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City hires new mayoral liaison for JP

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By Matt Rocheleau, Town Correspondent

The city announced today that it had hired a new mayoral liaison for Jamaica Plain, about one month after the former neighborhood coordinator of three years announced her departure.

Jullianne Doherty will fill the vacancy -- one of 17 such positions in Boston's [Office of Neighborhood Services](#) -- assigned to be the mayor's eyes and ear. The liaisons are the primary contact for constituents of a given neighborhood and/or cultural community to communicate with the Mayor's Office.

"I'm very excited about this opportunity as it's an honor to help serve the community that I live in," said Doherty in the release. "It's a thrill for me to be a part of the Mayor's team, helping my neighbors and fellow residents to make our wonderful city the very best it can be."

Doherty has a long history of community work, city officials said.

In 2007, she graduated with honors one year early from [Regis College](#), a four-year school in Weston. After college, Doherty worked at the Fields Corner Main Street office in Dorchester. There she was a liaison with community members, neighborhood committees and small business owners to resolve various issues, the city announcement said.

Prior to and throughout college, she volunteered for the Boston Salvation Army Emergency Team, the 2006 Democratic Convention, the [Greater Boston Food Bank](#) and the [Sumner Hill Association](#).

"I want to welcome Jullianne to my Office of Neighborhood Services and am looking forward to her working with community members to improve their quality of life," Mayor Thomas M. Menino said in a press release. "I am confident that her experience as Program Coordinator at the Fields Corner Main Street office and the Boston Children's Chorus as well as her knowledge of our city will serve her well in this very important role working with the community."

In early January, neighborhood-native Colleen Keller [announced she was leaving](#) the city's neighborhood services office after a three-year stint to take a job at Harvard School of Public Health.

Contact information so residents can reach Doherty was not immediately available from city officials. The main line for the [neighborhood service's](#)

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