



Committee on Ordinances

September 17, 2014 – 7:00 PM - **Agenda**

City Hall, 133 William Street, City Council Chamber, Room 214

1. Public Hearing on a Written Motion, Councillor Alves and Lopes, requesting, on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne S. Martin, that the City Council change the Zoning of the Vacant Lot Property they own (City Plot 16-Lot 140 and Plot 14-Lot 223, Cleveland Street) being approximately 16,000 square feet, from “Residential C” to “Mixed-Use Business”. (Ref’d 06/26/14, 07/15/14 - referred to Ordinance and Planning, duly advertised in the Standard-Times on Thursday, September 4, 2014 and Thursday, September 11, 2014)

- 1a. Communication, Planning Board –

INVITEES: Planning Board Chairman Arthur Glassman; DIS Commissioner Dan Romanowicz; City Solicitor Mikaela McDermott; Legal Counsel Attorney David Gerwatowski; Abutters

2. Public Hearing, on a Written Motion, Councillors Oliveira, Gomes, Morad and Alves, requesting that Plot 124/Lot 162 (NS Shawmut Avenue) be rezoned from Mixed-Use Business, to RESIDENTIAL B, said lot lies between two residential properties and is considered inconsistent with the contour of the current neighborhood on the East side of Shawmut Avenue. (Ref’d 07/17/14, duly advertised in the Standard-Times on Thursday, September 4, 2014 and Thursday, September 11, 2014)

- 2a. Communication, Planning Board -

INVITEES: Planning Board Chairman Arthur Glassman; DIS Commissioner Dan Romanowicz; City Solicitor Mikaela McDermott; Legal Counsel Attorney David Gerwatowski; Abutters

3. Written Motion, Councillor Gonsalves, on behalf of the Buttonwood Park Zoo, that City Code Chapter 4, Section 4-5, Relative to Beekeeping, be amended to allow the Zoo to develop an exhibit on Beekeeping. (Ref’d 04/11/13, 12/12/13 – Remain in Committee, 04/29/14 – tabled)

- 3a. Written Motion, Councillor Alves, requesting, that the Committee on Ordinances meet with Michael Patenaude to discuss the potential benefits of allowing bee keepers to operate in the City of New Bedford. (Ref’d 05/08/14)

- 3b. Communication, Councillor Martins, submitting an Ordinance from the City of South Bend, Indiana, regarding Honey Bee Keeping Regulations.

INVITEES: Buttonwood Park Zoo Director Keith Lovett; Michael Patenaude

4. Written Motion, Councillors Lawrence and Bousquet, requesting, on behalf of the Mt. Pleasant Street Neighborhood Association, that the City Council explore the possibility of creating an Ordinance that would require all foreclosed and vacant properties to mark copper piping within the property with an identifiable iridescent paint, this would immediately identify any copper that might have been illegally removed from the aforementioned types of property. (Ref’d 06/14/12, 10/23/12 - remain in Committee, 12/12/13 - remain in Committee, 05/21/14 – tabled, invite Police and DIS)

INVITEES: DIS Commissioner Dan Romanowicz; Police Chief David Provencher; Neighborhoods United President Jerry Pinto; Neighborhood Task Force

5. Written Motion, Councillor Martins, requesting that the Committee on Ordinances review the Special Permit requirement for Home Day Care providers. (Ref'd 06/12/14)

INVITEES: DIS Commissioner Dan Romanowicz; Legal Counsel Attorney David Gerwatowski; City Solicitor Mikaela McDermott

6. Written Motion, Councillor Bousquet, requesting, that Health Department Director Brenda Weis and the Mayor consider a ninety (90) day moratorium on the issuances of “trash ticket” violations to multi-unit housing operators while the City begins the implementation of the new trash collection and recycling system in order to allow for a learning curve adjustment period, so that they may educate their residents, tenants, etc. (Ref'd 06/26/14)

INVITEES: Health Director Dr. Brenda Weis; Representative of the Mayor Christina Connelly; Facilities & Fleet Management Commissioner Ken Blanchard

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

7. Written Motion, Councillor Winterson, on behalf of Hazel Inglis, Esq., requesting that 99 East Clinton Street (Plot 45/Lot 301) be REZONED from “MIXED USE BUSINESS” to “RESIDENTIAL A”. (Ref'd 06/26/14) ***Withdrawn by Petitioner***