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 City of Boston Issues Poll
 Survey of 552 Registered Voters
 Field Dates: April 7-11, 2021

In your own words, what is the single biggest issue facing the city of the Boston right now? **OPEN**
END, SELECT ONE FROM LIST BELOW OR RECORD "OTHER" RESPONSES VERBATIM.

	Sep 2013	Sep 2017	Sep 2020	Apr 2021
Traffic	3%	3%	2%	4%
COVID-19 or coronavirus	N/A	N/A	39%	27%
Small businesses	N/A	N/A	2%	1%
Parking	0%	1%	<1%	2%
Public transportation	3%	5%	1%	3%
Biking / pedestrian safety	N/A	N/A	1%	<1%
Climate change	0%	2%	3%	3%
Housing costs	5%	23%	12%	18%
Public education	24%	11%	5%	6%
Taxes / budget issues	5%	2%	1%	2%
The economy and jobs	17%	10%	8%	5%
Race relations	1%	5%	4%	5%
Crime / public safety	22%	17%	6%	3%
Opioids	0%	3%	1%	2%
Homelessness	0%	2%	4%	3%
Parks / open space	0%	2%	%	%
Other	13%	15%	9%	10%
Don't know / Refused	6%	7%	3%	6%

Do you have a favorable or unfavorable view of **READ FIRST**? How about **READ NEXT**?

REPEAT QUESTION TEXT ONLY IF NECESSARY, PROBE IF RESPONDENT SAYS "DON'T KNOW".

Have you heard of **READ NAME** and are undecided about (him/her)? Or **PAUSE** have you never heard of (him/her)?

RANDOMIZE ORDER	Favorable	Unfavorable	Heard of / Undecided	Never heard of	Refused
Marty Walsh	59%	20%	10%	8%	2%
Kim Janey	34%	5%	24%	35%	1%
Michelle Wu	47%	11%	19%	21%	1%
Andrea Campbell	26%	6%	25%	42%	1%
Jon Santiago	13%	5%	24%	57%	2%
Annisssa Essaibi George	27%	5%	22%	44%	1%
John Barros	17%	6%	25%	50%	2%

As you may know, there is an election for mayor of Boston later this year. If the candidates were **READ AND ROTATE ORDER OF CANDIDATES**, who would you be most likely to support?

Kim Janey	18%
Michelle Wu	19%
Andrea Campbell	4%
Jon Santiago	3%
Annissa Essaibi George	6%
John Barros	3%
Don't Know / Undecided	46%
Refused	1%

Questions withheld for future release.

Demographics

Party Registration

Democrat	49%
Republican	5%
Unenrolled	45%
Other	1%

Race

White / Caucasian	52%
Black / African American	26%
Hispanic / Latino	13%
All others	8%
Don't Know / Refused	2%

Age

18 to 29	22%
30 to 44	29%
45 to 59	23%
60+	27%

Gender

Male	47%
Female	53%
All Other / Don't Know / Refused	<1%

About the Poll

These results are based on a survey of 552 registered voters in the City of Boston. Interviews were conducted April 7-11, 2021 in English and Spanish by live telephone interviews via both landline and cell phone using conventional registration based sampling procedures. Oversamples of Black and Latino voters were obtained to bring the total interview count up to at least 150 for each group. Results within race and ethnicity were weighted by age, gender, geography, and education level for each group. Groups were then combined and weighted to the population parameters for Boston registered voters as a whole by age, gender, party, race, education, and geography. The margin of sampling error for the full sample is +/- 4.9 percent with a 95 percent level of confidence. The poll was sponsored by WBUR, The Dorchester Reporter, and The Boston Foundation.