



## CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

JONATHAN F. MITCHELL, MAYOR  
PARKS, RECREATION & BEACHES



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To: New Bedford City Council  
From: Mary S Rapoza, Director  
Date: February 25, 2020  
Re: Supportive Recreation Revolving Fund

Please consider this request to revise the Supportive Recreation Revolving Fund to allow facility improvements and capital expenses not currently authorized by the ordinance expenditures. See attached ordinance amendment which would allow "facility improvements to the Andrea McCoy Recreation Center and capital expenses" as well as the current program instructors and program supplies. The current language for the Supportive Recreation Revolving Fund is below.

We need to make security access improvements, safety upgrades, and update the computer at the Andrea McCoy Recreation Center where most of the Supportive Rec programming takes place. The current entry point does not allow staff to secure the area in the event of a disturbance or emergency. We would like to ensure the safety of staff and members in the building as best as possible by redesigning the access point at the front entrance. We have a design and budget for the work.

We are also looking to replace the safety mats on the gym wall which protect participants involved in basketball, volleyball and pickle ball play in the gym as well as for other gym uses. The current pads on the wall at the gym date to the opening of the space in 2012 and are showing signs of age including tears along the edge compromising the ability to safeguard participants. We are looking to update the computer lab at McCoy Rec Center as well. The current computer lab is still outfitted with secondhand computers donated by GNBVTHS in 2013. Many are no longer in operation. The gym and the computer lab are used by community and neighborhood youth and families each day.

### Current language in Supportive Recreation Revolving Fund

The program and purpose of the fund "whose purpose is to cover Program Monitors, administrative support, program instructors, program support and supplies for programs, whose revenues and amount limited to be spent for FY20 is restricted to revenue deposited into the fund."

*City of Cambridge*



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March 5, 2020

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

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CITY CLERK

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

I am submitting for your approval an ORDINANCE amending Chapter 10, Section 10-47, Departmental Revolving Funds to amend the current "Supportive Recreation Revolving Fund" under the Department of Parks, Recreation and Beaches.

Sincerely,

Jon Mitchell  
Mayor

**IN CITY COUNCIL**, March 12, 2020  
Dennis W. Farias, City Clerk

Referred to the Committee on Finance.

a true copy attest:

City Clerk