

City of New Bedford

IN COMMITTEE

May 24, 2018

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

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

The Committee on Veterans Affairs, Elderly, Youth, Health & Housing & Disability Issues at a Meeting held on Monday, May 14, 2018, considered a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Alves, requesting that the City Council ask the Mayor to consider appointing a member of the Greater New Bedford Association of Realtors to the "Mayor's Housing Task Force", in that realtors are among those first contacted by first time homeowners, investors, property managers and tenants and can be a "key resource" to the Task Force as the eyes and ears of the community in identifying problem properties and are able to advise the Task Force about issues of concern and of buildings that should be addressed, in that they are showing properties in all the neighborhoods of the City and can help by providing information to other realtors, property owners and tenants as to what the City expects from all the parties involved for a safe and clean community. (Ref'd 05/09/13)

On motion by Councillor Dunn and seconded by Councillor Lima, the Committee VOTED: To recommend to the City Council to take "No Further Action" on a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Alves, requesting that the City Council ask the Mayor to consider appointing a member of the Greater New Bedford Association of Realtors to the "Mayor's Housing Task Force", in that realtors are among those first contacted by first time homeowners, investors, property managers and tenants and can be a "key resource" to the Task Force as the eyes and ears of the community in identifying problem properties and are able to advise the Task Force about issues of concern and of buildings that should be addressed, in that they are showing properties in all the neighborhoods of the City and can help by providing information to other realtors, property owners and tenants as to what the City expects from all the parties involved for a safe and clean community. This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON VETERANS AFFAIRS, ELDERLY, YOUTH, HEALTH & HOUSING & DISABILITY ISSUES

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Councillor Maria E. Giesta, Chairperson

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