



# Memorials & Dedications

September 8, 2015 – 7:00 PM - **Agenda**

City Hall, 133 William Street, Councillor William Saltzman Antechamber,  
Room 213, Municipal Building

1. Communication, Mayor Mitchell to City Council, submitting a request to rename a section of Massachusetts Route 18, from Elm Street to Cove Street, from “John F. Kennedy Highway” to “John F. Kennedy Boulevard”, the purpose being to improve pedestrian access from our Downtown and South End neighborhoods to the Waterfront and to beautify the area. (Ref’d 05/28/15)

***INVITEES: Representative of the Mayor Christina Connelly***

2. Written Motion, Councillors Winterson, Alves, Lopes, Morad, Bousquet, Rebeiro, Carney, Martins, Coelho, Oliveira, and Council President Gomes, requesting that the City Council name the City-owned plaza on the corner of Front Street and Union Street “Jack Markey Plaza, “ in honor of the former eleven year Mayor of the City of New Bedford and retired District Court Judge, the Honorable John A. Markey, in recognition of his leadership in advancing the City of New Bedford and protecting its interests in countless ways that our community still benefits from today, including the lasting impact Mayor Markey’s tenure has had on the Downtown New Bedford Historic District. (Ref’d 7/16/15)

***INVITEES: Representative of the Mayor Christina Connelly***

3. Written Motion, Councillors Gomes, Saunders and Lopes, requesting, that the Special Committee on Memorials and Dedications meet with Jeff Costa, Chairman of Financing and Marketing, Deb Shrader, President and Committee members of the Fishermen’s Tribute Fund, for the purposes of discussing the possibility of erecting a Fishermen’s Memorial to be located at Monkey’s Island on East Rodney French Boulevard, north of East Beach. (Ref’d 03/22/12, 05/22/12- tabled, letters, 09/24/12-tabled, 11/26/12-letter to the Mayor, 05/20/13- Clerk of Comm. To meet with Deb Shrader and Sue Bragdon, 08/28/13-tabled, 03/11/14- tabled for 30 days)

***INVITEES: Representative of the Mayor Christina Connelly; DPI Commissioner Ron Labelle; Fishermen’s Tribute Fund President Deb Shrader and Members; Area Residents***

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

4. Written Motion, Councillor Gonsalves, on behalf of John Souza, 46 State Street, that the Committee on Memorials and Dedications, look into renaming Gifford’s Lane to Captain Mangual’s Lane, or something similar, or possibly to establish some other appropriate tribute to Mr. Souza’s late Grandfather, Captain Sixto Mangual. (Please see enclosed email for further information/backup regarding this request.) ( Ref’d 09/14/06, 11/26/07-tabled, 05/28/08, 06/30/09-tabled, 02/28/11- tabled, 04/11/11-tabled, 09/24/12-tabled, 11/26/12- To approve the request for a monument and to send another letter to the DOI seeking permission to erect said monument, 08/28/13-letter, 9/15/14-tabled, waiting for Master Plan to be completed by DPI)

5. Written Motion, Councillor Lopes, requesting that the City of New Bedford recognize Herb Rego for his dedication and commitment to the residents of the City, by naming the bathhouse on West Rodney French Boulevard the “Herb Rego Memorial Lifeguard Center”. (Ref’d 08/19/10)
  
6. Written Motion, Councillors Coelho, Lawrence, Lopes, Alves, Dehner, Saunders, Martins, Duarte, Council President Gomes and Councillor Gonsalves, requesting, that the Committee on Memorials and Dedications consider the possibility of creating a tribute in memory of the late Sylvester Sylvia, longtime Democratic Party activist, who joined the Democratic City Committee in 1954, and the Bristol County Commission, where he served for fourteen years, he was a public servant who contributed his time, energy and intellect to improving New Bedford, of Mr. Sylvia, Congressman Barney Frank has said “ He leaves behind an extraordinary legacy of the example of what a Citizen ought to be in our democracy.” (Ref’d 08/18/11)
  
7. Written Motion, Councillors Bousquet, Gonsalves, Lawrence, Lopes, Council President Martins, Duarte, Alves, and Coelho, requesting, that the Special Committee on Memorials and Dedications design an award to be given to City Residents who go above and beyond the call of duty to be partners in our Community; and further, requesting, that the award be named the “New Bedford City Council Neighborhood Heroes Award”.(Ref’d 10/25/12, 03/20/13-tabled)
  
8. Written Motion, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that Mayor Mitchell along with whoever is responsible for the upkeep of the State Pier consider naming the parking lots along the State Pier which are presently lettered A, B, C, with “Whale” names, due to the fact that this is the “Whaling City” and we should be following that procedure even on the State Pier when naming these parking lots; and further requesting that the Terminal Building at the State Pier be renamed after the former Mayor, Edward Harrington. (Ref’d 06/19/12, 03/20/13- invites, see paperwork, 07/30/14-letter, tabled)