

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
Chambers of the City Council
Monday, January 09, 2017

CITY COUNCIL
Municipal Building
7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Council President Morad, Councillors Abreu, Bousquet, Carney, Coelho, Lopes, Martins, Oliveira, Rebeiro and Winterson.

LATE: Councillor Gomes 7:08 p.m.

ABSENT: No One

2016 Council President Linda M. Morad called the meeting to order and presided.

Prayer Led By: Rabbi Raphael Kanter, Tifereth Israel Congregation.

Councillor Lopes led the Assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

COMMUNICATION, 2016 City Council President, notifying of Organizational Meeting of City Council to be held on Monday, January 09, 2017, at 7:00 p.m., in City Council Chambers, for the following purpose:

- a. Organization of the City Council for the year 2017 – Election of President.
- b. Reappointments of Assistant City Solicitors for 2017.
- c. Appointment of Weighers of Merchandise for 2017.
- d. Reappointment of Legal Counsel to the City Council for 2017.

Received and Placed on File. (#0001)

President Pro Tem Morad opens the meeting as outgoing President and announces that she will accept nominations from the floor for President of the New Bedford City Council for the Year 2017.

Councillor Bousquet Nominated Councillor Lopes, seconded by Councillor Winterson.

Councillor Oliveira moves to close Nominations, seconded by Councillor Abreu.

On a motion, nominations were closed.

By a roll call vote of Yeas 11, Nays 0.

JOSEPH P. LOPES, was elected CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT for the Year 2017.

2017 City Council President Lopes addresses the City Council.

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, submitting the **REAPPOINTMENT** of **ATTORNEY ERIC JAIKES**, New Bedford, MA 02740, as **Assistant City Solicitor** for a **one-year term expiring December 31, 2017**.

Rule 38 Waived, Reappointment Confirmed and Rule 40 Waived – Yeas 11, Nays 0.

(#0002)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, submitting the **REAPPOINTMENT** of **ATTORNEY KREG S. ESPINOLA**, New Bedford, MA 02740, as **Assistant City Solicitor** for a **one-year term expiring December 31, 2017**.

Rule 38 Waived, Reappointment Confirmed and Rule 40 Waived – Yeas 11, Nays 0.

(#0003)

COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, submitting the **APPOINTMENTS** of **DANIEL MCNAUGHT**, Lakeville, MA; **IAN MCNAUGHT**, New Bedford, MA and **EUGENE MEDEIROS**, Fairhaven, MA as **WEIGHERS OF MERCHANDISE** for a **one-year term expiring December 31, 2017**, from **L & S Industries, Inc.**

Rule 38 Waived and Appointment Confirmed – Yeas 11, Nays 0.

(#0004)

WRITTEN MOTION, 2016 Council President Morad, submitting the **REAPPOINTMENT** of **ATTORNEY DAVID J. GERWATOWSKI**, New Bedford, MA 02745 as **LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL TO THE CITY COUNCIL** for a **one-year term, expiring December 31, 2017**.

Rule 38 Waived, Reappointment Confirmed and Rule 40 Waived – Yeas 11, Nays 0.

(#0005)

On a motion, the Council then adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

ATTEST:

DENNIS W. FARIAS, CITY CLERK/
CLERK OF THE CITY COUNCIL