



Committee on Finance

October 21, 2009 – 7:00 pm – **Agenda**
City Council Chamber, Room 214 – Municipal Building

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1. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER, to provide for the payment of unpaid bills of a previous fiscal year of the City of New Bedford, the sum set against the MARKETING/TOURISM DEPARTMENT is hereby approved to be expended in FISCAL YEAR 2010, in the amount of \$3,524.00. (Ref'd 9/10/09, tabled 9/29/09)
 - 1a. AN ORDER, (Ref'd 9/10/09, tabled 9/29/09)
INVITEES: Executive Aide to the Mayor Normand Audette; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski
2. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$48,544.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to POLICE, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)
 - 2a. AN ORDER,
INVITEES: Police Chief Ron Teachman; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski
3. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$22,045.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to EMS, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)
 - 3a. AN ORDER,
INVITEES: EMS Director Mark McGraw; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski
4. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$17,467.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to FIRE, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)
 - 4a. AN ORDER,
INVITEES: Fire Chief Paul Leger; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski
5. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$13,100.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC FACILITIES, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)
 - 5a. AN ORDER,
INVITEES: DPF Commissioner Lawrence Worden; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski

6. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$9,836.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to LIBRARY, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)
 - 6a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: Library Director Stephen Fulchino; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski
7. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$7,301.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to INSPECTIONAL SERVICES, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)
 - 7a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: DIS Commissioner Danny Romanowicz; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski
8. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$3,338.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to LABOR RELATIONS, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)
 - 8a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: Personnel Director Angela Natho; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski
9. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$2,927.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to TREASURERS, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)
 - 9a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: City Treasurer R. Renee Fernandes-Abbott; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski
10. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$2,564.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)
 - 10a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: DPI Commissioner Ron Labelle; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski
11. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$1,593.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to SOLICITORS, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)
 - 11a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: City Solicitor Irene Schall; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski
12. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$1,349.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to CITY COUNCIL, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)

12a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: City Clerk Rita Arruda; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski

13. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$1,234.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to CLERK OF COMMITTEES, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)

13a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: Clerk of Committees Dennis Farias; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski

14. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$1,059.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to AUDITORS, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)

14a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski

15. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$1,030.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to CEMETERY, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)

15a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: Superintendent of Cemeteries Joaquim Oliver; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski

16. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$959.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to HEALTH DEPARTMENT, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)

16a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: Health Department Director Marianne DeSouza; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski

17. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$786.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to VETERANS, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)

17a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: Veterans Agent Donat "Dan" Leblanc; City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski

18. Communication, Mayor Lang, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the APPROPRIATION of \$328.00 from ORDINARY REVENUE AND MUNICIPAL RECEIPTS to MAYOR'S, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 9/24/09)

18a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: City Auditor Peter Schmidt; City Solicitor Irene Schall; Legal Counsel David Gerwatowski

19. Communication, Mayor Lang to City Council, submitting AN ORDER, to provide for the payment of unpaid bills of a previous fiscal year of the City of New Bedford, the sum set against the SOUTH EASTERN REGIONAL POLICE REVOLVING FUND, under control of the PURCHASING DEPARTMENT, is hereby approved to be expended in Fiscal Year 2010, in the amount of \$1,538.00. (Ref'd 9/24/09)

19a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: Purchasing Director Debra Travers; City Auditor Peter Schmidt

20. Communication, New Bedford Economic Development Council Tax Increment Financing Board, to Council President Saunders, submitting TIF application for ten-year TIF Agreement for MORGAN ADVANCED CERAMICS, INC., 225 Theodore Rice Boulevard, New Bedford, MA 02745. (Ref'd 9/24/09)

20a. Resolution, Approving Certified Project Application and Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AGREEMENT with MORGAN ADVANCED CERAMICS, INC. (Ref'd 9/24/09)

20b. Communication, Greater New Bedford Industrial Foundation Executive Director Thomas G. Davis, to City Councillors, providing informational packet and requesting SUPPORT for ten-year TIF Agreement for MORGAN ADVANCED CERAMICS, INC., 225 Theodore Rice Boulevard, New Bedford, MA 02745. (Ref'd 9/25/09)

INVITEES: Industrial Foundation Executive Director Thomas Davis; Economic Development Business Director Derek Santos; Morgan Advanced Ceramics General Manager Brian Roznoy

21. Communication, Derek Santos, Director of Business Development, New Bedford Economic Development Council, to Council President Saunders and Members of the City Council, submitting TIF Application and Resolution approved by the Tax Increment Financing Board for a ten (10) Year TIF Agreement for **Parallel Environment Services Corporation** and **Parallel Products of New England**, 969 Shawmut Avenue, New Bedford, MA 02746. (Ref'd 7/16/09)

21a. Resolution, Approving Certified Project Application and Authorizing the Tax Increment Financing Agreement with **Parallel Environmental Services Corporation** and **Parallel Products of New England**. (Ref'd 7/16/09)

INVITEES: Industrial Foundation Executive Director Thomas Davis; Economic Development Business Director Derek Santos; Parallel Products of New England Representative Hal Park

22. Communication, City Treasurer Renee Fernandes-Abbott, To Councillor Jane L. Gonsalves, Chairperson, Committee on Finance, Re: Ben Rose Field documentation request made at the March 31, 2009 Finance Committee meeting; further, submitting a letter providing the language for the Loan Order that was written on December 31, 2006 to be presented to the City Council. (5/29/09, tabled 6/23/09 – Letter to Ron Labelle asking for a response prior to the next Finance meeting, tabled 9/29/09)

22a. Communication, DPI Commissioner Ron Labelle, to Chairperson of the Finance Committee Councillor Gonsalves, re: Ben Rose Appropriation, and submitting for review an outline of every value expended through the Urban Self Help Grant, as well as the corresponding City share. (7/16/09)

INVITEES: City Treasurer R. Renee Fernandes-Abbott; DPI Commissioner Ron Labelle

Chairperson suggests taking “No Further Action”, on the following items:

23. Written Motion, Councillor Gomes, requesting that the City report to the Committee on Finance as to where the funding is coming from to loan the Harbor Commission and Redevelopment Authority the monies to purchase buses to transport those using the Ferry from the Intermodal parking area in the Northern Terminal to the State Pier; and further, that an explanation be provided as to how and when the monies will be repaid to the City and when the Redevelopment Authority and HDC decided to take part in the bus transportation business. (Ref'd 3/25/04, tabled 10/21/04, 12/11/06 - severed from NFA remain in committee)
24. Written Motion, Councillor Gomes, requesting that the Committee on Internal Affairs investigate as to why the Administration has not provided the City Council with the cost of expenditures of the many projects taking place across the City, especially since requests for this information have been made over and over, yet no responses have been submitted by the Administration and/or responsible Department Heads. (Ref'd 10/27/05, 3/15/06 - referred from Committee on Internal Affairs to Committee on Finance)
25. Communication, Gerard D. Perry, Director of Accounts, Massachusetts Department of Revenue, to Scott W. Lang, Mayor, City of New Bedford, re: commending good working relationship between New Bedford and the Department of Revenue, but also commenting on the lack of filling the position of Chief Financial Officer, which was recommended in Financial Management Review of July 2006, and that the City must hire a qualified candidate, whether with or without residency in the City of New Bedford. (Ref'd 4/24/08, 6/12/08 - tabled)