



Committee on Ordinances

March 19, 2013 – 7:00 PM - **Agenda**
City Hall, 133 William Street, City Council Chamber, Room 214

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1. Written Motion, Councillor Lopes, requesting, that the Committee on Ordinances, review the existing language as it relates to permitting the establishment of Pawn Shops in the City of New Bedford. (Ref'd 1/26/12, 4/10/12, 5/14/12 – Refer to Legal Counsel, Recommend CC review interest rates, 9/12/12 – Legal Counsel to draft amendment, 10/23/12)

- 1a. AN ORDINANCE, Relative to Pawnbrokers, Establishments

INVITEES: Attorney David Gerwatowski

2. Written Motion, Councillors Gonsalves and Martins, requesting that the Committee on Ordinances review the current Ordinance in the City of Boston regarding the placement of satellites, antennas and receivers on residential properties throughout the City. (Ref'd 6/14/12, 9/12/12 – Letter, Gerwatowski to draft Ordinance, 10/23/12 – tabled, 12/11/12 – table, letters to Mayor)

INVITEES: Attorney David Gerwatowski

3. Written Motion, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that the Committee on Ordinances discuss drafting an Ordinance that would make it mandatory that all employees hired by the City of New Bedford be given a CORI check, including all Departments and Department Heads, an all inclusive CORI Check will be conducted for the safety of all employees working for the City and for the safety of our City and services provided by the City of New Bedford to our Citizens. (Ref'd 9/13/12, 10/23/12)

- 3a. AN ORDINANCE, (Drafted by Attorney Gerwatowski)

- 3b. City of New Bedford CORI Policy (Submitted by Angela Natho, Personnel Director)

INVITEES: Attorney David Gerwatowski

4. Communication, Mayor Mitchell to City Council, submitting the draft of the Housing Development Incentive Program (HDIP) Zone Plan for the City; and also, submitting AN ORDER, requesting that the City Council authorize and forward the plan for certification to the Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) for its approval and endorsement. (Ref'd 1/10/13)

- 4a. AN ORDER, (Ref'd 1/10/13)

INVITEES: Representative of the Mayor; Patrick Sullivan, Director Community Development/Housing

5. Communication, Mayor Mitchell to City Council, submitting two (2) Ordinances, one amending Chapter 16 of the Code of Ordinances to include a Stormwater Management Ordinance which is necessary for the City to comply with the National Pollution Discharge Elimination Systems (NPDES) Storm Water Phase II Permit Program and two, amending Chapter 17, Section 17-18 (j) of the Code of Ordinances to enable the City the option of utilizing non-criminal citations for the enforcement of the Stormwater Management Ordinance and regulations. (Ref'd 2/28/13)

- 5a. AN ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 16 – Stormwater Management Ordinance
- 5b. AN ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 17 – Noncriminal Citations for Stormwater Management Ordinance

INVITEES: John A. Markey, City Solicitor; Attorney David Gerwatowski

- 6. Written Motion, Councillors Gonsalves, Saunders, Lopes, Alves, Council President Martins, Councillors Lawrence, Coelho, Gomes, Bousquet and Duarte, requesting, that the Committee on Ordinances explore the possibility of creating an Ordinance to address preservation issues with respect to historic houses of worship in the City of New Bedford, in order to prevent the wholesale demolition of houses of worship vacated by various religious organizations. (Ref'd 3/22/12, 5/14/12 – ***Referred to Legal Counsel, 02/12/13***)

INVITEES: Attorney David Gerwatowski

- 7. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Oliveira, Gomes, Lopes, Council President Martins, Councillors Gonsalves, Coelho, Bousquet, Alves and Duarte, requesting, that the City Council revisit the Ordinance that describes the activities of hawkers and peddlers for the purpose of modifying its current language to allow food trucks and so called food trailers to conduct business within the City, much like the recent Ordinance fashioned by the City of Boston, the City of New Bedford could benefit by receiving revenue for space dedicated to food trucks and also introduce a new dimension of food vendors that would provide variety and convenience to its residence that otherwise would not occur. (Ref'd 5/10/12, 10/23/12 – refer to legal counsel for drafting)

INVITEES: Attorney David Gerwatowski