TOWN OF WEST NEW YORK COUNTY OF HUDSON, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE #20/17

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 39-4 OF THE CODE OF THE TOWN OF WEST NEW YORK ENTITLED "AUTHORIZATION IN ADVANCE OF MEETING"

WHEREAS, Chapter 39 of the Code of the Town of West New York ("Town") regulates the finances of the Town; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 39-4 provides that the Chief Municipal Finance Officer is authorized to pay certain claims in advance of the meetings of the governing body; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 39-4 also provides that the claims authorized to be paid shall not exceed \$2,500.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York that Chapter 39-4 entitled "Authorization in Advance of Meeting" shall be amended as follows:

Section One

Chapter 39-4 A and B are deleted in their entirety and replaced as follows:

- A. In addition to the above procedure, the Chief Municipal Financial Officer shall be authorized to pay claims, provided that sufficient funds are budgeted for the same, for each of the following items in advance of the meeting of the governing body: weekly payroll; insurance premiums; utility bills; and capital projects with approved contracts and vouchers for payments; and provided further that all of such payments made by the Chief Municipal Financial Officer pursuant to the above provisions shall be submitted to the governing body for its ratification and approval at the next official meeting of the governing body after payment of the claims by the Chief Municipal Financial Officer.
- B. Notwithstanding any other provision in this article, in addition to the above procedure, the Chief Municipal Financial Officer, with the approval of the Municipal Administrator, shall be authorized to pay claims for goods and services provided to the Town of West New York, provided that sufficient funds are budgeted for the same and requests for payment are received in the normal course and as otherwise may be required, for each of the following items in advance of the meeting of the governing body: where authority for payment of bills on a particular contract has been provided to the Chief Municipal Financial Officer by resolution of the Board of Commissioners, and items in an amount not to exceed \$5,900 where deemed necessary for the efficient operation of the Town of West New York by the Municipal Administrator, and provided further that all of such payments made by the Chief Municipal Financial Officer pursuant to the above provisions shall be

submitted to the governing body for its ratification and approval at the next official meeting of the governing body after payment of the claims by the Chief Municipal Financial Officer.

Section Two

Severability. The provisions of this Ordinance are declared to be severable and if any section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase thereof for any reason be held to be invalid or unconstitutional, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, subsections, sentences, clauses and phrases of this Ordinance, but shall remaining in effect; it being the legislative intent that this Ordinance shall stand notwithstanding the invalidity of any part.

Section Three

Repealer. All ordinances or portions thereof in conflict or inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed, but only however, or the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, it being legislative intent that all ordinances or portions of ordinances now existing or in effect shall remain in effect unless the they are in conflict or inconsistent with any provision of this Ordinance.

Section Four

When Effective. This ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as required by law.

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE

This Ordinance amends Chapter 39-4A by deleting "beepers" as a type of bill authorized to be paid in advance of meetings. This Ordinance also amends Chapter 39-4B by increasing the amount of the claim authorized to be paid from \$2,500.00 to \$5,900.00.

Introduced: 7/20/17

Notice

The foregoing Ordinance was adopted for first reading by the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the Town of West New York, New Jersey, on **July 20, 2017 at 12:00 p.m.** and ordered published, and will be further considered before final passage at a public hearing on **August 17, 2017** at **12:00 p.m.** at the Commission Chambers, Municipal Building, West New York, NJ. A copy of this Ordinance has been posted on the bulletin board upon which public notices are customarily posted on in the Town Hall of the Town of West New York, and a copy (at no charge) is available up to and including the time of such meeting to the members of the public of the Town who shall request such copies, at the Office of the Town Clerk in said Town Hall in West New York, N.J.

> Carmela Riccie, RMC Town Clerk