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MassDOT Highway Division Proposal

Electronic proposals for the following projects will be received through the internet using Bid Express until the date and time stated below and will be posted on www.bidx.com forthwith after the bid submission deadline. **No paper copies of bids will be accepted.**

All Bidders must have a valid vendor code issued by MassDOT in order to bid on projects. Bidders need to apply for a Digital ID at least 14 days prior to a scheduled bid opening date with Bid Express.

The Bidding for and award of the contracts for the following projects are to be in accordance with the requirements of **Mass General Laws Chapter 30 § 39M.**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024 AT 2:00 P.M.	PROJECT VALUE
DISTRICT 3 – Scheduled and Emergency Bridge Deck and Joint Repairs at Various Locations (613765)	\$1,732,000.00
DISTRICT 4 –Emergency and Scheduled Shielding, Shoring and Cribbing at Various Locations (613463)	\$1,306,000.00
PEABODY – Scheduled Bridge Maintenance Repairs On P-03-036 (2VX & 2VW) (613465)	\$2,552,000.00
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2024 AT 2:00 P.M.	PROJECT VALUE
BOSTON – FAP No. STPIBR-OFF-003S/787X Bridge Preservation, B-16-234 (BKV), Richmond Street over State Route 1A (613460)	\$788,000.00

OPENING OF BIDS POSTPONED TO: TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024 AT 2:00 P.M.

BOSTON – FAP No. HIPBR-003S/777X Bridge Replacement, B-16-181, West Roxbury Parkway Over MBTA (606902)

All prospective Bidders must complete and e-mail an electronic copy of "Request Proposal Form (R109)" to the MassDOT Director of Prequalification for approval: prequal.r109@dot.state.ma.us. The blank "Request Proposal Form (R109)" can be obtained at: <https://www.mass.gov/prequalification-of-horizontal-construction-firms>.

An award will not be made to a Contractor who is not pre-qualified by the Department prior to the opening of proposals.

Proposal documents for official bidders are posted on www.bidx.com. Other interested parties may receive informational Contract Documents containing the Plans and Special Provisions, free of charge. All parties who wish to have access to information plans and specification must send a "Request for Informational Documents" to MassDOTBidDocuments@dot.state.ma.us.

Plans and Contract Documents will be on display and information will be available at the MassDOT Boston Headquarters Office and at each District Office wherein a project is located.

MassDOT, in compliance with Title 49 Code of Federal Regulations Part 211 (Nondiscrimination in Federally-assisted Programs of the Department of Transportation - Effectuation of Title VI of Civil Rights Act of 1964) hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color or national origin in consideration for an award.

MassDOT Highway Division projects are subject to the rules and regulations of the Architectural Access Board (521 CMR 1.00 et. seq.). Prospective bidders and interested parties can access this information and more via the internet at WWW.COMMBUYS.COM.

BY: Monica Tibbitts-Nutt, Secretary and CEO, MassDOT
Jonathan L. Gulliver, Highway Administrator, MassDOT Highway Division
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 2024

LEGAL NOTICES

CITATION ON PETITION FOR FORMAL ADJUDICATION
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Suffolk Probate and Family Court
24 New Charon St. Boston, MA 02114
617-788-8300
Docket No. SJ24AP0914EA

Estate of: **King Seuw Leong**
Also Known as: **King S Leung**
Date of Death: **11/19/2023**

To all interested persons:

A Petition for **Formal Probate of Will with Appointment of Personal Representative** has been filed by **Victoria Leong of Boston, MA** requesting that the Court enter a formal Decree and Order and for such other relief as requested in the Petition.

The Petitioner requests that: **Victoria Leong of Boston, MA** be appointed as Personal Representative(s) of said estate to serve Without Surety on the bond in unsupervised administration.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

You have the right to obtain a copy of the Petition from the Petitioner or at the Court. You have a right to object to this proceeding. To do so, you or your attorney must file a written appearance and objection at this Court before 10:00 a.m. on the return day of 10/02/2024. This is NOT a hearing date, but a deadline by which you must file a written appearance and objection if you object to this proceeding. If you fail to file a timely written appearance and objection followed by an affidavit of objections within thirty (30) days of the return day, action may be taken without further notice to you.

UNSUPERVISED ADMINISTRATION UNDER THE MASSACHUSETTS UNIFORM PROBATE CODE (MUPC)
A Personal Representative appointed under the MUPC in an unsupervised administration is not required to file an inventory or annual accounts with the Court. Persons interested in the estate are entitled to notice regarding the administration directly from the Personal Representative and may petition the Court in any matter relating to the estate, including the distribution of assets and expenses of administration.

WITNESS, Hon. Brian J. Dunn, First Justice of this Court.
Date: August 28, 2024
Stephanie L. Everett, Esq., Register of Probate

CITATION
G.L.C. 210, §6
Commonwealth of Massachusetts
The Trial Court
Worcester Probate and Family Court
225 Main Street, Worcester, MA 01608
(508)831-2200
Docket No. W024A0371AD

In the matter of: **Jaafar Phoenix Brayak**
To: **Badr Brayak**

any unnamed or unknown parent and persons interested in a petition for the adoption of said child and to the Department of Children and Families of said Commonwealth.

A petition has been presented to said courts by: **Danielle Aoumeur of Leominster, MA**
Habib Aoumeur of Leominster, MA

Requesting for leave to adopt said child, and that the name of the child be changed to **Jaafar Phoenix Brayak-Aoumeur**

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT: **Worcester**
ON OR BEFORE TEN-O-CLOCK IN THE MORNING (10:00 AM) ON: **11/26/2024**

Order of Notice
It is ordered that notice of said proceeding be given by mailing to the Department of Children and Families and by delivering in hand and if in hand, service cannot be accomplished, then by mailing by certified mail, return receipt requested, a copy of the foregoing citations to said persons two months at least before said return date, and if service is made by mail, unless it shall appear that all persons interested have received actual notice, by publishing a copy thereof in newspaper of general circulation in Winthrop, Massachusetts, publication to be once in each of three consecutive weeks, the last publication to be seven (7) days at least before said return day.

Witness, Hon. Lillah A. Keamy, First Justice of this Court.
Date: September 4, 2024
Stephanie K. Fattman, Register of Probate

CITY OF MELROSE: REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR OWNER'S PROJECT MANAGER
The City of Melrose requests qualifications for Owner's Project Management Services for the design & construction of a new 27,000sf Police Station and new 24,000sf Fire Station. The RFQ is available from the Planning Office, Melrose City Hall, 562 Main Street, Melrose and deafayee@cityofmelrose.org. Submissions will be accepted until October 8, 2024 at 2:00 PM.

MASSACHUSETTSBAY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY
10 PARK PLAZA
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02116
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Electronic proposals for the following project will be received through the internet using Project Bids until the date and time stated below, and will be posted on www.bidx.com forthwith after the bid submission deadline. No paper copies of bids will be accepted. Bidders must have a valid digital ID issued by the Authority in order to bid on projects. Bidders need to apply for a digital ID with Project Bids at least 14 days prior to a scheduled bid opening date.

Electronic bids for MBTA Contract No. N03CN02, HINGHAM FERRY DOCK MODIFICATION in Hingham MA, Class 1A-Marine General Transit Construction Valued at \$12 Million and project value of \$12,671,019, can be submitted at www.bidx.com until two o'clock (2:00 p.m.) on October 31, 2024. Immediately thereafter, in a designated room, the Bids will be opened and read publicly.

Work consists of: The work includes demolishing the existing steel barge, fabricating and installation of a new series of steel barges, installation of aluminum bridges, platforms/decking and pedestrian access routes. Installation of timber piles with concrete deck platforms. Work also includes the construction of foundation pad for the emergency generator, as well as routing the necessary utilities from the generator to the Ferry Dock

Bidders' attention is directed to Appendix 1, Notice of Requirement for Affirmative Action to Insure Equal Employment Opportunity, and to Appendix 2, Supplemental Equal Employment Opportunity, Anti-Discrimination, and Affirmative Action Program in the specifications. In addition, pursuant to the requirements of Appendix 3, Disadvantaged Business Enterprise (DBE) Participation Provision, Bidders must submit an assurance with their Bids that they will make sufficient and reasonable efforts to meet the stated DBE goal of 22 percent.

To view the full Notice to Bidders, please see link below.
http://bc.mbta.com/business_center/bidding_solicitations/current_solicitations/.

Philip Eng
General Manager & CEO of the MBTA
September 18, 2024

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT Docket Number: 24 SM 803314 Date Filed: 09/16/2024 ORDER OF NOTICE
TO: **William F. Mason and Marie J. Barysky a/k/a Marie J. Mason** and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq) **Metropolitan Life Insurance Company** claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in **Wilmington, 2 Virginia Road**, given by **William F. Mason and Marie J. Barysky a/k/a Marie J. Mason** to Household Finance Corporation II, dated June 13, 2006, and recorded or filed in the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 20213, Page 93, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status. If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at **Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108** on or before **10/28/2024** or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.
Witness, Gordon H. Piper, Chief Justice of this Court on 09/16/2024. Attest: Deborah J. Patterson, Recorder.

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Mass. jobless rate climbs as more search for work

By Larry Edelman
GLOBE COLUMNIST

When it comes to the Massachusetts job market, the song remains the same.

Unemployment in the state rose last month, as it has since April, while an influx of new job seekers expanded the pool of available workers, according to a US Labor Department report released Friday. Employers added 1,300 jobs, after shedding 4,100 jobs in July.

The jobless rate rose to 3.7 percent, up two-tenths of a percentage point from the previous month. As is usually the case, unemployment here is lower than the national average, which was 4.2 percent in August.

State jobs data are prone to significant revisions, so it helps to look back over a longer period to get a clearer picture of the trends.

What we see is that in Massachusetts, like the rest of the country, the unemployment rate is being boosted not by a pick-up in layoffs, but by an increase in the number of people looking for work.

This is a mix of new entrants — high school and college graduates, for example — and folks who have decided they want a paycheck. Some people may have run through their savings from the government's COVID relief checks, while in two-adult households, one person may be returning to boost the family's income after a sharp rise in consumer prices.

This broadening of the work force can be good news if there's enough demand from employers. But hiring has slowed over the past year as employers turn more cautious in the face of a cooling economy and political uncertainty.

The state's labor force has grown by 78,500 people this year, bringing the participation rate — the percentage of residents with a job or looking for one — to the highest level since January 2020. But only about a third of the increase is from new hires, leaving the unemployment rate at its highest since October 2022.

Larry Edelman can be reached at larry.edelman@globe.com.

FTC says benefit managers inflated insulin prices

The Federal Trade Commission said Friday that it had taken legal action against the three largest pharmacy benefit managers, accusing the drug middlemen of inflating insulin prices and steering patients toward higher-cost insulin products to increase their profits.

The legal action targets CVS Health's Caremark, Cigna's Express Scripts, and UnitedHealth's Optum Rx and subsidiaries they've created to handle drug negotiations, agency officials said. The three collectively control 80 percent of prescriptions in the United States. Hired by employers and government health insurance programs like Medicare, pharmacy benefit managers, or PBMs, are responsible for negotiating prices with drugmakers, paying pharmacies, and helping decide which drugs are available and at what cost to patients.

Agency officials said they had filed an administrative complaint, which is not yet public, that accuses the PBMs of distorting competition and harming consumers. The agency is seeking to prohibit the benefit managers from favoring medicines because those drugs make them more money.

The agency's five commissioners voted on the action, with the three Democratic appointees favoring it and the two Republicans recusing themselves.

Rahul Rao, an FTC official, said in a news release Friday that the largest PBMs "have extracted millions of dollars off the backs of patients who need lifesaving medications."

He said the agency's legal action "seeks to put an end to the big three PBMs' exploitative conduct and marks an important step in fixing a broken system — a fix that could ripple beyond the insulin market and restore healthy competition to drive down drug prices for consumers."

The benefit managers denied the FTC's accusations.

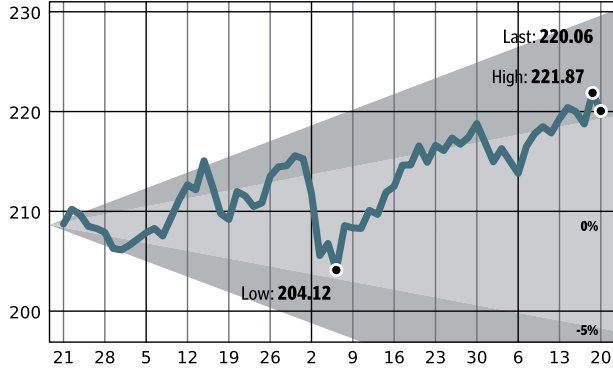
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Vertex Pharmaceuticals Inc (VRTX)	464.92	-12.98	-2.7	120.0
Analog Devices Inc (ADI)	226.78	-6.67	-2.9	112.6
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GE Vernova Inc (GEV)	245.46	+1.01	+0.4	67.5
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Alnylam Pharmaceuticals Inc (ALNY)	273.88	-2.45	-0.9	35.2
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Biogen Inc (BIIB)	199.36	-2.08	-1.0	29.0
HubSpot Inc (HUBS)	526.88	-3.23	-0.6	27.1
Verato Corp (VLTQ)	109.47	+0.00	+0.0	27.1
State Street Corp (STT)	88.50	-0.81	-0.9	26.4
Moderna Inc (MRNA)	65.69	-2.33	-3.4	25.3
Eversource Energy (ES)	67.14	-0.06	-0.1	24.0
PTC Inc (PTC)	175.90	-3.23	-1.8	21.1
Teradyne Inc (TER)	128.95	-4.87	-3.6	21.0
Waters Corp (WAT)	336.56	-1.89	-0.6	20.0
DraftKings Inc (DKNG)	39.28	+0.01	+0.0	19.1
Hologic Inc (HOLX)	81.39	-1.01	-1.2	18.9
Entegris Inc (ENTG)	110.64	-4.72	-4.1	16.7
Toast Inc (TOST)	27.71	+0.75	+2.8	15.6
Symiotic Inc (SYM)	25.17	+0.17	+0.7	14.8
Sarepta Therapeutics Inc (SRPT)	127.21	+0.11	+0.1	12.1

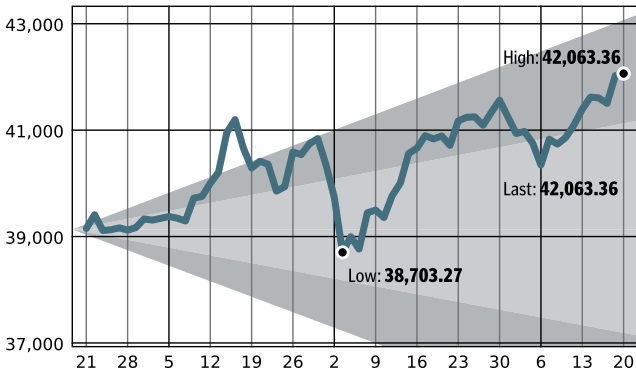
Markets

Quiet ending to a record week

NEW YORK — A record-setting week for Wall Street closed on a quieter note Friday, as US stocks drifted around the highs they hit during a worldwide rally the day before. The S&P 500 slipped 0.2% from its record, and the Nasdaq composite fell 0.4%. The Dow Jones Industrial Average, meanwhile, added 38 points, or 0.1%, to its all-time high. Homebuilder Lennar fell 5.3% after delivering a mixed earnings report. Its profit for the latest quarter topped expectations. But it also said it made less in profit on each \$100 of home sales, and it expects that margin to stay flat in the current quarter. Conditions may be set to improve for homebuilders, though. The Federal Reserve earlier this week cut its main interest rate for the first time in more than four years, with more likely to come. That could make mortgages more affordable for home buyers. The cut closed the door on a run where the Fed kept its main interest rate at a two-decade high in hopes of slowing the economy enough to stamp out high inflation. Now that inflation has fallen from its peak two summers ago, Chair Jerome Powell said the Fed can focus more on keeping the job market solid and the economy out of a recession.

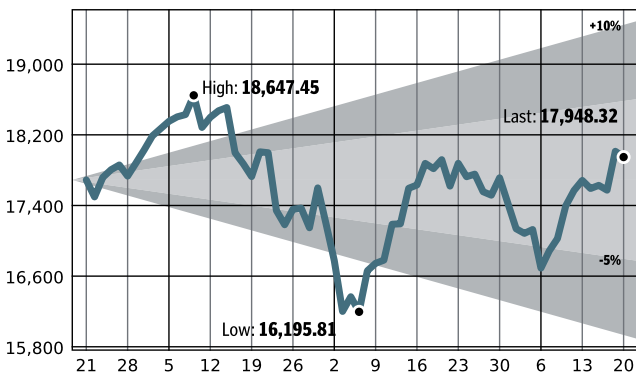
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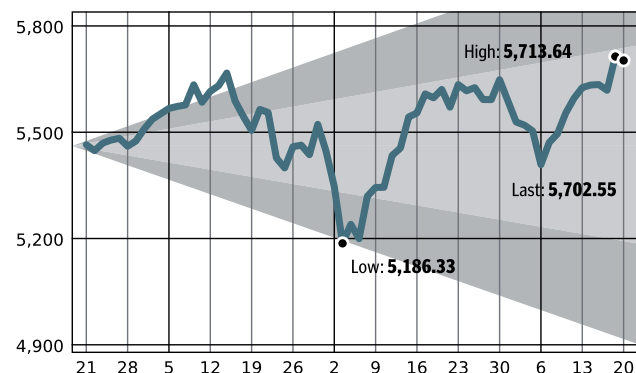
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SOURCE: Bloomberg News