

November 15, 2016

City Council President Linda M. Morad and Honorable Members of the City Council 133 William Street New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Council President Morad and Honorable Members of the City Council:

I am submitting for your approval a **SEWER ABATEMENT** for Arlindo Spencer, 389 Cedar Street, New Bedford, MA, account number 1005089 in the amount of \$156.80.

I have attached correspondence for your review on this sewer abatement request from Euzebio Arruda, Commissioner of the Department of Public Infrastructure.

Sineerely

Jonathan R. Mitchell

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Euzebio Arruda Commissioner

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CITY OF NEW BEDFORD Jonathan F. Mitchell, Mayor

MEMORANDUM

TO:

MAYOR JONATHAN F. MITCHELL

FROM:

Euzebio Arruda, Commissioner-DPI

DATE:

November 7, 2016

RE:

SEWER ABATEMENT REQUEST

Arlindo Spencer 389 Cedar Street Account# 1005089

Attached, for your review, is correspondence related to the above referenced sewer abatement request.

The circumstances associated with this request have been investigated by the Department of Public Infrastructure, Wastewater Division. As the result of the investigation, the excess water was absorbed into the walls as well as the cellar floor. I would recommend that a credit of \$156.80 be allowed.

Should you be in agreement, I would ask that you communicate the abatement recommendation to the City Council.

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CONSUMPTION FORM

ACCOUNT #		1005089			
CONSUMER:		ARLINDO SPENCER			
ADDRESS:		389 CEDAR STREET			
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11	November 24, 2015	4	Α		
12	December 24, 2015	5	Α		
13	January 23, 2016	6	Α		
14	February 24, 2016	5	Α		
15	March 24, 2016	3	Α		
16	April 24, 2016	5	Α		
17	May 25, 2016	4	Α		
18	June 24, 2016	6	Α		
19	July 24, 2016	9	Α		
20	August 24, 2016	42	Α		
	TOTAL CONSUMPTION	140	,		
AVERAGE (= TOTAL CON	SUMPTION / 20 MONTHS)	7			
		CCF TO ABATE (= BILLED - AVERAGE)			
BILLED @ 42 CCF		35			
Total CCF to abate		35			
Sewer Rate		\$4.48			
Total \$ to abate		\$156.80			

October 24, 2016

Euzebio Arruda
Department of Public Infrastructure
Office of the Commissioner
1105 Shummut Ave
New Bedford, MA 02746

Dear Mr. Arruda,

I am writing in regards to my <u>Water & Sewer bill date of (9/8/16)</u> for the total amount of \$351.45, **account number 1005089** for 389 Cedar Street, New Bedford, MA. Unfortunately, between the dates of August 12 and 14, 2016 while my family and I were away on vacation one of the faucet from my Jacuzzi had a malfunction which caused water to run on its own. As no one was home at the time that this occurred, it took one to two days for one of my family members who came to check on the house to encounter the problem. Due to the water being running for one or two days it caused major water damage to my living room all the way down to my basement.

I currently have an open case with my home insurance company in which is dealing with the substantial damage to my property. A plumber have also tested and declared a diagnostic problem with the faucet that caused the water to start running by itself and just run for days.

Due to this unfortunate situation my water bill for the month of September is (\$351.45) 5x higher than the normal averages of between \$40 -\$50 per month. Therefore, I am writing to you in consideration about this unfortunate situation if you please waive the extra charge of \$300 dollars.

Attached you will find a copy of the diagnostic problem along with a letter from my insurance reinstating the original issue that created such large amount of water to be waited. Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Thank you in advance for your time and consideration in this matter. Your assistance will be gratefully appreciated.

Ivone Spence 389 Cedar Street New Bedford, MA 02740 (508) 642-4407



508-979-1550 Ext 67302

Water and Sewer Invoice REMIT PORTION

 Service Address
 Bill Number
 Account # - Customer # 1005089 - 401920
 Due Date / Amount Due 11/06/2016
 Amount Due 3369.19

ALL CHARGES SUBJECT TO SHUT OFF AFTER 45 DAYS WITHOUT ADDITIONAL NOTICE

To ensure accurate payment processing, please include your bill number on your check.

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Office Hours: Mon-Fri, 7:30 am - 4:00 pm

Water and Sewer Invoice

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PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE IF YOU RECEIVE AN ESTIMATED BILL TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT

Bill Number 1188653 Previous /

Account # - Customer # 1005089 - 401920

TMA Plumbing & Heating

638 American Legion Highway Westport, MA 02790 tel.: (508)991-2233 or (508)636-6905 Thomas M. Alves Lic. # 21448

Adlindo Spencer 389 Cedar Street New Bedford, MA 02740

RE; Water leak

October 14, 2016

TMA Plumbing upon investigation in trouble shooting tub faucet and drain in regards to damage cause by water leakage at the above address has diagnosed the following contributing factors. Tub faucet sustained a hydraulic lock which upon release cause faucet to flow at full capacity. The release of this hydraulic lock is sporadic and at times has taken many hours to days. The drain being partially locked at the PO assembly eventually caused an overflow. This was not a wear and tear situation but a malfunction of the valves normal operation. If any further information is needed please feel free to e-mail me at tmaplh@comcast.net. I have been in touch with the manufacture and tech support recommendation is to replace diverter assembly as well as hand spray and hose.

Sincerely

Thomas M. Alves, Master Plumber

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