

REGULAR MEETING
Chambers of the City Council
Thursday, April 24, 2025

CITY COUNCIL
Municipal Building
7:01 p.m.

PRESENT: Council President Burgo, Councillors Abreu, Carney, Choquette, Giesta, Gomes, Lopes, Morad, and Oliver.

LATE: Councillors Baptiste (7:13) and Pereira (7:15)
ABSENT: No one.

Council President Burgo called the meeting to order and presided.

Prayer led by: Pastor Samuel Bongiorno, Christian Fellowship Center

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

HEARING, NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy for location of approximately 27' of Conduit and one handhole in WARREN STREET, this work is necessary to provide electric service to the new City lighting cabinet on the north side of Warren Street, close to the corner of Rodney French Boulevard.

Hearing Held.

Petition Placed on File. (#0609)

AN ORDER,
Adopted and ordered recorded.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025. (#0610)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting a LOAN ORDER, in the amount of \$38,100,000.00, to authorize a borrowing to pay the costs of Capital Planning and Construction of Water Distribution and Treatment Systems Improvements including a Lead Service Abatement Program, Transmission Main Inspection Program, and General System Improvements.

Referred to the Committee on Finance. (#0611)

LOAN ORDER,
Referred to the Committee on Finance. (#0612)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting a LOAN ORDER, in the amount of \$32,200,000.00, to authorize a borrowing to pay the costs of projects outlined in the City's Long Term CSO Control and Integrated Capital Improvements Plan including Wastewater Collection System Improvements, Pumping Station Improvements, Flood Control Structure Improvements, Water Quality Improvements, CSO Abatement and General System Improvements.

Referred to the Committee on Finance. (#0613)

LOAN ORDER,
Referred to the Committee on Finance. (#0614)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$12,500.00, from CABLE ACCESS SUPPLIES to CABLE ACCESS PERSONAL SERVICES.

Received and Placed on File.

(#0615)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
APRIL 24, 2025

ORDERED, that the sum of TWELVE THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$12,500) now standing to the credit of the account from CABLE ACCESS SUPPLIES be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

CABLE ACCESS PERSONAL SERVICES.....\$12,500

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025.

(#0616)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, requesting that the City Council reconsider their decision regarding the Board of Election Commissioners' recommendation that the 2025 Preliminary Election be held on Tuesday, September 16, 2025.

NO FURTHER ACTION – Yeas 7, Nays 4. (Councillors Baptiste, Burgo, Giesta and Pereira OPPOSED.)

(#0617)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the REAPPOINTMENT of STEVEN CATON, New Bedford, MA, to the CEMETERY BOARD; this term will expire May 2028.

Rule 38 Waived, Reappointment Confirmed, Rule 40 Waived – Yeas 11. Nays 0. (#0618)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the REAPPOINTMENT of BARBARA MCDONALD, New Bedford, MA, to the CEMETERY BOARD; this term will expire May 2028.

Rule 38 Waived, Reappointment Confirmed, Rule 40 Waived – Yeas 11. Nays 0. (#0619)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the REAPPOINTMENT of HENRY G. BOUSQUET, New Bedford, MA, to the ELECTION COMMISSION; this term will expire April 2029.

Rule 38 Waived, Reappointment Confirmed, Rule 40 Waived – Yeas 11. Nays 0. (#0620)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the REAPPOINTMENT of DELORIS JOSEPH, New Bedford, MA, to the HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION; this term will expire April 2028.

Rule 38 Waived, Reappointment Confirmed, Rule 40 Waived – Yeas 11. Nays 0. (#0621)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the REAPPOINTMENT of SIDNEY A. MURRAY, II, New Bedford, MA, to the HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION; this term will expire April 2028.

Rule 38 Waived, Reappointment Confirmed, Rule 40 Waived – Yeas 11. Nays 0. (#0622)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of THIAGO HENRIQUE LOPES, New Bedford, MA, as a CONSTABLE.

Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings.

(#0623)

AN APPLICATION,

Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings.

(#0624)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

IN CITY COUNCIL

NOVEMBER 14, 2024

ORDERED, that the City appropriates ~~\$13,494,375.00~~ \$9,320,249.00 for the purpose of making critically needed repairs to City-owned buildings including, but not limited to, projects for the repair and renovation of public safety facilities, recreational facilities, general office space, replacement of capital equipment and vehicles, and roads and infrastructure improvements and all costs incidental and related thereto, *as specifically detailed in Exhibit A, attached hereto*. To meet this appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Mayor, is authorized to borrow said sum of money, pursuant to M.G.L. Chapter 44, Sections 7(1), 7(7), or any other enabling authority.

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Treasurer is authorized to file an application with the appropriate officials of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts (“Commonwealth”) to qualify under Chapter 44A of the General Laws any and all bonds of the City authorized by this Order, and to provide such information and execute such documents as such officials of the Commonwealth may require in connection therewith.

EXHIBIT A

The total amount of appropriations of **\$ 9,320,249** shall be expended only as follows:-

Of the total, not more than	\$ 114,000	shall be expended for	Public Safety Training Facility
Of the total, not more than	\$ 450,450	shall be expended for	Dias Field Renovations
Of the total, not more than	\$ 150,000	shall be expended for	Zoo regulatory deferred maintenance
Of the total, not less than	\$ 3,000,000	shall be expended for	Roadway reconstruction
Of the total, not more than	\$ 225,000	shall be expended for	Park renovations
Of the total, not more than	\$ 225,000	shall be expended for	Cemetery road improvements
Of the total, not more than	\$ 625,000	shall be expended for	Park playground improvements
Of the total, not more than	\$ 60,000	shall be expended for	Airport conservation permit
Of the total, not more than	\$ 125,000	shall be expended for	Airport markings
Of the total, not more than	\$ 375,000	shall be expended for	Taylor School/Sea Lab generator
Of the total, not more than	\$ 250,000	shall be expended for	Radio communications
Of the total, not more than	\$ 57,225	shall be expended for	Tyler Technologies Cash
Management Module			
Of the total, not more than	\$ 175,000	shall be expended for	Splash pad improvements
Of the total, not more than	\$ 54,650	shall be expended for	Zoo hospital equipment
Of the total, not more than	\$ 234,500	shall be expended for	Filter media replacement
Of the total, not more than	\$ 275,477	shall be expended for	Traveling Screen
Of the total, not more than	\$ 60,000	shall be expended for	Zoo Vehicles
Of the total, not more than	\$ 195,476	shall be expended for	Fire Vehicles
Of the total, not more than	\$ 263,862	shall be expended for	DPI Vehicles
Of the total, not more than	\$ 160,110	shall be expended for	Police Vehicles
Of the total, not more than	\$ 350,728	shall be expended for	Park Vehicles
Of the total, not more than	\$ 570,000	shall be expended for	EMS Vehicles
Of the total, not more than	\$ 368,725	shall be expended for	Water Vehicles
Of the total, not more than	\$ 955,046	shall be expended for	Wastewater Vehicles

TOTAL

\$ 9,320,249

Referred to the Committee on Finance – November 14, 2024.

Motion was made to Table - FAILED – Yeas 1, Nays 10. (Councillor Carney IN FAVOR.)

Passed to a Second Reading as Amended – Yeas 10, Nays 1. (Councillor Carney OPPOSED.)

Adopted – Yeas 9, Nays 2. (Councillors Carney and Morad OPPOSED.)

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025.

(#1818)

AN ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 17, Section 17-14 Telephonic and Burglar Alarm Systems.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances – June 27, 2024.

Passed to a Second Reading – March 13, 2025.

Passed to be Ordained – Yeas 11, Nays 0.

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025.

(#1099)

REPORT, Committee on Appointments and Briefings, recommending to the City Council APPROVAL of the REAPPOINTMENT of ALEX J. WEINER, New Bedford, MA to the BOARD OF HEALTH.

Recommendation Followed. (#0625)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the REAPPOINTMENT of ALEX J. WEINER, New Bedford, MA to the BOARD OF HEALTH, this term will expire February 2028.

Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings – Yeas 9, Nays 2. (Council President Burgo and Councillor Morad OPPOSED.) - February 13, 2025.

Reappointment Confirmed, Rule 40 Waived – Yeas 11, Nays 0. (#0146)

REPORT, Committee on Appointments and Briefings, recommending to the City Council APPROVAL of the APPOINTMENT of FLORENTINO CORREA, Fall River, as a CONSTABLE.

Recommendation Followed. (#0626)

AN APPLICATION, FLORENTINO CORREA, Fall River, MA, for APPOINTMENT as a CONSTABLE.

Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings – March 27, 2025.

Appointment Confirmed. (#0459)

REPORT, Committee on Appointments and Briefings, recommending to the City Council APPROVAL of the APPOINTMENT of MICHAEL GONZALEZ, New Bedford, as a CONSTABLE.

Recommendation Followed. (#0627)

AN APPLICATION, MICHAEL GONZALEZ, New Bedford, MA, for APPOINTMENT as a CONSTABLE.

Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings – March 27, 2025.

Appointment Confirmed. (#0461)

REPORT, Committee on Appointments and Briefings, recommending to the City Council APPROVAL of the APPOINTMENT of ALEX RODRIGUEZ, SR., Dartmouth, as a CONSTABLE.

Recommendation Followed. (#0628)

AN APPLICATION, ALEX RODRIGUEZ, SR., Dartmouth, MA, for APPOINTMENT as a CONSTABLE.

Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings – March 27, 2025.

Appointment Confirmed. (#0463)

REPORT, Committee on Appointments and Briefings, recommending to the City Council APPROVAL of the APPLICATION for a **NEW PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE** on behalf of Yvain Junior Normil, 219 Acushnet Avenue, #3, New Bedford, MA, d/b/a **RELIABLE TRANSIT EXPRESS**, 219 Acushnet Avenue, #3, New Bedford, MA. (**License will expire June 30, 2025.**)

Recommendation Followed. (#0629)

COMMUNICATION, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, submitting an Application for a **NEW PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE** on behalf of Yvain Junior Normil, 219 Acushnet Avenue, #3, New Bedford, MA, d/b/a **RELIABLE TRANSIT EXPRESS**, 219 Acushnet Avenue, #3, New Bedford, MA. (**License will expire June 30, 2025.**)

Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings – February 27, 2025.

Livery License Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025. (#0233)

REPORT, Committee on Appointments and Briefings, recommending to the City Council APPROVAL of the APPLICATION for a **RENEWAL of a PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE** on behalf of Yvain Junior Normil, 219 Acushnet Avenue, #3, New Bedford, MA, d/b/a **RELIABLE TRANSIT EXPRESS**, 219 Acushnet Avenue, #3, New Bedford, MA. **(Term of License July 01, 2025 – June 30, 2026.)**

Recommendation Followed. (#0630)

COMMUNICATION, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, submitting an Application for **RENEWAL of a PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE** on behalf of Yvain Junior Normil, 219 Acushnet Avenue, #3, New Bedford, MA, d/b/a **RELIABLE TRANSIT EXPRESS**, 219 Acushnet Avenue, #3, New Bedford, MA. **(Term of License July 01, 2025 – June 30, 2026.)**

Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings – February 27, 2025.

Livery License Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025. (#0234)

REPORT, Committee on Appointments and Briefings, recommending to the City Council APPROVAL of the APPLICATION for a **NEW PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE** on behalf of Christian Cornejo Cabrera, 87 Rivet Street, #2, New Bedford, MA, d/b/a **CABRERA TRANSPORTATION, LLC**, 162 Division Street, #2, New Bedford, MA. **(License will expire June 30, 2025.)**

Recommendation Followed. (#0631)

COMMUNICATION, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, submitting an Application for a **NEW PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE** on behalf of Christian Cornejo Cabrera, 87 Rivet Street, #2, New Bedford, MA, d/b/a **CABRERA TRANSPORTATION, LLC**, 162 Division Street, #2, New Bedford, MA. **(License will expire June 30, 2025.)**

Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings – March 13, 2025.

Livery License Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025. (#0324)

REPORT, Committee on Appointments and Briefings, recommending to the City Council APPROVAL of the APPLICATION for the **RENEWAL of a PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE** on behalf of Christian Cornejo Cabrera, 87 Rivet Street, #2, New Bedford, MA, d/b/a **CABRERA TRANSPORTATION, LLC**, 162 Division Street, #2, New Bedford, MA. **(Term of License July 01, 2025 – June 30, 2026.)**

Recommendation Followed. (#0632)

COMMUNICATION, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, submitting an Application for a **RENEWAL of a PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE** on behalf of Christian Cornejo Cabrera, 87 Rivet Street, #2, New Bedford, MA, d/b/a **CABRERA TRANSPORTATION, LLC**, 162 Division Street, #2, New Bedford, MA. **(Term of License July 01, 2025 – June 30, 2026.)**

Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings – March 13, 2025.

Livery License Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025. (#0325)

REPORT, Committee on Finance, recommending to the City Council ADOPTION of AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$40,000.00 from FREE CASH to ASSESSORS PURCHASE OF SERVICES.

Recommendation Followed. (#0633)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 27, 2025

ORDERED, that the sum on FORTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$40,000) now standing to the credit of the account from FREE CASH be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

ASSESSORS PURCHASE OF SERVICES.....\$40,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Referred to the Committee on Finance – March 27, 2025.

Adopted – Yeas 10, Nays 1. (Councillor Carney OPPOSED.)

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025. (#0440)

REPORT, Committee on Finance, recommending to the City Council ADOPTION of AN ORDER, for the TRANSFER of \$42,000.00 from FREE CASH to WORKERS' COMPENSATION PURCHASE OF SERVICES.

Recommendation Followed. (#0634)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 27, 2025

ORDERED, that the sum on FORTY-TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$42,000) now standing to the credit of the account from FREE CASH be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

WORKERS' COMPENSATION.....\$42,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Referred to the Committee on Finance – March 27, 2025.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025. (#0438)

REPORT, Committee on Finance, recommending to the City Council ADOPTION of AN ORDER, for the TRANSFER of \$54,000.00 from FREE CASH to MIS PURCHASE OF SERVICES.

Recommendation Followed. (#0635)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 27, 2025

ORDERED, that the sum on FIFTY-FOUR THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$54,000) now standing to the credit of the account from FREE CASH be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

MIS PURCHASE OF SERVICES.....\$54,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Referred to the Committee on Finance – March 27, 2025.

Adopted – Yeas 9, Nays 1. (Councillor Carney OPPOSED; Councillor Baptiste not present for vote.)

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025. (#0434)

REPORT, Committee on Finance, recommending to the City Council ADOPTION of AN ORDER, for the TRANSFER of \$84,238.00 from FREE CASH to AUDITOR PURCHASE OF SERVICES.

Recommendation Followed. (#0636)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 27, 2025

ORDERED, that the sum on EIGHTY-FOUR THOUSAND, TWO HUNDRED AND THIRTY-EIGHT DOLLARS (\$84,238) now standing to the credit of the account from FREE CASH be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

AUDITOR PURCHASE OF SERVICES.....\$84,238

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Referred to the Committee on Finance – March 27, 2025.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025. (#0432)

REPORT, Committee on Finance, recommending to the City Council ADOPTION of AN ORDER, for the TRANSFER of \$93,100.00 from FREE CASH to PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE PURCHASE OF SERVICES.

Recommendation Followed. (#0637)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 27, 2025

ORDERED, that the sum on NINETY-THREE THOUSAND, ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$93,100) now standing to the credit of the account from FREE CASH be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE PURCHASE OF SERVICES.....\$93,100

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Referred to the Committee on Finance – March 27, 2025.

Adopted – Yeas 9, Nays 2. (Councillors Carney and Morad OPPOSED.)

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025. (#0430)

REPORT, Committee on Finance, recommending to the City Council ADOPTION of AN ORDER, for the TRANSFER of \$150,000.00 from FREE CASH to SOLICITOR PURCHASE OF SERVICES.

Recommendation Followed. (#0638)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 27, 2025

ORDERED, that the sum on ONE HUNDRED FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$150,000) now standing to the credit of the account from FREE CASH be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

SOLICITOR PURCHASE OF SERVICES.....\$150,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Referred to the Committee on Finance – March 27, 2025.

Adopted – Yeas 7, Nays 4. (Councillors Carney, Giesta, Morad and Oliver OPPOSED.)

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025. (#0428)

REPORT, Committee on Finance, recommending to the City Council ADOPTION of AN ORDER, for the TRANSFER of \$731,000.00 from FREE CASH to FIRE PERSONAL SERVICES.

Recommendation Followed. (#0639)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 27, 2025

ORDERED, that the sum on SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY-ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$731,000) now standing to the credit of the account from FREE CASH be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

FIRE PERSONAL SERVICES.....\$731,000
To be certified and approved by the Department Head.
Referred to the Committee on Finance – March 27, 2025.
Adopted.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025. (#0426)

REPORT, Committee on Finance, recommending to the City Council ADOPTION of AN ORDER, AS AMENDED, for the TRANSFER of \$795,558.77 from FREE CASH to WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL, PURCHASE OF SERVICES.

Recommendation Followed. (#0640)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 27, 2025

ORDERED, that the sum on ~~EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIVE THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED AND FIFTY-NINE DOLLARS (\$805,559)~~, SEVEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND, FIVE HUNDRED FIFTY-EIGHT DOLLARS AND SEVENTY-SEVEN CENTS (\$795,558.77 now standing to the credit of the account from FREE CASH be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

WASTE COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL
PURCHASE OF SERVICES.....~~\$805,559~~ \$795,558.77
To be certified and approved by the Department Head.
Referred to the Committee on Finance – March 27, 2025.
Adopted – Yeas 7, Nays 4. (Councillors Carney, Lopes, Morad and Oliver OPPOSED.)
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025. (#0424)

REPORT, Committee on Appointments and Briefings, recommending that the City Council take **“NO FURTHER ACTION”** on the WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, Council President Burgo, Councillors Abreu, Choquette, Oliver, Lopes and Carney, requesting, on behalf of the City Residents and Businesses, that the Committee on Appointments and Briefings Committee meet with a representative of Eversource to discuss the increasing energy cost; and further, that the Representative give an explanation and breakdown of the energy bill, but more importantly the delivery charge that customers are paying.

Recommendation Followed. (#0641)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, Council President Burgo, Councillors Abreu, Choquette, Oliver, Lopes and Carney, requesting, on behalf of the City Residents and Businesses, that the Committee on Appointments and Briefings Committee meet with a representative of Eversource to discuss the increasing energy cost; and further, that the Representative give an explanation and breakdown of the energy bill, but more importantly the delivery charge that customers are paying.

Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings – February 13, 2025.
NO FURTHER ACTION. (#0154)

REPORT, Committee on Finance, recommending that the City Council take “**NO FURTHER ACTION**” on the ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$15,500.00 from FREE CASH to ELECTIONS CAPITAL OUTLAY.

Recommendation Followed. (#0642)

AN ORDER,
Referred to the Committee on Finance – March 27, 2025.
NO FURTHER ACTION. (#0446)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, on behalf of Mr.& Mrs. Michael Pimental, that a streetlight be installed on pole 8239/2VZ, located in front of 37 Maryland Street, as this location becomes very dark at night for the residents in the area.

Referred to the Department of Public Infrastructure.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025
RETURNED UNSIGNED May 14, 2025. (#0643)

PETITION/INDEMNITY AGREEMENT, Mee Hong Restaurant, 120 Cove Street, New Bedford, MA 02744, for permission to encroach onto City property with a 61 ft. long, 3ft. projecting Awning.
PETITION/INDEMNITY AGREEMENT GRANTED.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved April 28, 2025. (#0644)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
APRIL 25, 2024

ORDERED, That permission be granted to **MEE HONG Restaurant, 120 Cove Street, New Bedford, MA 02744**, for permission to encroach onto City property with a 61 ft. long, 3ft. projecting Awning at **120 Cove Street**.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED, That said permission is hereby granted subject to Petition/Indemnity Agreement of **MEE HONG Restaurant, 120 Cove Street, New Bedford, MA 02744**, to the City of New Bedford, approved by the City Council on April 24, 2025, a copy of which is attached hereto and made part thereof, and subject to the approval of the Department of Inspectional Services.

Adopted.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved April 28, 2025. (#0645)

COMMUNICATION, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, to City Council, submitting an Application for the **RENEWAL of a PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE**, on behalf of Joao Felipe De Sa Ramos, 312 Davis Street, Apt. 1, New Bedford, MA d/b/a **JSR TRANSPORTATION LLC**, 312 Davis Street, New Bedford, MA. (**Term of License – July 01, 2025 – June 30, 2026.**)

Livery License Granted.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025. (#0646)

COMMUNICATION, Janine da Silva, Chair, Community Preservation Committee, submitting for reconsideration of the City Council, the CPA Project: Acushnet River Rowing Center Dock.
Referred to the Committee on Finance. (#0647)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting on behalf of Sister Trans Figuration, Immaculate Conception Church and the St. Anthony of Padua Church, that the following streets be CLOSED: ACUSHNET AVENUE, from Ingraham Street to Duncan Street, on MONDAY, APRIL 14, 2025, from 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm for the purpose of a Living Stations of the Cross Ceremony. GRANTED PROVISIONALLY BY THE CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT SHANE BURGO ON APRIL 11, 2025, AND TO BE RATIFIED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON APRIL 24, 2025.

Received and Action of the City Council President Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025.

(#0648)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Oliver, requesting, on behalf of The Gallery Bar LLC, that the following streets be CLOSED: KENYON STREET, from North Front Street to Belleville Avenue, on SATURDAY, JUNE 07, 2025, FROM 4:00 P.M. TO SUNDAY, JUNE 08, 2025 at 2:00 A.M., for the purpose of the SOUTHCOAST PRIDE BLOCK PARTY.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025.

(#0649)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Pereira, requesting, on behalf of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: KATHERINE STREET, from Crapo Street to Bonney Street, ON FRIDAY, JUNE 07, 2025, FROM 10:00 A.M., THROUGH SUNDAY, JUNE 09, 2025, TO 10:00 P.M., for the purpose of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church Holy Ghost Feast.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025.

(#0650)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, on behalf of the Department of Veteran's Services, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: PEARL STREET, from Pleasant Street to County Street; PLEASANT STREET, from Pope Street to Pearl Street; PARKER STREET, from Hathaway Street to County Street; COUNTY STREET, from Pearl Street to Pope Street AND POPE STREET, from County Street to Pleasant Street, on MONDAY, MAY 26, 2025, FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M., for the purpose of THE ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONIES. (Parade Permit Enclosed.)

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025.

(#0651)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Baptiste, requesting, on behalf of the United Way of Greater New Bedford, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: WILLIAM STREET, from North Sixth Street to Pleasant Street, ON FRIDAY, MAY 09, 2025, AT 7:30 A.M. TO 9:15 A.M., for the purpose of the United Way's Annual Youth Day of Caring Event on the Main Library's Steps and Parking for the Student's Buses.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025.

(#0652)

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 Board of Assessors for a meeting held on March 20, 2025; the Board of Health for a meeting held on February 24, 2025; Greater New Bedford Regional Refuse Management for a meeting held on February 13, 2025 and the Zoning Board of Appeals for meetings held on December 14, 2023, April 18, 2024 and February 20, 2025.

Received and Placed on File.

(#0653)

APPLICATION, **TD Design and Development Corp.**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **Plot 72 / Lot 303, ws State Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 10, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025. (#0654)

APPLICATION, **GZA GeoEnvironmental, Inc.**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **Cape Street, to Conway Street, to Hassey Street, to Wright Street, to MacArthur Drive**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 11, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025. (#0655)

APPLICATION, **W.C. Smith & Son, Inc.**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **260 Shaw Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 09, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025. (#0656)

APPLICATIONS, **MSR Utility Maintenance Corp.**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 10, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council as follows:

Washburn Street, between Acushnet Avenue and Belleville Avenue	(#0657)
Thompson Street, between Dartmouth Street and Bolton Street	(#0658)
Penniman Street, between Mt. Pleasant Street and Reynolds Street	(#0659)
Adams Street, between County Street and Mt. Pleasant Street	(#0660)
336/336 Church Street, between Irvington Street and Carlisle Street	(#0661)

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025.

APPLICATIONS, **New England Boring Contractors**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 14, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council as follows:

33 Cape Street	(#0662)
68 Conway Street	(#0663)
25 and 77 Wright Street	(#0664)
8, 11, 49, & 57 Hassey Street	(#0665)
75, 82, 86, 113 & 126 MacArthur Drive	(#0666)

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025.

APPLICATION, **JLC Construction**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **463 Oliver Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 14, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025. (#0667)

APPLICATIONS, **RJ Canessa Excavating**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 14, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council as follows:

1050 Pleasant Street (#0668)
11 David Street (#0669)
Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025.

APPLICATION, **MHT Excavating, Inc.**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **64 John Vertente Boulevard**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 16, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025. (#0670)

APPLICATION, **Aguiar Landscaping, Inc.**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **528 - 540 Mt. Pleasant Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 17, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025. (#0671)

APPLICATION, **W.C. Smith & Son, Inc.**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **260 Shaw Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 09, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025. (#0672)

APPLICATIONS, **MSR Utility Maintenance Corp.**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 07, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council as follows:

Washburn Street, between Acushnet Avenue and Belleville Avenue (#0673)
Thompson Street, between Dartmouth Street and Bolton Street (#0674)
Penniman Street, between Mt. Pleasant Street and Reynolds Street (#0675)
Adams Street, between County Street and Mt. Pleasant Street (#0676)
336/336 Church Street (#0677)
Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025.

APPLICATIONS, **New England Boring Contractors**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 14, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council as follows:

33 Cape Street (#0678)
68 Conway Street (#0679)
25 and 77 Wright Street (#0680)
8, 11, 49, & 57 Hassey Street (#0681)
75, 82, 86, 113 & 126 MacArthur Drive (#0682)
Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025.

APPLICATION, **JLC Construction**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **463 Oliver Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 14, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025. (#0683)

APPLICATIONS, **R.J. Canessa Excavating**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 14, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council as follows:

1050 Pleasant Street (#0684)
11 David Street (#0685)
Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025.

APPLICATION, **MHT Excavating, Inc.**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **64 John Vertente Boulevard**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 16, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025. (#0686)

APPLICATION, **Aguiar Landscaping, Inc.**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **528 - 540 Mt. Pleasant Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 17, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025. (#0687)

APPLICATION, **Eversource Gas**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **Townsend Street, Shawmut Avenue – 91 Townsend Street, working in street & street to houses**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 09, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025. (#0688)

APPLICATIONS, **Eversource Gas**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 10, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council as follows:

54 Wright Street (#0689)
18 Wright Street (#0690)
88 Pierce Street (#0691)
213 Ohio Street (#0692)
350 South Front Street (#0693)
111 Capitol Street (#0694)
1972 Acushnet Avenue (#0695)
362 Coffin Avenue (#0696)

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.
Approved May 01, 2025.

APPLICATION, **Eversource Gas**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **Bryant Lane, working from 139 Bryant Lane to 212 - 214 Bryant Lane (including intersections)**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 15, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025. (#0697)

APPLICATION, **Eversource Electric**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **Washburn Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on April 17, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval April 28, 2025.

Approved May 01, 2025. (#0698)

PETITION, Cornerstone Energy Services on behalf of NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy for location of 100 ft. of overhead conductors in FLAHERTY DRIVE, approximately 823 ft. southerly of its intersection with Samuel Barnet Boulevard; this work is to extend the 115-kilovolt transmission line from Acushnet to Fall River to improve system reliability.

Received and Hearing Ordered for Thursday, May 8, 2025.

PETITION, Cornerstone Energy Services on behalf of NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy for location of 200 ft. of overhead conductors in DUCHAINE BOULEVARD, approximately 575 ft. southerly of its intersection with Samuel Barnet Boulevard; this work is to extend the 115-kilovolt transmission line from Acushnet to Fall River to improve system reliability.

Received and Hearing Ordered for Thursday, May 8, 2025.

PETITION, Cornerstone Energy Services on behalf of NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy for location of 70 ft. of overhead conductors in PHILLIPS ROAD, approximately 351 ft. northerly of its intersection with Birchwood Drive; this work is to extend the 115-kilovolt transmission line from Acushnet to Fall River to improve system reliability.

Received and Hearing Ordered for Thursday, May 8, 2025.

PETITION, Cornerstone Energy Services on behalf of NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy for location of 60 ft. of overhead conductors in ACUSHNET AVENUE, approximately 1,003 ft. northerly of its intersection with Almy Steet; this work is to extend the 115-kilovolt transmission line from Acushnet to Fall River to improve system reliability.

Received and Hearing Ordered for Thursday, May 8, 2025.

On a motion, the Council then adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

ATTEST:

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