

City of New Bedford IN COMMITTEE

November 26, 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 Wednesday, November 13, 2019, considered a REPORT, Committee on Ordinances, recommending to the City Council ADOPTION, as Amended, of the Ordinance Relative to Plastic Bags (Ref'd 9/26/19) and the ORDINANCE (Ref'd 9/26/19).

Councillor Lopes made a motion to amend the Ordinance at (a) Definitions. Under Single-use plastic bag, after the words "retail establishment" add "at the point of sale" and after the words "business location." Add "The definition of single-use plastic bag shall not include the following: Bags in which loose produce or products are placed by a consumer to deliver such items to the point of sale or check-out area of a retail establishment; laundry or dry-cleaner bags; or newspaper bags; bags used to contain or wrap frozen foods, meat or fish, whether prepackaged or not, to prevent or contain moisture." This motion was seconded by Councillor Markey and passed on a voice vote.

On motion by Councillor Lopes and seconded by Councillor Giesta, the Committee VOTED: To recommend to the City Council ADOPTION as Amended, of the Ordinance Relative to Plastic Bags. The motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES

Councillor Hugh Dunn, Chairman

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