



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR

April 17, 2019

City Council President Linda M. Morad
Honorable Members of the City Council
133 William Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

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Dear Council President Morad and Honorable Members of the City Council:

I would like to request a one-year **Waiver of Residency** for **Jonathan Villa**, variable time paramedic for the Department of Emergency Medical Services, who currently resides in Somerset, Massachusetts.

I have attached correspondence to support the reason for this request.

Director Mark McGraw and Jonathan Villa will be available at the meeting to answer any questions.

Sincerely,

Jonathan F. Mitchell
Mayor

JFM/sds
Attachment

cc: Jonathan Villa
Personnel



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Mark D McGraw
Director

To: Mayor Mitchell
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Mayor,

At this time I am requesting a residency waiver for 1(one) year for Jonathan Villa as a variable time paramedic. Mr. Villa is familiar with the service having been a FT paramedic 3 years ago before taking a position with Foxboro FD. As we have discussed, the ongoing paramedic shortage has hampered our staffing, and with the use of variable time paramedics it helps us bridge the gap of filling open slots while also keeping overtime costs down. As always we look at City residents first and of the applications on file we had a total of only 3 residents and 2 non residents that applied. Of the 3 residents 2 were not considered because of previous negative history with our EMS Department, and the third one was recommended for hire but failed our pre-employment physical. The EMS Department this FY is looking to morph the Department in order to better serve our residents and the Variable Time paramedic will play a big role in allowing us to do that.

I thank you for your time and consideration in this matter, and as always if you have any further questions please feel free to contact me at anytime.

Jonathan Villa
172 Washington Ave
Somerset, Ma. 02726

Respectfully submitted,

Mark D McGraw