



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

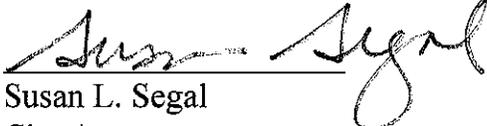
Date: October 30, 2013  
To: Ways & Means/Budget Committee  
Referral to:

**Subject:** Brian Arradondo v. City of Minneapolis

**Recommendation:** That the City Council approve the settlement of this Workers' Compensation claim by payment of \$163,000.00 payable to Brian Arradondo and his attorneys, Meuser & Associates, from Fund/Org. 06900-1500100-145280 and authorize the City Attorney's Office to execute any documents necessary to effectuate settlement.

**Previous Directives:** None

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Susan L. Segal  
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): \$163,000.00 from Fund/Org. 06900-1500100-145280  
 Request provided to department's finance contact when provided to the Committee Coordinator.

**Community Impact:** Other

**Background/Supporting Information:**

This matter and subsequent claim arise out of multiple work related injuries suffered by Firefighter Brian Arradondo during his employment with the Minneapolis Fire Department from February 1, 1996 to the present. As a consequence of his many work-related injuries at the City of Minneapolis and corresponding permanent physical restrictions, Mr. Arradondo is entitled to a number of benefits through workers' compensation.

The Workers' Compensation Department of Risk Management has been granted authority up to \$75,000.00 for settlement purposes. Any settlement that exceeds this authority must be approved by the council. ~~Following extensive negotiations with his attorney, we have reached a tentative settlement of Mr. Arradondo's workers' compensation claim against the City in the amount of \$163,000.00. This proposed settlement has been discussed with the Fire Department and they are in agreement with the terms. We believe that the settlement is in the best interests of the City and recommend approval by this Committee.~~

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