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No Charrettes for Newton?

Boston 2024 Community Meeting in Newton at Boston College (7/1/2015)

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The Green Line gives me headaches.

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[@ClearPathRes](#) will do. En route. Green Line is sooo slow.

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The Green Line is like a bus but less comfortable. How is that even possible?

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I should have taken the D Line. The B Line is an abomination.

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[@ljpr](#) on my way

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Setti Warren used word Wonderful 4times to describe [#Boston2024](#)

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Finally got here. [#Boston2024](#)

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Nikko talking about their "fact-based plan." Last time I checked, TBD was not a fact.

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Also not fact: bullsh*t budget numbers that are comically low-balled [#Boston2024](#)

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**Todd Domke**

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[@JonathanCohn](#) Budgeting is based on \$200 million for insurance, and \$200 million worth of volunteerism. For the poor: circus, but no bread.

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Nikko asks that we be "constructive." How about no? [#Boston2024](#) [#NoBoston2024](#)

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When a bunch of CEOs want to rob my city and state, the only constructive thing I'll say is GTFO. [#Boston2024](#) [#NoBoston2024](#)

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[#Boston2024](#) was not "constructive" when they submitted a bid without our consent.
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Olympians' stories are irrelevant to [#Boston2024](#). Actual expenses & RE plans are why we're here.

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Don't worry, [#Boston2024](#) will fix all of our @MBTA woes. [#NoMoreBoston2024](#)
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The token Olympian is talking. BC grad. Has flat intonation. No passion in her voice when talking about support for [#Boston2024](#).

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Just no passion or inflection in her voice.

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Olympian talks about how great it is to have so many Olympic volunteers. IOC is rich. Why use free labor? [#Boston2024](#) [#NoBoston2024](#)

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BC has paid city much less than it requested in PILOT. Where is its citizenship? With [#Boston2024](#)

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[#Boston2024](#) has a lot of poster boards on easels outside the auditorium. [#Boston2024](#)

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Davey, you can address my concerns by pulling the bid. [#Boston2024](#) [#NoBoston2024](#)

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No breakouts tonight? I wonder why.... [#Boston2024](#)

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Davey claims he was a skeptic last year.....until they paid him! [#Boston2024](#)

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I have a FOIA on Davey's work on [#Boston2024](#) when he was at MassDOT. We'll see how skeptical he really is.

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"We've certainly galvanized the civic discussion...." That's one way to put it. [#Boston2024](#)

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jayfa [Jay Fallon](#)
@jayfallon

He was going to do one of those Web 2.0 startups... twitter.com/JonathanCohn/s...

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How can you cite an econ impact study based on Bid 1.0 if you say Bid 1.0 is not relevant?
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Does Davey really believe [#Boston2024](#) will be a catalyst for collaboration given what he's seen?
He's unctuous.

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At least 65% of the legacy jobs are located low-paying jobs. [#Boston2024](#)

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The city's affordable housing requirement is 15%. [#Boston2024](#) will only promise 13%.

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Construction jobs are often off-limits to those in the cities struggling neighborhoods because they require background checks.

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Davey used the tow lot like me to describe Widett Circle. Give it a rest. [#Boston2024](#)
[#NoBoston2024](#)

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Davey says towns across the state will get a "moral boost" from the Olympics. Corruption and greed aren't moral. [#Boston2024](#)

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Davey repeats that [#Boston2024](#) is about power of sport. It's all about land grab & development \$\$ in their pockets.

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We have a housing crisis. But more luxury condos is not the solution. [#Boston2024](#)

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Davey says they used London's consultants to craft the budget. London ran wayyyy over budget.
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McDonald's being a sponsor makes a mockery of any claim to physical fitness. [#Boston2024](#)

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How can [#Boston2024](#) talk abt budget when so much is still TBD? How can he sleep at night?

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The people at [#Boston2024](#) like to refer to Widett Circle as the place your car gets towed to. Many people in [#Boston](#) cannot afford a car.

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Davey brings up NBC. Comcast really wants this. They are also one of the worst companies.
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If you support [#Boston2024](#), you are supporting Comcast. Enough said.

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Davey notes that there will be events in Philly, NYC, and DC. [#walkable](#) [#Boston2024](#)

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But the most expensive venues still have to be built. And you don't even have a site for two if them. [#Boston2024](#)

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A temporary stadium is not "green." Only reusing a current stadium would be. [#Boston2024](#)

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Davey won't acknowledge costs of moving businesses in Widett Circle. [#Boston2024](#)

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Reduce, reuse, recycle. You reduce by not building new things. [#Boston2024](#)

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Davey skips over the municipal support budget, which negates the surplus. [#Boston2024](#)

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Why should the future of our city be controlled by big developers looking only for profit?
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Davey acknowledges Widdett Ccl will go to developer. [#Boston2024](#)



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Davey talks about insurance but doesn't mention they don't have an insurer yet. No plan. Just BS. [#Boston2024](#)



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Davey alluding to Big Dig but not saying it by name. [#Boston2024](#)



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Office of Olympic Planning joined at the hip to [#Boston2024](#). Not a watchdog for public interests.



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Davey mentions the Battle Group report coming out later this month. [#Boston2024](#)



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The Office of Olympic Planning was originally supposed to be Office of Olympic Accountability. But that name gave [#Boston2024](#) a sad.



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Davey tries to tell a joke. No one laughs.

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Davey notes by Olympics, MBTA ridership at peak would be 51% above capacity.

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The WiFi here is horrible.

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"Over an 18 year period" -- timeline for post-Games development [#Boston2024](#)

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[#Boston2024](#) claims a master developer will finance this new commuter rail station. Lol

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Knight's up again. And he seems to be reading from a script again. [#Boston2024](#)

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[#Boston2024](#) claims to have used community support as a metric to evaluate venues, but they refuse to listen to Franklin Park Area residents

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They also never asked Quincy residents before putting beach volleyball there. [#Boston2024](#)

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[#Boston2024](#) flagrantly violates Olmsted's democratic vision. They want to militarize, privatize, commercialize, and exclude. [#NoBoston2024](#)

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All I see when I look at the maps are hordes and hordes of sweaty people. Except for the Princess of Lichtenstein.

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Luxury condos aren't a legacy that would benefit regular Bostonians. Nor do tax incentives make a good legacy. [#Boston2024](#)

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Clearly [#Boston2024](#) has settled on the word Catalyst as new theme. It's actually a catalyst 4 opposition.

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They again claim that Widett Circle has "no strong identity." Ask all the people who work there. [#Boston2024](#)

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Hordes and hordes of sweaty people who are not from here.



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Now we see the legacy Widett Cir - placeholder for Kraft's soccer team surrounded by lux condos?



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The [#Boston2024](#) Widett vision is so sterile.



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[@JonathanCohn](#) Planned gentrification, like in Kendall Square and Seaport, always is.



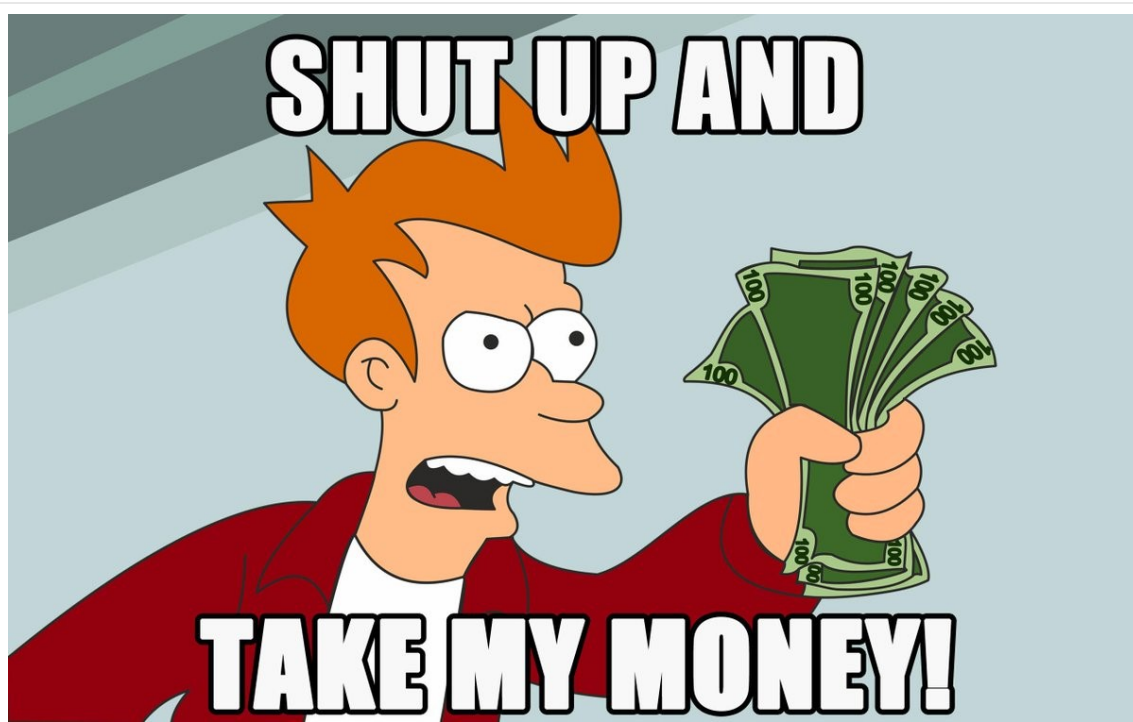
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Moakley Park and Carson Beach are Olmstead's dream in action, but [#Boston2024](#) wants to fuck that up.



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@JonathanCohn wait, wait, wait-- COMCAST wants Boston. Gee whiz, that changes everything!
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Not all housing is created equal. We don't need more luxury condos. [#Boston2024](#)

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@doctorfate77

@JonathanCohn would we even need Widett Cir 2 cure our housing crisis if the majority of what's being built now weren't mostly luxury?

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I wonder what events better for the city could be held at BCEC in August 2024. [#Boston2024](#)

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Harambee Park is next to public housing. Based on past games, that public housing won't be there anymore. [#Boston2024](#)

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[@JonathanCohn](#) they are also right across from the planned entrance, not hidden behind or something. I am sure they will be gone.

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I don't find a program that has cops play tennis w/ minority youth charming endearing. Cops can build better relations by not killing people

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Franklin Park has told [#Boston2024](#) to GTFO and take your fancy horses with you, but [#Boston2024](#) won't listen.

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Squantum Point Park has protected wetlands, endangered bird species. [#Boston2024](#)

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What I know will happen if [#Boston2024](#) does: 1. My commute will be utter hell for a decade. 2. My dad will get gentrified out his home.

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[#Boston2024](#) claims they won't damage the protected lands, which is a joke.

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Why is the private party taking place in our public parks. Why not place venues on private estates?

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Boston will never be able to handle all these events. Reality is totally missing. [#Boston2024](#)

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Quincy never voted to have volleyball, never even got a meeting before venue declared.
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So forgive me if I don't give a lying rat's ass about bullshit promises.

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I'm going to guess that they will ignore the requirements for ancillary Olympic villages in the far-away sites. [#Boston2024](#)

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What happens to kayaking in Deer field Rvr if water level is too low? [#Boston2024](#)



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Why are you talking in kilometers? This is the US



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[#innovating](#) new definitions of [#facts](#) [#Boston2024](#)



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September 2015: no vote by Boston yet January 2016: no vote by Boston yet April 2016: as it stands, no vote by Boston but one for the IOC



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Another example of sweeping generalizations of entire [#Boston](#) neighborhoods. [#pullthebid](#)
[#Boston2024](#) twitter.com/sznnmorse/stat...



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Guy asks what the carbon footprint of the Games would be, asks them to be first green Games.

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Every Games since 2000 has claimed to be green. They never are. [#Boston2024](#)

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Mega-events cannot be sustainable. [#Boston2024](#)

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Buying carbon credits can often mean buying up forests used by indigenous people. Just don't build what you don't need. [#Boston2024](#)

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Davey claims that the construction jobs will all be union. Put it in writing.

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Davey won't quantify the high end for ticket range but will for low end. Wonder why....
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"The city itself is the Olympic Park." That means a police state. [#Boston2024](#)

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.@ClearPathRes mentions TIF in Bid 1.0. [#Boston2024](#)

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Davey noting the "tax agreement" they want between city and developer. Corporate welfare.
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.@ClearPathRes asks them to clarify what they mean by "risks." [#Boston2024](#)

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Davey is being very vague in identifying risks. Not answering the question at all. [#Boston2024](#)

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Finally mentioned something relevant, e.g., developer backing out. [#Boston2024](#)

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Woman asking about who pays if cost overruns. Davey going all American exceptionalism.
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What saved SLC was a bailout from the government. [#Boston2024](#)

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Woman clearly irritated that Davey completely avoided her question, brings up Big Dig.
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If they cut the budget due to overruns, they'll cut budget for environmental and social programs.
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"I've been overseas recently, and everybody knows Boston. We're already on the map and have a great image."/[#Boston2024](#)

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Woman notes how people all over the world want to come to school here. [#Boston2024](#)

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Boston is on the map. It has a great reputation. We don't need the Olympics, says citizen.

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Absolutely no way all this construction, temp or not, can approach carbon neutrality.

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Dan:

Politics of Sports

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Critical question: Why arguing "putting Boston on the map"? Everybody in the world knows Boston [@Boston2024](#) [@no_boston2024](#)



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Woman: "I'd rather pour all this energy into really making a major subway system."

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"2,000 jobs would be nothing compared to the jobs a real world-class subway system would provide." [#Boston2024](#)



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Nikko tried to cut this woman off before she was done. It was so rude. Maybe she needs "manners lessons." [#Boston2024](#)



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Next questioner also bringing up the weak train system here. [#Boston2024](#)



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Guy asking how they can make transportation system more accessible for those with special needs. [#Boston2024](#)

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Nikko brings up Olympic Day. [#Boston2024](#)

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@Occupocalypse

[@mdowling5](#) it is disrespectful to ask people to be constructive regarding something they don't want at all.

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Boston is 8th in the world for flood risk. Shouldn't we be paying more attention to that than [#Boston2024](#)?

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He's not answering her question. He's talking about legacy. She stresses she wants to know about access during Games and construction.

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"How will residents like me still be able to enjoy these beautiful green spaces in the duration of the Games?" [#Boston2024](#)

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OK, have lost count of how many times [#Boston2024](#) has used some form of "connect" tonight. Rivals "catalyst"



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Lots of green spaces would be shut down before during and after The Olympics.



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The backdrop banner with the swimmer is so awkward. [#Boston2024](#)



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If [@marty_walsh](#) thought 1% was too small for parks, he could raise it. [#Boston2024](#)



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.[@JonathanCohn](#) [@marty_walsh](#) IF we got fair taxes from developers, we'd have more funds for parks, schools, transportation, etc



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"One of the ways of being transparent...you have to report not only the mean cost, you have to present the P90 cost." [#Boston2024](#)



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#pt was a good question, emphasizing uncertainty, need to look at high-range potential for costs. [#Boston2024](#)

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Earlier question of his talked about Silver Line. [#Boston2024](#)

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"The real gap is always in what's not known. That's not covered by performance bonds, forms of insurance I'm familiar with." [#Boston2024](#)

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"If you can pull this off" - second guy to start off question with the big "IF"

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Guy notes that performance bonds aren't blank checks. [#Boston2024](#)

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Is that going to be the [#Boston2024](#) thing? Platitudes instead of plans? [#NoBoston2024](#)
[twitter.com/brendanmjoyce/...](https://twitter.com/brendanmjoyce/)

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What is the likely premium? Co-insurance, deductibles, etc.? [#Boston2024](#)

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Davey: "I don't have that off the top of my head." How easily you forget what you don't want to talk about. [#Boston2024](#)

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I can't stand it when people say, "Great question.

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Guy questioning their projected ticket revenue based on past Games. [#Boston2024](#)

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Nikko cuts someone off again. [#Boston2024](#) [#manners](#)

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Woman from NAACP notes that what has not been talked about enough is that Boston is not a homogeneous city. [#Boston2024](#)

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"One of the major concerns in our communities right now is gentrification." [#Boston2024](#)

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"Is there not just an understanding of financial risk but also social risk?" [#Boston2024](#)

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Woman notes that many see "transportation improvements" as code for gentrification.
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"The Olympics will impact black and brown communities and low-income communities uniquely." [#Boston2024](#)

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Davey said that they spoke with housing leaders. Won't say whom. Probably just big real estate.
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Uniquely code for unjustly? [#NoBoston2024](#) twitter.com/jonathancohn/s...

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Davey says that they can't make promises they can't keep re: issue of gentrification.
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[Cassie Hurd](#)
@Classymscassie

I promise [#Boston2024](#) will accelerate gentrification & disproportionately displace low-income folks. [#pullthebid](#) [twitter.com/jonathancohn/s...](#)

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[Chris Lynch](#)
@TeaPartyUSA1

How much did Mitt secure from Congress? Do the Summer or Winter Olympics have bigger cost overruns? [#Boston2024](#) [twitter.com/JonathanCohn/s...](#)

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Davey just said that the city's requirement for affordable housing is 13%. Um, no. It's 15%.
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Guy from Brookline brings up designated roads, wants to know impact on communities.
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"One of the biggest impacts on communities is security." -- Davey says before talking about NSSE designation [#Boston2024](#)

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Davey sees this as only an issue of securing federal funding for security, rather than impact of security on communities. [#Boston2024](#)

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Davey describes Brookline Town Meeting's vote against [#Boston2024](#) as merely "expressing concern."

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jayfa [Jay Fallon](#)
@jayfallon

Of course. He's got nothing to worry about. [twitter.com/JonathanCohn/s...](https://twitter.com/JonathanCohn/status/978888888888888888)

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"Successful" isn't a word I've heard used about London's Olympic road network. [#Boston2024](#)

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Brookline Town Meeting said [#NoBoston2024](#), but Davey doesn't care, says marathon will pass through there. [#Boston2024](#)

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[BRussell22](#)
@iBRussell2024

"Always good to see you..(blank)

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Ted asks where the velodrome is going to be. Davey says the budget includes max cost for velodrome. Uh...no. [#Boston2024](#)

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MBT [MBTA Watchdog](#)
@MBTAWatchdog

[@JonathanCohn](#) [@Boston2024](#) how can you determine a maximum cost if you don't know where the venue will be?

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Oh, look, it's 8:30, and they aren't shutting down the meeting as they did yesterday. [#Boston2024](#)

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Davey notes that they are considering places far outside of Boston for the velodrome. [#Boston2024](#)

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Ted notes that there is no demand for indoor track cycling. [#Boston2024](#)

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[@edcafasso](#) [@JonathanCohn](#) I guess none of Pag's "tons of people" he claimed looked over the bid caught that & Fitzy prob didn't read it so...

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**Cassie Hurd**

@Classymscassie

@edcafasso @JonathanCohn #Boston2024 bid 2.0 is currently at 13% (910 units), good to see they stuck to the (incorrect) bare minimum.



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Meg Krench

@mkrench

@Classymscassie @JonathanCohn @edcafasso They're giving dev massive tax breaks via MA taxpayer \$. Should be many low- & mid-income units!



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Woman asks about how in the short six years do they do everything with robust public input. #Boston2024



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Nancy

@nancy10272004

I hear Los Angeles has a velodrome. Is Davey willing to consider venues that far away from Boston? #NoBoston2024 twitter.com/jonathancohn/s...



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**BOSTON 2024 IS COMMITTED TO
SUBMITTING A FINAL BID TO THE
INTERNATIONAL OLYMPIC COMMITTEE
ONLY IF THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA ARE
MET:**


Thousands of affordable housing units are
created as a result of the 2024 Olympic and
Paralympic Games.

**910 isn't THOUSANDS!
#PullTheBid**

TOTAL = 8,000 NEW APARTMENT UNITS

Widett Circle	Columbia Point
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4,000 apartments units<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Minimum 520 units of affordable housing– Mixed-use development at the heart of the city, surrounding 15 acres of new permanent park land– Transit-oriented housing served by South Station, MBTA Red Line, and new commuter rail station on Fairmount Line	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3,000 apartment units<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Minimum 390 units of affordable housing– 500 units for senior housing– Waterfront-accessible housing with accompanying retail, innovation center and artisan workshop/gallery• 900 – 1,000 student housing units<ul style="list-style-type: none">– 2,700 planned student housing beds– 2-3 students per 1 unit of residential housing

& they've fallen short of their self-imposed guarantee. Clearly not a priority. [#boston2024](#)
[@edcafasso](#) [@JonathanCohn](#) [pic.twitter.com/00ynAecBXf](https://twitter.com/00ynAecBXf)

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Guy doing a lot of thanking. [#Boston2024](#)

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Woman notes that people already face gridlock coming into Boston. [#Boston2024](#)

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Davey mentions a lot of his bad decisions at MassDOT. [#Boston2024](#)

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Baroque Owl
@aegtx

@JonathanCohn Does he seem to have learned from them? (I'm guessing not.)



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.@pemiblu brings up the outsourcing of public policy to the Organizing Committee, how OCOG is delivery body. #Boston2024



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.@pemiblu notes how LOCOG took on eminent domain powers. #Boston2024



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.@pemiblu noting that IOC makes clear that standard city zoning procedures are overridden. #Boston2024



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Davey notes that @marty_walsh said he wants Midtown with or without Olympics. #Boston2024



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So much for Fitzy's claim of holding them to it. #Boston2024 #NoMoreBoston2024 #youlie
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Davey just indirectly admitted they'd want a state of exception. [#Boston2024](#)

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.@pemiblu asks about procedure for resolving conflicts between city and OCOG. [#Boston2024](#)

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On a mattress filled w/money, sheets made of spun gold & pillows stuffed w/shredded ch.5&6 bid 1.0 ? [#Boston2024](#) [twitter.com/clearpathres/s...](#)

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Why didn't Marty Walsh propose that kind of plan in his populist campaign or inaugural address? Now it's his vision? [twitter.com/JonathanCohn/s...](#)

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I asked three questions.

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(1) If Bid 1.0 is irrelevant, then why do you use job numbers from a study based on Bid 1.0?
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Davey denied that it was based on Bid 1.0 (?) [#Boston2024](#)

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I said to at least be consistent and conduct a new study. Better release Bid 1.0, too.
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(2) I asked who is paying for the environmental review for the construction because that is EPA or Mass DEP. [#Boston2024](#)

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Nikko and Davey disagreed that environmental review means public money going to construction bc other projects need it to. [#Boston2024](#)

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(3) I noted that their "ballot question" is an advisory question, not a referendum. [#Boston2024](#)

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And then I asked when they will release the text of their question since they said they've been working on it. [#Boston2024](#)

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Davey said that they support one but that they haven't written anything, have no deadline (even though 8/5 deadline for AG) [#Boston2024](#)

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He also said a question could come from the legislature. He basically said that their talk of a q of their own has been BS. [#Boston2024](#)

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To repeat, [#Boston2024](#) admitted tonight that they are not seeking a ballot question.

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I'm sure they will announce that in their PR campaign, so it is clear...and they will redact their earlier promises. twitter.com/JonathanCohn/s...

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[@JonathanCohn](#) They'll seek one from Legislature.

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At the end of the [#Boston2024](#) meeting, Setti Warren got on stage and praised them as an example of a true grassroots effort. ROFL

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As [@pemiblu](#)e and I were walking out, Nikko asked, "Are you going to join us at the bar afterwards again?" Lol

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Dan: [Politics of Sports](#)
@Danyel_Reiche

Going home from [#Boston2024](#) meeting with green line. This tram would be in Europe in museum. Infrastructure upgrade for 2024 much needed

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Roo: [rooftopjaxx](#)
@RooftopJaxx

[@JonathanCohn](#) [@cblechman](#) Davey will of course remember the black taxi demos against the Zil Lanes and the Opening Ceremony Critical Mass

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No breakout groups at the [#Boston2024](#) meeting in Newton. BUT THEY SAID LAST NIGHT THEY WERE TO FACILITATE DIALOGUE. NO DIALOGUE FOR NEWTON?

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Or maybe--just maybe--they weren't actually about facilitating dialogue at all.
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