

**CITY OF BOSTON
IN CITY COUNCIL**

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OFFERED BY COUNCILLOR CHARLES C. YANCEY

**ORDER TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING
BOSTON HOUSING AUTHORITY'S TRASH RECYCLING POLICY**

- WHEREAS: Government agencies and the majority of the public recognize the importance of recycling; and
- WHEREAS: Recycling has become a major issue as scientific research suggests the earth is being depleted too fast to sustain a healthy balance; and
- WHEREAS: The City of Boston's Public Works Department provides free weekly recycling services to residents in large apartment buildings (more than six units) and condominiums; and
- WHEREAS: Large Apartment Buildings in the City of Boston are required to provide Recycling services per City Council Ordinance entitled: *Ordinance Regarding Access to City Recycling Programs for Large Residential Buildings*, which went into effect January 2003; and
- WHEREAS: The City of Boston delivered large wheeled recycling carts to Boston residences with one to six units between June 2009 and June 2010; and
- WHEREAS: Several residents who reside in Boston Public Housing properties have expressed concern that they have been excluded from the City of Boston's Curbside Recycling program; and
- WHEREAS: The BHA houses approximately 10 percent of the city's residents; Be It Therefore
- ORDERED: That the appropriate committee of the Boston City Council convenes a hearing to review policy of the Boston Housing Authority regarding recycling by city residents residing on BHA properties; And Be It Further
- ORDERED: That Representatives from The Mayor's office, Public Works Department, Boston Housing Authority, Boston's Environmental and Energy Services Cabinet, the Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, and the general public be invited to participate.

**In City Council
June 22, 2010**

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