



Committee on Finance

June 16, 2014 – 7:00 PM – **Revised Agenda**
Chambers of the City Council, Room 214

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1. Communication, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER, amending the Order adopted by the City Council on June 27, 2013 and signed by the Mayor on June 28, 2013 which in accordance with M.G.L. Chapter 44, Section 53E ½, authorized the Revolving Fund under the control of the Purchasing Department known as the PURCHASING REVOLVING FUND, whose purpose is to provide office supplies, photocopy supplies, copier leases, etc., for City Departments, whose revenues and amount limited at \$262,000.00 is hereby authorized at \$287,000.00 for FISCAL YEAR 2014. (Ref'd 6/12/14)

1a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: Purchasing Agent Debra Travers; CFO Ari Sky

2. Communication, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$892,515.00 from WATER, FREE CASH, to WATER STABILIZATION FUND. (Ref'd 3/13/14, 5/12/14 - tabled)

2a. AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$892,515.00 from WATER, FREE CASH, to WATER STABILIZATION FUND. (Ref'd 3/13/14, 5/12/14 - tabled)

2b. Related Motion, requesting that CFO Ari Sky provides the Committee on Finance with a list of all transfers and withdrawals from the Water Stabilization Fund from the last five (5) years. (5/12/14)

INVITEES: DPI Commissioner Ron Labelle; CFO Ari Sky

3. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting a LOAN ORDER, appropriating \$5,900,000.00 for the purpose of paying costs of making energy efficiency improvements to City streetlights and traffic signals. (Ref'd 6/12/14)

3a. LOAN ORDER,

3b. ENERGY MANAGEMENT SERVICES AGREEMENT, by and between the City of New Bedford and Siemens Industry, Inc. (Ref'd 6/12/14)

INVITEES: DPI Commissioner Ron Labelle; City Solicitor Mikaela McDermott; CFO Ari Sky; Legal Counsel Attorney David Gerwatowski

4. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$35,000.00 from LIBRARY, SALARIES & WAGES, to MAYOR, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 6/12/14)

4a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: Chief of Staff Neil Mello; CFO Ari Sky

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

5. Written Motion, Councillors Alves, Bousquet, Carney, Coelho, Gomes, Council President Lopes, Martins, Morad, Oliveira, Rebeiro and Winterson, requesting, based on the Mayor’s recent statement that the City continues to be fiscally strapped”, that the Committee on Finance meet with a representative of the Administration to discuss the status of contract negotiations with all City and School Department employees to determine the financial implications of said negotiations on Fiscal years 2014 and 2015, to determine the status of the AFSCME lawsuit and implications of the order to compensate employees for lost wages during the furlough period, to determine the financial implications of the pending layoffs projected in the current School Department turn around proposal, and any remaining judgments that are currently pending against the City of New Bedford. (Ref’d 2/13/14, 3/10/14 – No action taken, item remains in Committee)
6. Communication, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the TRANSFER of \$61,500.00 from FREE CASH, to MAYOR, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref’d 2/27/14, 5/12/14 – Failed, Yeas 2, Nays 8, with Councillors Alves, Bousquet, Carney, Gomes, Martins, Morad, Rebeiro and Winterson opposed)
- 6a. AN ORDER,