

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 Ordinances at a Meeting held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, considered a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Dunn, Abreu, Giesta, Gomes and Lima, requesting, that the Committee on Ordinances look into drafting an Ordinance that would require the City of New Bedford to provide its Citizens with easier access to Voter Registration Forms, specifically by placing said forms at locations where residents might come into contact with City services, such as Community Centers, Public Libraries, Schools, City Hall, in order to increase access to voter registration by making said forms available at different locations and increase participation in the election process. (Ref'd 4/26/18)

On motion by Councillor Gomes and seconded by Councillor Carney, the Committee VOTED: To recommend to the City Council to take "No Further Action" on a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Dunn, Abreu, Giesta, Gomes and Lima, requesting, that the Committee on Ordinances look into drafting an Ordinance that would require the City of New Bedford to provide its Citizens with easier access to Voter Registration Forms, specifically by placing said forms at locations where residents might come into contact with City services, such as Community Centers, Public Libraries, Schools, City Hall, in order to increase access to voter registration by making said forms available at different locations and increase participation in the election process. This motion passed on a Roll Call Vote of Yeas 6, Nays 4, with Councillors Abreu, Dunn, Giesta and Lopes opposed.

IN COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES

Councillor Hugh Dunn, Chairman

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