



Appointments and Briefings

November 10, 2015 – 7:00 PM – **Agenda**
Chambers of the City Council, Room 214

1. Communication, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, to City Council, on behalf of **Artur J. Medeiros, d/b/a/ AJM TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, 178 Deerfield Road, 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 9/24/15)

INVITEES: Artur J. Medeiros

2. Communication, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of JAIME PONTE, New Bedford, MA, as a DEPUTY SHELLFISH WARDEN; this term will expire September 2018. (Ref'd 9/24/15)

INVITEES: Jaime Ponte

3. Communication, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of MEGAN COITO, New Bedford, MA, as a DEPUTY SHELLFISH WARDEN; this term will expire September 2018. (Ref'd 9/24/15)

INVITEES: Megan Coito

4. Written Motion, Council President Gomes and Councillor Winterson, requesting that the Committee on Appointments and Briefings, meet with SGS Holding c/o Steven Sheldon, 20 Jaconnet Street, Newton, MA, for the purpose of discussing exactly what is the intention and plans for 49 Hawthorne Street, Plot 41/ Lot 6, presently zoned Residence A; further, if the intent is to locate a sober house at this location it will be met with resistance due to the history, tourism and historical significance of this area and of the City; furthermore, that all residents who attended the neighborhood meeting on October 20th, be invited to attend the Committee on Appointments and Briefings meeting; and further, that Congressman Keating or a Representative, Senator Montigny and State Representative Cabral be invited to said committee meeting for their assistance in changing the laws on a Federal and State level in order to give Cities and Towns the opportunity for a Special Permitting Process or options to locating these facilities in Cities and Towns in the Commonwealth, especially when it effects the quality-of-life, the business district, surrounding schools or the historical integrity of the area. (Ref'd 10/22/15)

INVITEES: Steven Sheldon, SGS Holdings; Representative from Congressman Keating's Office; Senator Mark Montigny; State Representative Antonio Cabral; Abutters

Chairman suggests taking "No Further Action" on the following items:

5. Written Motion, Councillor Gomes, requesting that the City Council's Legislative Counsel and the City Solicitor look into Article II, Section 19-20 through 19-27, with respect to enforcing the requirement that City Employees be residents of the City of New Bedford during the full term of their employment with the City; further, that contracts with the City's Unions (AFSCME, Police, Fire) ensure that every City employee be a resident of the City of New Bedford for the full term of their employment and/or for a MINIMUM OF FIFTEEN years, if so negotiated, (and NOT the presently negotiated 3-4 years) before being allowed to reside in other Cities or Towns; further, that this change, after review by Legislative Counsel and Solicitor, not apply to positions exempted by the code or where Waivers have been granted by the City Council and Mayor when in the best interest of the public to do so, if the Legislative Counsel and City Solicitor so determine to continue exemption (s) after review; and further, that employees presently working for the City that were allowed by Union Contract to reside outside of the City be "Grandfathered In", so as not to cause hardship to said employees and their families. (Ref'd 3/8/12, 12/10/13 – Remain in Committee, 10/14/14 – tabled, 03/31/15 – remain in Committee)
6. Written Motion, Councillor Gomes, requesting, ONCE AGAIN, that the School Department consider the implementation of school uniforms throughout the New Bedford School System; and further, requesting that members of the School Committee appear before the Committee on Appointments and Briefings for the purpose of discussing the implementation of the school uniforms and to also discuss security measure proposed by the City Council, such as an emergency silent alarm system and what, if any security measures have been put in place throughout the New Bedford Schools.(Ref'd 10/24/13, 09/16/14 – tabled, 3/10/15 – tabled, 6/9/15- tabled)
7. Communication, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER which would classify each member of The Regional Refuse Disposal District Committee as a "Special Municipal Employee" pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 268A, Section 1 of the General Laws. (Ref'd 5/14/15)
- 8a. AN ORDER,
8. Written Motion, Councillor Rebeiro, requesting, that a Representative from the Department of Public Infrastructure and the City's Solicitor's Office appear before the Committee on Appointment s and Briefings to explain the process of how they are working to address the increase amount of claims to the City, relative to the damages to cars by snowplows due to the increased snowfall this winter.(Ref'd 5/14/15)
9. Written Motion, Council President Lopes, Councillors Winterson, Martins, Gomes, Alves Coelho, Oliveira, Rebeiro, Morad, Carney and Bousquet, requesting, that Paul Mission, Transportation Planning Manager, SRPEDD, and members of the Transportation Staff, be invited to a Committee on Appointments and Briefings meeting to update the City Council on the Regional Transportation Plan and any transportation issues the Council members feel need to be addressed.(Ref'd 11/25/14)
10. Written Motion, Councillors Lopes, Martins, Winterson, Oliveira, Bousquet, Rebeiro, Coelho, Alves, Carney, Morad and Council President Gomes, requesting that Ms. Sandra Vezina, the Acting Personnel Director meet with a Representative from New York Life Insurance to discuss the implementation of voluntary Payroll Deduction program for employees of the City of New Bedford. (Ref'd 3/12/15, 4/14/15-tabled for 30 days- pending reply from personnel)