

Mayor Mitchell request \$300 fine for unattended clothing donation bins

New Bedford Mayor Mitchell has submitted ordinance changes that would fine owners of clothing donation bins \$300 for not maintaining them and allowing them to overflow. The changes will be taken up by the New Bedford City Council this evening at 7pm.

According to New Bedford Mayor's spokesman Jonathan Carvalho:

"The intention of the ordinance is to ensure safe and sanitary public spaces near clothing donation bins, with bins collected in a timely manner. City departments hear from concerned residents about donation bins in their neighborhoods that are overflowing or have not been collected, sometimes leading to donors leaving items outside the bins and creating a safety hazard on sidewalks, parking lots, and other spaces."

The following is the current ordinance and the changes requested by Mayor Mitchell:

10.25.2018_AN_ORDINANCE_-
_CH_12_UNATTENDED_CLOTHING_DONATION_CONTAINERS

10.22.2018_AN_ORDINANCE_- _CH_40U_VIOLATIONS_-
_CLOTHING_DONATION_CONTAINERS

10.25.2018_AN_ORDINANCE_- _CH_17__NON_CRIMINAL_VIOLATIONS_-
_CLOTHING_DONATION_CONTAINERS