



Appointments and Briefings

April 12, 2016 – 7:00 PM – **Agenda**
Chambers of the City Council, Room 214

1. Citizen's Input Time – Not to exceed the first thirty (30) minutes of the meeting.

- 1a. Christian Smith, 86 Calumet Street, New Bedford, MA 02744, speaking on Food Truck Ordinance

INVITEES: Christian Smith

2. Written Motion, Councillors Martins, Oliveira and Bousquet, requesting, that Hands Across the River Coalition, Inc., and South Coast Neighbors United Organization be invited to attend a Committee on Appointment and Briefings meeting to discuss their opposition to the Access Northeast LNG expansion project and to present a fifteen minute presentation.(Ref'd 2/25/16)

INVITEES: Hands Across the River Coalition President, James Simmons; South Coast Neighbors United Organization Speakers; Roger Cabral, Leslie Dakin, Ken Sylvia

3. Communication, City Clerk/ Clerk of the City Council, on behalf of **Joseph Migliori, d/b/a JOE'S TRANSPORTATION, 99 David Street, New Bedford, MA 02744**, hereby submits a copy of Application requesting a **NEW PRIVATE LIVERY LICENSE**, under the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, 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 1/14/16, 3/8/16-tabled)

INVITEES: Joseph Migliori

4. Written Motion, Councillor Coelho, requesting, that the Mayor's Office look into whether a process can be implemented to make it easier for the public to obtain necessary permits, housing, building, contracting, ect., a one-stop permitting process in City Hall, as opposed to the process currently in place, where people have to drive to different locations in the City to obtain various permits for the same project.(Ref'd 3/26/15)

INVITEES: Christina Connelly, Representative of the Mayor; Danny Romanowicz, DIS Commissioner

5. Written Motion, Councillor Lopes, requesting that the City of New Bedford, and the Office of Labor Relations begin a discussion with the Human Rights Campaign (HRC), so that the City of New Bedford can begin the Municipal Equality Index (MEI) process of self-submission, by which any City can submit themselves to be rated by The Human Rights Campaign, the Municipal Equality Index examines the laws, policies, and services of Municipalities across the Country and rate them on the basis of their inclusivity of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender LGBT community.(Ref'd 5/28/15)

INVITEES: Sandra Vezina, Director of Personnel

6. Written Motion, Councillor Lopes, requesting that the Director of Parks, Recreation and Beaches meet with the Committee on Appointments and Briefings about establishing a policy and procedure manual for parking at Fort Taber Park, the Fort Taber Community Center, and any Special Events Request utilizing Fort Taber Park.(Ref'd 7/16/15, 9/30/15 – tabled to January 2016)

INVITEES: Mary Rapoza, Director of Parks, Recreation and Beaches

7. Written Motion, Council President Gomes, requesting that the Committee on Appointments and Briefings meet with Parks Recreation and Beaches Director Mary Rapoza, Police Chief David Provencher, DPI Commissioner Ronald Labelle, and Department of Facilities and Fleet Management Director Kenneth Blanchard, for the purpose of putting together a comprehensive plan of action to deal with summer events being held at Fort Taber and in the south end; and further, that Parks, Recreation and Beaches Director, the Police Chief, DPI and DFFM strictly enforce park rules and regulations including parks and beaches closing times, furthermore; that the City look into hiring park and beach enforcement officers to enforce the rules and regulations of our parks and beaches.(Ref'd 7/16/15, 9/30/15 –tabled to January 2016)

INVITEES: Mary Rapoza, Director of Parks, Recreation and Beaches; Acting Police Chief, David Lizotte; Ronald Labelle, DPI Commissioner; Kenneth Blanchard, Department of Facilities and Fleet Management Director

8. Related Motion, Councillor Morad, requesting, that the Department of Parks, Recreation and Beaches Director Mary Rapoza, the Park Board Chairman, the Director of the Health Department, Dr. Brenda Weis and Police Chief Provencher, be invited to a Committee on Appointments and Briefings meeting to discuss the procedures for granting permits for events to our parks, to ensure all related facets of the permitted events are in place.(Ref'd 7/16/15, 9/30/15 – tabled to January 2016)

INVITEES: Mary Rapoza, Director of Parks, Recreation and Beaches; Park Board Chairman, Peter Boswell; Director of Health Department, Dr. Brenda Weis; Police Chief, David Lizotte

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

9. Written Motion, Councillor Carney, requesting, that Police Chief Provencher and Attorney Flor from the Mayor’s Task Force appear before the Committee on Appointments and Briefings to discuss the number of valid complaints since Problem Properties Ordinance has been implanted. (Ref'd 10/22/15)
10. Communication, Council President Gomes, submitting a copy of the Statement from City Solicitor McDermott, regarding the City of New Bedford’s settlement with AVX Corporation (AVX) and Cornell Dubilier Electronics, Inc. (CDE) for claims relating the North Terminal Rail Yard and the Parker Street Waste site. (Ref'd 11/24/15)
11. Communication, City Council President Gomes, submitting information from Randy Jones, Lion Landscaping regarding his plan to help the youth of our City. (To be Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings.) (Ref'd 9/10/15, 10/28/15- refer packet along with a Communication of the Committee’s support of the program to Pat Sullivan, Community Development and Planning to see if it can be enacted and they reach out to Mr. Jones directly.)