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## **CITY COUNCIL CLAIMS COMMITTEE**

Regular meeting of the Claims Committee was held on Monday, April 1, 2024, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, Cranston, Rhode Island.

### **I. CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 P.M. by the Vice-Chair.

### **II. ROLL CALL:**

Present: Councilman Robert J. Ferri  
Councilman John P. Donegan  
Councilman Richard D. Campopiano  
Councilman Daniel Wall  
Council Vice-President Lammis J. Vargas  
Councilman Christopher G. Paplauskas, Vice-Chair  
Councilwoman Aniece Germain, Chair (appeared at 5:50 p.m.)  
Council President Jessica M. Marino

Also Present: John Verdecchia, Assistant City Solicitor  
Gianna Karalekas, Claims Clerk  
Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees

### **III. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

#### **A. MATTERS CONTINUED FROM SEPTEMBER 11, 2023:**

None.

#### **B. NEW CLAIMS BEFORE THE COMMITTEE:**

<b><u>CLAIMANT</u></b>	<b><u>DATE OF INCIDENT</u></b>	<b><u>NATURE OF CLAIM</u></b>
<i>Cheryl Goewey</i>	<i>2/8/2024</i>	<i>Vehicle Damage</i>
<i>David Quiroa</i>	<i>2/5/2024</i>	<i>Vehicle Damage</i>
<i>John DeRuosi</i>	<i>2/29/2024</i>	<i>Vehicle Damage</i>
<i>David Quiroa</i>	<i>3/15/2024</i>	<i>Vehicle Damage</i>
<i>Parks &amp; Rec Vehicle # 5509</i>	<i>2/27/2024</i>	<i>Vehicle Damage</i>
<i>Police Vehicle # 3A62</i>	<i>12/22/2023</i>	<i>Vehicle Damage</i>

<i>Police Vehicle # 7037</i>	<i>2/26/2024</i>	<i>Vehicle Damage</i>
<i>Police Vehicle # 7034</i>	<i>3/2/2024</i>	<i>Vehicle Damage</i>
<i>Wayne Kezirian/Elizabeth Paroli</i>	<i>ongoing</i>	<i>Property Damage</i>

\* Indicates a claim previously reviewed by the Claims Committee.

On motion by Councilman Ferri, seconded by Councilman Campopiano,, it was voted to go into Executive Session pursuant to RIGL 42-46-5(a)(2). Motion passed unanimously.

The Meeting went into Executive Session at 5:46.M.

Present in Executive Session: Councilmen Ferri, Donegan, Campopiano, Wall, Council Vice-President Vargas, Councilman Paplauskas, Councilwoman Germain (appeared at 5:50 p.m.) and Council President Marino; John Verdecchia, Assistant City Solicitor; Gianna Karalekas, Claims Clerk and Rosalba Zanni, Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees.

On motion by Councilman Ferri, seconded by Councilman Paplauskas, it was voted to come out of Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting came out of Executive Session at 6:05 P.M.

On motion by Councilman Ferri, seconded by Councilman Wall, it was voted to seal the minutes of Executive Session. Motion passed unanimously.

The following motions were taken in Executive Session:

**Cheryl Goewey**

On motion by Councilman Ferri, seconded by Council President Marino, it was voted to refer this claim to the Solicitor’s Office. Motion passed unanimously.

**David Quiroa**

On motion by Councilman Donegan, seconded by Council President Marino, it was voted to approve this claim. Motion passed unanimously.

**John DeRuosi**

On motion by Councilman Ferri, seconded by Councilman Campopiano, it was voted to approve this claim for \$300. Motion passed unanimously.

**David Quiroa**

On motion by Councilman Ferri, seconded by Councilman Campopiano, it was voted to approve this claim for 50%. Motion passed unanimously.

**Parks & Rec Vehicle # 5509**

On motion by Councilman Donegan, seconded by Councilman Wall, it was voted to transfer amount from Parks and Recreation to Claims Account. Motion passed unanimously.

**Police Vehicle # 3A62**

On motion by Councilman Donegan, seconded by Councilman Wall, it was voted to transfer funds to the appropriate line and refer claim to the Solicitor's Office for subrogation. Motion passed unanimously.

**Police Vehicle # 7037**

On motion by Councilman Ferri, seconded by Councilman Donegan, it was voted to transfer funds to the appropriate line item. Motion passed unanimously.

**Police Vehicle # 7034**

On motion by Councilman Donegan, seconded by Councilman Campopiano, it was voted to transfer funds from appropriate line items and refer to the Solicitor's Office for subrogation. Motion passed unanimously.

**Wayne Kezirian/Elizabeth Paroli**

On motion by Councilman Ferri, seconded by Councilman Wall, it was voted to refer this claim to the Solicitor's Office. Motion passed unanimously.

**A. CLAIMS DENIED AND/OR REFERRED**

**Referred to Providence Water:**

*Caroline Correa*

*3/11/2024*

*Vehicle Damage*

**Ms. Karalekas** stated that the claim of Caroline Correa, date of incident 3/11/2024, was denied and referred to Providence Water.

#### **IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- **Minutes of the March 4, 2024 regular meeting**

On motion by Councilman Ferri, seconded by Councilman Wall, it was voted to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the March 4, 2024 meeting and they stand approved as recorded. Motion passed unanimously.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Rosalba Zanni  
Assistant City Clerk/Clerk of Committees