



City of New Bedford

IN COMMITTEE

April 28, 2022

The Honorable City Council
133 William Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

The Committee on Public Safety & Neighborhoods at a Meeting held on Thursday, April 21, 2022, considered a WRITTEN MOTION Councillors Gomes, Abreu, Baptiste, Carney, Coelho, Dunn, Giesta, Lima, Council President Lopes, and Councillors Markey and Morad, requesting that the City Council once more go on record and a letter be sent to the Administration of our opposition to the Mayor's decision to close and decommission the fire apparatus, Engine 8 on Acushnet Avenue in this Fiscal Year; and further requesting that the Council take the same course of action on the closing of the Downtown Police Station on Pleasant Street in this Fiscal Year, furthermore that these decisions be delayed so the Administration and the City Council work together to find the funding to continue the operation and service that is so vital to the north end of the City and the Downtown area business district. (Requesting that Rule 40 be waived on this motion.) (Ref'd 02/25/2021)

On motion by Councillor Morad and seconded by Councillor Carney, the Committee VOTED: To recommend that the City Council take "No Further Action" on the WRITTEN MOTION Councillors Gomes, Abreu, Baptiste, Carney, Coelho, Dunn, Giesta, Lima, Council President Lopes, and Councillors Markey and Morad, requesting that the City Council once more go on record and a letter be sent to the Administration of our opposition to the Mayor's decision to close and decommission the fire apparatus, Engine 8 on Acushnet Avenue in this Fiscal Year; and further requesting that the Council take the same course of action on the closing of the Downtown Police Station on Pleasant Street in this Fiscal Year, furthermore that these decisions be delayed so the Administration and the City Council work together to find the funding to continue the operation and service that is so vital to the north end of the City and the Downtown area business district. This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY &
NEIGHBORHOODS

Councillor Brian K. Gomes, Chairman

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March 5, 2021

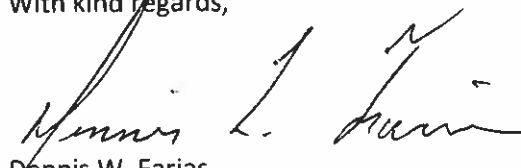
The Honorable Jon Mitchell
Mayor, City of New Bedford
City Hall
133 William Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear Mr. Mayor:

I am writing to inform you that at a meeting held on February 25, 2021, the New Bedford City Council Adopted a Written Motion sponsored by Councillor Gomes and co-sponsored by all 10 remaining members of the Body, *"Requesting, that the City Council once more go on record and that a letter be sent notifying the Administration of our opposition to the Mayor's decision to close and decommission the fire apparatus, Engine 8 on Acushnet Avenue, in this Fiscal Year; and further requesting that the Council take the same course of action on the closing of the Downtown Police Station on Pleasant Street in this Fiscal Year; furthermore that these decisions be delayed so that the Administration and the City Council might work together to find the funding to continue the operation and service that is so vital to the north end of the City and the Downtown area business district."*

As such, the Council respectfully requests your support and assistance in their efforts to bring about a positive resolution to this important matter. It is on their behalf that I thank you for your time and attention. Please feel free to contact me directly should you or your office require additional information.

With kind regards,


Dennis W. Farias
City Clerk/Clerk of the City Council

cc: Honorable Members of the City Council
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CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

CITY COUNCIL

February 25, 2021

WRITTEN MOTION

Requesting that the City Council once more go on record and a letter be sent to the Administration of our opposition to the Mayor's decision to close and decommission the fire apparatus, Engine 8 on Acushnet Avenue *in this Fiscal Year*; and further requesting that the Council take the same course of action on the closing of the Downtown Police Station on Pleasant Street *in this Fiscal Year*, furthermore that these decisions be delayed so the Administration and the City Council work together to find the funding to continue the operation and service that is so vital to the north end of the City and the Downtown area business district. (Requesting that Rule 40 be Waived on this Motion.)

Brian K. Gomes, Councillor at Large

Ian Abreu, Councillor at Large

Derek Baptiste, Councillor Ward Four

Naomi R.A. Carney, Councillor at Large

Debora Coelho, Councillor at Large

Hugh Dunn, Councillor Ward Three

Maria Giesta, Councillor Ward Two

Scott Lima, Councillor Ward Five

Joseph P. Lopes, City Council President

Brad Markey, Councillor Ward One

Linda M. Morad, Councillor at Large