



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

Date: October 16, 2013  
To: Ways & Means/Budget Committee  
Referral to:

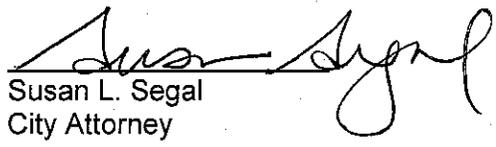
**Subject:** Christopher Ferski v. Grant Johnson  
United States District Court, Court File No. 12-3049 (SRN/JSM)

**Recommendation:** That the City Council approve the settlement of this case by payment of \$22,500 to Christopher Ferski and his attorneys from Fund/Org. 06900 1500100 145400 and authorize the City Attorney's Office to execute any documents necessary to effectuate settlement.

**Previous Directives:**

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Approved by:

  
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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): Fund/Org. 06900 1500100 145400  
 Request provided to department's finance contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator.

**Community Impact**

**Background/Supporting Information**

Plaintiff Christopher Ferski alleges that Officer Johnson illegally arrested him and used excessive force on him in October 2011. The parties have negotiated a proposed settlement in the amount of \$22,500, including all claims for damages, attorneys' fees and costs. MPD administration has approved this settlement. The City Attorney's Office and MPD administration believe that the proposed settlement is in the best interests of the City and recommend approval by this Committee and the City Council.