

REGULAR MEETING
Chambers of the City Council
Thursday, July 17, 2025

CITY COUNCIL
Municipal Building
7:00 p.m.

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

LATE: Councillor Baptiste (7:23)
ABSENT: No one.

Council President Burgo called the meeting to order and presided.

A Moment of Silence was observed.

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

COMMUNICATION, Councillor Baptiste, to City Council, notifying that he expects to be late for the City Council meeting on Thursday, July 17, 2025, due to a family commitment.

Received and Placed on File. (#1222)

HEARING, Cornerstone Energy Services on behalf of NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy to install underground electric transmission lines and associated appurtenances in PINE STREET, from MACARTHUR DRIVE to end of public street to improve system reliability.

Hearing Held.
Petition Placed on File. (#1223)

AN ORDER,

Approved with conditions that police detail be provided, that roads are fully restored within 2-year timeframe, and that a copy of the MOA be provided.

Adopted and ordered recorded.
Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025. (#1224)

HEARING, Cornerstone Energy Services on behalf of NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy to install underground electric transmission lines and associated appurtenances in MACARTHUR DRIVE, from WALNUT STREET to PINE STREET to improve system reliability.

Hearing Held.
Petition Placed on File. (#1225)

AN ORDER,

Adopted and ordered recorded.
Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025. (#1226)

HEARING, Cornerstone Energy Services on behalf of NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy to install underground electric transmission lines and associated appurtenances in WALNUT STREET, from SOUTH SECOND STREET to MACARTHUR DRIVE to improve system reliability.

Hearing Held.
Petition Placed on File. (#1227)

AN ORDER,

Adopted and ordered recorded.
Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025. (#1228)

HEARING, Cornerstone Energy Services on behalf of NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy to install underground electric transmission lines and associated appurtenances in SECOND STREET, from SCHOOL STREET to WALNUT STREET to improve system reliability.

Hearing Held.

Petition Placed on File. (#1229)

AN ORDER,

Adopted and ordered recorded.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1230)

HEARING, Cornerstone Energy Services on behalf of NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy to install underground electric transmission lines and associated appurtenances in SCHOOL STREET, from COUNTY STREET to SOUTH SECOND STREET to improve system reliability.

Hearing Held.

Petition Placed on File. (#1231)

AN ORDER,

Adopted and ordered recorded.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1232)

HEARING, Cornerstone Energy Services on behalf of NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy to install underground electric transmission lines and associated appurtenances in COUNTY STREET, from LINDEN STREET to SCHOOL STREET to improve system reliability.

Hearing Held.

Petition Placed on File. (#1233)

AN ORDER,

Adopted and ordered recorded.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1234)

HEARING, Cornerstone Energy Services on behalf of NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy to install underground electric transmission lines and associated appurtenances in LINDEN STREET, from STATE STREET to COUNTY STREET to improve system reliability.

Hearing Held.

Petition Placed on File. (#1235)

AN ORDER,

Adopted and ordered recorded.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1236)

HEARING, Cornerstone Energy Services on behalf of NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy to install underground electric transmission lines and associated appurtenances in STATE STREET, from WELD STREET to LINDEN STREET to improve system reliability.

Hearing Held.

Petition Placed on File. (#1237)

AN ORDER,

Adopted and ordered recorded.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1238)

HEARING, Cornerstone Energy Services on behalf of NSTAR Electric Company d/b/a Eversource Energy to install underground electric transmission lines and associated appurtenances in WELD STREET, from JFK MEMORIAL BOULEVARD to STATE STREET to improve system reliability.

Hearing Held.

Petition Placed on File. (#1239)

AN ORDER,

Adopted and ordered recorded.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1240)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of Deputy Fire Chief BRIAN MEDEIROS, to FIRE CHIEF.

Rule 38 Waived, Appointment Confirmed and Rule 40 Waived – Yeas 10, Nays 0. (Councillor Baptiste not present for vote.) (#1241)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of DANIEL COONS to the position of DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF.

Rule 38 Waived, Appointment Confirmed and Rule 40 Waived – Yeas 11, Nays 0. (#1242)

A Moment of Silence was observed for the fire at the Gabriel House in Fall River.

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPROPRIATION of \$3,290,458.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

Referred to the Committee on Finance - FAILED - Yeas 2, Nays 9. (Councillors Morad and Oliver IN FAVOR.)

CHARTER RULED by Councillor Morad. (#1243)

AN ORDER,

Referred to the Committee on Finance - FAILED - Yeas 2, Nays 9. (Councillors Morad and Oliver IN FAVOR.)

CHARTER RULED by Councillor Morad. (#1244)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPROPRIATION of \$803,586.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

Referred to the Committee on Finance - FAILED - Yeas 2, Nays 9. (Councillors Morad and Oliver IN FAVOR.)

CHARTER RULED by Councillor Morad. (#1245)

AN ORDER,

Referred to the Committee on Finance - FAILED - Yeas 2, Nays 9. (Councillors Morad and Oliver IN FAVOR.)

CHARTER RULED by Councillor Morad. (#1246)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPROPRIATION of \$750,000.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to HEALTH INSURANCE, PURCHASE OF SERVICES.

Referred to the Committee on Finance. (#1247)

AN ORDER,

Referred to the Committee on Finance. (#1248)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPROPRIATION of \$495,000.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to ZEITERION THEATRE, PURCHASE OF SERVICES.

Referred to the Committee on Finance – FAILED – Yeas 5, Nays 6. (Councillors Baptiste, Giesta, Gomes, Morad and Oliver IN FAVOR.)

Received and Placed on File. (#1249)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
IN CITY COUNCIL
JULY 17, 2025

ORDERED, That the sum of FOUR HUNDRED AND NINETY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$495,000) now standing to the credit of the account from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

ZEITERION THEATRE, Purchase of Service.....\$495,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head.

Referred to the Committee on Finance – FAILED – Yeas 5, Nays 6. (Councillors Baptiste, Giesta, Gomes, Morad and Oliver IN FAVOR.)

Adopted – Yeas 7, Nays 4. (councillors Giesta, Gomes, Morad and Oliver OPPOSED.)

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1250)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPROPRIATION of \$175,000.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to WASTE COLLECTION & DISPOSAL, PURCHASE OF SERVICES.

Referred to the Committee on Finance – Yeas 10, Nays 1. (Councillor Baptiste OPPOSED.)

(#1251)

AN ORDER,

Referred to the Committee on Finance – Yeas 10, Nays 1. (Councillor Baptiste OPPOSED.)

(#1252)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPROPRIATION of \$63,662.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to MIS, PURCHASE OF SERVICES.

Referred to the Committee on Finance. (#1253)

AN ORDER,

Referred to the Committee on Finance. (#1254)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the REAPPOINTMENT of PETER BOSWELL, New Bedford, MA to the BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS for a term to expire May 2030.

Rule 38 Waived, Reappointment Confirmed and Rule 40 Waived – Yeas 9, Nays 0. (Councillor Baptiste not present for vote.) (#1255)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that the Special Committee on Memorials & Dedications meet with Rosemary Gill, President & CEO of the Zeiterion Performing Arts Center, to discuss a portrait tribute of Armand Marchand and *George Charbonneau*, founder of the New Bedford Festival Theatre and former New Bedford High School Drama Club teacher; this portrait would hang in the entrance lobby of the Zeiterion Theater as a tribute to a man who gave it all to the art of the theater through his productions and to his legacy in the City of New Bedford.

Referred to the Special Committee on Memorials & Dedications, as amended – Yeas 11, Nays 0.

(#1256)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Abreu, Lopes, Choquette and Carney, requesting, that the portion of Purchase Street in front of the Zeiterion Performing Arts Center, from School Street to Spring Street, be renamed from “Yellow Brick Road” to the “Armand R. Marchand Way,” honoring his over 50 years of contributions to the arts and overall creative economy of New Bedford and our region as a whole.

Referred to the Special Committee on Memorials & Dedications and the Administration.

(#1257)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Carney, Abreu and Giesta, requesting that City Solicitor Eric Jaikes appear before the Committee on City Property to explain the delay with the Purchase and Sale Agreement which was awarded to Gwozdz Development, Inc., and South Coast Investments, Inc., and *Historic Built* for Fire Station #3, located at 834 Kempton Street and Fire Station #11, located at 754 Brock Avenue and *Police Station #2 located at 170 Cove Street.*

Referred to the Committee on City Property as Amended.

(#1257)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that the Committee on Internal Affairs meet with the City Solicitor, Treasurer-Collector, Chief Financial Officer and Personnel Director, along with the City Council’s Legal Representative, for the purpose of discussing longevity payments, and how this type of payment was implemented; and further, requesting that the Treasurer-Collector provide the Committee on Internal Affairs with records for the last 50 years of longevity payments for elected officials; and further, that WBSM talk show host Chris McCarthy be invited to said meeting to discuss his allegations and alleged proof of corruption within the City Council on this issue.

Referred to the Committee on Internal Affairs.

(#1259)

RELATED MOTION, Councillor Morad, requesting that the Administration, CFO, Treasurer or the Personnel Director provide the City Council with a copy front and back of the that was from mayor Mitchell for his \$900.00 longevity reimbursement.

Adopted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

RETURNED UNSIGNED July 30, 2025.

(#1260)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that the Committee on Public Safety & Neighborhoods meet with the CEO or designated representative for E.L. Harvey Trash & Recyclables, along with representatives from the New Bedford Health Department and the Department of Public Infrastructure, for the purpose of discussing what was being done prior to the fire to address the rat barrels at said location; and further, to discuss what preventative actions have been implemented to ensure that this type of incident never happens again.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Neighborhoods.

(#1261)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, once again, that Mary Rapoza, Director of Parks, Recreation & Beaches, install 4’ x 8’ plywood signage at East Beach, West Beach, Hazelwood Park, and Fort Taber; this signage would welcome visitors to these areas and also provide instruction on the laws, rules and regulations of the parks and beaches in the City of New Bedford, including the noise ordinance, no public drinking, parking, and the hours that these spaces are open to the public.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Neighborhoods.

(#1262)

COMMUNICATION, Anne Louro, Preservation Planner, to City Council, re: BUILDING DEMOLITION REVIEW: 110 EIGHTH STREET, (MAP 52/LOT 256), a Circa 1947 Wood and Concrete Block Garage, advising that “the structure is located in the County Street National Register Historic District; the garage structure is of no notable historic significance either recorded or found with the existing condition of the structure; the structure is in poor condition due to deferred maintenance and beyond reasonable rehabilitation **“in light of these findings, the Preservation Planner has determined that the wood and concrete block garage at 110 Eighth Street is neither a Historically Significant nor a Preferably Preserved Building.”**

Demolition Granted.

Presented to the mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025.

(#1263)

COMMUNICATION, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, submitting an Application for a **NEW PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE**, on behalf of Glenda B. Reyes, 68 Erin Court, New Bedford, MA d/b/a **GLEND A REYES TRANSPORTATION, LLC**, 68 Erin Court, New Bedford, MA. **(License to expire – June 30, 2026.)**

Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings. (#1264)

COMMUNICATION, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, submitting an Application for a **NEW PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE**, on behalf of Rafaela Arita Gerra, 122 Frank Street, New Bedford, MA d/b/a **RAFAELA’S TRANSPORTATION**, 122 Frank Street, New Bedford, MA. **(License to expire – June 30, 2026.)**

Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings. (#1265)

COMMUNICATION, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, submitting an Application for a **NEW PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE**, on behalf of Khalil B. Arsanios, 1220 Pleasant Street, New Bedford, MA d/b/a **INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORTATION, LLC**, 1220 Pleasant Street, New Bedford, MA. **(License to expire – June 30, 2026.)**

Livery License Granted.

Presented to the mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1266)

RELATED MOTION, Councillor Morad, In conjunction with the \$3,290,458.00 Charter Ruled item, that the Administration, the School Department and the CFO submit to the Committee on Finance the formula by which they are calculating the FY2026 School Department’s net school spending appropriation, said information shall be submitted to the Committee on Finance within the next 7 days.

Referred to the Committee on Finance. (#1267)

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

IN CITY COUNCIL

JULY 17, 2025

**RESOLUTION ACKNOWLEDGING THE MONTH OF JULY AS
CABO VERDEAN HERITAGE MONTH IN THE CITY OF NEW BEDFORD**

WHEREAS, The City of New Bedford is home to one of the largest and most vibrant Cabo Verdean communities in the United States, with a deep history rooted in the 19th-century immigration of Cabo Verdean whalers, laborers, and seafarers who helped shape the social, economic, and cultural fabric of the City; and

WHEREAS, Cabo Verdean Americans have made significant and lasting contributions to New Bedford through their leadership in public service, education, business, healthcare, the arts, and community organizing; and

WHEREAS, Cabo Verde became an independent nation on July 5, 1975, and the month of July holds cultural and historical significance for Cabo Verdeans across the globe, including here in New Bedford; and

WHEREAS, New Bedford has long recognized and celebrated this legacy through cultural, music, dance, cuisine, and festivals that uplift and preserve Cabo Verdean identity and pride, such as the Cabo Verdean Recognition Parade and the annual flag-raising at City Hall; and

WHEREAS, The Cabo Verdean Heritage Month initiative was launched in 2022 with the vision of building upon New Bedford’s long-standing Cabo Verdean Recognition Week and Parade; this initiative sought to expand the celebration of Cabo Verdean heritage beyond a single week into a full month, illuminating the ongoing contributions of Cabo Verdeans in America-particularly in New Bedford-to the cultural landscape of this nation; and

WHEREAS, Following the presentations to the New Bedford City Council in November 2022 and again in March 2025, the City Council unanimously voted to officially designate July as Cabo Verdean Heritage Month, a milestone moment that coincided with the global celebration of Cabo Verde’s 50th Anniversary of Independence; and

WHEREAS, The Cabo Verdean Heritage Month Coalition-a group of dedicated community partners-has worked collaboratively to shape the month’s vision and programming, guided by a mission that emphasizes unity, education, cultural preservation, and amplification of existing community efforts.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the New Bedford City Council formally designates the month of July as Cabo Verdean Heritage Month in the City of New Bedford.

Adopted, to be presented at a later date. (#1268)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Lopes, requesting, that the following street(s) BE CLOSED:
ANTHONY STREET, from Bedford Street to Grove Street, from 6:00 P.M. to 10:30 P.M. on
SATURDAY, JULY 05, 2025, for the purpose of a NEIGHBORHOOD BLOCK PARTY.
GRANTED PROVISIONALLY BY THE 2025 CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT SHANE A. BURGO ON
MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2025, TO BE RATIFIED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON THURSDAY, JULY 17,
2025.

Received and Action of the City Council President Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025. (#1269)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Morad, requesting, on behalf of the New Bedford Housing
Authority, that the following street(s) BE CLOSED: ACUSHNET AVENUE, from Union Street to
William Street AND BARKER’S LANE, from Acushnet Avenue to North Second Street, on TUESDAY,
JULY 08, 2025, from 10:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M., for the purpose of a Grand Opening and Ribbon-Cutting
Ceremony for ONE CUSTOM HOUSE SQUARE (117 Union Street).
GRANTED PROVISIONALLY BY THE 2025 CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT SHANE A. BURGO ON
THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 2025, TO BE RATIFIED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON THURSDAY, JULY
17, 2025.

Received and Action of the City Council President Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025. (#1270)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Baptiste, requesting, on behalf of Colantonio, Inc., that the
following street(s) be CLOSED: a portion of SPRING STREET, from Purchase Street to the entrance of
the DeMello Building parking lot, FROM TUESDAY, JULY 01, 2025 TO THURSDAY, JULY 31, 2025,
for the purpose of the Zeiterion Theatre construction and renovations. **(PLEASE NOTE: This is an
extension of the current Street Closing, which is set to expire on Monday, June 30, 2025.)**
GRANTED PROVISIONALLY BY THE 2025 CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT SHANE A. BURGO ON
FRIDAY, JUNE 27, 2025, TO BE RATIFIED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON THURSDAY, JULY 17,
2025.

Received and Action of the City Council President Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025. (#1271)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Baptiste, requesting, on behalf of Celia’s Boutique, that the
following street(s) BE CLOSED: WILLIAM STREET, from Pleasant Street to Purchase Street, on
THURSDAY, JULY 10, 2025, from 5:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M., for the purpose of a Band Playing Event on
AHA! Night.
GRANTED PROVISIONALLY BY THE 2025 CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT SHANE A. BURGO ON
WEDNESDAY, JULY 09, 2025, TO BE RATIFIED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON THURSDAY,
JULY 17, 2025.

Received and Action of the City Council President Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025. (#1272)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Baptiste, requesting, that the following street(s) be CLOSED:
ASH STREET, between Middle Street and Elm Street; on SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2025, FROM
11:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M., the purpose of YOUTH CELEBRATION DAY.
Permission Granted.
Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025. (#1273)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Giesta and Abreu requesting, on behalf of the Feast of the Blessed Sacrament Committee, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: BROOKLAWN STREET, from Ashley Boulevard to Acushnet Avenue; ACUSHNET AVENUE, from Wood Street to Earle Street; EARLE STREET, from Acushnet Avenue to Madeira Avenue; MADEIRA AVENUE, from Earle Street to Tinkham Street, ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 03, 2025, FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M., for the purpose of THE FEAST OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT ANNUAL PARADE.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1274)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Giesta and Abreu, requesting, on behalf of the Feast of the Blessed Sacrament Committee, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: EARLE STREET, from Acushnet Avenue to Madeira Avenue, ON: THURSDAY, JULY 31, 2025, FROM: 5:00 P.M. TO 5:30 P.M., for the purpose of THE FEAST COMMITTEE TO MARCH FROM THE MADEIRA CLUB PARKING LOT TO THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH FOR BLESSING OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRIOR TO START OF FEAST.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1275)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Giesta and Abreu, requesting, on behalf of the Feast of the Blessed Sacrament Committee, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: EARLE STREET, from Madeira Avenue to Belleville Avenue for a distance of 300 feet, ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 03, 2025, FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M., for the purpose of: PARKING OF LARGE TRAILER TRUCKS, WHICH WILL BE USED IN THE FEAST OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT PARADE, AND WHICH ARE UNABLE TO MAKE THE TURN ONTO MADEIRA AVENUE. NOTE: REQUESTING THAT THE DPI PROVIDE STREET CLOSURE BARRELS. (NOTE: CLOSURE TO BE "USED AS NEEDED".)

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1276)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Giesta and Abreu, requesting, on behalf of the Feast of the Blessed Sacrament Committee, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: EARLE STREET, from North Front Street to Belleville Avenue; MADEIRA AVENUE, from Davis Street to Tinkham Street; HATHAWAY STREET, from North Front Street to Funchal Place (Hope Street); FUNCHAL PLACE (Hope Street), from Hathaway Street to Nash Road and TINKHAM STREET, from Madeira Avenue to Funchal Place (Hope Street), ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 30, 2025, 8:00 A.M. THROUGH MONDAY, AUGUST 04, 2025, Until 5:00 P.M., for the Purpose of: THE 109th ANNUAL FEAST OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1277)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Baptiste, requesting, on behalf of the New Bedford Fishing Heritage Center, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: BETHEL STREET, from William Street to Union Street; on THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 2025, FROM 1:00 P.M. TO 10:00 P.M., the purpose of SCALLOPALOOZA.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1278)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Baptiste, requesting, on behalf of AHA! New Bedford, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: WILLIAM STREET, from Second Street to Bethel Street, On THURSDAY, AUGUST 14, 2025, FROM 3:00 P.M. TO 10:00 P.M, for the purpose of SUMMER IN THE SEAPORT Activities.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1279)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Baptiste, requesting, on behalf of the New Bedford Department of Health, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: WILLIAM STREET, from North Sixth Street to Acushnet Avenue AND PLEASANT STREET, from Market Street to William Street, ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2025, FROM 5:00 P.M. TO 6:30 P.M, AND ACUSHNET AVENUE, from William Street to Union Street, FROM 5:30 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M., for the purpose of ONE BIG FAMILY: DRIVEN BY HOPE.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1280)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Baptiste, requesting, on behalf of Colantonio, Inc., that the following street(s) be CLOSED: a portion of SPRING STREET, from Purchase Street to the entrance of the DeMello Building parking lot, FROM FRIDAY, AUGUST 01, 2025 TO WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2025, for the purpose of the Zeiterion Theatre construction and renovations. **(PLEASE NOTE: This would be an extension of the Provisionally Granted Street Closing, set to expire on Thursday, July 31, 2025.)**

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1281)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Lopes, requesting, on behalf of Mr. Allen Decker, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: ARNOLD PLACE, from Arnold Street to Orchard Street, ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 09, 2025, FROM 2:00 P.M. TO 10:00 P.M., for the purpose of a Block Party. PLEASE NOTE: RAIN DATE OF SUNDAY, AUGUST 10, 2025.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1282)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Lopes, requesting, on behalf of Ms. Melissa Letendre, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: MAPLE STREET, from Chancery Street to Hawthorn Terrace, ON SUNDAY, JULY 27, 2025, FROM 1:00 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M., for the purpose of a Block Party.

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1283)

WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Giesta, requesting, on behalf of the SENHOR DA PEDRA CLUB AND FEAST COMMITTEE, that the following street(s) be CLOSED: TINKHAM STREET, from Madeira Avenue to Funchal Place (Hope Street); WEBSTER COURT, from Madeira Avenue to Funchal Place (Hope Street); on FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2025, FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 11:45 P.M.; SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2025, FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 11:45 P.M. AND SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 2025, FROM 10:30 A.M. TO 11:00 P.M., for the ANNUAL SENHOR DA PEDRA FEAST, PROCESSION and STREET DECORATING for the PROCESSION; further requesting, that the street be CLOSED as follows; SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2025, FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M. – EUGENIA STREET, between North Front Street and Madeira Avenue; SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 2025, from 7:30 A.M. TO 4:00 P.M. (in order to decorate the streets for the Procession) – NORTH FRONT STREET, between Earle Street and Hathaway Street; EUGENIA STREET, between North Front Street and Funchal Place (Hope Street); SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 2025, FROM 7:30 A.M. TO 6:00 P.M. (also for decorating the streets for the Procession and the Procession held in conjunction with the FEAST) – NORTH FRONT STREET, between Earle Street and Tinkham Street; FUNCHAL PLACE (HOPE STREET), between Whitman Street and Eugenia Street (with parking on both sides.)

Permission Granted.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1284)

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 June 12, 2025; the Board of Health for meetings held on March 27, 2025 and April 29, 2025; the GNB Regional Refuse Management District for a meeting held on May 20, 2025; the Library Board of Trustees for a meeting held on April 29, 2025; the Licensing Board for meetings held on January 08, 2025 and March 11, 2025; and the Public Health Excellence Collaborative for meetings held on June 25, 2025 and July 09, 2025.

Received and Placed on File. (#1285)

APPLICATION, **Mike Andrade Excavation LLC**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **7 Plymouth Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on June 23, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1065)

APPLICATIONS, **MSR Utility Maintenance Corp.**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on June 25, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council as follows:

Spooner Street, between Dartmouth Street and Lombard Street (#1287)

John Street, between Westbrook Street and Allen Street (#1288)

Westbrook Street, between Rockdale Avenue and John Street (#1289)

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025.

APPLICATION, **Able Asphalt, Inc.**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **End of Bartlett Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on June 27, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1290)

APPLICATIONS, **R&R Sons Concrete**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on June 30, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council as follows:

SS Sheffield Street (#1291)
228 Bolton Street (#1292)
Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025.

APPLICATION, **W.C. Smith**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **SS Hapwell Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on July 02, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025. (#1293)

APPLICATION, **J. Derenzo Company**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **11 William Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on July 08, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025. (#1294)

APPLICATION, **Roto Rooter**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **283 Cedar Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on July 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 July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025. (#1295)

APPLICATION, **Morgado Company Inc.**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **1480 Sassaquin Avenue**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on July 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 July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025. (#1296)

APPLICATION, **DWW SPS JV**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **Summer Street @ Reynolds Street intersection**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on July 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 July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025. (#1297)

APPLICATIONS, **JLC Construction**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on July 14, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council as follows:

120 County Street (#1298)
90 Walden Street (#1299)
Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025.

APPLICATION, **Mike Andrade Excavation, LLC**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **7 Plymouth Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on June 23, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1300)

APPLICATIONS, **MSR Utility Maintenance Corp.**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on June 25, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council as follows:

Spooner Street, between Dartmouth Street and Lombard Street (#1301)

John Street, between Westbrook Street and Allen Street (#1302)

Westbrook Street, between Rockdale Avenue and John Street (#1303)

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025.

APPLICATION, **Able Asphalt**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **End of Bartlett Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on June 27, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1304)

APPLICATIONS, **R&R Sons Concrete**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on June 30, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council as follows:

SS Sheffield Street (#1305)

228 Bolton Street (#1306)

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025.

APPLICATION, **W.C. Smith**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **SS Hapwell Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on July 02, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1307)

APPLICATION, **J. Derenzo Company**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **11 William Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on July 08, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1308)

APPLICATION, **Roto-Rooter**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **283 Cedar Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on July 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 July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025. (#1309)

APPLICATION, **Morgado Company, Inc.**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **1480 Sassaquin Avenue**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on July 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 July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025. (#1310)

APPLICATION, **DWW SPS JV**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, of **Summer Street @ Reynolds Street intersection**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on July 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 July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025. (#1311)

APPLICATIONS, **JLC Construction**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on July 14, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council as follows:

120 County Street (#1312)
90 Walden Street (#1313)
Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025.

APPLICATIONS, **Eversource Gas**, to DISTURB THE SURFACE, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on July 03, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council as follows:

175 William Street (#1314)
45 Princeton Street (#1315)
359 Orchard Street (#1316)
98 Nash Road (#1317)
1039 - 1041 Belleville Avenue (#1318)
8 Felton Street (#1319)
78 - 81 Highland Street (#1320)
424 Wood Street (#1321)
291 - 293 Nash Road (#1322)
122 Mott Street (#1323)
109 Robeson Street (#1324)
1054 Montrose Street (#1325)
89 North Water Street (#1326)
191 - 193 Dawson Street (#1327)
45 Summit Street (#1328)
Church Street, working from 582 Church Street to Nash Road (including intersections) (#1329)

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025.

APPLICATION, **R P Valois & Company, Inc.**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **608 Pleasant Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on June 26, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.
Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.
Approved July 22, 2025. (#1330)

APPLICATION, **Win Waste Innovations**, for permission to maintain a STREET OBSTRUCTION at **171 Penniman Street**, provisionally granted by the City Clerk on June 27, 2025, subject to ratification by the Mayor and City Council.

Received and Action of the City Clerk Ratified.

Presented to the Mayor for approval July 21, 2025.

Approved July 22, 2025.

(#1331)

On a motion, the Council then adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

ATTEST:

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