



City of New Bedford
IN COMMITTEE

April 27, 2023

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, April 10, 2023 considered a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Dunn, Abreu, Giesta, Council President Lopes, Councillors Morad, Lima, Carney, Markey and Gomes, requesting that New Bedford Police Department conduct an evaluation of the Shot Spotter program, the efficacy of the program, analyze the data the system gathers, and assess how to ensure that this tool is properly functioning, assuming the Police Department finds the program to be an effective tool, the evaluation should be conducted on an annual basis going forward. (Ref'd 02/25/2021) (03/24/2021 – tabled.)

On motion by Councillor Pereira and seconded by Councillor Giesta, the Committee VOTED: To recommend that the City Council take “NO FURTHER ACTION” on the WRITTEN MOTION, Councillors Dunn, Abreu, Giesta, Council President Lopes, Councillors Morad, Lima, Carney, Markey and Gomes, requesting that New Bedford Police Department conduct an evaluation of the Shot Spotter program, the efficacy of the program, analyze the data the system gathers, and assess how to ensure that this tool is properly functioning, assuming the Police Department finds the program to be an effective tool, the evaluation should be conducted on an annual basis going forward. This motion passed by a voice vote.

IN COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY & NEIGHBORHOODS


Councillor Brian K. Gomes, Chairman

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CITY OF NEW BEDFORD

CITY COUNCIL

February 25, 2021

WRITTEN MOTION

Requesting that New Bedford Police Department conduct an evaluation of the Shot Spotter program, the efficacy of the program, analyze the data the system gathers, and assess how to ensure that this tool is properly functioning, assuming the Police Department finds the program to be an effective tool, the evaluation should be conducted on an annual basis going forward. (To be Referred to Committee on Public Safety and Neighborhoods, Police Chief Cordeiro and Police Union President Hank Turgeon.)

Hugh Dunn, Councillor Ward Three

Ian Abreu, Councillor at Large

Joseph P. Lopes, City Council President

Maria E. Giesta, Councillor Ward Two

Scott J. Lima, Councillor Ward Five

Naomi R.A. Carney, Councillor at Large

Linda M. Morad, Councillor at Large

William Brad Markey, Councillor Ward One

Brian K. Gomes, Councillor at Large