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>> I'M MARK CIOMMO.  
I'M THE CHAIRMAN OF WAYS OF  
MEANS.  
TODAY IS TUESDAY, APRIL 24.  
WE'RE HERE TO REVIEW THE PUBLIC  
FACILITIES BUDGET FOR FY-18 AS  
REY LATED TO DOCKET NUMBER

0536-0538.  
THIS INCLUDES APPROPRIATIONS FOR  
DEPARTMENTAL OPERATIONS, ANNUAL  
APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SCHOOL  
DEPARTMENT AND AN APPROPRIATION  
FOR OTHER POST EMPLOYMENT  
BENEFITS AS WELL AS DOCKET  
NUMBER 0539, 43, CAPITAL BUDGET  
APPROPRIATIONS INCLUDING LOAN  
ORDERS AND LEASE PURCHASE  
AGREEMENTS.

I'D LIKE TO REMIND FOLKS THAT  
THIS IS A PUBLIC HEAR.  
BOTH BEING BROADCAST AND  
RECORDED ON RCN CHANNEL 82 AND  
COMCAST CHANNEL 8.  
I'D ASK EVERYONE IN THE CHAMBERS  
TO SILENCE THEIR ELECTRONIC  
DEVICES.

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE  
PRESENTATION BY THE PUBLIC  
FACILITIES DEPARTMENT AND  
QUESTIONS FROM MY COLLEAGUES AND  
I, WE WILL ENTERTAIN PUBLIC  
TESTIMONY.

THERE'S A SIGN-IN SHEET TO MY  
LEFT BY THE DOOR.  
IF YOU WISH TO TESTIFY, STATE  
YOUR NAME, YOUR RESIDENCE AND  
ANY AFFILIATION.

I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE MY  
COLLEAGUE FROM DORCHESTER,  
AT-LARGE CITY COUNCILLOR,  
ANNISSA ESSAIBI CHARGE AND  
BEHIND ME IS JOSH ZAKIM.  
I WANT TO WELCOME PATRICIA LYONS  
AND YOUR TEAM.  
I HAND IT OVER TO YOU FOR YOUR  
OPENING REMARKS.

>> THANKS FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
COME BEFORE YOU TODAY.

I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE MY TEAM TO  
MY LEFT IS STEVE RIPPERTON.

HE'S FOR PLANNING.

ON MY RIGHT IS BRIAN McLAUGHLIN,  
OUR CHIEF OF STAFF WHO ALSO SORT  
OF DRIVES SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION  
PROGRAM AND HAS DONE YEOMANS  
WORK IN REALLY ESTABLISHING AN  
AMAZING RELATIONSHIP WITH THE  
MASS SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY  
ON WHICH WE'VE BENEFITTED A  
SIGNIFICANT REIMBURSEMENT OF  
FUNDS.

WE CAN TALK THAT AS WE MOVE  
ALONG.

MY FAR RIGHT IS NOT A MEMBER OF  
THE PUBLIC FACILITIES DEPARTMENT  
BUT A GOOD FRIEND.

BEN VANER, WHO IS THE DIRECTOR  
OF STRATEGIC INITIATIVES IN THE  
MAYOR'S EDUCATION CABINET.

HE'S BEEN A DRIVING FORCE IN  
ACCOMPLISHING THE GOALS OF THE  
BCS EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES  
PROGRAMS.

SO TO THE EXTENT YOU HAVE  
QUESTIONS ABOUT THAT.

>> WELCOME.

>> THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY  
TO COME BEFORE YOU.

I'D LIKE TO TAKE A MOMENT TO  
BRAG ABOUT THE GREAT WORK BEING  
DONE THROUGH THE PUBLIC  
FACILITIES DEPARTMENT AND  
IMPLEMENTING THE FACILITIES  
PORTION OF THE \$2 MILLION  
CAPITAL PLAN PROJECT.

I LOOK FORWARD IN DISCUSSING  
THE PLAN WITH YOU AND ANSWERING  
ANY QUESTIONS YOU HAVE.

BEFORE WE GET STARTED, I'D LIKE  
TO TELL YOU A LITTLE BIT ABOUT  
THE DEPARTMENT.

WE CAN OFTENTIMES BE CONFUSION  
WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO.

SO IF YOU'LL INDULGE ME, I'D  
LIKE TO TAKE A MOMENT TO  
DESCRIBE WHO WE ARE.

AS YOU MAY REMEMBER, PSG WAS  
PREVIOUSLY PART OF THE PROPERTY  
AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT  
DEPARTMENT ALONG WITH THE

PROPERTY MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT.  
IN 2015, MAYOR WALSH  
COMMISSIONED GRANT THORNTON TO  
PERFORM AN AUDIT OF THE COMBINED  
DEPARTMENT AND ONE OF THE MAJOR  
RECOMMENDATIONS WAS TO CREATE  
TWO ENTITIES TO ALLOW FOR MORE  
EFFICIENT AND FOCUSED  
ORGANIZATIONS.

THE SPLIT BETWEEN PSG AND  
PROPERTY MANAGEMENT HAPPENED  
LAST YEAR AS PART OF THE FY-17  
BUDGET AND EACH DEPARTMENT IS  
APPROACHING THE ONE-YEAR  
ANNIVERSARY AS INDEPENDENT  
ENTITIES.

TO MAKE SURE YOU UNDERSTAND WHO  
WE ARE AT PFD, I'D LIKE TO TALK  
A LITTLE BIT ABOUT WHAT WE DO,  
HIGHLIGHT SOME OF OUR WORK AND  
THEN WE'RE HAPPY TO ANSWER ANY  
QUESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE.

THE PUBLIC FACILITIES DEPARTMENT  
IS IN THE OPERATIONS CABINET.  
WE WORK IN EVERY NEIGHBORHOOD OF  
THE CITY IN COLLABORATION WITH A  
LARGE NUMBER OF CITY  
DEPARTMENTS, MANAGING PROJECTS  
ON THEIR BEHALF IN SUPPORT OF  
THE PROGRAMS THAT THOSE  
DEPARTMENTS DELIVER TO RESIDENTS  
OF OUR CITY.

IN TERMS OF THE STAFFING, WE ARE  
A TEAM OF 60 PROFESSIONALS, ALL  
OF WHOM ARE DEDICATED TO OUR  
GOALS OF DELIVERING PROJECTS  
THAT ARE OF THE HIGHEST QUALITY,  
ON TIME AND ON BUDGET.  
OUR STAFF IS MADE UP OF BUDGET  
MANAGERS.

WE'RE RESPONSIBLE FOR TAKING  
PROJECTS FROM INITIATION OF  
DESIGN THROUGH CONSTRUCTION AND  
TURNOVER TO USER AGENCIES FOR  
CONTINUED PROGRAMMING.

THE REMAINDER OF OUR STAFF  
SUPPORT THOSE EFFORTS THROUGH A  
MYRIAD OF NEEDS.

CURRENTLY OUR FY-18 OPERATING  
BUDGET REQUEST IS JUST OVER \$5.7  
MILLION.

THAT REPRESENTED 1.8% INCREASE  
OVER OUR FY-17 LEVELS.

THE BULK OF THE FUNDING GOES

TOWARDS PERSONNEL EXPENSES,  
UPWARDS OF 95% AND THE REMAINING  
COVERS DEPARTMENTAL COSTS.  
THAT BUDGET SUPPORTS ACTUALLY A  
MUCH LARGER PROJECT CASE LOAD.  
WE'RE CURRENTLY MANAGING  
APPROXIMATELY 80 PROJECTS ACROSS  
THE CITY VALUED AT MORE THAN  
\$400 MILLION.  
THE FY-1 CAPITAL PLAN BEFORE YOU  
SUPPORTS AN ADDITIONAL 18  
PROJECTS VALUED AT MORE THAN  
\$200 MILLION.  
THE TYPES OF PROJECTS THAT  
PUBLIC FACILITIES MANAGES  
INCLUDES NEW FACILITIES LIKE THE  
BUILDING IN ROXBURY AND THE NEW  
STEM ACADEMY AS WELL AND MAJOR  
RENOVATIONS LIKE PROJECTS -- THE  
CENTRAL LIBRARY PROJECT THAT WE  
JUST COMPLETED AS WELL AS THE  
ELLIOT SCHOOL.  
THE LOCATION IN THE NORTH END.  
WE ALSO DO MANY FACILITY  
UPGRADES PROJECTS LIKE THE PARIS  
STREET COMMUNITY CENTER  
RENOVATION IN EAST BOSTON AND  
WILL BE READY IN TIME FOR SUMMER  
PROGRAMMING.  
AND A NEW WELDING SHOP AT  
MADISON PARK.  
WE ALSO MANAGE PROGRAMMING AND  
STUDIES.  
WE PER NORM DUE DILIGENCE,  
ACTIVITIES FOR PROPERTIES WHERE  
WE MAY NEED TO ACQUIRE LAND AND  
THE LIKE.  
IN TERMS OF SOME PROJECT  
HIGHLIGHTS, WE DO A SIGNIFICANT  
AMOUNT OF WORK AT OUR LIBRARIES.  
THOSE ARE SOME OF OUR MORE  
POPULAR PROJECTS.  
WE ARE CURRENTLY FINISHING UP A  
RENOVATION OF THE JAMAICA PLAINS  
BRANCH AND SCHEDULED TO OPEN  
THAT ON MAY 20th.  
IF YOU JOIN US, YOU MIGHT FIND  
IT'S GOING TO BE A PRETTY  
SPECIAL BUILDING.  
I THINK THE RESIDENTS WILL BE  
PLEASED ABOUT THAT.  
WE'RE ALSO IN DESIGN FOR A  
BRANCH AT THE ROSLINDALE  
LIBRARY.

WE'RE FINISHING UP A PROGRAMMING STUDY FOR ADAMS IN DORCHESTER. WE ARE COMPLETING DESIGN FOR THE DUDLEY BRANCH IN ROXBURY AS WELL.

WE HAVE SOME GREAT PROJECTS COMING IN FY-18, MOST SIGNIFICANT OF WHICH IS A \$15 MILLION INVESTMENT IN THE RARE BOOKS SECTION OF THE BOSTON PUBLIC LIBRARY.

THE MAYOR IS HELPING PROTECT THE TREASURES THAT WE OWN.

WE DO A LOT OF WORK IN THE BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

THE DEARBORN STEM ACADEMY WILL BE COMPLETED LATER THIS YEAR. IT'S ONE OF THE ONLY SPECIFICALLY STEM BUILDINGS IN THE COUNTRY AND WILL BRING 21st CENTURY SCHOOL FACILITIES TO THE STUDENTS OF BOSTON.

IT WILL BE A VERY SPECIAL BUILDING.

ALSO COMPLETING RENOVATIONS TO THE ELOIT UPPER SCHOOL ON BENNETT STREET.

WE'LL BE STARTING ANOTHER BUILDING IN THAT CAMPUS, THAT 585 COMMERCIAL STREET FOR THE ELOIT LOWER SCHOOL.

PLAN TO START CONSTRUCTION ON THAT LATER THIS YEAR.

WE ALSO HAVE A NUMBER OF PROJECTS THAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF, THE MASS SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY FUNDING.

AGAIN, RYAN HAS HAD A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF INFLUENCE HERE.

WE'VE HAD SEVEN WINDOW PROJECTS SLATED FOR CONSTRUCTION THIS SUMMER.

FIVE OTHER PROJECTS THAT WILL HAVE EITHER ROOFS OR BOILERS COMPLETED THIS SUMMER.

WE'RE CAPTURING A TOTAL OF \$22 MILLION IN REIMBURSEMENTS FOR THOSE PROJECTS.

AND WE'VE GOT PLENTY MORE SLATED FOR FY-18 AS WELL.

WE ALSO PERFORMED PROJECTS AT PRIOR POLICE FACILITIES.

WE'RE BEGINNING A RENOVATION OF THE ENGINE 50 STATION IN CHARLESTOWN AND WE'RE DESIGNED AT ENGINE 42 IN ROXBURY.

THESE ARE THE FIRST TWO FIRE FACILITIES ARE SIGNIFICANT RENOVATIONS IN MORE THAN 20 YEARS OR EVEN NEW CONSTRUCTION IN THE CASE OF ENGINE 42.

WE'LL ALSO INCORPORATE SOME OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY PROGRAMMING THAT COMMISSIONERS HAVE BEEN CHAMPIONING TO CHANGE PROTOCOLS TO PROTECT OUR FIREFIGHTERS FROM THE TOXINS THAT THEY'RE EXPOSED TO IN FIRES.

ADDITIONALLY, WE'RE BUILDING A NEW GUN RANGE ON MOON ISLAND TO SUPPORT THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S TRAINING PROGRAM.

WE'RE BEGINNING DESIGN OF A NEW POLICE STATION IN EAST BOSTON AS WELL AS OTHER PROJECTS FOR THOSE DEPARTMENTS.

WE'RE ALSO PERFORMING QUITE A BIT OF WORK HERE AT CITY HALL. AS YOU KNOW, CITY HALL IS IN NEED OF A LITTLE LOVE.

IT'S APPROACHING THE END OF ITS USEFUL LIFE FOR THE SYSTEM.

WE'RE IN THE PROCESS OF COMPLETING A STUDY THAT WILL SERVE AS A MASTER PLAN FOR US TO FOLLOW OVER THE NEXT 20 TO 30 YEARS.

TO NOT ONLY UPGRADE THE SYSTEM, BUT ALSO TRY TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO THE BUILDING TO IMPROVE SERVICES IN THE WAY THAT THE CITY DELIVERS THEM TO OUR RESIDENTS.

WE HAVE STARTED A NUMBER OF HIGH LOT PROJECTS TO KIND OF LEARN FROM SOME OF THE CONCEPTS.

WE JUST COMPLETED AN EXTERIOR LIGHTING PROJECTS FOR THE BUILDING THAT NOT ONLY IMPROVES SECURITY BUT ALSO WILL SAVE ENERGY AND ALLOW US TO, YOU KNOW, LIGHT THE BUILDING IN DIFFERENT COLORS TO CELEBRATE OR COMMEMORATE DIFFERENT EVENTS GOING ON IN THE WORLD.

WE ARE BEGINNING THIS SUMMER,  
WE'LL BE IN CONSTRUCTION FOR A  
HANDICAP ACCESSIBILITY PROJECT  
IN THIS CHAMBER THAT WILL ALLOW  
THE AREA TO BE MORE FULLY  
ACCESSIBLE FOR ALL OF OUR  
CITIZENS.

WE'RE DOING WORK AT OTHER  
PROPERTY MANAGEMENT FACILITIES  
AS WELL.

I KNOW COUNCILLOR CIOMMO WANTED  
ONE OF YOUR FAVORITES, THE  
VERONICA SMITH SENIOR CENTER IS  
UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

WE'RE EXCITED TO MAKE GREAT  
RENOVATIONS.

>> THANK YOU.

>> WE ARE ALSO DOING GREAT WORK  
FOR THE BOSTON PARKS DEPARTMENT.  
WE'RE COMPLETING RENOVATIONS FOR  
THE PARIS STREET COMMUNITY  
CENTER.

WE'LL BEGIN CONSTRUCTION THIS  
FALL FOR THE VINE STREET  
COMMUNITY CENTER IN ROXBURY.  
THE MAJOR HAS PLEDGED \$15  
MILLION IN THIS UPCOMING CAPITAL  
PLAN FOR MAJOR RENOVATION AT THE  
CURLEY COMMUNITY CENTER.  
WE'RE EXCITED ABOUT THOSE  
PROJECTS.

FOR PARKS, WE'RE WORKING TO  
IMPROVE THE GEORGE WRIGHT GOLF  
COURSE CLUBHOUSE AND WORKING  
WITH COMMISSIONER COOK TO REALLY  
DEVELOP HIS VERSION, HE AND THE  
MAYOR'S VISION, FOR THE FRANKLIN  
PARK SITE AND CREATING A MASTER  
PLAN FOR HIM.

SO AS YOU CAN SEE, WE'VE GOT NO  
SHORTAGE OF WORK BEFORE US.  
IN ADDITION, WE'VE GOT SOME  
ADDED RESPONSIBILITIES THAT ARE  
COMING IN FY-18 THAT WE'RE  
EXCITED ABOUT.

AS A RESULT OF THE BPS  
EDUCATIONAL AND FACILITIES  
PROGRAM, WE ANTICIPATE THAT WE  
WILL BUILD THE TRANSFER OF SOME  
RESOURCES FROM THE BOSTON SCHOOL  
DEPARTMENT TO THE PUBLIC  
FACILITIES DEPARTMENT TO CREATE  
A SCHOOLS UNIT TO IMPLEMENT THE  
\$1 BILLION COMMITMENT OVER THE

NEXT TEN YEARS FOR UPGRADING  
SCHOOL FACILITIES TO THAT  
PARTICULAR.

WE'RE ALSO PARTNERING WITH THE  
ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT AND THE  
OFFICE OF BUDGET MANAGEMENT TO  
EXPLORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR ENERGY  
SAVINGS IN OUR BUILDINGS THROUGH  
AN ALTERNATIVELY FINANCED  
PROGRAM, PERFORMANCE CONTRACTING  
PROGRAM CALLED "RENEW BOSTON  
PLUS" WHERE WE HOPE TO MAKE A  
SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF ENERGY  
IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AT OUR  
BUILDINGS.

SO WE'VE GOT A LOT GOING ON.  
WE'RE HAPPY TO TAKE ANY OF YOUR  
QUESTIONS.

THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO  
TELL YOU WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE  
DO.

>> THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

LET ME ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE'VE  
BEEN JOINED BY DISTRICT CITY  
COUNCILLOR FRANK BAKER.

I'LL START OFF.

THERE IS A 1.8% INCREASE, I  
THINK YOU MENTIONED, AND THE  
MAJORITY OF THAT MONEY IS IN THE  
CONTRACT SERVICES LINE ITEM FOR  
AN INCREASE.

SO COULD YOU EXPLAIN THAT ONLY  
ADDITION REALLY TO THE BUDGET?

>> RIGHT, RIGHT.

WE'RE PRETTY MUCH LEVEL-FUNDED.  
WE'RE DOING PRETTY WELL.

I THINK THIS BUDGET REPRESENTS  
WHAT WE NEED MOVING FORWARD.

THE INCREASE IN THE CONTRACTED  
SERVICES LINE IS ESSENTIALLY A  
\$75,000 FOR ANY SUPPORT GOING  
FORWARD FOR THE ENGAGEMENT  
PROJECT FOR BUILD BPS.

IT'S AN UNDEFINED EXPENDITURE.  
WE KNOW WE'LL PROBABLY NEED SOME  
RESOURCES BECAUSE IT INTENDS TO  
BE A VERY ROBUST PROJECT.  
IT WILL BE IN SUPPORT OF OUR  
EXISTING RESOURCES, BPS'  
RESOURCES.

>> AND I HAVEN'T REALLY CRUNCHED  
THE NUMBERS, BUT I KNOW WE'RE  
SPENDING OR AT LEAST LOOKING TO  
APPROPRIATE MORE MONEY FOR



CAPITAL PROJECTS CITYWIDE.  
I THINK ON AVERAGE, EVERY YEAR,  
IT'S ABOUT, YOU KNOW, \$50  
MILLION FOR SCHOOLS AND THEN  
MAYBE 150 MILLION FOR EVERY  
OTHER PROJECT.  
AM I CLOSE?  
CAN SOMEBODY VERIFY THAT?  
IN A TYPICAL FISCAL YEAR, YOU  
KNOW, HOW MUCH DO WE BASICALLY  
WANT TO BORROW TO DO THESE  
PROJECTS?  
>> THAT'S DIFFICULT FOR ME TO  
ANSWER.  
PROBABLY A BETTER QUESTION FOR  
THE BUDGET OFFICE.  
I THINK -- I APOLOGIZE.  
I DON'T REALLY RECALL THE  
NUMBERS THAT THEY WERE QUOTING  
IN THE OVERVIEW.  
BUT I CAN GET THAT.  
>> I'M THINKING LIKE THE BUILD  
BPS INITIATIVE IS \$1 BILLION  
OVER TEN YEARS, WHICH IS \$100  
MILLION A YEAR.  
AND AGAIN, MY RECOLLECTION IS  
THAT WE USUALLY APPROPRIATE  
AROUND \$50 MILLION IN DEBT JUST  
FOR THE SCHOOLS.  
THAT IS A SIGNIFICANT INCREASE.  
A, IT KIND OF BEGS THE QUESTION  
ABOUT THE CAPACITY YOUR  
DEPARTMENT HAS TO MANAGE AND,  
YOU KNOW, GET THESE PROJECTS  
GOING.  
>> THANK YOU.  
YES.  
THAT'S AN EXCELLENT QUESTION.  
I'M SORRY I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND IT  
AT FIRST.  
WE'RE ANTICIPATING WITH THE  
INFLUX OF STAFF FROM THE BOSTON  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS THAT WE'LL  
PROVIDES SOME RELIEF FROM OUR  
GENERAL CASE LOAD.  
THAT WILL ALLOW US TO ABSORB THE  
INCREASE WORK LOAD.  
>> AND YOU MENTIONED SOME BPS  
FOLKS MOVING INTO THE  
DEPARTMENT.  
>> RIGHT.  
>> OBVIOUSLY THEY'RE NOT  
BUDGETED IN YOUR DEPARTMENT YET.  
>> RIGHT.

>> SO IS THAT SOMETHING THAT IS PROBABLY GOING TO HAPPEN DOWN THE ROAD, NEXT FISCAL YEAR?

>> IT'S ANTICIPATED FOR FY-18. WHAT WE'RE SHOOTING FOR IS SOMETIME AROUND SEPTEMBER TO MAKE THE MOVE.

THAT WILL ALLOW BPS TO FINISH OUT AND DO THE WORK THAT THEY'RE PLANNING FOR THIS SUMMER.

GET READY FOR THE UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR AND THEN WE'LL SORT OF START THE TRANSITION THEN.

>> RIGHT.

AND I WANT TO JOIN YOU IN APPLAUDING BOTH BRIAN McLAUGHLIN PARTICULARLY BUT THE ADMINISTRATION FOR ACCESSING SO MANY PROJECTS THROUGH MSBA THAT WE HAVEN'T SEEN AT LEAST IN THE NINE YEARS I'VE BEEN HERE.

SO IT'S BEEN A GREAT PARTNERSHIP THAT YOU'VE BUILT AND DEVELOPED OVER THESE PAST SEVERAL YEARS TO GET A LOT OF OUR, YOU KNOW, OLDER SYSTEMS RENOVATED AND THE GREEN EFFORTS PRIOR TO THE ACCELERATED REPAIR PROGRAM. WE'VE BEEN ACCESSING THOSE FUNDS, WHICH BASICALLY GET A RETURN OF 65% PLUS REIMBURSEMENT.

SO I WANT TO APPLAUD YOU ON THAT.

I'D LIKE TO ALSO -- JUST AN UPDATE ON COURT STREET.

OBVIOUSLY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT IS OUT.

THERE'S PLANNED RENOVATIONS. DO WE HAVE ANY LONGER TERM PLANS FOR WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO WITH COURT STREET AT THIS POINT?

>> NOT JUST YET.

NONE THAT I'M ABLE TO SPEAK TO. I ANTICIPATE WITH THE COMPLETION OF THE CITY HOME ACCESS PLAN THAT THAT WILL BEGIN TO COME INTO FOCUS A LITTLE BIT MORE. WE KNOW WE NEED INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS.

WE REPLACED THE BOILER AND THE ROOF AND WILL CONTINUE DOWN THE ROAD TO -- JUST THE BASIC SYSTEMS THAT WILL NEED

UPGRADING.

AS THE PLAN FOR CITY HALL IS MORE CLEAR, WE COULD USE THAT. THERE'S LOTS OF OPPORTUNITIES. IT'S A GREAT FLEXIBLE BUILDING. >> ARE WE GETTING ANY REVENUE OUT OF COURT STREET RIGHT NOW OR ARE WE JUST RENOVATING THE EMPTY SPACE THAT THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT FORMALLY OCCUPIES?

>> TO MY KNOWLEDGE, WE'RE NOT GETTING REVENUE.

IF WE WERE, IT WOULD COME TO PROPERTY MANAGEMENT.

THEY MANAGE THE BUILDING.

THEY'RE RIGHT NOW ARE CITY DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE OCCUPYING IT.

DND IS THERE, PUBLIC FACILITIES EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE, FOLKS FROM ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ARE OCCUPYING THE BUILDING.

WE'RE NOT NECESSARILY DOING ANY UPGRADES TO THE EMPTY FLOORS JUST YET.

I THINK THAT WILL COME AS WE SORT OF FIGURE OUT WHAT THE PROGRAMMING WANTS TO DO THERE.

>> I WANT TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR LEADERSHIP.

I THINK YOU SHOULD PROBABLY HIGHLIGHT SOME OF THE AWARDS THAT YOU GUYS HAVE BEEN CONSIDERED FOR AND ACTUALLY ACCOMPLISHED THE PAST COUPLE YEARS.

>> THANK YOU.

I GUESS WE'RE NOT GREAT AT PROMOTING OURSELVES IN THAT REGARD.

WE'VE HAD SIGNIFICANT SUCCESS OVER THE YEARS WITH LOTS OF BUILDINGS.

MOST RECENTLY WE'VE GOTTEN A NUMBER OF AWARDS FOR THE BOWLING BUILDING.

WE HAVE GOTTEN A NUMBER OF AWARDS AND STARTING TO GET THEM FOR CENTRAL LIBRARY RENOVATIONS.

>> THE JOHNSON BUILDING.

>> YES.

EXACTLY.

EAST BOSTON LIBRARY HAS THESE AWARDS.

YOU KNOW, SOME OF THEM ARE THE MOST PRESTIGIOUS AWARDS THAT WE CAN GET.

SO WE'RE REALLY EXCITED. THE BUILDING BUILDING WAS AWARDED.

THE CENTRAL LIBRARY AND EAST BOSTON WERE BOTH AWARDED AIA ARCHITECTURAL AWARDS FOR THEIR DESIGN.

>> RIGHT.

THEY WERE MANAGED IN HOUSE FOR THE MOST PART.

>> YES.

WE MANAGE THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION FOR THE PROJECTS.

>> RIGHT.

CONGRATULATIONS ON THAT.

WE JUST HAVE BEEN JOINED BY DISTRICT 4 CITY COUNCILLOR, ANDREA CAMPBELL.

LET ME RECOGNIZE ESSAIBI-GEORGE.

>> THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE.

CONGRATULATIONS ON THE WORK THAT YOU AND YOUR TEAM DO.

WE HEAR LOTS OF GREAT THINGS ABOUT THE WORK THAT YOUR DEPARTMENT UNDERTAKES.

THANK YOU FOR THAT.

>> THANK YOU.

>> I CURIOUS IF YOU'VE DONE BIG PICTURE ANALYSIS OF OUR CITY'S FACILITIES AND THE TRIAGE OF THEM IN TERMS OF NEED AND NO NEED.

>> OVER THE YEARS, THERE'S BEEN SOME ANALYSIS DOWN OF DIFFERENT BUILDINGS AND DIFFERENT AGENCIES.

THE PROBLEM WITH DOING THAT IS THE INFORMATION BECOMES OBSOLETE VERY QUICKLY.

IF THERE'S NO CAPACITY OR ABILITY TO KEEP THE INFORMATION CURRENT.

SO THE SHORT ANSWER IS NO, WE DON'T HAVE -- PUBLIC FACILITIES DOESN'T HAVE OVERALL CONDITIONS ANALYSIS OF SPECTACULAR BUILDINGS.

AT BPS, WE PROBABLY HAVE THE MOST AMOUNT OF INFORMATION THAT WE'VE EVER HAD ON SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

WHICH IS REALLY EXCITING AND  
WILL HELP FUTURE PLANNING  
INITIATIVES.

>> WHAT ABOUT FROM -- WE'VE  
HEARD THIS THROUGH SOME OF OUR  
LIBRARIES.

WE'LL TALK ABOUT IT MORE DURING  
THE LIBRARY HEARING.

WHAT ABOUT THE ADA ISSUES AND  
ACCESS ABILITY ISSUES.

WE HEARD IT ON THE LIBRARY END.  
WE'VE EXPERIENCED IT HERE IN THE  
COUNCILLOR CHAMBER.

HAVE WE FOCUSED ON ACCESS OR  
ACCESSIBILITY TO OUR PROPERTIES?

>> WE TEND TO FOCUS ON THEM AS  
PROJECTS, SORT OF GET UNDERWAY  
IN THE DESIGN PROCESS.

THERE'S A SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF  
ATTENTION PAID TO ACCESSIBILITY  
ISSUES IN OUR BUILDING FROM A  
CODE COMPLIANCE PERSPECTIVE AND  
A USER PERSPECTIVE.

>> A USER EXPERIENCE.

>> YEAH.

BUT AND OVERALL ASSESSMENT TO MY  
KNOWLEDGE HASN'T BEEN DONE.

BUT I'M NOT SURE.

>> THANK YOU FOR THAT.

I DO UNDERSTAND AND I APPRECIATE  
THAT IT'S CERTAINLY A FOCUS AND  
SORT OF A CRITICAL FOCUS WHEN WE  
DO REDESIGN PLANNING.

WHEN CONSIDERING BPS, THE  
INVESTMENT THAT WE'RE GOING TO  
MAKE, THE MOVE OVER TO PUBLIC  
FACILITIES, THAT IS GREAT AND  
I'M EXCITED ABOUT LOOKING  
FORWARD TO THAT.

WE HAVEN'T TALKED A LOT THROUGH  
THAT PROCESS -- IT'S BEEN  
MENTIONED, BUT WE HAVEN'T TALKED  
A LOT ABOUT HOW ATHLETIC  
FACILITIES BOTH UNDER BPS'  
PURVIEW BUT ALSO THE PARKS  
PURVIEW HAS SORT OF BEEN BROUGHT  
INTO THIS CONVERSATION.

>> I'M GLAD YOU MENTIONED THAT.

WE ARE SORT OF -- WE'RE  
WORKING -- BEN MAY BE ABLE TO  
SPEAK MORE ON THAT.

WE'RE SORT OF WORKING THROUGH A  
COMBINED EFFORT BETWEEN BOSTON  
PUBLIC SCHOOLS AND PUBLIC

FACILITIES THAT WE'VE BEEN --  
LEADERSHIP AND WORKING THROUGH  
THE COMMUNITY PROCESS FOR  
DEFINING FUTURE PROJECTS.  
AS WE SORT OF TRY TO FIGURE OUT  
HOW TO STRUCTURE THAT EFFORT,  
WE'RE ALSO TAKING INTO  
CONSIDERATION AMENITIES AROUND  
CERTAIN SCHOOL BUILDINGS.  
PARKS, COMMUNITY CENTERS, EVEN  
PRIVATE FACILITIES I'M ASSUMING  
THAT WILL HELP TO -- HELP US TO  
UNDERSTAND REALLY THE  
OPPORTUNITIES AND NEEDS AROUND  
EACH BUILDING.

>> YEAH, I THINK THAT'S RIGHT.  
IN ADDITION, THE INFORMATION AND  
DATA GATHERS THAT BPS TELLS US  
IS HOW WE CAN BETTER UTILIZE  
SHARED SPACES.

THERE'S DIFFERENT TOOLS ON THE  
DATA DASHBOARD THAT LOOK AT  
SCHOOLS AND ALLOW YOU TO SEE  
WHAT SPECIFIC FIELDS THEY HAVE  
AND NEARBY FACILITIES.

WE'RE HOPING TO BETTER UTILIZE  
SHARED SPACES TO BOTH MAXIMIZE  
WHAT WE HAVE AND WHAT ELSE  
EXISTS IN THE COMMUNITY  
CURRENTLY.

>> AS I UNDERSTAND IT, BPS  
ACTUALLY HAS VERY LITTLE.  
MOST OF OUR OPEN SPACES, THE  
PARKS AND DEPARTMENTS -- IS IT  
POSSIBLE TO ACCESS THE MSBA  
MONEY TO IMPROVE OUR ATHLETIC  
FACILITIES, WHETHER THEY BE  
INDOOR -- THAT'S EASIER TO GET  
TO AND PART OF THE PHYSICAL  
STRUCTURE?

THINKING ABOUT OUR BALL FEEDS  
OVER CLASS FIELDS, SOCCER  
FIELDS, SOFTBALL FIELDS.  
CAN WE ACCESS ANY OF THAT  
FUNDING TO IMPROVE THE FIELDS  
THAT OUR STUDENTS PLAY ON?

>> THE MSBA GENERALLY WOULDN'T  
PARTICIPATE IN THE PROJECT  
SOLELY FOR ATHLETIC FIELDS.  
IF IT WAS PART OF A BIGGER  
PROJECT, ADDITIONAL RENOVATION  
OR SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION ON  
RENOVATION AT A SCHOOL.  
OUTSIDE SPACES WOULD LIKELY BE

PART OF THAT.  
INDEPENDENT OF ANY EDUCATIONAL  
SPACES AND INSTRUCTIONAL SPACES  
WITHIN THE FACILITY, I HAVEN'T  
SEEN THEM PARTICIPATE IN JUST  
ATHLETIC PROJECT.  
>> AND SEPARATE FROM --  
>> SEPARATE FROM --  
>> BUT COULD BE PART OF -- LIKE  
ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL, FOR  
EXAMPLE, HAS -- THEY HAVE A CITY  
OF BOSTON PARKS ACROSS THE  
STREET, SMALL STREET, THAT THEY  
USE.  
THEY ALSO HAVE A FIELD ON THEIR  
GROUNDS.  
THAT'S AN INCREDIBLE DISTRICT  
HERE FOR REPAIR.  
IF ENGLISH HIGH, FOR EXAMPLE --  
YOU GUYS WOULDN'T NECESSARILY  
LOOK FOR FUNDING FOR THE FIELD.  
IF IT WAS CONNECTED TO SOMETHING  
HAPPENING IN THE SCHOOL --  
>> IF IT WAS PART OF A LARGER  
PROJECT AT A PARTICULAR  
FACILITY.  
IT WOULD BE CONSIDERED WHEREAS  
IT WAS STAND ALONE, THEY WOULD  
LIKELY NOT PARTICIPATE.  
>> I THINK SCHOOLS DO IT.  
INFORMALLY USE NEIGHBORING  
OUTDOOR SPACE AS PART OF THE  
EXTENDED CLASSROOM EVEN THOUGH  
IT'S NOT TECHNICALLY WITHIN SORT  
OF THEIR SCHOOL PROPERTY.  
AS WE TALK< | ABOUT SCHOOLS, THE  
21st CENTURY, WE NEED -- KIDS  
DON'T HAVE ENOUGH RECESS.  
CLASSROOMS ARE UTILIZING ANY  
OUTDOOR SPACE THAT WE LOOK TO  
ACCESS SOME OF THE FUNDING THAT  
WE'RE LOOKING TO INCLUDE THkp%|ç  
IT WOULD -- IT WOULD ADD THIRD  
PARTIES TO THE CONVERSATION AND  
THINGS THAT COULD BRING MORE  
VALUE AND INVESTMENT TO WHAT WE  
DO FOR OUR KIDS.  
>> IT'S SOMETHING THAT COULD  
PROBABLY BE AN OPPORTUNITY  
THROUGH COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT  
PROCESSES UNDER BUILD BPS WHERE  
WE ARE CONSIDERING SORT OF  
SURROUNDING AMENIAMENITIES.  
PERHAPS THERE'S SOME

IDENTIFICATION THAT OTHERWISE  
WOULD BE MADE FOR CITY-OWNED  
PARKS OR PLAY SPACES.  
>> AND I CAN ALSO ADD THAT WE'VE  
SINCE THE RELEASE OF THE A  
REPORT BEEN APPROACHED BY A LOT  
OF NONPROFITS THAT THEY DO THE  
FIELD WORK AND THAT'S THEIR  
MISSION AND THEY'RE INTERESTED  
IN PARTNERING WITH US TO BETTER  
UTILIZE SPACES THAT DON'T HAVE  
FIELDS.  
>> BUT BRING THEM ON NOW.  
WE DON'T HAVE TO WAIT FOR THE  
NEXT TEN YEARS.  
WE CAN GET TO IT NOW.  
>> IT CONNECTS TO ANOTHER  
QUESTION OF MINE AND I'LL MOVE  
ON.  
YOU REFER TO THE YOUNG BOSS

BOSTONIANS.  
I'M CURIOUS AS TO, YOU KNOW,  
WHERE THEIR CONVERSATIONS FIT  
INTO OUR PLANNING.  
>> SPECIFICALLY TO BUILD BPS?  
>> TO ANYTHING THAT WE'RE DOING  
AS A CITY AND HOW THEY'RE  
ACCESSING.  
YOU KNOW, SKIP THAT QUESTION.  
MAYBE I CAN FORM IT BETTER.  
I CONFUSED MYSELF.  
>> THANK YOU.  
>> I'M SET.  
THANK YOU.  
ON THAT NOTE --  
>> COUNCILLOR ZAKIM.  
>> I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN FOLLOW  
THAT QUITE AN ACT TO FOLLOW.  
I DO HAVE -- ONE OF YOUR LATTER  
QUESTIONS, COUNCILLOR  
ESSAIBI-GEORGE ON THE FIELD  
GROWTH.  
A FRIEND OF MINE REACHED OUT TO  
THE U.S. SOCCER FOUNDATION ON A  
PROJECT TO BUILD LOOKS LIKE A  
THOUSAND SOCCER FIELDS  
NATIONALLY.  
THAT IS WHAT -- I KNOW THEY'RE  
MEETING WITH BPS AND I KNOW  
YOU'RE INVOLVED WITH THAT THEN  
AND THE NEXT WEEK AFTER.  
I WANT THE CONNECT WITH YOU,  
COUNCILLOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE ON



THAT.

THAT'S SOMETHING THAT WE CAN  
LOOK FOR A PUBLIC PRIVATE  
PARTNERSHIP ESPECIALLY IN THAT  
AREA.

THAT'S TO START.

I'M NOT GOING TO SOME OF MY  
QUESTIONS.

AS FAR AS BUILD BPS GOES, WHERE  
ARE WE ON THE BOSTON ARTS  
ACADEMY?

THERE'S A STUDY IN THE MSBA.  
WE'VE BEEN DOING THAT FOR SOME  
TIME.

OBVIOUSLY YOU KNOW THAT THAT'S A  
FACILITY THAT IS WOEFULLY  
INADEQUATE AS AN ARTS ACADEMY.  
WE WANT TO IMPROVE THE EXISTING  
FACILITY OR ARE THERE PLANS TO  
MOVE THEM SOMEWHERE ELSE?

>> WE'RE WORKING WITH THE BOSTON  
ARTS ACADEMY AND PARTNERS AT BPS  
ALONG WITH THE MSBA.

WE'RE STILL IN PRELIMINARY  
DESIGN WORKING THROUGH THE MSBA  
PROCESS.

OUR INTENT IS TO SUBMIT TO YOU  
THE MSBA BY THE END OF THE YEAR,  
WHAT THE PRELIMINARY, THE  
PREFERRED SCHEMATIC OPTION WOULD  
BE.

IT LOOKS LIKE THE PROJECT WILL  
LIKELY BE AT IPSWICH STREET  
WHERE THE CURRENT LOCATION IS.  
ANN CLARK, THE HEAD MASTER AND  
OTHERS AT THAT SCHOOL HAVE BEEN  
INVOLVED IN THIS PROCESS ALL  
ALONG.

WITH THE SUBMISSION TO THE MSBA,  
WE'LL PROBABLY HAVE THE BUILDING  
VACATED IN JUNE 2018 TO START  
CONSTRUCTION.

LOOKS LIKE YOU HAVE A TWO-YEAR  
CONSTRUCTION PERIOD, WHAT YOU'RE  
SEEING RIGHT NOW WITH THE  
ANTICIPATION OF CONSTRUCTION  
COMPLETION ABOUT THE SUMMER OF  
2021.

THAT IS A REALLY TIGHT TIME  
FRAME TO ACTUALLY BE ABLE TO  
FURNISH THE BUILDING IN TIME FOR  
A START OF A 2021 SEPTEMBER  
SCHOOL OPENING.

I'M WORKING WITH OUR DESIGN TEAM

TO TAKE A BETTER LOOK AT THE  
SCHEDULE AND SEE IF IT WAS  
FEASIBLE --

>> WHAT SORT OF SWING SPACE  
WOULD THEY HAVE?

>> THEY HAVE TO MOVE OUT.  
I KNOW THAT WE'RE WORKING WITH  
BPS AND OTHERS TO IDENTIFY A  
PROPER LOCATION THAT WOULD BE AS  
LEAST DISRUPTIVE TO THE BAA AND  
THE ENTIRE BPS COMMUNITY.

>> AND DO YOU THINK WITH THAT  
DESIGN THE BUILDING WILL BE ALL  
BAA OR GO BACK TO SOME SORT OF  
JOINT USE BUILDING AS IT WAS FOR  
FENWAY HIGH SCHOOL?

>> THE INTENT IS TO BE SOLY  
BOSTON ARTS ACADEMY.

>> THANKS.

ALSO, ON THE BUILD BPS FRONT AND  
LOOKING AT OUR NEEDS FOR A  
DOWNTOWN K-8 SCHOOL, K-6 SCHOOL  
IS SOMETHING THAT WE HEAR ABOUT  
QUITE A BIT FROM MY  
CONSTITUENTS, FROM MY NEIGHBORS  
THAT, YOU KNOW, WHILE WE HAVE  
SOME SCHOOL OPTIONS AND THERE'S  
GOOD ONES THAT MY CONSTITUENTS  
DO, YOU KNOW, CHALLENGING TO  
FIND ANYTHING NEARBY.

WE HAVE A LOT OF DEVELOPMENT IN  
THIS CITY GOING ON.

I'M CURIOUS IN THERE'S BEEN ANY  
TALK EITHER FROM THE BPS SIDE OR  
YOUR DEPARTMENT SIDE WHERE SOME  
OF THESE LARGE SCHOOL DEVELOPERS  
ABOUT INCLUDING A SCHOOL  
BUILDING AS PART OF THEIR  
COMMUNITY BENEFITS PACKAGE,  
WHICH HAS CERTAINLY BEEN DOWN IN  
NEW YORK, CHICAGO, OTHER CITIES.  
OBVIOUSLY BE A REALIST, WE  
DISCUSSED THAT LENGTH THIS PAST  
WEEK, IS INCREDIBLY VALUABLE AND  
PROBABLY POSSIBLE FOR SCHOOL ON  
ITS OWN TO FIND A NEW SITE.

BUT TO q  
GOVERNMENT CENTER, WINTHROP  
SQUARE TOWER, IF THAT IS BUILT  
OR SOME OF THE FENWAY SITES.  
IS THERE ANY DISCUSSIONS WITH  
THAT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE  
BRA?

>> I KNOW THERE'S BEEN -- I

CAN'T SPEAK TO SPECIFIC DISCUSSIONS, BUT THAT CONCEPT HAS BEEN THOUGHT ABOUT. I KNOW THERE'S GROUPS THAT HAVE INTEREST IN THAT. WHAT WE ALSO HAVE IS A MUCH MORE DETAILED DEMOGRAPHICS REPORT OF WHERE THE GROWTH IS. SO WE CAN START TO MATCH THE REPAIRS AND NEW BUILDINGS TO THAT. SO IT'S DEFINITELY BEING CONSIDERED.

>> I WOULD ALSO URGE YOU TO LOOK NOT JUST AT WHERE CURRENT BPS STUDENTS ARE BUT WHERE THE POPULATION IS. THERE'S A LOT OF FAMILIES WHERE IF THEY HAD SOMETHING CLOSER WOULD BE SENDING CHILDREN TO BPS SCHOOLS, EITHER AS THEY COME OF AGE OR SOME OF THE PRIVATE SCHOOL OPTIONS, WHICH ARE OFTEN -- SOMEONE HAS THE MEANS TO DO THAT IS A GOOD OPTION TO HAVE.

MANY FAMILIES WOULD PREFER TO HAVE THAT AND HAVE LABOR DAYS INVESTED IN THE BPS PROCESS. I HAVE SPOKEN TO SEVERAL OF THE LARGE DEVELOPERS THAT ARE OPEN TO THAT AND WOULD BE GOOD PARTNERS.

SO WE CAN CONTINUE OFF LINE. MY LAST QUESTION, MISSION HILL, PARKER LITTLE LIBRARY, CONSTRUCTION IS SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 1.

I'VE HAD SOME DISCUSSIONS WITH SOME CONSTITUENTS THAT ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THAT BEING BEFORE THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR.

THERE'S A LOT OF AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS THAT USE A BRANCH LIBRARY.

IT'S A FAIRLY EXTENSIVE PROJECT THAT IS NEEDED AND WELCOMED. I'VE HAD SOME DISCUSSIONS WITH FOLKS ABOUT -- IN YOUR DEPARTMENT AND OTHERS ABOUT POSSIBLY MOVING THAT BACK TO THE JULY START DATE.

I DON'T KNOW IF THAT IS

SOMETHING THAT YOU'RE PREPARED TO ANSWER HERE BUT IF WE CAN DO THAT WITHOUT REALLY MESSING WITH THE PROJECT.

IT'S A YEAR-LONG PROJECT.

I WOULD RATHER GIVE THEM THE FULL SCHOOL YEAR NOW AND MAKE IT UP ON THE BACK END.

SO I DON'T KNOW IF THAT IS SOMETHING --

>> IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE CAN LOOK INTO, COUNCILLOR.

JUST RECENTLY WE'VE HAD A VOICE OF THOSE CONCERNS.

>> IT'S A FEW DAYS OLD FOR ME AS WELL.

I DON'T MEAN TO SPRING IT ON YOU HERE IN THE HEARING.

EVERYONE I'VE TALKED TO IN YOUR DEPARTMENT AND AROUND THE CITY HAS BEEN COOPERATIVE.

IT'S NOT A PROBLEM PER SE.

I JUST WANT TO PUT THAT ON YOUR RADAR SCREEN AND SEE WHAT WE CAN DO TO ACCOMMODATE FOLKS THERE.

>> ABSOLUTELY.

>> THANK YOU.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR. COUNCILLOR BAKER.

>> THANK YOU, MR. CHAIR.

JUST SPOKING TO SOMETHING THAT JOSH WAS TALKING ABOUT.

I'M NOT SURE WHERE IT IS, BUT THE W.S. PROJECTw3 AND THE HISTORIC BOSTON SEAPORT, SUPPOSED TO BE A SCHOOL THERE, TALK OF IT.

THAT'S GOOD, I THINK.

GOOD MORNING, TRISH.

SO BEN, ARE YOU THE SCHOOL PERSON HERE?

THE FIRST EMPLOYEE FROM THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT OR ARE YOU PUBLIC FACILITIES AND YOU'RE ASSIGNED TO BE THE SCHOOL PERSON?

>> I WORK IN THE MAYOR'S EDUCATION CABINET.

I'VE BEEN MANAGING THE BUILD BPS PROCESS.

>> SO I KNOW WE TALKED ABOUT IT A LITTLE BIT.

SO WERE ALL THE EMPLOYEES FROM THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT, ALL YOUR

CUSTODIANS AND MAINTENANCE CONTRACTORS, ALL THAT COMING OVER WITH YOU GUYS?  
>> I CAN TAKE THAT, COUNCILLOR.  
NO.  
LOOKING AT ROUGHLY TEN POSITIONS OR SO FROM THE FACILITIES GROUP. THERE'S STILL THE CUSTODIANS AT BPS.  
THIS IS STRICTLY A CONSTRUCTION TEAM.  
>> A PLANNING END OF IT.  
SO THE PEOPLE THAT HANDLE THE CONTRACTS AND THAT SORT OF STUFF?  
>> THAT'S RIGHT.  
>> SO THEY'LL COME OVER TO YOUR SHOP, TRISH?  
>> YES.  
WE'RE TARGETING SOMETIME AROUND SEPTEMBER FOR THAT TO HAPPEN.  
>> OKAY.  
SO ARE WE CUTTING THE SCHOOL BUILDINGS AWAY FROM THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT?  
WHO WILL MANAGE THE SCHOOL BUILDINGS?  
>> DAY-TO-DAY MAINTENANCE? FOR MAINTENANCE?  
>> YES.  
>> THAT WOULD STILL BE WITH BPS.  
>> SO BPS MAINTENANCE. YOU GUYS WOULD TAKE OVER CONSTRUCTION.  
SO LARGER PROJECTS, WITH US IT PASSES -- ONCE IT PASSES THAT, IT'S NO LONGER MAINTENANCE AND IT'S CONSTRUCTION.  
>> YES.  
>> AND WITH MASS AUTHORITY, THEY'RE LEVERAGING THAT RELATIONSHIP.  
SOMETHING NOT TAKEN ADVANTAGE OF FOR A LONG TIME.  
BUT THANK YOU FOR DOING THAT.  
CAN WE TALK A LITTLE BIT ABOUT THE NORTH BENNETT STREET SCHOOL AND THE COMMERCIAL STREET COOL.  
HOW ARE WE ON NORTH BENNETT STREET, WHICH IS TO SAY I WAS KIND OF INVOLVED IN THAT IN THE BEGINNING.  
I'M PAST THE ANGER PART OF IT NOW.

HOW FAR ARE WE ALONG ON THOSE BUILDINGS?  
I COULD NEVER UNDERSTAND WHY WE WOULD TRADE FOR BUILDINGS IN THE NORTH END THAT SEEMED LIKE A DISASTER TO WORK ON.  
I WOULD LOVE TO FIND THE PERSON THAT SAID THIS IS A GOOD IDEA. ALL BEFORE YOU GUYS.  
LIKE I TOLD THEM, BEYOND THE ANGER PART OF IT.  
SO WHERE ARE WE IN THAT?  
ARE WE CLOSE TO COMPLETION?  
THAT WAS --  
>> WE ARE.  
WE'RE CLOSE TO COMPLETION ON THE NORTH BENNETT STREET SCHOOL.  
>> THAT'S THE MAIN BUILD SOMETHING.  
>> YES.  
THAT WILL BE THE ELOIT UPPER SCHOOL.  
>> WHICH ARE NEW CLASSES.  
JUST NINE AND UP OR NINTH GRADE TO --  
>> NO.  
THE ELOIT --  
>> THE ELOIT JUST FIVE?  
>> K-8.  
SO AT THE END OF THE PROJECTS, IT WILL BE A THREE-BUILDING CAMPUS.  
THERE'S A CHARTER STREET SCHOOL THAT WILL BE THE YOUNGER KIDS, K-2.  
AND 585 WILL BE 3-5.  
NORTH BENNETT 6-8.  
>> SO IT'S GOING TO 8, STILL EIGHTH GRADE.  
THE ENROLLMENT HAS GROWN THAT MUCH FOR THREE BUILDINGS OR DO WE PLAN ON THE ENROLLMENT GROWING?  
>> I'M NOT ACTUALLY SURE.  
>> OKAY.  
I BELIEVE THE INTENT IS TO BRING MORE STRANDS INTO THAT BUILDING. BUT THAT'S JUST BASED UPON WHAT I'VE HEARD AT PROJECT MEETINGS.  
>> ALSO MODERNIZING THE SPACE, WHICH CHANGES THE CAPACITY OF THE BUILDING.  
CREATING MORE SPACE FOR THE AMOUNT OF STUDENTS IN THERE.

>> BEN, WHEN I HEAR ABOUT THE BUILD BPS AND'S HAD THE MAYOR SPEAK ABOUT IT AND DR. CHANGE, ABOUT CHANGING THE WAY WE'RE LEARNING, CAN YOU LIKE JUST A QUICK 10-CENT VIEW OF IT, WHAT DO WE MEAN BY IT?  
DIFFERENT CLASSROOMS?  
ARE WE GOING TO BE LIKE -- ANNISSA'S STAFF IS STANDING UP. ARE YES -- WE DOING STUFF LIKE THAT?  
SHE'S ON THE CUTTING EDGE.  
>> THERE'S SOME STANDING UP. ONE OF THE DRIVING FORCES OF BUILD BPS WAS BPS'S CREATION OF A 21st CENTURY EDUCATIONAL VISION, WHAT THEY WANT TEACHING AND LEARNING TO LOOK LIKE AND ALL OF THE PLANNING CONSTRUCTION TO SUPPORT THAT.  
SO IT'S A RANGE.  
IT WILL LOOK DIFFERENT IN DIFFERENT SCHOOLS FOR DIFFERENT GRADES.  
A LOT OF WAYS IT'S REFLECTING THE CURRENT WORK SPACES OF TODAY, WHICH ARE MORE COLLABORATIVE, MORE FLEXIBLE TYPES OF SPACES WHERE A LOT OF OUR 66% OF OUR SCHOOLS WERE BUILT BEFORE WORLD WAR II WITH THE TRADITIONAL SMALL CLASSROOM WITH ALL OF THE DESKS AND ROWS FACING THE FRONT.  
THAT'S NOT HOW TEACHERS ARE WANTING TO TEACH THESE DAYS AND HOW BPS WANTS TO TEACH.  
SO IT'S CREATING SCHOOLS THAT SUPPORT MORE CREATIVE LEARNING.  
>> WHERE DO WE FIND MODELS OF THIS STUFF?  
IT SOUNDS GREAT TO ME.  
MY KIDS ARE IN -- I HATED SCHOOL.  
I HATED GOING IN THE CLASSROOM AND IT WASN'T FOR ME.  
SO WHERE ON THE EXAMPLES -- WHO IS DOING THIS NOW AND HOW ARE WE GETTING OUR LIKE -- WHERE ARE WE GETTING OUR IDEAS?  
>> SURE.  
BPS PULLED FROM A LOT OF W. AND -- WORK AND STUDIES ACROSS

THE COUNTRY THAT THIRD READING  
THE LEADING IDEAS ON THIS.  
I BELIEVE DEARBORN WILL BE THE  
FIRST STAB AT IT.  
THERE'S A LOT OF INNOVATIONS FOR  
THIS.  
BPS WAS TO CREATE PROTOTYPE  
SPACES, WHICH WE'LL BE DOING THE  
NEXT YEAR SO WE CAN  
EXPERIMENT -- STARTING AT  
DEARBORN AND IMPLEMENTING  
PROTOTYPES IN OTHER CLASSES AS  
WELL.  
>> HOW IS DEARBORN DOING?  
IT SAYS 50% COMPLETED.  
WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?  
>> THE CONSTRUCTION PROJECT WILL  
BE DONE THE WINTER 2017-18.  
SO IT'S A MID YEAR COMPLETION  
WITH THE INTENT OF BPS MOVING IN  
THE SUMMER OF 2018.  
FALL OF 2018.  
SEPTEMBER OF 2018.  
>> SO THAT WILL BE THE FIRST  
FULL SCHOOL YEAR, NOT THIS  
SEPTEMBER COMING UP BUT THE  
FOLLOWING SEPTEMBER?  
>> YES.  
>> GOOD.  
AND THERE'S SOME MONEY GOING  
INTO THE HEALTH AND FITNESS OVER  
HERE FOR THE POOL.  
FAMILIAR WITH THAT?  
>> YES.  
>> IS THAT -- I KNOW THE POOL  
WAS IN ROUGH SHAPE, LEAKS.  
ARE WE DOING ANYTHING ELSE OR  
JUST TO GET THE POOL --  
>> IT'S REALLY A POOL AND SOME  
WINDOW REPAIRS.  
WINDOWS THAT ARE IN ROUGH SHAPE.  
>> SO THE LONGER WINDOWS, THOSE  
WILL BE REPLACED?  
>> EXACTLY.  
WE'RE DOING SOME WORK TO LESSEN  
THE DEPTH OF THE POOL.  
AND REALLY IT'S MORE JUST FIXING  
THE POOL FROM LEAKING AND MAKING  
IT WORK.  
>> AND THIS PROBABLY ISN'T FOR  
YOU.  
BUT THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE --  
TRINITY HAD A PART IN THERE AND  
THEY WERE SUPPOSED TO DO SOME



WORK.

I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE DEAL WAS.  
WEREN'T THEY SUPPOSED TO PONY UP  
ON THAT WORK WITH THE FITNESS  
AND -- DO WE HAVE ANY SENSE OF  
WHERE THAT IS?

>> I SHOULDN'T SPEAK TO IT.

I DON'T KNOW THE DETAILS.

>> FAIR ENOUGH.

ALSO, THERE'S TALK -- BECAUSE  
THE REASON WHY I BRING THAT UP  
IS THE EMS IS OVER THERE.  
IS THERE ANY THOUGHT AS TO WHERE  
ELSE IS GOING?

WE'RE CONSTANTLY TALKING ABOUT  
BUILDING CAPACITY.

GOING TO NEED MORE EMTs, MORE  
AMBULANCES.

IS THERE ANY SENSE OF WHERE  
THEY'RE GOING TO LAND OR IS THAT  
A STUDY THAT WE'RE DOING?

>> SO I'M NOT SURE OF THE  
URGENCY OF THEM MOVING RIGHT  
NOW.

>> BECAUSE THEY'RE THERE NOW.

>> RIGHT.

>> AND WE'RE WORKING WITH THEM  
CURRENTLY TO UNDERSTAND WHAT  
THEIR PROGRAMMATIC NEEDS ARE  
GOING FORWARD.

WE'RE ALSO LOOKING AT SEEING IF  
THEY'LL FIT IN SOME PLACES LIKE  
THE RIVERMORE FACILITY IN  
ROXBURY.

IF NOT, FINDING -- WE'LL HAVE UP  
IN INFORMATION TO FIND OUT WHAT  
THEIR NEEDS WILL BE TO FIND THEM  
ANOTHER LOCATION IF NEEDED.

>> OKAY.

I'D LIKE TO STAY IN TOUCH ON  
THAT IF POSSIBLE, TRISH.

>> CERTAINLY.

>> THE STREET LIGHTING BUILDING,  
WHERE ARE WE ON THAT?

"AMERICAN LEGION" IS THAT WHERE  
THE STREET LIGHTING IS GOING?

DO YOU HAVE THAT?

>> WE DO.

THE PROJECT IS CURRENTLY ON  
HOLD.

THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT SORT  
OF DEFINING WHAT THEIR NEEDS  
ARE.

IN THAT REGARD.

I THINK THAT THEY ARE -- THEY'RE RECONSIDERING THEIR PLANS.

>> SO WHERE IS STREET LIGHTING NOW?

THEY MOVED THEM BY THE ROTARY AT FRANKLIN PARK.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

DOWN THE FRONTAGE ROAD?

WHEN YOU COME OVER PAST FRANKLIN PART, YOU HIT THE CASEY OVERPASS.

THEY MOVED THEM OUT OF THERE.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

>> I BELIEVE THEY'RE IN A TEMPORARY --

>> OKAY.

OKAY.

SO THAT'S -- THEIR NEW BUILDING ON "AMERICAN LEGION" IS --

>> IT'S ON HOLD AT THIS POINT.

>> OKAY.

DO YOU GUYS -- LIKE WHEN WE DECIDE WE'RE GOING TO -- LIKE A NEW LIBRARY, ARE YOU GOING INVOLVED IN THE DESIGN AT ALL OR ONCE IT'S ALL DESIGNED AND SAY THIS IS WHAT WE'RE GOING TO BUILD AND LANDS ON YOUR DESK, TRISH?

>> WE TYPICALLY TAKES PROJECTS FROM THE BEGINNING AND ASSISTING USER AGENCIES AND THE BUDGET OFFICE IN DEFINING SCOPE AND BUDGET FOR PROJECTS.

SO ONCE A PROJECT IS FUNDED, WE TAKE IT ON TO BEGIN TO SELECT A DESIGNER, BEGIN AND MANAGE THE DESIGN PROCESS, BID THE PROJECT. YOU KNOW, WORK WITH THE CONTRACTOR DURING CONSTRUCTION. SO IN TERMS OF THE LIBRARIES, THEY GO THROUGH ROBUST PROCESS IN TERMS OF PLANNING.

THEY GO THROUGH PROBABLY A SIX OR EIGHT MONTH PLANNING STUDY THAT BASICALLY EVALUATES THE BUILDING ACCORDING TO THE COMPARABLES AS WELL AS DETERMINING WHAT THE FACILITIES NEEDS WOULD BE IN ORDER TO MEET THE PROGRAM THAT BPL DESIRES TO DELIVER.

SO ONCE A PROJECTS GOES THROUGH THAT PROCESS, GENERALLY

IDENTIFIES A SOLUTION THAT WOULD THEN GET FUNDED IN A SUBSEQUENT CAPITAL PLANNING ROUND.

>> THE REASON WHY I ASK THAT -- THIS IS JUST A PLUG FOR SOMETHING THAT I BELIEVE.

I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD BE BUILDING SINGLE STORY LIBRARIES ANYMORE.

WE SHOULD NEVER SEE ANOTHER ONE. THERE SHOULD BE OTHER HOUSING ABOVE THEM OR OTHER HOUSING ABOVE CITY LAND.

THAT'S JUST MY -- WHAT I THINK WE SHOULD BE LOOKING AT IN THE FUTURE.

I KNOW IT'S TOO LATE FOR ADAMS STREET.

IT WOULD BE A GREAT LOCATION FOR ELDERLY HOUSING UP THERE.

I'LL COME BACK AROUND.

>> THANK YOU.

>> COUNCILLOR CAMPBELL.

>> THANK YOU, COUNCILLOR CIOMMO. THANK YOU GUYS FOR BEING HERE TODAY.

TRISH, YOU AND YOUR TEAM FOR THE HARD WORK THAT YOU DO.

I HAVE A FEW QUESTIONS.

BIG PICTURE.

I'M EXCITED FOR SOME OF THE THINGS THAT COME TO DISTRICT FOUR.

I KNOW THAT COUNCILLOR BAKER AND I SHARE THAT PART OF THE DISTRICT.

I HAVE TO AGREE WITH HIM WHEN IT COMES TO TAKING A BUILDING THAT SERVES ONE PERSON AND MAKING IT SORT OF MULTIPURPOSE, WHETHER IT'S ADDING HOUSING OR SOMETHING ELSE TO IT.

HOW ARE PROJECTS SELECTED?

OBVIOUSLY ALL THE COUNCILLORS COME WITH DIFFERENT CONCERNS AND THOUGHTS AND IDEAS AND SAY WE NEED THIS DONE IN OUR DISTRICT.

I HAVE ONE COMMUNITY CENTER THAT IS SLATED TO HAVE SOME WORK DONE.

I'M CURIOUS, THERE ARE A LOT OF FACILITIES THAT NEED SOMETHING OR SCHOOLS THAT NEED SOMETHING. HOW DO YOU GO ABOUT ASSESSING

SORT OF WHO GOES TO THE TOP OF THE LIST, WHO GOES IN THE MIDDLE OR THE BOTTOM JUST BASED ON THE LIMITED RESOURCES THAT WE HAVE.

>> SO THERE'S A FEW WAYS REALLY. TYPICALLY PROJECTS GET INSERTED INTO THE PROCESS THROUGH THE DEPARTMENT MANAGING THE BUILDING.

WITH THE BOSTON CENTER FOR YOUTH AND FAMILIES FACILITY AND BPL FACILITY.

THE DEPARTMENT TYPICALLY INITIATES A NEED.

PUBLIC FACILITIES TENDS TO SERVE AS AN ADVISER TO THOSE AGENCIES AS WELL AS THE OFFICE OF BUDGET MANAGEMENT IN TERMS OF EVALUATING THE CONDITION OF THE BUILDINGS, WHAT IT MIGHT NEED, WHAT A BUDGET MIGHT BE THAT WOULD BE NEEDED TO ADDRESS CONCERNS.

THEN THERE'S A BUDGET BUDGET TARRY PROCESS.

>> IS THE BUDGET OFFICE OUTSIDE FACILITIES INVOLVED IN THAT PROCESS?

>> LOOKING AT THE PROJECTS, OBVIOUSLY THE FACILITIES BUDGET ISN'T COVERING THESE MAJOR TRANSFORMATIONS AND RENOVATIONS HAPPENING AT THE COMMUNITY CENTERS AND -- OR SCHEDULED TO HAPPEN IN THE FUTURE.

WHERE DOES THE FUNDING COME FROM?

>> THAT COMES FROM CAPITAL PLAN.

>> IS THAT THE ONLY PLACE?

>> SOME PROJECTS RECEIVE GRANT FUNDING ON OCCASION.

THERE'S THE RENEW BOSTON TRUST PROGRAM WHERE THERE'S A POTENTIAL FOR ALTERNATIVELY FINANCING ENERGY EFFICIENCY PROJECTS THROUGHOUT THE CITY.

BUT THAT'S UNDER A PRIVATE --

>> IS THAT FROM THE STATE AT ALL OR --

>> WE DO GET REIMBURSEMENT FROM PLACES LIKE THE MASS SCHOOL BUILDING AUTHORITY.

THAT'S THE BULK OF OTHER

REIMBURSEMENTS.

>> IN TERMS OF THE GRANT PIECES OR LOOKING AT PUBLIC PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS, DOES SOMEONE OWN THAT IN TERMS OF -- I IMAGINE YOU GUYS ARE CONSTANTLY REVIEWING PROJECTS FROM VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS SAYING THERE'S A NEED FOR THIS FACILITY OR THIS BUILDING TO GET THE WORK DONE AND THEN WORKING WITH THE BUDGET OFFICE TO DEPARTMENT.

WHAT PARTNERSHIPS CAN BE MADE TO MAKE THOSE THINGS FASTER AND WHO IS DOING THE GRANT WRITING OR LOOKING OUT FOR WHAT GRANTS MIGHT BE POSSIBLE FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY TO.

IS THAT SOMEONE'S DEDICATED ROLE OR IS IT THE CREATIVITY OF MULTIPLE PEOPLE ACROSS DEPARTMENTS --

>> PROBABLY BOTH.

THE OFFICE OF BUDGET MANAGEMENT HAS CREATED AN ALTERNATIVE FINANCING UNIT THAT IS BEGINNING TO EXPLORE THESE VARIOUS OPPORTUNITIES.

WHERE PUBLIC FACILITIES MIGHT COME INTO A PROCESS LIKE THAT MIGHT BE, FOR EXAMPLE, THE FIELDS CORNER LIBRARY STUDY. IF THERE IS AN INTEREST IN EXPLORING THAT, WE MIGHT THE THAT OR WHAT THE OPPORTUNITIES MIGHT BE.

OVERALL, I WOULD SAY DEPARTMENTS PROBABLY MANAGE A NUMBER OF GRANT APPLICATION PROCESSES AS WELL AS SOME CENTRALIZATION AT THE OFFICE OF BUDGET MANAGEMENT.

>> THAT'S VERY HELPFUL.

I ALSO JUST HAVE ANOTHER QUICK QUESTION ON -- ARE YOU GUYS OVERSEEING THE OFFICE OF RE-ENTRY?

>> WE ARE NOT.

>> WHO IS OVERSEEING THE BUILDING AND WHAT IS HAPPENING WITH THAT?

>> WELL, THERE'S THE SPACE THEY'RE CREATING TO HAVE THIS OFFICE OF RE-ENTRY.

LAST YEAR THE MAJOR INJECTED --

WHEN WE GOT THE BUDGET BACK,  
\$300,000 TO CREATE THIS SPACE  
CALLS THE OFFICE OF RE-ENTRY.  
DAN AND HIS TEAM ARE OVERSEEING  
THE LOGISTICS AND WHAT WILL BE  
IN THE BUILDING.  
BUT THEY'RE CREATING A SPACE OR  
BUILDING FROM WHAT I  
UNDERSTAND -- I CAN'T REMEMBER  
WHERE, SO I'M CURIOUS WHO IS  
OVERSEEING THAT.  
I THOUGHT IT WAS A BUILDING THAT  
IS CITY OPERATED AND RUN.  
>> I'M NOT THAT FAMILIAR WITH  
IT.  
I'LL CERTAINLY TRY TO TRACK IT  
DOWN AND GET YOU AN ANSWER.  
>> THAT WOULD BE GREAT.  
>> THAT'S ALL I HAD.  
>> THANK YOU GUYS.  
>> THANK YOU.  
I HAVE A COUPLE OF QUICK  
PAROCHIAL ISSUES THAT I KNOW  
THAT CASSIDY FEELS THE PROJECT  
AT THE OLD CINEMA SITE IS STILL  
ONGOING.  
BUT I SAW THAT CASSIDY FIELD  
RENOVATION IS SUPPOSED TO  
HAPPEN.  
>> WE'RE MANAGING THE FIELDHOUSE  
PORTION OF THAT PROJECT.  
WE ANTICIPATE GOING INTO  
CONSTRUCTION THIS FALL.  
IT SHOULD BE COMPLETED BY THE  
SUMMER OF 18.  
>> OKAY.  
DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING THAT, YOU  
KNOW -- BRIGHTON HIGH IS IN A  
TURN-AROUND STATUS.  
ARE THERE ANY NEEDS FOR THE  
FISCAL PLANT TO ADDRESS LEVEL 4  
CONCERNS ABOUT THE FACILITY  
ITSELF?  
IF YOU'RE AWARE OF.  
>> I DON'T BELIEVE SPECIFICALLY  
THERE ARE.  
>> SO STRICTLY THE ACADEMIC --  
>> THE PROGRAMMATIC.  
>> GREAT.  
>> COUNCILLOR ESSAIBI-GEORGE.  
>> I WANT TO FOLLOW UP ON  
BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL.  
THEY ONBRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL.  
THEY DON'T HAVE A PROPER GYM.

I THINK THEY USE THEIR THEATRE  
OR SOMETHING.  
>> [INDISCERNIBLE]  
>> ALL RIGHT.  
NEVER MIND THEN.  
I WAS UNDERSTANDING SOMETHING  
WRONG.  
SO THE YOUTH AND CHANGE  
QUESTION, I FOUND IT IN THE  
BOOK.  
SO IT'S THE MILLION DOLLARS THAT  
THE YOUTHS GET TO SORT OF SPEND  
OR DESIGNATE IN THE BUDGET.  
I'M CURIOUS ABOUT WHERE THEY ARE  
CHOOSING TO SPEND IT FOR THE  
YOUTUBE LINE HERE AND IN WHAT  
WAY, IF YOU COULD SHARE THAT  
WITH US A LITTLE BIT.  
>> UNFORTUNATELY THAT'S NOT  
MANAGED THROUGH PUBLIC  
FACILITIES DEPARTMENT.  
MAYBE THAT'S WHY WE'RE STARING  
AT YOU.  
>> THEY RECOMMENDED LIKE  
INSTALLING WI-FI IN SCHOOLS.  
COMMUNITY CENTERS, RECYCLING  
BINS.  
THEY'VE SORT OF BEEN BROAD WITH  
THEIR MILLION DOLLAR PROPOSALS.  
I JUST SORT OF WONDER HOW THAT  
ACTUALLY HAPPENS.  
BEN, DO YOU HAVE --  
>> SO I BELIEVE IT'S WITHIN HHS  
AND UNDER THE YOUTH FUND.  
I THINK WE'RE TALKING ABOUT THE  
PARTICIPATORY BUDGET.  
FROM MY UNDERSTANDING, THEY  
BREAK UP U THE YOUTHS FROM  
ACROSS THE CITY BREAK UP INTO  
GROUPS AND IDEAATE WHAT THE  
PROBLEMS DOWN AND THEN DOWN TO  
THE FINAL SELECTION AND IT'S A  
YOUTH VOTE ACROSS THE CITY.  
THEY WORK WITH THE SCHOOLS AND  
PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION STATIONS  
TO FACILITATE THE VOTE BUT IT'S  
PURELY A PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING  
PROCESS.  
SO IT'S FULLY UP TO THEM HOW  
THAT IS SPENT.  
I BELIEVE THERE'S GUIDANCE IN  
THE CREATION OF THE PROJECTS AND  
THEY MEET WITH DIFFERENT  
DEPARTMENTS BUT I BELIEVE IT

LIVES IN HHS.  
>> I'LL SAVE THAT QUESTION AND  
GET MORE DETAILS ON THAT.  
YOU ALL PLAY A ROLE IN  
CONTINUING TO INVEST IN 311.  
I THINK THERE'S A CONFUSION  
BETWEEN MANAGEMENT AND  
[INDISCERNIBLE]  
>> THAT IS NOT A PROJECT THAT IS  
ON OUR --  
>> OKAY.  
>> MAYBE PROPERTY MANAGEMENT.  
>> I'LL SAVE THAT FOR THEM.  
WE'LL JUST TICK THROUGH SOME OF  
THESE.  
WITH SOME OF THE RENOVATIONS  
THAT HAPPENED ON THE SECOND  
FLOOR.  
>> YES.  
>> COULD YOU JUST TALK MAYBE  
ABOUT SOME OF THE PROGRAMMING  
THAT'S PLANNED FOR THAT SPACE.  
>> CERTAINLY.  
WE'RE ACTUALLY BEGINNING DESIGN  
TO RENOVATE THAT.  
WE'LL BE INCLUDING SOME OF THE  
PIECES, TV ROOMS AND THE LIKE.  
UPGRADING SOME LIGHTING.  
WE'LL ALSO BE PROVIDING PROGRAM  
SPACE FOR THE STAFF TO  
ADMINISTER SERVICES PROVIDING  
MORE APPROPRIATE SORT OF OFFICE  
AND PRIVATE AREAS AND THAT SORT  
OF THING.  
>> DO YOU HAVE A TIME LINE ON  
ANY OF AT THAT TIME.  
>> WE'RE HOSPITALLING TO GET  
INTO CONSTRUCTION VERY QUICKLY.  
WE'RE TRYING TO FAST TRACK IT  
THROUGH THE SUMMER AND BE  
COMPLETE BY THE END OF THE YEAR.  
>> THAT'S GREAT.  
DESIGN IS UNDER WAY.  
>> IT CAN TAKE SOME TIME.  
WE'RE TRYING TO GET AS MUCH AS  
WE CAN DONE AS QUICKLY AS  
POSSIBLE.  
MAYBE SOME PROGRAMMATIC CHANGES  
THAT TAKE MORE TIME.  
FOR EXAMPLE IF WE HAVE TO REMOVE  
WALLS OR BUILD WALLS AND THAT  
SORT OF THING.  
THAT MAY TAKE TIME BUT WE ARE  
PLANNING TO DO AS MUCH UPDATING



AND MAKE IT A MORE COMFORTABLE  
AND LITERAL SPACE AS WE CAN.

>> THAT'S GREAT.

HAPPY TO HEAR ABOUT THAT FAST  
TRACK.

ANOTHER THING THAT'S COME UP  
THROUGH SOME OF MY WORK THROUGH  
THE COMMITTEE OF HOMELESSNESS  
AND RECOVERY IS OPPORTUNITIES  
FOR TRASH DISPOSAL ESPECIALLY  
NEAR AND AROUND SOME OF OUR  
HOMELESS SHELTERS.

THERE'S A DESIRE FOR BOTH MORE  
KIOSK FOR DISPOSAL, HAZARDOUS  
DISPOSAL BOXES BUT MAYBE LARGER  
OR MORE APPARENT OR OBVIOUS  
DISPOSAL KIOSKS.

IS THAT SOMETHING THAT YOU WOULD  
WORK.

>> THAT'S SOMETHING THAT  
PROBABLY FALLS UNDER THE PUBLIC  
HEALTH COMMISSION.

IT'S NOT A PROJECT THAT WE HAVE  
RIGHT NOW.

>> IT'S DIRECTLY CONNECTED TO  
THE FACILITY AND THE SHELTER UP  
THE STREET.

>> CERTAINLY IF THERE WAS A NEED  
FOR THOSE TYPES OF, THAT TYPE OF  
EQUIPMENT OR AMENITY, NOT  
AMENITY.

>> WELL, IT IS.

I MEAN IT IS.

>> YES.

IF THERE'S A NEED THAT FALLS  
WITHIN THE BUILDING AND  
RENOVATION THAT WE'RE DOING, WE  
WOULD INCLUDE IT IN OUR PROJECT.

>> IT'S SOMETHING THEN I WOULD  
WANT TO HIGHLIGHT FOR YOU  
BECAUSE IT IS CERTAINLY  
SOMETHING WE'VE HEARD FROM  
CONSTITUENTS AND RESIDENTS THAT  
LIVE AROUND INDIVIDUALS DEALING  
WITH ADDICTION.

SO IT'S STASHING, HIDING AND  
DISPOSING OF NEEDLES IMPROPERLY.  
WE HAD A HEARING A FEW WEEKS AGO  
AND REALIZE WE STILL HAVE 20,000  
SHOPS THAT WE'RE COLLECTING OVER  
THE YEARS THAT AREN'T PROPERLY  
THROWN AWAY.

THESE ARE NOT IN THE KIOSKS BUT  
LANDING IN PEOPLE'S FRONT YARDS

AND WHEN GUTTERS AND ALLEY WAYS.  
WHEN WE LOOK TO DO ANY  
RENOVATIONS MINOR OR MAJOR TO  
OUR SHELTERS TO MAKE IT MORE  
ACCESSIBLE TO THAT.

>> THANK YOU.

>> I THINK THAT IS IT FOR ME.  
THANK YOU, CHAIRMAN.

>> THANK YOU.

WE'VE SINCE BEEN JOINED BY  
DISTRICT FIVE CITY COUNCIL TIM  
MCCARTHY AND COUNCILOR FRANK  
BAKER.

>> I WOULD LIKE TO YIELD MY TIME  
SO I COULD HEAR HIS QUESTIONS.  
AND THEN I'LL GO AFTER HIM.

>> SORRY I'M LATE, EVERYBODY.  
I HAD A STANDING MEETING AND I'M  
SORRY I'M LATE.

JUST A CONNAL QUESTIONS.

I SEE THAT THE GEORGE WRIGHT  
CLUB HOUSE STUDY'S ON THERE.  
THIS IS REALLY IMPORTANT THAT WE  
DO THIS RIGHT ONCE.

I KNOW THAT YOU'RE VERY WELL  
AWARE OF IT.

I'VE HAD A COUPLE CONVERSATIONS  
WITH 9 THE MAYOR ALREADY.  
WE'RE GOING TO STUDY IT AND MAKE  
SURE IT'S RIGHT BEFORE WE GO  
AHEAD BECAUSE THE SECOND PHASE  
IS GOING TO BE A CROWN JOOBL.  
I'M REALLY HAPPY WITH THE WAY  
WE'RE PROCEEDING WITH THAT.  
MY ONLY REAL QUESTION IS ABOUT  
THE ROSLINDALE BRANCH LIBRARY.  
WE HAVE THE 6 POINT 7 SPENDING  
FOR A COUPLE YEARS NOW.

WHAT IS THE TIMETABLE AS WE LOOK  
AT THOMAS.

>> SO WE HAVE SELECTED A  
DESIGNER.

BEGINNING THAT DESIGN PROCESS  
PROBABLY IN ANOTHER MONTH OR SO.  
WE'RE JUST FINISHING UP  
NEGOTIATING THE CONTRACT.  
CONSTRUCTION IS ANTICIPATED FOR  
THE FALL OF 2018 AND SHOULD BE  
COMPLETED BY THE ENDS OF 2020.

>> AND SO WHEN WE START LOOKING  
AT THE DESIGN, WE'LL TALK TO THE  
FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY, IS THAT  
HOW WE'RE GOING TO DO THAT.

>> ABSOLUTELY.

IT'S USUALLY A COMMUNITY DRIVEN.

>> YES.

I KNOW THE PLANS ARE MADE BEFORE.

THERE ARE THREE PLANS MADE BEFORE BUT THEY, WHATEVER HAPPENED HAPPENED BUT I'M GLAD WE'RE BACK ON TRACK WITH THAT. THE LAST THING WOULD BE THE MATT HUNT.

THAT BUILDING HAS BEEN IN DISREPAIR FOR A LONG LONG TIME. IT'S GOOD WE'RE FINALLY ADDRESSING THAT ESPECIALLY IN A NEIGHBORHOOD THAT NEEDS IT THE MOST.

ONE QUESTION I HAVE IS OUTSIDE OF MY DISTRICT ORCHARD GARDENS. IT CAME TO MY BRAIN WHEN COUNCILOR ANNISSA SAWY JOARCHL WAS TALKING ABOUT SHOPS. WE HAD A MEETING WITH BOBBY CONSOLVO AND A CONVERSATION ABOUT THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS. WE WOULD PUT FLOOD LIGHTS ON OUR STREET LIGHTS TO FLOOD AN AREA. THE PRINCIPAL OF ORCHARD GARDENS WAS THERE AT THE MEETING AND WHEN I STARTED TALKING ABOUT THIS YOU COULD SEE HIS HEAD, HE WAS THINKING ABOUT IT.

I MADE CONTACT WITH HIM OVER A SCHOOL VACATION ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF ADDING FLOOD LIGHTS INTO THE BACK OF OR CHUD AS A CUT THROUGH FROM THE DEVELOPMENT AND THEN THEY GO RIGHT DOWN TOWARDS MASS AVENUE. WE ALL KNOW THE AREA WELL. I WOULD LIKE TO START THAT PROCESS.

I'M GOING TO MAKE A PHONE CALL TO CHIEF OSGOOD TO GET THAT GOING.

CUSTODIANS AS WELL AS SOME TEACHERS SCAN THE AREA IN THE MORNING AND THEY'RE FINDING WAY TOO MANY.

ONE IS TOO MANY BUT WHAT THEY'RE FINDING THE NUMBERS ARE INSANE ESPECIALLY ON MONDAY MORNING WE HAVE TEACHERS AND CUSTODIANS COMING IN EARLIER JUST TO PICK UP WHAT HAD HAPPENED BEHIND

THERE.

SO IF YOU CAN HELP ME FOLLOW UP WITH THAT, I APPRECIATE IT.

>> I CAN CERTAINLY REACH OUT TO CHIEF OSGOOD AND ALSO TALK TO BPS TO SEE IF THERE'S SOMETHING WE CAN DO.

>> IT'S AN EASY FIX WE'VE DONE IT BEFORE.

USUALLY WHEN THE STREET LIGHTS COME ON THE FLOOD LIGHTS COME ON.

THANK YOU MR. CHAIRMAN.

>> THANK YOU.

>> YOU'RE WELCOME.

>> SO HAS FY18 55 EMPLOYEES THAT'S WHAT YOU HAVE NOW. 17 IS 55 AND THEN IT'S PROJECTED 18 AT 66.

THAT'S 11 PEOPLE COMING.

>> WE HAVE 60 POSITIONS VACANT. WE HAVE 53 FILLED POSITIONS AND SIX VACANCIES.

THAT BRINGS US TO 60 POSITIONS.

>> WHEN ON YOUR BOOKS WILL WE SEE THAT CHANGE FROM THE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES COMING OVER.

THAT WILL BE MID BUDGET, WON'T IT?

>> THAT'S CORRECT.

>> STEVE WANTS TO SAY SOMETHING, I WANT TO HEAR HIM TALK.

GO AHEAD, STEVE.

HE THINKS HE'S GETTING OUT OF HERE WITHOUT TALKING, COME ON STEVE.

>> I WAS CLOSE.

I UNDERSTAND WHATEVER POSITION AND/OR STAFF CON OVER IN SEPTEMBER WE'LL DO THAT BUDGET TRANSFER THROUGH FY18 AND IT WILL BE IN OUR BOOKS IN THE BEGINNING OF FY19.

>> IN NEXT YEAR'S BUDGET YOU'LL WE INCREASE.

>> INCREASE IN HEAD COUNT AND IN THE PERSONNEL LINE.

>> I REMEMBER LAST YEAR I THINK WE TALKED A LITTLE BIT ABOUT LIKE SOME OF YOUR POSITIONS THAT ARE CHARGE BACKS FROM CONTRACTORS THAT ARE WORKING. IS THAT STILL, IS THAT WHERE THE

CONTRACTORS PAY THEM IF THEY'RE COMING IN ON SUNDAY.  
>> WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO CAPTURE ABOUT 35% OF OUR OVERTIME COSTS THROUGH CONTRACTORS IF THEY ARE ELECTING TO WORK OFF HOURS.  
>> OKAY.  
>> IF IT'S A CITY-DRIVEN OR IF IT'S A HOLIDAY THAT'S NOT RECOGNIZED BY THE CONTRACTOR, THERE'S A CITY PORN COSTS BUT ANY OVERTIME THAT'S CAUSED BY --  
>> THAT'S OUTSIDE THE SCOPE.  
>> RIGHT.  
THEY'LL PAY.  
>> DO WE HAVE A PROBLEM COLLECTING OR THEY JUST, ARE THEY JUST ...  
>> WE'VE BEEN PRETTY SUCCESSFUL THIS YEAR AS OF APRIL 1ST, WE'VE SPENT JUST UNDER A HUNDRED THOUSAND IN OVERTIME.  
WE CAPTURED ABOUT 35,000 OF THAT AS BILLABLE OVERTIME BACK TO CONTRACTORS.  
WE HAVE NO PROBLEMS AS FAR AS GETTING THOSE FUNDS.  
>> IN THAT HUNDRED THOUSAND STEVE, WHAT HE IS THAT LOOK LIKE COMPARATIVELY SPEAKING WITH 9 YEAR BEFORE.  
IS THAT THE SAME --  
>> FOR US IT'S KIND OF TOUGH BECAUSE WE WERE WITHIN PROPERTY MANAGEMENT SO IT'S TOUGH TO BREAK IT OUT BY FOR OURSELVES AS AN INDIVIDUAL DEPARTMENT NOW.  
WHAT I CAN TELL YOU IS WE WERE FUNDED ABOUT 125,000.  
125 FIVE IN OVERTIME COSTS THIS YEAR.  
WE PROJECTED WILL COME IN AT THAT OR SLIGHTLY UNDER THAT BUDGET.  
SO I THINK WE'RE LOOKING PRETTY GOOD AS FAR AS OVERTIME GOES, OVERALL EXPENDITURE AND HOW MUCH WE'RE CAPTURING BACK FROM OUR CONTRACTORS.  
>> TRISH YOU'RE AT 26 COURT.  
>> THAT'S CORRECT.  
>> I REMEMBER YEARS AGO WHEN WE WERE IN A SELLING SPREE WE WERE GOING TO SELL 26 COURT, IS THAT

TOTALLY OFF THE TABLE, I HOPE.  
>> I HOPE SO TO.  
ANY CONVERSATIONS ARE MORE  
RELATED WHAT WE NEED TO DO TO  
RENOVATE THE BUILDING.  
>> TO SAVE OUR ASSETS.  
>> YES.  
>> OKAY.  
THE CHAIR'S GONE.  
ARE YOU TAKING OVER?  
>> I THINK WE'RE ABOUT.  
I THINK WE'RE ALL SET.  
DO YOU HAVE ANYTHING ELSE TO  
CHAIR WITH US.  
>> I DON'T.  
THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.  
>> I THINK YOU'RE GOOD.  
>> ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU ALL.  
>> THANK YOU.