



NORWOOD, OHIO

Ordinance No. 58 20 20

**ORDINANCE AMENDING NORWOOD CODIFIED ORDINANCE SECTION 133.01 TO AUTHORIZE THE SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS FOR DAMAGES AGAINST THE CITY INVOLVING THE PAYMENT OF \$1,000.00 OR LESS**

**WHEREAS**, historically the Council has received, and attempted to evaluate and adjust claims made by people for damages against the City, for things such as damages to automobiles arising from damage caused by striking specific potholes in City streets, reported to the City but not promptly repaired; and

**WHEREAS**, the Finance Committee of the Council has periodically reviews filed claims, the documentation of damages, and the investigation of the claims, to determine whether the City should be held liable for money damages, and whether payment of claims are just to both claimants and City taxpayers; and

**WHEREAS**, since 1976, Norwood Codified Ordinance Section 133.01 has authorized the Auditor and Director of Law to settle claims for damages against the City involving two hundred fifty dollars (\$250.00) or less; and

**WHEREAS**, during the 44 years since 1976, the value of \$250.00 has declined, mostly as the result of price inflation; and

**WHEREAS**, Council recognizes that, in the interest of fairness to both claimants and to the City, sometimes matters can, and should, be compromised and settled sooner than they can be evaluated at the public meetings of the Council's Finance Committee and the Council itself, now, therefore,

**BE IT ORDAINED** by the Council of the City of Norwood, State of Ohio, that:

**SECTION ONE.** Section 133.01 Norwood Codified Ordinances "Settlement of Claim for Damages" is hereby amended to read, in full, as follows:

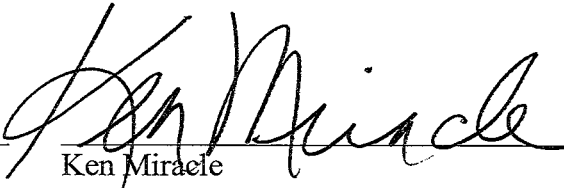
**133.01 SETTLEMENT OF CLAIM FOR DAMAGES.**

(a) The Auditor and Director of Law are hereby authorized to settle and adjust any claim for damages against the City involving one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) or less;

(b) The Auditor is hereby authorized to draw and the Treasurer to pay warrants for the foregoing purpose out of the General Fund upon receipt of proper vouchers or certificates therefor.

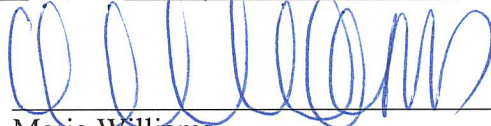
PASSED

October 13, 2020  
Date


  
Ken Miraele  
President of Council

**ATTEST:**

Maria Williams, the duly appointed Clerk of Council, attests that this ordinance was passed at a regular/special meeting of Norwood City Council on the 13 day of October, 2020, in compliance with the rules of Norwood City Council and the laws of the State of Ohio. The foregoing ordinance was submitted to the Mayor of the City of Norwood, Ohio for his signature on the 13 day of October, 2020.

  
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Maria Williams  
Clerk of Council

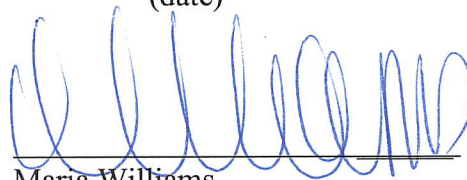
APPROVED 15 OCT 20  
Date

  
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Victor Schneider  
Mayor

**CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION:**

Maria Williams, the dully appointed Clerk of Council, attests that this ordinance was published in the

Cincinnati Enquirer on 10/19/20 and 10/26/20.  
(Name of Newspaper) (date) (date)

  
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Maria Williams  
Clerk of Council

1<sup>st</sup> Reading 10-13-2020  
Date

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

3<sup>rd</sup> Reading \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

All 3 Readings 10-13-2020  
Date

Tabled \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Vetoed \_\_\_\_\_  
Date