



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 Council President Lopes and Councillor Gomes, requesting that the Committee on Ordinances and the Commissioner of the Department of Inspectional Services review and consider the following change to the City's Building codes to allow the establishment of Garden Style apartments in Mixed-Use Business Districts at heights, and density that other multi-family projects are afforded, (To be Referred to the Committee on Ordinances, the Planning Board and the Commissioner of the Department of Inspectional Services.) (Ref'd 09/23/2021) and a COMMUNICATION, Council President Lopes, submitting proposed Amendments to the City's Building code from Attorney Michael Kehoe. (To be Referred to the Committee on Ordinances, the Planning Board, and the Commissioner of the Department of Inspectional Services.) (Ref'd 09/23/2021)

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 Council President Lopes and Councillor Gomes, requesting that the Committee on Ordinances and the Commissioner of the Department of Inspectional Services review and consider the following change to the City's Building codes to allow the establishment of Garden Style apartments in Mixed-Use Business Districts at heights, and density that other multi-family projects are afforded, and a COMMUNICATION, Council President Lopes, submitting proposed Amendments to the City's Building code from Attorney Michael Kehoe. This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES

Councillor Hugh Dunn, Chairman

HD: dmb



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

CITY COUNCIL

September 23, 2021

WRITTEN MOTION

Requesting that the Committee on Ordinances and the Commissioner of Inspectional Services review and consider the following change to the City's Building Codes to allow the establishment of Garden Style apartments in Mixed-Use Business Districts at heights, and density that other multi-family projects are afforded. (To Referred to the Committee on Ordinances, the Planning Board and the Commissioner of Inspectional Services.)

Joseph P. Lopes, City Council President

Brian K. Gomes, Councillor at Large

To: Councilor Brian K. Gomes
City Council President Joseph P. Lopes

**PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENT TO CITY OF NEW BEDFORD CODE OF ORDINANCES
CHAPTER 9, SECTION 2230 "TABLE OF PRINCIPAL USE REGULATIONS" APPENDIX
"A"**

In order to promote the general welfare of the City of New Bedford; to encourage the most appropriate use of Land in the Mix Use Business District as specified in City of New Bedford Code of Ordinances Section 1100; to make the provisions of Section 2230 more consistent; and to correct a gap in the number of stories and style of housing in the Mixed Use Business District

it is HEREBY proposed that Chapter 9 of the City of New Bedford Code of Ordinances be texturally amended as follows:

- i. Chapter 9, Section 2230, Table of Principal Use Regulations, Appendix "A" line 4, Districts/MUB column be changed from "N" to "Y"
- ii. Chapter 9 Section 2230, Table of Principal Use Regulations, Appendix "A" line 4 Principal Use , A Residential column be changed from "Multi-Family Garden Style (4 stories)" to "Multi-family Garden Style (up to 4 stories)"
- iii. Chapter 9, Section 1200 definition of Garden Apartment shall be changed from "One or more two-or three story, multifamily structures, generally built at a gross density of 10 (10) to fifteen (15) dwelling units per acre, with each structure containing eight (8) to twenty (20) dwelling units and including related off-street parking, open space, and recreation" to "One or more two-or three or four story, multifamily structures, generally built at a gross density of TEN (10) to THIRTY (30) dwelling units per acre, with each structure containing EIGHT (8) to FORTY (40) dwelling units and including related off-s street parking, open space, and recreation which may be shared between structures"

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Michael A. Kehoe", is written over the "Respectfully submitted," text.

Michael A. Kehoe, Esq