

**MUNICIPAL COUNCIL AGENDA
TEMPORARY CITY HALL
141 OAK STREET, TAUNTON, MA 02780**

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AUGUST 26, 2014 – 7:00 PM

**INVOCATION
ROLL CALL
RECORDS**

HEARING: NONE

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR

APPOINTMENTS

- Appointment of poll workers (Separate Packet)
- Appointment of Capital Improvement Advisory Committee

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICERS

- Pg. 1 Com. from Superintendent of Buildings – Requesting transfer from Reserve Account.
- Pg. 2 Com. from Fire Chief – Responding on the SAFE Trailer.
- Pg. 3-7 Com. from Superintendent of Buildings – Notifying of assessed fines.
- Pg. 8 Com. from Ass't Executive Director – Responding on 398 Somerset Ave.
- Pg. 9 Com. from Ass't Executive Director – Responding on 40 Pratt St.
- Pg. 10 Com. from Ass't Executive Director – Responding on 13 & 19 Monica St.
- Pg. 11 Com. from Fire Chief – Submitting information on New Hires.
- Pg. 12 Com. from Irene M. Fernandes, John Shea Court, 21 Hodges Ave., Taunton – Requesting Municipal Council presence in memory of 9/11/01.
- Pg. 13 Com. from Kurt M. Bourdon, City of Taunton Firefighter – Submitting Resignation.

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PETITIONS

Claim submitted by Anne Zrebiec, 8 Smith Street, Taunton, MA notifying that her car was parked at E. Pole School and noticed that the Groundskeeper had weed wacked and her car was covered with debris, which resulted with fresh scratch marks on the hood of her vehicle.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ORDERS, ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Order for a first reading to be passed to a second reading

Ordered That,

\$2,100,000 is appropriated, for the purpose of paying costs related to the remodeling, reconstructing and making extraordinary repairs to the *Taunton High School Stadium, 50 Williams St, Taunton, MA*; and to meet this appropriation, \$500,000.00 will be transferred from available funds and the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor is authorized to borrow \$1,600,000.00 under Chapter 44 of the General Laws; and that the Mayor is authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out this project.

FURTHER ORDERED: That the Treasurer is authorized to file an application with the appropriate officials of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts (the "Commonwealth") to qualify under Chapter 44A of the General Laws any and all bonds of the City to be issued pursuant to this Order, and to provide such information and execute such documents as such officials of the Commonwealth may require.

Order for a first reading to be passed to a second reading

Ordered That,

\$1,200,000 be appropriated for the cost of engineering services for the plans and specifications for improvements to the City's wastewater system and or pumping stations, consisting of the Phases 11 and 12 SSES, including the payment of all costs incidental or related thereto; that to meet this appropriation, the Treasurer with the approval of the Mayor is authorized to borrow **\$1,200,000** and issue bonds or notes therefor under Chapter 44 of the General Laws or any other enabling authority; and that the Mayor and any other appropriate officials of the City are authorized to take any other action necessary or convenient to carry out this project.

FURTHER ORDERED: That the Treasurer is authorized to file an application with the appropriate officials of The Commonwealth of Massachusetts (the "Commonwealth")

to qualify under Chapter 44A of the General Laws any and all bonds of the City to be issued pursuant to this Order, and to provide such information and execute such documents as such officials of the Commonwealth may require.

NEW BUSINESS

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Rm Blackwell".

**Rose Marie Blackwell
City Clerk**

Appointment

City of Taunton
Office of the Mayor

Thomas C. Hoye, Jr.
Mayor

Alyssa Gracia
Chief of Staff

Gill E. Enos
Budget Director



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Temporary City Hall
Taunton, MA 02780
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Fax. (508) 821-1005

August 15, 2014

Council President AJ Marshall
Members of the Municipal Council
141 Oak Street
Taunton, MA 02780

Dear Council President Marshall & Members of the Municipal Council,

As you are aware, my office has been working with City departments on a ten year Capital Improvement Plan to coordinate the financing and timing of major public improvements in the City of Taunton. Developing a capital improvement program is a critical component in planning capital expenditures and coordinating community planning, financial capacity and physical development. To assist us in this process I am creating a Capital Improvement Advisory Committee (CIAC), which will serve in an advisory role only, and appointing the following individuals to the CIAC:

Timothy Bradshaw, Taunton Fire Chief
Deborah Carr, City Councilor, Chair of Public Property
Keith Cwiekowski, Working Foreman Building Maintenance Craftsman
Alyssa Gracia, Chief of Staff
Julie Hackett, Superintendent Taunton Public Schools
AJ Marshall, Council President
Cathal O'Brien, Water Superintendent
Kevin Scanlon, Director Planning, Zoning and Conservation
Wayne Walkden, Superintendent of Buildings
Ed Walsh, Taunton Police Chief

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me.

Thank you,


Thomas C. Hoye, Jr.

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CITY OF TAUNTON

MASSACHUSETTS

WAYNE E. WALKDEN,
MCPPO, CBO
SUPERINTENDENT OF
BUILDINGS

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS



TEMPORARY
GOVERNMENT OFFICES
141 Oak Street
TAUNTON, MA 02780-3464
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FAX (508) 821-1019
Email: wwalkden@taunton-ma.gov

August 20, 2014

Honorable Mayor Thomas C. Hoye Jr.
Council President Andrew J. Marshall
And Members of the Municipal Council

Re: TRANSFER REQUEST TO COVER CENTRAL FIRE STATION CLEANUP COSTS

Dear Mayor and Councilors:

As you know, at a meeting held Tuesday, August 12, 2014, the Committee on Public Property approved funding for the Central Fire Station hazmat cleanup in an amount not to exceed \$97,900. Due to time constraints, I respectfully request you to authorize the following transfer by way of a vote on the floor:

Transfer from: Reserve Fund Account # (01-132-5200-5784) to Building Department Capital Improvement Account # (01-493-5300-5840)

Amount: \$97,900

Upon approval, the project can begin Monday, September 8, 2014.

Thank you.

Regards,

Wayne E. Walkden

Wayne E. Walkden
Superintendent of Buildings

cc: Maria Ventura, Building Department Office Manager

2.



CITY OF TAUNTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

50 School Street
Taunton, MA 02780
Tel. (508) 821-1452 • Fax (508) 821-1495

TIMOTHY J. BRADSHAW
Chief of Department

KATE GOVER
Administrative Assistant

August 19, 2014

Taunton City Council
Taunton City Hall
141 Oak Street
Taunton, MA 02780

RE: Safe Trailer Event Usage

Dear Honorable Council Members,

On Saturday June 14, 2014 the Taunton Fire Department participated in a public safety /family event with the Department's SAFE Trailer. This trailer is a public safety education tool that was purchased for the department by the Taunton Federal Credit Union. It teaches fire safety in the home as well going over proper exit drills from a burning structure. The Department provides the SAFE trailer at a variety of events, both public, and private to help educate the children of our community.

The trailer was manned by Taunton Firefighters certified by our SAFE Officer to run school aged children through the educational exercises. The Fire Department did not sponsor or fund the event. It only provided the educational attraction.

Respectfully,

Timothy Bradshaw
Chief of Department
Taunton Fire Department

Lawrence Gantz
SAFE Coordinator
Taunton Fire Department

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CITY OF TAUNTON

MASSACHUSETTS

WAYNE E. WALKDEN,
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August 20, 2014

Honorable Mayor Thomas C. Hoye Jr.
Council President Andrew J. Marshall
And Members of the Municipal Council

Re: DEPARTMENTAL FINES

Dear Mayor and Councilors:

At a regular meeting of the Municipal Council held on Tuesday, August 12, 2014, the Council motioned that all Department Heads notify the Council of any fines assessed against their Department for non-compliance, how the fines are being paid, and whether they anticipate an assessment in the next six (6) months.

My response is as follows:

In August of 2013, the Building Department paid a compliance fee of \$5,200 to the Massachusetts DEP covering an underground storage tank at 110 County Street. Since a Remedial Action Measure (RAM) was filed with the agency after the tank removal, we anticipate the issue has been resolved and that there will be no more fees.

The Building Department continues to pay an annual fee of \$2,000 to the Massachusetts DEP covering a hazardous release of subsoil gases dating back to 2010. The fee will no longer be assessed once we reach a Permanent Solution which we hope will be accomplished in the early fall of this year. The most recent fee was paid in October, 2013.

Copies of the annual assessments are included for your review. There are no other non-compliance issues/fees assessed to the Building Department at this time.

Regards,

Wayne E. Walkden

Wayne E. Walkden
Superintendent of Buildings

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INVOICE
Remit to:
DEPT. OF ENVIRON. PROTECTION
COMMONWEALTH MASTER LOCKBOX
P.O. Box 3982
BOSTON, Massachusetts 02241-3982

Customer Name CITY OF TAUNTON			Page 1
Customer Number VC6000192003	Invoice Number INTF64132RT4X0023975	Notice Date 08-03-13	
E-Payment ID 0049631442	AR Dept BPRO EQE:SCAI	Due Date 10-01-13	
Amount Due \$5,200.00		Amount Enclosed	

Bill to:
CITY OF TAUNTON
ATTN: WAYNE WALKDEN
141 OAK ST
TAUNTON Massachusetts 02780-4431

Payment Method: Check Money Order

Please check if address has changed. Write correct address on back of stub and attach with payment

Please write Invoice No on front of check or Money Order. DO NOT MAIL CASH

Please detach the above stub and return with your remittance payable to COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS



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DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
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Customer Name CITY OF TAUNTON		Customer Number VC6000192003	Invoice Number INTF64132RT4X0023975	Notice Date 08-03-13	Due Date 10-01-13	
Invoice Charges						
Ref Line No.	DESCRIPTION	Invoice Date	No. of Units	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Charges/Credit
1	Year Ending 5/29/2013 TIER ID Fee	08-02-13				\$4,000.00
2	Year Ending 5/29/2014 RAO Fee, 6-20-2013 B-1 RAO.	08-02-13				\$1,200.00
Credit Payments Applied						
Total Amount Due By 10-01-13						\$5,200.00

THIS INVOICE RELATES TO RTN 4-0023975, FORMER SCHOOL, 110 COUNTY STREET, TAUNTON, MA
DEP RECORDS INDICATE THAT THE ABOVE REFERENCED ANNUAL COMPLIANCE ASSURANCE FEE(S) ARE APPLICABLE TO THIS SITE FOR THE BILLABLE YEARS INDICATED ABOVE. PAYMENT IS NOT AN ADMISSION OF LIABILITY PURSUANT TO C.21E SECTION 5. TO ENSURE PROPER CREDITING, PLEASE INCLUDE YOUR FEDERAL TAX IDENTIFICATION NUMBER OR SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER ON THE VERIFICATION FORM INCLUDED WITH THE ORIGINAL INVOICE. PLEASE CONTACT DEP FOR INFORMATION OR ASSISTANCE.

Instructions
THE ENCLOSED BILLING RIGHTS ARE PART OF THIS 1ST INVOICE ISSUED TO YOU PURSUANT TO M.G.L.C.21E. SEC 3B & 310 CMR 40.0000. YOU MUST EITHER REMIT FULL PAYMENT OR REQUEST A REVIEW BY THE DUE DATE PURSUANT TO 310 CMR 4.03 (8) AND THE ENCLOSED BILLING RIGHTS. NON-PAYMENT WILL RESULT IN INTEREST, LATE CHARGES, INTERCEPT OF STATE PAYMENTS OR TAX REFUNDS, AND REFERRAL TO DEBT COLLECTION UNDER C.7A, C.62D AND 815 CMR 9.00.

CONTACT Bureau of waste site cleanup (617) 292-5545

W.W. FY14

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2014-0879

PURCHASE ORDER CITY OF TAUNTON

Mayor's Office
15 Summer Street, Taunton, MA 02780

Vendor # 16756 Ship To: _____
 NAME: Dept. of Environmental Protection NAME: _____
 NAME: Commonwealth Master Lockbox NAME: Building Dept.
 ADDRESS: P.O. Box 3982 ADDRESS: _____
 TELEPHONE: Boston, MA 02241-3982 TELEPHONE: _____

NOTE: Vendor invoice must show number of units and unit price for each item

DATE OF REQ.	REQUISITION BY: (DEPARTMENT) AND CONTACT PERSON	DATE OF ORDER	ACCOUNT TO BE CHARGED		
8/22/2013	Building Dept/Wayne Walkden	8/22/13 01	01-495-0302-5256 493-0203-5240		
QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	UNIT PRICE	REC'D	AMOUNT	
	Tier ID Fee applicable to Old E.Pole				
TOTAL				\$	5,200.00

Mayor's Remarks _____

Dept. Head Approval: Wayne Walkden
 MAYOR APPROVAL: AW 8/22/13
 Schedule Balance: BANK # 148367
 Line Item Balance: _____
 AUDITOR'S APPROVAL: AW 8/22/13

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| Does product use electricity? | <input type="checkbox"/> | | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Is product Y2K compliant? | <input type="checkbox"/> | | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$1,000 - \$10,000 (3 quotes)? | <input type="checkbox"/> | | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| OVER \$10,000 (ADVERTISING) | <input type="checkbox"/> | | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| OVER \$100,000 (Central Register) | <input type="checkbox"/> | | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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(Attach Quotes)
 All purchases must be preapproved by Mayor.
 Please submit this purchase order with all copies,
 being sure that all blanks are full.

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DEPT. OF ENVIRON. PROTECTION COMMONWEALTH MASTER LOCKBOX P.O. Box 3982 BOSTON Massachusetts 02241-3982		Customer Number	Invoice Number
		VC6000192003	INTF64501RT4X0022229
		Notice Date	10-04-13
		AR Dept/PRO	Due Date
		0049823253	EOE:SCAI
		12-02-13	
		Amount Due	Amount Enclosed
		\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00

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141 OAK ST
TAUNTON Massachusetts 02780-4431

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Customer Name		Invoice Number	Notice Date	Due Date		
CITY OF TAUNTON		INTF64501RT4X0022229	10-04-13	12-02-13		
Invoice Charges						
Ref Line No.	DESCRIPTION	Invoice Date	No. of Units	Unit of Measure	Unit Price	Charges/Credit
1	Year Ending 6/10/2013 TIER II Fee	10-03-13				\$2,000.00
Credit Payments Applied						\$0.00
Total Amount Due By 12-02-13						\$2,000.00

THIS INVOICE RELATES TO RTN 4-0022229, CENTRAL FIRE STATION, 19-23 LEONARD ST, TAUNTON, MA

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CONTACT: Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup (617) 292-5545

Wayne Walkden 10/9/13
#414

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 Mayor's Office
 15 Summer Street, Taunton, MA 02780

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10/16/2013	Building Dept/Wayne Walkden	10/16/2013	01-493-0202-5258	
QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION		UNIT PRICE	REC'D AMOUNT
	Tier II Fee for Central Fire Station			
	TOTAL		\$	2,000.00

Mayor's Remarks _____

Dept. Head Approval: Wayne Walkden
 MAYOR APPROVAL: [Signature] 10/17/13
 Schedule Balance: Batch # 146 11 T
 Line Item Balance: _____
 AUDITOR'S APPROVAL: [Signature] 10/21/13

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City of Taunton

Board of Health

45 School Street
Massachusetts 02780-5212

BOARD MEMBERS
DR. BRUCE E. BODNER
DR. C. NASON BURDEN
DR. JOSEPH F. NATES

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HEATHER L. GALLANT, MPH, RS, CHO
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

ADAM S. VICKSTROM
ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

August 14, 2014

Municipal Council
Temporary City Hall
141 Oak Street
Taunton, MA 02780

RE: 398 Somerset Avenue

Dear Members of Municipal Council,

The dwelling at 398 Somerset Avenue was condemned by the Board of Health on September 5, 2007. The property was ordered vacant of all occupants and secured by the City of Taunton for lack of operable sanitary facilities, hot water, egress obstructions, and garbage and rubbish throughout the interior and exterior of the dwelling. An inspection of the property was conducted on August 12, 2014. The Board of Health found the yard to be overgrown and the exterior of the property to be cluttered with garbage, rubbish and refuse. The dwelling appears to be currently vacant and secured against unlawful entry, as the Board of Health could not find any points of access on the first floor. The second floor had numerous open windows as the owner of the property routinely visits the property to "maintain" the dwelling.

Over the past 7 years the City of Taunton Board of Health and the City of Taunton Law Department have been trying to gain compliance with this property and have exercised numerous legal avenues for this, receiving only interim success through housing court. Over the past few years the City of Taunton has joined forces with the Attorney General's Office for the goal of placing the property into receivership. A qualified receiver has been identified and we are awaiting further ruling on this. The Housing Court has allowed the owner of the property, more than enough, time to make required repairs. A timeline was given for compliance, and mandated improvements have not been met within the time allotted. As of this week, the Attorney General's Office has petitioned the housing court for an expedited court date to appoint a receiver, and are awaiting a ruling. The next court date may be as early as August 26, 2014. After this date we should have a better idea as to the future of this property.

Respectfully,

Adam S. Vickstrom
Assistant Executive Director

Cc: Rose Marie Blackwell
City Clerk



City of Taunton

Board of Health

45 School Street
Massachusetts 02780-3212

BOARD MEMBERS
DR. BRUCE E. BODNER
DR. C. NASON BURDEN
DR. JOSEPH F. NATES

9.

HEATHER L. GALLANT, MPH, RS, CHO
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

ADAM S. VICKSTROM
ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

August 14, 2014

Municipal Council
Temporary City Hall
141 Oak Street
Taunton, MA 02780

RE: 40 Pratt Street

Dear Members of Municipal Council,

The dwelling at 40 Pratt Street was condemned by the Board of Health on October 1, 2007. The property was ordered vacant of all occupants and secured by the City of Taunton for lack of operable sanitary facilities, hot water, and electricity throughout the dwelling. An inspection of the property was conducted on August 12, 2014. The Board of Health found the yard to be overgrown and the exterior of the property to be cluttered with garbage, rubbish and refuse. The dwelling appears to be currently vacant and secured against unlawful entry, as the Board of Health could not find any points of access on the first floor. In the Board of Health's capacity to secure, the property warrants no further action, but does however, recommend the exterior of the property be cleared of all garbage, rubbish, and refuse, as this can lead to the harborage of rodents and offer an ideal breeding ground for potentially harmful insects.

Respectfully,

Adam S. Vickstrom
Assistant Executive Director

Cc: Rose Marie Blackwell
City Clerk



City of Taunton

Board of Health

45 School Street
Massachusetts 02780-3212

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ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

August 15, 2014

Municipal Council
Temporary City Hall
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Taunton, MA 02780

RE: 13 & 19 Monica Street

Taunton Municipal Council:

In regards to the properties at 13 & 19 Monica Street an inspection was conducted on August 13, 2014. Presently there is no trash or debris on either properties that would constitute a violation of the Sanitary Code. On each property there are several unregistered vehicles that would have to be addressed by the Zoning Enforcement Officer. Additionally, though the properties show some overgrowth there is no evidence of any rodent harborage or any other violations associated with the overgrowth at the time of inspection. The properties will continue to be monitored for violations.

Sincerely,

Daniel Syriala
Sanitary Inspector

Cc: Rose Marie Blackwell
City Clerk

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CITY OF TAUNTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

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Tel. (508) 821-1452 • Fax (508) 821-1495

TIMOTHY J. BRADSHAW
Chief of Department

KATE GOVER
Administrative Assistant

August 22, 2014

Taunton City Council
Taunton City Hall
141 Oak Street
Taunton, MA 02780

RE: New Hires

Dear Honorable Council Members,

Due to the recent retirements of firefighters Daryl Bushee and Louis Jackson and the resignation of firefighter Kurt Bourdon, the Taunton Fire Department is currently down to 117 members. As you are aware the department's SAFER compliance number is 120.

In June the Fires and Wires Committee called for a Civil Service list to hire three firefighters. I would ask that we continue with the hiring process and begin vetting applicants immediately in order to get the department back to its compliance number. All three requested positions are currently funded in the department's 2015 budget. Thank you for your consideration in this request.

Sincerely,

Timothy Bradshaw
Chief of Department

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FROM THE DESK OF IRENE FERNANDES

August 18, 2014

In memory of all who perished and suffered on September 11, 2001 including our own Peter A. Gay and Neelie Casey.

Dear Taunton Municipal Council,

The John Shea Court would like your presence at their 12th anniversary, and the 13th worldwide here at 21 Hodges Avenue, Thursday, September 11 at 2 p.m., to share in the memory of all who lost their lives and suffered on this horrific day. Speeches from our dignitaries tell it all.

The event will begin with the opening of the National Anthem. Prayers will be read by our police and firemen, along with the world prayer from one of our own. There will be red, white and blue balloons released in the air during the singing of the National Anthem. This will end with the singing of God Bless America from all attending. Food and beverages will be served in the Community Hall.

By attending this memorial, our people will always remember how families support one another in our great city.

I would really appreciate if you would either call or send a reply so I can have a count of attendees. The number to call is (508) 823-1450. Please leave a message if I am not available. Hope to see you there.

Thank you,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Irene M. Fernandes".

Irene M. Fernandes

John Shea Court

21 Hodges Avenue, Apt. 206

Taunton, MA 02780

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655 Burt Street
Taunton, MA 02780

Taunton City Council
141 Oak Street
Taunton, MA 02780

August 30, 2014

Dear Councilors,

I am writing to you to express my appreciation for allowing me to perform for eight years as a member of the Taunton Fire Department. I have felt nothing short of pride in serving the Taunton community. It was a privilege to serve on the TFD for the city I grew up and continue to live in. Its members are highly professional and consider it their duty to serve with honor.

I would like to express my gratitude to the Taunton City Councilors for supporting my family and I in my pursuit to further my career in public service. I sincerely thank you for providing me with leave time necessary to train at the State Police Academy in the past and I have now decided to return.

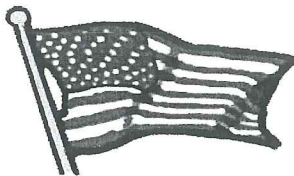
It has been a struggle for me to reach this decision. With the responsibility of providing security for my family, it is with painstaking consideration that I am respectfully submitting my resignation to the Taunton Fire Department.

I will always hold the Taunton Fire Department, the City of Taunton, and its Council in the highest regard.

Respectfully submitted,



Kurt M. Bourdon



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TAUNTON, MA

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AUGUST 26, 2014

**HONORABLE THOMAS C. HOYE, JR., MAYOR
COUNCIL PRESIDENT ANDREW J. MARSHALL
AND MEMBERS OF THE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL**

PLEASE NOTE: **THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEE MEETINGS HAVE BEEN SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, AUGUST 26, 2014 AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE TEMPORARY CITY HALL AT MAXHAM SCHOOL, 141 OAK STREET, TAUNTON, MA. 02780, IN THE CHESTER R. MARTIN MUNICIPAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

5:30 P.M.

THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE & SALARIES

1. MEET TO REVIEW THE WEEKLY VOUCHERS & PAYROLLS FOR CITY DEPARTMENTS
2. MEET TO REVIEW REQUESTS FOR FUNDING
3. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE

PLEASE NOTE: **A "MEETING" OF THE ENTIRE MUNICIPAL COUNCIL, AS SAID TERM IS DEFINED IN MASS. GEN. L. C. 30A, §18 MAY OCCUR CONCURRENTLY WITH THIS COMMITTEE MEETING**

THE COMMITTEE ON SOLID WASTE

1. MEET WITH THE DPW TEAM FOR AN UPDATE ON SOLID WASTE ISSUES IN THE CITY.
2. MEET TO REVIEW MATTERS IN FILE
3. PUBLIC INPUT

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RESPECTFULLY,

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