



Special Committee on the Feasibility of Creating a Dog Park

October 20, 2015 – 7:00 PM – **Agenda**

Councillor William Saltzman Antechamber – Room 213

1. Written Motion, Councillor Coelho, requesting, that the Special Committee on the Feasibility of Creating a Dog Park consider asking Matthew A. Morrissey, Executive Director, Economic Development Council to explore the possibility of locating the proposed Dog Park at the Acushnet Riverwalk, near Sawyer Street, this location is visible and easily accessible; and further, requesting that the money used to create this Dog Park be taken from the 2.9 million dollars obtained by the Economic Development Council through the Harbor Trustee Council for the Riverwalk Project, so that no taxpayer money would be used; and further, requesting that a study be conducted to see if this proposition is doable. (Ref'd 9/27/12, 11/29/12-tabled)
2. Written Motion, Councillors Bousquet, Martins, Morad, Lopes and Winterson, requesting, that the lot across from the High School between Ruggles and Greenwood Streets to be transformed into a dog park with the appropriate fencing, key system, play areas, trash barrels, doggie bags, stands and benches, and that this dog park be named after "Captain Jack Peterson" long time talk radio announcer friend, animal advocate, and resident of New Bedford; and further, that the City establish an account for Peterson Park, so that people can make a donation in Jack Peterson's name in order to support the development and construction, as well as the care and maintenance of the Dog Park. (Ref'd 8/21/14, 7/9/15-Refer to Committee on Memorials and Dedications)

INVITEES: Councillor Henry G. Bousquet

3. Written Motion, Councillor Carney, requesting that the Committee on the Feasibility of Creating a Dog Park meet to discuss preliminary design work of placing a dog park in New Bedford, due to the potential grant the City might be awarded for the creation of a dog park. (Ref'd 4/23/15, 7/9/15- Refer to Recreation Department)

Chairman suggests taking "No Further Action" on the following matters:

4. Written Motion, Councillors Lawrence, Bousquet, Gomes, Lopes, Duarte and Alves, requesting, that the City Council re-visit the idea of establishing a Dog Park in the City of New Bedford, where it is needed, for the benefit of the many pets who need a safe, supervised area to exercise.(Ref'd 6/14/12)
5. Related Motion, Councillors Gonsalves, requesting that the next Special Committee on the Feasibility of Creating a Dog Park meeting that the entire City Council be invited to address their concerns to the Committee. (Ref'd 6/14/12, 11/29/12-2/21/13-tabled)
6. Communication, Councillor Martins to Councillor Gonsalves, relative to the location of a future Dog Park in the City of New Bedford. (Ref'd 1/22/13)