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City of New Bedford

IN COMMITTEE

April 12, 2018

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

Dear Honorable Members of the City Council:

The Committee on Appointments & Briefings at a Meeting held on Monday, April 2, 2018, considered a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting that the Committee on Appointments and Briefings meet with DPI Commissioner Ponte, a Representative of the Mayor's Office, Purchasing Agent Bruce, and City Solicitor McDermott to discuss the present road conditions in New Bedford and the City's plan of action to address the decaying roads; and further, that the City Solicitor explain to the Committee as to how the City is dealing with the utility companies and private contractor's poor road work that has been done, such as how these companies are being held accountable for their work; and furthermore that the City notify all utility companies and private contractors of what we expect when they work and repair our City streets. (Ref'd 3/8/18)

On a Related Motion by Councillor Morad and seconded by Councillor Carney, the Committee VOTED: To recommend that the City Council request that Attorney Gerwatowski review the current process for granting of Street Disturbance Permits to determine if the current procedure should be modified and provide the Council more direct responsibility in granting/revoking contractor permits. (To be referred to the Committee on Public Safety & Neighborhoods) This motion passed on a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON APPOINTMENTS & BRIEFINGS

Councillor Debora Coelho, Chairperson

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Recommendation Followed and Referred to the Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods.

Dennis W. Farias, City Clerk

a true copy attest:

City Clerk