING POOL, AND WHAT IS THE STATUS OF THE TEACHING CHILDREN HOW TO SWIM IS CRITICAL.  
WE HAVE A POOL IN THE SOUTH END.

UNFORTUNATELY, A LOT OF YOUNG CHILDREN IN MENT COMMUNITIES OF COLOR ARE NOT -- HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY LESSONS ON SWIMMING, UNFORTUNATELY, SO I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT WHETHER IT'S MY -- WHETHER IT'S BCYF OR IT'S OTHER ORGANIZATIONS, I WOULD LIKE US TO DO A ROBUST EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM THROUGHOUT THE CITY.

AND TEACHING CHILDREN ON SWIMMING AND SAFETY. BECAUSE IT'S CRITICAL, PEOPLE GOING TO POOLS, AND LAKES, AT COOKOUTS NOT KNOWING HOW TO SWIM AND THAT'S HOW PEOPLE UNFORTUNATELY DROWN.

SO I'D LIKE US TO DO MORE WORK ON TEACHING OUR KIDS ON HOW TO SWIM.

THAT'S SOMETHING I'M GOING TO FOCUS ON.

AGAIN, THE BCYF BLACKSTONE. AND IN CHINATOWN, THE JOSIAH BE QUIPS HAS AN EXCELLENT PROGRAM AS WELL.

I WANT -- QUINCY HAS AN EXCELLENT PROGRAM AS WELL. I WANT TO SEE WHAT KIND OF PROGRAMS WE CAN ADVANCE AND EXPAND ON, ESPECIALLY FOR THE ASIAN COMMUNITY.

THEY DON'T REALLY HAVE ANY OUTSIDE PARKS IN CHINATOWN. SO THIS FACILITY IS VERY IMPORTANT AS IS THE WANG YMCA. BUT IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANY PARKS IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD, YOU NEED TO HAVE AN EXCELLENT BE THE ATHLETIC PROGRAMS AND SERVICES FOR KIDS.

MAKING SURE THAT THEY ARE INVOLVED IN SPORTS, THEY'RE INVOLVED IN AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAMS, TUTORING PROGRAMS, GIVING KIDS AND THE BCYF FACILITIES AN OPPORTUNITY TO VISIT OUR HARBOR ISLANDS IS SOMETHING I'VE FOCUS OD ON. FTC AND I WANT TO EXPAND ON THAT GIVEN ASIAN KIDS AND AFRICAN AMERICAN KIDS AND LATINO KIDS THAT HAVE NEVER BEEN ON AN

ISLAND, AN OPPORTUNITY  
LIBRARIES BUT BOSTON, THAT COULD  
BE THE SENIOR CENTER, TIME LINES  
FOR THAT, AND THE CENTER IN THE  
NORTH END I BELIEVE IT IS  
ACTIVITIES PLANNED THERE HAS  
BEEN A LOT OF GOOD NEIGHBORHOOD  
FEEDBACK, AND THE NEW VERSION OF  
THE NAVARRO CENTER.  
LOOKING AT I JUST WANT TO ECHO  
COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE'S  
CONCERNS ABOUT OR SUGGESTIONS OR  
JUST WANTING FEEDBACK ON SUMMER  
JOBS SPECIFICALLY AND OUR YOUTH  
ENGAGEMENT THROUGH COVID, AND I  
WOULD REALLY LIKE IT TO MANY ON  
THE JOBS HOW ARE WE GOING TO BE  
ACCOUNTING FOR, LOOKING AT,  
TALKING FEEDING THESE FAMILIES  
AND HOW ARE WE GOING TO MAKE  
SUMMER BREAK OR SUMMER VACATION  
ONLINE AND DIGITAL.  
I'M CURIOUS, ALSO, ABOUT THE  
POLICE STATION IN EAST BOSTON  
AND HOW THAT IS, AND OF COURSE  
AN UPDATE ON HOW THAT IS IN  
JUXTAPOSITION TO THE NEW  
SUBSTATION SUPPOSEDLY COMING IN  
EAST BOSTON.  
I WANTED TO BE SURE THAT WE HAVE  
A TRUE SIGNOFF AND A TRUE  
ACCOUNTING FORKING IS HAVING A  
NEW POLICE STATION WITH A LOT OF  
RADIO, TECHNOLOGY AND SO ON, SO  
FORTHRIGHT NEXT TO A SUBSTATION.  
I DON'T KNOW THAT THEY ACTUALLY  
MATCH OR WOULD THEY HAVE A STUDY  
DONE.  
THERE IS ALSO A PICK COMMISSION  
DONE, SPECIFICALLY ABOUT  
ACQUIRING THE CITY OF A HUGE  
AMOUNT OF LAN FROM A PRIVATE  
OWNER AND HOW THAT SHOULD BE  
DESIGNED.  
AND REPURPOSED FOR CITY  
PURPOSES.  
I'M CURIOUS ABOUT, THERE WAS A  
INITIATIVE FOR EQUITY  
ANNOUNCEMENTS BUT ALSO HAVE AN  
ACCOUNTING SYSTEM FOR TALL THEIR  
FUNDING IS ACTUALLY CONTAINED BY  
NONPROFITS.  
THE CITY HAS NO ACCESS TO THE  
BANK ACCOUNTS OF THOSE

NONPROFITS.

HAVE RECEIVED NO REPORTS FROM THOSE NONPROFITS.

IN SOME CASES THE NONPROFITS ACCEPTED CASH, THEY ACCEPTED MONEY ORDERS, THEY DID NOT ACCEPT CHECKS SO THERE'S NO WAY TO TRACE WHERE THE MONEY CAME FROM.

SO BCYF HAVING BEEN ABLE TO RAISING HUGE AMOUNTS OF MONEY OR WHERE IT WENT.

WHERE IS THAT PROCESS RIGHT NOW?

ARE ALL THE BCYF PAYMENTS ONLINE, CAN YOU PAY ONLINE, I DON'T THINK YOU CAN.

UPSTAIRS ON THE NAVARRO CENTER AS WELL.

IN TERMS OF THE NOT JUST THE BUILDING OF THE NEW ONE BUT HOW WE ARE DEALING WITH THE CONDITION OF THE CURRENT NAVARRO CENTER.

OH, UPSTAIRS, JUST CURIOUS ABOUT THE NEW LIBRARY AND HOW THAT IS GOING IN TERMS OF TIME LINE.

WE WILL -- WE EXPECT A LOT OF VISITORS FROM THROUGHOUT THE DISTRICT INCLUDING (INAUDIBLE) LIBRARY AND SO WE WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE ARE STILL FILLING AN AWKWARD TIME LINE THAT THAT WAS ON.

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

NOW COUNCILOR O'MALLEY.

>> EGGLESTON CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE IS GOING TO BE IMPACT ED, SIMILARLY WANTED TO IRCHED SCORE THE NEED -- UNDERSCORE THE NEED FOR THE WEST ROXBURY BRANCH.

I REMEMBER BEING A YOUNG KID IN THE LAST RENOVATION, I'M NO LONGER YOUNG OR A KID.

HENNAGAN COMMUNITY CENTER, NOW AS WE KNOW MANY OF THESE COMMUNITY CENTERS SHARE SPACE WITH SCHOOLS, AND WANT TO TALK ABOUT SO THEY COULD LITERALLY SHARE A BUILDING BUT BE OBVIOUSLY COMPLETELY DIFFERENT ENTITIES, FOR SAFETY REASONS AND WHOLE HOST OF OTHER REASONS.



TWO PART QUESTION WHICH WAS SOMEWHAT -- NOT ABOUT SOMEWHAT, WE CERTAINLY WOULD INVOLVE THE B.P.S. BUDGET AS WELL, AS IT RELATES TO FACILITIES PLANS, WHAT ACCOMMODATIONS ARE WE MAKING OR SORT OF PLANNING, ARE WE URGED TAKING, AS IT RELATES TO SCHOOL BUILDINGS THAT ALSO HOLD BCYF CENTERS AND SIMILARLY IS THERE AN OPPORTUNITY FOR THE HELP HENNIGAN FACILITY SPECIFICALLY.

FROM COUNCILOR BOK'S DISTRICT AS WELL, IT'S A WONDERFUL LITTLE PLACE, THE ONLY ISSUE IT'S BEEN A DILAPIDATED BUILDING NOW FOR GOING ON DECADES.

HOW DO WE ADDRESS THAT IN THE SHORT TERM AND HOW DO WE LOOK AT THIS IN RELATION TO BUILD B.P.S. PLAN AS WELL GOING FORWARD.

SIMILARLY, YOU KNOW, THE NEED FOR A STAND-ALONE SINGLE BUILDING IN ROXBURY, THAT HOSTS A QUARTER OF ALL SENIOR CITIZENS, WHICH MY COLLEAGUES AND I HAVE BEEN PUSHING FOR QUITE A LONG TIME.

AGAIN ACKNOWLEDGE WE UNDERSTAND THE CONSTRAINTS THAT WILL BE PRESENTED ON US WITH THIS BUDGET OR WITH FUTURE BUDGETS

PARTICULARLY IN THE SHORT TERM BUT THIS IS A CONVERSATION WE NEEDS TO AT LEAST BE UNDERTAKING AS IT RELATES TO PLANNING FOR A STAND ALONE SENIOR CENTER, POTENTIALLY LEASING SOME SPACE OR SOME OTHER IDEAS THAT MAY HAVE PRESENTED THEMSELVES.

THOSE ARE THE MAIN LINE OF FOCUS ON LIBRARIES, DRINK SPECIFIC AND MOST OF MY COLLEAGUES HAVE SAID FOR BOTH OF THOSE TOPICS.

THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH, COUNCILOR O'MALLEY.

COUNCILOR MEJIA, YOU HAVE THE FLOOR.

>> YES, THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, I DO NOT HAVE CORONA, I JUST HAVE ALLERGIES.

I'M TRYING TO CONTAIN MYSELF

HERE.

ALL RIGHT, SO IN TERMS OF THE LIBRARIES, JUST TWO QUESTIONS. ONE, IN THE FY 21 BUDGET IT RECOMMENDED THAT THE LIBRARY MAINTENANCE ON LOCAL POSITIONS WHETHER REQUIRED OR RECOMMENDED SECOND LANGUAGE CAPABILITIES. WHICH ARE REVIEWED ON A ROLE OR NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS. S THIS REQUIRED NUMBER OF PHYSICIANS BROKEN DOWN BY PARTICULAR LANGUAGES OR IS IT JUST THE SECOND LANGUAGE THAT IS SPOKEN.

I JUST AM TRYING TO GET SOME CLARITY AROUND HOW ARE THEY DETERMINING WHICH ARE THE SECOND LANGUAGES THAT THEY ARE GOING TO BE OFFERING IN DIFFERENT SITES, IF ONE COULD UNDERSTAND THAT PROCESS A LITTLE BIT.

AND SECOND QUESTION FOR THE LIBRARY WAS, ONE OF THE HIRING CHALLENGES OF THE BPL HAS STATE THEY'D IT HAS TO DO WITH THE POSITIONS MOSTLY DUE TO THE LARGER NUMBER OF UNIVERSITIES AND CAN FIRMS IN THE GREATER BOSTON AREA.

MY QUESTION IS WHAT ARE -- WHAT OPPORTUNITIES ARE THERE FOR, HOW CAN WE EXPAND THAT POOL TO HELP ALL I'M CURIOUS ABOUT.

SO MOVING ON TO THE BOSTON CENTERS FOR (INAUDIBLE) QUESTIONS, IS THE BCYF MARKETING COMMUNICATION GOALS, IS IT LISTED THAT THEY WILL WORK WITH THE CITY OF BOSTON, LANGUAGE ACCESS COORDINATE FOR TRANSLATION AND INTERPRETATION, AND HOW WILL THAT BE IMPLEMENTED, JUST CURIOUS ABOUT WHAT THAT LOOKS LIKE.

ANOTHER ONE OF THE GOALS IS TO CREATE A SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN TO SHARE ALL BCYF HAS TO OFFER FOR THE SUMMER AND FALL 2020, AS A FOLLOW-UP TO MY PREVIOUS QUESTION, WILL THIS CAMPAIGN BE LOCALLY BUILT AND MRS. HOW WILL THEY BE ADAPTING THIS PERCENT OF PROGRAMMING DURING THE COVID-19

ERA THAT WE FIND OURSELVES IN.  
IN TERMS OF ENGAGEMENT AND  
EMPLOYMENT, A NUMBER OF THE  
DEPARTMENTS THAT WE'VE SPOKEN  
ABOUT TODAY DURING THIS WORKING  
SESSION HAVE STATED THAT HIRING  
FOR HARD TO FILL POSITIONS HAVE  
BEEN A CHALLENGE.  
WE KEEP HEARING THAT EVERYWHERE  
I GO FROM FOLKS BUT I'M JUST  
CURIOUS, IS THERE AN OPPORTUNITY  
FOR YEE TO PARTNER WITH THESE  
AGENCIES, OPPORTUNITIES FOR  
YOUNG PEOPLE TO FILL, EITHER  
RIGHT AWAY OR THROUGH TRAINING  
AND APPRENTICES, RIGHT?  
SO WHAT OPPORTUNITIES EXIST FOR  
US TO THAT PIPELINE WITHIN OUR  
OWN YOUTH POOL.  
OBVIOUSLY, YOUTH EMPLOYMENT HAS  
BEEN IMPACTED HEAVILY BY  
COVID-19.  
ONE OF THE GOALS IS STATED, IT'S  
BEEN CREATED TO PROVIDE AN  
ONLINE EXPERIENCE FOR YOUTH IN  
BOSTON.  
CAN THEY EXPLAIN HOW THAT WOULD  
WORK?  
WE HOPE THAT A YOUTH DEVELOPMENT  
SESSION ON FRIDAY, WHERE WE GOT  
TO CONVENE THE NONPROFIT  
ORGANIZATIONS AND YOUNG PEOPLE  
ACROSS THE CITY TO REALLY UNPACK  
HOW WE'RE GOING TO LIVE IN THIS  
NEW NORM.  
AND WITHOUT KNOWING WHETHER OR  
NOT WE'RE GOING TO BE RETURNING  
BACK TO SCHOOL, BACK TO WORK,  
BACK TO QUOTE UNQUOTE LIFE, AND  
JUST, YOU KNOW, A LOT OF THE  
CONVERSATIONS THAT CAME FROM  
THAT WAS REALLY ABOUT HOW DO WE  
CREATE VIRTUAL SPACES FOR YOUNG  
PEOPLE AND WHAT TYPE OF  
EMPLOYMENT WE COULD CREATE FOR  
YOUTH TO WORK IN PARTICULAR  
CAPACITY, JUST CURIOUS ABOUT HOW  
BEYOND COVID-19, HOW CAN WE  
START BUILDING THE  
INFRASTRUCTURE FOR NEW WAYS OF  
ENGAGING YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE  
LIVING IN A VIRTUAL WORLD  
ANYWAYS, JUST CURIOUS ABOUT WHAT  
THEIR THINKING IS AROUND THOSE

ISSUES.

AND I AM A LITTLE BIT CURIOUS ABOUT THE PARTICIPATORY BUDGET. THERE WAS ONCE UPON A TIME A YOUTH PARTICIPATORY PROJECT, BUDGET PROCESS, ACTUALLY, ROSE WHO I KNOW USED TO RUN IT.

AND I'M JUST WONDERING IF THAT'S STILL AROUND, AND IF SO, WHO IS LEADING IT AND HOW DOES IT WORK AND HOW ARE YOUNG PEOPLE INFORMING THESE DECISIONS, ASIDE FROM JUST THE MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL WHICH IS GRAIK.

I APPRECIATE THAT THEY HAVE A FORMAL VOICE BUT JUST WONDERING WHAT OTHER WAYS WE CAN ENGAGE YOUNG PEOPLE IN THESE PROCESSES. AND I AM CURIOUS ABOUT, I THINK ABOUT YOUTH EMPLOYMENT NOT JUST DURING THE SUMMER.

JUST WONDERING WHAT YEAR ROUND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES EXIST FOR YOUNG PEOPLE.

THANK YOU.

IF.

>> THANK YOU SO MUCH, COUNCILOR MEJIA.

I -- YEAH, I AGREE, WE NEED YEAR-ROUND JOB OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE, AND ON THE YOUTH BUDGET THERE IS STILL IN THE CAPITAL BUDGET LIKE LINE ITEMS FOR YOUTH CAPITAL BUDGET PROJECTS.

BUT I AGREE, WE DON'T REALLY HAVE A LOT OF DETAIL HOW THAT PROCESS IS GOING OR WHAT IT'S YIELDING.

SO GOOD THING FOR US TO ASK THEM ABOUT.

MY OWN FURTHER QUESTIONS, ON THE -- I'LL STAY WITH YOUTH FOR A MINUTE, ON THE BCYF FRONT, DEFINITELY, JUST TRYING TO THINK HOW WE DO SOME BIG DIFFERENT THINGS THIS SUMMER.

I MEAN EVEN LOT OF OUR -- I'M ENCOURAGED WITH THE ADDITIONAL AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT THE ADMINISTRATION PUT IN THE BUDGET FOR VIOLENCE, DISRUPTION, BUT A LOT OF TRIED AND TRUE PROGRAMS AROUND THAT ARE GOING TO BE IMPACTED BY COVID IN TERMS OF

LIKE THE IN-PERSON WORK THAT  
THEY FOCUS ON.  
SO UNDERSTANDING THAT THE NEED  
IS STILL REALLY THERE.  
SO UNDERSTANDING HOW WE'RE  
RETHINKING THAT, UNDERSTAND  
BEING HOW WE ARE RETHINKING THE  
BCYF CENTERS, IF THERE'S A  
MODIFIED WAY TO MAKE THOSE  
AVAILABLE THIS SUMMER, IF THERE  
ISN'T, WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO?  
I JUST THINK WE'RE GOING TO NEED  
TO BE REALLY CREATIVE ABOUT  
CREATING THOSE VIRTUAL SPACES.  
LIKE COUNCILOR MEJIA REFERENCED,  
CREATING -- YOU KNOW, I THINK  
THE QUESTION OF LIKE COULD WE BE  
SENDING OWL MATERIALS FOR SOME  
KIND OF ARTS ACTIVITY, OR LIKE  
SCIENCE ACTIVITY OR SOMETHING,  
COULD WE BE SENDING LIKE A  
WEEKLY PACKAGE OF MATERIALS TO  
OUR FAMILIES ALL SUMMER.  
THE SAME WAY THAT WE'RE THINKING  
ABOUT GETTING TO OUR FAMILIES  
WHO CAN'T COME TO THE SITES.  
I JUST THINK WE NEED TO THINK  
WAY OUTSIDE THE BOX IN TERMS OF  
HOW TO ENGAGE YOUNG PEOPLE.  
AND I THINK THINGS LIKE ART,  
THINGS LIKE VIRTUAL REALT,  
ACTUALLY SERVE A BURGEONING NEW  
INDUSTRY, LIKE DIGITAL MUSIC  
COMPOSITION, THERE ARE A BUNCH  
OF THINGS THAT YOUNG PEOPLE  
COULD BE DOING THAT ARE ENGAGING  
IN CREATIVE AND EXPAND YOUR MIND  
AND BE DONE IN HOME.  
AND THEN PEOPLE CAN KIND OF  
CHECK IN WITH EACH OTHER AND  
FEEL A SENSE OF COMMUNITY THAT  
WAY.  
I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO HEAR HOW  
BCYF IS THINKING ABOUT THE  
POSSIBILITIES ON THAT FRONT.  
AND THEN ON BPL, LAST TIME I  
CHECKED IN ON IT IT WAS WORKING  
ON OKAY.  
WE HAVE HAD A BUCH OF ISSUES  
WITH THE PARKER HILL ELEVATOR,  
WHETHER IT NEEDS REPLACING, I'VE  
ASKED PUBLIC FACILITIES ABOUT  
THE WEST END LIBRARY STUDY,  
SPECIFICALLY THE PLAN FOR

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AROUND THAT STABILITY STUDY.

I THINK THERE'S A BUNCH OF INTERESTED PARTIES.

I KNOW THE FRIENDS GROUP WOULD LOVE TO HAVE A SEAT ON THE SORT OF CAC EQUIVALENT FOR THAT. THERE IS A LOT OF INTEREST AS COUNCILOR BAKER MENTIONED, MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE HAVING THAT PLANNING STUDY CONVERSATION IN A 360° WAY WITH ALL THE PARTICIPANTS.

I WANT TO -- I, YOU KNOW, TECHNICALLY, THE CENTRAL LIBRARY AS COUNSELOR FLYNN SAID IS IN HIS DISTRICT BUT IT'S ALSO USED BY A HUGE AMOUNT OF MY DISTRICT AND MY DISTRICT VOTES IN IT. SO I CONSIDER IT SORT OF MINE AS WELL.

AND I'M REALLY CURIOUS HOW WE'RE THINKING ABOUT TO THE EXTENT THIS SITUATION STRETCHES ON WHAT WE CAN DO TO MAKE MORE OF THE BPL'S RESOURCES AVAILABLE DIGITALLY, WE HAVE A GREAT WEBSITE THAT PEOPLE ARE USING, WITH MY OWN BACKGROUND AS A HISTORIAN, RESEARCH LIBRARY, ONE THAT IS ACCESSIBLE TO PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT AFFILIATED WITH THE UNIVERSITY.

AND RIGHT NOW THERE ARE A WHOLE BUNCH OF BOOKS AND SUCH THAT ARE DIGITAL, IF YOU HAPPEN TO BE A MEMBER OF THE UNIVERSITY YOU HAVE ACCESS.

BUT IF YOU ARE SITTING AT HOME YOUR RESOURCES HAVE REALLY SHRUNK.

I'M INTERESTED IF THE BPL CONTINUING CLOSURE COULD BE USING THIS MOMENT TO DIGITIZE A LOT MORE MATERIALS, DIGITIZE MORE OF THE MANUSCRIPTS AND RARE BOOK COLLECTIONS, IN THE OLD LIBRARY WHICH I THINK SO AFTER ALL THE OTHER WORK HAPPENS IN RENOVATED AND DEALT WITH, AND THEN JUST REALLY WANT TO HEAR THE COMMUNITY OF FOLKS WHO ARE UNHOUSED IN MY DISTRICT, LIKE REALLY MIXED, CENTRAL LIBRARY

AND THE RESOURCES IT PROVIDE  
ARED, WHICH COUNCILOR  
ESSAIBI-GEORGE SPOKE TO, AND THE  
SAFE SPACE IT PROVIDED.  
SO REALLY THINKING THROUGH --  
AND THE AIR CONDITIONED SPACE  
FOR THE SUMMERTIME, YOU KNOW, SO  
THIS WHOLE THING HAS HIT IN  
SPRING.

HOW ARE WE THINKING ABOUT THE  
ROLE THAT OUR LIBRARIES PLAY AND  
HOW TO MODIFY THAT AND HOW TO  
HANDLE THAT IN -- OVER THE  
SUMMER AND INTO THE FALL AHEAD.  
SO THOSE ARE MY BIG ASK  
QUESTIONS FOR BPL.

YES, AND THEN ON YOUTH.  
I JUST WANT TO STRESS, I THINK  
WE HAVE TO FIND -- WE CAN'T BE  
CANCELLING THE SUMMER YOUTH JOBS  
PROGRAM.

WE JUST HAVE TO FIGURE OUT A  
WAY, REGARDLESS OF WHAT JOBS ARE  
SORT OF CONSTRAINED, TO BE  
HELPING OUR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO  
COUNT ON THOSE JOBS TO SUPPORT  
THEIR FAMILIES AND THEMSELVES.  
THIS SUMMER.

AND SO THAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT  
TO ME.

AND I WANT TO ALSO BE REALLY  
CREATIVE THERE TOO.

THESE ARE MY QUESTIONS.

AND THE LAST ONE, I'M SORRY I  
FORGOT, WE HAVE NO BCYF CENTERS  
IN MY DISTRICT, WE HAVE A GREAT  
ONE OUT IN TOBIN PARK.

SO I WOULD LOVE TO SEE AS WE  
TALK ABOUT SOME BIG PROJECTS  
THIS MY DISTRICT, THERE'S THE  
HURLEY BUILDING, THERE IS MTH'S  
PROJECT, EVEN THE WEST END  
LIBRARY PROJECT, THE QUESTION  
WHAT CAPACITY IS THERE FOR US TO  
ADD COMMUNITY CENTER, SENIOR  
CENTER, YOUTH CENTER TYPE SPACE  
WHEN WE HAVE THOSE IMIK BUILDING  
PROJECTS, IS REALLY IMPORTANT.  
SO THOSE ARE MINE.

ALL RIGHT.

I SEE MICHAEL FLAHERTY'S HAND IS  
UP SO I'LL GO WITH HIM NEXT.  
SINCE WE HAVE RUN THROUGH THE  
OFFICIAL TOPICS, WE'LL DO A

ROUND OF REMAINING QUESTIONS FOR ANYBODY WHO HAS THEM ON ANY OF THE THINGS THAT WE'VE DISCUSSED, SO I'LL GO FIRST TO COUNCILOR FLAHERTY.

>> THANK YOU, MADAM CLAIRE. I'M REALLY ALONG IF SAME LINES WITH RESPECT TO OUR COMMUNITY CENTERS AND OUR LIBRARIES, THEIR HOURS OF OPERATION, AND THEY'RE OUR MOST EFFECTIVE TOOL WHEN PEOPLE NEED THEM MOST.

I KNOW A FEW YEARS AGO, WE RAN INTO A BIT OF A PROBLEM ON REORGANIZATION WHEN THEY WERE TRYING TO CHANGE THE HOURS AND THEN OBVIOUSLY THERE WAS SOME LONG TERM USE SORT OF ENTRENCHED IN THAT COMMUNITY, FOR A SIGNIFICANT PERIOD OF TIME AND LITERALLY HAVING SORT OF TEAR WHOLE ROUTINE AND WHOLE LIFE TURNED UPSIDE DOWN.

I'D BE CURIOUS TO SEE HOW THINGS ARE WORKING NOW WITH RESPECT TO THE HOURS OF THE OPERATION AND THE EMPLOYEE TIME SLOTS AND HOW WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO WORK THROUGH THAT.

THEY DID A GREAT JOB LAST SUMMER IF YOU RECALL, THERE ARE A COUPLE OF HEAT WAVE FOR US, THEY WERE ABLE TO ACTIVATE AND OPEN UP ON THE WEEKENDS AND PROVIDE RESOURCES NOT ONLY FOR OUR YOUTH, OUR SENIORS, THEY COORDINATED WITH DCR AS WELL AS MANY OF OUR COLLEAGUES ON THE COUNCIL WERE HELPFUL IN TERMS OF IDENTIFYING SITES IN THE COMMUNITY, RELIEF IF THE HEAT.

SO THOSE TYPE OF ADJUSTMENTS WE NEED TO MAKE AND MAKING SURE THAT THE HOURS OF OPERATION FOR OUR COMMUNITY CENTERS AND LIBRARIES ARE AFTER SCHOOL HOURS FOR KIDS OR ON THE WEEKENDS OR IN THE SUMMERS DURING HEAT WAVES.

AND FOR EXAMPLE, WE HAD SITUATIONS WHERE WE HAD FOLKS WORKING IN YOUTH COMMUNITY CENTERS 7 TO 3.

THEY LITERALLY WERE PACKING UP



AND WALKING OUT THE DOOR WHEN KIDS WERE SHOWING UP FOR AFTER SCHOOL.

SO JUST AGAIN I'D LIKE TO GET A SENSE THAT HAVE WE WORKED OUT THE KINKS ON THAT, WHERE OUR COMMUNITY CENTERS AND LIBRARIES ARE WORKING ON ALL CYLINDERS, THAT THEY ARE OPEN AND STAFFED, AND THERE IS ACTUAL PROGRAMMING GOING ON WHEN OUR KIDS NEED THEM THE MOST TO MAKE SURE WE GET THEM ENGAGED FOR AFTER SCHOOL, OFF THE STREET, WE GET THEM WITH ALTERNATIVES TO DRUGS AND TO GANGS AND MISCHIEF.

BUT IT IS ON THE LINES WHERE YOU WERE AND I WANTED TO FOLLOW UP, PRIOR TO YOUR ARRIVAL, THE CITY DID TRY TO DO A REORDER, I KNOW THERE WAS RESISTANCE TO THAT, SOME OF THE LABOR UNIONS.

SO HOPEFULLY THEY WORK OUT THE KINKS ON THAT, THAT WE ACTUALLY HAVE CENTERS AND LIBRARIES THAT ARE OPEN WHEN THEY SHOULD BE OPEN AND RESOURCES AND THE PROGRAM IS THERE WHEN WE NEED THEM THE MOST.

MAKES NO SENSE TO HAVE A COMMUNITY CENTER UP AND RUNNING, SERVICING OUR SENIORS, RUNNING DURING THE DAY WHEN THE KIDS SHOULD BE IN SCHOOL, WHEN THEY COME HOME AFTER SCHOOL THERE IS NO ONE THERE TO GREET THEM.

>> GREAT, THANKS SO MUCH, COUNCILOR FLAHERTY.

COUNCILOR BREADON, ANY MORE QUESTIONS AT THIS TIME?

>> NO MORE QUESTIONS AT THIS TIME.

>> COUNCILOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

>> I DO HAVE A FEW MORE QUESTIONS.

MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL, JUST CURIOUS WHERE THAT STANDS RIGHT NOW.

I KNOW AT THIS TIME, KIDS ARE KIND OF DISENGAGED.

A BRIEF UPDATE ON MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL AND THE YOUTH LEAGUE CHANGE EFFORT, SO THAT'S THE MAYOR'S PROGRAM WHERE YOUTH GET

TO DO SOME PARTICIPATORY  
BUDGETING, AND THEY CAN  
DETERMINE SOME SPENDING, MILLION  
DOLLARS OF SPENDING IN THE  
MAYOR'S CAPITAL BUDGET, JUST  
CURIOUS WHERE THAT STANDS.  
AND ONE OF THE FY 21 GOALS TO  
LAUNCH THE BOSTON YOUTH CIVIC  
ACADEMY WHICH IS AN EIGHT WEEK  
SUMMER CIVIC ENGAGEMENT PROGRAM,  
JUST CURIOUS WHAT THE TIME LINE  
IS FOR THIS.

ARE WE STILL ON BOARD TO DO  
THIS?

WHAT WILL THE APPLICATION BE  
LIKE FOR THIS?

AND WHAT'S THE CRITERIA THAT  
WILL BE USED TO DETERMINE WHO  
GETS TO PARTICIPATE IN THAT.  
JUST A YOUTH SPECIFIC YOUTH  
ENGAGEMENT QUESTIONS, PROBABLY  
UNDER YEE, I BELIEVE THAT WILL  
SIT.

AND I THINK I MIGHT HAVE  
MENTIONED IT BRIEFLY, I'M SURE  
THAT I DID AND I KNOW THAT ALL  
OF US HAVE, JUST TO REITERATE  
HOW IMPORTANT THE SUMMER JOBS  
PROCESS IS, AND JUST CURIOUS  
WHERE WE ARE WITH THE ONLINE  
APPLICATION PROCESS.

AND JUST TO FOLLOW UP WITH THAT.  
THANK YOU, MADAM CHAIR AND THANK  
YOU TO EVERYBODY FOR REALLY  
THOUGHTFUL QUESTIONS TODAY.

>> GREAT, THANK YOU, COUNCILOR  
ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

COUNCILOR EDWARDS, ANY FURTHER  
QUESTIONS?

ALL RIGHT.

SEEING NONE, COUNSELOR FLYNN.

>> SORRY ABOUT THAT, I DON'T  
HAVE ANY.

>> GREAT, THANKS SO MUCH.  
COUNSELOR FLYNN.

>> THANK YOU.

THANK YOU, COUNCILOR BOK.

I JUST HAD ONE FOLLOW-UP.

AS IT RELATES TO BCYF I HAVE  
SEVERAL IN MY DISTRICT THAT ARE  
PHYSICALLY LOCATED IN PUBLIC  
HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS.

AND I'M OF I'D LIKE TO KNOW, YOU  
KNOW, WHAT TYPE OF INTERACTION

BCYF IS HAVING WITH BHA TO IMPROVE SERVICES, TO ENSURE RESIDENTS OF BHA, OUR YOUTH KNOW ABOUT THE VARIOUS PROGRAMS. AND ALSO, TRYING TO GET, YOU KNOW, THE FOOD ACCESS PROGRAM, I KNOW THEY'RE INVOLVED BUT LET'S SEE HOW WE CAN ENSURE THAT KIDS IN THE PUBLIC HOUSING HAVE THE SAME OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH, OPPORTUNITIES AND AT BCYF CENTERS AND MAKING SURE THAT THEY HAVE HEALTHY MEALS AS WELL WHEN THEY'RE AT THESE CENTERS. I KNOW THEY DO BUT LET'S CONTINUE TO WORK HARD TO MAKE SURE THAT THE RESOURCES ARE THERE, SO THAT THESE PROGRAMS CAN CONTINUE.

SO THAT'S MY -- THAT'S MY QUESTION IS TRYING TO CONNECT BCYF WITH BHA AND TALKING ABOUT FOOD ACCESS.

AND THAT'S IT.

THANK YOU COUNCILOR BOK.

>> GREAT, THANK YOU SO MUCH, COUNSELOR FLYNN.

I AGREE WITH THOSE VERY MUCH. COUNCILOR MEJIA.

>> YES.

THANK YOU.

YOU SKIPPED O'MALLEY, IS THAT OKAY?

YOU'RE ON MUTE.

>> YES, WE'RE ALL DONE.

HE'S HAD TO TAKE OFF SO IT'S YOUR TURN.

>> I JUST DIDN'T WANT TO VIOLATE THE ORDER-LAW HERE.

SO I JUST HAVE ONE OR MAYBE TWO, I DON'T KNOW HOW MANY FOLLOW-UPS BUT ONE IS SPECIFICALLY TO THE-I THE -- I THINK IT'S THE DEPARTMENT THAT DEALS WITH THE SIDEWALKS.

AND THE PAVEMENT IN OUR NEIGHBORHOODS.

I THINK I MENTIONED THIS IN TERMS OF THE HEATING PATTERNS.

WHAT ARE WE DOING TO KIND OF COOL THINGS DOWN IN SEARCH PARTS OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASIDE FROM JUST PLANTING TREES, IS THERE ANYTHING WE CAN DO IN TERMS OF

THE TYPE OF TAR THAT WE MIGHT USE?

THERE HAS TO BE SOMETHING MORE THAT WE CAN DO TO, A THINGS DOWN IN THE HOOD.

SO I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THOSE OPTIONS ARE AND IF WE HAVE DONE ANYTHING TO EXPLORE THEM IN TERMS OF CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE ISSUES WE SEE IN COMMUNITIES THAT ARE IMPACTED BY BY ALL THE ENVIRONMENTAL INJUSTICES THAT WE HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO.

AND I'M CURIOUS AROUND THE YOUTH ENGAGEMENT AND EMPLOYMENT PIECE. YOU KNOW WE HAVE A LOT OF BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON AND OFTENTIMES WE HAVE THE MAYOR'S YOUTH COUNCIL AND THAT IS ONE OPERATING BODY AND MOST OF THEIR VOICES, ALL THINGS THAT DEAL WITH YOUTH.

AND I'M JUST WONDERING IF THROUGH THIS CIVIC ENGAGEMENT ACADEMY IF THERE'S AN OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE SPACE FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO SIT IN DIFFERENT BOARDS AND COMMISSION AND TO AMPLIFY THEIR VOICES IN DIFFERENT SPACES.

I THINK THAT, YOU KNOW, IT WOULD JUST BE A REALLY GREAT WAY TO EXPOSE YOUNG PEOPLE TO DIFFERENT CAREERS AND OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

SO I'M JUST WONDERING IF THE CIVIC ENGAGEMENT ACADEMY COULD BE A VEHICLE FOR THAT OR IF THERE ARE OTHER WAYS WE CAN FIGURE OUT HOW TO DEVELOP THEIR SKILL SET.

AND I KNOW THAT AS WE ARE STILL UNCLEAR ABOUT WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN THIS SUMMER IN PARTICULAR, JUST WONDERING IF THERE'S AN OPPORTUNITY -- I THINK THIS WAS DURING ONE OF MY FACEBOOK EVENTS SOMEONE HAD MENTIONED ANG OPPORTUNITY TO CREATE, FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE ABLE TO NOT SO MUCH CLEAN THE STREETS, BUT THAT THEY'VE -- THERE'S A LOT OF ENVIRONMENTAL THINGS HAPPENING, PEOPLE ARE

DROPPING THEIR GLOVES ON THE STREET, IF THERE'S A WAY TO ENGAGE YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE CAMPAIGN, TO HELP KEEP THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS CLEAN? BACK IN THE DAY, ABCD OR WHON WHO IT WAS -- OR I DON'T KNOW WHO IT WAS, THERE WERE THE RED SHIRTS THAT WERE PART OF THE YOUTH PROGRAMMING JOBS. SO HOW CAN WE GET YOUNG PEOPLE ENGAGED IN DEFINING OUR NEIGHBORHOODS, NOT JUST CLEANING BUT BEING REALLY THOUGHTFUL ABOUT WHERE DO WE PUT GARBAGE CANS? AND MAYBE DOING A WHOLE RESEARCH PROJECT AROUND THAT. THERE ARE WAYS WE CAN UTILIZE YOUNG PEOPLE DURING THE COVID-19 ERA, WAYS THAT MAY MAKE SENSE, AN THAT RATHER THAN BABYSITTING KIDS AT, YOU KNOW, AT A CAMP WHICH IS WHAT NORMALLY IS EITHER THE CAMP OR LET'S JUST BE CREATIVE AND THINK ABOUT WHAT OPPORTUNITIES EXIST FOR YOUNG PEOPLE DURING THE SUMMER. SO MAYBE TO GET -- THEY NEED WORK. AND (INAUDIBLE) SUPPORTS THIS DEPARTMENT TO FIND CREATIVE WAYS TO EMPLOY YOUNG PEOPLE. AND THAT'S IT. THANK YOU. >> GREAT, THANK YOU SO MUCH COUNCILOR MEJIA. I JUST WANT TO ECHO, I THINK THAT ONE OF -- IT'S REALLY VALUABLE TO GIVE YOUNG PEOPLE LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AND CHANCES TO BE INVOLVED IN A WAY WHERE THEY CAN TELL IF THEIR RESPONSIBILITY IS REAL. AND I THINK WE HAVE A HUGE NUMBER OF THINGS THAT NEED DOING IN THIS CRISIS. AND I THINK WE CAN ASK OUR YOUNG PEOPLE TO STEP UP AND THAT THAT'S -- THAT WOULD GIVE THEM AN OPPORTUNITY TO TAKE ON RESPONSIBILITY AS WELL. WE SHOULD THINK ABOUT THAT AND INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS SORT OF

THINGS ALL KINDS OF WAYS THAT  
PEOPLE CAN LEARN INDEPENDENTLY  
AND WE REALLY NEED TO STEP UP  
OUR CREATIVITY AS A CITY ON  
THAT.

BECAUSE WE CAN'T AFFORD TO HAVE  
THE CITY SIX MONTHS WHERE OUR  
YOUNG FOLKS DON'T HAVE LEARNING  
OPPORTUNITIES OR JOBS.

I JUST REALLY WANT TO STRESS, I  
KNOW WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE BUDGET  
BOOKS, 3330 SUMMER JOBS THAT THE  
CITY IS CONTEMPLATING ARE MEANT  
TO BE FUNDED PARTLY WITH CITY  
FUNDS, PARTLY WITH PRIVATE FUNDS  
AND PARTLY WITH STATE MONEY.

I THINK THIS IS GOING TO BE A  
TOUGH STATE BUDGET YEAR SO I'M  
REALD CONCERNED WHAT WE DO AT  
THE CITY OF BOSTON LEVEL TO MAKE  
SURE THAT WE REALLY HAVE ALL  
THOSE JOBS WE WERE ANTICIPATING  
FOR OUR YOUTH.

AND YES.

I JUST -- I AGREE, WE NEED TO DO  
A TON ON THIS FRONT IN THE  
COMING MONTHS.

SO ALL RIGHT.

ANY -- SOMEBODY SHOULD --  
ANYBODY WHO HAS A REMAINING  
BURNING QUESTION SHOULD RAISE  
THEIR BLUE HANDS.

OTHERWISE I'M GOING TO GAVEL US  
OUT.

SEEING NONE --

[ GAVEL STRIKE ] THIS WORKING  
CITY ABOUT IF CITY COUNCIL'S  
WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE IS NOW  
ADJOURNED.

THANK YOU ALL SO MUCH FOR  
JOINING.

>> THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU ALL.

>> THANK YOU.

>> BYE.

>> BYE.