

REGULAR MEETING
Chambers of the City Council
Thursday, June 11, 2026

CITY COUNCIL
Municipal Building
7:07 p.m.

PRESENT: Council President Pereira, Councillors Abreu, Baptiste, Burgo,
Carney, Choquette, Lopes, Oliver, Pemberton and Roy.

LATE: No one.

ABSENT: Councillor Gomes.

Council President Pereira called the meeting to order and presided.

Prayer led by: Deaconess Donna Britto, In the Name of Jesus Church

Councillor Roy led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

COMMUNICATION, Councillor Gomes, to City Council, notifying that he will be
unable to attend the City Council Meeting on Thursday, June 11, 2026 due to a prior
personal commitment.

Received and Placed on File. (#0999)

HEARING, NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy for location of
approximately 208' of Conduit in WILLIAM STREET, this work is necessary to improve
the infrastructure of William Street.

Hearing Held.

Petition Placed on File. (#1000)

AN ORDER,

Adopted and ordered recorded.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1001)

HEARING, NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy for location of
approximately 18' of Conduit to proposed Handhole in sidewalk area for 152 WILLIAM
STREET, this work is necessary to provide service of 152 William Street.

Hearing Held.

Petition Placed on File. (#1002)

AN ORDER,

Adopted and ordered recorded.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1003)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$750,000.00 from INSPECTIONAL SERVICES PERSONAL SERVICES in the amount of \$110,000.00; FACILITIES AND FLEET PERSONAL SERVICES in the amount of \$236,000.00; RECREATION AND PARKS PERSONAL SERVICES in the amount of \$80,000.00; ELECTIONS PERSONAL SERVICES in the amount of \$88,000.00; HEALTH PERSONAL SERVICES in the amount of \$120,000.00; SOLICITOR PERSONAL SERVICES in the amount of \$28,000.00; ZOO PERSONAL SERVICES in the amount \$43,000.00 and POLICE PERSONAL SERVICES in the amount \$45,000.00 to CITY UTILITIES PURCHASE OF SERVICES.

Referred to the Committee on Finance. (#1004)

AN ORDER,

Referred to the Committee on Finance. (#1005)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$480,000.00 from STABILIZATION FUND to FIRE PERSONAL SERVICES.

Received and Placed on File. (#1006)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that the sum of FOUR HUNDRED AND EIGHTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$480,000) now standing to the credit of the account from STABILIZATION FUND be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

FIRE PERSONAL SERVICES.....\$480,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Adopted – Yeas 10, Nays 0.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1007)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$164,000.00 from FACILITIES AND FLEET PERSONAL SERVICES to FIRE PERSONAL SERVICES.

Received and Placed on File. (#1008)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that the sum of ONE HUNDRED SIXTY-FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$164,000) now standing to the credit of the account from FACILITIES AND FLEET PERSONAL SERVICES be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

FIRE PERSONAL SERVICES.....\$164,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1009)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$85,000.00 from STABILIZATION FUND, to FACILITIES AND FLEET PURCHASE OF SERVICES.

Referred to the Committee on Finance – Yeas 6, Nays 4. (Councillors Baptiste, Burgo, Carney and Choquette OPPOSED.) (#1010)

AN ORDER,

Referred to the Committee on Finance – Yeas 6, Nays 4. (Councillors Baptiste, Burgo, Carney and Choquette OPPOSED.) (#1011)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$53,000.00 from POLICE PERSONAL SERVICES, to VETERANS OTHER CHARGES AND EXPENSES.

Received and Placed on File. (#1012)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that the sum of FIFTY-THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$53,000) now standing to the credit of the account from POLICE PERSONAL SERVICES be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

VETERANS OTHER CHARGES AND EXPENSES.....\$53,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1013)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$7,200.00 from POLICE PERSONAL SERVICES to TOURISM PERSONAL SERVICES.

Received and Placed on File. (#1014)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that the sum of SEVEN THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$7,200) now standing to the credit of the account from POLICE PERSONAL SERVICES be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

TOURISM PERSONAL SERVICES.....\$7,200

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1015)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$3,600.00 from POLICE PERSONAL SERVICES to LICENSING PERSONAL SERVICES.

Received and Placed on File. (#1016)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

IN CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that the sum of THREE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$3,600) now standing to the credit of the account from POLICE PERSONAL SERVICES be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

LICENSING PERSONAL

SERVICES.....\$3,600

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1016a)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$18.00 from POLICE PERSONAL SERVICES to OTHER INTERGOVERNMENTAL ASSESSMENTS AND CHARGES PURCHASE OF SERVICES.

Received and Placed on File. (#1017)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

IN CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that the sum of EIGHTEEN DOLLARS (\$18) now standing to the credit of the account from POLICE PERSONAL SERVICES be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

INTERGOVERNMENTAL ASSESSMENTS AND CHARGES PURCHASE OF SERVICES.....\$18

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1018)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$140,000.00 from FIRE PURCHASE OF SERVICES to FIRE PERSONAL SERVICES.

Received and Placed on File. (#1019)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

IN CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that the sum of ONE HUNDRED FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$140,000) now standing to the credit of the account from FIRE PURCHASE OF SERVICES be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

FIRE PERSONAL SERVICES.....\$140,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1020)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$109,000.00 from POLICE PERSONAL SERVICES to POLICE OTHER CHARGES AND EXPENSES in the amount of \$37,000.00 and POLICE CAPITAL OUTLAY in the amount of \$72,000.00.

Received and Placed on File. (#1021)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that the sum of ONE HUNDRED AND NINE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$109,000) now standing to the credit of the account from POLICE PERSONAL SERVICES be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

POLICE OTHER CHARGES AND EXPENSES.....\$37,000
POLICE CAPITAL OUTLAYS.....\$72,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1022)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$70,000.00 from RECREATION AND PARKS PURCHASE OF SERVICES to RECREATION AND PARKS OTHER FINANCING USES.

Received and Placed on File. (#1023)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that the sum of SEVENTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$70,000) now standing to the credit of the account from RECREATION AND PARKS PURCHASE OF SERVICES be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

RECREATION AND PARKS OTHER FINANCING USES.....\$70,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1024)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$67,000.00 from AIRPORT OTHER FINANCING USES to AIRPORT PERSONAL SERVICES in the amount of \$23,000.00 and AIRPORT PURCHASE OF SERVICES in the amount of \$44,000.00.

Received and Placed on File. (#1025)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

IN CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that the sum of SIXTY-SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$67,000) now standing to the credit of the account from AIRPORT OTHER FINANCING USES be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

AIRPORT PERSONAL SERVICES.....\$23,000

AIRPORT PURCHASE OF SERVICES.....\$44,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1026)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$14,000.00 from VETERANS PURCHASE OF SERVICES in the amount of \$7,000.00 and VETERANS SUPPLIES in the amount of \$7,000.00 to VETERANS OTHER CHARGES AND EXPENSES.

Received and Placed on File. (#1027)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

IN CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that the sum of FOURTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$14,000) now standing to the credit of the account from VETERANS PURCHASE OF SERVICES (\$7,000) and VETERANS SUPPLIES(\$7,000) be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

VETERANS OTHER CHARGES AND EXPENSES.....\$14,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1028)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$8,000.00 from VETERANS PURCHASE OF SERVICES to VETERANS PERSONAL SERVICES.

Received and Placed on File. (#1029)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

IN CITY COUNCIL

JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that the sum of EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$8,000) now standing to the credit of the account from VETERANS PURCHASE OF SERVICES be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

VETERANS PERSONAL SERVICES.....\$8,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1030)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$12,000.00 from ZOO PERSONAL SERVICES to ZOO PURCHASE OF SERVICES.

Received and Placed on File. (#1031)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that the sum of TWELVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$12,000) now standing to the credit of the account from ZOO PERSONAL SERVICES be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

ZOO PURCHASE OF SERVICES.....\$12,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1032)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$8,000.00 from CITY COUNCIL OTHER CHARGES to CITY COUNCIL PURCHASE OF SERVICES.

Received and Placed on File. (#1033)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that the sum of EIGHT THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$8,000) now standing to the credit of the account from CITY COUNCIL OTHER CHARGES be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

CITY COUNCIL PURCHASE OF SERVICES.....\$8,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1034)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$7,850.00 from MIS OTHER CHARGES AND EXPENSES to MIS PERSONAL SERVICES.

Received and Placed on File. (#1035)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that the sum of SEVEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS (\$7,850) now standing to the credit of the account from MIS OTHER CHARGES AND EXPENSES be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

MIS PERSONAL OF SERVICES.....\$7,850

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1036)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER that in accordance with MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, the revolving fund under the control of the Community Services Department, known as the ADULT SOCIAL DAY PROGRAM REVOLVING FUND, whose revenues collected and amount limited to be spent estimated at \$300,000.00 is hereby authorized for FISCAL YEAR 2027.

Received and Placed on File. (#1037)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that in accordance with MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E½, the revolving fund under the control of the Community Services Department, known as the **ADULT SOCIAL DAY PROGRAM REVOLVING FUND**, whose revenues collected and amount limited to be spent estimated at **\$300,000** is hereby authorized for **FISCAL YEAR 2027**.

Adopted. (#1038)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER that in accordance with MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, the revolving fund under the control of the Department of Facilities and Fleet Management, known as the QUEST CENTER REVOLVING FUND, whose revenues collected and amount limited to be spent estimated at \$271,500.00 is hereby authorized for FISCAL YEAR 2027.

Received and Placed on File. (#1039)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 11, 2026

ORDERED, that in accordance with MGL Chapter 44, Section 53E½, the revolving fund under the control of the Department of Facilities and Fleet Management Department, known as the **QUEST CENTER REVOLVING FUND**, whose revenues collected and amount limited to be spent estimated at **\$271,500** is hereby authorized for **FISCAL YEAR 2027**.

Adopted. (#1040)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 2, Section 2-47 establishing of the Department of Health and Human Services.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.

AN ORDINANCE,
Referred to the Committee on Ordinances. (#1042)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 2, Administration – relative to Article IX, Human Rights Commission; Article X – Council on Aging; Article XIII – Commission for Citizens with Disabilities; Article XVI – Division of Community Services; Article XX – Department of Facilities and Fleet Management and Article XXI – Public Infrastructure Department.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances. (#1043)

AN ORDINANCE,
Referred to the Committee on Ordinances. (#1044)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 12 Health and Sanitation, Article I – In General, by adding Section 12-11, oversight by the Department of Health and Human Services to the Board of Health.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances. (#1045)

AN ORDINANCE,

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances. (#1046)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 15 – Licenses and Permits; Business Regulations, Article I – In General, by adding Sections 15-15 & 15-16 – Relative to the Licensing Board.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances. (#1047)

AN ORDINANCE,

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances. (#1048)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 18, Sections 18-9 & 18-10 – Relative to Parks and Recreation.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances. (#1049)

AN ORDINANCE,

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances. (#1050)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 25, Sections 25-1-25-4 and 25-10 – Relative to Veterans.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances. (#1051)

AN ORDINANCE,

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances. (#1052)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting a proposed Housing Development Incentive Program Tax Increment Exemption Agreement and RESOLUTION approving a Tax Increment Exemption (TIE) for the redevelopment of the vacant Holy Family Elementary School located at 91 Summer Street, into 44 condominiums.

Referred to the Committee on Finance (#1053)

HOUSING DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVE PROGRAM - Tax Increment Exemption (TIE) Agreement, between the City of New Bedford and Vanko Studio Architects, LLC.

Referred to the Committee on Finance (#1054)

RESOLUTION, Approving the Tax Increment Exemption Housing Development Incentive Program and Agreement for Vanko Studio Architects, 91 Summer Street.

Referred to the Committee on Finance (#1055)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the REAPPOINTMENT of DIANE BERUBE, New Bedford, MA to the PARK BOARD; this term will expire MAY 2031.

Rule 38 Waived, Reappointment Confirmed and Rule 40 Waived – Yeas 10,
Nays 0. (#1056)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the REAPPOINTMENT of GEORGE M. VIVEIROS, New Bedford, MA to the PARK BOARD; this term will expire MAY 2031.

Rule 38 Waived, Reappointment Confirmed and Rule 40 Waived – Yeas 10,
Nays 0. (#1057)

REPORT, Committee on Finance, recommending that the City Council take **“NO FURTHER ACTION”** on the WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Carney, requesting, that the Treasurer’s Office provide a report identifying all tax-exempt properties, including churches, listing their value, property status as active or vacant, and number of years vacant if applicable.

Recommendation Followed. (#1058)

WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Carney, requesting, that the Treasurer’s Office provide a report identifying all tax-exempt properties, including churches, listing their value, property status as active or vacant, and number of years vacant if applicable.

Referred to the Committee on the P.I.L.O.T. Program – December 12, 2024.

Referred to the Committee on Finance – January 23, 2025.

NO FURTHER ACTION. (#2090)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Lopes, requesting, that the Mitchell Administration work with the members of the New Bedford City Council to establish a Voluntary Municipal Employee Health Insurance Opt-Out program.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances and the Mitchell Administration.
(#1059)

PETITION/INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, 10 at 8th LLC, at 278 Union Street, New Bedford, MA 02740, for permission to encroach onto City property with a canopy, approximately 45' long (horizontally), 4' 6" wide and 14' deep (vertically); said canopy is attached to the building approximately 13' from ground level.

Approved. (#1060)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

IN CITY COUNCIL

June 11, 2026

ORDERED, that permission be granted to 10 at 8th LLC, 1786 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02118, for permission to encroach onto City property with a canopy, approximately 45' long (horizontally), 4'6" wide and 14' deep (vertically), attached to the building approximately 13' from ground level, located at **278 Union Street, New Bedford, MA 02740.**

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, that said permission is hereby granted subject to the Petition Indemnity Agreement of 10 at 8th LLC, 1786 Washington Street, Boston, MA 02118, to the City of New Bedford, approved by the City Council on June 11, 2026, a copy of which is attached hereto and made part thereof, and subject to the approval of the Department of Inspectional Services. (Submitted by Councillor Baptiste.)

Approved.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026.

(#1061)

COMMUNICATION, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, submitting an Application for **RENEWAL of a PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE**, on behalf of Tanya DePina, d/b/a **COMFORT TRANSPORTATION, LLC**, 47 Lauren Drive, New Bedford, MA. **(Term of License July 01, 2026 – June 30, 2027.)**

Livery License Granted.

(#1062)

COMMUNICATION, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, to City Council, submitting a PETITION, **Anna Thomas, Fall River, MA d/b/a ALL THINGS WITH ANNA, 127 W. Rodney French Boulevard, New Bedford, MA**, requesting a Waiver of Residency in accordance with Section 15-38 of the City Code, to obtain a **LICENSE TO DEAL IN JUNK, OLD METALS OR ANY OTHER SECONDHAND ARTICLES.**

Referred to the Special Committee on Special Permits and Licensing.

(#1063)

COMMUNICATION/DEMOLITION, New Bedford Historical Commission, to City Council, re: BUILDING DEMOLITION REVIEW: 535 BROCK AVENUE, (MAP 011, LOT 0056) a circa 1840 - 1854, carriage barn, later converted to a two-story residence, "the Coffin-Howland is a contributing resource to the Hazelwood Park National Register Site; the building is significant in its association with the Joseph Howland Estate which later became Hazelwood Park; the building experienced a significant fire decades ago and was boarded up and fenced off to deter ongoing vandalism and long-term deferred maintenance, in addition to the fire damage and collapsed roof, does not make the building a good candidate for restoration; the demolition of the Coffin-Howland House removes a dangerous safety hazard from a public park; and the planning for the reconstruction of a similarly scaled and architecturally sensitive building on the footprint of the House has been ongoing, **"in light of these findings, the NBHC has determined that the building at 535 Brock Avenue, known as the Coffin Howland House, is Historically Significant but not a Preferably Preserved Building."**

Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings.

(#1064)

COMMUNICATION, Community Preservation Committee, submitting the CPA annual budget for fiscal year 2027, for Committee administrative expenses and Community Preservation Projects in fiscal year 2027.

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

(#1065)

COMMUNICATION, Councillor Burgo, submitting a copy of a letter sent to the Members of the Historical Commission requesting that they convene a meeting to review correspondence relating to the historical significance of the property abutting the United house of Prayer and the surrounding neighborhood, and to determine whether the area warrants further historical review and consideration.

Received and Place on File. (#1066)

COMMUNICATION, Councillor Burgo, submitting a copy of a letter sent to the Planning Board requesting that they consider postponing final action on the proposed housing development on the parcel of land abutting the United House of Prayer property until the Historical Commission has completed its evaluation of its' potential historical significance and determine whether the site and surrounding area may be suitable for the establishment of a historical district.

Received and Place on File. (#1067)

COMMUNICATION, Department of Environmental Protection, Waterways Regulation Program, providing public notice of the waterway's application, by Robert B. Our to construct and maintain a vehicle access ramp and associated piles on a licensed revetment containing filled tidelands within the New Bedford-Fairhaven Designated Port Area at 302 Herman Melville Boulevard in the City of New Bedford, in and over the waters of the Acushnet River.

Received and Placed on File. (#1068)

REPORT, Committee on Ordinances, recommending to the City Council ADOPTION of AN ORDER as AMENDED, and AN ACT, as AMENDED for the Recall of Elected Officers in the City of New Bedford.

Tabled – Yeas 7, Nays 2. (Councillors Carney and Roy OPPOSED.) – May 28, 2026.

Removed from the Table.

Recommendation Followed. (#0904)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 14, 2024

ORDERED, that the Mayor of the City of New Bedford is authorized to petition the General Court for a special act entitled, "An Act Providing for the Recall of Elected Officials in the City of New Bedford;" *herein attached* provided, however, that the General Court may make clerical and editorial changes of form only to the bill.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances - March 14, 2024.

Tabled – Yeas 7, Nays 2. (Councillors Carney and Roy OPPOSED.) – May 28, 2026.

Removed from the Table.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances – FAILED – Yeas 1, Nays 9. (Councillor Roy IN FAVOR.)

Adopted as Amended – Yeas 9, Nays 1. (Councillor Roy OPPOSED.)

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 22, 2026. (#0304)

AN ACT, AS AMENDED, Providing for the Recall of Elected Officers in the City of New Bedford.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances - March 14, 2024.

Tabled – Yeas 7, Nays 2. (Councillors Carney and Roy OPPOSED.) – May 28, 2026.

Removed from the Table.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances – FAILED – Yeas 1, Nays 9. (Councillor Roy IN FAVOR.)

Councillor Roy made a motion to amend by striking “Eighteen Hundred (1800)” in Section 3a. and inserting “Six hundred (600)” and striking “300” in Section 3a. and 3b. and inserting “100” – Amendment FAILED – Yeas 1, Nays 9. (Councillor Roy IN FAVOR.)

Adopted – Yeas 9, Nays 1. (Councillor Roy OPPOSED.)

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 22, 2026. (#0305)

WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Pereira, requesting, on behalf of Outsider Endurance, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: East Rodney French Boulevard will be closed in both directions between South Rodney French Boulevard and David Street; David Street will be closed in both directions between East Rodney French Boulevard and Cleveland Street; Cleveland Street will be closed between David Street and Mott Street, in both directions; Mott Street closed in both directions between Cleveland Street and East Rodney French Boulevard; South Rodney French Boulevard will be closed between East and West Rodney French Boulevard in both Directions; West Rodney French Boulevard will be partially closed between Bayview Street and Valentine Street; West Rodney French Boulevard between Bayview Street and Valentine Street will have 2 lines of cones placed on the road to create 3 lanes – 2 lanes for bikes, 1 lane for cars. The car lane will be furthest from Clark’s Cove and allow cars to travel north on West Rodney French Boulevard, the 2 bike lanes will be the 2 lanes closest to Clark’s Cove with one lane for cyclists to ride north and one lane for cyclists to ride south; West Rodney French Boulevard closed in both directions between Valentine Street and Willard Street, **a road management crew will place barrels, barricades and traffic cones on the roads impacted by this plan between 4:30 A.M., until 7:00 A.M. The closure of roads will begin at 6:45 A.M., for the race to be ready to start at 7:30 A.M. All roads associated with this plan are expected to be open for traffic to flow normally by 11:30 A.M., ON SUNDAY, JUNE 28, 2026, FROM 6:45 A.M. TO 11:30 A.M., for the purpose of THE WHALING CITY TRIATHLON.**

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1069)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Lopes, requesting, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: FULLER MEMORIAL PARKWAY, from Rockdale Avenue, westerly through Buttonwood Park, to Brownell Avenue; BUTTONWOOD STREET, from the Monument to Lake Street AND ONEIDA STREET, from Lt. Walter P. Fuller Memorial Parkway to Lake Street (In Front of the Buttonwood Senior Center), FROM: 7:00 A.M. WEDNESDAY, JULY 08, 2026, THROUGH: 7:00 P.M., MONDAY, JULY 13, 2026, for the purpose of THE WHALING CITY FESTIVAL.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1070)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Baptiste, requesting, on behalf of AHA! New Bedford, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: ACUSHNET AVENUE, from Union Street to William Street AND WILLIAM STREET, from North Second Street to Johnny Cake Hill, ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 13, 2026, FROM 3:00 P.M. TO 11:00 P.M., for the purpose of SEAPORT IN THE CITY.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1071)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Gomes, Baptiste, Carney, Burgo and Pemberton, requesting, on behalf of the Cape Verdean Recognition Committee, Inc., that the following street(s) be CLOSED: WILLIAM STREET, from Pleasant Street to North Sixth Street, ON MONDAY, JUNE 29, 2026, FROM 5:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M., for the purpose of the Cape Verdean Flag Raising Ceremony on City Hall Steps.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1072)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Gomes, Carney, Baptiste, Burgo and Pemberton, on behalf of the Cape Verdean Recognition Day Committee, requesting that the following street(s) be CLOSED, ON SUNDAY, JULY 05, 2026, UNION STREET, from Rockdale Avenue to Acushnet Avenue; ROCKDALE AVENUE, from Hawthorn Street to Kempton Street at 8:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M. (Streets to be Re-Opened as soon as Parade passes) AND ACUSHNET AVENUE, from Union Street to Grinnell Street; GRINNELL STREET, from Acushnet Avenue to Purchase Street, PURCHASE STREET, ending at 561 Purchase Street, Cape Verdean-American Veterans Memorial Hall, WALNUT STREET, at South Second Street Intersection; SCHOOL STREET, at South Second Street Intersection AND MADISON STREET, at Pleasant Street Intersection, FROM 11:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. (Streets to be Re-Opened as soon as Parade passes) AND WING STREET, at Pleasant Street and PURCHASE STREET, at Grinnell Street FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M., for the purpose of The 54th Annual Cape Verdean Recognition Day Parade. (Parade Permit enclosed).

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1073)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Baptiste, Gomes, Carney, Burgo and Pemberton, requesting, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: SOUTH SIXTH STREET, from Bedford Street to Wing Street; WING STREET, from South Sixth Street to Pleasant Street; PLEASANT STREET, from Wing Street, to Bedford Street AND BEDFORD STREET, from Pleasant Street to South Sixth Street (Serenity Gardens), ON SUNDAY, JULY 05, 2026, FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M., the purpose of THE KULTURA FEST, on Cape Verdean Recognition Day.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1074)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Baptiste, requesting, on behalf of the Bisca Club, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: ACUSHNET AVENUE, at Howland Terrace and Wing Street, ON SUNDAY, JULY 05, 2026, FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M., for the purpose of Cape Verdean Recognition Week Activities.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1075)

WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Pereira, requesting, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: NINA STREET, from East Rodney French Boulevard to Seaview Terrace, to the West End of the intersection so traffic may not enter Seaview Terrace, ON SATURDAY, JULY 04, 2026, FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 10:00 P.M., for the purpose of A NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK PARTY.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1076)

COMMUNICATION, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, to the City Council, notifying that the Office of the City Clerk has received Meeting Minutes from the Community Preservation Committee for a meeting held on February 12, 2026; the Licensing Board of Trustees for meetings held on March 31, 2026 and April 28, 2026; the Park Board for a meeting held on April 15, 2026; the Public Health Excellence Collaborative for a meeting held on May 27, 2026; and GNB Regional Refuse Management District for a meeting held February 18, 2026.

Received and Placed on File. (#1077)

APPLICATION, **Morgado Company, Inc.**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **ES 136 0541 Braley Road**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on May 28, 2026, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1078)

APPLICATION, **RJ Canessa Excavating** for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **6 Clinton Place**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on May 28, 2026, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1079)

APPLICATION, **Roto-Rooter**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **89 Chestnut Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on May 29, 2026, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1080)

APPLICATION, **Able Asphalt**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **ES Phillips Road 136/0309**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on June 05, 2026, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1081)

APPLICATION, **Morgado Company, Inc.**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **ES 136 0541 Braley Road**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on May 28, 2026, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1082)

APPLICATION, **RJ Canessa Excavating**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **6 Clinton Place**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on May 28, 2026, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1083)

APPLICATION, **Roto-Rooter**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **89 Chestnut Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on May 29, 2026, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1084)

APPLICATION, **Able Asphalt**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **ES Phillips Road 136-0309**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on June 05, 2026, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1085)

APPLICATIONS, **Eversource Gas**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on May 27, 2026, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council as follows:

187 Crapo Street (#1086)

282 Dartmouth Street (#1087)

27 Dunbar Street (#1088)

458 Ashley Boulevard (#1089)

193 Weld Street (#1090)

423 South Second Street (#1091)

221 – 223 Shaw Street (#1092)

63 Mechanics Lane (#1093)

221 State Street (#1094)

238 Reed Street (#1095)

555 Church Street (#1096)

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026.

APPLICATION, **Mowbray Waste**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **207 Walnut Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on May 27, 2026, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval June 15, 2026.

Approved June 16, 2026. (#1097)

On a motion, the Council then adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

ATTEST:

DENNIS W. FARIAS, CITY CLERK/
CLERK OF THE CITY COUNCIL