

# City of New Bedford

### IN COMMITTEE

March 8, 2018

The Honorable City Council 133 William Street New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

The Committee on Public Safety & Neighborhoods at a Meeting held on Thursday, February 15, 2018, considered a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting that Mayor Mitchell and Fire Chief Gomes take immediate action to address and explain why the Downtown New Bedford Firehouse — Station One has no reserve ladder truck in place; and once more explain why preventative maintenance is not being taken with fire apparatus across the City, black outs are leaving the Downtown area and neighborhoods without a functioning ladder truck especially the high-rise buildings in the Downtown area; and further, that immediate action be taken to borrow a ladder truck from another company in the surrounding area while this matter is being addressed; furthermore, that the Committee of Public Safety and Neighborhoods once more meet with the Administration, the Fire Chief and the Department of Facilities and Fleet Management to discuss the problems, to make sure that the Fire Department has the best working fire apparatus to protect and serve the City in New Bedford. (Ref'd 9/28/17)

On motion by Councillor Rebeiro and seconded by Councillor Lima, the Committee VOTED: To recommend to the City Council to take "No Further Action" on a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting that Mayor Mitchell and Fire Chief Gomes take immediate action to address and explain why the Downtown New Bedford Firehouse – Station One has no reserve ladder truck in place; and once more explain why preventative maintenance is not being taken with fire apparatus across the City, black outs are leaving the Downtown area and neighborhoods without a functioning ladder truck especially the high-rise buildings in the Downtown area; and further, that immediate action be taken to borrow a ladder truck from another company in the surrounding area while this matter is being addressed; furthermore, that the Committee of Public Safety and Neighborhoods once more meet with the Administration, the Fire Chief and the Department of Facilities and Fleet Management to discuss the problems, to make sure that the Fire Department has the best working fire apparatus to protect and serve the City in New Bedford. This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY &

NEIGHBORHOODS, Brian K. Horney

Councillor Brian K. Gomes, Chairman

BKG: dmb



## CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

## CITY COUNCIL

September 28, 2017

### WRITTEN MOTION

Requesting that Mayor Mitchell and Fire Chief Gomes take immediate action to address and explain why the Downtown New Bedford Firehouse – Station One has no reserve ladder truck in place; and once more explain why preventative maintenance is not being taken with fire apparatus across the City, black outs are leaving the Downtown area and neighborhoods without a functioning ladder truck especially the high-rise buildings in the Downtown area; and further, that immediate action be taken to borrow a ladder truck from another company in the surrounding area while this matter is being addressed; furthermore, that the Committee of Public Safety and Neighborhoods once more meet with the Administration, the Fire Chief and the Department of Facilities and Fleet Management to discuss the problems, to make sure that the Fire Department has the best working fire apparatus to protect and serve the City in New Bedford.

Brian K. Gomes, Councillor at Large