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Boston Globe "Off the Page" Olympics Forum

Boston Globe "Off the Page" about Boston 2024 with Chris Dempsey and Juliette Kayyem



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Lot of empty seats here at the [@BostonGlobe](#) event. Why not let people without tickets in? Same exclusivity as Boston 2024 [#NoBoston2024](#)

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They are reading tweets right now. This is like CNN.

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.@juliettekayem talks about how great the Boston 2024 vision is. Then why not involve the public? #NoBoston2024 #NoBostonOlympics

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"Do we really think that any insurance company would insure that?" ~moderator to @juliettekayem #NoBostonOlympics

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.@juliettekayem doesn't want to answer the question about a "no public funds" ballot question bc of course she doesn't. #NoBoston2024

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Chris Dempsey of @NoBosOlympics asks @juliettekayem about making the bids transparent. She's talking but still hasn't answered.

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Boston doesn't need an Olympics to show its global standing. [#NoBostonOlympics](#)

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JK mixed up Buckingham Palace and Windsor Castle.

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"Now that's great if you're in the bulldozer business." Great quote from Chris Demosey if [@NoBosOlympics](#) [#NoBostonOlympics](#)

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Chris Dempsey gets [@juliettekayem](#) to admit that she hasn't even read the bid. [#NoBostonOlympics](#)

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"Releasing the bid publically starts that conversation." ~ Chris Dempsey [#NoBostonOlympics](#)

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Chris Dempsey emphasizing that [@Boston2024](#) has had an entire year to hold public meetings and they haven't held ONE. [#olympicsforum](#)

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"Boston 2024 told the public that there would be public meetings. Those meetings haven't materialized." -Chris Dempsey #olympicsforum



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By rough estimate, there are about 100 empty seats, if not more. Why not let nonticketholders in?



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Why do so many of our electeds support the Olympics? Because they live getting cash from big developers



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Great audience q brings up when Boston hosted DNC: streets closed and lost business
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"could build an Olympic village every year from now until 2030 and still not meet the mayor's housing goals." [#olympicsforum](#) [#NoBoston2024](#)

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[@JonathanCohn](#) I think there was an issue w/that in London-ppl actually stayed away bc of the Olympics & business went down significantly.

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IOC cares about pageantry and ratings, not the people of Boston or Massachusetts.
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