

City of New Bedford

IN COMMITTEE

November 22, 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, November 14, 2022, considered a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Gomes, and Dunn, requesting, that Legal Counsel draft language, potentially amending City Code Chap. 24, Section 24-8, as follows: When a taxicab is engaged the rate will be.......\$3.00 (from current rate of \$2.00); For each succeeding 1/10 mile or fraction thereof.......\$0.45 (from current rate of \$0.35); For each 41 seconds of waiting time or fraction thereof.......\$0.45 (from current rate of \$0.35); And furthermore, that Taxi company owners operating within the City be invited to a meeting of the Committee on Ordinances in order to discuss these potential rate changes (To be Referred to the Committee on Ordinances.) (Ref'd 08/18/2022)

Councillor Gomes made a motion to amend to change proposed \$3.00 fee when "a taxi is engaged" to \$2.50; Change the proposed \$0.45 for "each succeeding 1/10 mile or fraction thereof" fee to \$0.40; Change the proposed \$0.45 for the "each 41 seconds of waiting time or fraction thereof..." to \$0.40, which was seconded by Councillor Markey.

On motion by Councillor Gomes and seconded by Councillor Burgo, the Committee VOTED: To recommend to the City Council ADOPTION AS AMENDED, the Ordinance Relative To Taxi Rates. This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES

Councillor Hugh Dunn, Chairman

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