



Appointments and Briefings

November 18, 2014 – 7:00 PM – **Agenda**
Chambers of the City Council, Room 214

1. Public Hearing, on APPLICATION, Valerie Torres, d/b/a Edwin's Towing, for a SPECIAL PERMIT for MOTOR VEHICLE SALES & RENTALS, BODY REPAIRS and GENERAL REPAIRS at 26-28 Collette Street, New Bedford, MA 02746. (Duly advertised in the Standard-Times on Wednesday, November 05, 2014 and Wednesday, November 12, 2014)

INVITEES: DIS Commissioner Dan Romanowicz; City Clerk Dennis Farias; Valerie Torres Abutters

2. Communication, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, to City Council, on behalf of **David N. Pimental d/b/a CD'S RELIABLE TRANSIT, 135 Thompson Street, New Bedford, MA 02740**, hereby submit a copy of the Application requesting a **NEW** Private Livery License, under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 159A, Section 1 and amendments thereto, and M.G.L. Chapter 270, Section 22 (Smoke Free Workplace Law) and all other laws applicable to such operation, to carry passengers for hire over the streets of New Bedford. (Ref'd 08/21/14, 09/16/14 – tabled, contact Mr. Pimental to see if he still wants this livery license, 10/14/14 – tabled, applicant not present)

INVITEES: David N. Pimental

3. Communication, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting a VETO of a PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE granted to Rafael Reyes d/b/a Road Runner Transportation by the City Council on June 12, 2014; due to Mr. Reyes not filling out his Livery License application completely. (Ref'd 08/21/14, 10/14/14 - tabled)
- 3a. Communication, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, to City Council, on behalf of **Rafael Reyes, d/b/a ROAD RUNNER TRANSPORTATION, 12 Roosevelt Street, New Bedford, MA 02744**, hereby submit a copy of the Application requesting a **NEW** Private Livery License, under the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 159A, Section 1 and amendments thereto, and M.G.L. Chapter 270, Section 22 (Smoke Free Workplace Law) and all other laws applicable to such operation, to carry passengers for hire over the streets of New Bedford. (Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings – April 24, 2014; License Granted – June 12, 2014; Vetoed by Mayor Mitchell – June 25, 2014; VETO Received and Ordered Spread on the Record – July 17, 2014)(Ref'd 08/21/14, 09/16/14 – tabled, 10/14/14 - tabled)

INVITEES: Rafael Reyes; City Solicitor Mikaela McDermott

4. Written Motion, Councillor Winterson, requesting, that a Representative from NSTAR Gas Company, Inc., be invited to the Committee on Appointments & Briefings to discuss the possibility of installing gas lines in Tanglewood Drive, so that the homeowners on that street may heat their homes with gas, as

residents on nearby streets do, oil heat is the only method at the present time that the residents of Tanglewood Drive have available to them and the cost is prohibitive. (Ref'd 10/23/14)

INVITEES: NSTAR Representative Dennis Galvam

5. Written Motion, Council President Lopes, Councillors Martins, Morad, Alves, Winterson, Rebeiro and Bousquet, requesting that the City of New Bedford make much needed improvements to our newly updated City of New Bedford website to include ADA compliance for our City residents that have physical disabilities, and are unable to use the services that our website provides. (Ref'd 10/23/14)
- 5a. Communication, Council President Lopes, submitting copy of letter from Mr. Phil Zukas, New Bedford, MA, relative to possible improvements to the City of New Bedford Website rendering said website fully compliant with ADA guidelines. (Ref'd 10/23/14)

INVITEES: Rep. of the Mayor Christina Connelly; MIS Director Maria Pina-Rocha; Phil Zukas; Alan Andrade

6. Written Motion, Council President Lopes, Councillors Winterson and Gomes, requesting that the Committee on Appointments and Briefings review 501 Code of Massachusetts Regulations (CMR) Executive Office of Public Safety and Security, to allow for the establishment of the New Bedford Harbor Master under the New Bedford Police Department, and allow for the duties and responsibilities of the New Bedford Harbor Master to follow under the direction of the Director New Bedford Police Department's Port Security Unit, said consolidation will ensure the continuity in the Chief Law Enforcement entity in the City, under the control and authority of the Chief of Police. (Ref'd 10/23/14)

INVITEES: Harbor Development Commission Port Director Jeffrey Stieb; Chief of Police David Provencher

7. Written Motion, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that the Committee on Appointments and Briefings meet with a representative from the Mitchell Administration, Director of Planning and Community Development, Patrick Sullivan, Department of Community Services Director, Cynthia Wallquist and Reverend David Lima, Chair, Homeless Service Provider's Network, to discuss whether the City has formulated a plan to address and deal with the homelessness and vagrants across New Bedford; and further, if there is any plan in place, to please submit said plan to the City Council and to also include how much money the City has received to deal with homeless problem. (Ref'd 10/23/14)
- 7a. Written Motion, Councillor Rebeiro, in light of the families living on the steps of the Church of County Street, requesting that the Committee on Appointments and Briefings, invite Reverend Russ Chamberlain, Mercy Meals and More; Kristine Arsenault, Mayor's Office, Department of Community Services Director, Cynthia Wallquist and Reverend David Lima, Chair, Homeless Service Provider's Network to discuss the possibility of extending the Mercy Meals breakfast program to a day program that could direct people to much needed services. (Ref'd 10/23/14)

INVITEES: Rep. of the Mayor Kristine Arsenault; Planning and Community Development Director Patrick Sullivan; Community Services Director Cynthia Wallquist; Homeless Services Provider's

Network Chairman Reverend David Lima; Mercy Meals and More Director Reverend Russ Chamberlain

8. Written Motion, Councillors Martins and Morad, requesting, that Department of Inspectional Services Commissioner Romanowicz be invited to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings to discuss permitting procedures and enforcement for signs and flags on City sidewalks. (Ref'd 08/21/14, 10/14/14 – tabled)

INVITEES: DIS Commissioner Dan Romanowicz

The Chairman suggests taking “No Further Action”, on the following:

9. Communication, Council President Lopes submitting a copy of a Human Relations Commission report regarding denial of registration for a New Bedford youth by the South End Youth Athletic Association. (Ref'd 10/14/14)