



City of New Bedford
IN COMMITTEE

December 6, 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 Monday, November 21, 2022, considered a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Dunn, requesting, that the Department of Inspectional Services and the Fire Department meet with the City Council to discuss the structural safety of New Bedford's multifamily residences, in light of the tragedy in Surfside, Florida, the briefing should revolve around whether the City has the most modern building codes to protect against natural disasters as well as non-disaster related structural degradation and decay; and further, the briefing should also cover whether the recertification process for multifamily residences is sufficient to keep New Bedford residents safe. (To be Referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods.) (Ref'd 07/15/2021)

On motion by Councillor Dunn and seconded by Councillor Burgo, the Committee VOTED: To recommend to the City Council to take "No Further Action" on the WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Dunn, requesting, that the Department of Inspectional Services and the Fire Department meet with the City Council to discuss the structural safety of New Bedford's multifamily residences, in light of the tragedy in Surfside, Florida, the briefing should revolve around whether the City has the most modern building codes to protect against natural disasters as well as non-disaster related structural degradation and decay; and further, the briefing should also cover whether the recertification process for multifamily residences is sufficient to keep New Bedford residents safe. This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY &
NEIGHBORHOODS

Brian K. Gomes

Councillor Brian K. Gomes, Chairman

BKG: dmb



CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

CITY COUNCIL

July 15, 2021

WRITTEN MOTION

Requesting, that the Department of Inspectional Services, the Fire Department, and the Housing Authority meet with the City Council to discuss the structural safety of New Bedford's multifamily residences, in light of the tragedy in Surfside, Florida, the briefing should revolve around whether the City has the most modern building codes to protect against natural disasters as well as non-disaster related structural degradation and decay; and further, the briefing should also cover whether the recertification process for multifamily residences is sufficient to keep New Bedford residents safe. (To be Referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods.)

Hugh C. Dunn, Councillor Ward Three