

**CITY COUNCIL CALENDAR
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2019
7 P.M. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – ROOM 214
CITY HALL, 133 WILLIAM STREET, NEW BEDFORD, MA**

OPENING OF SESSION BY: CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT LINDA M. MORAD

**PRAYER LED BY: REVEREND LEONA FISHER, PASTOR
IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHURCH**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

RESOLUTION

1. RESOLUTION, Council President Morad, Councillors Abreu, Carney, Coelho, Giesta, Gomes, Lima, Lopes, Markey, honoring, DANA REBEIRO, COUNCILLOR WARD FOUR.

HEARINGS

2. HEARING, NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy for location of two (2) 3" Conduits and one (1) 45"x 45" x 36" Handhole in GRINNELL STREET, West of Purchase Street.

2a. AN ORDER,

3. HEARING, NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy for location of six (6) 5" Conduits and four (4) 4" Conduits and two (2) Manholes in WAMSUTTA STREET, East of Acushnet Avenue.

3a. AN ORDER,

4. HEARING, NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy for location of one (1) 3" Conduit in WILLIS STREET, East of Spencer Street.

4a. AN ORDER,

MAYOR'S PAPERS

M1. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell to City Council, submitting proposed updates to the City's financial policies in response to action by the City Council, relative to; Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB), the Investment of City Funds and Debt Issuance and Management.

M2. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$20,000.00 from ZOO, SALARIES AND WAGES to ZOO, CHARGES AND SERVICES.

M2a. AN ORDER,

M3. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 10, Section 10-47, Departmental Revolving Funds to strike the "Fines/Forfeitures Revolving Fund" under the Health Department and add the *Health Department Compliance Programs Revolving Fund*.

M3a. AN ORDINANCE,

M4. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the RE-APPOINTMENT of WILLIAM ANDREWS New Bedford, MA, to the VETERANS ADVISORY BOARD; this term will expire December 2022.

NEW BUSINESS

5. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Lopes, requesting, that the City of New Bedford establish an Ordinance listing the licensing requirements for short-term home-sharing in New Bedford. (To be Referred to the Committee on Ordinances and the Planning Board.)
6. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Dunn, requesting, that the City engage MassDevelopment to craft an Ordinance to enable implementation of the PACE Program, the program is a tax-based financing mechanism that enables low-cost, long-term funding for energy improvements and is designed to promote capital investment and economic development by providing financing and development solutions. (To be Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.)
7. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that the Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods convene a meeting to address what enforcement mechanisms, laws, regulations, Ordinances or government action may be devised and implemented to prevent/remedy the problem of local or national gangs occupying and/or controlling apartment buildings and houses in the City and using such buildings for purposes of conducting criminal activity; and further, that the Committee invite Attorney John Flor; the Chief of Police; the Police Gang Unit; the landlord association; and the Building Commissioner and others to be determined, to the meeting to provide input with regard to addressing this issue.
8. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that the New Bedford Police Department continue to actively recruit, hire and train qualified individuals so that the ranks of the New Bedford Police Department may be brought to full strength, as budgeted, ensuring the safety and confidence of the public.
9. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that the City Council inform the Office of the District Attorney that it is the Council's desire to see that all affiliated local and national gang members arrested in New Bedford be held without bail until the District Attorney's Office has had the opportunity to hold dangerousness hearings on all said gang members; and further, that the District Attorney's Office make known the City Council's sentiments to any Judge presiding over cases involving gang members.
10. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that the Mayor and the Chief of Police immediately fill the position of Liaison Officer from the NBPD to the FBI's Task Force, which has been vacant for several years without explanation.
11. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that the Mayor and the Chief of Police immediately establish and properly equip a National Gang Task Force division within the New Bedford Police Department for the purpose of addressing any National gang activity operating within the City of New Bedford; and furthermore, that this Task Force work closely with the Police Departments of surrounding Towns, the Offices of the Attorney General and District Attorney as well as State and Local Police throughout the region so that a collaborative effort can be made to rid the City of national gang violence.

12. COMMUNICATION, Blair Bailey, Tax Title Attorney, Office of the Treasurer, to City Council, proposing the discontinuance of the remaining portion of Joaquim F. Pina Avenue and a portion of Antonio L. Costa Boulevard; said streets are along the Harbor and abut properties currently in use in the commercial fishing industry; the City Council discontinued the bulk of Joaquim F. Pina Avenue in 1979 and 1981; the discontinuance of Antonio L. Costa Boulevard is in keeping with the City's practice regarding the ways over the Harbor; the City Council previously discontinued the next street down, Hervey Tichon Avenue in the same manner.

12a. COMMUNICATION, DPI Commissioner Jamie Ponte, to Tax Title Attorney, Blair Bailey, regarding the partial discontinuance Joaquim F. Pina Avenue and of a portion of Antonio L. Costa Boulevard. (Map enclosed prepared by Romanelli Associates titles Nordic Fisheries, Inc.)

12b. AN ORDER, For Hearing on THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2020, AT 7:00 p.m., in City Council Chambers, City Hall, for the **A PARTIAL DISCONTINUANCE OF ANTONIO L. COSTA BOULEVARD AND JOAQUIM F. PINA AVENUE.**

12c. AN ORDER, That the City Solicitor be and is hereby requested to prepare an ORDER, for the **PARTIAL DISCONTINUANCE OF JOAQUIM F. PINA AVENUE AND ANTONIO L. COSTA BOULEVARD.** Hearing on said matter has been ordered for **THURSDAY, JANUARY 23, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. in City Council Chambers, City Hall.**

13. COMMUNICATION/DEMOLITION, Anne Louro, Preservation Planner, to City Council, re: **BUILDING DEMOLITION REVIEW of 52 TINKHAM STREET**, (MAP 105/LOT 147), a Circa 1912 three story, wood-framed residential structure, advising that "the structure is not located in a National Register Historic District; the structure is of no notable historic significance either recorded or found with the existing condition of the structure; the demolition began without a permit (12.05.19) and must proceed immediately as it poses a safety hazard, "in light of these findings, the Preservation Planner has determined that the residential structure at 52 Tinkham Street is neither Historically Significant nor a Preferably Preserved Structure."

14. COMMUNICATION, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, to City Council, on behalf of **Renee DePina, 61 Acushnet Avenue, New Bedford, MA 02740 d/b/a UNITED CARE TRANSPORT INC., 187 Wood Street, New Bedford, MA 02745**, hereby submitting a copy of the Application requesting a **NEW PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE** to carry passengers for hire over the streets of New Bedford. **(License will expire June 30, 2020.)**

15. COMMUNICATION, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, to City Council, on behalf of **DAYANARA PUGA, 353 Shaw Street, Apt. 2E, New Bedford, MA 02745 d/b/a BUZZ BEE TRANSPORTATION, 353 Shaw Street, Apt. 2E, New Bedford, MA 02745**, hereby submits a copy of the Application requesting a **NEW LIVERY LICENSE**, to carry passengers for hire over the streets of New Bedford.

16. COMMUNICATION, Council President Morad, submitting a copy of letter from Bradford Bourque, New Bedford, MA regarding the Clark Cove Beach Nourishment Project. (To be Referred to the Committee on City Property, Conservation Commission and Conservation Agent Michele Paul.)

TABLED AGENDA

NO ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA

***In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA),
If any accommodations are needed, please contact the City Council Office at 508-979-1455.
Requests should be made as soon as possible but at least 48 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.***

