

THE CITY OF WARWICK  
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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

APPROVED.....MAYOR

RESOLUTION AMENDING THE COUNCIL RULES TO  
ADD A STANDING COMMITTEE

Resolved that,

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

WHEREAS, the Council Rules establish standing committees of the City Council; and,

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to add a standing committee for Health, Education and Welfare; and,

WHEREAS, Rule 6 of the City Council Rules as set forth below contains the provisions relative to the standing committees:

**RULE 6.** The Standing Committees are:

- a. Finance Committee
- b. Public Properties, Land Use Committee and Community Affairs
- c. Public Safety Committee
- d. Ordinance Committee
- e. Intergovernmental Relations Committee
- f. Appointments Committee
- g. Economic Development Committee

The several committees shall consider all matters referred thereto and, in general, subject to the provisions of Rule No. 30 governing referral to the committee. For the purpose of this Rule, "consider" shall mean a vote on (i) a motion to report the resolution or ordinance to the Council with the recommendation of favorable action, (ii) a motion to report the resolution to the Council with the recommendation of unfavorable action, (iii) no recommendation, (iv) a motion to report the resolution or ordinance to the Council as being held in committee for further study for one (1) week or one (1) month.

No resolution or ordinance having been referred to any committee shall be tabled or held in committee indefinitely, and upon the written request of the principal sponsor of said proposed Resolution or Ordinance to the Council President, shall be discharged to the Council floor with one of the above recommendations for consideration and vote by the Council at the meeting scheduled two months after the meeting at which the request was submitted.

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2 The committees shall have, respectively, the following duties and areas of consideration:  
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4 **Finance Committee**

- 5 1. All reports of the Finance Director, City Treasurer, City Assessor and all matters relative  
6 to the City debt or to the revenue and expenditures of the City. It shall be their duty to  
7 report to the Council from time to time their opinion on such matters herein mentioned  
8 and such propositions relative thereto as to them shall seem expedient.  
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- 10 2. All matters pertaining to education in any form and any matters relative to libraries.

11 **Public Properties, Land Use Committee and Community Affairs**

- 12 1. All matters relating to the maintenance, erection, location and repair of City property and  
13 buildings, the sale or exchange of tax title or surplus City property, the leasing of real and  
14 personal property by the City of Warwick, excluding matters which are properly  
15 cognizable within the jurisdiction of any other committee as herein defined or any other  
16 City board or agency.  
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- 18 2. All requests from various bureaus, fraternal and other organizations and all matters  
19 relating to City playgrounds and recreations.  
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- 21 3. All matters relating to health, transportation of garbage, dumps, camps, parks, the keeping  
22 and sale of milk, the care of the sick, etc.  
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- 24 4. All matters relating to the use of land, building or buildings, location, construction,  
25 petitions for rezoning, applications for approval to alter wetlands under the Wetlands Act,  
26 so-called, and petitions to abandon public highways within the City.  
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- 28 5. All matters relating to the protection, development, regulation and use of the natural shore,  
29 harbors, and park resources of the City of Warwick.  
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31 **Public Safety Committee**

- 32 1. All matters relating to claims against the City arising from damage done by animals, or  
33 arising from damage to property, or on account of injury to persons, and all matters  
34 pertaining to the Police Department.  
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- 36 2. All matters relative to street lighting and pole locations, all matters relative to the Fire  
37 Department, the location of street hydrants and fire alarm signals, the extension of the  
38 water system, and the storage of petroleum products, hydro carbons or other hazardous  
39 materials, including hazardous waste.  
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41 **Ordinance Committee**

- 42 1. All proposed ordinances, including matters which would otherwise be referred to another  
43 committee, except ordinances relating to expenditure of City funds or financial matters.  
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45 **Intergovernmental Relations Committee**

1. Shall act as Council liaison between other City and State agencies such as the School Department, General Assembly, Charter Commission, and other agencies as required.
2. All matters relating to litigation, all matters relating to public service corporations and the relationship between Warwick and other cities and towns.
3. All matters relating to changes in the Warwick Code of Ordinances or the City Charter, but excluding those matters specifically relating to the City debt, revenue or expenditures of the City. All matters relative to the jurisdiction or operation of the Municipal Court.

**Appointments Committee**

1. Shall review all appointments requiring Council Approval.

**Economic Development Committee**

1. All matters relative to job creation, establishment of new businesses or expansion of existing businesses in the City of Warwick other than those matters under the jurisdiction of the Land Use Committee or Finance Committee, and all matters relative to economic development.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Warwick City Council hereby amends Rule 6 of the City Council Rules to add the Health, Education and Welfare Committee as follows:

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- h. Health, Education and Welfare Committee**

**Health, Education and Welfare Committee**

1. All matters relative to youth, elderly, veterans and other social issues impacting the citizens of the city.

The City Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the City Council members.

This Resolution shall take effect upon passage.

SPONSORED BY: COUNCILPRESIDENT SOLOMON

COMMITTEE: INTERGOVERNMENTAL