

# Mayor and Council Communication

**DATE:** 12/14/21

**M&C FILE NUMBER:** M&C 21-0966

**LOG NAME:** 14WILLIAMS LAWSUIT SETTLEMENT

**SUBJECT**

(ALL) Authorize Settlement of the Claims of Judy Ann Williams Related to the Lawsuit Entitled Judy Ann Williams v. City of Forth Worth, Cause No. 141-317545-20 in the 141st District Court, Tarrant County, Texas

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize settlement and payment in the amount of \$125,000.00 to Judy Ann Williams and her attorney Loncar Lyon Jenkins, for full and final settlement of all claims related to the lawsuit styled Judy Ann Williams v. City of Fort Worth, Cause No. 141-317545-20 in the 141st District Court, Tarrant County, Texas; and
  2. Authorize the appropriate City personnel to execute all releases and agreements necessary to complete the settlement.
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**DISCUSSION:**

On July 29, 2018, a City of Fort Worth vehicle collided with the vehicle driven by Judy Ann Williams. Ms. Williams suffered extensive injuries due to accident and incurred extensive medical bills. Consequently, a lawsuit entitled Judy Ann Williams v. City of Fort Worth was filed. An agreement has been reached to settle Ms. Williams' lawsuit \$125,000 subject to City Council approval.

A Form 1295 is not required because: This M&C does not request approval of a contract with a business entity.

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**FISCAL INFORMATION / CERTIFICATION:**

The Director of Finance certifies that upon approval of the recommendations, funds are available in the current operating budget, as appropriated, in the Risk Financing Fund. Prior to an expenditure being incurred, the Human Resources department has the responsibility to validate the availability of funds.

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