Notice of Public Meeting

New Bedford Retirement Board
Please Post

October 23, 2026

The meeting of the New Bedford Retirement Board will be held on Thursday, October 29, 2026, at 9:30 AM.

Per the passage of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023 and its impact on certain provisions of the Open Meeting Law, the meeting may be held both in-person at 651 Orchard Street, Room 203A, New Bedford, MA 02744 and remotely via ZOOM. Board members and members of the public interested in attending remotely may do so via Zoom by contacting Eric Cohen by email (ECohen@newbedfordretirement.org) or phone (508) 979-1538 for Meeting I.D. and password.

Sincerely,

Eric C. Cohen
Executive Director

1. **Brookfield – Real Estate Manager:**
   - Rescinding vote to approve
2. **Adoption of September 29, 2026, monthly meeting minutes:**
3. **Approval of Superannuation Retirement Applications:**
   - Maria Martins – City/NBPS — Effective 10/01/2026; 18 yrs, 4 mos.
   - Robert Ekstrom – City/CFO — Effective 10/24/2026; 10 yrs, 0 mos.
   - Shelly Miranda – HDC — Effective 01/30/2027; 22 yrs, 1 mo.
   - Carlos Carvalho – City/NBPS — Effective 01/30/2027; 10 yrs, 0 mos.
4. **Review and approval of monthly expenses/monthly warrants/monthly financial reports:**
5. **5th Member Appointment:**
6. **5th Member Appointment Policy**
   - Review and adoption of proposed policy

7. **Disability Related Matters (Executive Session) – MGL c. 30A, s.21(a)(1) & MGL c. 30A, S.21 (a)(3):**

- Review of Accidental Disability Retirement Application – vote to send forward to Regional Medical Panel

    - D. Jorge

8. **Adoption of the Funding Schedule:**

9. **Ekstrom v. New Bedford Retirement Board, CR – 25 -0366 Dala Decision**

10. **Creditable Service:**

    - Paid Parental Leave – City Ordinance
    - Additional Supplemental Regulations Regarding Creditable Service Accruals

11. **Other Business/New Business:**

- Reestablishing New Bedford Treasurer Reconciliations – status update / board member update

The Board reserves the right to consider items on the agenda out of order and discuss items which were unanticipated at the time that the agenda was created. In addition, the Board may enter into Executive Session during the meeting if requested by the individual or as deemed necessary by the Board or Legal Counsel.