



Committee on Public Safety & Neighborhoods

November 15, 2016– 7:00 PM - **Agenda**
Chambers of the City Council, City Hall, Room 214

1. Written Motion, Councillors Coelho, Abreu, Carney and Martins, requesting, that the Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods, the Health Department and the Department of Inspectional Services look into the situation on North Front Street, there are sidewalk sales that last all day and block the entire sidewalk, tables and chairs put out, people congregating all day long, cooking on the sidewalk, there is an accumulation of garbage that people leave, they fix cars right on the sidewalk, which obstructs visibility; and further, some of this activity could possibly be used as drug fronts, there are quality of life issues that are not being addressed and the sidewalks must be cleared for pedestrians. (To be Referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods, the Health Department and the Department of Inspectional Services.) (Ref'd 10/13/16)

INVITEES: Joseph Cordeiro, Chief of Police; Dr. Brenda Weis, Director, New Bedford Health Department; Danny Romanowicz, DIS Commissioner

2. Written Motion, Councillors Coelho, Abreu, Carney and Martins, due to the high increase in crime and the deterioration in the quality of life, requesting that Police Chief Cordeiro increase patrols and bring foot patrols to the area of North Front Street, from Coggeshall Street to Nash Road, to quell some of the issues the neighborhood is experiencing, due to the fact that many residents are afraid to call Police because of retaliation and also the language barrier. (To be Referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods and Police Chief Cordeiro.) (Ref'd 10/13/16)

INVITEES: Joseph Cordeiro, Chief of Police

3. Written Motion, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that the Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods meet with Police Chief Cordeiro for the purpose of discussing the implementation of using drones to monitor high crime neighborhoods for surveillance across the City, adding another tool in fighting crime; and further requesting, that the drones be used for surveillance and security purposes when the City is holding major events, along with monitoring the City as a whole. (To be Referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods.) (Ref'd 10/27/16)

INVITEES: Joseph Cordeiro, Chief of Police