



City of Boston, Massachusetts  
Office of the Mayor  
**MICHELLE WU**

April 1, 2024

**TO THE CITY COUNCIL**

Dear Councilors:

I hereby transmit for your approval an Order authorizing the City of Boston, acting through its Mayor's Office of Housing, to accept and expend payments in the amount of Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000) given to the City of Boston's Inclusionary Development Policy Fund.

The City of Boston's Inclusionary Development Policy Fund (IDP) was established by Executive Order in February 2000 to support the production and preservation of affordable housing in new market rate housing developments. The IDP requires all developers of residential development projects with ten or more units to include affordable units in their projects as a condition of receiving relief from the Boston Zoning Code. Further, the Executive Order provides the option for developers to make contributions to the IDP Fund in lieu of providing on-site affordable units, subject to the approval of the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA).

At the inception of the Policy, the Fund had been maintained and administered by the BPDA. In September 2013, the administration of the IDP was transferred from the BPDA to the Mayor's Office of Housing.

I urge your Honorable Body to adopt this Order expeditiously so that the City may accept the funds and expend them for the purposes for which these funds were given.

Sincerely,

Michelle Wu  
Mayor of Boston

**CITY OF BOSTON**  
**IN CITY COUNCIL**

**AN ORDER AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF BOSTON MAYOR'S OFFICE OF HOUSING TO ACCEPT AND EXPEND FUNDS FROM THE INCLUSIONARY DEVELOPMENT POLICY FUND.**

**WHEREAS:** The City of Boston's Inclusionary Development Fund (IDP) was established by Executive Order in February 2000 to support the production and preservation of affordable housing in new market rate housing developments; and

**WHEREAS:** The IDP also established a process whereby developers can provide a payment to the affordable housing fund (IDP) in lieu of providing on-site affordable units, subject to the approval of the Boston Planning and Development Agency (BPDA); and

**WHEREAS:** The BPDA transferred the administration of the IDP to the Mayor's Office of Housing in September 2013.

**ORDERED:** That the City of Boston, acting by and through its Mayor's Office of Housing, be, and hereby is, authorized in accordance with Section 53A of Chapter 44 of the Massachusetts General Laws, to accept and expend funds in the amount of Forty Million Dollars (\$40,000,000.00) from the City of Boston's Inclusionary Development Policy Fund for the purpose of producing and preserving affordable housing in the City of Boston.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY  
THE FORGOING, IF PASSED IN  
THE ABOVE FORM, WILL BE IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH LAW.**

BY \_\_\_\_\_

**ADAM CEDERBAUM  
CORPORATION COUNSEL**

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