

SPECIAL MEETING
Chambers of the City Council
Monday, June 30, 2025

CITY COUNCIL
Municipal Building
7:00 p.m.

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

LATE: No one.

ABSENT: Councillor Oliver.

Council President Burgo called the meeting to order and presided.

A Moment of Silence was observed.

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

COMMUNICATION, Councillor Oliver, to Members of the City Council, informing that he is unable to attend the Special City Council meeting on Monday, June 30, 2025.

Received and Placed on File. (#1216)

COMMUNICATION, Council President Burgo, to Dennis W. Farias, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, calling a SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING, for **MONDAY, JUNE 30, 2025 at 7:00 pm**, for the purpose of Wastewater Rate Increase for FY2026 and a Transfer to the Fiscal Year 2026 Wastewater Enterprise Fund.

Received and Placed on File. (#1217)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the Wastewater Rate increase for Fiscal Year 2026 of 3.0 percent.

Received and Placed on File. (#1218)

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ORDERED, that the schedule of rates and charges for wastewater service adopted by the City Council pursuant to Section 16-94 the New Bedford Code of Ordinances on July 08, 2025, is hereby rescinded, effective July 1, 2025; and

ORDERED, that the charges for suspended solids (TSS) and bio-chemical oxygen demand (BOD) adopted by the City Council on June 28, 2008, pursuant to Section 16-91 of the New Bedford Code of Ordinances, shall remain in effect;

FURTHER ORDERED, that the following schedule of rates and charges for wastewater service is hereby established pursuant to Section 16-94 the New Bedford Code of Ordinances:

WASTEWATER COMMODITY RATE:

The FY26 commodity rate effective July 1, 2025 - \$7.61

WASTEWATER ANNUAL BASE CHARGE:

The annual base charge for FY26, effective July 1, 2025, shall be as follows:

5/8" service size	\$ 123.56,
3/4" service size	\$ 123.56,
1" service size	\$ 123.56,
1.5" service size	\$ 123.56,
2" service size	\$ 123.56,
3" service size	\$ 407.29,
4" service size	\$ 589.04,
6" service size	\$ 1,096.82,
8" service size	\$ 1,705.11,
10" service size	\$ 2,413.90,
12" service size	\$ 2,413.90

Adopted – Yeas 10, Nays 0.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 02, 2025.

Approved July 02, 2025. (#1219)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER to TRANSFER \$2,350,000.00 from the SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND to Fiscal Year 2026 WASTEWATER ENTERPRISE FUND.

Received and Placed on File. (#1220)

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ORDERED, that to balance the budget for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 31, 2026, the sum of **TWO MILLION, THREE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (2,350,000)** now standing to the credit of the account from **SPECIAL PROJECTS FUND** be and is hereby assigned to the Fiscal Year 2026 Wastewater Enterprise Fund budget, and that the portion raised by user charges is hereby reduced to the same amount.

Adopted – Yeas 10, Nays 0.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 02, 2025.

Approved July 02, 2025. (#1221)

On a motion, the Council then adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

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