### BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON ORDINANCE 2023-17

# AN ORDINANCE REMOVING THE REQUIREMENT THAT CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT BE APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL LIAISON TO THE RESPONSIBLE DEPARTMENT, REPEALING SECTION 9-3 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON.

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 9 of the Code of the Borough of Pennington, regarding Bills and Claims, provides a process for the payment of the Borough's bills;

WHEREAS, in accordance with this process, any person claiming payment from the Borough must first present a certified detailed bill on Borough voucher forms to the Chief Financial Officer, who must then present the bill or claim to the Borough officer or designated employee having knowledge of the facts, who must in turn certify that the goods have been received or the services rendered;

**WHEREAS**, Section 9-3 of the Code then requires that before presentation of the bill or claim so certified to Borough Council for ultimate approval, it must also be presented to the member of Council "having charge of the department responsible for the placing of the order, who, if satisfied that it is proper, shall approve and return the same to the Chief Financial Officer;"

**WHEREAS**, upon the recommendation of the Finance Committee, Borough Council now seeks to repeal Section 9-3 of the Code because individual members of Borough Council are not in charge of or otherwise involved day-to-day in the administration of the departments of Borough government;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED**, by the Borough Council of the Borough of Pennington, that Section 9-3 of the Borough Code, requiring individual Council members to approve bills and claims, is hereby repealed; and

**BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED** that this ordinance shall take effect upon passage and publication as provided by law.

Introduced:			
Advertised:			
Public Hearing:			
Adopted:			
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ATTEST:		APPROVED:	
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Elizabeth Sterling, Borough	Clerk	James Davy, Mayor	

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#### RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE ON INTRODUCTION

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Chandler					Stern				
Gnatt					Valenza				

## RECORD OF COUNCIL VOTE ON ADOPTION

COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V.	A.B.	COUNCILMAN	AYE	NAY	N.V	A.B.
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