

THE CITY OF WARWICK
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

NO..... DATE.....

APPROVED.....MAYOR

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS
DIRECTOR APPEAR BEFORE THE CITY COUNCIL ON MARCH 21, 2016 TO
RESPOND TO ACCUSATIONS OF THEFTS WITHIN THAT DEPARTMENT**

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Resolved that,

WHEREAS, the health, safety and welfare of the citizens of the City of Warwick are matters of paramount importance to the City Council; and

WHEREAS, the City Council are stewards of Warwick’s finances and other resources; and

WHEREAS, periodically, members of the public have raised questions regarding thefts and mismanagement within the Department of Public Works; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to have the Director of Public Works address the City Council about the allegations that have been made.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Warwick City Council hereby requests that the Director of Public Works appear before the Warwick City Council on March 21, 2016 to address accusations of theft and misconduct within the department, including but not limited to:

- Allowing employees to fill personally owned vehicles with gasoline;
- Having the City yard easily accessible after hours with a gate code that is well known;
- Having at least 2 houses built with supplies and/or equipment purchased by Warwick taxpayers;
- Maintaining a policy which enables City assets to be used indiscriminately by employees with no record keeping;
- Having purchases made for personal use by employees with a City of Warwick Home Depot credit card;
- Having no controls over a tire contract so that City employees can have their tires replaced at the City’s expense; and
- Having close to One Million Dollars in theft over a ten year period.

The City Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Director of the Department of Public Works.

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This Resolution shall take effect upon passage.

SPONSORED BY: COUNCILWOMAN VELLA-WILKINSON

COMMITTEE: INTERGOVERNMENTAL