

City of New Bedford

IN COMMITTEE

April 27, 2017

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 Thursday, April 20, 2017, considered a WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, an increase in Police patrols especially on weekends in Hazelwood Park, on the West Beach side of the park due to the amount of complaints from residents from the south and north side abutting the park of drug activity, inappropriate activity, including persons openly urinating on residential properties; and further, that the Police Chief consider using motorcycle Police patrols in these Park areas due to the fact that motorcycle patrols can get through the whole entire park; and further, that the Department of Parks, Recreation and Beaches consider putting up signage on both sides of the park reminding visitors of the rules and regulations of our City Parks. (To be Referred to the Committee on Appointments and Briefings, Police Chief Cordeiro and the Department of Parks, Recreation and Beaches.) (Ref'd 8/18/6)

On motion by Councillor Lopes and seconded by Councillor Abreu, the Committee VOTED: To recommend to the City Council to Follow the Recommendations in the WRITTEN MOTION, Councillor Gomes, requesting, an increase in Police patrols especially on weekends in Hazelwood Park, on the West Beach side of the park due to the amount of complaints from residents from the south and north side abutting the park of drug activity, inappropriate activity, including persons openly urinating on residential properties; and further, that the Police Chief consider using motorcycle Police patrols in these Park areas due to the fact that motorcycle patrols can get through the whole entire park; and further, that the Department of Parks, Recreation and Beaches consider putting up signage on both sides of the park reminding visitors of the rules and regulations of our City Parks. This motion passed on a voice vote.

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Councillor Brian K. Gomes, Chairman

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