



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD
JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR

March 2, 2020

City Council President Joseph P. Lopes and
Honorable Members of the City Council
133 William Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

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

I would like to request a **Waiver of Residency** for Michael Sylvia, variable time EMT for the Department of Emergency Medical Services, who currently resides in Dartmouth, Massachusetts.

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

Director Mark McGraw and Mr. Sylvia will be available at the meeting to answer any questions.

Sincerely,

Jonathan F. Mitchell
Mayor

JFM/sds
Attachment

cc: Michael Sylvia
EMS
Personnel



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Mark D McGraw
Director

To: Mayor Mitchell
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2/19/20

Mayor,

Currently, I am requesting a residency waiver for Michael Sylvia as a variable time EMT. As you are aware NBEMS is presently changing to a tiered response department to address the National paramedic shortage, as well as to initiate a better response to medical 911 calls. As has been the procedure of mine since 2009 in hiring employees, EMS always gives precedence to New Bedford residents, if all applicants are equal. We have currently exhausted the NB resident applications for VT EMT that have been submitted. I hope for more residents in the future as we build up are department and will begin this spring actively recruiting possible candidates at the various EMT schools in the area.

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 any time.

Michael Sylvia

Dartmouth, Ma 02747

Respectfully submitted,

Mark D McGraw