

# **New Bedford City Councilor Hugh Dunn tests positive for COVID-19**

Ward 3 City Councilor Hugh Dunn confirmed on his Facebook page that he has tested positive for COVID-19.

“I am one of nearly six million Americans who has tested positive for COVID-19.

I am lucky to be able to say that I am currently recovering comfortably at home and hope to test negative soon. Because I have been practicing social distance, to the best of my abilities, I am aware of who I have been in contact with and have notified those impacted and have also determined when I contracted the virus. All those who I have contacted have, thankfully, tested negative. A full recovery is my top priority at this time, and I plan on continuing to recuperate in isolation until my doctor gives me the go-ahead to return to my daily life. I do not anticipate that my condition will prevent me from continuing to represent the voters of Ward 3, and I look forward to attending the next meeting remotely. I encourage you to join me in taking the test, even if asymptomatic, by visiting a Stop the Spread testing site:  
<https://www.mass.gov/info-details/stop-the-spread>”

His announcement came just 30 minutes before he attended via Zoom the FY2021 budget cut session Monday evening. **He had missed seven previous city council meetings leading up to the budget cut meeting.**