

**COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS & BRIEFINGS – SEPTEMBER 11, 2017
MEETING @ 7 PM, IN CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER – ROOM 214
AGENDA (REVISED)**

1. Citizen's Input Time – Not to exceed the first thirty (30) minutes of the meeting.
 - 1a. Joyce Rowley, P.O. Box 50251, New Bedford, MA 02745, speaking on Buttonwood Zoned
 - 1b. Antonio Rodrigues, 422 Brock Avenue, New Bedford, MA 02744 speaking on a property located on Brock Avenue, an old church building.

2. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting APPOINTMENT of MARIA A. ROSARIO, New Bedford, MA, to the HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION, Ms. Rosario will be replacing Maria Mojica-Mosquea whose term has expired; this term will expire April 2019. (Ref'd 6/22/17) (7/24/17-tabled)

INVITEES: Maria A. Rosario

3. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of PETER BLANCHARD, New Bedford, MA to the CONSERVATION COMMISSION, replacing Robert Morris whose term has expired; this term will expire April 2018. (Ref'd 7/20/17) (8/24/17-tabled)

INVITEES: Peter Blanchard

4. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of MARCUS CHUMACK, New Bedford, MA to the HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION, replacing Robert Schilling whose term has expired; this term will expire December 2019. (Ref'd 7/20/17) (8/24/17-tabled)

INVITEES: Marcus Chumack

5. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Martins, requesting, that Attorney Richard Manning, 167 William Street, who represents Empire Loan, be invited to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings, to address concerns with the regulatory provisions related to pawnbrokers recently adopted by the City Council in 2013; and further, requesting, that Empire Loan be given the opportunity to address their concerns with the Council and provide additional information which, hopefully, will result in the recommendation of some changes. (To be Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings) (Ref'd 4/14/16)

- 5a. COMMUNICATION, Councillor Martins, submitting a letter dated March 15, 2016, from Attorney Richard Manning Jr., regarding regulatory provisions related to Pawnbrokers. (To be Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings) (Ref'd 4/14/16)

INVITEES: David Gerwadowski, Legal Counsel Attorney; Attorney Richard Manning

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6. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that the Committee on Appointments and Briefings meet with the CEO or Director of CleanSlate Addiction Treatment Center, 92 Grape Street, to discuss neighborhood concerns and security issues around the facility, due to the number of complaints about illegal activity and sales on the premises; and further, that if the Management and Security cannot control what is going on at this facility, that the City request a Police Detail during business hours. (Ref'd 3/23/17) (6/15/17-tabled for 60 days)

INVITEES: Brian Coonan, Area Manager, CleanSlate Addiction Treatment Center, New Bedford Location

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

7. WRITTEN MOTION, Council President Gomes, requesting, that the Committee on Appointments and Briefings in conjunction with the Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods, along with the Police Chief Provencher, meet with the Gloucester Police Chief Len Campanello, or a Representative of the Gloucester Police Department to discuss their "Angel Program" which brings together Drug Treatment Agencies and Hospital Officials to allow active addicts to walk in, hand in their drugs and get immediate treatment instead of a jail cell, due to the numbers of this newly implemented plan being so far positive in Gloucester. (Ref'd 10/22/15)
8. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Abreu, Winterson, Gomes, Lopes and Martins, requesting that Representatives from both Eversource Energy and Spectra Energy come before the Committee on Appointments and Briefings to discuss both the potential economic and social impact the Acushnet LNG Proposal would have on not only New Bedford, but on the surrounding communities as well, since Representatives of the "Southcoast Neighbors United" came before this body and the local media recently to voice their opposition of this project, it is only fair, in the spirit of full transparency, that the Committee invite the proponents of the project as well. (To be Referred to the Committee on Appointments & Briefings, Dennis D. Galvam, Manager of Community Relations & Economic Development for Eversource Energy and Representatives from Spectra Energy) (Ref'd 4/28/16) (5/22/17-tabled 30 days) (6/15/17-tabled)
9. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Gomes, Winterson and Martins, requesting, that once more a letter be sent to the Triple A Pawtucket Red Sox ownership and management informing them of the City's interest in locating the Triple A team here in New Bedford; and further, that an invitation be sent to the ownership and management of the team to visit and tour possible sites like the Logan Hicks Street and the Washburn Street area of the City and also to meet with the Committee on Appointments and Briefings, the Economic Development Council and a representative from the Mayor's office. (Ref'd 7/20/17)

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