



Committee on Finance

May 20, 2015 – 7:30 PM – **Agenda**
Chambers of the City Council, Room 214

1. Written Motion, Councillor Lopes, requesting that CFO Sky and DPI Commissioner Labelle update the Committee on Finance on the cost and types of lights that were used by the City of New Bedford as part of the streetlight retrofit program. (Ref'd 2/26/15, 3/18/15 tabled)

INVITEES: DPI Commissioner Ron Labelle; CFO Ari Sky

2. Written Motion, Councillors Lopes, Martins, Rebeiro, Winterson, Oliveira, Morad, Bousquet, Alves and Council President Gomes, requesting that representatives from Mayor Mitchell's negotiating team meet with the City Council's Committee on Finance to discuss in detail the Host Community Agreement between the City of New Bedford and KG Urban Enterprises for a Waterfront Casino Gaming Facility. (Ref'd 03/26/15)

INVITEES: City Solicitor Mikaela McDermott; CFO Ari Sky

3. Communication, Ronald H. Labelle, DPI Commissioner to City Council, requesting the approval of a sewer betterment extension project on Bristol Street, consisting of approximately 400 feet of 8" diameter sewer with one manhole structure and five 6" diameter sewer service extensions to the property line. (Ref'd 03/26/15)

- 3a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: DPI Commissioner Ron Labelle; CFO Ari Sky

4. Written Motion, Councillors Lopes, Martins, Winterson, Morad and Rebeiro, requesting that Patrick Sullivan, Director of the Office of Housing and Community Development, provide the City Council with the preliminary FY 2016 Community Development Block Grant Budget and allocations. (Ref'd 03/26/15)

INVITEES: Housing and Community Development Director Patrick Sullivan

5. Communication, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER, for the transfer of \$15,000 from AIRPORT, FREE CASH, to AIRPORT, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 04/09/15)

- 5a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: Airport Manager Erick D'Leon; CFO Ari Sky

6. Communication, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER, for the transfer of \$50,000 from WASTEWATER, CAPITOL OUTLAY to WASTEWATER, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 04/09/15)

6a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: DPI Commissioner Ron Labelle; CFO Ari Sky

7. Communication, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER, for the transfer of \$125,000 from WATER, CAPITOL OUTLAY to WATER, SALARIES & WAGES. (Ref'd 04/09/15)

7a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: DPI Commissioner Ron Labelle; CFO Ari Sky

8. Communication, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER for the transfer of \$650,000 from FREE CASH to GENERAL GOVERNMENT UNCLASSIFIED, RESERVE FOR APPROPRIATION. (Ref'd 04/09/15)

8a. AN ORDER,

INVITEES: CFO Ari Sky

Chairman suggests to "Receive and Place on File" and "Follow the Recommended Action", on the following item:

9. Communication, Joseph E. Connarton, Executive Director, Public Employee Retirement Administration Commission to New Bedford Retirement Board, regarding the required Fiscal Year 2016 Appropriation of \$29,758,906.00 which commences on July 01, 2015. (Ref'd 12/18/14) ***Refer to New Bedford School Committee; NBPS Business Manager Dr. Barry Rabinovitch***

10. Communication, Councillor Morad, submitting an email from a concerned New Bedford resident regarding the possible discontinuation of pay pass school buses for children who live within two miles of their school. (Ref'd 03/26/15) ***Refer to New Bedford School Committee; NBPS Business Manager Dr. Barry Rabinovitch***

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

11. Written Motion, Council President Lopes, requesting, that CFO Ari Sky brief the New Bedford City Council on the status of the City's "other post employment benefits"; and further, that CFO Sky provide this body with any and all plans that the City is looking at to address this matter. (Ref'd 04/24/14, 9/18/14 - tabled)

12. Written Motion, Councillor Lopes, requesting, that Interim Business Manager Dr. Barry Rabinovitch provide the members of the City Council with an update on the percentage of funds that the New

Bedford School department is expected to lose as part of Governor Baker \$1.9 million dollar reduction in Charter School reimbursement. (Ref'd 2/12/15)

13. Written Motion, Councillor Lopes, requesting, that Interim Business Manager Dr. Barry Rabinovitch provide the members of the City Council with an update on the percentage of funds that the New Bedford School department is expected to lose as part of Governor Baker's reduction in Special Education Circuit-Breaker. (Ref'd 2/12/15)