



Committee on Ordinances

October 19, 2015 – 7:00 PM - **Agenda**

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

1. Public Hearing, on a Written Motion, Councillor Alves, requesting, that the lot on Oakdale Street (Map 74 Lot 95) be reclassified from a half Residence “A” and half Residence “B” lot, to just Residence “B”, to allow for reconstruction/replacement of building destroyed by fire. (Ref’d 09/10/15, duly advertised in the Standard-Times on Tuesday, October 06, 2015 and Tuesday, October 13, 2015)

- 1a. Communication, Planning

INVITEES: City Solicitor Michaela McDermott; Patrick Sullivan, Director of Planning and Community Development; Legal Counsel Attorney David Gerwatowski; Abutters

2. Related Motion, Councillor Morad, requesting that the Committee on Ordinances review the current laws related to the granting and renewal of Private Livery Licenses in the City to ensure the public’s safety and benefit by enforcing timely renewals by livery license holders; and further, that the City Clerk and the Chief of Police be invited to attend the Committee on Ordinances meeting in order to provide their input as it relates to this issue. (Ref’d 6/25/15)

INVITEES: Dennis Farias, City Clerk; David Provencher, Chief of Police

3. Related Motion, Councillor Morad, requesting that the Committee on Ordinances review the current procedures and regulations as related to the granting of renewals for Private Livery Licenses, to consider what actions that may be taken against those companies who are operating in the City of New Bedford with an expired Livery License. (Ref’d 4/09/15)

INVITEES: Dennis Farias, City Clerk

4. Written Motion, Councillor Gomes, requesting that the City of New Bedford establish an Ordinance adopting M.G.L. Chapter 256 of the Acts of 2010, “An Act Reforming the Administrative Procedures Relative to Criminal Offender Record Information and Pre- and Post-Trial Supervised Release”, of which Chapter 6, Section 172B ½ creates an “umbrella statute under which municipal officials may enact Ordinances to require State and National criminal history record checks of applicants for licenses in specified occupations”, by adopting such an Ordinance, the City will be authorizing the New Bedford Police Department, Massachusetts State Police and the FBI to provide criminal background history of Taxi and Livery License applicants to the City Clerk and City Council in order to ensure the safety of our City’s residents. (Ref’d 04/23/15)

INVITEES: Attorney David Gerwatowski; Dennis Farias, City Clerk; David Provencher, Chief of Police

5. Related Motion, Councillor Morad, requesting that the Committee on Ordinances, in conjunction with the City Clerk, Commissioner of Inspectional Services and the Police Chief review the City's options as it relates to enforcing the annual Livery License renewal process and/or the city's options available to revoke said Livery Licenses. (Ref'd 05/28/15)

INVITEES: Dennis Farias, City Clerk; Danny Romanowicz, DIS Commissioner; David Provencher, Chief of Police

6. Communication, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 19 PERSONNEL, to place a one-year freeze on steps for the City's Unit C employees. (Ref'd 05/14/15)

- 6a. AN ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 19 PERSONNEL. (Ref'd 05/14/15)

INVITEES: Sandra Vezina, Acting Director of Personnel; Christina Connelly, Representative of the Mayor

7. Written Motion, Councillor Martins, requesting, that the Committee on Ordinances consider amending Chapter 24, Section 24-7, RELATIVE TO THE NUMBER OF CLASS A LICENSES. (To be Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.) (Ref'd 8/19/15)

- 7a. AN ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 24, Section 24-7, RELATIVE TO THE NUMBER OF CLASS A LICENSES. (To be Referred to the Committee of Ordinances.) (Ref'd 8/19/15)

INVITEES: Dennis Farias, City Clerk

8. Written Motion, Councillor Lopes, requesting that the second paragraph of Rule 1 of the City Council Rules of Order be amended to reach – Additional regular meeting shall be held on the third Thursday of July, on the Third Thursday of August and on the **SECOND** Thursday of December in each year. (Ref'd 3/26/15)

INVITEES: Dennis Farias, City Clerk