

NEW BEDFORD, MASSACHUSETTS

MEETING: COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES
DATE: JUNE 13, 2017
TIME: 7:02 P.M.
PLACE: CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER, ROOM 214, MUNICIPAL BUILDING

PRESENT: COUNCILLORS STEVEN MARTINS, CHAIRMAN; LINDA MORAD, VICE CHAIRPERSON; IAN ABREU; NAOMI CARNEY; DEBORA COELHO; HUGH DUNN; JOSEPH LOPES; DANA REBEIRO; KERRY WINTERSON

ABSENT: COUNCILLORS BRIAN GOMES; JAMES OLIVEIRA

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Councillor Martins called the Ordinance Committee Meeting to order and took attendance. The Clerk informed the Committee that he received a call from Councillor Gomes stating he was unable to attend due to a prior commitment and he read a Communication from Councillor Oliveira stating he was unable to attend due to a family commitment, this Communication was received and placed on file by Councillor Abreu and seconded by Councillor Lopes.

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Notice, City Clerk of reference of a COMMUNICATION, Councillor Martins, submitting an Ordinance from the City of South Bend, Indiana, regarding Honey Bee Keeping Regulations. (Ref'd 8/21/14) (9/17/14-tabled; 10/22/14-tabled for 60 days; 2/24/15-remain in Committee; 3/23/15-tabled; 12/14/15-remain in Committee; 3/21/17-remain in Committee; 5/17/17-tabled to next meeting) was removed from the table by Councillor Lopes and seconded by Councillor Carney. (1)

On motion by Councillor Morad and seconded by Councillor Lopes, the Committee VOTED: To table this matter at this time. This motion passed on a voice vote.

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Notice, City Clerk of reference of a COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 15, Section 15-101 of the City Code pertaining to Wetland Protection (Ref'd 3/23/17) was received and placed on file by Councillor Morad and seconded by Councillor Lopes. (2, 2a)

On motion by Councillor Lopes and seconded by Councillor Coelho, the Committee VOTED: To recommend to the City Council ADOPTION of the ORDINANCE, amending Chapter 15, Section 15-101 of the City Code pertaining to Wetland Protection. This motion passed on a Roll Call Vote of Yeas 8, Nays 1, with Councillor Morad opposed.

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On motion by Councillor Morad and seconded by Councillor Lopes, the Committee VOTED: To approve the amendments made to the proposed language for the Beekeeping Ordinance. This motion passed on a voice vote.

On motion by Councillor Lopes and seconded by Councillor Rebeiro, the Committee VOTED: To recommend to the City Council ADOPTION of the ORDINANCE, AS AMENDED, Relative to Beekeeping. This motion passed on a voice vote.

Councillor Coelho made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Councillor Abreu.

This meeting adjourned @ 8:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

Denis Lawrence, Jr.,
Clerk of Committees