



CITY OF HOUSTON - CITY COUNCIL

Meeting Date:

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Item Creation Date: 3/26/2024

LGL - Cause No. 2021-65286; Ela Romano Huerta, Xotzy Romano, and Deyvin Claudia Teyul Ich v. The City of Houston; In the 125th Judicial District Court of Harris County, Texas

Agenda Item#:

Summary:

That Council adopt an ordinance approving and authorizing a Settlement, Release, and Indemnification Agreement ("Release") between the City of Houston and Deyvin Claudia Teyul Ich in the amount of \$60,000.00 to settle a lawsuit.

Background:

The automobile collision giving rise to this lawsuit occurred at 10:20 p.m. on January 7, 2020, when Police Officer, Patrick Norris was turning left from a median across FM 1960. Plaintiff, Deyvin Claudia Teyul Ich was seated in the rear seat of Ela Romano Huerta's sedan which was travelling east on FM 1960 in the third lane when Officer Norris failed to yield the right-of-way when he turned left across FM 1960. The force of the collision pushed Huerta's car into a water-filled ditch. HPD's investigation concluded Officer Norris failed to yield the right-of-way and was at-fault for the accident.

Plaintiff sustained bodily injuries as a result of the collision and received medical treatment in excess of \$38,000. Based on our investigation and analysis of Plaintiff's claims, the Legal Department recommends that Council adopt an Ordinance authorizing and approving the Release and approve and authorize the payment of \$60,000.00 out of the Property and Casualty Fund (1004) in settlement of Plaintiff's claims.

Fiscal Note: Funding for the item is included in the FY2024 Adopted Budget. Therefore, no Fiscal Note is required as stated in the Financial Policies.

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Arturo G. Michel, City Attorney

Prior Council Action:

None

Amount and Source of Funding:

\$60,000.00

Property & Casualty Fund

Fund No.: 1004

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Description

Release and Indemnification

Fund Reservation Request

Budget Information Request

Ordinance

Type

Other

Financial Information

Budget/CM Amendment

Ordinance/Resolution/Motion