

**CITY COUNCIL CALENDAR  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 25, 2018  
7 P.M. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – ROOM 214  
CITY HALL, 133 WILLIAM STREET, NEW BEDFORD, MA**

CITY CLERKS OFFICE  
NEW BEDFORD, MA

**OPENING OF SESSION BY: CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT LINDA M. MORAD** 2018 JAN 23 P 3:11  
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**PRAYER LED BY: PRISCILLA LOURO-FONSECA, CHAPLAIN – BRISTOL COUNTY AMERICAN LEGION**  
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**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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**MAYOR'S PAPERS**

M1. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting a LOAN ORDER appropriating \$6,115,000.00 which constitutes the next round of projects for the FY2018-2022 Capital Improvement Program (CIP), these projects are intended to continue essential renovation and repair efforts while also designating local funding to supplement state aid for much-needed road and sidewalk repairs.

M1a. LOAN ORDER,

M2. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting THREE ORDERS for the TRANSFER from FREE CASH, to OPEB TRUST FUND in the amount of \$150,000.00; to POLICE, CAPITAL OUTLAY in the amount of \$194,000.00 and the STABILIZATION FUND in the amount of \$800,000.00.

M2a. AN ORDER, FREE CASH TO OPEB TRUST FUND,

M2b. AN ORDER, FREE CASH TO POLICE, CAPITAL OUTLAY,

M2c. AN ORDER, FREE CASH TO STABILIZATION FUND,

M3. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting a SEWER ABATEMENT REQUEST for BARRY & DEBRA TRAHAN, 20 Maryland Street, New Bedford, MA, in the amount of \$140.36.

M4. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER authorizing the Statement of Interest (SOI) Form dated February 9, 2018 to the Massachusetts School Building Authority for the following elementary school: TRINITY DAY ACADEMY located at 181 Hillman Street, New Bedford.

M4a. AN ORDER,

M5. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting AN ORDER authorizing the Statement of Interest (SOI) Form dated February 9, 2018 to the Massachusetts School Building Authority for the following elementary school: JOHN AVERY PARKER SCHOOL located at 705 County Street, New Bedford.

M5a. AN ORDER,

M6. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting a ONE-YEAR WAIVER OF RESIDENCY for MS. SHARA CROOK, Assistant Director at the Buttonwood Park Zoo, who currently lives in South Dartmouth; Ms. Crook has been employed by the Zoo since July 1994.

M7. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting a ONE-YEAR WAIVER OF RESIDENCY for GLENN STYS, Dartmouth, MA, Paramedic in the Department of Emergency Medical Services.

M8. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting a ONE-YEAR WAIVER OF RESIDENCY for ALFRED FIGUEIREDO, Riverside, RI, Paramedic in the Department of Emergency Medical Services.

M9. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of PAULA ROBINSON DEARE, New Bedford, MA 02744, to the BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS replacing David Peixoto who resigned May 2017; this term will expire May 2018.

M10. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of DANIEL S. GOULART, New Bedford, MA 02740 to the VETERAN'S ADVISORY BOARD; replacing Stephen Rogers whose term has expired; this term will expire December 2019.

M11. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of RICHARD M. PIMENTAL, Acushnet, MA as a SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER.

M11a. AN APPLICATION,

M12. COMMUNICATION, Mayor Mitchell, to City Council, submitting the APPOINTMENT of WILLIAM T. CAMBRA, Dartmouth, MA as a SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER.

M12a. AN APPLICATION,

#### ***NEW BUSINESS***

1. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Abreu, Lima, Giesta and Lopes, requesting, that the City of New Bedford send a letter to the Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah) expressing support of their casino interest for the mainland Southeastern Massachusetts region; and further, the City of New Bedford could be poised to host such a casino, given its available space for potential economic development, strong workforce, solid public infrastructure, community support, and nearby location to Rhode Island and Cape Cod. (To be referred to Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head (Aquinnah) Tribal Council, Mayor's Office and the New Bedford Economic Development Council Office.)

2. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Carney, requesting that the Traffic Commission approve locations for the Safety Zones and install signage for said locations. (To be Referred to the Traffic Commission.)

3. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that the Committee on Appointments and Briefings meet with MIS Director, Maria Pina-Rocha, along with City Council Clerk Dennis Farias for the purposes of discussing the creation of a New Bedford City Council Facebook page along with a Twitter page, the creation of these two website pages will give the City Council the opportunity to make sure that it reports out work and proposals along with actions and Committee reports in addition to the work throughout the community and ceremonies that the City Council participate in throughout the New Bedford, these website pages could also contain news faxes, and commentary from City Councillors; and further, that the City Council look into an internship program with local high schools and universities for the Council office in order to assist in making this proposal successful in getting all the information and faxes to the people of this great City.

4. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, that the Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods, meet with a Representative from the Mayor's Office, Police Chief Cordeiro, the Community Development Director Patrick Sullivan, the President of Neighborhoods United and Chairs from neighborhood crime watch groups from across the City, for the purposes of discussing the creation of new neighborhood crime watch signs; these new signs will be placed in all present areas that have crime watch groups and awarded to new neighborhood crime watch groups that organize and participate in making their neighborhoods safer across the City.

5. WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Gomes, Carney and Rebeiro, requesting, that the Committee on Appointments and Briefings meet with John DaCosta, the property manager at King Village Apartments, and owner/owners of King Village Apartments, along with the residents of buildings east and west, the Health Department and the Department of Inspectional Services for a report on what has taken place since our last meeting with residents; and further, that the Council get an update on building improvements, security, outside building structure problems, mold and cleanliness of the building and other possible problems that may be harmful to the Senior population living at both locations; and further, that a representative from HUD, State Representative Antonio Cabral, along with Federal and State officials also be invited to said meeting.

6. COMMUNICATION, City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council, Dennis W. Farias, submitting a copy of a letter from Superintendent of Schools Pia Durkin, notifying that the School Committee appointed Bruce J. Oliveira, as Vice Chairperson of the New Bedford School Committee for 2018 at a meeting held on Monday, January 8, 2018. (Copy all Councillors via email January 19, 2018; To be Received and Placed on File.)

***TABLED BUSINESS***

***NO ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA.***

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