

CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

In the Year Two Thousand and Twenty One

AN ORDINANCE

DEPARTMENT OF RESILIENCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

31- 509

Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of New Bedford as follows:-

SECTION 1.

Chapter 2, Article XVIII Title and Section 2-213 are hereby amended by inserting "resilience and" after "department of," and inserting "the City's energy management program" after "responsible for," so the section reads as follows:

ARTICLE XVIII. – DEPARTMENT OF RESILIENCE AND ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP

Sec. 2-213 Established.

Pursuant to G.L. c. 43, § 5 there is hereby established within the municipal government a department of resilience and environmental stewardship, which shall be responsible for overseeing the City's energy management program, brownfield and other environmental planning projects for the City and for providing assistance to the conservation commission.

SECTION 2. Chapter 2, Sections 2-214 through 2-217 are hereby amended by inserting "resilience and" before every "environmental stewardship," and adding "The director of resilience and environmental stewardship shall exercise general control over the City's energy management program" to "Powers and duties," so the section reads as follows:

Sec. 2-214 Appointment of Director.

The department of resilience and environmental stewardship shall be under the charge of an officer known as the director of resilience and environmental stewardship, who shall be appointed by the Mayor for a term to be determined by the mayor, subject to confirmation by the city council and shall qualify by oath before entrance upon the duties of the office. The director of resilience and environmental stewardship shall perform such duties and receive such

compensation as may be determined by the mayor and city council.

Sec. 2-215 Director - Powers and duties

- (a) The director of resilience and environmental stewardship shall serve as the executive head of the department of resilience and environmental stewardship and shall be responsible for supervising all departmental staff.
- (b) The director of resilience and environmental stewardship shall exercise general control over the City's energy management program.
- (c) Except as otherwise provided by law, the director of resilience and environmental stewardship shall employ such persons as may be necessary and approved by the mayor to carry out the duties of the department.
- (d) The director of resilience and environmental stewardship shall maintain records of all projects pertaining to the resilience and environmental stewardship department.
- (e) Perform such other duties as are incidental to the office.

Sec. 2-216 Other inspectional duties

The director of reliance and environmental stewardship, under the direction of the mayor, shall oversee the performance of such duties as may be lawfully delegated to him by the conservation commission. The duties shall be performed in accordance with the requirements of the delegating authority and the applicable code or law.

Sec. 2-217. Record and report of departmental business.

The director of resilience and environmental stewardship shall annually make a report of the activities of the department pursuant to section 2-6 of this code.

SECTION 3.

This ordinance shall take effect in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 43 of the General Laws.

IN CITY COUNCIL, March 25, 2021

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances – Yeas 11, Nays 0. Dennis W. Farias, City Clerk

a true copy, attest: