



Memorials & Dedications

March 20, 2013 – 7:00 PM – **Agenda**

Councillor William Saltzman Antechamber, Room 213, Municipal Building

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1. Written Motion, Councillors Pimental, Morad, Pina, Gonsalves and Coelho, requesting that the Committee on Memorials & Dedications look into the possibility of placing a Memorial in the City of New Bedford for the Women who served in the Armed Forces. (Ref'd 7/20/06, tabled 2/20/13)

INVITEES: Veterans Agent Christopher Gomes; Veterans Advisory Board Chairman Robert Bromley; Stephanie Poyant; Colonel Grace Regan; Priscilla Fonseca

2. Written Motion, Councillors Gomes, Saunders and Lopes, requesting, that the Special Committee on Memorials & Dedications meet with Jeff Costa, Chairman of Financing and Marketing, Deb Shrader, President and Committee Members of the Fisherman's Tribute Fund, for the purposes of discussing the possibility of erecting a Fisherman's Memorial to be located at Monkey's Island on East Rodney French Boulevard, north of East Beach. (Ref'd 3/22/12, tabled 2/20/13)

INVITEES: Fisherman's Tribute Fund Site & Design Chairman Derek Frates; Fisherman's Tribute Fund Finance & Marketing Chairman Jeff Costa; Fisherman's Tribute Fund President Deb Shrader

3. Written Motion, Councillor Gomes, requesting that the Special Committee on Memorials & Dedications meet with the Administration for the purpose of discussing a suitable site for a memorial honoring the late Senator Edward M. Kennedy, for his 47 Years of Service of Dedication and Representation to our Country, Commonwealth and our City while serving in the United States Senate, seeing that Senator Kennedy's ties to the City of New Bedford were infused by his many actions to help this city and its Citizens and the people who were dedicated to and supported the Senator; further, in this Councillor's opinion, a suitable location for a dedication would be the completion of the hurricane dike walkway reflecting the late Senator's love for the City, and for the ocean; further, that this recommendation be forwarded to the Special Committee on Memorials and Dedications to work with the Army Corps of Engineers; and further requesting that, if the hurricane dike walkway is not feasible, then the Committee, along with the Administration, look for another location to memorialize the late Senator Edward M. Kennedy. (Ref'd 9/10/09, tabled 5/22/12)

INVITEES: Representative of the Mayor

4. Written Motion, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that Mayor Mitchell along with whoever is responsible for the upkeep of the State Pier consider naming the parking lots along the State Pier which are presently lettered A, B, C, with "Whale" names, due to the fact that this is the "Whaling City" and we should be following that procedure even on the State Pier when naming these parking lots; and further requesting that the Terminal Building at the State Pier be renamed after the former Mayor Edward Harrington. (Ref'd 6/19/12)

INVITEES: Representative of the Mayor

5. Written Motion, Councillors Gomes and Duarte, requesting that the Special Committee on Memorials & Dedications meet for the purpose of discussing a suitable tribute to honor the late Thomas D. Lopes,

former State representative and owner/publisher of the Cape Verdean News; and further, that this tribute be located in the Ward Four area, the Cape Verdean section of the City. (Ref'd 9/27/12)

6. Written Motion, Councillors Bousquet, Gonsalves, Lawrence, Lopes, Council President Martins, Duarte, Alves and Coelho, requesting that the Special Committee on Memorials and Dedications design an award to be given to City Residents who go above and beyond the call of duty to be partners in our Community; and further, requesting, that the award be named the "New Bedford City Council Neighborhood Heroes Award." (Ref'd 10/25/12)
7. Related Motion, Councillor Saunders, requesting that the Council refer the naming of the Garage to Lawrence D. Worden Central Garage to the Special Committee on Memorials & Dedications for design purposes. (Ref'd 2/14/13)

CHAIRMAN SUGGESTS TAKING "NO FURTHER ACTION" ON THE FOLLOWING

8. Written Motion, Councillors Gomes & Fortes, requesting that the Committee on Memorials & Dedications meet to discuss a suitable site and location, such as Police Headquarters, City Hall or the Library to honor former New Bedford Police Officers; Benjamin F. Williams, Jr., John O. Williams and Charles H. Williams, using the 1925 portrait of the Officers, along with a dedication plaque, for being the first in history black-appointed Police Officers in the City of New Bedford, and recognizing them on their multiple heroic actions while Policemen in the early 1900's. (Ref'd 03/10/05)