

## **CITY OF MANITOWOC**

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April 30, 2018

**TO:** Chairman Jim Brey, Finance Committee

Finance Committee Members

**FROM:** Kathleen M. McDaniel, City Attorney

**RE:** Tracy Virnoche Claim 18-0002

Damages from Sewer Backup at 938 Shorewood Boulevard

Dear Alder Brey and Finance Committee Members,

In reference to the above claim, Tracy Virnoche filed a claim on April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018, for damages to his basement and contents, from a sewer backup at his home located at 938 Shorewood Boulevard, on April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The Public Infrastructure Department has reported that this backup resulted from a broken section of the flow line/bench in a manhole having blocked the line in that manhole.

The claimant has submitted receipts totaling \$3,264.26, for emergency plumbing services, and an estimate for sanitation and cleaning services. It is my understanding that he will be submitting further invoices for carpet and other item replacements, which I do not expect will exceed \$7500 in total.

On April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013, the Common Council authorized the City Attorney or designee to settle all claims filed against the City of Manitowoc in individual amounts not to exceed \$5,000.00. At this time, I ask for the Committee's approval to authorize me to settle this particular claim, in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00, once the Virnoches have submitted their final receipts.

Thank you.