Rev. 2 #0077

**Sponsor:** 

Council Member Darby

Co-Sponsor:

Council Member Bracy WHEREAS, the Wilmington City Council allocates public funds for members and staff to attend conferences, training, and government-related travel with the intent of gaining knowledge and best practices to benefit the City and its residents; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of transparency, and accountability, the public should be informed about how city resources are being used for travel and what benefits result from said expenditures; and

**WHEREAS,** requiring Councilmembers who travel on city-funded expenses to provide a report and public presentation ensures that the knowledge gained contributes to policymaking, governance improvements, and city initiatives.

**WHEREAS**, in light of the foregoing, City Council deems it necessary and appropriate to amend City Council Rules to create a requirement that presentations are provided to the appropriate Committee or Committee of the Whole.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY

OF WILMINGTON that the City Council Rules are hereby amended by creating a new

Rule 10-3 to read as follows:

**RULE 10-2 - COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE** 

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## **RULE 10-3 – TRAVEL REPORTING REQUIREMENT**

Any Council member seeking to travel using City funds must notify all Council of all travel requests and provide all Council a copy of the City's Official travel request form, listing all details for travel.

<u>Upon return, any Council Member who traveled using city funds must submit a</u> post-travel public report and presentation to the appropriate Committee or Committee

of the Whole at the next available publi	ic meeting regarding the purpose and details of
their trip.	Passed by City Council,
	ATTEST:City Clerk

**SYNOPSIS:** This Resolution creates a new Council Rule 10-3, a public travel reporting requirement.