



**Request for City Council Committee Action  
From the City Attorney's Office**

Date: April 29, 2013  
To: Ways & Means/Budget Committee  
Referral to:

**Subject:** *John Zasada v. City of Minneapolis*  
United States District Court File No.: 12-CV-1716 (JRT/SER)

**Recommendation:** Authorize the Minneapolis City Attorney's Office through its outside counsel, Lockridge Grindal Nauen, P.L.L.P., to settle the above-referenced matter by payment of \$5,000.00 to John Zasada and his attorney, from Fund/Org. 6900 150 1500 145865 and further authorize the Minneapolis City Attorney's Office through its outside counsel to execute any documents necessary to effectuate the settlement.

**Previous Directives:**

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Approved by:

*Susan L. Segal*  
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City Attorney

Presenter in Committee: Susan L. Segal, City Attorney

**Financial Impact** (Check those that apply)

- No financial impact (If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information).
- Action requires an appropriation increase to the  Capital Budget or  Operating Budget.
- Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase.
- Action requires use of contingency or reserves.
- Business Plan:  Action is within the plan.  Action requires a change to plan.
- Other financial impact (Explain):
- Request provided to department's finance contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator.

**Community Impact**

- Neighborhood Notification
- City Goal(s):
- Comprehensive Plan
- Zoning Code
- Other

**Background/Supporting Information**

John Zasada, an employee of the Convention Center, has filed an employment retaliation lawsuit against the City of Minneapolis. The City has denied all of the allegations contained in the lawsuit. After consultation with Convention Center administration and outside counsel, we are recommending settlement of this matter in the amount of \$5,000.00 payable to Zasada and his attorney.