

**COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES – APRIL 09, 2019
MEETING @ 7:00 PM, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, ROOM 214
AGENDA (REVISED)**

1. PUBLIC HEARING, on a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Dunn, requesting on behalf of Michael Khalife, that 157 – 161 Coggeshall Street, Plot 93, Lot 169, New Bedford, MA, be REZONED from Mixed-Use Business to Industrial “B” (To be Referred to the Committee on Ordinances and the Planning Board.) (Ref’d 2/14/19) (Duly advertised in The Standard-Times on Tuesday, March 26, 2019 and Tuesday, April 02, 2019)

- 1a. COMMUNICATION, Tabitha Harkin, City Planner, to Councillor Hugh Dunn, Chairman, Committee on Ordinances, advising that the Planning Board held a public hearing on March 13, 2019 to discuss the proposed request for the rezoning of 157–161 Coggeshall Street, Plot 93/Lot 169, from Mixed-Use Business to Industrial “B”; the Planning Board voted to send an **UNFAVORABLE RECOMMENDATION**, recommending that the City Council deny the rezoning request for 157–161 Coggeshall Street, Plot 93/Lot 169, and as such, keep the current zoning for this parcel as a Mixed Use Business (MUB) zone. (Ref’d 3/14/19)

INVITEES: David Gerwatowski, Legal Counsel Attorney; Tabitha Harkin, City Planner; Michael Khalife; Abutters

2. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Giesta, requesting that the Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods invite Police Chief Joseph Cordeiro, Executive Secretary to the Traffic Commission, Scott Downing and the Commissioner of Inspectional Services, Danny Romanowicz to a meeting to discuss the enforcement and effectiveness of the current Ordinance relative to heavy truck parking in residential zones under Chapter 23, Section 23-23 of the City Code. (Referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Neighborhoods 8/16/18; To be Referred to the Committee on Ordinances) (Ref’d 12/13/18)

INVITEES: Joseph Cordeiro, Police Chief; David Gerwatowski, Legal Counsel Attorney; Danny Romanowicz, Commissioner, Inspectional Services

3. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting an ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 15, Licenses and Permits; Business Regulations, that will allow the City to permit commercial aquaculture in its waters. (Ref’d 3/28/19)

- 3a. AN ORDINANCE, (Ref’d 3/28/19)

INVITEES: Edward Anthes-Washburn, Director, New Bedford Port Authority; David Gerwatowski, Legal Counsel Attorney; Mikaela McDermott, City Solicitor

Chairman Suggests ‘No Further Action’ and ‘Report Out to the Full City Council’

4. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Abreu, requesting, that the City Council engage in dialogue with our Health Department and the Department of Inspectional Services about implementing mandatory CPR and Heimlich training and certifications for all New Bedford restaurants, bars, food-related cafes and establishments which seat less than 25 patrons, currently, Massachusetts General Law (105:CMR-Mass Dept. of Health 590.003(A)(2) Mgmt. and Personnel) has only

established a mandatory statewide law for all restaurants which seat 25 or more patrons that they must have on its premises while food is being served a person trained and certified in CPR; and further, a collaborative approach on the local level on this issue could help potentially save lives. (To be Referred to the Committee on Ordinances, the Health Department and the Department of Inspectional Services.) (Ref'd 9/28/17 (10/26/17-returned unsigned by the Mayor)

5. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Coelho, Lopes and Giesta, requesting, that the Committee on Ordinances look into the possibility of creating an Ordinance addressing jaywalking in the City of New Bedford, jaywalking as defined by crossing the street in an illegal or unsafe manner, whereupon Police can enforce jaywalking laws by issuing citations, the penalty for violating jaywalking laws typically would include a fine similar to a parking ticket, in many jurisdictions, fines increase with repeat jaywalking offenses. (To be Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.) (Ref'd 9/13/18)

6. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting that the Committee on Ordinances meet with the Inspectional Services Commissioner to discuss implementing an Ordinance that would give City residents and Property Owners, with enough footage, an opportunity to put solar panels in their backyards instead of the traditional roof solar panels; and further that the City Solicitor along with the City Council's Legislative Counsel begin drafting an Ordinance that would allow residents with enough space, to utilize their backyards to locate a solar farm. (Ref'd 9/13/18) (11/13/18-tabled 60 days)

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