

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

Monday, August 13, 2018

OPENING OF SESSION BY:

CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT LINDA M. MORAD

NOTE:

***THE MEETING IS HELD AT 6 P.M. CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS - ROOM 214, CITY HALL,
133 WILLIAM STREET, NEW BEDFORD, MA. FOR OFFICIAL POSTING, PLEASE SEE
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SPECIAL MEETING

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2. COMMUNICATION, Manuel DeBrito, Jr., Chairperson, Board of Election Commissioners to City Council, requesting a Special City Council Meeting to approve the change of two polling locations, Fire Station 5 (Ward & Precinct 1D) to Bedford Gardens Care and Rehab and Senhor da Pedra (Ward & Precincts 2B and 2C) to Alma del Mar Charter School.

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CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT LINDA M. MORAD

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Linda M. Morad
Councillor at Large

PLEASE POST

August 8, 2018

Dennis W. Farias, City Clerk
Clerk of the City Council
City Hall – 133 William Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

Dear City Clerk Farias:

I hereby call a SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, for MONDAY, AUGUST 13, 2018, at 6:00 p.m., in CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, SECOND FLOOR OF CITY HALL, to approve the changing of two polling locations, Fire Station 5 (Ward & Precinct 1D) to Bedford Gardens Care and Rehab and Senhor da Pedra (Ward & Precincts 2B and 2C) to Alma del Mar Charter School.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Linda M. Morad, City Council President 2018
Councillor at Large

LMM: smh

cc: All Councillors
Legislative Counsel Gerwatowski



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COMMUNICATION - CHANGE TWO POLLING LOCATIONS

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City of New Bedford

BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

August 7, 2018

Honorable Jon Mitchell
Mayor
133 William Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

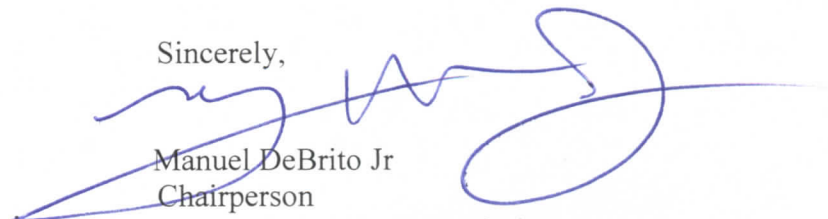
Dear Mayor Mitchell:

The Board of Election Commissioners is requesting a special meeting with the City Council to approve the change of two polling locations, Fire Station 5 (Ward & Precinct 1D) to Bedford Gardens Care and Rehab and Senhor da Pedra (Ward & Precincts 2B, 2C) to Alma del Mar Charter School. All voters impacted by these moves must be notified at least 20 days prior to the Primary Election (September 4th), thus necessitating this urgent request. There will be roughly 4,600 impacted.

These changes are required based on a motion filed by Councillor Linda Morad to review voter accessibility and safety of all polling locations in the City. Based off findings from site visits conducted by myself, Bridget Murphy from the Secretary of State's Office and contractor BG Shanklin, the Election Commission has concluded these changes are necessary to provide the necessary accessibility to our City's voters in these locations. We are also making necessary updates to bring other polling locations up to code across the City including temporary ramps, temporary handicapped parking spaces and temporary lighting to be in place on election days. None of the other polling locations need to be moved at this moment but will be revisited in the future to ensure our polling locations are in fact based in the best possible locations to house them.

Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



Manuel DeBrito Jr
Chairperson
Board of Election Commissioners

cc: Dennis Farias, City Clerk
Linda Morad, Councillor-at-Large



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SPECIAL ACCOMODATIONS

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