

May 17, 2018

City Council President Linda M. Morad 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 an ORDER that the sum of FORTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$45,000) now standing to the credit of the account from PURCHASING SALARIES AND WAGES be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

SOLICITOR SALARIES AND WAGES......\$45,000

To be certified and approved by the Department Head

Sincerely,

Jonathan F. Mitchell Mayor

JFM/smt



# CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

## CITY COUNCIL

May 24, 2018

ORDERED: That the sum of FORTY FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$45,000) now standing to the credit of the account from PURCHASING SALARIES AND WAGES be and the same is hereby transferred and appropriated to as follows:

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#### ARI J. SKY CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

#### CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR

May 10, 2018

TO:

Mayor Jonathan F. Mitchell

New Bedford City Council

FROM:

Ari J. Sky

SUBJECT:

FY 2018 Budget Reconciliation

The execution of the FY 2018 budget has involved a number of challenges. Vacancies did not materialize in a uniform manner across departments, and the cost of certain materials and contractual services increased faster than expected, principally due to the improving economy. In addition, reductions imposed on departments during the budget process required additional measures to ensure sufficient General Fund balance to reconcile.

Over the course of the past year, we have taken a number of steps to mitigate the fiscal impact, including continuation of the hiring slowdown, overtime control citywide, and strict oversight of contracts and encumbrances. However, we are still looking at net deficits in the personnel and operating budgets of several departments.

We have identified a number of accounts with projected balances that will enable us to eliminate anticipated deficits. My office will be recommending a series of transfers totaling approximately \$350,000-\$400,000 to balance between 10 and 12 departments, which will be submitted to the City Council before the end of the fiscal year. These transfers will balance the General Fund and ensure that there will not be a negative levy impact during the annual tax recapitulation process.

Thank you for your consideration. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I believe it is also worthwhile to note that the FY 2019 budget will be constructed to address these deficiencies, as they are currently understood, and to ensure that resources are directed as needed.



City Solicitor JANE MEDEIROS FRIEDMAN First Assistant City Solicitor

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April 27, 2018

Mayor Jonathan F. Mitchell City of New Bedford 133 William Street, Room 311 New Bedford, MA 02740

Re:

Proposed Transfer

Dear Mayor Mitchell:

The City Solicitor's Office is anticipating a deficit of \$45,000 in its 100 account (Salary & Wages, Longevity, and Sick Incentive) and is requesting a transfer in this amount to provide adequate funds for the remainder of the fiscal year. The primary reason for this deficit is that the City Council cut the Solicitor's Office's 100 account last spring.

Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions. Thank you very much for your consideration.

Sincerely, Lacla A. McRamott

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City Solicitor

cc: Ari J. Sky, CFO



PURCHASING DEPARTMENT Susan Bruce, Director of Purchasing

Mayor Jonathan Mitchell City of New Bedford 133 William Street New Bedford, MA 02740

April 25, 2018

RE: Purchasing Department 100 Account Surplus

Dear Mayor Mitchell:

Please be advised that the Purchasing Department anticipates a surplus within the 100 Account for Salaries and Wages of \$50,000.00. I authorize the transfer from this account to be utilized for other general fund needs.

Sincerely,

Sisan Bruce