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

Date: November 4, 2013
To: Ways & Means/Budget Committee
Referral to:

Subject: Lori Olson v. City of Minneapolis
United States District Court, Court File No. 13-cv-27 (PJS/SER)

Recommendation: That the City Council approve the settlement of this case by payment of $25,000.00 to Lori Olson and her attorney, Rasmus Law Office, LLC, 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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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.
_X_ 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 Lori Olson alleges that City employees violated the Driver's Privacy Protection Act by accessing her driver's license information. The parties have negotiated a proposed settlement in the amount of $25,000.00, including all claims for damages, attorneys' fees and costs. The City Attorney's Office, Department of Regulatory Services, and Minneapolis Police Department believe that the proposed settlement is in the best interests of the City and recommend approval by this Committee and the City Council.