

City of New Bedford

IN COMMITTEE

June 09, 2022

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 Monday, May 23, 2022, considered a WRITTEN MOTION Councillor Morad, Council President Lopes and Councillor Gomes, that the City Council explore the development and implementation of policies/Ordinances that will serve to protect City employees from the spread of COVID-19 as an alternative to the Administration's vaccine and testing mandate; and further how employees' privacy rights can be protected with regard to the information required to be provided and how employees will be protected from absorbing any costs that vaccination or testing could potentially be imposed on them going forward resulting from the imposition of such a mandate. (Ref'd 11/09/2021) (02/23/2022 – motion not heard, Remain in Committee)

On motion by Councillor Abreu and seconded by Councillor Burgo, the Committee VOTED: To recommend to the City Council to take "No Further Action" on the WRITTEN MOTION Councillor Morad, Council President Lopes and Councillor Gomes, that the City Council explore the development and implementation of policies/Ordinances that will serve to protect City employees from the spread of COVID-19 as an alternative to the Administration's vaccine and testing mandate; and further how employees' privacy rights can be protected with regard to the information required to be provided and how employees will be protected from absorbing any costs that vaccination or testing could potentially be imposed on them going forward resulting from the imposition of such a mandate. This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES

Councillor Hugh Dunn, Chairman

HD: dmb



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

CITY COUNCIL

November 9, 2021

WRITTEN MOTION

That the City Council explore the development and implementation of policies/Ordinances that will serve to protect City employees from the spread of COVID-19 as an alternative to the Administration's vaccine and testing mandate; and further how employees' privacy rights can be protected with regard to the information required to be provided and how employees will be protected from absorbing any costs that vaccination or testing could potentially be imposed on them going forward resulting from the imposition of such a mandate.

Linda M. Morad, Councillor at Large

Joseph P. Lopes, City Council President

Brian K. Gomes, Councillor at Large