



City of New Bedford

IN COMMITTEE

March 09, 2023

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

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

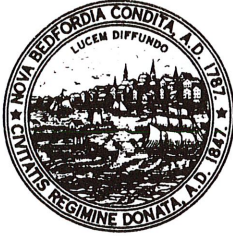
The Committee on Ordinances, at a meeting held on Monday, February 27, 2023, considered a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Dunn, requesting, that the Director of Personnel provide a list of all City and public school positions that are paid less than \$15/hour, and all positions whose annual rate calculates to less than \$15/hour; and further, that the Committee on Ordinances review said list and explore any legislative or other options that may be implemented by the City Council for assuring that City employees and public school employees are fairly compensated for their labor; and further, move that the attached Ordinances from the Cities of Boston and Northampton be referred to the Committee on Ordinances to determine whether similar local legislation may be an option for New Bedford (Ref'd 06/10/2021) (01/18/2022 – Recommend that the City Council go on record that all City and School Dept. employees be paid not less than the State minimum wage; tabled) and the ORDINANCE, Copy of City of Northampton Ordinance 17.244, To Establish a Minimum Wage for Municipal Employees (Ref'd 06/10/2021) (01/18/2022 – tabled) and the ORDINANCE, Copy of an Ordinance from the City of Boston, entitled “Boston Jobs and Living Wage Ordinance” (Ref'd 06/10/2021) (01/18/2022 – tabled).

On motion by Councillor Burgo and seconded by Councillor Lima, the Committee VOTED: To recommend that the City Council take NO FURTHER ACTION on the WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Dunn, requesting, that the Director of Personnel provide a list of all City and public school positions that are paid less than \$15/hour, and all positions whose annual rate calculates to less than \$15/hour; and further, that the Committee on Ordinances review said list and explore any legislative or other options that may be implemented by the City Council for assuring that City employees and public school employees are fairly compensated for their labor; and further, move that the attached Ordinances from the Cities of Boston and Northampton be referred to the Committee on Ordinances to determine whether similar local legislation may be an option for New Bedford and the ORDINANCE, Copy of City of Northampton Ordinance 17.244, To Establish a Minimum Wage for Municipal Employees and the ORDINANCE, Copy of an Ordinance from the City of Boston, entitled “Boston Jobs and Living Wage Ordinance”. This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON ORDINANCES

Ryan J. Pereira
Councillor Ryan J. Pereira, Chairperson

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CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

CITY COUNCIL

June 10, 2021

WRITTEN MOTION

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Hugh C. Dunn, Councillor Ward Three

CITY OF NORTHAMPTON MASSACHUSETTS

In the Year Two Thousand and Seventeen

Upon the Recommendation of Councilor Ryan R. O'Donnell.

17.244 AN ORDINANCE

TO ESTABLISH A MINIMUM WAGE FOR MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES

An Ordinance of the City of Northampton, Massachusetts. Be it ordained by the City Council of the City of Northampton, in City Council assembled, as follows:

SECTION 1

That the Code of Ordinances be amended by adding the following:

§ 5-6 Fair Minimum Wage Ordinance

No executive or legislative branch employee of the City of Northampton shall be paid at a rate less than the minimum wage set forth in the Massachusetts Minimum Fair Wage Law, MGL Chapter 151 Section 1. Nothing herein shall be construed to apply to any wages established pursuant to an existing collective bargaining agreement or to the compensation of any elected official.