



City of New Bedford

IN COMMITTEE

August 16, 2018

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

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

The Committee on Appointments & Briefings at a Meeting held on Tuesday, July 31, 2018, considered a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Gomes, Winterson and Carney, requesting that our local State and Federal Delegations look into amending the American with Disabilities and Fair Housing Acts, pertaining to the location of sober or group homes, which would give Cities and Towns an appeal process to the location of such facilities, so that such a home is placed in an appropriate location; and further, that laws also be put in place to make sure that our City's neighborhoods are not saturated with such homes in residential and/or business-zoned areas. (Ref'd 1/14/16)

On motion by Councillor Gomes and seconded by Councillor Lopes, the Committee VOTED: To recommend to the City Council to take "No Further Action" on the WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Gomes, Winterson and Carney, requesting that our local State and Federal Delegations look into amending the American with Disabilities and Fair Housing Acts, pertaining to the location of sober or group homes, which would give Cities and Towns an appeal process to the location of such facilities, so that such a home is placed in an appropriate location; and further, that laws also be put in place to make sure that our City's neighborhoods are not saturated with such homes in residential and/or business-zoned areas. This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS &
BRIEFINGS

Councillor Debora Coelho, Chairperson

DC: dmb



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CITY COUNCIL

January 14, 2016

WRITTEN MOTION

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Brian K. Gomes, Councillor at Large
Kerry Winterson, Councillor Ward Five
Naomi R.A. Carney, Councillor at Large