

THE CITY OF WARWICK
STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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

APPROVED.....MAYOR

**RESOLUTION TO REVISE THE PROCESS FOR CITY COUNCIL
CONSIDERATION OF CLAIMS FILED AGAINST THE CITY**

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 considers and approves claims against the City which are less than a fixed monetary amount; and

WHEREAS, the practice has been to require each claimant to appear before the Public Safety Committee of the City Council at the meeting at which the person’s claim will be considered; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires to change the procedure so that claimants would be afforded an opportunity to appear before the Public Safety Committee of the City Council, but would not be required to appear before the Committee; and

WHEREAS, the City Council desires that claimants would not be required to appear before the Committee unless requested to do so by the Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby requests that the procedure for consideration of claims by the City Council be revised to the following process:

- 1) Claimants are not required to appear at the Public Safety Committee meeting at which their claims are being considered unless specifically requested to appear by the Public Safety Committee;
- 2) If, after discussion of an individual claim at a Public Safety Committee meeting and prior to a vote on the claim, it appears that the Public Safety Committee may not recommend approval of the claim, then the claim will be held to a future meeting of the Committee and the claimant must be notified that:
 - a) their claim may not be recommended for approval; and
 - b) that they have an opportunity to appear at a Public Safety Committee meeting on the date in the notice to present information on why their claim should be approved.

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The City Clerk is hereby directed to forward a copy of this Resolution to the Finance Director, all department directors and the Administration staff person handling claims against the City.

This Resolution shall take effect upon passage.

SPONSORED BY: COUNCILMAN SINAPI

COMMITTEE: INTERGOVERNMENTAL