

**COMMITTEE ON CITY PROPERTY – OCTOBER 22, 2019
7:00 PM – CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER – ROOM 214
AGENDA**

1. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting a request, that pursuant to Section 2-65 of the City Code, the Committee on City Property begin proceedings to seek proposals for the disposition of a long-term leasehold interest in property owned by the City of New Bedford, consisting of approximately 0.151 acres (6,5778) square feet of land currently occupied by an accessory structure to a commercial property located on MacArthur Drive, shown on the City of New Bedford Assessor's Map 53 as Lot 255 (51 Fisherman's Wharf). (Ref'd 5/9/19)

INVITEES: David Gerwatowski, Legal Counsel Attorney; Pamela Lafreniere, Deputy Director & In-House Counsel, New Bedford Port Authority; Mikaela McDermott, City Solicitor

2. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Carney, requesting that Board of Park Commissioners Chairman, Peter Boswell, DPI Commissioner Jamie Ponte and Director of Parks, Recreation and Beaches, Mary Rapoza meet with the Committee on City Property to discuss utilizing the park behind the Pulaski School for additional parking purposes. (To be Referred to the Committee on City Property.) (Ref'd 5/9/19) (7/16/19 – Received and Placed on File)

INVITEES: Peter Boswell, Chairman, Park Board; David Gerwatowski, Legal Counsel Attorney; Jamie Ponte, Commissioner, Department of Public Infrastructure; Mary Rapoza, Director, Parks, Recreation and Beaches

3. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Abreu, requesting, that the Park Board explore possible uses of land in and around the Pulaski Park and School area for parking and/or alternative access roads and determine whether the land is Article 97 land, and if so, develop some viable options for developing said road or parking; and further, that the Park Board report its findings to the Chair of the Committee on City Property, Councillor Naomi R. A. Carney. (Ref'd from Committee 7/16/19)

INVITEES: Peter Boswell, Chairman, Park Board; David Gerwatowski, Legal Counsel Attorney; Jamie Ponte, Commissioner, Department of Public Infrastructure; Mary Rapoza, Director, Parks, Recreation and Beaches

Chair Suggests 'Refer to Finance Committee' and 'Report Out to the Full City Council'

4. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that the Administration explain the large increase in costs for membership at the Woodcock Rifle Range that has been implemented on members; and further, that this increase be reconsidered unless the Administration can express why the increase has been implemented and what benefits does it provide to the membership. (Referred to the Mayor and Committee on City Property.) (Ref'd 6/27/19)

Chair Suggests ‘No Further Action’ and ‘Report Out to the Full City Council’

5. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes and Council President Morad, requesting, that a letter be sent to the Massachusetts Court System along with our State Legislative Delegation and Senator Mark C.W. Montigny, to take immediate action to address funding and repairs that are desperately needed to the exterior of New Bedford Superior Courthouse, this building is part of our landscape and has a historic history serving the community and court system; and further, requesting, that landscaping and new Superior Court sign be included in any restoration revitalization of the exterior of this beautiful historic building. (Recommendation Followed and to be Referred to the Committee on City Property and Waive Rule 40.) (Ref'd 12/13/18)
6. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, once more, that the Library Director Melo, provide the Committee on City Property with a list and monetary value of all historic and valuable pieces of art belonging to the City; and further that the list include the pieces of art that have been loaned out by the City and the location of said pieces, furthermore, that the list be provided to the Committee on City Property within 30 days. (To be Referred to the Committee on City Property.) (Ref'd 2/14/19) (5/24/19 - Olivia Melo submitted a comprehensive listing for the Art & Objects collection presently under the care of the New Bedford Public Library.)
7. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting TWO ORDERS, the first Order declares the former Kempton School surplus property and transfer it from the School Committee to the Committee on City Property; and the second Order authorizes the Mayor to execute a deed transferring the Kempton School to the Alma del Mar Charter School, contingent upon the State Legislature passing the Home Rule Petition. (Ref'd 5/23/19)
 - 7a. AN ORDER, declaring the former Kempton School surplus property. (Ref'd 5/23/19)
 - 7b. AN ORDER, authorizing the Mayor to execute a deed transferring the Kempton School to the Alma del Mar Charter School. (Ref'd 5/23/19)
8. COMMUNICATION, Council President Morad, submitting a communication from Superintendent Anderson, Secretary to the School Committee, notifying that on May 13, 2019, the School Committee voted that the Horatio A. Kempton School is no longer needed by the New Bedford Public School. (To be Referred to the Committee on City Property.) (Ref'd 5/23/19)

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