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We Cherish Your Questions So Much That We Will Never Answer Them

Mayor John Fish's Second Olympic Community Meeting (Condon School, South Boston)

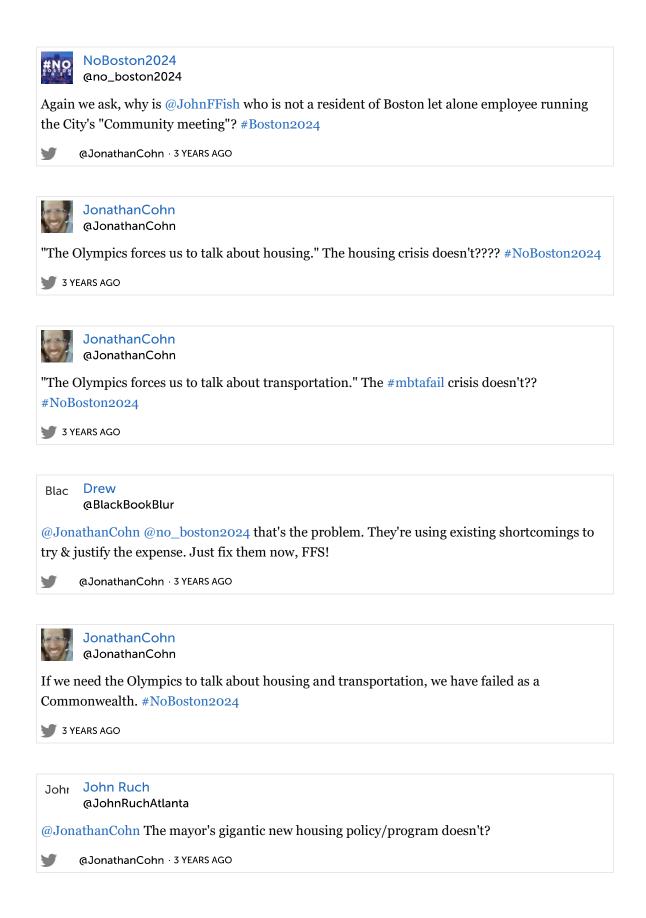
The Olympics are a uniting event! Peace, love, & shooting events on Long Island!!!11!	Everything you see is proof of concept, so you have nothing to worry about (even though you have no idea what that term means)!	Boston is a hub of innovation, which is great because we can develop the "rapidly advancing technology" to move the temporary structures!	Moving forward but not on the MBTA because it can't handle snow, let alone Olympic-sized crowds.	Boston will now be part of the Olympic legacy you know, the one where cities that host lose billions of doilars & destroy communities & infrastructure?
Don't you just love the transformative power of sports? But why then are there Boston Public Schools without a gym?	Whoa! After the bid was announced, there were 85 million tweets about Boston (which apparently matters)!	"Socialize the message" is a confusing phrase for "selling our message to the masses." Don't be fooled.	Stop trying to make "Midtown" happen. It's not going to happen.	Paralympics: hosted in a city still not in compliance with the 25 yr old Americans With Disabilities Act!
The main structures will be temporary,though the technology to build them doesn't exist & we don't know where the money to move the structures will come from!	We're so excited to host a walkable Games, with events in Springfield, Lowell, & New York City!	FREE SPACE	The Go Boston 2030 campaign is fully funded by the Barr Foundation, whose co-founder & family are major Boston 2024 donors. Whose Boston is this, anyway?	Get ready for the GREENEST Games ever! Sure, our carbon footprint will skyrocket while our outdoor spaces are filled with concrete. It'll totally be fine!
Wouldn't you love to see beach volleyball on Boston Common, a historic landmark 2.5 miles inland from the actual beach?	There will be NO tax payer money used to fund the Games (But don't ask us how we'll raise the billions of dollars needed). Maybe we'll have a bake sale!	The plans will provide workforce housing, because it's totally acceptable to reduce families & communities to a "workforce!"	Let's show the world that Boston is World-Class City (or will be, after we let our architect build it from scratch)!	Suffolk Construction definitely has no conflict of interest with John Fish heading Boston 2024. Nope, nothing to see here.
Sure, Dorchester Ave keeps the city vibrant & working but making it Olympic Boulevard shows what's truly important!	"Impactful" is a word that you maybe thought Boston 2024 made up, but actually exists.	"In order to remain a global leader, we must be aspirational." Aspire to leave Boston for three weeks in 2024, then!	Boston 2024 will create opportunity but not for residents or people who need it.	"We promise full transparency through this entire process, even though we still haven't released an unredacted version of the bid!."

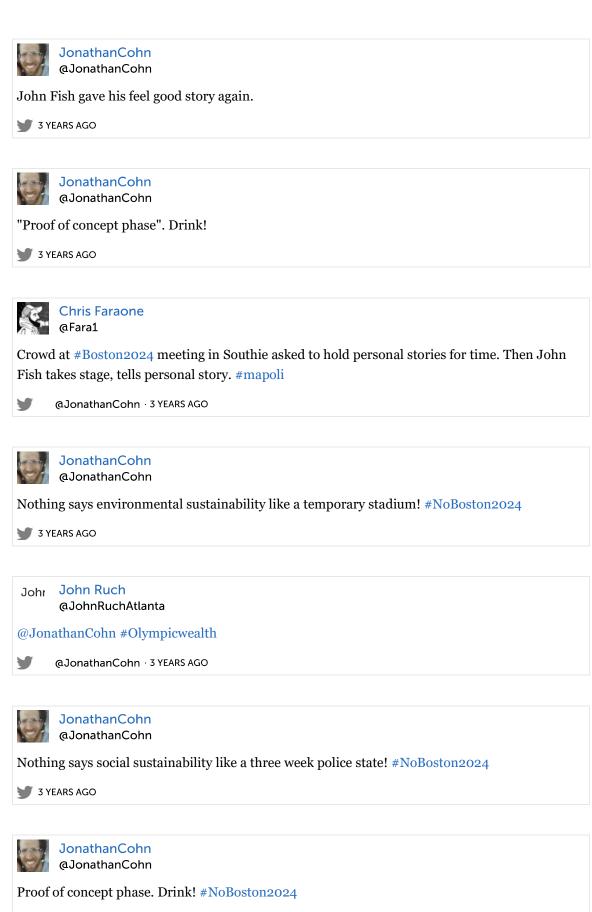
Mayor John Fish is leading the meeting again. #NoBoston2024

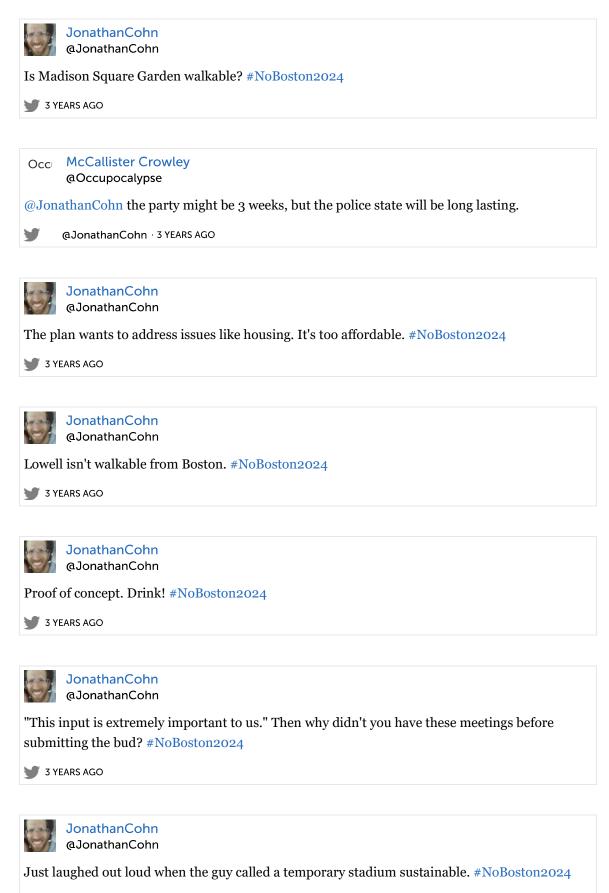
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Where's Marty? #NoBoston2024









#Boston2024's shift in msgng on transit over last 6 months is stunning. Was "Games will spur new invst". Now "existing MBTA works fine."

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A temporary stadium is unsustainable because of the resources it takes to build and relocate. #NoBoston2024

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Guy says they just want to "unlock the possibility" of Widett Circle. Give me a f*cking break. #NoBoston2024

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"Esoteric sports like fencing." #Boston2024

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Still don't see a Marty. #NoBoston2024

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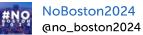


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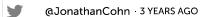
Deputy Mayor Rich Davey talking now. #NoBoston2024

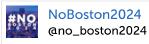


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Square 8: "no taxpayer money" #Boston2024 pic.twitter.com/VywZ9BijiG					
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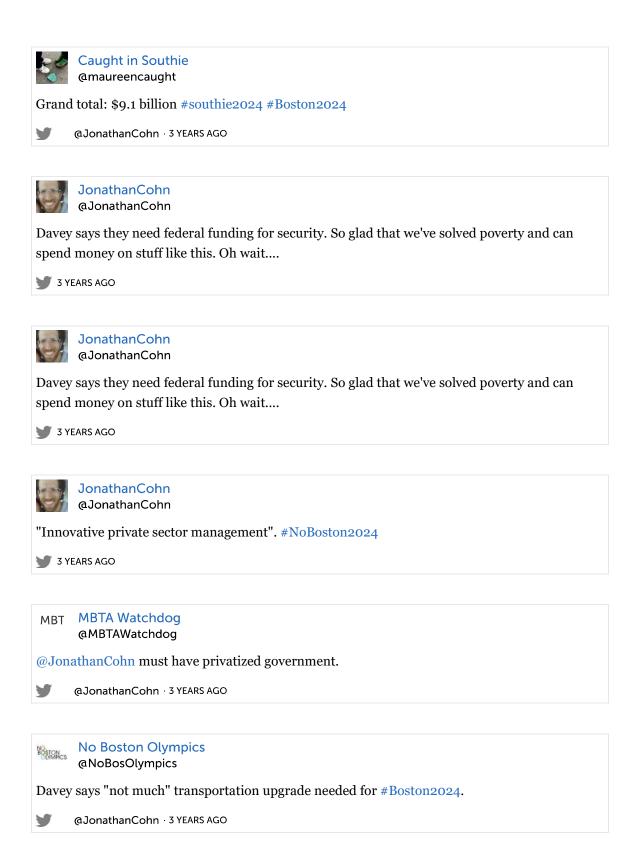
@britnidlc except the additional \$4.4billion casually mentioned last night.





Yes somehow they claim no public funds? RT @britnidlc: "We need federal funds for security." #Boston2024

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Did Richard Davey just say Boston got the **#Boston2024** bid because of the Big Dig? Oh yes he did. Welcome to La La Land. **#NoBostonOlympics**

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#MartyWatch Still not here. City meeting still run by private group. #NoBoston2024

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Heather @pemiblue

#Boston2024 said they spoke w/a rep for Widett C & the land would be developed w/ or w/o
#Olympics Q: who will own the land after the games?

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Eric Wilbur @GlobeEricWilbur

Delusion is a hell of a drug. RT @NoBosOlympics: Davey says "not much" transportation upgrade needed for #Boston2024.

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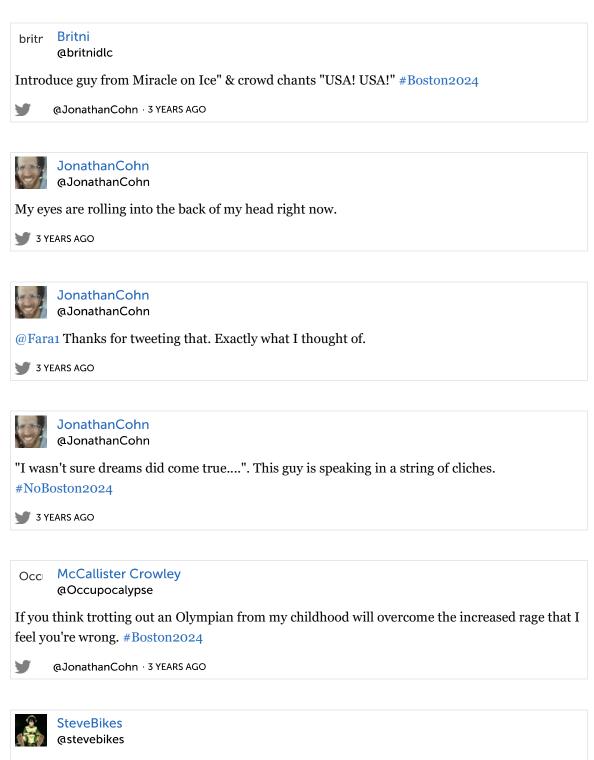
Chris Faraone @Fara1

As Richard Davey tells selective history of Olympics, read feature on broken promises from Atlanta ... ow.ly/JC5Ur #Boston2024





"To compete in front of our fans". People won't be able to afford tickets and will watch from home. #NoBoston2024



People chanting USA. How can we be against the Olympics now? Not just Boston's bid, it's America's bid. etc. #Boston2024 #southie2024

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Emily Hopkins @genderpizza

All this talk about the importance of sports makes me think we should invest in some youth athletic programs. is that the point? **#Boston2024**

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Chris Faraone @Fara1

No personal stories for people in the crowd. Just for those on stage. #Boston2024 #mapoli #NoBostonOlympics

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There can be miracles.. When you believe...though hope is frail...it's hard to kill...who knows what mi-ra-cles.....

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Even if you believe **#Boston2024**'s **#**s, Atlanta Games were "cash flow positive" by less than 1/2 of 1%. Yikes. (\$10M/\$2B+)

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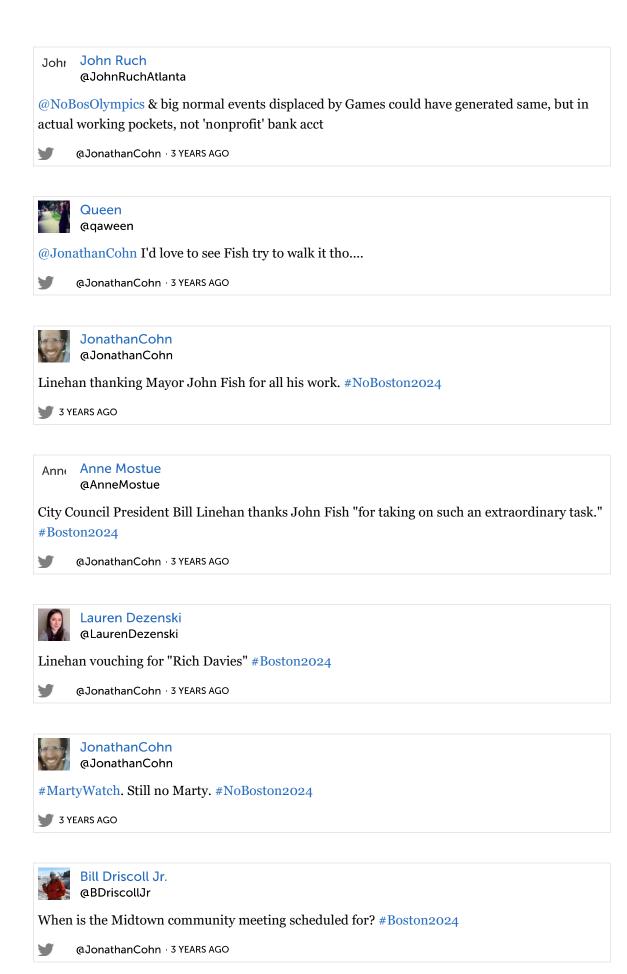
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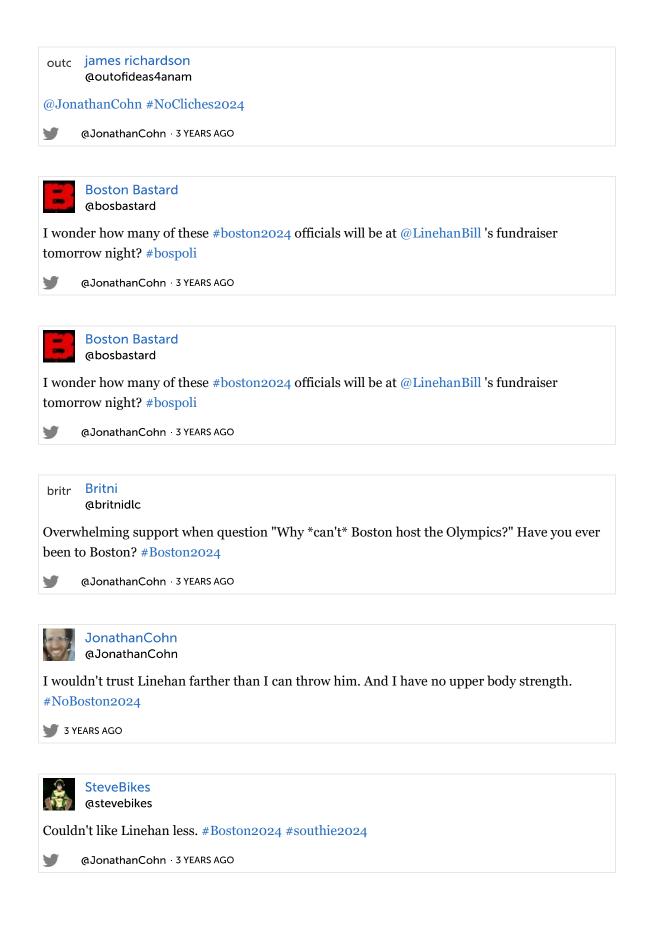
During DNC they checked every bag on T, police w/assault weapons on trains & no access to N. Station. Imagine Olympic security #NoBoston2024





.@Occupocalypse It's manipulative and insulting.







This is our responsibility now? "@AnneMostue: Bill Linehan on #Boston2024 To audience: "We need you to ask the right questions.""

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Linehan talks about the "due diligence" program for the Olympic subcommittee. He put himself in charge. Of course.

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The City Council president himself indicates that these meetings are to shape the bid, not hear dissent. #Boston2024 twitter.com/adamtvaccaro/s...

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.@britnidlc @AnneMostue Remember how City Council didn't even touch this issue when the bid was being developed? #NoBoston2024

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Why should I trust Linehan when City Council did not discuss the Olympics at all before the bid was submitted? #NoBoston2024

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"Those eliminate 15,000 housing units we worked on for years." Guy talking about media centers and parking lots in bid. #NoBoston2024

Anne Mostue @AnneMostue

Resident says Fort Point has been developing without schools, libraries, asks what legacy post-Olympics would be re: public land. #Boston2024

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Guy talks about the plan Fort Point already developed. Mayor Fish acts as though said planning never happened. Disrespect. #NoBoston2024

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Una Spenser @UnaSpenser

MT @britnidlc: hostile crowd to first community question challenging bid about housing, schools, etc. yelled at him to hurry up. #Boston2024



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All due respect, it sounds like you're both interested in hearing only one side. @repnickcollins @LinehanBill #Boston2024 #NoBoston2024

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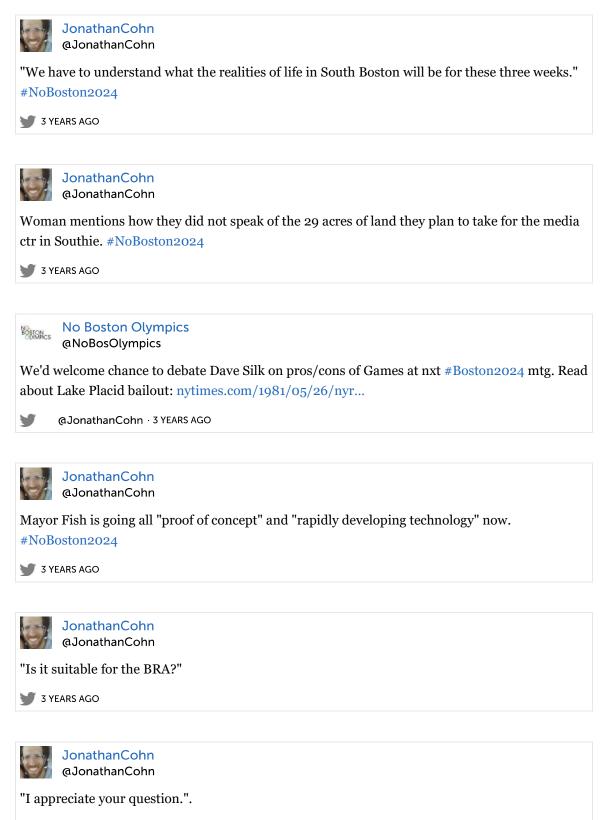
Woman didn't ask a question. She just blathered about how great #Boston2024 is.

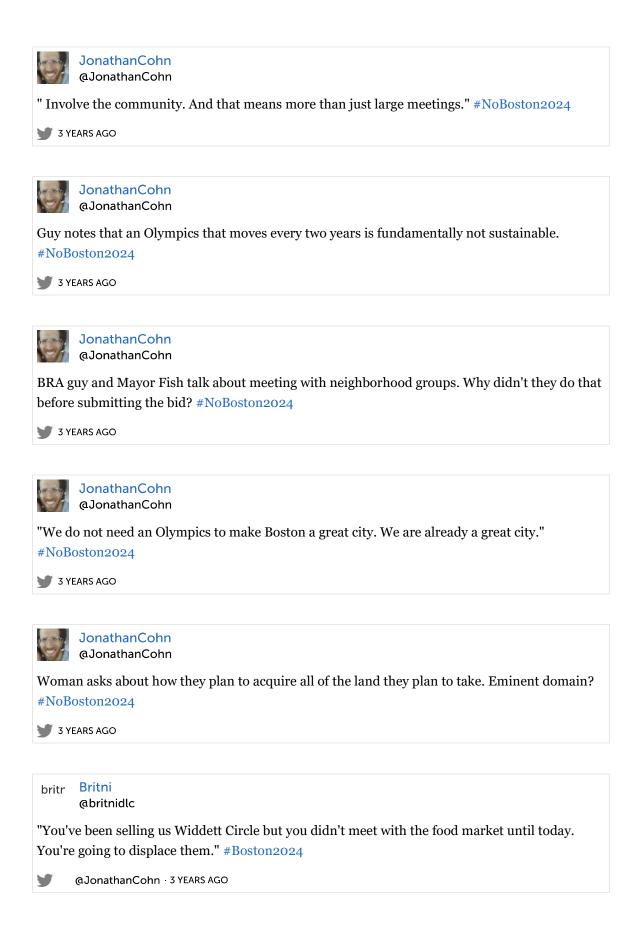


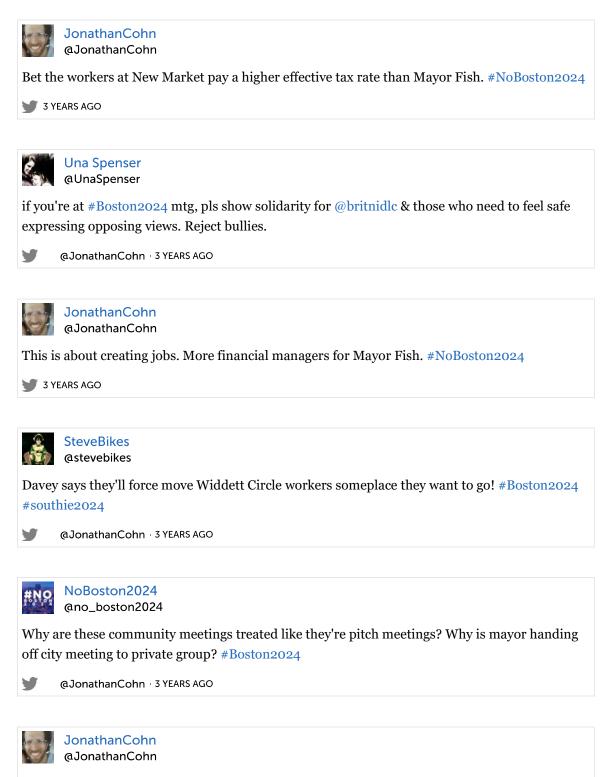


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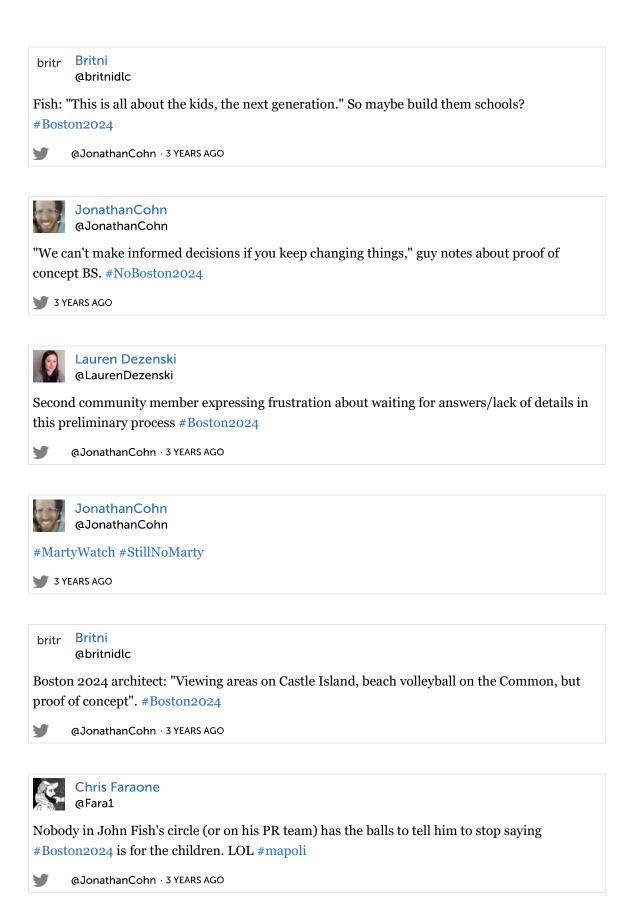
First guy asked about what's going to happen to the city land used after the Olympics. Mayor Fish ignores that part. #NoBoston2024

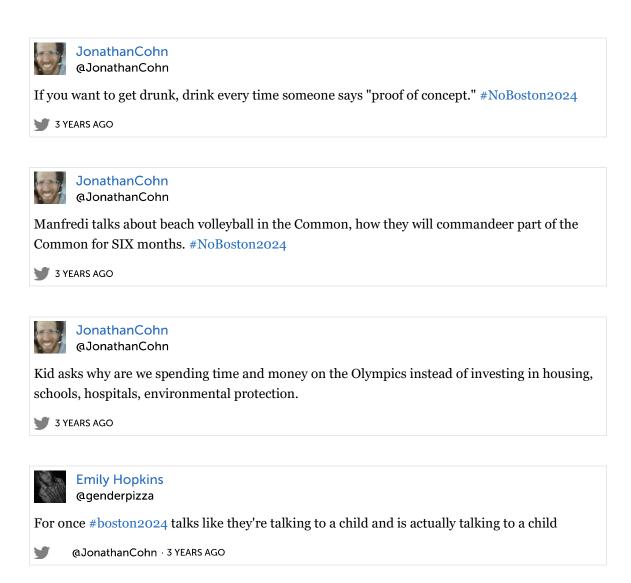






Whenever Mayor Fish talks about his commitment to the inner city, I wonder how much he and Suffolk are evading their taxes. #NoBoston2024







Little boy: "imagine generation after generation asking why did they host the olympics...(1/2) #Boston2024 pic.twitter.com/ziE76t9hyO

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Youngest resident to speak at #Boston2024 so far: pic.twitter.com/AQKOStSwzN

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First mention of the Big Dig. Notes how the rhetoric is eerily familiar. #NoBoston2024

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Chris Faraone @Fara1

It's a good thing this is all spectacle and the #Boston2024 people don't actually have to sell their idea. Because they suck at it.





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Guy notes that the Olympics is a vanity program. #NoBoston2024

Anne Mostue @AnneMostue

Resident says the Olympics "is a vanity project," compares it to Big Dig, wants to spend more money on schools. #Boston2024

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Una Spenser @UnaSpenser

RT @britnidle: Child asks why we're spending money on Olympics instead of the environment & school. He gets huge applause. #Boston2024





Davey admits he managed the Big Dig for three years. Why should we tryst him?

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"We're spending money on things we don't need instead of spending money on what we do need." #NoBoston2024





Noah @ciakraa

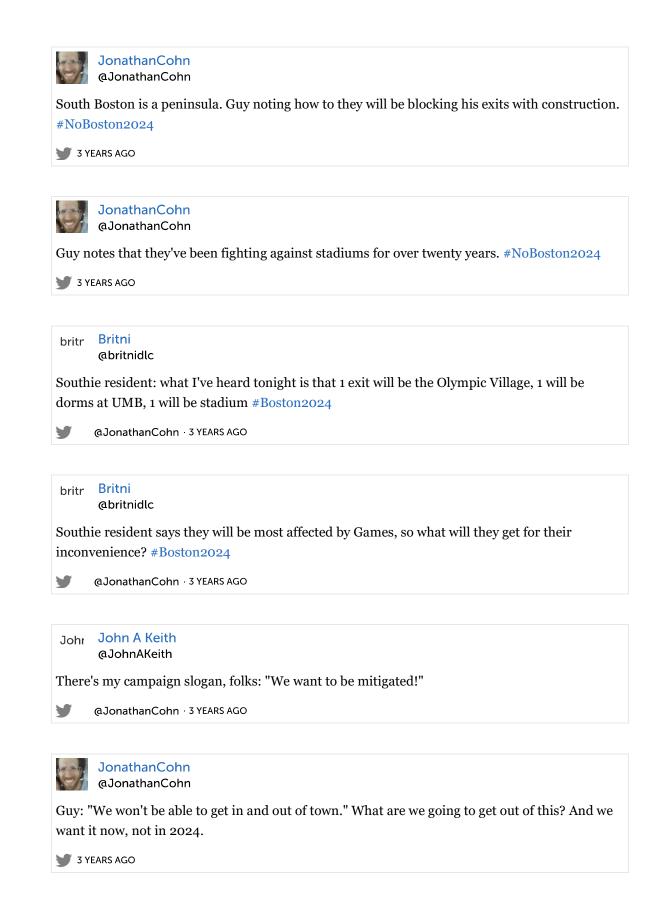
#Boston2024 would be like that episode of Seinfeld where the marathoner oversleeps, except here he'd miss the race cause of a 45min T delay





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Lot of rude people who shout at opponents when they ask follow-up questions.





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where is facilitation addressing this? RT @JonathanCohn: Lot of rude people who shout at opponents when they ask follow-up questions.

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Heather @pemiblue

By what laws of physics can fuel & \$ be used to build, tear down, move, & rebuild temp structures, then unused, & CO2 recaptured #Boston2024

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Southie man who's been trying to get DCR to change four feet of parking space wondering how #Boston2024 will get their attention.

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Guy gets up to bring up Olympics being hubs for sex trafficking. Crowd booing him. #Boston2024

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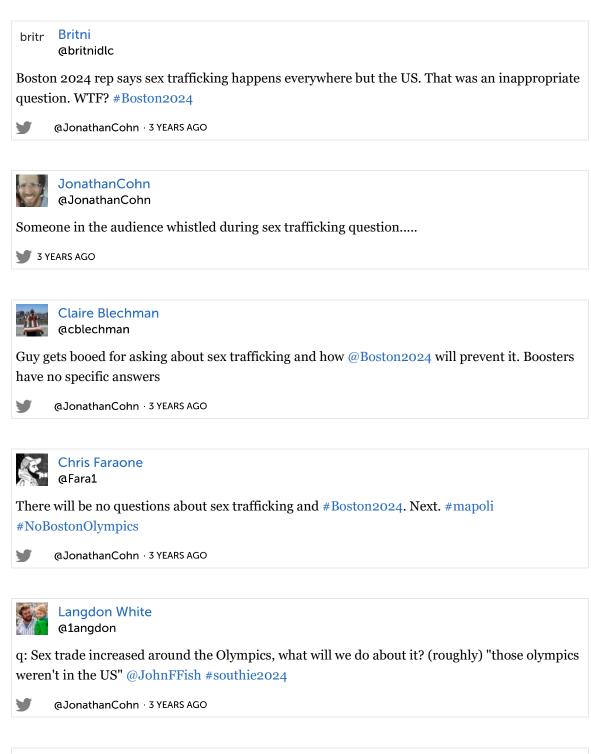
Man from Cambridge asking about uptick in sex trafficking around Olympic games. Some in crowd laughing/booing as he doesn't immed ask Q.

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Johr John A Keith @JohnAKeith

I didn't have "sex trafficking" on my #Boston2024 bingo card

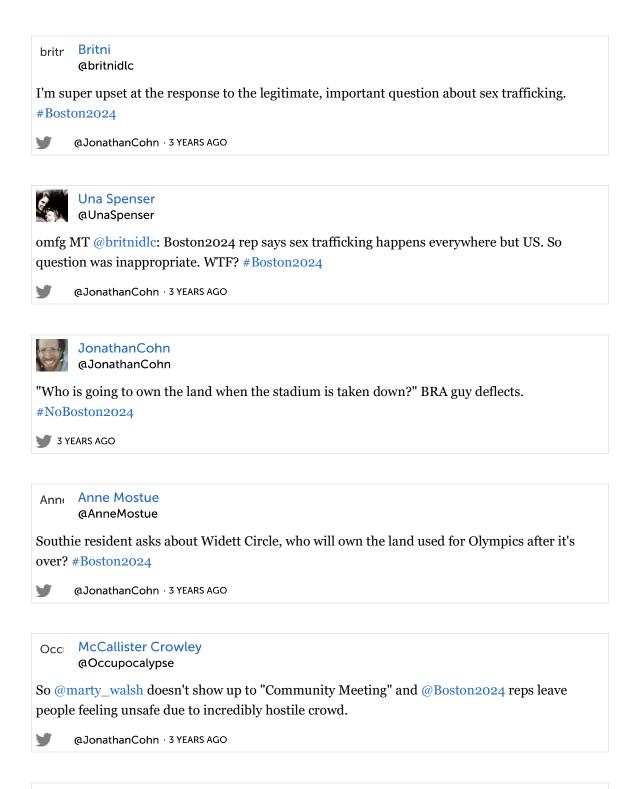
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Johr John Ruch @JohnRuchAtlanta

@AnneMostue Fraud is a major Olympics crime issue, Scotland Yard had to create special unit (for how much I wonder) content.met.police.uk/Article/Operat...

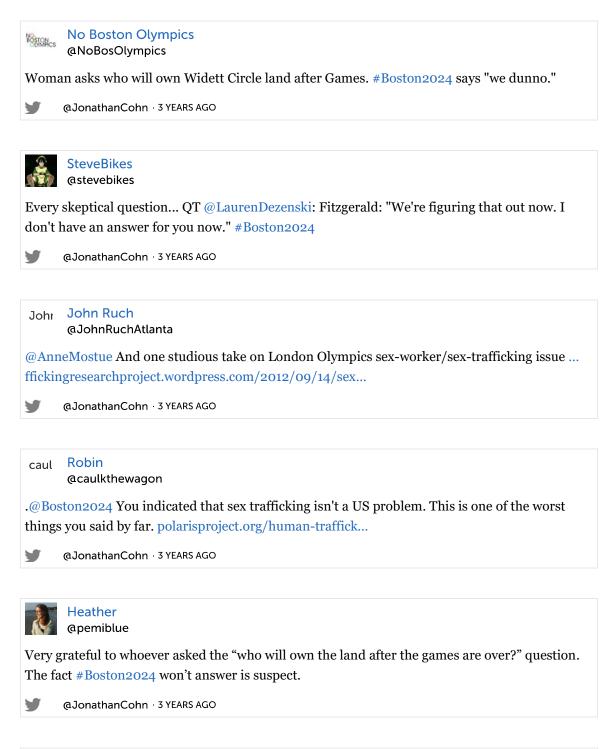
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Theme of the night: resident asks a question, @Boston2024 says they don't know the answer. #Boston2024

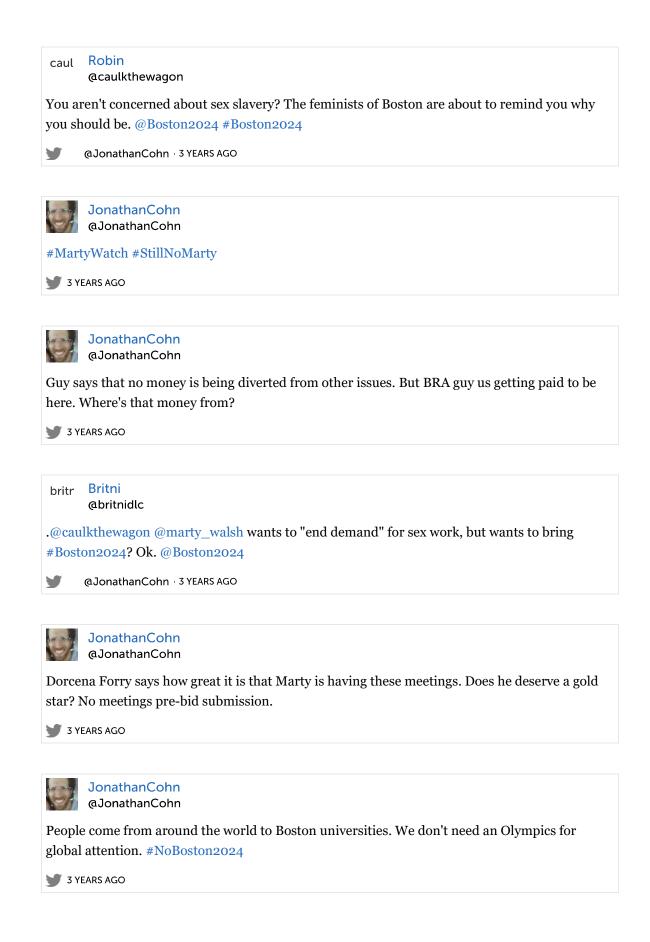
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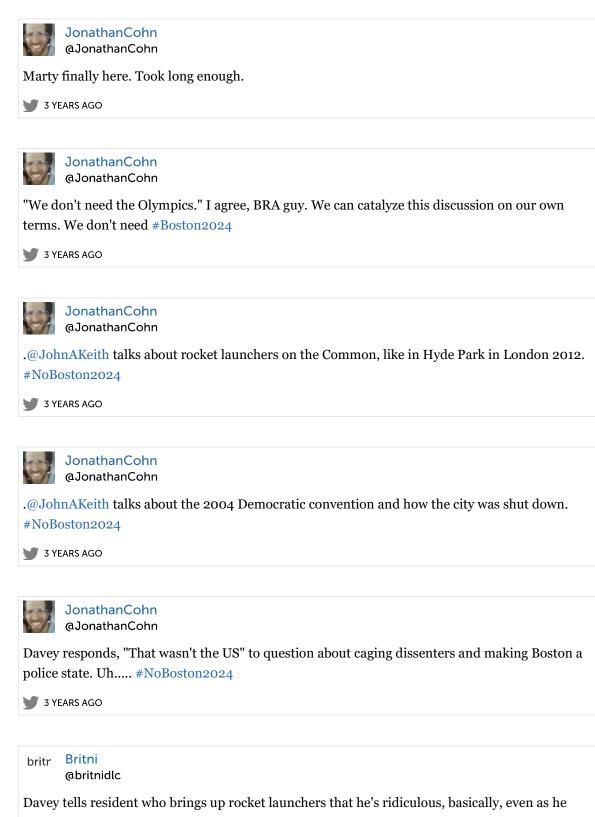




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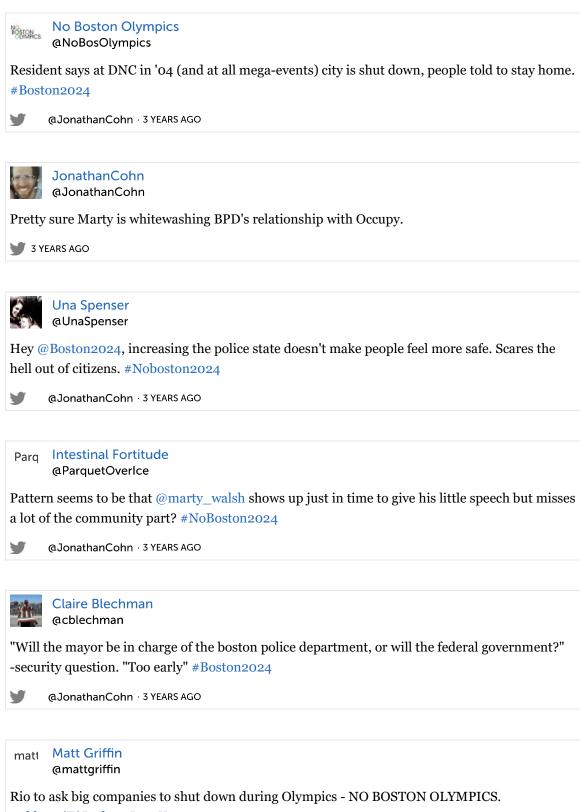
Think of all the better uses for a community meeting if we didn't have an Olympics looming over us. #NoBoston2024





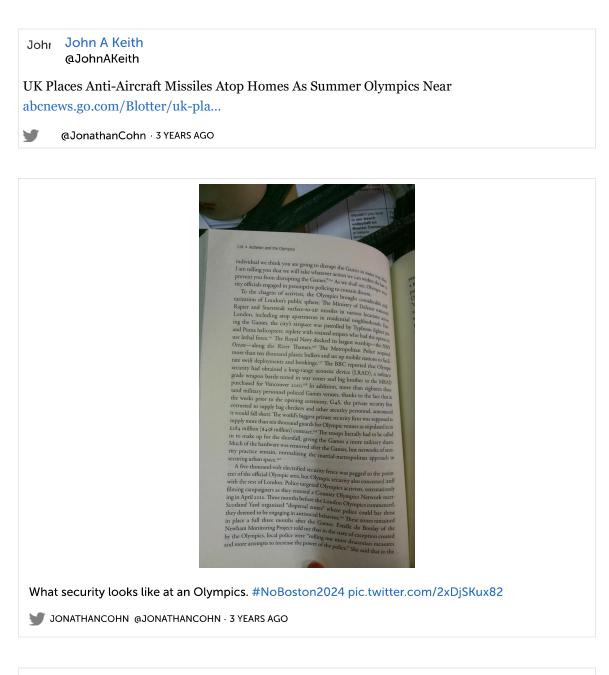
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Does @marty_walsh really think that talking about security checkpoints and perimeters is something that will go over well? #Boston2024

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#Boston2024 Why are these meetings not being broadcast on the Boston Channel?

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.@britnidlc Biden at Kennedy School for 2 hrs & 6 snipers nested outside conference room, spooling my lunch. So yeah, #Boston2024 no biggie!

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Thef Pancake Witch @TheRealKeori

.@marty_walsh I live here, shouldn't have to go through militarized guards, "security checkpoints" to walk around my own city. #NoBoston2024

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Cost of Olympics is three times budget of Boston for one year, four times MBTA budget, notes questioner. #NoBoston2024

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DHS will probably shut down at the end of the week. Maybe we that's a sign about getting federal money for security, **#Boston2024**.

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Anne Mostue @AnneMostue

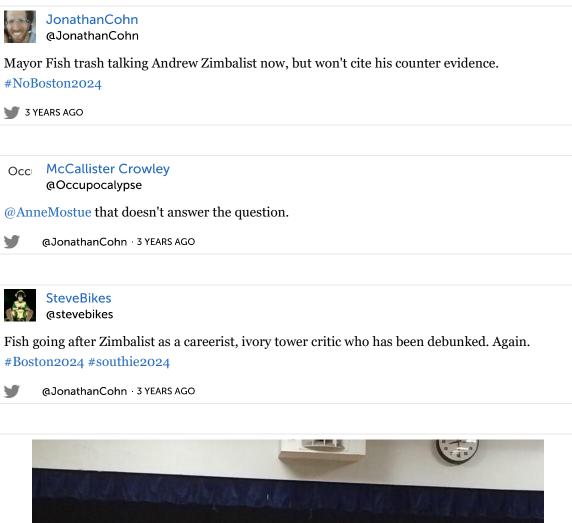
Resident asks if you go over budget, who will pay? Davey: Fed gov takes security, we will raise money, work w colleges.#Boston2024

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Parq Intestinal Fortitude @ParquetOverIce

@NotifyBoston @marty_walsh RT @marialyonsdot: #Boston2024 Why are these meetings not being broadcast on the Boston Channel?

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#whitemendoingitforthemselves #Boston2024 pic.twitter.com/kB1ifa1QaS BRITNI @BRITNIDLC @JonathanCohn ··· 3 YEARS AGO Car(Mom needs coffee @CarCarll

Please ask Mayor whether he will put Boston's needs before IOC's & refuse to sign #Boston2024 guarantees. Like they did in LA @Olympics.

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Mayor Fish says people never talk about Agenda 2020. Uh... You guys always do. #NoBoston2024

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Heather @pemiblue

MT @sethkroll: #IOC requires cities to back bids, Boston cd potentially pay 3x annual budget for #Boston2024 overruns bostonglobe.com/metro/2015/02/...

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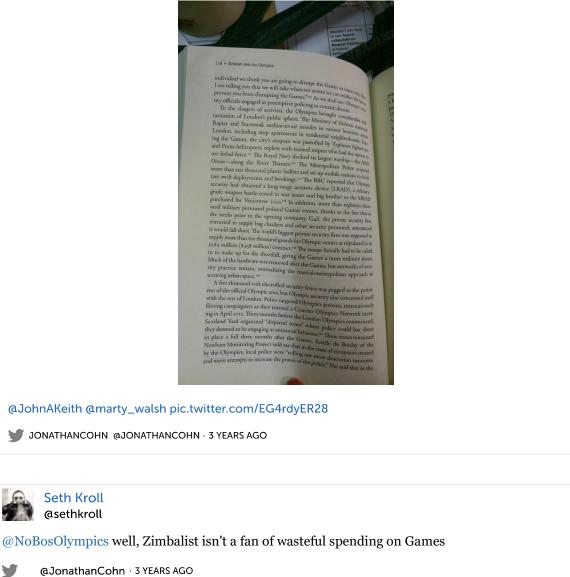
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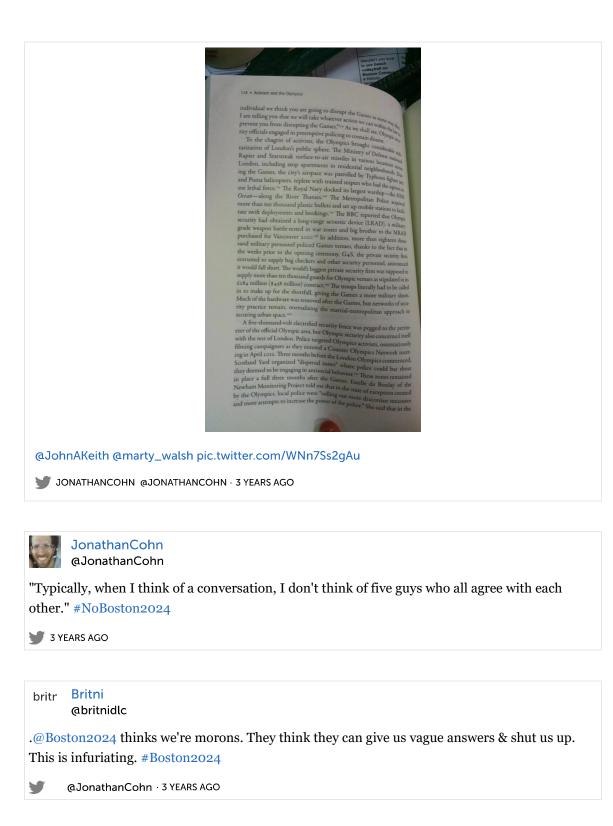
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Does @Boston2024 have academic economists they prefer to Zimbalist? Which ones? #Boston2024

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Why did @marty_walsh sign these documents in the first place if they are so bad? Why should we trust his judgment. #NoBoston2024

.@` .@Yes_Boston2024 says women concerned about tone of public meeting should "grow up." Nice. pic.twitter.com/smJCUPlSwz JOEL FLEMING @JFLEMING2870 @JonathanCohn · · 3 YEARS AGO Mass Sierra Club ٩ @MassSierraClub Oh, I can't wait to see what they say!! #Boston City Employees Now All Clear to Make Fun of Olympics fw.to/oed1J9G @JonathanCohn 3 YEARS AGO JonathanCohn @JonathanCohn Do you know what's still not public? The unredacted bid book. #NoBoston2024 💓 3 YEARS AGO Linda Dorcena Forry @ldforry @JohnAKeith @LaurenDezenski I'm honestly neutral. However, the fact @Boston2024 has switched on amt State \$\$ needed is concerning.

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matt Matt Griffin @mattgriffin

What incentive does the IOC have to stick to #Boston2024's budget? What guarantees?

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.@marty_walsh backtracking on prior oppo to referendum. Why do we have to always wait a few months for him to get to the right opinion?



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This is the first I've seen #Boston2024 acknowledge in any of these meetings that tweaks will be made to bid after submitting in Sept.

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Anne Mostue @AnneMostue

Dorchester resident says university has master plan for development, complains of no democracy in this bid process. **#Boston2024**

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Note that a lot of the audience here works for Fish.

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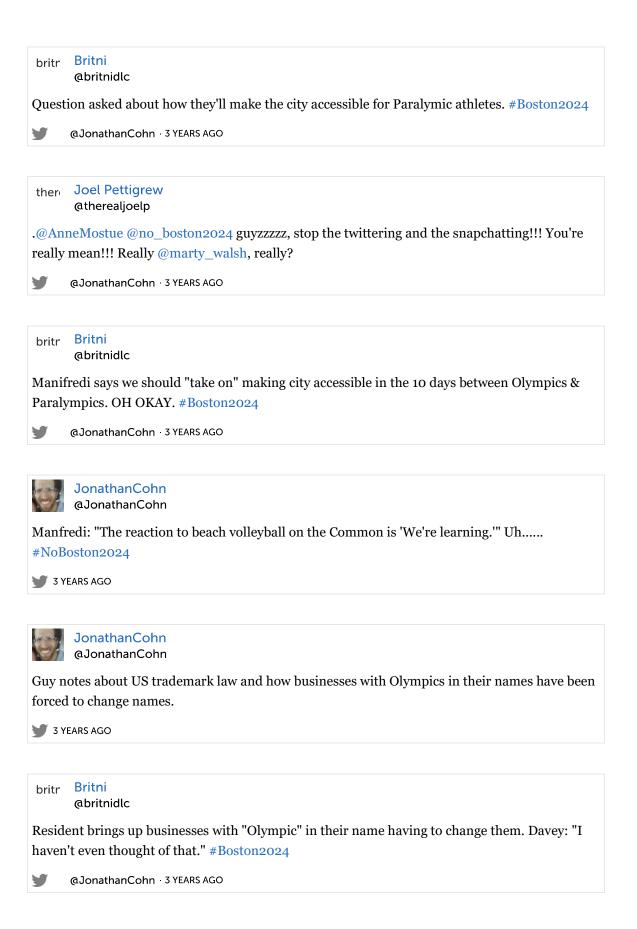
@JonathanCohn @marty_walsh Doesn't signing secret doc violate spirit of oath of office?
#NoBoston2024

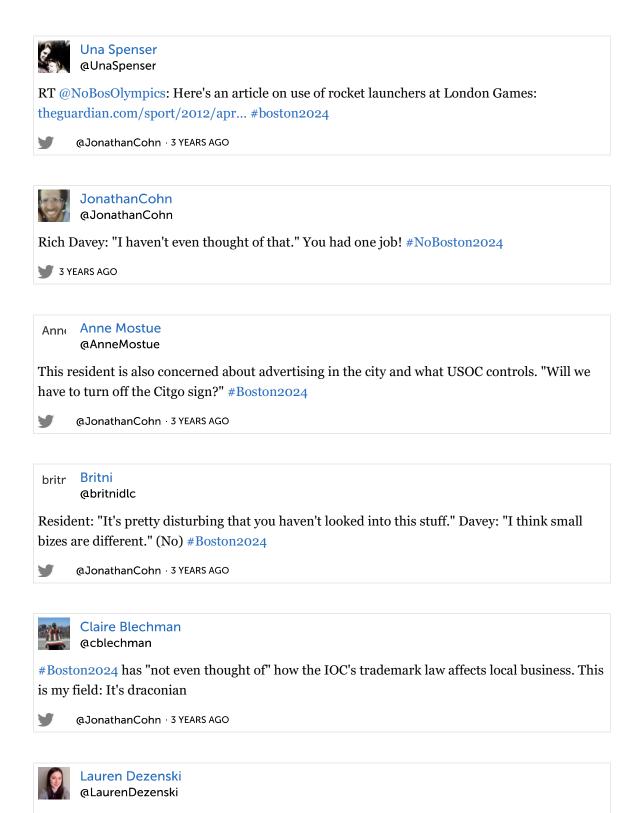
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@FortPointer: #Boston2024 opp'ty cost? Axing planned 1500 housing units to devel Media Ctr imgur.com/dUN6Kku MT Crazy! @BostonUnionCity

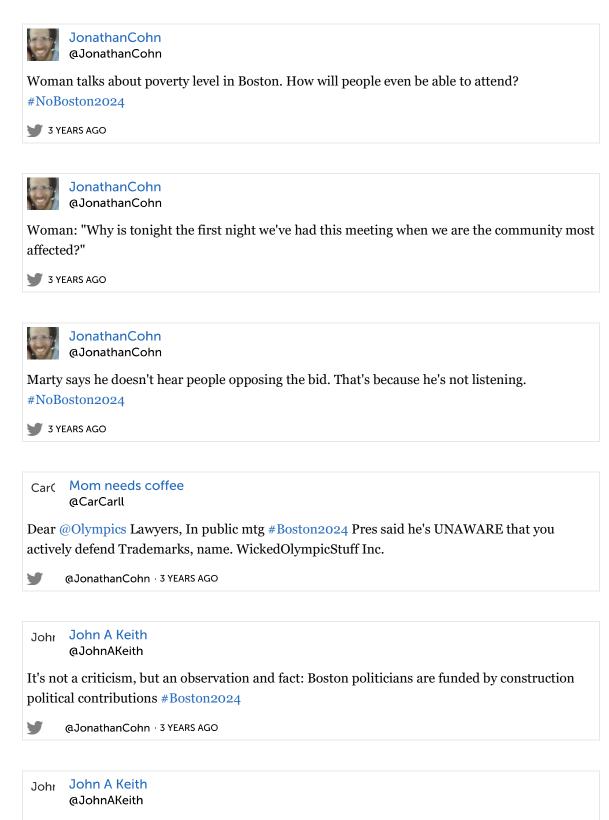
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Southie man in Marathon jacket asks abt protex for Boston biz w/ "Olympics" in their names that IOC would require they change #Boston2024

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It's not a criticism, but an observation and fact: Boston politicians are funded by construction political contributions #Boston2024

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Not much new info revealed tonight, other than that **#Boston2024** has not yet thought about, or can't yet speak about, a host of key issues.

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Johr John A Keith @JohnAKeith

Ugh they can't even answer the easy questions. The simple answer is there's a overage allowance for one thing **#Boston2024**

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Dear @marty_walsh, Do you think it's even POSSIBLE to guarantee that taxpayers won't pay for #Boston2024 overruns. If so, how? Thx, Boston

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For the record, it was John Fish's Suffolk Construction employees who packed the room & intimidated opposition. #Boston2024

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Johr John Ruch @JohnRuchAtlanta

What a waste to get 300 Bostonians in a room and not ask what they need. Instead residents have to ask what the heck tycoons are doing.

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