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City Seeking Feedback on “All Hazard Mitigation Plan” Meetings Being Held in Each Ward

New Bedford, MA – As part of the City’s update of its All Hazard Mitigation Plan (AHMP), meetings are being held in each ward to brief residents on the Plan and to collect feedback specific to each area of the City. Hazard Mitigation Planning enables municipalities to identify risks and vulnerabilities associated with natural hazards and to develop long-term strategies for protecting people and property from future hazard events. This is an important opportunity to best plan for immediate storm and hazard response and to collect information to make recommendations for long-term infrastructure and other improvements specific to each neighborhood.

New Bedford’s Departments of Emergency Management, Public Infrastructure, Planning, and Resilience and Environmental Stewardship are leading the effort in collaboration with various City departments, boards, and community-based organizations. Residents are invited to attend one of the following Ward meetings:

Ward 2 – Monday, September 25, from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at Wilks Library, located at 1911 Acushnet Avenue.

Ward 5 – Wednesday, October 4, from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at Hathaway Elementary School, located at 256 Court Street.

Ward 3 – Monday, October 16, from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at Keith Middle School, located at 225 Hathaway Boulevard.

Ward 6 – Monday, October 30, from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at Hazelwood Park Community Center, located at 553 Brock Avenue.

Ward 4 – Thursday, November 2 from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at McCoy Rec Center, located at 181 Hillman Street.

Ward 1 – Monday, November 6, from 6 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at TBD.

To learn more about the AHMP planning process and to take the online survey (in English, Spanish, or Portuguese), visit the New Bedford Resilient Dashboard at <https://nbresilient.com/category/local-multi-hazard-mitigation-plan-update>.