

City of New Bedford

IN COMMITTEE

April 25, 2019

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, April 09, 2019, considered a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Coelho, Lopes and Giesta, requesting, that the Committee on Ordinances look into the possibility of creating an Ordinance addressing jaywalking in the City of New Bedford, jaywalking as defined by crossing the street in an illegal or unsafe manner, whereupon Police can enforce jaywalking laws by issuing citations, the penalty for violating jaywalking laws typically would include a fine similar to a parking ticket, in many jurisdictions, fines increase with repeat jaywalking offenses. (To be Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.) (Ref'd 9/13/18)

On motion by Councillor Morad and seconded by Councillor Carney, the Committee VOTED: To recommend to the City Council to take "No Further Action" on a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Coelho, Lopes and Giesta, requesting, that the Committee on Ordinances look into the possibility of creating an Ordinance addressing jaywalking in the City of New Bedford, jaywalking as defined by crossing the street in an illegal or unsafe manner, whereupon Police can enforce jaywalking laws by issuing citations, the penalty for violating jaywalking laws typically would include a fine similar to a parking ticket, in many jurisdictions, fines increase with repeat jaywalking offenses. This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES

Councillor Hugh Dunn, Chairman

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CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

CITY COUNCIL

September 13, 2018

WRITTEN MOTION

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Debora Coelho, Councillor at Large Joseph P. Lopes, Councillor Ward Six Maria E. Giesta, Councillor Ward Two