

**GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
SESSION 2003**

**SESSION LAW 2004-5
HOUSE BILL 1604**

AN ACT TO AMEND THE GREENSBORO CITY CHARTER TO INCREASE THE AUTHORITY OF THE CITY MANAGER TO SETTLE CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY FROM FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS TO THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. Section 7.03 of the Charter of the City of Greensboro, being Section 1 of Chapter 1137 of the 1959 Session Laws, as amended by Chapter 686 of the 1961 Session Laws, Chapter 55 of the 1963 Session Laws, Chapter 213 of the 1973 Session Laws, Chapter 159 of the 1981 Session Laws, Chapter 4 of the 1991 Session Laws, and Chapter 680 of the 1995 Session Laws, is rewritten to read:

"Sec. 7.03. Settlement of claims by city manager.

The city manager may settle claims against the city for: (i) personal injury or for damages to property when the amount involved does not exceed the sum of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) and does not exceed the actual loss sustained, including loss of time, medical expenses, and any other expense actually incurred, and (ii) the taking of property for rights-of-way in connection with public improvements which the city is authorized by law to make, when the amount involved in any such settlement does not exceed the sum of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000) and does not exceed the actual loss sustained. Settlement of a claim by the city manager pursuant to this section shall constitute a complete release of the city from any and all damages sustained by the person involved in such settlement in any manner arising out of the accident, occasion, or taking complained of. All such releases shall be subject to the approval of the city attorney."

SECTION 2. This act is effective when it becomes law.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified this the 14th day of June, 2004.

s/ Beverly E. Perdue
President of the Senate

s/ Richard T. Morgan
Speaker of the House of Representatives